



Photo Album

Sister Peg Mattare, SSND



Entering Convent



PEGGY MATTARE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Mattare, 1135 Wedgewood road, will enter the Order of the School Sisters of Notre Dame on August 28. Miss Mattare graduated from the Institute of Notre Dame.



Family Pictures:

Top row:

#1 Margaret Anastasia Mattare (nee Beierlein), died 8/6/92 at age 78

Richard Andrew Mattare, died 3/5/82 at age 70

Margaret Anastasia Mattare (Peggy 3 y.o.), Mary Ellen Mattare (4 ½ y.o.)

#2 Newspaper announcement of my entrance to SSND (18 y.o.)

#3 Entrance day in IND yard – Dad with Peg in postulant's dress



Bottom row:

#4 Peg and her siblings – left to right

- Catherine Helen (Cathie or Moe) had coronary by-pass surgery on Ash Wednesday, did remarkably well, but died unexpected early Easter Sunday morning April 11, 2004 at age 61.
- Janice Elkins (Jan) will be 66 on April 1st.
- Margaret Anastasia (Peggy) will be 77 on July 28th
- Mary Ellen just turned 78 on February 1st

#5 Reception day in IND yard (old Baltimore Motherhouse) Mom with Peg in novice garb



Teaching Ministry

Large photo:

My first class of 4th and 5th graders in 1957 at age 21. I took them on a field trip with my mother as chaperone from St. Joseph School at 2nd and C Street N.E. Washington, D.C. to the Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, MD.

Upper right smaller photo:

My first high school chemistry class (note modified habit) at Notre Dame Academy, St. Petersburg, FL



Large class photo:

One of my fourth grade classes at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Tampa, FL. The photo was taken in front of the convent, and was located in a section of Tampa called Ebor City which was and remains the Latin-quarter. Every child in my class was bi-lingual – but I was not. They were a tremendous help during the Cuban crisis when we were getting children from Cuba in our classes on a daily basis who spoke only Spanish.

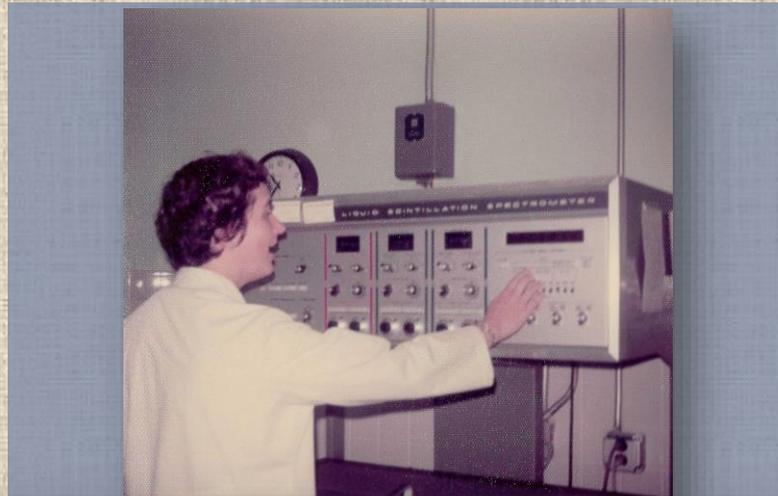


Photo #1:
Peg working in lab with the liquid scintillating machine which reads concentration of radioactive isotopes in patient samples following chemically induced reactions.



The Department of Endocrinology & Metabolism, at the University of Maryland Hospital in Baltimore. This picture was taken at the celebration of my personal 25th Jubilee celebration in 1981. All tolled, counting my family, friends, SSNDs, etc. there were 100 people in attendance.

The pink suit I am wearing was made for the occasion by my dear friend Jeff Sirett (British) who was a taylor, and married to my 100% Irish friend Clare (spelling for county Clare in Ireland). Clare and I have been very close friends for more than 35 years.



Physician Assistant Ministry

Peggy Mattare PA-C examining a pediatric patient in the Walk-in Clinic of the emergency room at what is now Hopkins Bayview Medical Center – at that time it was actually Francis Scott Key Hospital. The picture was taken as part of the promotion of the hospital emergency room – we really did not need any promotion as it was and remains the 2nd busiest emergency room in the state of Maryland.



A very tired P.A. Peg dropping in on the Harbor Hospital surgical department Mardi Gras party after assisting on a seven hour operation.



Peg preparing to insert a urinary catheter on a post-op male patient during afternoon surgical rounds.

Christmas party for children at orphanage in Timisoara, sponsored by Caritas.



Caritas nurse Gabriela Burs and Peg making follow-up house call on Mom and baby had delivered 2 weeks prior.



Caritas nurses and Peg with a broken right hand sustained while grabbing a railing to break her fall as a result of tripping over a raised portion of sidewalk and going headlong down a flight of stone stairs.



Stella Maris - bottom right: Marcela - two SSNDs from our Porto Allegra Province of Brazil who did fantastic ministry in Resteta, Romania at the same time I was there.

Bottom middle: Demitia 95 y.o. died at 98 y.o. after I was in Austria - top middle = Justine 76



A main street in Timisoara (second only to Bucharest in size). While I was there horse drawn vehicles far outnumbered motorized ones.

This is the street directly in front of the house where I lived the 1st year in Romania. Most of the streets in the city resembled this one.

Oh, the ravages of Communism!!!



Four of our Romanian SSNDs in one of their residences, as you see they dressed in the peasant garb.





Peg in front of one of the two children's hospitals in the city square. One of the hospitals was for children with blood born diseases such as AIDS, and leukemia. The second was for children with tuberculosis - not pulmonary TB, but TB either of the bone or kidneys. The cows had TB and the milk was not pasteurized - ergo 50% of the children have TB and no antibiotics with which to treat it. The 1st year I volunteered at the children's hospitals 3 hrs. twice a week, that was not possible after I started working with the Caritas nurses, but I was able through Caritas to establish of conduit of medications, especially antibiotics for these hospitals.



One of the Romanian sisters in the courtyard where she lived.



Sisters peering in through the window of the room of two other sisters - no one had a private bedroom.



The inside of a streetcar in Timisoara. Note that everything including the seats were metal. There was fear of being electrocuted.



Justine and Domitia my community members having a main meal in the kitchen. We didn't have a lot to eat and we didn't have much space in which to eat it. I lost 40 lbs. the first year I was there - but I never experienced a feeling of hunger.



Shalom

Ministry of Peace, Justice and Integrity of Creation

Photo # 1

First Co-coordinators of Shalom: Kristina Vargacz from the Hungarian Province and Peg Mattare from the Baltimore Province

Photo # 2

Peg in her Shalom Office in Vienna Austria – Wien, Oesterreich

Photo # 3

In the Generalate library in Rome during the Shalom coordinator selection process. There were 11 candidates for the two positions. The candidates either self-selected (I certainly didn't), were selected by your province (Baltimore selected Pat Murphy), or were selected by the General Council (I guess that is how I got there).

Johanna Kokubon, the candidate from the Region of Japan, who 2 summers ago translated my presentation into Japanese to our Japanese sisters that is at the beginning of this book – **Pietra Haganburger**, one of the General Councilors – and **Me**.



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Upper left:

Second Branch meeting of the Shalom Network in Nairobi, Kenya

Johanna Schroeckeis – European Branch representative – base Munich, Germany

Peg Mattare – Shalom Coordinator – base Vienna, Austria

Cathy Arata – Central America representative – base San Salvador, El Salvador – followed me as
Shalom Coordinator, now serving in Southern Sudan

Roxanne Shears – African Branch representative – base Ivory Coast, Ghana

Pat Frost – General Council Liaison

Inez Raulino – South America Branch representative – base Sao Paulo, Brazil

Jean Schmidt – Asian representative - Kyoto, Japan

Gen Cassani – North America Branch representative – base St. Louis, Missouri





Peg introducing Shalom to the faculty at one of our large grade schools in Porto Alegre, Brazil.





Ministry of Leadership as “Oberin” of the Austrian Motherhouse

Upper photo:
Convent courtyard with a Closter garden in Vienna. Our visiting friends from Lucerne Switzerland entertaining part of the motherhouse community with a concert on the Alpine Horn. I'm in the white dress with black polka dots.





I had two fieldtrips per year for the sisters. One was for the entire motherhouse community for which we hired two buses, and one just for the retired sisters for which one bus was sufficient. This had to have been the first one for the retired sisters, (the two young sisters without veils came along to help with the older sisters) as the sister to the left of the boat captain was the first to die during the second year of my tenure. In all six sisters in this photo died during my watch, and each of their deaths was traumatic for me.

After that first outing, I insisted on taking even those sisters in dementia, and the one sister who was also totally incontinent whom I said I would handle myself on the excursion. I assigned the two nursing assistants the care of those sisters in dementia. The provincial council was totally opposed to this, but I did it anyway, and the council was converted when they saw how much joy it gave all the retired sisters.



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Austrian Province Jubilee celebration. I had been invited to celebrate my 40th with the Austrian province, and was informed by the Generalate in Rome that I was to do so even though our American sisters celebrate 50 years instead of 40 years – “When in Rome do what the Romans do.” So here I am being my usual obedient self.



Yet another fieldtrip for the retired sisters. Second to the left of me is Martha Bertsch who was the provincial when I first came to Vienna, but joined us on this outing as she was on home leave from her ministry in Israel.



This is a photo of the North American Health/Wellness Coordinators in Baltimore at our annual itinerate meeting (3 persons missing). Now with Lorrita's resignation I will be the only sister in the group. All the others are lay nurses, and you would never find another group of women so dedicated to the health and wellness of our sisters. You can get a preview of Ana Casey, R.N. – she is the fourth from the right in the rear – a real great gal.

