



The *Great* Canadian
Catholic Hospital History Project

Documenting the legacy and contribution of the
Congregations of Religious Women in Canada,
their mission in health care, and the founding and operation of Catholic hospitals.



Projet de la *Grande* Histoire
des hôpitaux catholiques au Canada

Retracer l'héritage et la contribution des
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Memories

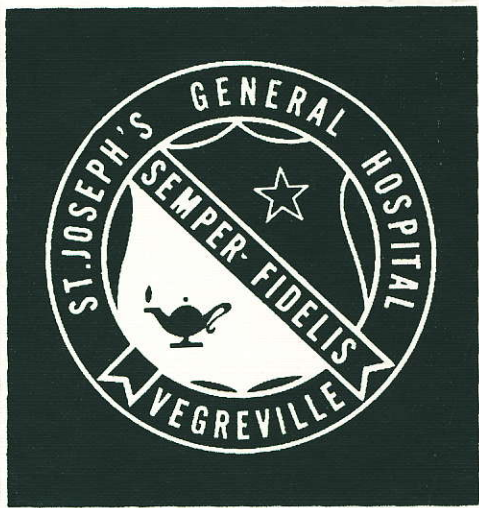
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the hospital's School of Nursing.)

St Joseph's General Hospital
Vegreville 1971

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MEMORIES





1940



1960



DEDICATION

Since 1915, the Sisters of Charity of our Lady of Evron have been educators in the field of Nursing. For over half a century they have been dedicated not only to the education of student nurses but also to the organization of St. Joseph's Hospital from administration to the kitchen, the laundry, the laboratory - X-Ray Service, and the nursing units.

Students graduating from St. Joseph's have acquired much more than simply an education in the nursing sciences and their application.

From the Sisters' very example we were taught to give of ourselves to the care of the sick as they did; expending much from within thereby learning to care ABOUT as well as to care FOR the sick and their families.

Through their devoted teaching, the Sisters have lit the lamp that we must carry through hospitals wherever we may go. That we may be truly Christian; that we go on "caring about" as well as "caring for" the sick and that we hold true to our Alma Mater "Semper Fidelis", are the ideals we should strive to carry through. If in some small way we can give of ourselves as the Sisters have to us, then it is a better world because they've made it so.

The Alumnae 1918-1971



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Alumnae Members:

The events associated with our School of Nursing in this, the year nineteen hundred and seventy-one, will I am certain, remain deeply imprinted in our memories for many years to come.

Here in your Alma Mater, the local Alumnae members have been most diligent in their efforts to make both the reunion and the souvenir book truly cherished memories.

I have considered it an honor and a privilege to serve as your president during the past year. Planning for the reunion has been an enriching experience and the response of our members has been very gratifying. My thanks to each of you for your continued support and encouragement. Without your loyalty and trust our projects could never have been realized.

As we encounter each other at our reunion in June, thoughts of bygone days will crowd our minds. We shall laugh together over our past experiences and perhaps we shall even shed a few tears while sharing some of our disappointments and sorrows. All of us have experienced and enjoyed the true love and deep concern of the many people who have contributed to our education. The friendships that developed during training have been lasting even though time and distance have tended to separate us. It is my hope that this reunion and the Memories Book will serve to strengthen the bond of love between us as we begin a new era in our Alumnae Organization.

Many of you have expressed your deep concern over the closing of the school. Let me assure you that the decision to phase out the education program in our hospital was indeed a difficult one to make and one that was not taken lightly. You are all fully aware of the many changes in nursing education today - changes which seem necessary and inevitable in our dynamic world.

Because of a chronic shortage of instructors, and a noticeable decrease in experience, we felt that we could not meet the challenge which these changes presented, so we chose to discontinue the program. We feel that our school has contributed much to nursing education in our province over the past fifty-six years and we are truly proud of our four hundred and twenty-eight graduates. It is our prayer that they will continue to carry with them wherever they go that spirit of Christlike compassion which has been the basis of their educational program.

As we say farewell to our class of 1971, and begin the difficult task of closing doors we realize more than ever how much the students have meant to all of us. But we must continue to look toward the future with hope and expectation. As long as we have graduates of St. Joseph's contributing to nursing we feel assured that our ideals are being fulfilled.

Together let us praise and thank God for his wonderful works through the years and once again pledge ourselves to remain "Always Faithful".

The Staff of St. Joseph's joins me in welcoming each of you home for this reunion and in congratulating you on your contributions to the service of humanity over the years.

Sister Mary Ellen O'Neill
Hospital Administrator
Alumnae President

IN APPRECIATION

Through the years the student nurses have benefited from the friendship and support of many individuals and groups. They have been fortunate in having many devoted faculty members and guest lecturers who gave totally of themselves in order to maintain a well-rounded and adequate course of studies. The affiliating agencies have been most co-operative and have provided excellent programs to complement the basic education received in the home school. The interest of the medical staff in the progress of each student has been constant and sincere and the entire staff of the hospital, by their friendly and helpful attitudes have helped to create in each student that feeling of really belonging. Students have often received spiritual strength and encouragement from the clergy of the various denominations in Vegreville.

And further away, yet ever present, was the guiding influence of beloved parents who by their example and their courage helped each student to reach her goal.

Several organizations contributed in countless ways to give the extras that were much appreciated.

The Ladies of the Hospital's Auxiliary saw to the niceties like food hampers, birthday cakes, concert tickets, parties, graduation awards, and lunch for parents and friends on graduation night.

The television set donated and serviced by the Kinsmen Club has helped students to pass those long evenings when dates didn't phone and studies just couldn't be tolerated.

Each year the local Alumnae group organized get-togethers and every Christmas there was always a pleasant and usually much needed surprise.

A bouquet of red roses for each graduant as well as corsages for the mothers of the graduants faithfully arrived each year, compliments of Park Memorial Limited.

The merchants and citizens of Vegreville and surrounding areas have offered their loyal support in the various fund raising activities sponsored by the student nurses. Whether it was a slave auction, a car wash, a shoeshine or a ticket sale, the nurses could always count on the generosity of their friends.

To all these wonderful people, we the former students of St. Joseph's General Hospital School of Nursing, owe a great dept of gratitude. Thank you dear friends for standing by us during our three years of training. We knew that your hearts and your homes were always open to us and we deeply appreciated your acts of kindness on our behalf. We will never forget you.

May God bless each of you.

The Graduates of St. J. G. H.
1918-1971

FACULTY

SCHOOL OF NURSING 1970-'71



Miss L. Ramsey
Director of Nursing Service



Sister Ursula Whitley
Instructor



Sister Mary Ellen O'Neill
Director
of Nursing Education



Sister Dorothy Beaudoin
Instructor



Mrs. Jean Schulte
Instructor

EDITOR'S MESSAGE

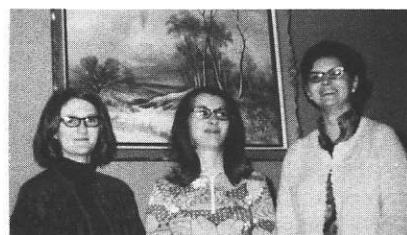
It is with a sense of pride and gratitude and a feeling of sadness that we, the students and Alumnae of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, celebrate the 56th Anniversary and final year of operation of our school.

Thanks to the Sisters for their 56 years of dedication; thanks to our predecessors who laid the foundation of our school, and thanks to our instructors who have taught us Christian principles of nursing. "Memories" is an attempt to present something of the past years and link this with something of the present to give us each a book on memories for the years to come.

May I express my sincerest thanks to all those who helped to make "Memories" a reality.



Editor - Lynn Gillman
 Co-editor - Sister Dorothy
 Co-ordinator - Sister Ursula
 Committee Members -
 Sister Mary Ellen
 Maureen Horon
 Mary Gafka
 Mauri Switzer
 Patricia Izatt



Sister Marie - Cecile
 Clermont s. c. e.
 Provincial Superior

THE GOVERNING COUNCILS of the Sisters of Charity

In tracing the history of our Hospital and School of Nursing we would be remiss if we did not express our sincere thanks to the members of the General and Provincial Councils of the Sisters of Charity of Notre Dame d'Evron, who have carried the responsibilities of governing the order through the years. For many of us, the contributions made by these religious women have gone unnoticed, but somehow we always sensed their constant love and concern for us. Throughout the years, the disappointments and successes of the Sisters as well as of the students and hospital employees have been shared by them. While it is impossible to mention the name of each of these Sisters, we recognize that each has given something unique because each has given totally of herself in the service of the One who has called her to witness to His love.



Sister Odette Blin s. c. e.
 Superieure Générale



Sister Mary Ellen O'Neill s. c. e.
 Provincial Councillor



Sister Marie Therese Laberge s. c. e.
 Provincial Councillor

HISTORY OF SAINT JOSEPH'S GENERAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING

Two Evangelical counsels: "I have compassion on the multitude", and "what you do for one of the least important brothers of mine, you do for me", gave birth in 1682 to a nursing and teaching religious order, the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Evron. Madame Perrine Brunet Thulard, a young widow, who resided in the small country parish of la Chapelle - au - Riboul, France, responded to the needs of the era and founded an institution which had a double mission of charity - the education of children belonging to the poorer class and the care of the destitute sick.

It was this same spirit of charity and devotion which prompted eight Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Evron to leave their beloved homeland and come to Trochu, Alberta, in 1909 to take up the work of caring for the sick and teaching the children in this small rural community.



Sister
Marie Victoire

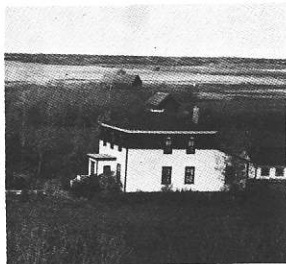


Madame Perrine Brunet Thulard

1654 - 1735



Sister Marie
Sister Marie Louise
Sister Josephine



R. C. Rectory
1910

Some fourteen months later two of these first eight sisters, Sister Marie Victoire Bruhay and Sister Josephine Boisseau along with two other sisters newly arrived from France, Sister Marie Louise Martigne and Sister Marie Doisneau came to Vegreville to establish and staff a hospital.

The Sisters were met at the C.N.R. Station by Dr. A. Couillard and Reverend Father Bernier.



Dr. A. Couillard

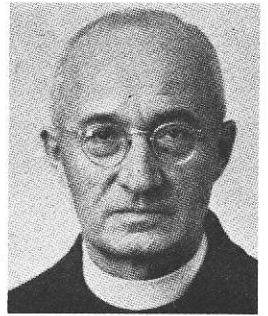


Father Bernier

The two priests in charge of the Parish, Father Bernier and Father Garnier, found temporary accommodation elsewhere and left the rectory to be used by the Sisters. It was in this building that patients were first received and cared for.

The kind Sisters of Providence of St. Brieux, who were already established in the locality, offered their cordial hospitality to the Sisters of Charity while the rectory was being suitably furnished.

The construction of a hospital was undertaken during 1911 and finally in October of that year a 36 X 90 foot building was dedicated and officially opened. Three doctors, Dr. A. Couillard, Dr. C. Field, and Dr. H. Monkman, attended the sick who were admitted to the hospital.



Father Garnier



Sister Marie Françoise

In 1912, Sister Marie Françoise Jouin replaced Sister Marie Victoire Bruhay as administrator of the establishment. The rapidly increasing number of patients requiring hospital care caused some concern as staff was limited. Sister Marie Françoise thought of establishing a training program for nurses and in 1915 a nursing school was started under the capable direction of Sister Josephine Boisseau.

The same year Sister Maria Foucher received her diploma, signed by Dr. Belanger. She was the first graduate nurse from this hospital.

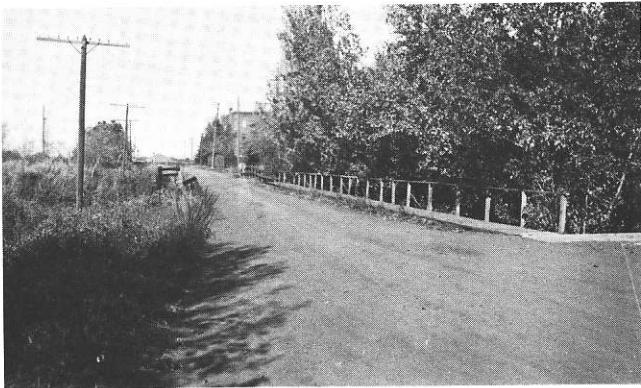
A few years later the school was officially recognized and approved by the provincial authorities. The establishment of the school was a real impetus to constantly improve standards of patient care.



Sister Maria

1915

1949





The first Graduation exercise took place on Sept. 20, 1918, with Miss J. M. McDougall (lt.) and Miss C. Forde (rt.) receiving their diplomas. In 1916 a definite uniform of the School was adopted. It consisted of a blue dress with white apron, cuffs and cap. Except for minor changes it remained the uniform of the school until 1963.



1919
J. W. Allan

Semper Fidelis became the School's motto. School colors were yellow, mauve and white; these being changed to green and gold in 1947.



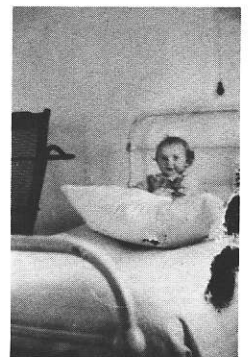
1922
J. George and
K. Foley (absent)



In 1922 a little cottage, formerly used as an Isolation Hospital, was transformed into a "Home" for student nurses. This small home was vacated only in 1959 after the construction of the New Residence. The school became better organized; regulations were enforced and doctors started to give lectures.



Pediatrics 1922



Pediatrics 1922



1923

In 1923, three nurses graduated:

Miss A. Landry
Miss R. Callahan
Sr. M. Madeleine



1925

In 1925 another three nurses graduated:

Miss M. Lafleur
Miss B. Chouinard
Miss S. Heffernan



Dr. Yakimischak



Sister Marie-Therese Heli



1927

M. LeClaire, M. Sawchuk,
A. Bolan. ABSENT: Sr. M. Julia

On this occasion Dr. Yakimischak expressed his appreciation for the good work being done.

Following the graduation exercises in 1925, Sr. Marie-Therese Heli was named Hospital Administrator. This position she held until 1930.

As early as 1926, the hospital met the standards required by the American College of Surgeons and thus received its "Accreditation".

In 1930, Sister Anna Keohane, who had come from England the previous year, was named Hospital Administrator. In addition to these administrative duties, she taught Nursing Ethics in the School of Nursing.



1929

V. Cunningham, N. Green,
K. Semenchuk



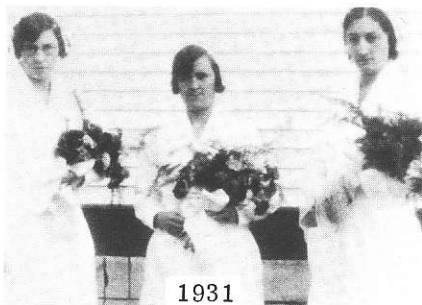
1928

P. Antosko, E. Leveille,
E. Corbet



1930

A. Dhenin, L. Fontanie



1931

A. Kelly, M. McAreavy,
S. Kolmatyski. ABSENT
J. Bartman



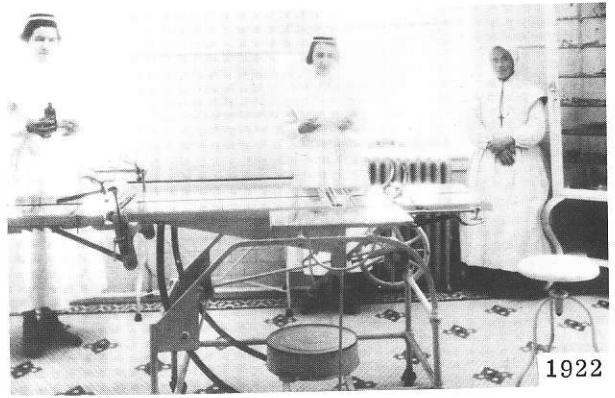
Sister Anna Keohane



1932



Sister Anna O'Donovan, Sister Beatrice Bigelow, E. McCarty, S. Bartman, M. Lesiuk, G. Everitt.



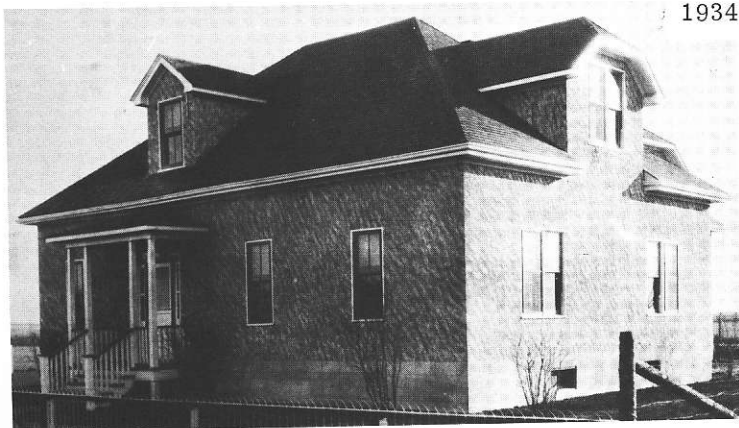
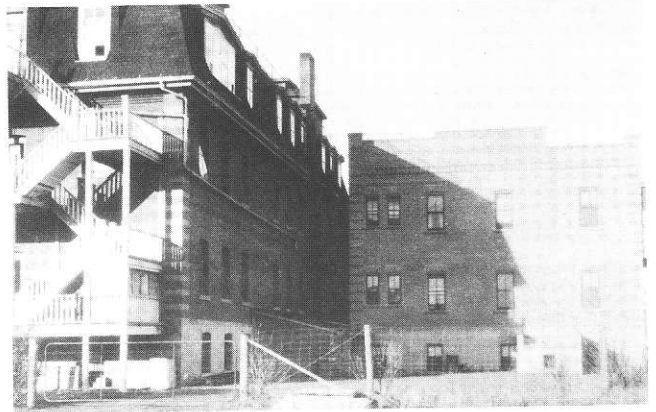
1922

In 1933, a new wing (Dept. C.) was added to the hospital. In all, there were 50 beds and 10 bassinets at this time.



1933

H. Tirska
Sister Anna Clermont
B. Gramlick



1934

1934 marks the opening of a new wing to the Nurses' Residence. The building was now modern and comfortable, providing accommodation for 24 students. Classroom space was also provided.



1934

D. Bigelow, O. Zaseybida,
M. Gray

The new curriculum was introduced for the training school:

1. Full time instructors were hired
2. Public Health experience was obtained
3. Physical culture classes were available
4. Affiliation in Com. Disease at the Royal Alexandra Hospital



1935



Sr. Albertine Landry, M. Fortier,
A. Fortin, V. Ashmore

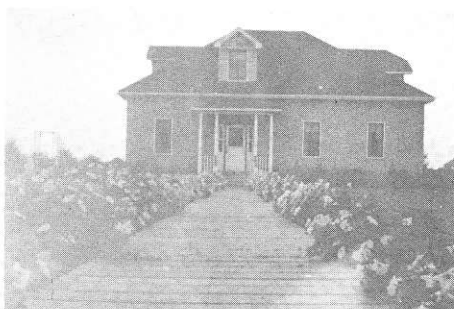


1937



Sr. Cecilia Clermont,
H. Bartch, M. McCaughey,
H. Hartwick.

They passed their "Good Luck
Horseshoe" over to the 1938 class.



1935 was an eventful
year:

- In October the hospital celebrated its Silver Jubilee.
- It was also the 25th anniversary of the arrival of Sister Josephine in Vegreville.
- Sister Germaine Labonté arrived in Vegreville in August and has been here since.
- The Hospital Auxiliary was organized during that.



Sister Germaine Labonte

1936 marks the formation of the Glee Club. This was begun for the purpose of providing extracurricular activity. Also, Fr. Burke began to give classes in medical ethics.



A. Wynnichuk C. Pailer
Sr. M. Agnes Knievel

P. Lastiwka
A. Triska

A. Salamandick
P. Huck



Father Burke



During the summer of this year a modern and fully equipped Dept. E wing was added to the hospital. A new dining room was provided for the students.

In the fall, a walk was built between the Hospital and the Nurses' Residence.



1938



1939

F. Brandel, T. Finlin, L. Wispinski,
D. Ford, H. Trost.

L. Blouin, R. Killick, P. Cador,
E. Bilyk, F. Budd. ABSENT:
A. Askin.



1940

1940 marks a few interesting events:

- The First Hospital Day
- The 25th anniversary of the School of Nursing. Eighty students had graduated from the school during the past 25 yrs.
- Hospital Auxiliary began the Sister Josephine Award for reliability and nursing spirit.
- Hospital Staff were now working an eight-hour duty day.

L. Bedard, R. L'Heureux, P. Cador, G. Robertson,
L. Cousineau, P. Kisko, P. Batiuk, E. Hewko,
M. Nikolaychuk, O. Koshure, Sr. M. Christophe,
G. Paxton, S. Tym, A. Sopchychyn.



1941

R. Saury, J. Robertson, A. Huck,
H. Deagle, H. Sadoway.



1942

M. Bouthillier, G. Babbage, A. Wirachowsky,
A. Sayers, N. Jeremy, K. Rowntree, A. Swift,
M. Nordwick.



1943

L. Rowe, K. Minisci, I. MacDonald, P. Hrabowy, P. Gardiner, O. Babbage, P. MacPhee, G. Connolly, H. Syverson, Sister Helen Levasseur.

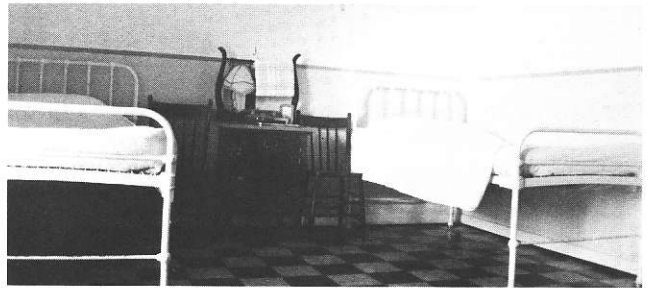
1943 saw some improvements around the Nurses' Residence:

- Under the supervision of Sr. Cecilia the landscaping took on a new charm.
- The basement was remodelled and made more attractive for the benefit of the students.
- The Ladies' Auxiliary donated a motion picture projector for the School.

Three other highlights of 1943 were:

- Students were permitted to wear white shoes and stockings instead of the black.
- A gold proficiency medal was awarded at Graduation time.
- The Gay Hearts was organized.

In April the Vermilion River overflowed and left the Hospital and Residence in a small lake. The Nurses moved to the hospital for one week. The only method of transportation was by boat.



Dormitory Nurses' Residence



Flood 1943



1945

P. Heath, M. Govier, M. Antoniuk, E. Guynn, C. Fisher, K. Woolley.



1944

A. Bonaguro, J. Kupchenko, K. Petryk, E. Landells, P. Gish, C. Harchanko, J. Pelkie, H. McFarland, J. Romaniuk.



1946

H. Dziwenko, R. Callaghan, T. Topolnicky, D. Brinton, C. Mahaffey.



C. Kittleson, A. Balko, J. Armstrong, K. Guest, G. Lund, M. Gilpin, S. Goutier, M. Yoneda, E. Nixon.



Dr. Shandro
1935



In 1947 Sister Anna O'Donovan replaced Sister Anna Koehane as Hospital Administrator.

The following year, the residence was again extended, this time to accommodate 40 nurses. This addition included a recreation room and a large lounge.

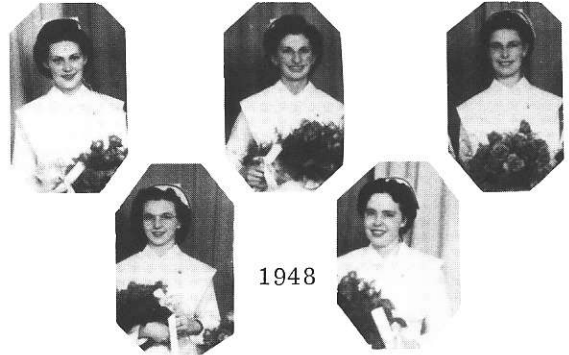
Graduation was held in the Capitol Theatre for the first time.



Nurses' Residence - 1948



H. Makowichuk H. Skulsky
Sister M. Beaulieu E. Ursuliak



E. Lundgren J. Greff M. Gutenberg
O. Skulsky A. Hartman

In 1949 a local pharmacist, Mr. Cliff King, took over the work of the pharmacy in the hospital. His wife, Mrs. Kathleen King, also a pharmacist, assisted him when necessary. As students, don't you remember how impressed you were by those long generic names that Mr. King seemed so familiar with as he lectured us in that favorite subject, pharmacology!



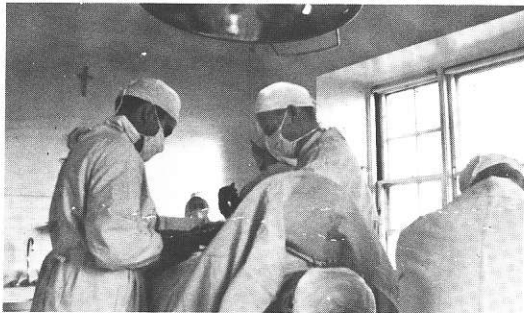
Mr. & Mrs.
Cliff King

Over the years Mr. King has had several pharmacists who have assisted him with the hospital pharmacy work. We take our hats off to Mr. and Mrs. King as well as all his assistants who were always so ready to help us whenever they could. Somehow we always knew that they would have an answer when we had difficulty deciding what to do with problems involving medications.

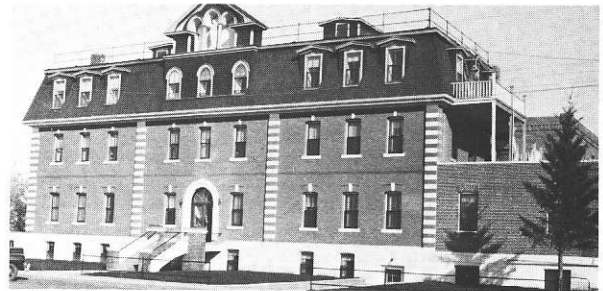
OVER THE YEARS



First Capping Ceremony - 1949



Operating Room 40's



Hospital 40's



Flood



Dr. E. Svarich

Dr. R. M. Reid



Class 1937



Chapel 1934



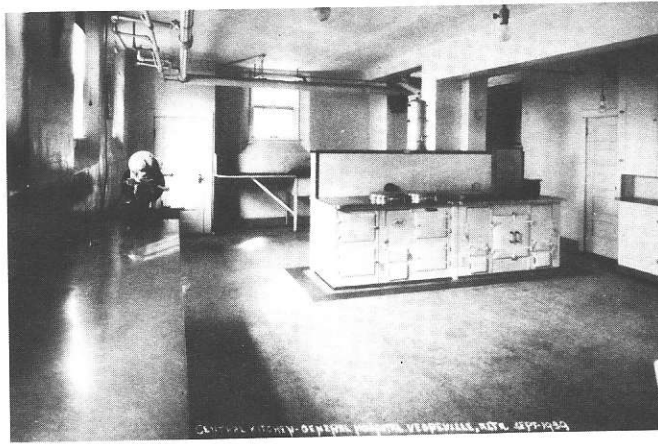
Dr. Wynn



Students 1937



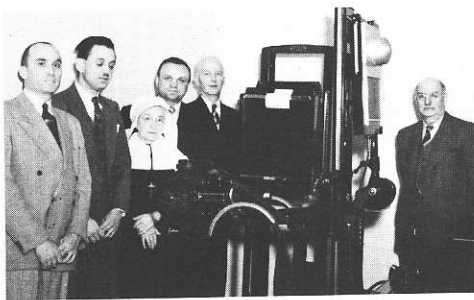
Dr. Ross



Kitchen 1939



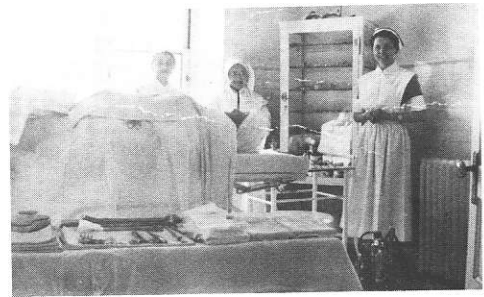
Father Rowland



X-Ray 1948



School Pin



Operating Room 40's



Flood 1948



1922



Students 1947



Sister Antoinette Rocher



Sister Anna Laforge



Father Strickland



Hospital Auxiliary 1935



Sister Berthe Lottin

1950

1969





1950

A. Wojnar, H. Slevinsky, R. Laskoski, R. Ruptash, M. Nelson, R. Adomeit, A. Raymond, P. Ruddick, J. Mealing, E. Wicentowich.

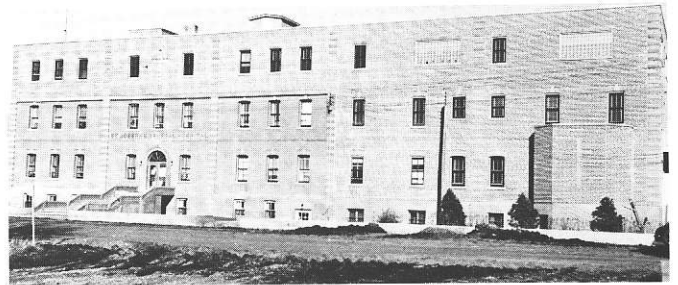


1951

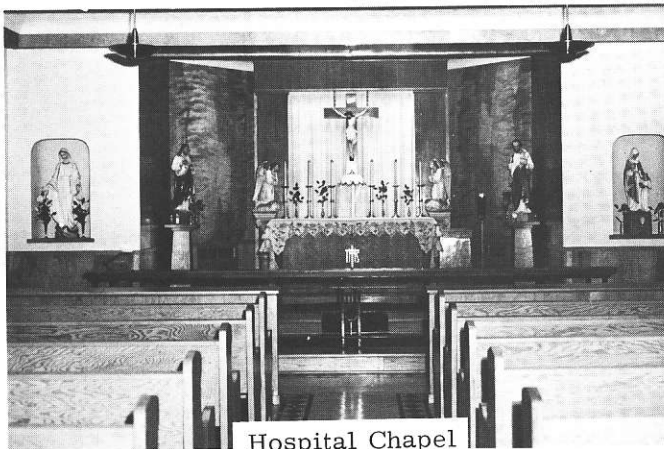
R. Hrynyk, N. Hasiuk, R. Meyers, H. Phillips, D. Hannon, O. Wojnar, O. Pura, M. Tomy, E. Bartman, Z. Kalynchuk, Sister Laura Chalut, R. Pawliuk, R. Gendre.



Dr. L. M. Edmunds in Minor Operating Room



A third addition to the hospital was effected in 1950 to give a much needed Pediatric Ward, Operating Room theatres and a Chapel.



Hospital Chapel



In 1951 - Sister Jeanne Albert, Pauline Kozoschuk, and Mary Denevich graduated as X-ray Technicians.



M. Wojnar

For the first time two students were sent as delegates to the Biennial Convention of the C. N. A. in Vancouver.

The name of the Hospital was changed from Vegreville General Hospital to St. Joseph's General Hospital.

Madeleine Wojnar entered the School of Nursing in 1951. Just a few months before graduation, Madeleine passed to her eternal reward after a very brief illness. May she rest in peace.



Sister Josephine



Sister Cecilia

In 1951 Sister Josephine Boisseau became Hospital Administrator. Sister Cecilia Clermont became Director of Nursing Education. This position she held until 1954.



H. Papp, M. Bilo, H. Pankow, M. Muldoon, E. de Beaudrap, E. Duke, B.M. Thorsen, L. McCarty, M. Wowdzia, M. Hrynyk, J. Andrishak, F. Hughes, J. Dalphond, P. Esak.

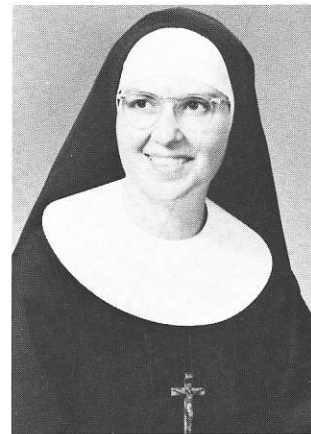


I. Skarbo, R.M. Hallwachs, I. Kuhar, R. Kassian-X-Ray tech., C. Sayers, D. Boyd, D. Sydney, A. Beaupre, E. Ellison, M. Cole, H. Dery.



Sister Cecilia Clermont

In 1954, Sister Cecilia Clermont left the School of Nursing to take over as Administrator in Bonnyville. Sister Helen Levasseur then became Director of Nursing Education.



Sister Helen Levasseur



P. Pshyk, J. Robertson, M. Myhre, E. Noster, E. Traudt, A. Korzenowski, O. Lychak, E. Rocque, G. Eberhardt, S. Waryk, E. Brower, Sr. D. Beaudoin, B. Hagel, M. Zeller, M. Patrick, M. Wojnar (deceased).



C. Reid, C. Stang, J. Zeller, L. Stachow, X-Ray Tech.; V. Arthurs, A. Stang, A. Seguin, D. McPhee, B. Baril, J. Dromerecki, O. Bruhaug, D. Urkow, R. Meyers.



In 1955, the Medical Records Dept. was rearranged under the supervision of Sister Therese Verrier.



1956

M. Shiptiski, C. Goutier, G. Bazley, Sr. M.T. Laberge, B. Pierce, A. Knieval, M. Wladyka, C. Coulombe, R. Leduc, N. Chorney, S. Smith, E. O'Neill, G. Dewald.

The School of Nursing curriculum was revised:
 - the "Block System" was introduced.
 - affiliation arranged at the Camsell Hospital, Edmonton; the Provincial Hospital, Ponoka; and the Health Unit, Vegreville.

1955 - Marks full accreditation of hospital.

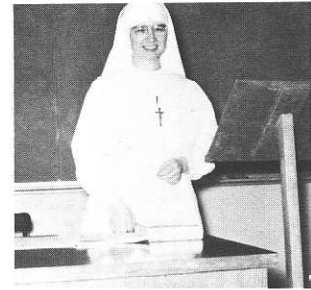


Sister Helen Levasseur

In 1956, Sister Josephine was transferred to Trochu, due to illness. Sister Helen Levasseur became Administrator until 1965.

Sister Madeleine Beaulieu replaced her as Director of Nursing Education.

Students were then getting 6 wks. affiliation at the Edmonton General Hospital.



Sister Madeleine Beaulieu



A television set was donated to the Nurses' Home by the Kinsmen of Vegreville.



In 1956, because of the flood, patients and staff were going to and from the hospital by boat.



Maternity



Pediatrics



Medicine



A. Faryna
X-Ray Tech.
M. Kozoriz
M. Helten
A. Verrier
M. Cholik
J. Solway
C. Leroux
R. Zeller
M. Condon
E. Glaim



1st floor drug room



Office Staff



2nd floor drug room



M. A. Kokotyn, B. Krausert, A. Skrobot,
R. Laisnez, E. Smart, M. Eleniak,
J. Morusyk, A. Plishka, F. Helmig,
V. Danchuk, E. Timanson, V. Baldowski,
A. Zeller.



B. Schlaut, S. Osinchuk, J. Chapman,
E. Kehoe, A. Jacula, L. Krankowski,
J. Wyllie, M. Wachter, C. Hebert, G. Lesyk,
F. McWhirter, D. Helten, A. Martin,
C. Congdon. ABSENT: I. Crowchief.



How does that feel?



safe to move



B-E-A-U-T-I-FUL-



scrub-girls



so cozy



No one will starve.



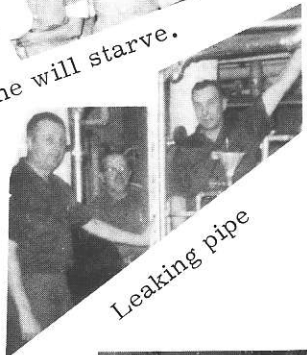
Starved



M-m-m-...!!!



The bugs are dead.



Leaking pipe



Joy to the World



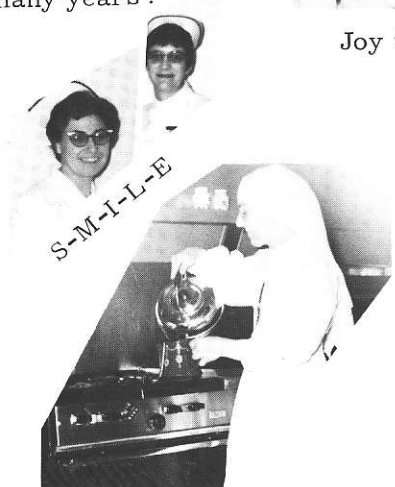
Is it 98.3F or 37. C???



Must we go back to the midi!!!



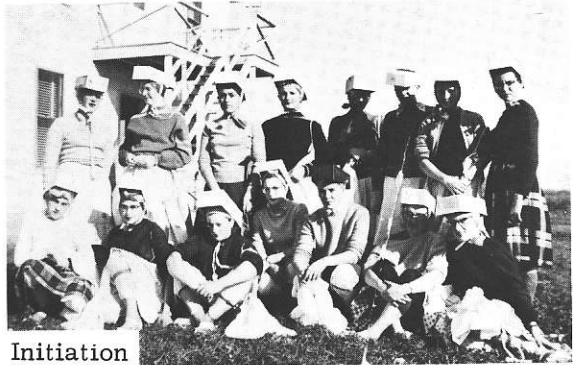
How many years?



S-M-I-L-E



spooky

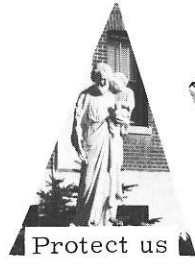


Initiation

Tea Time



Sweet Memories



Protect us



Normal Times



Scrub

Open wide



Remove pillow



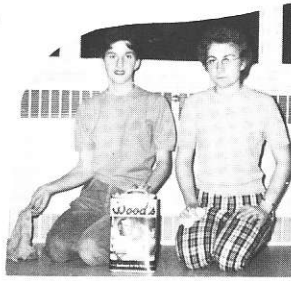
Silent Spot



No chairs



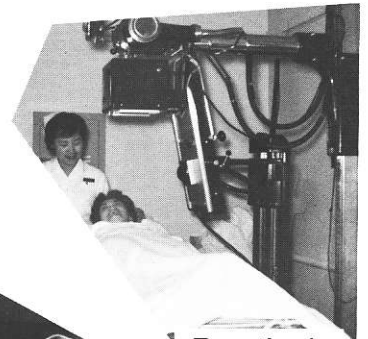
So What!!



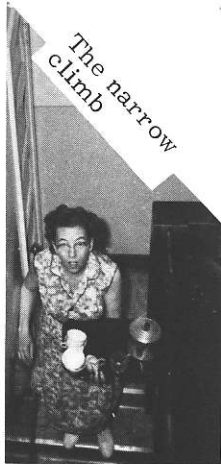
Must be done



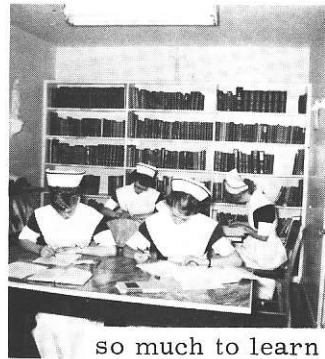
Busy . . .



Breathe in



The narrow climb



so much to learn



Retreat

That so??



Don't fence me in



Give a hand boys



We're ready for grad



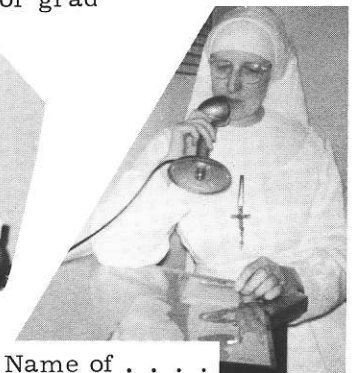
Modern Age



Blow 'em all



Yes...??



In the Name of

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF ST. J.G.H. OPENING OF THE NEW NURSES' RESIDENCE

Wednesday, May 4, 1960, marked the golden anniversary of St. Joseph's General Hospital and the official opening of the New Residence. The Eucharistic celebration was officiated at by His Grace, Archbishop J.H. MacDonald.

A banquet chaired by Mr. Fred Laing was held at noon and several speakers offered congratulations to the Sisters of Charity for their devoted service to the community.

The same day, the Alumnae Association held a reunion which included a tea, tour of the new residence, and a banquet. At the banquet, chaired by Mrs. Sophie Triska, Sister Madeleine officially welcomed the grads back home and extended a hearty invitation to one and all to visit their Alma Mater whenever the time and inclination presented itself. Sister Helen, administrator, gave a brief resume of the whereabouts of the nursing sisters who had worked or studied in St. J.G.H. Mrs. Stan Walker spoke on the present day trends in nursing, after which Miss A. Jacula ably and efficiently traced the progress of the school from its inception in 1915 until 1960, mentioning that a total of 265 nurses had graduated.



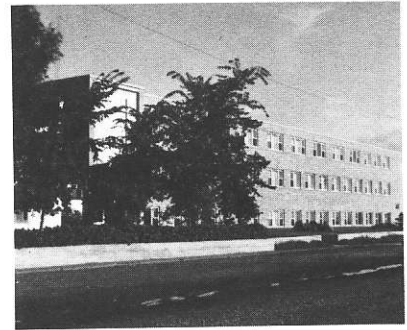
Display of Hospital Activities



Noon Banquet chaired by Mr. Fred Laing



Sister Helen
Hon. Dr. J. Donovan Ross
Minister of Health



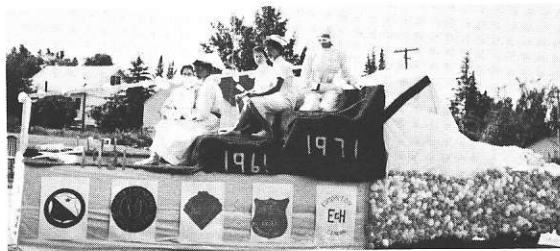
New Nurses' Residence



45th Anniversary of the School of Nursing



Group present at the Official Opening



Nursing thru the Ages



In conclusion Miss Jacula stressed the endless debt that each of the Alumnae members owe to the Sisters for their tireless efforts on our behalf as we strove to attain our goals in nursing.



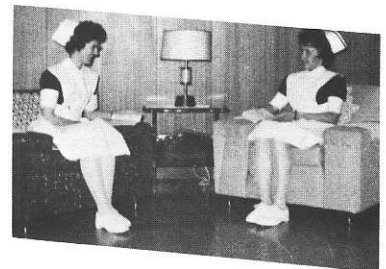
The year 1959 saw some major changes in the affiliation program. The class who had entered the school in the fall of 1958 left together in the fall of 1959 to begin an extended affiliation program at the Edmonton General Hospital. Miss Ruth Zeller, who was at that time an instructor in the school, accompanied the students and acted as a co-ordinator of the program. This affiliation included lectures and experience in medical, surgical and pediatric nursing. The students were to receive their experience in psychiatric nursing during the time that they would be absent from the home school. The Provincial Hospital, Edmonton, began about this time to receive student nurses for affiliation, and some of the members of class 1958 took their psychiatric affiliation at Oliver, while others took theirs at Alberta Hospital, Ponoka. After the year 1960 all of the Vegreville students took their psychiatric nursing experience at Alberta Hospital, Edmonton.



OFF DUTY!
We're caught!
Maybe it's too
late - -



MORNING REPORT
Remember the first time
you had to give it!!



relaxing --
Felt so good on the feet.



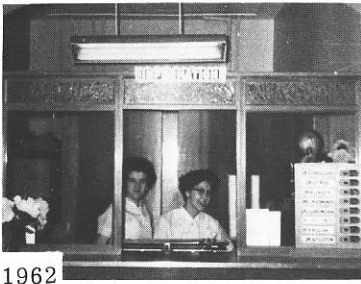
Good Old Nursing Care



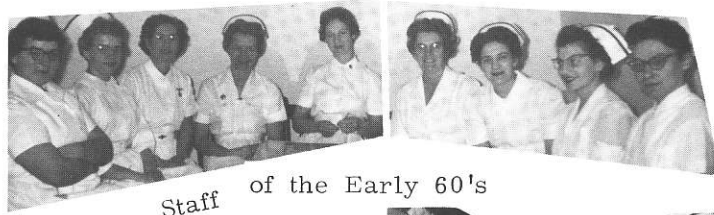
Dept. C. Nursing
Station



Graduation Banquet



1962



Staff of the Early 60's



Instructor



Housemother '50's



Fr. Keenan



Feel alright!



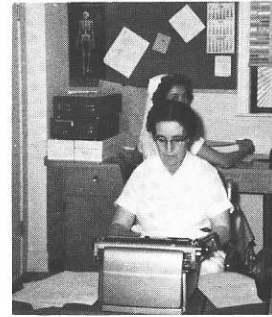
Housemother '60's



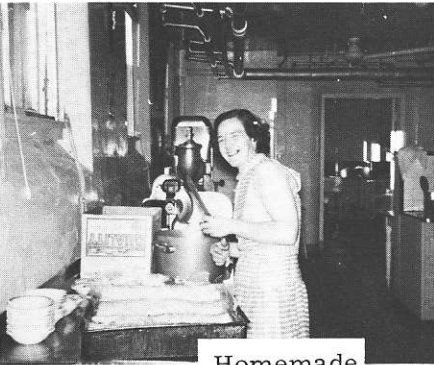
1960



The Good Old Days!!



Elsie!



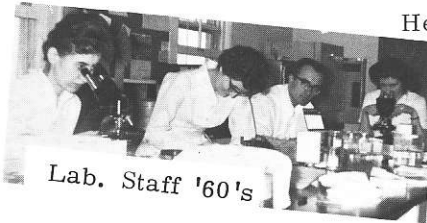
Homemade



He's learning.



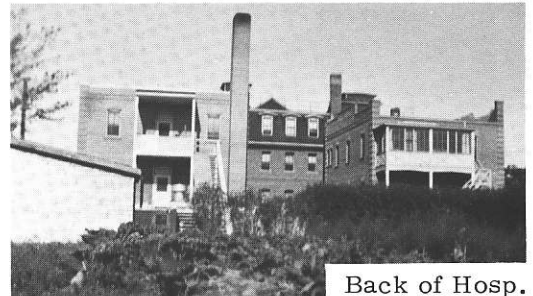
So sweet



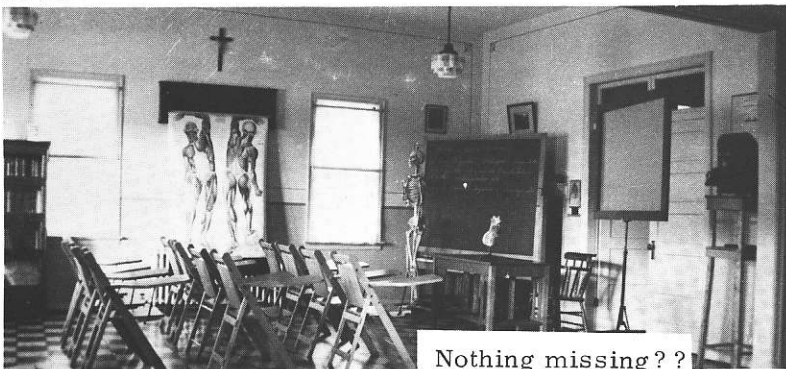
Lab. Staff '60's



Fr. Hensel



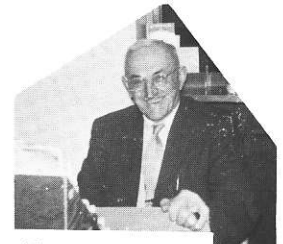
Back of Hosp.



Nothing missing??



Sleepy?



Two at a time

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

"Whatever opens us up to being more fully human, puts flesh on the God that we can know"...to encounter other persons with a spirit of real concern putting self always second and drawing no limits on our desire to give to each other...this is the "right" of life. The Word of God gives us two clear messages about ourselves... "That we are made in the Image and Likeness of God"...and "that we are one people who share in His Gift of love and life". In the first we are called by God to be "Love" and in the second we are called to be creative in the expression of this love in our daily experience. We are part of God's Creative expression of Himself therefore it is only through being an alive part of this life and the world of "now" that we can realize the joy of living as intended for all of us by Him. In an age of sensitivity, pluralism, sharing and togetherness, what a challenge to "Greatness" for the vibrant class of '71. May your enthusiasm for life increase as life flows through you! May God grant you the joy of knowing each day that you are the expression of his Love!



Father Ron Dobbin



Dr. J.F. Reid
Chief of Medical Staff

MEDICAL STAFF 1971

It was with deep regret we learned of the closing of our School of Nursing. The dedicated training of our nurses has been second to none. We have watched their growth from youngsters out of high school to responsible nurses. The transformation has always been a thing of wonderment to us and a group of eager students a constant spice to our own knowledge. God keep us and you always young!

Dr. J.F. Reid



Dr. N.J. Kuzyk Dr. J. Stefancik



Dr. Y.S. Chang Dr. J.J. Lukenchuk



1960

S. McDonald, B. McLeod, I. Danesik,
N. Yaroshuk, H. Senetza, E. Comeau,
B. White, D. Hauser, ABSENT: E. Roch.



Set for the "Ball"



1961

D. Chartrand, L. Bartling, D. Lemon,
N. McGinnis, M. Schon, T. Caspar, L. Footz,
C. Semeniuk, B. Plouffe, S. O'Neill,
F. Rodwell, G. Gannon, J. Benoit.



1962

M. L. Tetreau, C. Szydlak, D. Love, Sister
A. Yuhas, G. Helten, A. Baranec,
E. Swyripa, J. Birkett, G. Zaph, J. McNalley,
J. Penchuk, S. Strzepek.



1963

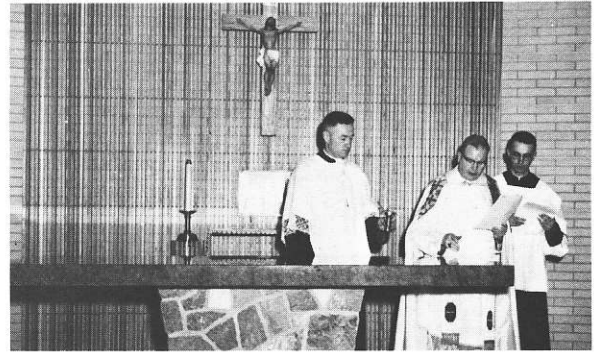
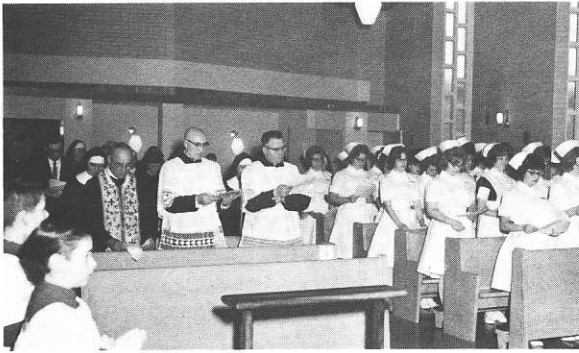
M. Caspar, I. Haluschak, E. Perepeletska,
D. Rowles, A. Carrier, L. Yerman,
M. Morusyk, G. Nowakowski,
M. Wuetherick. ABSENT: S. Yacey and
M. Seigny.



1964

S. Strzepek, M. Theroux, L. McLeod,
E. Steinwand, Sister A. Sirois, P. Stang.
ABSENT: D. Wiznowich, L. Gorcak,
L. McCullough, P. Lazowsky, M. Sauers.

BLESSING AND OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE NEW HOSPITAL



The new St. Joseph's General Hospital was officially opened on February 11, 1965. The day began with the blessing of the altar and chapel as well as the hospital by Archbishop Anthony Jordan. The Sisters and students formed the choir for the first mass in the chapel, celebrated by his Excellency Archbishop Jordan.

The opening ceremonies were held in the St. Martin's School Auditorium. Officials of the Hospitals Division, the Alberta Hospital Association, the Catholic Hospital Conference of Alberta, the Minburn-Eagle Municipal Board, the town and constituency of Vegreville and the Advisory Board of St. Joseph's expressed their congratulations to the Sisters, the staff and the citizens of Vegreville on this great occasion.



Sister E. Aucherie - cutting ribbon

After the ribbon cutting ceremony at the main entrance of the hospital, open house was held during the remainder of the afternoon. Nursing staff took groups of interested visitors through the hospital and Sisters' Residence and then to the cafeteria where the ladies of the Hospital Auxiliary served a delicious lunch to all.

A few days later, on February 15, the patients were moved to the new hospital and the following summer saw the demolition of the old buildings.



Cafeteria of New Hospital



50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SCHOOL



The 50th Anniversary of the St. Joseph's General Hospital School of Nursing was held June the 4th and 5th, 1965. Many acquaintances were renewed during the evening coffee party held in the residence. A special mass was celebrated by Fr. McCarty, during which the Student Nurses' Choir sang.

The banquet for 150 nurses and guests was chaired by Mrs. Maureen Horon, Alumnae President. Mrs. Horon presented a Golden Lamp and a Scroll to Sister Madeleine from all the former graduates. Dr. Edmunds brought greetings from the Medical Staff, after which Sr. Helen as guest speaker, chose as her topic "The Nursing Spirit".

One of the highlights of the evening was the cutting of the anniversary cake by Mother Eugenie Aucherie, Provincial. At the conclusion of this stage of the reunion a purse of money was presented to Sr. Helen for the purchase of some item for the new hospital.

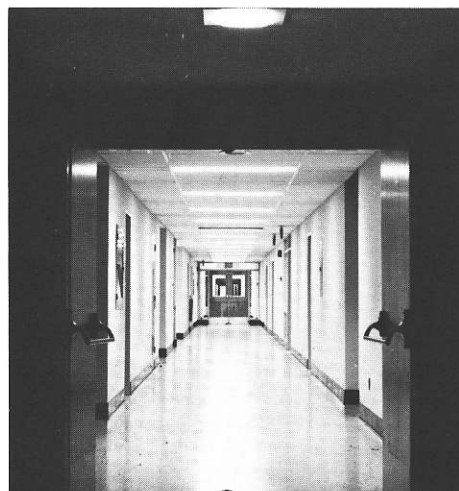
Saturday evening, the nurses who gathered in St. Martin's auditorium, were most enthusiastic in their praise of the variety program put on for their enjoyment.

Photos of those present were taken as a wonderful remembrance of a most nostalgic weekend.

Sunday was a free day, allowing the guests to visit and tour the premises as they wished.



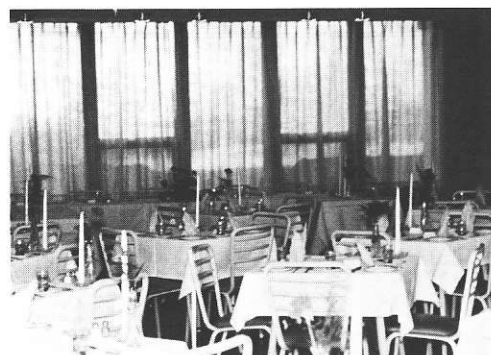
"Information"



Main Hallway - 2nd floor



E. Hanzel, R. Fulkerth, P. Semeniuk, V. Horon, R. Bergsten, K. O'Neill, V. Hansen, P. Kruchten, D. Scraba, S. Hinton, E. Bushey, M. Redcrow, M. Iverson, G. Malcolm, S. McGinnis.



In 1965-The Graduation Banquet was held in the New Hospital Cafeteria. It was the 1st Parent Banquet. For Christmas 1965, the Alumnae purchased a new record player for the student nurses.

REUNION

1965



EVENTS OF THE

'60'S



Serving Trays



Ready for the Dance (1964)



Cafeteria

During the year 1960, an affiliation program contract was drawn up with the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Edmonton, and in autumn of the same year, students who had commenced training in 1959, began their affiliation program in pediatric, emergency, medical and surgical nursing at R.A.H. The basic program saw minor changes from time to time allowing for additional experience in certain areas such as intensive care and some of the specialties.

During the sixties the students were put on a forty hour week and were also given additional privileges such as sleep outs, and the much desired honor system in their senior year.

1963 saw the last capping ceremony and the class who entered the school in 1964 received their caps with their uniforms. One couldn't refer to the beginners as "probies" anymore as they really looked like "professionals" from the day they received their uniforms.

ACTIVITIES OF THE HOSPITAL'S AUXILIARY

One of the projects that the Ladies undertook was the baking of a birthday cake for the first year students. This activity, which was started in 1958, was much appreciated by the students, as for many, the first birthday away from home could be rather lonely without Mom's delicious cake and T.L.C.

In March of 1960, the Ladies presented a beautiful painting in memory of Sister Josephine Boisseau.



The Ladies of the Hospital's Auxiliary



M. Sevigny
1963



S. Yacey 1963

The Sisters moved to their new residence in October of 1964. Their new home, a comfortable bungalow style in the form of a square surrounding an open courtyard, is joined to the hospital. The chapel is in close proximity to the Sisters' home and is located at the junction of the hospital with a link to the Nurses' Residence.



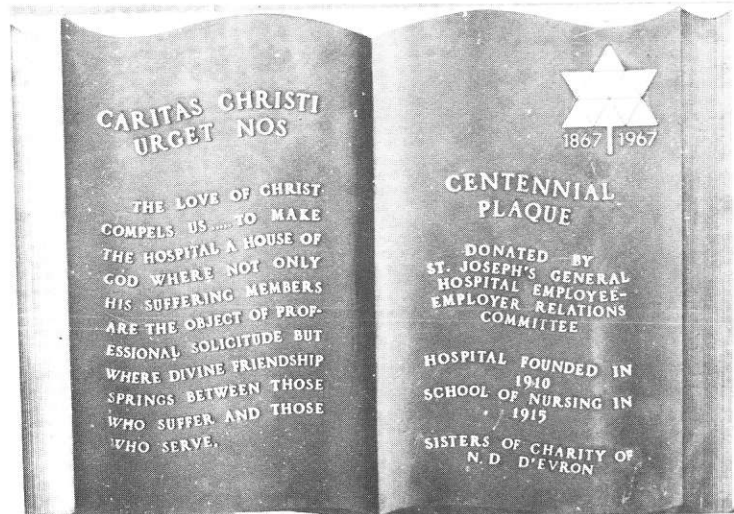
Residence

Chapel



Link to the Nurses' Res.

The Employee-Employer Relations Committee was established in the hospital during the month of June 1965. The purpose of this committee is to promote mutual understanding and goodwill among all employees of the hospital. All departments are represented on the committee and many projects are undertaken at both a professional and a social level. During the Centennial Year, 1967, a beautiful plaque was erected just outside the main entrance of the hospital. The plaque was to commemorate the important events in the history of the hospital and was also to outline the philosophy of the people dedicated to the care of the sick and injured.



On Aug. 28, 1965, Sister Helen was transferred to Vermilion and Sr. Albertine Landry became the new Administrator.



1966

M. Schang, L. Buell, S. Fundytus, S. Langpap, J. Allen, B. Kachurovski, M. J. Kott, S. Park, L. Bouchard, D. Simonet, Sister M. Poulin, A. Steinwand, E. Redcrow.

ABSENT: S. Chartrand.



The Candystripers were organized in 1966 and after a series of lectures orientating them to the hospital they took turns on different days of the week assisting where they could. The nursing staff found them very helpful, especially on the pediatric ward and with the older patients. These volunteer workers are enthusiastic and keenly interested in helping others. Many of the girls have been the recipients of diplomas and pins acknowledging their hours of volunteer aid.



Jan. 10, 1967, Sister Laura Chalut replaced Sister Albertine Landry as Hospital Administrator



1967

M. Prochyshyn, C. Hurtibise, S. Knies, S. Kitlarchuk, R. Uhryn, H. Hrynyk, R. M. Stang, M. L. Mailloux, J. Kriaski, C. Tkachuk, C. McGillawee, E. Olson, E. Lukenchuk, S. Zakordonski, J. Park, M. Babchuk, N. Jensen.



N. Jensen



C. Triska, 1968



Parent Banquet 1968

THE STORY OF THE UNIFORM

In 1915-students wore ordinary dresses and went on duty the first day of training.

In 1916-a uniform was adopted: ankle length long sleeved blue smock, white plastic collar and 3" cuffs, and a one piece apron; black shoes and stockings. The cap was a 4-inch straight piece of starched material, tied at the back. The black band was 1" wide. For the next few years the uniform was shortened or lengthened according to the style of the day.

In 1925-a new model was chosen for the cap, similar to what we have today except for the front fold length. The apron was shortened 10 inches.

In 1936-the cap fold was shortened, the black band narrowed and the blue smock remodelled.

In 1940-the navy blue 3/4 length cape with scarlet lining was adopted. On the collar were gold V. G. H. letters.

In 1941-white shoes and stockings were permitted. Seven years later the second year students were distinguished by a sky blue cap band.

In 1953, the V. G. H. letters on the capes were replaced by the letters St. J. G. H.

The school pin, adopted in 1918 had to be changed to include the new letters.



1968

N. Melnyk, N. Bilyk, D. Lear, E. Holt, N. Franz, T. Herman, B. Sauer.



B. Steeden, I. Berezansky, C. Brault
1968

In 1963 - the school uniform was changed to a one piece white dress, duster style, with narrow green, white and gold stripes on the left breast pocket and a wide starched belt. The sky blue band was changed to a green color.

In 1966 - the uniform was changed to a double breasted princess style dress. The cap adopted in 1953 remained the same.

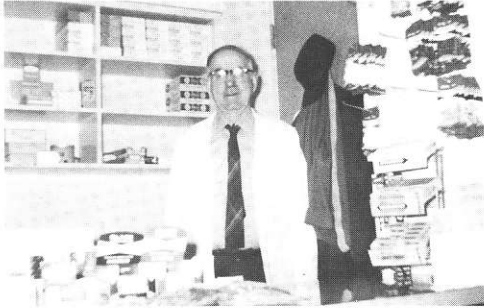


Capping - 1961



Capping - 1964

HOSPITAL EVENTS



In September of 1966 the Ladies of the Hospital Auxiliary assumed the responsibility of operating the canteen. It had functioned since the opening of the new Hospital under the auspices of the C.N.I.B.

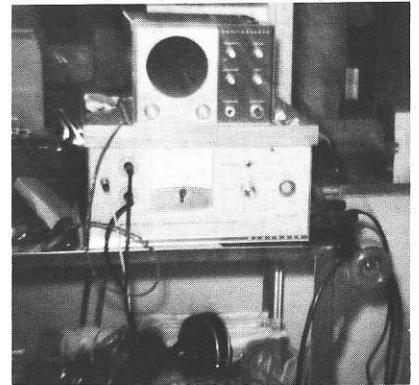


In December of 1966, Dr. E. J. Hanley, an Ophthalmologist from Edmonton, began his bi-monthly visits to Vegreville. Dr. Hanley and Mr. Belland or Mr. Sims from Optical Prescription brave the elements every second Thursday to meet the optical needs of the people of Vegreville and the surrounding districts. A very capable secretary, Mrs. Mary Tetreau, who is also a part-time secretary at the nursing school, keeps everyone happy and on time for appointments.



Ladies of the Hospital's Auxiliary

An intensive care committee was set up in 1968 to study the possibility of having a mobile intensive care unit in the hospital. A series of lectures on intensive care was given by the doctors with special emphasis on cardiac care. All nursing staff and Doctors attended the lectures. After a sizeable donation from the Ladies of the Hospital's Auxiliary plus several other cash gifts, the hospital was able to purchase some cardiac equipment.



Cardiac Monitor and Defibrillator

During several months in early 1970, Miss Sylvia Zakordonski, a 1967 graduate, accepted the responsibility of setting up a Crash cart and carrying out lectures and practice sessions in cardiac care. Now, when one hears the Code One Signal, one knows that there will be plenty of action.



In May of 1969 Miss Lucille Ramsey took over the responsibility of Director of Nursing Service. Sister Mary Ellen who held this position previously, transferred to the School of Nursing.



During the year 1969 the decision was taken to go metric, and the zero hour was set at 2400 hours January 1, 1970. Kilograms, meters, centimeters, centigrade temperatures, grains, grams and the twenty-four hour clock caused a bit of mind confusion for a while but we are determined to think metric!! This includes the medical staff who find it really quite simple!!!



The Staff Nurses' Association was established and officially recognized, in the spring of 1969, as the organization which was to represent the registered nurses employed in the hospital.



SCHOOL EVENTS

September 1965 saw the commencement of a twelve week experience in senior year responsibilities. During the same year a study day was organized each week for the senior students. The extra hours of study and review were much appreciated but - oh how those split days and nights off were detested!!!

Autumn 1967 saw another affiliation program organized. This time at the Minburn Eagle Auxiliary Hospital where an excellent course in Rehabilitation nursing was offered. The students experienced what it felt like to be fed by someone else or to eat with one arm in a sling or even-worse, to know the frustrations of an affliction such as aphasia.

An overhead projector was purchased for the school in 1968. A real breakthrough for the instructors.

During the year 1968-1969 the decision was reached to phase out the school of nursing and no first year students were accepted in autumn 1969.

September 1969 saw us once more saying goodbye to our administrator, Sister Laura. Sister left Vegreville to assume the direction of the hospital in Tisdale, Saskatchewan. The position of Administrator was filled by Sister Mary Ellen O'Neill.



Sister Mary Ellen

Since the total enrollment was only thirty in September 1969, it was decided to rent part of the residence to the Vegreville Health Unit for office space. Part of second floor plus the reception area was renovated slightly and is now being used by the Health Unit Staff. The classroom area plus third floor of the residence is used by the students.



1969

D. Gillard, P. Zeller, V. Bartkiw, S. Nicholson, E. Waldenberger, L. Dicke, L. Nelson, S. Miller, A. Cusack, C. Helten, E. Smolyk, I. Luzney, H. Welch, H. Watts, B. Achtymichuk, A. Lussier, J. MacDonald, R. Knorr, P. Kotylak, M. Pardell.



Public Health Nurses

In December of 1969, we said goodbye to Sister Madeleine who left the school to pursue her life dream of a contemplative life as a Carmelite Sister. She had been in Vegreville for twenty three years, thirteen of these years were passed as Director of the School.



Sister Elizabeth
1969-1970



M. Pardell



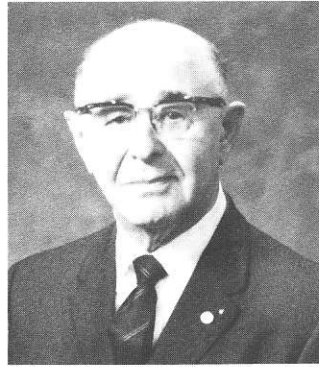
1969

Sister Elizabeth Royer, F.J. assumed the responsibility of the classes and study days for the seniors and Sister Mary Ellen handled the Administrative functions of the school. Sister Ursula returned to the School of Nursing in July 1970 after having worked in the St. Boniface General Hospital School of Nursing for a year. Sister Ursula is presently involved with the senior program and making sure that class "71" has sufficient assignments to complete!

AROUND THE HOSPITAL



Medical Staff



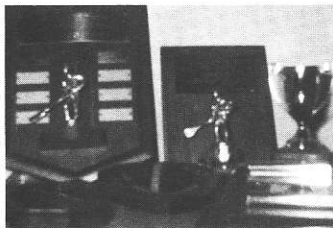
Dr. S. E. Hardin still faithfully doing dental extractions at 0830 hrs.



Sister Beatrice Bigelow came back to Vegreville in April 1968. She works nights in the administrative office.

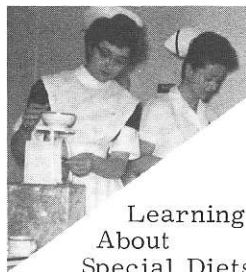


Housemothers !!



Student Trophies

Dr. O. M. Semchishen Radiologist



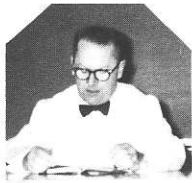
Learning About Special Diets



Graduation - Family Affair



Immunization



In September of 1969, we were all saddened by the untimely death of Dr. L. M. Edmunds. Dr. Edmunds had been a true friend to many of us and as students we always knew he was behind us one hundred percent of the way. Only God in His infinite wisdom and goodness knows the many people that Dr. Edmunds has helped by his encouraging words and friendly gestures. May he now know eternal peace and joy.

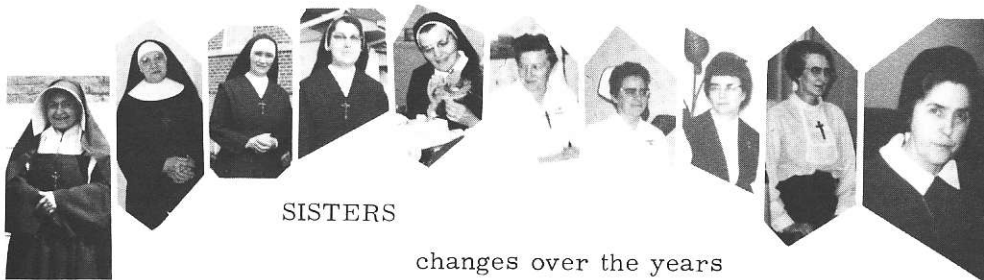


Fr. MeLellan visiting patients.

Sister Helen Fedoruk, a CNA, joined our staff in October of 1969. Many will remember her as "Helen" from the office 1938-40.



Hearing Detection Program - sponsored by the Elks Organization - commenced in 1969.



SISTERS

changes over the years



FAMILY AFFAIR


LANDRY




1935 Anna 1923
Sister Albertine

HELTEN





Maureen 1957 Gertrude 1962
Doris 1959 Carol 1969

WOJNAR






Olga 1951
Ann 1950

GOUTIER



1947 1956
Suzanne Cecile

BIGELOW

1932 1934
Sister Beatrice Dorothy

CADOR

Pauline 1940 Phyllis 1938

ROBERTSON




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1940 1941

TRISKA




Helena 1933 Annie 1936



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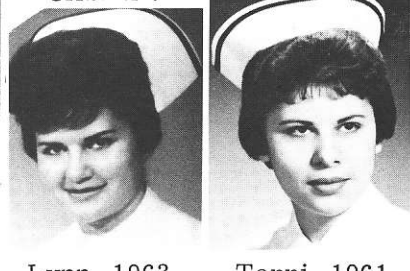
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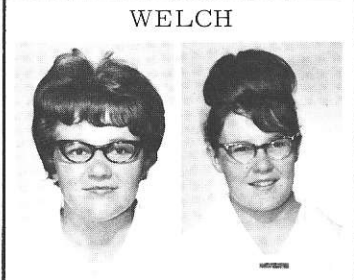
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Sister Mary Ellen 1956 Sally 1961 Kathy 1965

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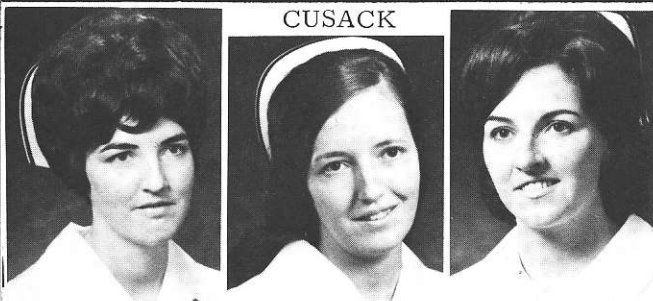
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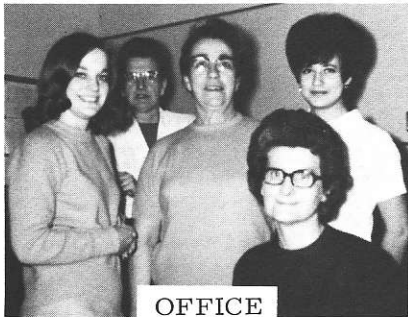
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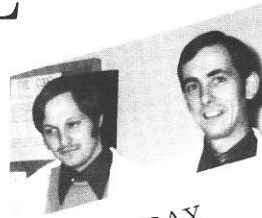
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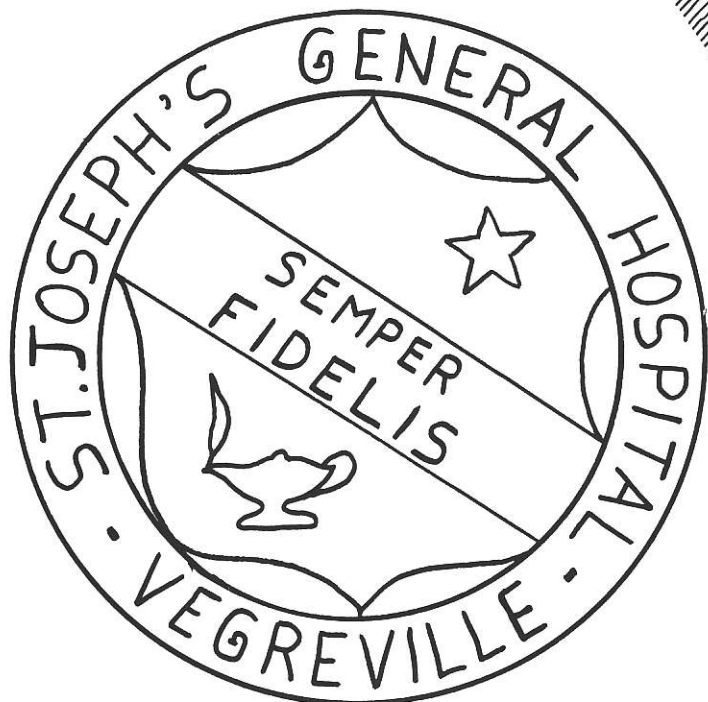
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CHOIRS



1966 GLEE CLUB

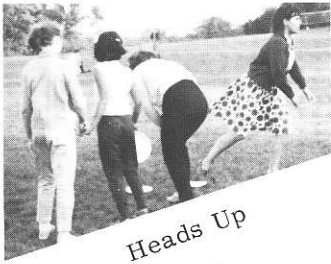


1969 GLEE CLUB



1971 CHORALE

MISSING ARE: Mrs. C. Smiley, Mrs. G. Bird, Mrs. A. Sakaluk, Mrs. T. Scholton, Mr. M. Shewchuk.



Heads Up



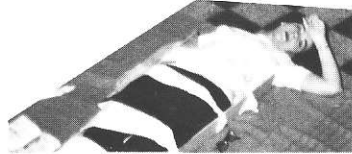
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Grand March



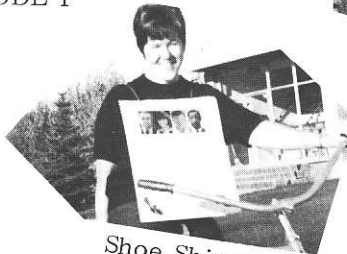
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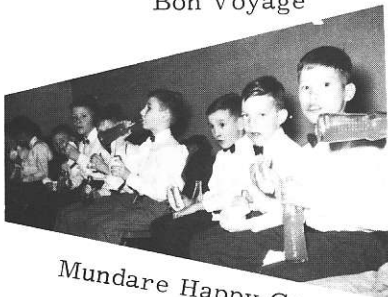
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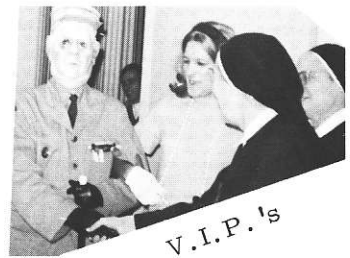
Ship Ahoy!



Mundare Happy Gang



There's gotta be a hole!



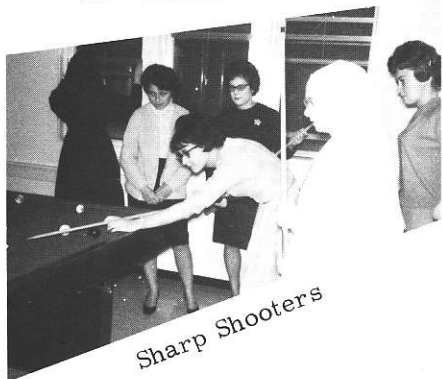
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"Di - Boshe"



Fancy steppin'



Sharp Shooters



Bottoms up



Frustration



Old & the New

GRADUATES 1970



Jeanette (Tiahlo) Campbell
- To love is to place our happiness in the happiness of another - Leibniz.



Sister Marie Jenkins - God has never ceased to be the one true aim of all right human aspirations - Vinet



Myrtle (Laskoski) Danesik - The reward of a thing well done is to have done it - Emerson



Helen (Jensen) Sakaluk - Paradise is open to all kind hearts - Beranger



Candy Bepalko - They who have light in themselves, will not revolve as satellites - Anon



Audrey Cusack - I can promise to be candid, though I may not be impartial - Goethe



Marie Cusack - What sweet delight a quiet life affords - Drummond



Sister Aline Vachon - The luxury of doing good surpasses every other personal enjoyment - Gay



Mikki Roth - A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any market - Lamb.



Linda Davidson - The secret of success is constancy to purpose - Disraeli



Lynn Buk - Oh, give us the man who sings at his work - Carlyle



Sally Sawchuk - They can conquer who believe they can - Dryden



Sally (Zukewich) Turco - An appearance of delicacy, and even of fragility, is almost essential to beauty - Burke



Luisa Nesselbeck - Nothing is pleasant that is not spiced with variety - Bacon



Jeanette Dutryk - Earnestness is enthusiasm tempered by reason - Pascal



Sherrill Roberts - Fun gives a forcible hug, and shakes laughter out of you whether you will or not - Garrick



J. Tiahlo, H. Jensen, Sister A. Vachon, J. Kutryk,
L. Buk, A. Cusack, M. Laskoski, S. Zukewich, Sister
M. Jenkins, M. Cusack, L. Davidson
R.M. Roth, S. Roberts, S. Sawchuk,
C. Bespalko L. Nesselbeck (missing).

For some of the 1970 graduation functions we were able to use the newly opened Chateau Dining Hall in Vegreville. The parent banquet, as well as the dance, was held in the Chateau. Graduation 1970 was rather a memorable event, due to the fact that a heavy snow fall all day Sunday made travelling next to impossible. We're sure the families and friends of the graduants will not soon forget their experiences on that white weekend!

This was also the first year since the organization of the glee club, that the students did not sing at the graduation exercises. However, we were not without enjoyable entertainment, as Mr. John Huzil very capably conducted an inter-faith group and they supplied us with beautiful renditions of suitable graduation songs.

Mr. Huzil is presently reorganizing his group to provide us with entertainment for the final graduation and the reunion ceremonies.

Sister Mary Ellen's
address to class '71
ring and band ceremony.

Sister Mary Ellen, on behalf of the staff, welcomed the families of the senior class during the presentation of class rings and black bands. In quoting from Samuel Goodrich, she stated, "How many hopes and fears, how many ardent wishes and anxious apprehensions are twisted together in the threads that connect the parent with the child."

Sister then congratulated the parents, husbands and class '71 on a job well done. She offered a challenge both professionally and personally in today's life.

In conclusion she quoted a poem entitled "An Outstretched Hand."

AN OUTSTRETCHED HAND

Each of us was made by God
and some of us grew tall.
Others stood out in the wind
their branches bent and fell.
Those of us who walk in light
Must help the ones in darkness
up.

For that's what life is all
about
and love is all there is to life.
Each of us was made by God
beautiful in His mind's eye.
Those of us that turned out
sound

should look across our
shoulders once
and help the weak ones to
their feet.

It only takes an outstretched
hand.



In the fall of 1968, 18 students were enrolled in the school. Just a year later one of them, Marie Ganton, met her death in a fatal highway accident. May she rest in peace.



A. M. Olinyk (Harasewich), M. Gillis, D. Duggan, L. Gillman,
(Heller), J. Scriber, S. Klymochko (Heller), P. Izatt,
A. Swiderski, D. McPherson, J. Buzuk, M. Buhler, M. Switzer,
L. Welch, H. Eleniak.

GRADUATES 1971



Hazel Eleniak, Chipman, Alta.
You are and will always be
The dearest kind of friend to us
For friends who accept us as we are
Are the most treasured friends by far



Judith Buzuk, Lloydminster, Alta.
A thing of beauty is a joy forever.
It's loveliness increases,
It will never fade into nothingness.



Debbie Duggan, Fort Saskatchewan, Alta.
Yes, we must ever be friends,
and of all who offer you friendship
Let me be the first,
the truest, and nearest and dearest.



Teri Buhler, Edmonton, Alta.
Freedom is more than the right to choose
one's life or enforce one's ideas. It is the
ground from which we rise to meet the
situation as a person. (Popular saying): You
can try to get into my space buy don't get
under my skin.



Mauri Switzer, Hinton, Alta.
There is so much bad in the best of us.
And so much good in the worst of us.
That is doesn't behoove any of us
To talk about the rest of us.



Maureen Gillis, Calgary, Alta.
What you have to attempt - to be yourself.
What you have to pray for - to become a
mirror in which, according to the degree
of purity of heart you have attained, the
greatness of life will be reflected.



Sharon (Heller) Klymochko, Irvine, Alta.
Sharon, who came to us from Southern
Alberta, entered nursing to learn to care
for the sick, including her Chevy. She has
three joys in her life... Nursing, and
well, she'll tell you ALL about the other
two.



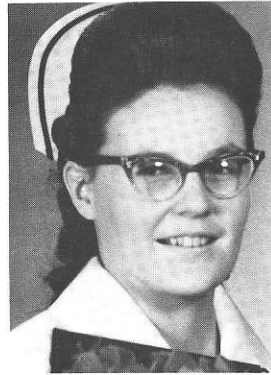
Diane McPherson, Alliance, Alta.
Gentle thoughts and calm desires
Hearts with equal love combined
Kindle never - dying fires.



Angie Swiderski, Two Hills, Alta.
To live content with small means
To seek elegance rather than luxury
and refinement rather than fashion
To be worthy, not respectable and wealthy,
not rich
To study hard, think quietly talk gently, act
frankly.



Lynn (Heller) Gillman, Edmonton, Alta.
 Outside my window-another day.
 It can be bright or it can be grey.
 It can be filled with tasks well done,
 With love and friends,
 With joy and fun,
 The blessing of choice is given to me.
 To color this new day as I see.



Linda Welch, Lloydminster, Sask.
 There is a time for some things
 And a time for all things.
 A time for great things
 And a time for small things.



Joan Scriber, Lloydminster, Alta.
 Though many of life's pleasures,
 May change from year to year,
 Old friendships never change at all
 Except to grow more dear,
 And just like cherished memories,
 They have a place apart,
 A place reserved forever in a corner of the heart.



Ann Marie (Harasewich) Olynyk, Eaglesham, Alta. - Do not look back. And do not dream about the future, either. It will neither give you back the past, nor satisfy your other day - dreams. Your duty, your reward - your destiny - are here and now.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The future is ours but with it comes the parting of three wonderful years shared together. I'm sure these past three years will be treasured always by class '71.

"Home", one could easily say, has given us many things - new friendships - new experiences and knowledge even if we did have to go through all the ups and downs. It's been worth it!

I would like to express a sincere thank you to each and everyone who helped us, even in some small way to reach our goal - a registered nurse.

May the memory of the Student Nurses remain with you!

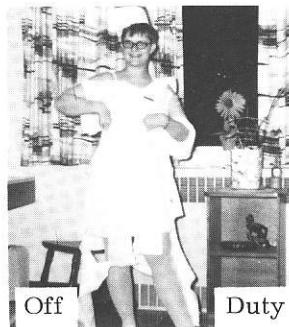
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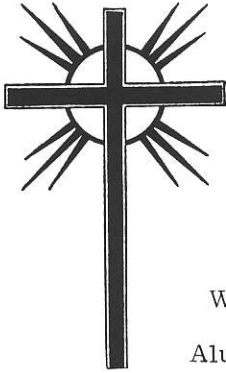
Patricia Izatt, Edmonton, Alta.
 If one advances confidently in the direction of her dreams and endeavors to live the life which she has imagined, she will meet with success unexpected in common hours.



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IN MEMORIAM

We dedicate this page to the loving memory of our
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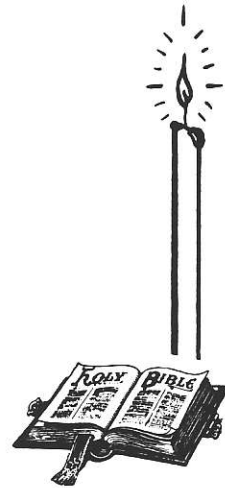
May the love and dedication which these nurses manifested
to the world serve to remind us of our pledge to remain
"Always Faithful" to our profession.

Through Holy Scriptures God reveals to us the reward which the
just man can hope for.

The virtuous live forever.

Their recompense lies with the Lord,
The most High takes care of them
So they shall receive the royal crown of splendor,
The diadem of beauty from the hand of the Lord;
For he will shelter them with his right hand
And shield them with his arm.

Wisdom 5, 15-17



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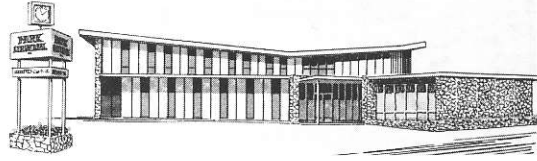
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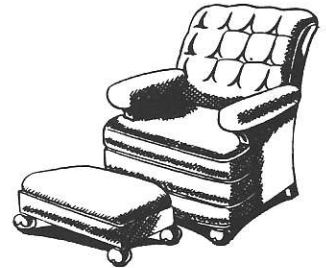
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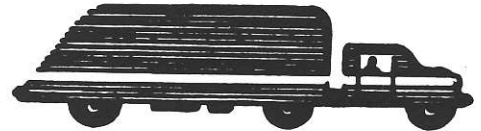
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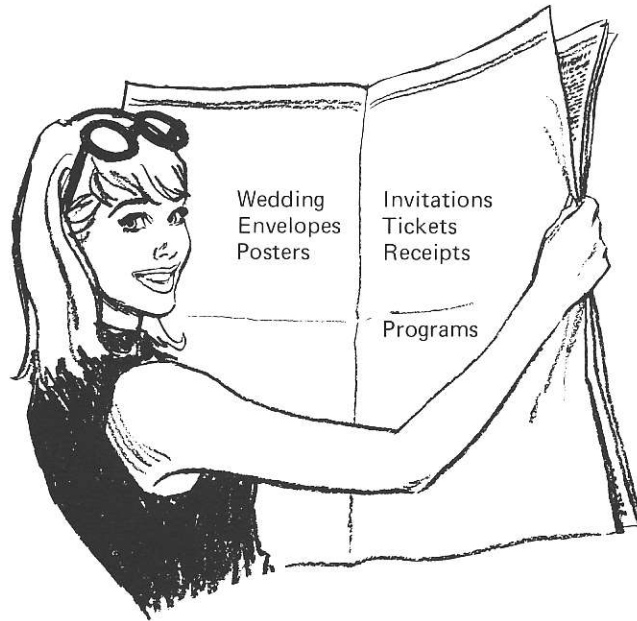
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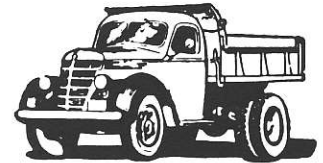


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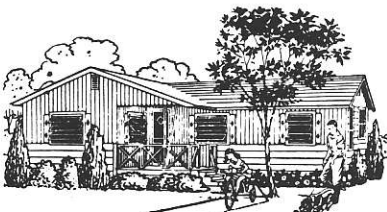
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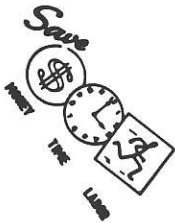


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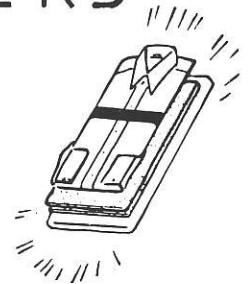
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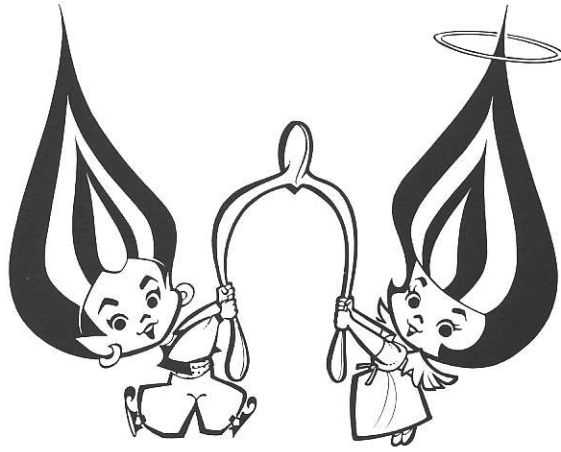
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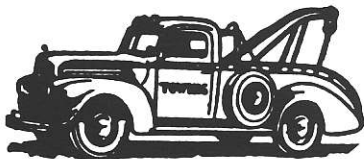
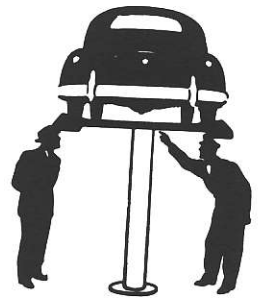


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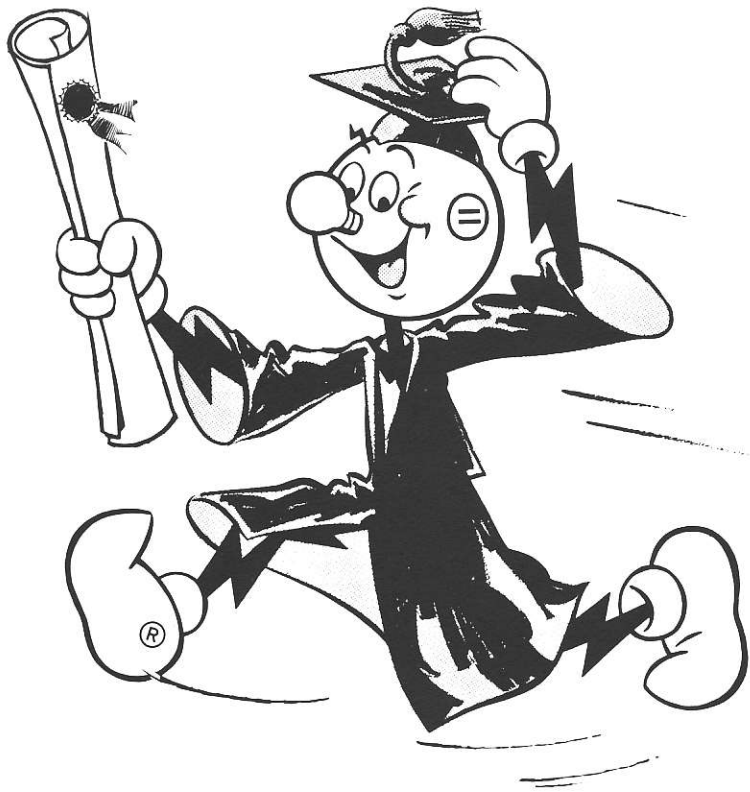
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