BLIND HOPSCOTCH

Interviewee: Dianne Elphinstone (student from 1948-1955):

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EJ: So, what about activities after school? Did you participate in any extracurricular activities?

DE: Yes, we had baseball teams. And there was a thing we used to participate in, it was called “blind hopscotch”. And we had two teams - do you know what hopscotch is?

EJ: Oh yeah.

DE: Okay, one team would draw out the hopscotch, the opposing team had to stay away. And the first team would choose one person - you’d be blindfolded - and you had to do the hopscotch.

EJ: Without seeing it?

DE: Without seeing it. And if you completed it you were given a prize. And this, I guess it went on forever, but you had to be grade six or grade seven to participate.

EJ: Was this an organized event, the school organized it?

DE: No, no. The kids organized this totally themselves.
[Dianne shuffling through items]

DE: That’s the type of things that…

EJ: Oh, that you would win?

DE: That’s what you’d win. And you never had to give them back, once you won them, they were yours.

EJ: Wow, they’re little charms.

DE: They’re all sterling silver too. I’ve kept everything over the years.

EJ: Good for you, wow.