

# Heritage News

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## **Glendale's Sisters Teaching in Honolulu**

While William Alexander Procter was supporting the building of St. Elizabeth's church in Honolulu (described in the Spring 2022 edition of Heritage News), Sisters from Glendale's Community of the Transfiguration were also working in Honolulu. They were responsible for the administration of St. Andrew's Priory School for Girls.

The school was the inspiration of Queen Emma Kaleleonālani Na'ea Rooke (1836-1885), wife of King

Kamehameha IV. After her husband's death in 1863, Queen Emma actively raised funds with the support of Queen Victoria to establish the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Honolulu. In 1867, recognizing the need for a quality education for Hawaiian girls, she founded St. Andrew's Priory School for Girls.



Queen Emma

#### Under the authority of the

Archbishop of Canterbury, the Sisters from the Church of England traveled to Hawaii to run the school. They were led by Mother Priscilla Lydia Sellon of the Society of the Most Holy Trinity.

In 1894, with the formation of the Republic of Hawaii, the country's education policy changed to favor establishing an American system of free public schools for everyone. Shortly afterwards, in 1902, St. Andrew's Priory School for Girls was transferred to the jurisdiction of the Episcopal Church of the United States. In 1918, the Sisters from Glendale's Community of the Transfiguration were invited to take over the administration of the school. Sister Olivia Mary was the first Sister to be principal of the School. At the outset, she was supported by four other Sisters. The first four-year high school diplomas were awarded to four girls in 1920.

The school grew over the years. By 1960, there were over 600 girls in grades 1-12. The student body now reflected the total population of Hawaii, including not only those of Hawaiian blood, but also Chinese, Japanese, and all the immigrant groups that had come to Honolulu over the years.

In 1969, the Sisters turned over administration of the School to the Diocese and the Rev. Fred Minuth became the new headmaster. This ended fifty years of service at the School by the Sisters from the Community of the Transfiguration in Glendale.

The last of the Sisters to leave was Sister Monica Mary Heyes. She left in 1971 after completing a Masters Degree in History at the University of

Hawaii. Her thesis was "The History of St. Andrew's Priory" during its first 50 years. Subsequently, Sister Monica went on to write a book that chronicles the history of the Community of the Transfiguration: "Women of Devotion: History of An Anglican Religious Community 1898-2008." Copies of



her book are available in the Glendale Heritage Preservation gift shop.

Submitted by Martin Sinnott

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(Left to Right) Jill Beitz, Helene Sedwick, Martin Sinnott, Joe Dubinski, Carolyn Beaugrand

### **Memorial Day Parade**

Glendale Heritage Preservation participated in Glendale's traditional Memorial Day parade on May 30 in a 1940 Ford Deluxe.



The car was driven by its owner Kevin Carroll. Along for the ride were Glendale Heritage Preservation's Vice President Carolyn Beaugrand and President Martin Sinnott. The day started out hot and was getting even hotter when the car's temperature gauge went through the roof, so to speak. But Kevin and the car soldiered on and made it all the way to the War Memorial.

## Growing Up at Pollard's Delicatessen

They called me "Little George." There was really no "big" George because my father, George Pollard, had lost some height in a crippling traffic accident in New York City, where he lived as a young man.

It was the customers of the delicatessen he opened in 1932 in Glendale who gave me that moniker, as I waited on them or chatted with them while they looked over, then bought the myriad merchandise in Pollard's Delicatessen in the Thirties and Forties.

I learned the value of a dollar and was handy with arithmetic far before I even learned how to spell the word at Glendale Grade School. And, without even knowing it, I learned to understand the elements of profit and loss years before attending business school at OSU. I learned how to make customers think they were "always right," even if they weren't, and I learned at a very early age how to tell a colossal fib when "the suits" showed up.



Pollard's Delicatessen, 275 Sharon Avenue

It wasn't by accident or a mistake in words that my father had called his store (at Sharon and the B&O tracks) a delicatessen. In naming it he'd referenced the delis he'd known as a young man in New York, places that sold all kinds of food products for families to take home and cook, but also provided prepared food on the spot.

For the many years George Pollard owned the business (until about 1960 when the property was sold to the Cripe family), he held not only state licenses to sell food products but also prepared foods to serve in-house, in addition to beer and wine licenses both for carry-out and in-house consumption. It wasn't uncommon for some customers to eat a salami sandwich and drink a beer at the bar while telling me what groceries they wanted to take home.

As a child, like Glendale kids before and after us, our "gang" enjoyed playing in the park areas, especially baseball in Lake Park, swimming at St. Edmund's in summers and sledding down Wood Ave. from the park in the winters. I remember, too, marching with the middle school band (I played cornet) in the Village Square.

But one of the most fun occasions I recall was the annual Halloween costume judging party held at Town Hall, when apple bobbing was still considered hygienically correct. After my costume, handmade by my mother, had been picked as the blue ribbon winner in four or five consecutive judgings, my mother (Edna Suttman Pollard) was politely asked by the judging committee to please refrain from entering future contests. She (with me) had won too many times. I had been a turnip, a banana and a dice cube. I was happy they'd asked my mother to decline any further awards because the following year I would have wound up on stage as a mushroom.

I was born in 1933 at Maple Knoll, which at the time was known mainly as a home for unwed mothers, though my mother and father were married by then. A day or two after I was delivered, I was brought home to 275 E. Sharon Road where, working with my parents, I gained an on-the-job education few youngsters ever experience.

#### Submitted by Ted Pollard

Author, journalist and playwright T. S. Pollard, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University and the Ohio State University, has been involved in public relations and the print media field for many years, principally serving as a writer and editor for major news organizations, including the Kansas City Star, (the former) St. Louis Globe-Democrat, and the Cox Newspapers of Ohio. More of Ted's reminiscences of growing up in Glendale can be found at <u>GlendaleHeritage.org</u> under the "Memories" menu tab.



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## **Strong Membership Support**

On behalf of Glendale Heritage Preservation, thank you for your generous support over the years. Without you, we wouldn't be able to amass and maintain our vast archive collection, create fascinating museum exhibits, send out our quarterly Heritage News newsletter or manage the execution of preservation projects such as repainting village gaslights and street signs.

As we announced last year, we have decided to showcase our wonderful donors. You may remember that we are using a train theme for the names of each level based on the fact that we are housed in a train depot. Although the number of members per level is given in the aggregate for this article, we will be showcasing the names of individual members who have given us permission to do so on a panel at the depot. To maintain confidentiality for all others, there will be an anonymous total given per level to represent everyone else. It is with deep gratitude that we acknowledge our charitably supportive members thus far in 2022.

Level	Total Amount Given	No. of Members
Passenger	\$30	120
Ticket Master	\$35 - \$99	40
Switch Operator	\$100 - \$149	37
Railroad Conductor	\$150 - \$249	5
Locomotive Engineer	\$250 - \$499	3
Railroad Tycoon	\$500 plus	0

Submitted by Carolyn Beaugrand