



Our Lady of the Elms



Dedication


To Our Lady of the Elms, our heavenly exemplar, we dedicate the first publication of "The Elm". Enjoying the honor of being children of Mary from infancy, we have received untold blessings from her gracious hands.

We offer this book to another mother who has led us along the paths of learning and devotion with unfailing wisdom and enduring kindness. It is only during our last year at the Elms that we have been privileged to have Mother Clare as a counsellor and friend, but we want her to know that we are her grateful children.

May the inspiration of these chosen guides remain in our hearts, leading us on through the years to the one ultimate Goal we all seek.



Foreword

 To replace the June issue of the Elm Leaf, the journalism class, with the cooperation of the juniors, presents this booklet.

"The Elm" has been selected as its title because this tree is symbolical of the Elms graduate. Her four years of scholastic and spiritual training can be compared to the roots deeply grounded in constancy and firmness, to the trunk representing the stability with which she will weather life's storms and to the branches extending themselves toward the higher ideals of life. As the Elm tree blossoms forth in stateliness and grace, so should the graduate of Our Lady of the Elms Academy characterize graciousness and dignity.

CLASS COLORS — *Red and White*

CLASS FLOWERS — *Red Rose Buds and Baby's Breath*

CLASS MOTTO — *"What We Are To Be, We Are Becoming."*



Faculty

- MOTHER M. CLARE, O.P., *Principal*
A.B., M.A., Ph.D., Fordham University
- SISTER M. JEANNETTE, O.P.
A.B., College of New Rochelle; M.A., Ph.D., Fordham University
- SISTER M. ROSALIA, O.P.
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Ph.B., Siena Heights College
- SISTER M. ANGELA, O.P.
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- HARRY A. SMITH
B.E., M.Ed., University of Akron

Chaplain

- REVEREND THOMAS J. TAYLOR, D.S.C.
A.B., St. Francis Xavier College; LL.B., Akron Law School

Senior



PRESIDENT

Patricia Lee Cullinan

NICKNAME — "Lee"
 USUALLY SEEN — Almost anywhere in blue jeans.
 PREFERENCES — Bing Crosby, Horses, "Warsaw Concerto", Adrian's "The Saint" perfume, the girls, dancing.
 AVERSIONS — Being short, my hair, being asked if I'm younger than my little sister.
 PET VANITY — Being able to stay under 100 pounds without trying.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Kathleen, get out of here!"
 PASTIMES — Talking on the phone to any good listener, plans and aspirations.
 TOP TUNE — "Together"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — Tulsa, Oklahoma.
 COLLEGE — Undecided.
 AMBITION — Good college grades, to be a librarian.
 ACTIVITIES — Sorority Treas. 1, Vice-Pres. Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, Pres. Sr. Class 4, Choral Ensemble 2, 3, 4, Elm Leaf 1, 2, French Club 3, Major Music and Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, M.M.D. Pres. 3, National Honor Society 4.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Patricia Ann Meunier

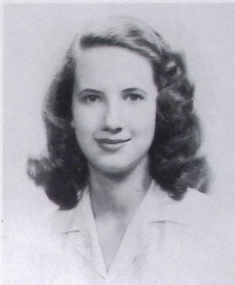
NICKNAME — "Patsy"
 USUALLY SEEN — In Cleveland.
 PREFERENCES — Opera and Boogie
 AVERSIONS — Nylons that run the first time you put them on.
 PET VANITIES — My black plastic patent hat with nail heads.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "That's what they say!"
 PASTIMES — Walking and drawing.
 TOP TUNE — "Polonaise"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — My first day at the Elms.
 COLLEGE — Cleveland School of Art.
 AMBITION — To be a good artist.
 ACTIVITIES — Editor, Elm Leaf 4, Sorority 1, 2, Major Music and Dramatic Club Treasurer 3, M.M.D. Club 2, 3, Class Secretary 3, Class Vice-Pres. 4, Choral Ensemble 2, 3, Vice-president National Honor Society 4, Basketball Varsity 4.



SECRETARY

Carolyn Patricia Armstrong

NICKNAME — "Duchess", "Miss Muf-L-Cote"
 USUALLY SEEN — Yes - usually.
 PREFERENCES — Queenie, Jap, an "RKO" production, the "establishment" bridge, spaghetti, and the old ton and a half.
 AVERSIONS — People with complexes, my procrastination, forgetfulness and gullibility!
 PET VANITIES — My green ink and my hair — every yard of it!
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "What's your trouble?" and "fopdoddle"
 PASTIME — Talking — all the time and everywhere.
 TOP TUNE — "What More Can a Woman Do?"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — It wasn't cherished — but the day I was taken down off my "high horse!"
 COLLEGE — Yale — whee!
 AMBITION — 36, Paris, five boys, two girls, long, strong nails!
 ACTIVITIES — Class Vice-Pres. 3, Class Secretary 4, President National Honor Society 4, News Editor, Elm Leaf 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, 4, French Club 3, 4, and Major Music and Dramatic Club 3, 4.



TREASURER

Yvonne Diana Franz

NICKNAME — "The Kid"
 USUALLY SEEN — 393, 2500 Fairlawn.
 PREFERENCES — Palm Beach, Carroll, Conductive music and riding.
 AVERSIONS — Fights and Misunderstandings.
 PET VANITIES — Pink.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Oh My Dear!" and "I am so happy!"
 PASTIMES — Talking it over.
 TOP TUNE — Fred Waring's "Every Time My Heart Breaks"
 CHERISHED MEMORIES — Walks and talks with J.
 COLLEGE — Undecided.
 AMBITION — To make good grades in college.
 ACTIVITIES — Choral Ensemble 2, 3, 4, Class Treasurer 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 2, 3, M.M.D. Secretary 3, French Club 2, 3, 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, 4, National Honor Society 4.



Senior



Janet Ruth Allison

NICKNAME — "Jan", "Luke"
 USUALLY SEEN — With the girls, at Highland and the 'wagon.
 PREFERENCES — Bob, my I. D. bracelet, Cornellites, Franny's laugh, racing and horses.
 AVERSIONS — "aint", my grades, Navy regulations.
 PET VANITIES — My green, green coat.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "It gravels me!"
 PASTIMES — Writing letters, being with Bob.
 TOP TUNE — "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes".
 CHERISHED MEMORY — U-m-m-m-m-m!
 COLLEGE — Pembroke or Cornell.
 AMBITION — Grey suede shoes.
 ACTIVITIES — Class Treasurer 3, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, 4, I.O.D. Sorority President 4, French Club 4, Reporter, Elm Leaf 3, Social Editor Elm Leaf 4, National Honor Society 4.

Mary Isabel Brennan

NICKNAME — "Queenie", "Izzi"
 USUALLY SEEN — Making a dash for someplace, with the girls, 819.
 PREFERENCES — Bridge, "Duchess", "Fish", dogs, getting a tan, flowers—any kind, tennis, football, apples.
 AVERSIONS — Being rushed! Going to the dentist.
 PET VANITIES — My checked hat and suit.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Mercy!" "What's the matter now?"
 PASTIMES — Trying to find where I put things, keeping up on the latest.
 TOP TUNE — "The Moment I Met You"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — That would be too revealing.
 COLLEGE — Undecided.
 AMBITION — To be five feet seven inches tall, own a yacht.
 ACTIVITIES — Major Music and Dramatic Club 3, 4, Sports Editor, Elm Leaf 4, Iota Alpha Sorority 3, 4, Basketball Varsity 4.



Class

Beatrice Mary Chandler

NICKNAME — "Mary"
 USUALLY SEEN — Anywhere on North Hill.
 PREFERENCES — Reading — mostly books.
 AVERSIONS — Bread with "rubber crusts".
 PET VANITIES — My class ring.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Yes, Sister"
 PASTIME — Collecting pennies by dates, and knitting.
 TOP TUNE — "Battle Hymn of the Republic"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — Summer camp at O.L.E.
 COLLEGE — Akron University.
 AMBITION — To teach handicapped children.
 ACTIVITIES — Business Manager, Elm Leaf 4, French Club 2, 3, 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 1, 4, National Honor Society 4.



Dorothy Lou Cowan

NICKNAME — "Dot", "Rosie"
 USUALLY SEEN — Beatin' around in the Chrysler or Caldonia with the girls, waiting for Don to come home.
 PREFERENCES — Don, Robin and Hood, Meyers Lake, all "the" girls, the Lakes, Journalism, Louie Prima.
 AVERSIONS — Finding the mailbox empty and gossip people who don't know what they are talking about.
 PET VANITIES — My Navy Air Corp wings and ID bracelet.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Root!"
 PASTIMES — Listening to terrific records and "visiting Evelyn and Bill."
 TOP TUNE — "Till Then"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — Tous les soirs avec mon marin.
 COLLEGE — Bowling Green State University.
 AMBITION — To get there by 9:00 p. m. and visit Northwestern.
 ACTIVITIES — Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 4, Feature Editor, Elm Leaf 4.



Senior



Shirley Ann Feth

NICKNAME — "Baby"
 USUALLY SEEN — Anyplace with Ruth or in the Chrysler with Dot.
 PREFERENCES — Hamburgers, convertibles, dancing to smooth music at Meyers Lake, golf and football. Louie Prima.
 AVERSIONS — Cranky, whining people.
 PET VANITIES — My long, long hair and my blue, blue eyes.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "That makes me so mad!"
 PASTIMES — Listening to records, writing letters and talking on the phone.
 TOP TUNE — "Oh What It Seemed To Be"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — April 13 through April 16.
 COLLEGE — Akron University.
 AMBITION — To be a real mellow secretary, and of course a good wife someday.
 ACTIVITIES — Choral Ensemble 2, 3, 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4, M.M.D. President 4, French Club 2, 3, 4, Advertising Manager, Elm Leaf 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority Treasurer 3, I.O.D. Secretary 4.

Georgine Virginia Gizzi

NICKNAME — "George"
 USUALLY SEEN — Going home.
 PREFERENCES — Cadillac convertibles plus food, canoeing, tennis.
 AVERSIONS — Sophisticated people.
 PET VANITIES — My legs.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Oh, so help me!"
 PASTIMES — Daydreaming.
 TOP TUNE — "Some Sunday Morning" and "Oh What It Seemed To Be"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — December, 1945.
 COLLEGE — Undecided. Ursuline.
 AMBITION — Model or a fashion designer.
 ACTIVITIES — Choral Ensemble 3, 4, Reporter, Elm Leaf 4, French Club 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, 4, Basketball varsity 4.





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Sally Lou Harp

NICKNAME — "Sal"
 USUALLY SEEN — Waiting for the Cleveland bus at Highland.
 PREFERENCES — Football games, swimming, men and mint ice cream.
 AVERSIONS — Socks turned up, nail biting and affected people.
 PET VANITIES — My eyes — that's the best I can do.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Well, gee!" and "Goodly"
 PASTIMES — Roaming the countryside.
 TOP TUNE — "You Made Me Love You"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — My two years of Army life at Scott Field, Ill.
 COLLEGE — Stephens. Don't worry, Missouri U. is right next door.
 AMBITION — To hook a man.
 ACTIVITIES — Sorority 1, 2, Reporter, Elm Leaf 1, 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 4.



Diane Kaltreider

NICKNAME — "Di"
 USUALLY SEEN — At home.
 PREFERENCES — Horseback riding, eating and music.
 AVERSIONS — Confusion and disorder and people who are late.
 PET VANITY — My hair.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Is that right?"
 PASTIMES — Listening to good music.
 TOP TUNE — "Because"
 CHERISHED MEMORIES — My pony and Peter.
 COLLEGE — Anywhere in Pennsylvania.
 AMBITION — To be a piano accompanist.
 ACTIVITIES — Choral Ensemble 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 4.

Senior



Joan Marie Kientz

NICKNAME — "Joanie", "Jo"
 USUALLY SEEN — At Highland Square sipping a coke or milk shake.
 PREFERENCES — Mary Coyle's milk shakes, a fast set of tennis, "Scharf" or "Jo", ice skating, basketball games, and dancing to any name band, preferably Harry James.
 AVERSIONS — People who crack their gum, and the inane clets on my saddle shoes.
 PET VANITY — My winsome smile.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "It was a riot!"
 PASTIME — Talking over the situation.
 TOP TUNE — "Begin the Beguine"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — Good times in Cleveland.
 COLLEGE — Undecided.
 AMBITION — To be a physical education teacher.
 ACTIVITIES — Major Music and Dramatic Club 4, Reporter, Elm Leaf 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 4, Basketball varsity 4.

Mary Frances Langan

NICKNAME — "Frannie" or "Meat Ball"
 USUALLY SEEN — At home and Highland with a coke.
 PREFERENCES — "Strawhat" cologne, swimming, football games, football players, and Blondie.
 AVERSIONS — The "cake eaters" Sally and Janet.
 PET VANITIES — My limp crew cut.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Have a moan?"
 PASTIMES — Playing with my dog and eating.
 TOP TUNE — "Skylark"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — "Cherokee" life.
 COLLEGE — I'm still trying.
 AMBITION — To be a veterinarian.
 ACTIVITIES — Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 4, Basketball Varsity 4.



Class

Frances Margaret Morgan

NICKNAME — "Frankie"
 USUALLY SEEN — On West Market.
 PREFERENCES — Cheeseburgers, good music and convertibles.
 PET VANITIES — My eyebrows and wearing rings.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Oh, me!"
 PASTIMES — Eating, sleeping, walking and waiting, canoeing, bike riding and horseback riding.
 TOP TUNE — "Together"
 CHERISHED MEMORY — Elms lake.
 COLLEGE — Kent State.
 AMBITION — Radio Work.
 ACTIVITIES — Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, 4, Circulation Manager, Elm Leaf 4, Major Music and Dramatic Club 3, 4, Choral Ensemble 4, French Club 3, 4.



Patricia Mildred Tuhela

NICKNAME — "Mimi"
 USUALLY SEEN — Driving home, and around Barberton.
 PREFERENCES — Ford convertibles and barbecued beef sandwiches at Garver's.
 AVERSIONS — Bandannas that look as if they will fall off any minute.
 PET VANITIES — My dimples.
 FAVORITE EXPRESSION — "Naturally"
 TOP TUNE — "Some Sunday Morning"
 PASTIMES — Eating and day dreaming.
 CHERISHED MEMORY — November, 1945.
 COLLEGE — Ohio State.
 AMBITION — Cosmetologist — a good one.
 ACTIVITIES — French Club 4, Iota Delta Alpha Sorority 3, 4, Reporter, Elm Leaf 4, Basketball Varsity 4.



Class History



Well now, let me see. It was in the fall of '33 I first met you. Mighty little you were then in both size and number, in fact, there were only two, Patty Lee Cullinan and Frances Langan, a sweet couple to play "How Do You Do My Partner?" under the direction of Sister Dolores.

As fourth graders you, who were destined to be the class of '46, were joined by Mary Chandler and two years later by Sally Harp. Your number was now increasing.

The next few years passed quickly and soon you were walking off with diplomas as a reward for the earnest study you put forth during those eight years.

Many new members were gained in the fall of '42 and sorely needed they were with the Freshman Initiation just around the corner. These new girls: Yvonne Franz, Georgine Gizzi, Frances Morgan, Patty Tuhela, and Patsy Meunier, along with the rest of you found your freshman year full of pleasant surprises. Such traditional activities as the Carol Concert, May Crowning, and the Retreat conducted by Father McQuade, S.J., were all new to you.

As spring crept in you were greeted with such entertainments as the Mardi Gras, the May Flower Frolic, and finally the long awaited Freshie-Sophomore Picnic. As I remember that speech on Korea by Father Carroll, M.M., held everyone's interest.

Yes, the freshman year had literally flown by leaving many memories never to be forgotten.

I saw very little of you girls during the long summer vacation, but September came at last, and I was joyrived to hear the halls echoing again with your merry laughter. It didn't take me long to notice that the twelve of you with Shirley Feth added to your ranks, were now sophomores. I wasn't surprised when I heard your plans for annihilating the freshmen. Three amusing plays made a hit during that year: "Song of Bernadette," "McCart's Party," and "The Three Pegs." The Christmas Formal was the big event of the year. How I should have liked to have been there.

Summer passed and when school resumed several members were welcomed to your midst, Carolyn Armstrong, Mary Brennan, and Janet Allison. It took the Sorority Initiation to awaken you to the fact that you were growing old — yes, you were juniors.

The year was given a perfect send-off with a dance called the "Harvest Hop." To add to the

entertainment of the school a moving picture projector was purchased, which since that time has given the students many an opportunity to laugh and cry with their favorite actors and actresses.

Two traditions were broken that year. First of all the Carol Concert usually given in your own gym was transferred to Central High School Auditorium. Secondly, for a short period the school uniform was replaced by a crisp white apron when the juniors and seniors graduated from the Home Nursing Course. Come what may you would be prepared!

May and June are always such busy months that I could scarcely keep up with all the events; however, the May Breakfast and the Junior-Senior Prom will always remain in my memory and yours too.

The climax of the year was a pageant called, "Golden Gleanings" to celebrate the golden jubilee of Mother Clarissa's religious profession.

I could hardly believe that you were seniors as I saw you walk into Sister Jeannette's classroom with Joan Kientz, Dorothy Cowan, and Diane Kaltreider, the new class participants. Sally Harp returned after living two years at an army post with her family, and Frances Langan rejoined the class after a long stay in California.

Inscribed forever in your memories were the "Hearts 'n Harmony" dance and the "Kick-Off" at which you reigned as queens.

May '46 meant that seniors would soon be preparing for graduation. As always there was the May Crowning, with Patty Lee Cullinan, who had been here since kindergarten, crowning the Blessed Mother. The Retreat was given by Father Corbett, O.P., followed by the Junior-Senior Breakfast.

Your Junior-Senior Prom was again given in the school court to the music of George Conway. A more romantic setting could not have been desired. I am so glad that it was held at school so as to enable me to observe all the details.

Yes, I have witnessed all these things and many more. I have seen you girls in your various moods and escapades, your dramatic ability, and your athletic participations.

I could not help but shed a few tears as I realized that 1946 had come and you were graduating and that in years to follow I should be able to catch only fleeting glances of you. And who am I who sees and hears all this? I'm the window pane!

Class Will

We, the senior class of June 1946, being of sound mind and memory, do hereby publish, constitute and declare this to be our last Will and Testament.

Article I. The graduates of '46 do hereby make it known that they will to the faculty of Our Lady of the Elms Academy the junior class in its entirety. It is our sincere desire that the class of '47 will be able to live up to the high standards of scholarship and deportment that we have set. Out of the greatness of our hearts, we also will the faculty a large, economy size box of aspirin.

Article II. To the junior class we wish to will our seats and our well-marked books. We have worked hard at the latter and they should be a deciding factor in pulling the undergrads through their final year.

Article III. To the sophomore class is left the courage to struggle and labor through the Iota Delta Alpha sorority initiation. We also will them sympathy and the ability to forgive the juniors whatever they deem necessary treatment.

Article IV. To the freshmen we leave our experience. 'Nuff said for they'll know what we mean as time progresses.

Article V. As individuals, the seniors credit the following statements as being correct:

Georgine Gizzi, in one of her weaker moments, leaves to Mary Louise Germann her reservation at the mirror in the powder room. 'Tis said it's the first Akron vacancy in months.

Sue Reed is the recipient of Joan Kientz's lily-white complexion. This goes into effect the moment Sue acquires her smooth sun tan. And while on the subject of vanities, Diane Kaltreider takes pity on Gloria Clausen and leaves her a bobby pin. It's cheaper than a seeing eye dog.

Pat Tuhela wills her parking space to Louise Holbert, because she claims it has a handy approach from both sides. Experience has proved that it's convenient for fast getaways.

Shirley Feth, with the kind permission of Edgar Allen Poe, leaves the ringing of the "Bells, Bells, Bells" to that conscientious junior, Jeanne-Marie Mueller. Bear with it, Jeannie, 'cause Shirley says that you have to leave each class just as the homework assignment is being made and it's a good excuse for next day.

It seems Dorothy Cowan's license has run out so Joy Crooks gets the job of chauffeur for the Elm

Leaf during the scholastic year of '46 - '47. It's a long way to the Falls — watch those curves, Joy.

Mary Chandler leaves Rosemary O'Keeffe her task of watering Sister Jeannette's plants and caring for her desk. She throws in all Charles Dickens' books, too. You surely will not have trouble making a report on an English author in English 4, Rosemary.

To Betty Kerby goes Frances Morgan's boots and saddle. These should enable you to play as good a game of polo as golf. Hi-ho Kerby!

Frannie Langan, the tranquil senior, wills bombastic Dorothy Koogle her quiet streak and a couple of spare moods. The lucky Sisters that have Dot next year.

The ability to make left-hand turns is left to Pat Leahy by Patty Lee Cullinan. Pedestrians — RIGHT MARCH!

Carolyn Armstrong leaves her Saturday morning art lessons from Sister Matilda to Malvina Savalan. Also her front page and her two-toned toupee.

To Frances Ellsperman Patsy Meunier wills her Irish charm and her adeptness in telling stories — Irish stories. The prep house will find it has a John Nesbitt in its midst.

Sally Harp leaves Pat Powers her seat on the Cleveland bus and 100 chickens. However, the chickens, it is advised, should not be transported on the bus. And yet it would be an excuse for that egg.

Good health and a rugged constitution is what Yvonne Franz wills Margery Robinson. Statistics state that Yvonne has been ill only once in the last four years. The drug business will lose money if Margery can live up to Yvonne's record.

Mary Anglea Shea is willed Mary Brennan's punctuality. She's worked hard to achieve her reputation and Mary Ann's going to have to step lively to live up to it. (Any resemblance to Miss Brennan is purely fantastic!)

Janet Allison wishes to leave Jean Jahant her little black book, which we assure her is well-stocked. However, there will be a slight "maling" charge for this.

And to culminate this will, we just leave.



This document is approved and certified on this first day of May, 1946, by the members of the graduating class.





Class Prophecy

Wending my way to Grand Central Station, in this year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred fifty-six, chance makes me a bystander in a great human drama.

Sixteen girls, in whom I was especially interested ten years ago, are destined to pass this way in a few moments. Wait with me, if you will, and we shall see what fate has accomplished with their lives.

At gate four there is a crowd of people waiting for the East Bound Limited to come in. I can readily see why they are so enthusiastic, because the renowned Dr. Frances Langan is to arrive on it. She has been ministering to cats and dogs, doing her best to cure their aches and pains. Dr. Langan has just perfected a serum which will prevent dogs from dying of old age. If this serum is widely circulated, she will eventually put herself out of work by preventing the diseases of dogs, for the dogs will then outlive us all, including veterinarians.

Making her way through the crowd, very unnoticed with her tall good looking husband and three little boys is the former Yvonne Franz. They are on their way to Miami Beach to spend the winter. It must be heaven to be married to a millionaire!

As in most terminals there are a few advertisements and sometimes quite a story behind them. For instance Mary Brennan, who always had a lovely smile, turned to making ads for toothpaste and powder after finding that certain members of her family did not approve of her marriage to a handsome young foreigner.

Peering through some of the more fashionable shops in Grand Central we can observe Georgine Gizzi fitting a gorgeous gown of off-white satin trimmed in blue mink on her lovely blond model, whom we know as Patty Tuhela. Preparing oils to paint her is Carolyn Armstrong, the famous illustrator, whose drawings have appeared on many magazine covers.

A few doors down there is a music store and from it we hear the mellow tones of a piano sending forth the notes of a new arrangement by Patsy Meunier. Miss Meunier has been excelling in both music and art. After completing her latest opera she turned to painting again. Patsy is now doing a painting of the Madonna, which when finished, will prove greater than any by Raphael.

In the window display there are also several new choral arrangements by Diane Kaltreider. Miss Kaltreider, you know, is now an accompanist

for a famous New York arranger, but now and then has a few of her own arrangements published.

It seems as though we are about to meet another famous personality who has just arrived on the North Central. Yes, it's that renowned songstress of stage and screen Frances Morgan, who has thrilled many with her lovely voice; trying her best to get an interview with her is Dorothy Cowan, a reporter with the New York Times. She is very well known for her human interest columns and originality in writing. Have no fear, Dorothy will get the interview, for she is a person who puts all obstacles aside.

Struggling through the crowd with both hands full of luggage is Janet Allison. Janet, too, has turned her talents toward journalism and made quite a success of it. She is now on her way to Washington where she will depart with several big diplomats for a tour of Europe. Good luck, Janet!

This week in New York there is a National Teachers Convention, which will bring together teachers from all over the country. Yesterday Sally Harp arrived to be greeted by her old friend, Shirley Ann Feth. Both Sally and Shirley Ann are school teachers, and quite happy about it. Sally teaches kindergarten in one of the larger Cleveland schools and is loved by all her promising students. Shirley Ann, besides teaching French, directs singing and even has a choral group of her own.

Joan Kientz arrived today for the convention. She has proved herself to be the greatest chemist of the universe. Joan will be the feature attraction of the convention for she is going to perform the difficult task of splitting an atom with a toothpick; a feat which only she is able to do.

With all these teachers in town I suppose the library will be crowded most of the time, but the head librarian, the former Patty Lee Cullinan, won't mind because she thoroughly enjoys her work there. Although she is following two careers, one as librarian, the other as the wife of a promising young rubber magnate, Patty Lee has lost none of that vivaciousness or pettiness that has made her so well-liked. Patty Lee has been helping Mary Chandler all week, selecting books for her class. Mary teaches fourth grade in a school for crippled and underprivileged children here in New York.

There, more than pleased with the results, I leave you. Perhaps to return again in some future year. Who knows?



Junior Class

Chatting about summer plans while sitting on the swimming pool steps is the junior class: standing, left to right, Gloria Clausen, Mary Angela Shea, Malvina Savalan, Frances Ellsperman; second row, Jean Jahant, Dorothy Koogle, Joyce Crooks, Mary Louise Germann, Pat Powers, Louise Holbert, Jeanne Marie Mueller; top row, Betty Kerby, Pat Leahy, Sue Reed, and Margery Robinson.

Prepared to assume the responsibilities of seniors they reminisce about their pleasant present year.

Gloria Clausen was chosen President; Vice-president was Jeanne Marie Mueller; the position of secretary was filled by Mary Angela Shea; and Pat Powers served as treasurer.

(Joanne Dilley and Rosemary O'Keeffe were not present when the picture was taken.)



Sophomore Class

Sophs, first row, left to right, Sally Pool, Grace Milano, Marjean Brewster, Mary Belle Beechinor, Nancy McElligott, Marilyn Bossart, Dolores Volpe, Joan Sturmi, Eva Marie Lance; second row, Ruth Costigan, Frances Fisher, Shirley Hardesty, Marilyn Balaun, Sue Frederick, Mary Ann Zinsmayer, Joan Henderson, Theresa Clark; top row, Sally Ward, Pat Towell, Pat Long, Mary K. Leary, Joanne Tracy, Judy Mosteller, Shirley Kumpel, and Marie Therese Karg stand at the portals of the Elms wondering whether it is safe to venture forth as juniors.

Even with the excitement of becoming upper classmen, they will retain many fond memories of the past term, especially their "smooth" style show which netted \$1200 for the Elms Building Fund.

Heading the class is Shirley Hardesty, President; Pat Long, Vice-president; Joan Sturmi, Secretary; and Marie Therese Karg, Treasurer.

(Barbara Dilley and Betty Ann Trapas were not present when the picture was taken.)



Freshman Class

Ahoy, Freshmen! Preparing to sail into their sophomore year and hoping that it will prove as successful and full of fun as their first are: first row, left to right, Nancy Schwab, Mary Ann Loftus, Aileen Taylor, Marian Herro; second row, Marcelline Meyer, Mary Ann Montavon, Mary Alice Canavan, Mary Dorothy Corvington, Betty Bachmann, Romana Reiger, Suzanne Ames, Veronica Otte, Betty Stalter, Rosemary Runiger, Maxine Dean, Helen Balaun; standing, Joan Davis, Patricia Bezon, Catherine Shea, Constance Yuhas, Ann Davison, Kathleen Cullinan, Anna May Devers, Mary Alice Keeney; waving, Patricia Grande and Patricia Slattery.

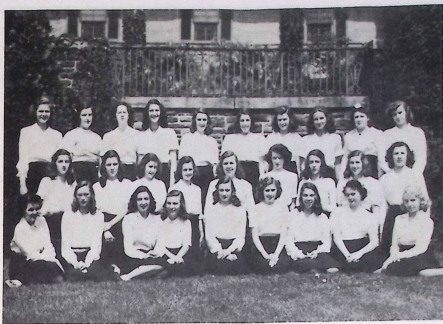
In command of the crew are: Nancy Schwab, President; Constance Yuhas, Vice-president; Suzanne Ames, Secretary; and Helen Balaun, Treasurer.

Saying goodbye to their first taste of high school life they are sad to leave but glad to be on the other end of the freshie initiation.



Choral Ensemble

Attired in colorful formals, the Choral Ensemble graces the terrace steps. An active year of participation in such events as the Christmas Choral Concert, a Yuletide radio broadcast, Open House, and the Spring Festival was had by the members: front row, left to right, Joanne Tracy, Diane Kaltreider, Georgine Gizzi, Marjean Brewster, Ann Davison; second row, Shirley Hardesty, Jeanne Marie Mueller, Mary Ann Montavon, Frances Morgan, Joan Davis; third row, Romana Reiger, Mary K. Leary, Suzanne Ames, Mary Alice Canavan, Eva Marie Lance; top row, Shirley Ann Feth, Pat Towell, Mary Ann Zinsmayer, Aileen Taylor, and Patty Lee Cullinan.



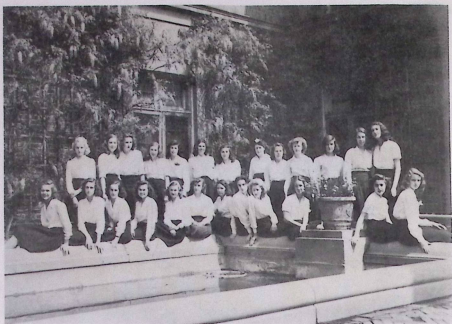
Major Music and Dramatic Club

"All the world's a stage" and what better scene could there be than the antiquated stone wall which forms the background for the Major Music and Dramatic Club.

Representing the society are: front, row, left to right, Patty Lee Cullinan, Dorothy Cowan, Mary Belle Beechinor, Mary Alice Canavan, Shirley Ann Feth, Marilyn Bossart, Jeanne Marie Mueller, Eva Marie Lance, Suzanne Ames; second row, Malvina Savalan, Kathleen Cullinan, Aileen Taylor, Mary Ann Loftus, Mary Ann Zinsmayer, Mary K. Leary, Mary Brennan, Sally Harp, Joan Kientz; top row, Mary Dorothy Corvington, Pat Long, Pat Towell, Louise Holbert, Nancy Schwab, Mary Alice Keeney, Mary Ann Montavon, Carolyn Armstrong, Mary Chandler, and Frances Morgan.

"Accent on Revenge" and "A Rollickin' Bit of Irish" were the main productions given this year by the theatre group. These entertaining plays added great interest to the social activities of the school.

Leading the club were Shirley Ann Feth, President; Jeanne Marie Mueller, Vice-president; Marilyn Bossart, Secretary; Eva Marie Lance, Treasurer.



French Club

Regardez, mes amies! The convent patio becomes the scene for the French Club gathering. The members: sitting, left to right, are: Mary Dorothy Corvington, Romana Reiger, Catherine Shea, Joan Davis, Shirley Ann Feth, Frances Morgan, Sue Reed, Patsy Meunier, Pat Tuhela, Carolyn Armstrong, Janet Allison, Mary Louise Germann; standing, Suzanne Ames, Pat Powers, Judy Mosteller, Sally Harp, Marjean Brewster, Betty Kerby, Malvina Savalan, Mary Chandler, Joan Henderson, Shirley Hardesty, Yvonne Franz, Jeanne Marie Mueller, Louise Holbert. The practical experiences gained through plays, songs and conversation in the French language have been of great benefit.



Sports

Enjoying their laurels as champions in the basketball tournament are the juniors: first row, Jean Jahant, Gloria Clausen (captain), Sue Reed, Rosemary O'Keeffe; second row, Frances Ellsperman, Jeanne Marie Mueller, Margery Robinson, Betty Kerby and Harry A. Smith, instructor of physical education.

Under the supervision of Mr. Smith, this term has been one of particular success in the field of athletics.

High school classes participated in competitive games of soccer, volleyball, badminton, basketball and baseball according to the season.

For outstanding sportsmanship during the year 1945-1946 athletic letters were awarded to: Georgine Gizzi, Patsy Meunier, and Patty Tuhela from the senior class and to Gloria Clausen, Jean Jahant, Frances Ellsperman, Jeanne Marie Mueller, Rosemary O'Keeffe, Sue Reed and Margery Robinson, juniors. Marjean Brewster, Sue Frederick, Pat Long, Shirley Kumpel, Sally Pool represent the sophomores, while Mary Dorothy Corvington, Pat Grande, Marcelline Meyer and Patricia Slattery are the lucky freshmen.

Day by Day

September

- 6 — Back to school. Who's going to suffer more—the students or the teachers?
- 8 — The first week-end at last!
- 21 — Janet Allison is elected president of the Iota Delta Alpha sorority—and they didn't stuff the ballot box either.
- 28 — Sister Paul takes her first look at the recruits for the Major Music and Dramatic Club.

October

- 3 — The freshies are initiated. Warning to the sophomores—you'll get yours next year!
- 8 — Sorority receives new members—school laughs at the expense of the juniors being initiated.
- 12 — Columbus Day! Hurray, no school! Highland Square really hits the jack pot!
- 17 — Parlez-vous francais?—or—the French Club have their first chit-chat.



- 19 — School was sad today—Why? First report cards.
- 21 — Sally Harp arrives after being away at war for two years. Glad to see you back!
- 25 — Juniors rob dad and show up in school wearing over-size white shirts.



- 26 — The gals and their beaus gather in the gym for a bit of rug cutting at the "Kickoff". Oh, brother, my aching feet!

November

- 1 — All Saints Day. The girls have a chance to catch up on their homework. We'll be back in the groove tomorrow.
- 11-17 — During National Book Week juniors give quiz show and Jeanne Marie Meuller walks off with the honors.



- 19 — Elm Leaf sponsors carnival. Ann Davison wins rabbit. Elm Leaf makes money. Rabbits multiply...
- 22 — With grateful hearts we celebrate first peaceful Thanksgiving in four years.
- 28 — Seniors receive another member. Diane Kaltreider will now be seen in our midst.

December

- 3-7 — War Bond Drive. Quota topped by more than \$68,000. Patty Lee Cullinan is elected Victory Queen.



- 12 — Father Peyton's speech inspires girls to say rosary daily. Mother Clare will get her new school yet!
- 20 — Annual Choral Concert is given at the Postage Hotel. Christmas Bells are ringing!
- 21 — Mysterious bundles come to school. The girls have their class parties opening the Yuletide season. High spirits reign as vacation begins.
- 22 — Everybody tunes in to hear the Choral Ensemble sing over WAKR. (plug).
- 27 — Old acquaintances meet over a cup of tea in the school library. What's the latest gossip?
- 28 — Patty Lee reigns as Victory Queen at the Christmas Formal given by the Iota Delta Alpha Sorority. Well Pat "Taloola"—howdedo!

January

- 8 — Along with those horrible things called exams, we anticipate the friendship of a new senior classmate, Frannie Langan, who has just returned from army life. Well, root!
- 29 — With weary thoughts of how we'll do better next year, report cards arrive. But girls, we should have studied last semester!

February

- 15 — The seniors spend most of their time in the gym decorating for the Hearts 'n Harmony dance tonight. Big fun ahead!
- 20 — Mother Clare becomes critically ill. With the whole school praying for her she must get better.
- 21 — Everyone turns out for the Veronica Mimosa concert. If you like music it's wonderful.
- 22 — Hurray for George. Although Washington did chop down a cherry tree, all high schools alike will thank him for a holiday. I'll bet even the faculty likes it.

March

- 1 — "Jane Eyre" was presented to the pupils in its movie form. Who was that man with the eyes? Orson Welles, of course. HUBBA!



- 4 — Put up your hair, but you'd better wear your working clothes! This afternoon the whole high school pitches in to help the sophomores with their style show. And believe it or not, I'm actually going to play bridge tonight. Are you?
- 10-25 — C. U. B. campaign begins with a bang. Yea — the seniors have all of one subscription. The freshmen and Mary Dorothy Corvington win the campaign. Good going!
- 14 — All decked out in their "Gay Ninety" costumes, the juniors give a box social to raise money for the prom. Girls, that's quite a "Can-can"!



- 15 — Nancy Schwab steals the play as Tom in "A Rollickin' Bit of Irish", which celebrated the coming of St. Patrick's Day. Sure-an' did yer mither come from Ireland?
- 19 — Journalism class hears a lecture about the Akron Beacon Journal from Mr. Gosling . . . complicated, isn't it?
- 20 — "Oh, Cary, you're all purple!" was the exclamation of a staff member as she walked through the Linotype department at the Beacon building.
- 28 — Spring swimming classes start today at the Y. W. C. A. Are you still afloat, mates?
- 29 — Guy Frazer Harrison gives a concert at the Armory. School is dismissed at two p. m. instead of three for those who are to attend. My, I didn't know so many Elms students were musically minded!

April

- 12 — Basketball tournament sees the juniors and seniors, freshmen and sophomores battling it out. Easter vacation begins. We're all expecting the Easter Bunny!!



- 13 — Elm Leaf staff visits Kent State University for its annual journalism convention. Pat, the dark room is this way!
- 23 — Spring is here but vacation isn't. It's back to work for the last six weeks.
- 25 — Thru a film of tears the school sees "The Sullivans". And me without a handkerchief! Mother Clare makes her first appearance since her illness.
- 30 — Pictures are taken for the year book. Oh, Brad, what you did! . . . Uniforms are cast aside for summer cottons.

May

- 1 — Open House comes to the Elms on this day. Eighth graders from all over Akron explore the many novelties of O.L.E.
- 3 — Listen to the cheers! The tournament playoff ends with the juniors victors over the sophomores, 29 to 24.
- 7 — Freshmen go to court and the sophomores tag along. The chemistry class also goes traveling to the Firestone Laboratory.
- 16 — Choral Ensemble brightens the spring season by giving their choral festival. Now the parents can see how well their little angels sing.
- 19 — "Bring flowers of the rarest, Bring flowers of the fairest" are the strains that linger long after the Virgin Mary is crowned Queen of the May at the annual May Crowning.
- 19-22 — Now nearing graduation the girls take a few days for serious meditation. How we'll miss these peaceful days of retreat.
- 29 — Graduation at last. But let's not be fooled — it's for the Nursery School today. Keep trying, you'll get there!

June

- 4-5-6 — Exams! What would we do without that good, strong "joe" to pull us through those long nights of cramming?



- 7 — Under a canopy of stars, juniors and seniors make merry at the Spring Prom. Oh, what a night!
- 9 — Eighth graders receive their diplomas.
- 11 — Today, graduation day, the seniors leave their high school years behind them to join the moving caravan on its road through life.

Patrons

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105 East Market
- Akers-Harpham Roofing Company
1065 Dublin
Akron Floral
137 South Main
- Mr. and Mrs. A. Allison
Anne Shop
Ohio Building
- Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Arthur
Botzum Brothers Seed Company
789 North Main
- Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Bracken
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bracken
Brennan Printing Company
62 South Canal
- Britton Hardware Company
Corner Manchester Rd. and Kenmore Blvd.
- Broadfield Company
36 South Broadway
- Mrs. Burk's Cakes
628 West Market
China Clipper
769 North Main
- Mrs. DeWitt Clausen
Dr. and Mrs. M. F. Cullinan
Cunningham Mortuary
63 South High
- Detting Florists
43 East Market
- Mrs. Mary Farren
Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Feth
Flowerland
- West Market St. at Ghent Road
- Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Franz
A. J. Friess Jeweler
307 South Main
- Garver's Restaurant
1643 West Market
- Hammel Business College
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857 W. Market
- McCauley Floral Company
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71 South Broadway
- Peck's Studio
86 South Howard
- Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Powers
Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Reed
Miss Ann Ronan
Miss Winifred Ronan
- Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gizzi
Sam's Steak Station
1721 West Exchange
- Mrs. J. Savalan
Scotty's Confectionery
304 Wildwood
- Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Shea
Mr. Robert Shively
- J. R. Short Service Station
1683 West Market
- South Akron Hardware
1097 South Main
- Star Delicatessen
848 West Exchange
- Temple Square Hardware Company
133 East Cuyahoga Falls
- Tom's Garage
1463 Copley
- Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tuhela
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Vorwerk
- Wagner Awning and Mfg. Co.
873 E. Exchange
- Wagner Cycle and Hardware Company
404 Storer
- Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Webster
West Hill Floral
443 West Market
- Mr. and Mrs. W. Williams
Yount Hardware Company
625 North Howard
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