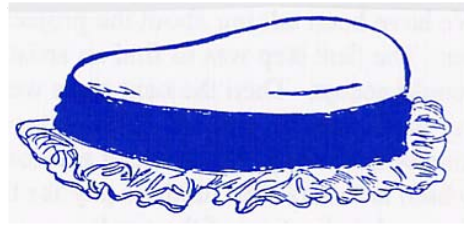


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President's Message

Homecoming: September 26, 2009
 President's Report 2009

With pleasure I write to inform the MGH Nurses' Alumnae Association membership the business of the Association, September 2008 – September 2009.

Membership

Active Members: nearly 980. Inactive Members: nearly 2,400. Complimentary Members: nearly 30. Foreign Members: 4. The Board bestowed Honorary Membership to Dr. Karen Wolf, former associate director of nursing at the MGH IHP in grateful appreciation for her enormous help recording nursing history, archiving memorabilia, and her contributions related to the educational efforts of the Association. Karen is associate professor of nursing at Samuel Merritt University, Oakland, CA and continues to conduct oral histories in nursing on the west coast. We encourage you to consider membership if you are inactive. A fee of \$30 helps with operational expenses including our publications. The MGHNAA is strictly a volunteer organization.

Communications

Our sincere thanks to Linda Lass Orrell '67, Chair of the Communications Committee and to Susan Fisher '66, Editor, for managing the exemplary work providing historical perspective to the literature. *The Record*, the annual publication of the MGHNAA, is sent to "active members" in February and *Beyond the Cap*, our second publication is sent to all members in our data base twice a year - fall and spring. We continue to maintain our office within the MGH DON Knight Center, FH 3, staff a telephone line, and maintain an Alumnae web site.

Continuing Education

Our focus 2009 was to sponsor one CEU Day in concert with the annual Homecoming where we enjoy a meaningful attendance. The 2009 program was titled "New Perspectives in Mind and Body" co-sponsored with the MGH Institute School of Nursing. Margaret Carson Gilmour '62, Catherine Collins '71, and Jennifer Repper-DeLisi, IHP '90 were featured alumnae/faculty. The program was a huge success with nearly 100 in attendance. Ann Collins '66 chaired the event and relentlessly worked to present an excellent, contemporary program.

Scholarships and Loans

Presented to MGH Institute School of Nursing students were the Adele Corkum Award, Ruth Sleeper Award, and the newly established Miriam "Mim" Huggard '31 scholarship. Future awards and scholarships will be \$5,000 gifts. Annabelle McCrae Loan Fund continues to provide assistance to graduates. The MGHNAA supported the MGH IHP Scholarship Gala 2008.

MGH Bicentennial Celebration-2011

Mass General Hospital Museum is an extraordinary project slated to open in 2011 as part of the hospital's bicentennial celebration. The museum will serve to capture hallmarks in medicine and reflect on the rich history of this world class academic medical center. Your Alumnae Association, on your behalf contributed to this effort to establish a nursing exhibit recognizing the contributions of the MGH School of Nursing.

Visit us on the Web at: MGHSONalumnae.org

Email us at: MGHnursealumnae@Partners.org

Send news to the NAA either by email or to P O Box 6234 Boston MA 02114

MGH Institute School of Nursing and MGH School of Nursing Endowment

The MGHNAA representative, the MGHIHP president, and the MGHIHP trustee representative, are in agreement to direct the annual distribution of the MGH School of Nursing Endowment, approximately \$130,000, toward salary support of nursing faculty. Representing the MGHNAA were Margery Eramo '57 at Graduation 2009 and Mary Caira '59 and Jeanne Eskander '69 at the Generalist Ceremony 2009.

MGHNAA Endowment Initiatives - MGHDON and the MGHIHP

Terms are nearly complete to establish endowment funds to include the naming of the fund as a lasting tribute to the MGHNAA. We are thrilled to provide such support in areas of nursing clinical practice to enhance patient care outcomes and nursing education to provide scholarship support for students who aspire to become a nurse and/or advance their nursing education.

Homecoming September 25, 2009

Enormous thanks to Mary Caira '59 for yet again another year as Homecoming Chair. We simply could not do this without the committed effort of such a magnificent individual. The business meeting and MGH Institute School of Nursing panel, was followed by a celebratory luncheon recognizing anniversary years: 65 year- the Class of 1944, 60 year – the Class of 1949, 50 years – the Class of 1959/1960, 45 years – the Class of 1964, and 40 years – the Class of 1969. Our senior members included Elva Sawyer Proctor '37 and Gertrude Snow Barr '38. A wonderful time was had by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Dunderdale, '63
President, MGHNAA

Report of Homecoming- 2009

119 graduates and guests attended the Homecoming at the Radisson Hotel in Boston on Saturday, September 26th, 2009

The business meeting was conducted by Barbara Dunderdale, President. All Committee reports will be published in the next copy of the **Record**.

The morning program led by Patricia Duynstree, Assistant Professor at the MGH Institute School of Nursing was exceptional once again. Four male students from the various nursing programs spoke on their experiences and education at the Institute School of Nursing.

Preceding lunch, the IHP provided a lovely reception and Hannah Potter, Archivist at the MGHIHP, displayed pictures and yearbooks of the anniversary classes.

Seventy- seven alumnae celebrated anniversaries:

Class of 1944 3 celebrated their 65th
Class of 1949 9 celebrated their 60th
Class of 1959 26 celebrated their 50th
Class of 1964 26 celebrated their 45th
Class of 1969 13 celebrated their 40th

Homecoming photos are on the NAA Web page and can be downloaded or ordered.

Seeking Volunteers for the Archives

Do you have an interest in history? Do you enjoy looking back on what were probably some of your most challenging experiences as a young nursing student? Are you willing to devote a few hours a month poring over historical photos and documents? The MGH School of Nursing Archives needs your assistance with the preserving and cataloging of this important resource.

Alumnae who are interested in finding out more about the opportunities to work in the archives are encouraged to contact Hannah Potter by email at hpotter@mghihip.edu (781) 862-4765.

Oral History Project

The Oral History Project is on going and we are fortunate to have some of the students at the IHP willing to interview graduates as part of the History of Nursing course. At this time we still have far more people interested in being interviewed than we have willing to do the interviews. If you are willing to volunteer a few hours to do an oral history interview please contact Sue Fisher or Linda Lass Orrell for more information at the Alumnae Office number or email address.

Record

Deadline for submission of material for the edition of the **Record** is December 11, 2009 Materials submitted after that date will be saved for the next edition in 2010. Class News should be directly emailed to Donna Hovey at:

DHovey1@Maine.RR.com

PRICE LIST GIFT ITEMS 2009—2010

The new gift items are available for sale. Some alumnae have purchased both the blue and amber (gold) suncatchers as they represent our school colors. The lovely scarves and blue ceramic mugs have been a hit. People purchased them for gifts as well. Take a look at them on the web page and order today www.mghsonalumnae.org.

Scarf (school caps)	\$30
Tile (updated design of school pin)	\$15
Umbrella (nurse silhouette)	\$15
Clear glass mug (school pin)	\$10
Blue ceramic mug (school pin)	\$10
Note pads -50 sheets with school pin	2/\$5
Sundial logo items:	
Suncatchers in amber or blue with box	\$15
Tote bag	\$20
Full color note card (3 with envelopes)	\$5

Books:

<i>Centennial Review</i>	\$10
<i>The Next Twenty-five Years</i>	\$15
<i>An Alumnae Tribute</i>	\$15
All three books for just \$30	

Shipping and handling is \$6 for any item purchased.

If you are ordering more than one book or multiple items: please call the Alumnae office 617 726 3144 to get the cost to ship for your order.

To order by mail: send the name of item(s) requested, your check to cover cost plus shipping, and your name and shipping address to:

MGHNAA, PO Box 6234, Boston, MA 02114

Dues 2010

Fall is here again and as we look toward 2010, it is time to renew your commitment to the Alumnae Association. Membership gives you the edition of the **Record**, reduced rates for continuing education programs, eligibility for loans and scholarships and other discounts on MGHNAA materials. It is also a way to support your association as well as communicate with your classmates and other graduates of the school.

The association needs your support in the form of dues to have an operating budget to pay for all of these things. Fill in the form below and send it in today with your check for US\$ 30.00 to cover dues and if you have not responded to the fund drive send in any additional donation to the Annual Fund Drive.

Because of the cost in time and money, please send in the form and dues today to eliminate the need for second notices.

The **Record** will be sent in late January or early February so that is a good address for us to have on file.

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Membership dues for Jan.1 – Dec 31, 2010

Name (include name at graduation): _____

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Dues bill for 2010

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