

## **Notre Dame San Francisco**

### **Short History**

The sisters came to San Francisco to establish a school at the invitation of the bishop in 1866. They established a grammar school and a high school combination across from Mission Dolores. There was a separate boy's school run by the parish until the merger of the two schools in the 1980s. The high school was part of the College of Notre Dame from the 1880s to 1906; then it operated as a high school until it closed in 1981. These schools flourished with both day and boarding students over the years. The decline in enrollments, the lack of sister teachers in later years, and the changing demographics of the Mission District were the primary reasons for the closure of the high school and the merger of the two grammar schools as a parish supported school. The high school building built upon the ashes of destroyed buildings were turned into low-income senior housing in the 1990s run by Mercy Housing.

### **Historical Background Records, 1920s-1991. 4 linear inches. R 2 Unit 9 B Box 1 and Box 25 Unit 9 F**

This is a collection of articles, personal reminiscences and sister written histories of the San Francisco schools and convent. These documents were written from the 1920s to the 1991 and were used for the extended history pamphlet written by Sister Teresa Augustine Donnelly. The personal reminiscences was written by Sister Cecilia Gullivan in the late 1920s. Included in this collection is a copy of the thesis "Educational Activities of the Sisters of Notre Dame in San Francisco" written in 1965 for a MA in education. This dissertation explores the educational structure of the sisters from the early beginnings to the mid- 20th century. The parish histories and the boy's school histories document their institutional history until the merger with Notre Dame in the 1980s. And in box 25 are "the Monitor" editions chronicling the appointments of new archbishops in 1953, 1962 and 1977.

### **Annals, 1866-1979. 1.5 lin. Inch. R2 Unit 9 B Box 1**

These annals are based on the memories of older sisters and the board minutes. The original annals were destroyed when the entire Notre Dame complex was dynamited to create a fire break to save the original adobe Mission Dolores and cemetery during the 1906 earthquake and fire. This is one long narrative covering the entire time span from 1866-1979 with a gap of years from 1944 -1954.

This account starts with the bishop asking the sisters to take over the school grounds adjacent to Mission Dolores and provide for the education of girls of the area, the events of the early years include the start of the school year, the programs, the sacraments administered and the commencements at the end of the school year. They had a boarding from the early days up to the 1940s. The other major recurring events of this convent were the constant additions and reconstruction going around the property. The sister's lives are documented by the arrival of the sister refugees from Guatemala, the coming and going of the sisters and some of the more memorable incidents in the convent.

The rebuilding efforts after 1906 are documented as well as the adjustments to convent living which occurred over the years of the 20th century. The other major recurring events to be recorded are the various visitations made by the Mother General from 1910 onward and the yearly inspection by the Superior of the California province. Also noted was the loyalty of the alumni and their fund-raising and retreat events over the years. These narrative annals record the various events associated with the

grammar and high schools and the declining enrollment in the high school forcing its closure in the 1980 which ends this narrative.

**Journals, 1917-1968 with some years missing. 3 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 B Boxes 1-2.

These journals give a more immediate current recording of the events in the convent with most of the 1920s and the early years of the 1930s missing. These booklets cover the comings and goings of the sisters for routine appointments, official outings and non-convent sister's visits and extended stays. They also document the visits of priests, archbishop, and other visitors coming to give retreats and special lectures for the sisters. This convent was the way station for sisters travelling to and from China, Japan and Hawaii from the east coast. Also recorded are the official visits from the California Sister Superior and the Mother General -Ma Mere- over the years.

The worldly events noted are the beginning and ending of the school year, the influenza pandemic, city wide Catholic celebrations, school events wartime events. The interior and spiritual events of the convent are noted when Eucharistic adoration, feast day celebrations, days of recollection and retreats are recorded.

**Community Council and Meeting Minutes, 1924-1976. 1.5 lin. Inches.** R 2 Unit 9 B Box 2

These community council and community meeting minutes were created as part of the requirements laid out by the new constitutions. The community council members were the superior of the convent, the treasurer and one elected community member. The main topic of these monthly, sometimes quarterly meetings were the verification of the accounts, vote on vow renewals, planning for major feast days both in convent and external events and planning school and parish events. After 1960 , these renamed Community meetings with the whole community involved and the discussions revolved around daily living experience in the convent, such as meal schedules, house charges, times for communal and private prayer times, liturgy planning, summer school schedules, and trips as a group to Carmel and events.

**Correspondence, 1878-1909; 1956-1973. 1 lin. Inch** R 2 Unit 9 B Box 2

This file contains copies of 19th century correspondence from the Holy Family sister's archives to fill out the losses from the 1906 earthquake and fire. Also included are the directives from the provincials and Namur regarding regulations for the houses and directives from the Chancellor about confessor assignments.

**General Accounts, 1882-1936; 1955-1965. 2 lin. Inches** R2 Unit 9 B Box 2

These volumes and papers record the general expenses for the schools and the convent. Expenses and income are noted and balanced. There are standard reports to the archdiocese detailing the overall health of the convent. The later records detail the cost of a loan for the purchase of an incinerator and the high school teacher's tea room.

**Boarder's Accounts, 1896-1906; 1918-1936; 1940-1953. 7 lin. inches** some are volumes. R2 Unit 9 B Boxes 3-4

These accounts record the expenses of boarding girls in San Francisco with payment information as well. There were boarders from the late 1860s to 1953 yet only these volumes and papers have survived.

The basic information for each account includes the name of the student, tuition costs, and the cost for extras such as music, art, science, and school supplies. The other expenses enumerated are living expenses such as sundries, shoe repair, doctor and dentists visits, dresses, laundry and others. Some of the volumes have indexes in the back by the student's surname. All boarders in later years after 1906 were high school students. In later years, the accounts did not record the accounts in such detail.

**Day Student Accounts, 1905-1929. 3.5 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 B Boxes 4 & 6

These accounts record the tuition payments for both the elementary and high school students. Each account is listed by the student's name, the amount paid and any extras such as music and art that is required. And one volume contains information on the parish pupils attending Mission Dolores School from 1914-1925.

**High School Student Accounts, 1925-1945; 1957-1981. 7 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 B Boxes 5-6

These volumes and papers document the expenses for tuition and other expenses for students attending the high school from the 1920s to 1981. All of the volumes contain the following information: Student's name, grade level, schedule of payments, how payments were made, and the amounts for music, art and others were charged as well. These volumes will contain account information for the grammar school as well.

**Property, Building and Taxation Records, 1905-1977. 1.5 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 B Box 6

These files document the sister's ownership of the school and convent property, deeds for the various property parcels including the Sausalito vacation house and taxation documents over the years. Also included are some building repair bills for both schools.

**Estates Records, 1906-1977. One lin. Inch.** R2 Unit 9 C Box 7

These records document donations of property, money and sometimes material goods from former students and friends who remembered the sisters and the schools in San Francisco in their wills.

**Conferences, 1878-1950s. 1.5 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 C Box 7

These are both hand-written and typed notes on conferences given by the Sister Superior of California and by the superior of the San Francisco convent. These notes contain spiritual and practical advice on living as a sister based on Julie Billiard's writings and advice given in her conferences over the years. Other sources of inspiration were the church directives as handed down through the hierarchy. These conferences were given at annual retreats and other times designated for spiritual reflection.

Included in this group is a calendar of events labeled "SND Almanac". This lists significant days of prayer, death dates of Julie, Mother St. Joseph, sister's death dates and those of local bishops. This list includes monthly prayer days for California and the convent, days of absence and fast, the seasonal days for special practice for Advent and Lent and days of adoration.

**Sister's Lists and Celebrations Records, 1900-2004. 4 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 C Boxes 7-8

This group of records includes various list of sisters living in this convent, visitation comments by provincial superiors and Mother Generals and celebration plans, programs and clippings for various

anniversaries. The lists of sisters living in this convent give s basic biographical information, years in the congregation, years in the house and their primary ministry-charge at the schools and in the house. As each visitation was made by the California provincial and Ma Mere they recorded their comments in the visitation booklet over the years. The other files document the planning efforts to celebrate various anniversaries of the congregation, the convent and schools including 125th anniversary being in San Francisco, 150th of the California Province , and 100th anniversary of 1906 Earthquake and Fire. In 2004, the sisters participated in a presentation of "How the Sisters Tamed the West" in honor of the 150th anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy arrival in California. There is the video and the research done for the work as well.

**Alumni Association Records, 1886-1975. 8 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 C Boxes 8-9

These records document the formation of an alumni association by a dedicated group of former students of the San Francisco schools and the ongoing successful fund-raising to support the sisters and the schools. The bulk of these records cover the years 1886-1975. The organizational records include various versions of the constitutions and by-laws, minutes of the general meetings and of the governing board of the organization, and various committees planning and hosting celebrations over the years. The financial records include accounts for dues, cash disbursements and expenditures for fund raising events. The membership records include a register of members from 1874-1950, 1900-1980 and a list of graduates from 1874-1975. These membership lists include the student's maiden name, her married name or sister's name, addresses, phone numbers and other information. The other files include class reunion directories, mementos, and programs from reunions and meetings.

**Academic Grades Records, 1904-1971. 7 lin. inches [2 volumes].** R2 Unit 9 C Boxes 10-11; 25

These records of grades documented the academic achievements of the students through the teacher assigned grades. These are recorded in various formats by the teachers. In the pre-1920s, most grades were recorded as numerical grades from 0-100 while after the 1910s most grades were given in the A- F range. The basic student information across all formats includes the student's name, class ranking (pre-1910), subject listing and assigned grades by the month, by the semester and by the school year. These are high school grades. These records are restricted and protected by the Federal Education Records Protection Act (FERPA).

There is an elementary school register of graduates for the years 1908-1971. The student information includes the student name, address, whether graduated, the high school attending and some scholarship information. In some years there is not that much information,

**Attendance and Class Lists, 1874-1960. 5 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 C Boxes 11-12

These files document the high students' attendance from the 1920s to 1945. The students are listed by class year and in later years ethnicity is listed and phone numbers. The class lists include names, addresses, maiden names, class year.

**Student Register Records, 1893-1933; 1971-1981. 4 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 C box 12

These registers were used in the office to keep track of the high school and grammar school students. The basic information in the earlier records include the student's name, addresses, parents and

guardians names, parish and phone numbers. The later cards includes the student's name, parent's names and occupations, parish and religion.

**Prospectuses and Catalogues, 1874-1903; 1950s -1970s. 3 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 D Box 13

These publications describe the course offerings, the rules and regulations for both day and boarding students, the cost of tuition and cost of extras for music, art and science classes. Due to the destruction of the main building in 1906, the photographs in these publications are the only documentation of classrooms, boarding student living areas and other interiors of the building. The later student handbooks provide a view of how the educational structure changed over the years. These later publications spell out the dress codes, the rules and regulations for student behaviors and the proper decorum outside the school as well.

**Programs, Commencements and Academic Honors Records, 1973-1995. 7 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 D Boxes 13-14.

These music, art and variety programs and commencement programs cover the span of years from 1870s to 1981. Most of the programs date from 1906 onward. These records document the school celebrations of feast days, Christmas, Easter, student theatre productions, student's artistic works for graduation exercises and parish celebration days. The students were encouraged to display their hard earned talents and skills for the pleasure of the schools. Their parents, the pastors, the parish and the general public.

The commencement programs list the music and art programs, awards to students, names of the graduates and the speakers at the commencement. Some individual awards are listed after the 1910s. The honors files cover the last years of the high school cover external and internal honors and scholarships offered to students. Included in this series are lists of graduates, list of graduates who became sisters, an employment follow-up study of graduates and a post graduate status survey which has information protected by FERPA.

**High School Administration and Faculty Records, 1869-1981. 10 lin. Inches,** R2 Unit 9 D Boxes 14, 15, 16,

These records are the files of the administration and the faculty that document the early administration decisions through the Board of Trustees meeting minutes but primarily these records document the last 25 years of the high school before its' closure in 1980.

The high school was known as the College of Notre Dame San Francisco throughout the 19th century until 1927. The early decisions about this school is seen through the meeting minutes of the sister members only board. In addition to the major property and financing decisions, other decisions include the additions to the buildings, the financial loan and construction decisions to rebuild after the 1906 Earthquake and Firs, the burden of these loans, and the relief provided by fund raisers and contributions by patrons. Later board decisions include the topics of raising tuition, declining enrollment and other factors forcing the closure of the high school in 1980. The Name ' College of Notre Dame "was officially removed in the 1960s.

The administrative team and faculty meetings minutes chronicle the day to day operations involved in scheduling classes, student activities and professional activities, course updating, administrative duty

assignments and eventually the closure of the school. These records also document student activities, WASC evaluations, professional activities of teachers and administrators and student concerns over being harassed by neighborhood bullies. Notre Dame participated in a Tri-School course and student exchange for about 2-3 years in the early 1970s. so included are sample accounting reports, sample of yearly reports sent to the Archdiocese, the province administration and the State of California.

The last set of files document the closing of the school. These include the school, parish and public events, the press coverage of the closure, speeches about the school, the inventories of the building contents and their distribution and finally the letter describing the ground breaking for the Notre Dame Plaza Senior Housing by Mercy Housing using the high school building for this project.

**Building Records, 1918-1962. 1 lin. Inch.** R2 Unit 9 D Box 16

These records document the initial construction after of the new building after 1906 and the major modifications done in the ensuing years. These include a new telephone/ public address system, the heating system and the incinerator.

**Notre Dame Elementary School Administrative Records, 1939-1986. 5 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 D Boxes 16-17

This set of records documents the discussions of the two school- Notre Dame and Mission Dolores-sharing resources, students and staff over the years, primarily in the 1970s to 1986 the year of the complete merger. There is a short histories of both schools from the 1890s to the years before the merger. A task force was created to explore and execute the merger of these two schools. There are samples of parent and teacher handbooks that give insight into the administration of the schools. Other records includes sample of statistical reports, survey data about the student demographics, incorporation correspondence about their moves to incorporate as separate units and a property report on the maintenance of the windows over the years. There are two graduation programs from the 19th century and a few from the 1970s as well.

**Notre Dame Elementary Registers of Students and Graduates, 1908-1981. 3 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 D Box 17 and Box 25 Unit 9 F

The cumulative register list graduate's names, dates entered, and addresses. It may list the high school attending. The later register files of 1972-1981 lists the student's names, addresses, birth dates, and their ethnicity in later years.

**Clippings, 1895-1997. 3 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 D Box 18

This is a collection of clippings from the local press and the Monitor about both schools, The stand out events are the birthday of San Francisco, the earthquake and fire, school programs and events, closure of the high school, the re-purposing of the high school building for low-income senior housing and the program of the visit of Pope John Paul II to San Francisco in 1987.

**High School Student Newspapers, 1934-1952; 1969; 2000-2005. 2 lin. Inches.** R2 Unit 9 F Box 29.

These newspapers written by the students covered the whole range of activities and events at the high school. These activities and events included sports, class and school retreats, Christmas and Easter events, parish events, service programs, fund raising events by various sections of the school

community, sisters' events and alumni events as well. Also included are some of the Alumni newsletters from 200-2005. The names of the papers were: " Serran Shadows", 1934-1952; " Cretan " 1969. And the Alumni "Serran Shadows" 2000-2005.

**Photographic Records, 1870s-2006. 630+ items.** R2 Unit 9 E-F, Boxes 19-23; 28.

These photographs of all sizes and types cover the entire period of the schools. Later photographs were added celebrating various anniversaries including the 100th anniversary of the 1906 Earthquake and Fire. There were probably many more photographs but they perished when the building was dynamited to save Mission Dolores.

The general subjects of this collection are the students and their educational and social activities, the school and convent buildings, parish activities, important personage's visits such as the Mother General and the bishops and some city events. Most of the photographs dated before the 1950s were taken by professionals and students. Most of the candid shots after the 1960s were taken by the sister's themselves, their families and friends.

Folder Descriptions:

III C 13e 1:1) Photo Album College of Notre Dame SF, ca. 1880s-1890s. 14 items Box 19

This photo album shows two pictures of the buildings of the school as they existed before 1906. There are 12 group photographs of each class from first grade to 12th grade, the senior year of high school. There are no identifications of each student.

III C 13e 1: 2) Official Souvenir View Book of the Panama Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, 1915. Box 19.

This souvenir booklet contains the official views of all of the major building constructed for this exposition. There are 40 printed photos with one or two in color.

III C 13e 4:1 1) Photos of Convent before 1906 and 2) Photos of the ruins 1906, 1900-1906. 8 items: sizes 3" x 4" to 8"x 10". Box 19

The six photos of the college before 1906 are from the printed photos from the catalogue and the photos of the ruins were taken very close to the time the building was blown up as a fire break to save Mission Dolores.

III C 13e 4:2 1-2: CND SF Rebuilt and Façade. 1907-1980s 39 items; 1 x3 to 8 X 10 size. Box 19

These photos show the exterior of school rebuilt in 1907 and beyond. These are many views of the new facade over the years with some groups of students in front.

III C 13 e 4: 3 Interiors: Old SF Chapel, After 1906, Convent Interior, and other Rooms. 1895-1920s. 63 items 1 x3 to 11 x 12 sizes. Box 19

These photos document some of the interior spaces in the older building but most are highlight the newer interiors in the new building from 1907 through the 1930. There are some color views as well.

III C 13e 4:4 Photos of the Hierarchy. 1879-1987. 31 items, sizes 3 X 5 to 11 X 15. Box 19

These head shots and full standup postures record the likeness of priests and bishops associated with San Francisco and particularly with the parish of Mission Dolores which is located across from the Notre Dame complex.

III C 13 e 4:5 SNDdeN's in San Francisco, 1870s-1991. 38 items 3 X 5- 8 X 10. Box 20

These photos are of the sisters in San Francisco in group shots, celebrating Jubilees over the years, the Centennial of the sisters in California in 1951 at the cathedral, the visits of Ma Mere over the years and 125th anniversary celebration of the sisters in San Francisco in 1991.

III C 13e 4: 6 Notre Dame Convent Centennial 1966, 1966. 19 items 8 X 10 b & w Box 20

These photos showcase the celebration of the first 100 years in San Francisco for the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

III C 13e 4: 7 General SF pictures, 1906 ruins, & Mission Dolores, 1856--1920s. 53 items 1' x 2 ' to 8 X 10. Box 20.

These photos are collections of general San Francisco from the early 1850s -1860s, several general photos of the ruins from the 1906 Earthquake and Fire and early photos of Mission Dolores and its activities.

III C 13e 4: 8 Exteriors and Grounds, 1900-1988. 90 items from 1 X 2 to 18 X18. Box 20

These photographs are exteriors depicting the generous amount of yards and grounds surrounding the buildings, the Lourdes Shrine from pre-1906 to the 1940s and building exteriors in need of repairs in the 1980s.

III C 13e 4: 9 Property and Events, 1988-2006. 38 items from 3X 5 to 5 X 7. Box 20.

These photos depict the property after the high school had closed, as it converted to low-income senior housing- Notre Dame Plaza-, the transformation of grammar school to Children's Place Day School and the commemoration of the 1906 Earthquake at Notre Dame Plaza in 2006.

III C 13e 4: Student Class photographs, 1908-1915, 12 items 5 x 7 s. Box 20.

These group photos are identified by year and class level.

III C 13e 4:11 Graduate Classes, 1870s- 1919. 8 items 3x 5 to 8 x 10. Box 21

These group class pictures are identified by class year and sometimes individuals are identified.

III C 13e 4: 12 Both School's Activities, 1932-1951. 27 items 5 x7 to 8 x 10. Box 21

These images capture the Queen of May ceremonies of the grammar school, Mission Day events (high school), groups of student leaders, each high school class for 1951 and the 1951 California Province Centennial celebration in San Francisco.

III C 13e 4:13 High School Classes and Activities, 1890s; 1916-1955. 37 items; 1 x 2 to 8 x 10s Box 21

These are photos of various class groups for scattered years and of the Consecration to the Sacred Heart ceremonies for the graduating classes from 1947-1952 as a substitute for graduation ceremonies as a class as all the catholic high schools graduated together in the Civic Auditorium.

III C 13e 4: 14 Graduates Class Photos, 1944-1975. 18 items, 8 x 10. Box 21

These are smaller sizes of the graduate class photos that hung on the walls of the corridors of the school. Not all years are included.

III C 13e 4: 15: High School Student Activities, 1920s to 1970s. 49 items 3 x5 to poster size Box 21

These photos capture a wide variety of high school activities including sports, science classes, Christmas plays, dances and outdoor masses to name a few. The years and the events are named but not the individuals' as participants.

III C 13e 4: 16: Children, Young women and older women. Former Students, 1852-1990s 39 items 2 x1 to 4 x 5 Box 21

These are photos of former students and some of their children sent to favorite teachers over the years. Some have inscriptions and identification information on the back of the photos.

III C 13e 4) :17 Individual Photos: First Communions, Weddings, Families, and Famous male scientists, 1873-1972, 13 items, 3 x 5 to 8x 10 sizes. Box 22

These photographs depict families, first communions of children, and weddings of former students. There is one folder of famous scientists.

III C 13e 4): 18 Various Classes Elementary Girls, 1870s-1925. 10 items 3 x 7 to 5 x 7 sizes Box 22

Class group pictures of elementary girl's school labeled with class level and year.

III C 13e 4): 19 Elementary Girls: Orchestra, Boarders, First Communion Classes, May Pole Dance, class groups, and 8th grade classes, 1900 -1976. 29 items, 5 x 7 to 8x 10. Box 22.

These photographs document the various activities that the younger students participated in during the school year. These include First Communions, orchestra, may pole dances and graduations.

III C 13e 4): 20 Notre Dame Grammar School (girls) School building, 6th grade photos, Dad's Workdays, 1925-1955. 81 items, 1x 2 to 8 x 10 sizes Box 22

This group of photographs shows the new building completed in 1925, dad's workdays, and individual students. There is a folder of copy negatives and proof sheets using older photographs that may not be in the collection.

III C 13e 4) 21 Mission Dolores Boys School: Boys Band, Boy's Yard and classes, 1900s; 1944-1959. 9 items, 3x 5 to 8x 10 sizes, Box 22

These photographs document various activities and classes of the boy's School

III C 13e 4:22 Golden Jubilee of SNDdeN's in San Francisco, 1916. 2 items, 8 inches by 4 feet rolled. Box 23

These are two copies of a wide angle photograph capturing every student from first grade to senior in high school both day and boarding students.

III C 13e 4: 23 Mission Dolores Boys School, 1946. One item, 9 inches by 2 feet long. B &w Box 23

This rolled wide angle photograph depicts all of the classes in 1946.

III C 13e 4: 24 Classes 1938, 1939, 1940, 1940, 1938. 1 item 10 inches by 2 feet rolled. Box 23

This is a wide angle photograph of the high school students in 1938.

III C 13e 4: 27 Photograph of 1st Building before 1906. Box 28

An oversized photograph of the main building before 1906 with a Corpus Christi procession making its way around the building.

III C 13e 4: 24 Classes 1938, 1939, 1940, 1940, 1 item 10 inches by 2 feet rolled. Box 23

This is a wide angle photograph of the high school students in 1938.

III C 13e 4: 27 Photograph of 1st Building before 1906. 1 item over 18 X 24. Box 28

An oversized photograph of the main building before 1906 with a Corpus Christie procession making its way around the building.

IIIC 13e 4:28 Drawing of College of Notre Dame San Francisco Building, 1896. One item 2 ft. by 3 ft. Box 28

This is a drawing of the building as it existed in 1896 before the additions added in 1898.

III C 13e 4: 29: Panoramic Views of San Francisco. 1906. 2 items, Box 28.

These two copies of the panoramic views of 1906 Earthquake and Fire show the remains of the Notre Dame building blasted to create a fire break to save the building of Mission Dolores.

III C 13e 4: 30 Procession for Golden Jubilee 1916. 2 items. Box 28.

These photos show the full procession of the school fat the celebration of the 50th year of the sisters in San Francisco in1916.

III C 13 e4: 31 Sisters with Ma Mere Josepha 1952. One item. Box 28

This is a large group portrait of the sisters living at the time Ma Mere Josepha canonical visit to the California Province in 1952. There may be an identification chart of this photo.

**Student Created Autograph and Memory Books, 1887-95, 1916-1927. 4 items of various sizes. Boxes 16, 24, and 26.**

These autograph and memory books were created by individual students which were donated to the sister's archives over the years by the families. The memory books which were part of a national trend to begin to record student's activities in school were preprinted with page for recording academic and social activities of the school year especially the senior year of high school. There were pages for autographs, poems, greetings from fellow students and teachers and photographs. There were also

pages for pasting in programs, letters, telegrams and mementos from dances, outings and commencements. There are photographs of fellow students and teachers as well.

The autograph book is from Loretta Fredericks Muslin, 1925-1927. The memory books are from Evelyn Collins, Class of 1918 (1916-1918) and Mary Ellen Walsh, class of 1927, (1925-1927). The last book is a collection of student's compositions from the years 1887-1895.

**High School Scrapbooks, 1945-1967. 7 items.** R2 Unit 9 F Boxes 26-27

These scrapbooks were created by the students. Three of the scrapbooks cover student events and fundraising events through newspaper clippings, programs and some photos. Three scrapbooks cover post- Vatican II theology presentations on the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation and a Theology Renewal program. The final scrapbook is on "Six Week Peace Study, 1966". This was a congregation wide education program for all high schools that the sisters ran.