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**FORMER ST. IGNACE RESIDENT  
WRITES SISTER'S MEMOIR**

SCOTTSDALE, Arizona, March, 2005 – Former St. Ignace resident and class of 1968 graduate of LaSalle, and now published author, Patricia L. (Cronan) Brooks has published her first book entitled “*Gifts of Sisterhood – a journey on to your own*” in memory of her sister Roberta who gave generously many special gifts that needed to be shared. Roberta passed away from cancer here in St. Ignace just over five years ago.

Patricia takes you from northern Michigan’s Upper Peninsula, where they grew up in St. Ignace, to their roots in County Tipperary, Ireland. The journey is fresh and uplifting, moving and generous in its account of this sister’s perspective of a life worth remembering, and of the words her sister lived by.

The book is an inspirational portrait of a relationship of two sisters who were friends, confidants and soul mates. The book shows wit, courage and faith during times of need and challenge, as well as insight into a philosophy of life worth emulating by inspiring you to write about your gifts.

Patricia is owner of Patricia L. Brooks Seminars ([www.plbrooks.com](http://www.plbrooks.com)), is associate faculty at Arizona State University – East Campus where she teaches Marketing, is a member of the Phoenix Writers Club, the Women Writers of the Desert, the National Association of Women Writers, and the Arizona Small Business Association.

She has resided in Arizona for almost 30 years and has two other sisters – Kathy in Montrose and Carol in Denver, Co. They are the daughters of the late Robert and Catherine Cronan, formerly of Graham’s Point, St. Ignace.

Patricia holds a Masters Degree in Organizational Management, was recently named to “Who’s Who of America’s Teachers,” and as an outstanding presenter for the Arizona Small Business Association.

Patricia can be reached for more information on the book at [patricia@plbrooks.com](mailto:patricia@plbrooks.com) or 480-250-5556. Patricia will be in St. Ignace for a book signing over the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend at the St. Ignace library – details to follow. Book ISBN#1-4208-1875-9  
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