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Margaret: 95 years strong

AT JOCELYN HOUSE WE ARE SO FORTUNATE to meet and have the privilege to care for so many interesting and special people. One of our recent residents, Margaret, was one of those who will be remembered fondly by all who knew her.

Margaret was a kind and sweet woman who arrived at the hospice on the eve of her 95th birthday. Although petite in stature, it was clear that Margaret was a strong and determined woman whose history included a childhood of grueling farm work and a stint in the Navy.

Margaret commented that she “became an adult at the age of 6” when her farm duties left very little time for play and friends. As a young woman, Margaret craved her independence and left home to join the Navy, and was stationed in Halifax. Margaret met her sweetheart, also in the military, and both decided to wait until after the war before getting married and starting their family on none other than Valour Road.

Margaret had two children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, of whom she was extremely proud. Margaret’s work life included time in the bakery at Safeway and helping with the family restaurant business.

When she first arrived at Jocelyn House, Margaret was content to spend much of the time in her room. Her favourite past-times were reading the

paper, watching the birds at the feeder outside her window and frequent visits with her family. As the weeks passed and Margaret gained some strength and energy, she would venture more to the living room to socialize with other residents. She was an avid sports fan and liked to watch curling and hockey with her son, Doug, daughter-in-law, Lori and her Jocelyn House friend, Joyce. Margaret was a curious and attentive woman who loved to hear and tell stories with staff, friends and family, and often while holding their hands.

Likely from her days on the farm, Margaret was a “meat and potatoes girl” who was reluctant at first, but eventually agreed to try and then enjoy new foods prepared by volunteers. One of her best meals was when volunteer Shelley made her favourite... waffles for dinner!

Margaret was a gardener and nature lover. She enjoyed being outdoors to watch the wildlife and oversee the flowers and vegetable gardens.

Her senses of adventure and humour took her outside to the deck, where she recaptured some of her lost youth, and delighted in blowing bubbles.

This gentle, lovely woman and gardener truly “blossomed” and lived life happily during her final days at Jocelyn House, with grace, dignity and strength. As she often said, “I have nothing to complain about, really and truly.”



DEVELOPMENT REPORT



Colleen O'Rourke,
Director of
Development

GRATITUDE IS THE EMOTION WE FEEL

when we think of our new donors and our faithful existing donors. Each of them has embraced the Jocelyn House Hospice story, our history and mission. Donations both large and small are valued and appreciated and there are many opportunities to support the work of Jocelyn House Hospice including ticket purchases, sponsorship and donations at special events; 3rd party fundraising; payroll deductions; club fundraising; and annual or monthly donations from individuals and corporations. Your support makes such a positive impact and difference in the lives of vulnerable Manitobans, and their loved ones, living the end of life journey at Jocelyn House Hospice.

Sincere thanks to **Jim & Leney Richardson**, for their generous donation as well as their attendance and support at our major annual fundraiser, Sunday Supper.

We would also like to express our appreciation to **Hartley & Heather Richardson** for their very kind donation and recognition of Jocelyn House Hospice.

Also thanks to **Lily Schreyer** who gifted Jocelyn House Hospice with her beautiful original artwork which supported fundraising through special event silent auctions.

The Jewish Foundation of Manitoba also honoured us this year with a grant of \$4000 that enabled us to produce a powerful new promotional video to strengthen our fundraising efforts by illustrating the life of our residents and the work



RBC Royal Bank Day
of Service Participants



being done at Jocelyn House Hospice. View this new video on our website. We were fortunate to be selected as one of the local charities to benefit from the **RBC Day of Service** program which also included a \$1000 donation and the helping hands of a group of RBC Royal Bank employees. This hardworking group, led by Michelle Blackmon, assisted our volunteers with the spring landscaping project on June 6th and then joined our residents, staff and volunteers for a BBQ lunch.

On July 19th we received a \$3000 donation of grocery gift cards from **Red River Co-op** which will go a long way in the preparation of nutritious meals for our residents. We are very grateful for this recognition of our need and the caring support for Jocelyn House Hospice.



Marcel Daeninck, Board of Directors,
Red River Co-op presents donation to
Colleen O'Rourke

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Sterling
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Group present
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Jackie Stephen

WHEN DESCRIBING JOCELYN HOUSE, we use the term “home-like”. Hospice and palliative care are often interchangeable and both mean end-of-life care that focuses on comfort, not cure. Simplified, the difference between hospice and palliative care, at least to me, is the setting. At

Jocelyn House and other hospices, patients are residents and the hospice is their home. Every effort is made to create and keep a home-like environment while providing excellent medical care, but in a much less clinical setting.

When we think of home, most of us remember the warmth and comfort of our surroundings, the love and support of family and the simple pleasures of home-cooked meals, fresh baking, clean laundry and familiar and treasured personal belongings.

At Jocelyn House, it is these and other simple things that matter most for our residents and their family members. The compassionate care provided by staff is enhanced by the everyday comforts of home; delicious meals and warm, fresh-from-the-oven cookies and muffins made by volunteers, companionship and a sense of belonging, and lively conversation and laughter around the dining room table. As well, our home provides a safe and tranquil, natural setting, with wildlife and beautiful views.

It is said that “home is where the heart is” and there is no denying that the heart of Jocelyn House is the people. Staff, volunteers, family members, donors and the residents themselves, are a community, who collectively navigate and facilitate quality and dignified end-of-life care.

Please visit our website at www.jocelynhouse.ca and watch our new video to get a glimpse into life at Jocelyn House Hospice.

Thank you for your support of our home and extended family.

Jackie Stephen

Summer at the Hospice

Sherry's daily ritual in her favourite living room chair.



Grace admiring the flowers outside the hospice with Health Care Aide, Jen.

A celebration with Georgie.



Joyce takes time out from her knitting to work on another art project.

Special Events



2ND ANNUAL FRIENDS FOR LIFE LADIES LUNCHEON

FRIENDS FOR LIFE LADIES LUNCHEON 2016 was held Wednesday June 8th at the Fort Garry Hotel and was presented by Title Sponsor, BMO Bank

of Montreal. 225 ladies gathered at this lovely luncheon to celebrate the power of women and friendship in support of Jocelyn

House Hospice and our event partner, Misericordia Health Centre Foundation, and our mutual commitment to dignified end of life care. Sincere thanks to our supporters and attendees, raffle prize donors and to our Table Sponsors: Fort Garry Hotel, Spa and Conference Centre; Harvard Developments Inc.; Tracy McMahon; Misericordia Health Centre; Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP; Terracon Development Ltd.; Your Next Place; and Van Osch Design.



7TH ANNUAL SUNDAY SUPPER

SUNDAY SUPPER 2016 held April 17th at The Gates on Roblin was once again presented by our Title Sponsor, Johnston Group. This popular major annual fundraising event was a resounding success with a net profit of \$50,000 to support Jocelyn House Hospice. Funds were raised through ticket sales, Surprise Bag sales, silent auction, grocery program donations and exciting food experience live auctions. Grateful thanks to our attendees and many generous donors and supporters especially our new Event Sponsor, Shape Industries; Wine Sponsor: Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries; Table Sponsors: BDO; Ducharme Agencies; Margaret & Troy Haugen; Tracy McMahon & Kelly Sumner; Kim McCartney Richardson GMP; S.R. Technical Services; Teshmont Consultants; Valour Decorating; and Yarrow Sash & Door.

Thanks also to The Gates on Roblin, Banville & Jones Wine Co., WOW! Hospitality Concepts, Green Carrot Juice Company, Fusion Communications Group, Payworks, and Petals West for your generous support.

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Coming Soon!

Behind Closed Doors



Don't miss the 7th Annual St. Vital Centre's Behind Closed Doors. This popular one night only shopping event will be held Saturday November 19th, 7pm-10:30pm. Great bargains, entertainment and in store specials. Please check our website for additional information or call us at 204-253-5898 to order tickets in support of Jocelyn House Hospice. We are pleased to participate in Behind Closed Doors and grateful to be one of the charities benefiting from ticket sale proceeds.



STAFF PROFILE

Karen Faurschou, LPN

WHAT IS LIFE LIKE FOR YOU OUTSIDE OF JOCELYN HOUSE?

I enjoy travelling, going to concerts, watching football, reading and crafts. I knit scarves and toques year round for Siloam Mission. I live with my husband, Dale, and son, Michael, on a farm with a huge yard so there is always lots to do. My pumpkin patch supplies the pumpkins for the Jocelyn House fall dinner. I am blessed to have many friends and therefore many activities to partake in with them.

WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO JOCELYN HOUSE?

I retired after 30 years of working on the surgical floor at the Portage District Hospital. My favourite assignment was the palliative room on that floor. It was most exciting to be hired for Jocelyn House and to be able to focus on providing good palliative care, is wonderful.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT WORKING AT JHH AND HOW DO YOU ADD LIFE TO FINAL DAYS FOR OUR RESIDENTS?

It is very satisfying to have the time and resources to do everything to make our residents' last days the best possible. Sharing this last journey with them and their loved ones is very humbling. It is magical how when the time finally arrives everyone is at peace. But ...there is a lot of living that goes on first! I like to spend a few minutes each shift chatting with each resident privately in their room. Topics vary from past to present, family and friends, emotional and physical needs. I then encourage the residents to join in house activities. Better still, I love getting them outside to enjoy our beautiful surroundings.

Please remember Jocelyn House Hospice in your Will. Choosing to leave a legacy brings meaning, dignity and purpose to a life well lived. Your gift is your opportunity to participate in community charitable work and enable worthy causes such as Jocelyn House Hospice to be well supported now and long after you have gone. Personal philanthropy through leaving a gift in your Will can be an additional way to ensure that your memory lives on. **We wish to express our deep gratitude for the generous bequest received recently from The Estate of Tina Enns.**



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VOLUNTEER PROFILE

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JOAN ELLIOTT

MY INVOLVEMENT WITH PALLIATIVE CARE BEGAN 10 years ago in Neepawa, Man. Under the guidance of an amazing program coordinator, I learned the value of end of life care. I first heard about Jocelyn House in a speech made by JHH volunteer, Shirley Sutherland, when she received an award at a Palliative Care Conference. When I moved to Winnipeg a few years later, I knew I wanted to continue volunteering in hospice care and remembered Shirley's uplifting speech about life at Jocelyn House. I began volunteering at Jocelyn House in October 2010 and that decision has proven to be one of the best I have made.

My volunteer role is to prepare and serve supper. I feel so lucky to share this part of the day with the residents. The stories shared around the supper table are a delight to listen to and there is a lot of laughter! My hope is the simple task of preparing a meal, then sitting down together, provides a bit of normalcy and lightness in the residents' day.

A favorite memory of mine was made one night when the table conversation turned to travel - specifically train travel. As I raved about the fabulous meals served on a VIA Rail trip I had taken a few years earlier, Jim, a new resident, listened with eyes sparkling and grinning from ear to ear. To my surprise, Jim said he had been a chef on VIA and had likely prepared the amazing food I had enjoyed!

A quote by Albert Camus expresses my feelings about what we do at Jocelyn House:

Don't walk behind me; I may not lead.
Don't walk in front of me; I may not follow.
Just walk beside me and be my friend.

**Jocelyn House is a home full of friends caring for one another.
I feel very fortunate to be a part of it.**



At Jocelyn House Hospice, we have a very clear idea of the role we play in our residents' lives and a vibrant vision for what our future holds...

Our Mission

To carry on the dream of Jocelyn Hutton: adding life to final days for the terminally ill, and their loved ones, by providing care and comfort in a home-like setting.

Our Vision for the Future

To enhance and expand Jocelyn House Hospice to meet the increasing needs for end-of-life care, while ensuring the mission and values on which our organization is founded are never compromised.