

Notes From

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From June 28th to July 2nd Sault High and Loretto joined ^{for} in a joint and giant celebration of 100 years of education in Sault St. Marie, Michigan.

For Loretto Alumni the celebration opened with a gathering of the clan in Baraga Auditorium on Thurs. night, June 28th. The hall was decorated in traditional blue and white and a huge scroll welcomed "all Loretto's children home." Alumni and their spouses packed the auditorium and great was the joy that permeated the entire evening as old friends met and new acquaintances were introduced.* Pictures of students and teachers through the years brought back fond memories. Our "rogues gallery" was thronged throughout the evening. It was a gala affair! * Joy Bell checked in ^{at 93} as the oldest, young-at-heart-alumnae member.

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Our main Loretto float in Saturday's parade featured, among other things, a "reel nun" in full habit and two newer versions. Another float represented Loretto Angels with pom pom girls dressed in authentic Loretto cheerleading outfits.

A fashion show with flashbacks of yester year, dances and a huge cook-out in the park were other features of the celebration and a memorial service for deceased students and teachers concluded the events.

Perhaps no part of the celebration was more touching than the sight of so many former Loretto students & teachers marching into St. Mary's Church for Mass under Our Lady's banner while singing "Our Maria Loretto." After Mass all were welcomed to join the Sisters in the convent for coffee and home-made rolls.

All in all it was a week end long to be remembered as Loretto's loyal children gathered home.