

LETTERS

PHOTO ALBUM UPDATE

I must send a correction to a picture in the last issue ("Photo Album" Summer 1998, page 23). It was taken in 1928 or 1929 when I was taking the two-year normal course. This was our gym class in middy blouses and bloomers.

The teacher on the left was Mrs. Butterfield and her helper on the right was Rena Eby. I was the last person in back of the last row on the right. Irene



Forquer-Claflin was in front of me, but I don't remember all the others.

We were on the lawn between the old Ad Building and the girls' dorm. The Home Ec building and the Normal-Elementary school were in back of us. The water tower shows faintly on the left.

*Wilma Titus (DP '29)
Keene, Texas*

Yes, this picture of '27, '28 or '29 is familiar to me, I being in the pictured class—number one on the far right side.

Our main teacher was Mrs. Mable Butterfield (left front). Her assistant was Rena Eby Robinson (right center). I can't remember all the names at 90 years, but I know some of them:

Second row, from left in front is Purden Lausten; 3rd row, 3rd from end, Lillian Johnson Swartz; 4th row, from left, number 3, Marion Francisco; 5th row from left, number 1, Betty Kirkland-Neufeld; 5th row from left, number 2, Ruth Harding Harrison; 5th row from left, last person, Anita Herrmann Spaulding; 6th row from left, number one, Marian Krater Klingbeil; 6th row from the left, number 3, Lavina Videte Benjamin.

I was at Andrews for my 50th-year reunion in 1983. In my day we knew everybody! Attendance was around 400. I'm glad I went there then.

*Marian Klingbeil (DP '30, BA '33)
Carmichael, California*

The setting for the Physical Culture class is just south and a bit west of old Birch Hall. The sidewalk runs in front of Birch Hall and to the front of the old Ad Building with the bell tower. The first building in back and slightly to the left of center is the old Home Economics building, and the building to its right is the old elementary training school.

I started formal classes there—training school—in 1928 behind those windows which you see in the photo. Grace Harrison was my teacher. Some of my classmates were Gordon Scribner, who lives near Berrien yet, John Carr, and June Marsh.

The old sun dial was moved and put just south of Birch Hall between a split sidewalk. It was a good spot to stop and chat, when the days weren't too hot and sticky, or too cold and frigid.

*George Huffaker (BS '65, MA '75)
Muscatine, Iowa*

HAPPY ABOUT HOSTAS

What a refreshing and interesting article in the summer issue of FOCUS. The "Hosta Takeover" article about the Streeters' garden in Baroda, Mich., was as inspiring as it was beautiful. Being a resident of Berrien County myself, a bit of a closet gardener, and the proud owner of one variety of hostas, I was mesmerized by the article.

I can certainly see why Madeline Johnston has recently been published in *Popular Photography* magazine. She took breath-taking, colorful pictures of the hostas and of the many secret "rooms" throughout the gardens. What a pleasurable and delightful assignment for her!

Thank you for taking time to feature such a fascinating Andrews couple and their accomplishments.

*Gloria Hippler (BS '77)
Berrien Springs*

SUMMER ISSUE APPRECIATED

Thanks for the summer 1998 issue of Focus. My husband Tatsuo and I enjoyed it very much. We both graduated from EMC.

*Mary Nazaki Kimura ('47)
Ventura, Calif.*

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