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The Religious Hospitallers
Of St. Joseph Invite
you to attend the

DEDICATION

of the New Additions to... 

St. Joseph Hospital
Hartford, Wisconsin

Open House Sunday, November 22, 1959 — 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Tours of New Additions to be Conducted
by
Members of St. Joseph Hospital
Guild

Refreshments

Dedication — Tuesday, Nov. 24, 10:30 a.m. by
His Excellency William E. Cousins,
Archbishop of Milwaukee
Religious Hospitaliers of St. Joseph Have Served Sick, Injured For Past 325 Years

Order Founded in France in 17th Century; Comes to City in 1926

Founded by two saintly lay people in France in the 17th century, the order of the Religious Hospitaliers of St. Joseph have served the sick and injured for 325 years.

Since May 1, 1926 the sisters have operated the St. Joseph hospital at Hartford, which has recently completed a $928,000 addition.

At present there are eight sisters stationed here. Hospital administration is Sister Donovan; Sister St. Paul is accountant; Sister St. Catherine, laboratory technician; Sister St. Aloysius, pharmacist; Sister St. Jude, record librarian; Sister St. Thomas, supervisor of clerical department; Sister Pendergast, supervisor of medical and surgical department; and Sister St. Francis, supervisor of central supply and x-ray.

Have Montreal Hospital

The Hartford hospital is only one of many served by the Religious Hospitaliers. They serve the second oldest hospital in Canada and the United States, the Hotel-Dieu De Montreal. The headquarters of the order is at Kingston, Ontario.

The beginning of the order dates back to the seventeenth century. On August 8, 1641, an intrepid little band of colonists from France arrived safely in the new world, at Quebec. At the foot of Mount Royal in May, 1642 a tiny hospital was erected.

When the colony in New France was about to be dissolved for lack of funds, Jeanne Mance "Angel of the Colony" more than once came to the rescue with financial aid. She was the first lay nurse in North America and the founder of the Hotel-Dieu at Montreal.

Spread to Chicago

The first foundation outside of Montreal was established in 1841 at Kingston, Ontario. Near the turn of the century a plea came from Chicago, from Rev. Mr. P. Murray, for the sisters to spread the service across the border. Father Murray was the zealous founder and priest of St. Bernard, parish on Chicago's south side.

The sisters came to Chicago in 1903 and today St. Bernard's hospital is one of the midwest's biggest.

Today, the Religious Hospitaliers of St. Joseph have hospitals in Canada and nine in the United States, including three in Wisconsin, at Hartford, Antigo (the Langlade county memorial hospital) and New London.

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on the Dedication of the New Addition to St. Joseph's Hospital

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It has been our privilege and honor to cooperate with the Sisters in financing the new addition to St. Joseph’s Hospital.

We are happy to share with the Sisters and our friends in Hartford in their satisfaction of this glorious achievement.

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HERE'S A FRONT VIEW of the new entrance to Hartford's St. Joseph hospital. One of over 70 hospital employees, Thomas Foxwell is shown clearing snow from the walk.

The building in the foreground was the original St. Joseph hospital, built in 1920, and operated by secular nurses until May, 1926, when taken over by the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph. In 1929, the building in the background, the present hospital was constructed. This year, additions to the front and rear of the building in the background were added as the hospital continues to expand to serve the growing community.

Work . . .
Cooperation . . .

The combination of the
two have given the
Hartford area
its Beautiful, New

Addition to St. Joseph's Hospital

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR DEDICATION

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Hospital At Hartford 40 Years Old

First Hospital Completed in 1920; New $200,000 Building Finished in 1929

St. Joseph hospital at Hartford is still quite a young institution. The small, original hospital, to the east of the present structure, was completed in 1920. Secular nurses operated the hospital until May, 1926 when the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph came here to take over the operation. The sisters opened their hospital on May 12.

The new owners accepted the hospital subject to a debt of $110,000. On April 5 at 2 p.m., in the K of C hall over the Schultz Brothers in Hartford, a meeting of all persons holding notes against the hospital was held. On May 21 the name of the Hartford hospital was changed from Hartford General hospital to St. Joseph's hospital.

Immediately, about 45 Hartford ladies got together to form a women's auxiliary to the hospital. Among those ladies who spoke on behalf of an auxiliary in August, 1926 were Mrs. H. M. LeCount, Mrs. Mary Everett, Mrs. I. A. Goetz, Mrs. C. J. Heppe, Mrs. I. Bonnwell, Mrs. Jacob Greenless, Mrs. L. C. Morgan and Mrs. F. W. Sachse.

New Hospital Started

The auxiliary was to be entirely non-sectarian, with women of all organizations, regardless of religious beliefs or place in society, urged to join. In December of 1926, the Auxiliary made $579.26 on a bazaar. The money went toward the purchase of Pathological laboratory equipment, needed linen, surgical gowns and nightgowns for children patients.

The industrious ladies auxiliary held other events, such as benefit movies, various sales, and donation days and style shows.

In August of 1928 work was begun on a new $127,000 hospital building. When finished the hospital was to have the best of accommodations for 50 patients. The 50-bed structure would replace the old building to the east, which would be used as a sisters' home and convent.

Placed in Cornerstone

On Oct. 23, 1928 a throng of people attended the laying of the cornerstone of the new hospital building. Principal speakers on that great day in Hartford's history were Rev. Joseph Hartmann, pastor of St. Kilian church, Mayor J. H. Lieve, Attorney Harry Amidon and Rev. Edward Gay, the assistant at Marquette University. In laying of the cornerstone, Father Harburt of Our Lady and Kuenzli, the architects, sealed in the cornerstone were a copper box containing a form document for cornerstones, a copy of the Hartford Times, and also a copy of the Hartford Press and several coins.

After 10 months of labor, the new hospital was ready to be opened.
ON THIS IMPORTANT DAY OF ACHIEVEMENT

THE DEDICATION OF THE

New Addition to St. Joseph’s Hospital

We pay our Sincerest Respects to
the Sisters of

The Religious Hospitallers
of St. Joseph’s Hospital

and to the many fine people of Hartford, Richfield, Slinger, Allenton, Neosho, North Lake and the other nearby communities who contributed to make this Memorial a living reality.

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eluding space for an additional 20 patients. This would increase the capacity of the hospital to 70 beds. Included in the addition costs were rooming and remodeling of the present structure and addition of a new administration building and lobby to the front of the structure.

Two Operating Rooms

The third floor of the new addition to the rear of the hospital includes two large operating rooms with the latest equipment, a central supply room, sterilization room, recovery room and other facilities.

On the second floor are 10 large semi-private rooms, which can become private by use of a dividing curtain. Each of the rooms have television and radio.

On the first floor is a new cafeteria and kitchen. The basement has a spacious laundry and supply room.

Dedication of the new addition will take place Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 10:30 a.m. His Excellency William E. Cousins, archbishop of Milwaukee, will offer a low mass at the hospital.

A noon luncheon for clergy, religious, lay advisory board members, doctors and honored guests will be held in the hospital cafeteria. About 75 persons are expected to attend the luncheon.

Statue Atop Local Hospital Gift of Chicagoan in '26

The life-size statue of St. Joseph atop the front entrance to Hartford's St. Joseph hospital was a gift of a wealthy Chicago man.

In 1926 when the sisters of the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph were journeying to Hartford to take charge of the hospital here, they stopped in Chicago to visit St. Bernard's hospital, which is also run by the order.

While there, a man whose wife was receiving care at the hospital offered to give the sisters on their way to Hartford anything they desired. The choice fell on a life-size statue of St. Joseph, which was brought to the Hartford hospital and placed on the front entrance.

The statue was dedicated to the Sisters of the Religious Hospitallers on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of the founding of the order in Montreal.

Best Wishes to the Sisters of St. Joseph's Hospital on your Dedication.

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My name is friend.
I am protector, restorer, comforter.
My hand is the hand of welcome, of encouragement, of goodbye. I laugh the laughter of a child; I cry the tears of the ages.
I do not sleep, for my watchfulness must keep the promise of dawn, the joy of day, the serenity of twilight, the balm of night.
I am a Janus, dedicated to tomorrow for inspiration, to yesterday for insight. I am mercy without pride, faith without creed. I am, just without judging.
I am guardian and servant, shadow and sun. My heart is Main street; my lifeblood, the crossroads. I could not be but for the skill and humanity of believing man.
My strength is you.
I am your hospital.

$930,000 Expansion Program Gives Hartford Area Modern, Complete Facility

Hartford and surrounding area can be proud of the new additions, equipment and remodeling at the St. Joseph hospital, which now must rank as one of the most completely modern hospitals in the state.

The expansion program will cost a total of $930,000. The facilities added have almost doubled the capacity of the hospital. Now, a minimum of 65 patients can receive the best of medical care.

A Lobby is Beautiful

The work done is embodied in two additions and remodeling to the original hospital.

The north addition is one-story and includes the lobby and administrative offices. The lobby is a thing of beauty with marble walls, terrazzo floors, acoustical metal pan ceiling with indirect lighting, and attractive furniture and furnishings. The lobby includes a gift shop, telephone information desk and admissions room.

In the three-story, north addition, the ground (basement) floor includes laundry and sewing room, linen storage, a new, one-stall ambulance entrance with an electrically-operated door, anesthesia storage and distribution manifold.

New Heating Plant

Heating is provided by two new automatic combination oil burning units, with 200 horsepower capacity boilers. An auxiliary electrical unit will automatically go into operation in case of a power failure. All power and telephone lines are located underground as a safety feature.

Work in the laundry is done by two automatic washers, with two extractors and one dryer. A large mangle reduces ironing requirements to a minimum. The laundry measures 40 by 47 ft. and has

A Bouquet of Praise

to those who made the New Addition to St. Joseph’s Hospital possible.

And to the Sisters of St. Joseph’s Hospital We Extend Our Heartiest Congratulations

“Whatever the occasion . . . Say It With Flowers”

Rhodes Greenhouse

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MORE ABOUT One of Best

a glazed tile interior. Linen chutes are situated on the east side of the new laundry.

The kitchen and cafeteria are located on the first floor of the north addition. The kitchen is equipped with new stainless steel equipment, and has three walk-in refrigeration units for storage of meat, dairy products, and vegetables.

Room for 40

Adjoining the kitchen is the dishwashing room, with an electric dishwasher. There is a cafeteria which can seat 40 persons at one time. It is attractively painted and has a metal pan acoustical ceiling.

The second floor of the new addition contains patient rooms, which are fitted with the latest of everything. Each has a built-in dresser and wardrobe, with toilet facilities, nurse call system, telephone, and combination radio and television. There are also bedside cabinets, overbed tables, reading lamps, night lamps and additional electrical outlets. All 10 rooms are painted in pastel shades, and have attractive draperies. The semi-private rooms have a cubicle curtain suspended from the ceiling between the beds for additional privacy.

As another feature, each room is equipped to provide oxygen for patients use. A wall outlet connects each room with a central oxygen storage room, located next to the transformer vault.

New Nurses Station

Centrally located nurses stations have been provided in the remodeled section on the second and third floors of the original building.

They consist of a chart desk, pantry, supervisor's office, work area for dispensing drugs and supplies, and a dumb waiter, which connects with the central supply department.

On the third floor of the new north addition are two operating rooms, a sub-sterilizing room, doctors scrub-up room, anesthesia storage, clean-up room and doctors' lounge.

Both operating rooms are large, with pastel green, tile walls, conductive tile floors and acoustical ceilings. Oxygen is piped in, as is anesthesia and suction. The operating rooms are air conditioned. Throughout. Generators equipment for the air conditioning is located in a penthouse on the roof.

Central Supply Room

One of the operating rooms is equipped to do breastography and orthopedic work. A 200 m.a. mobile, X-ray unit forms part of this equipment.

Central supply is located on the east side of the surgical corridor. It has a large room, room, with metal storage cabinets. There are also two sterilizers for sterilizing dressings and all material used for patients, two storage rooms for sterile supplies for surgery and nurse use, a clean-up room, glove room and solution room and a nurses room.

The east section of the third floor of the original building was remodeled to provide two labor's TV for All Rooms

Oxygen has been provided for all patients rooms and wards, and television and telephones have been installed in all rooms in the original building. An up-to-date recovery room is also located close to the surgical suite where patients returning from surgery are given special care. This room is air conditioned, has piped-in oxygen and suction, telephone and nurses call bell. It is equipped with four special beds.

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FOOD FOR THE PATIENTS at St. Joseph hospital in Hartford is now prepared in this shiny new kitchen, part of the new addition to the hospital. Employees are shown in the background. They are two of some 78 full and part-time employees at the Hartford hospital.

EMPLOYEES of St. Joseph hospital are shown enjoying a snack in the new hospital cafeteria in the recently completed addition to the Hartford hospital. The new cafeteria is well lighted and easy to clean. There are about 78 employees, both full and part-time, at the hospital.

Congratulations on the beautiful new Addition to St. Joseph's Hospital

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ONE OF THE PARTS of the new addition at St. Joseph hospital is this central supply room that includes the two big sterilizers in the background. A hospital employee, Mrs. Patricia Heimerl, opens one of the sterilizers.

Diersiere and Marie de l'Enfant-Jeune Manse founded the order of the Sisters of Charity in 1642, which later became the Sisters of Charity of the Hotel Dieu of Montreal. The order continued to provide care for the sick and poor in Montreal and throughout Canada and the United States.

The new addition to St. Joseph hospital in Hartford includes a new laundry, with the latest equipment. The equipment includes a large, modern clothes mangle, which is large enough to press bed sheets inserted lengthwise.

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Extends Best Wishes to the Sisters of St. Joseph’s Hospital on your Dedication of the New Addition to the Hospital

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to the Sisters of

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and

The People of the Hartford Community Area

FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN HELPING TO CREATE THIS LIVING MEMORIAL

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We Are Proud of Our Accomplishment

in Erecting

the New Addition to

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

and Extend Congratulations
to the

Sisters of the Religious Hospitallers
of St. Joseph

PROJECTS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION:

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In August of 1926 a group of local ladies decided to institute a women’s auxiliary to the St. Joseph Hospital. The idea was the group to keep open a small hospital and place those beyond repair with medical aid in a local hospital and community. The group decided that money from dues was sufficient to maintain the linen and funds raised by special projects was donated for hospital equipment and furnishings.

Today, the St. Joseph Hospital Guild is a quite large and active group. It was founded in the summer of 1926, about 40 women, representing various women’s organizations in Hartford, gathered at the home of O. C. Hall in the city. Among the early boosters of a hospital, O. C. Hall, Miss Zelma Slosser, Mrs. Mary Everett, Mrs. A. Goettler, Miss Florence Lutz, Mrs. Alice W. Jacobs, Mrs. J. Greenleaf, Mrs. L. C. Morgan, and Mrs. W. S. Satterfield.

In all 54 contractors and suppliers were involved in the construction of the new additions.

### More Babies Being Born at Hartford Hospital

In 1926, there were 402 babies born at the local hospital. This number increased to 453 in 1927, and then to 535 in 1928. In 1939, by St. Joseph hospital at Hartford has increased greatly in the past 20 years. By 1959, the number of births had increased to 505.

### New Addition to Hartford Hospital

**Nerve Center of Hospital**

**Administration Addition on Front of Hospital Has Important Role**

The new administration and mobile addition to Hartford’s St. Joseph hospital has a varied and important role. Incoming and outgoing patients, telephone calls, flowers, visits, and mail— all are taken care of at the business office just off the lobby in the new administration area. Anxiously waiting is the admitting officer, trained by the ladies who volunteer in the hospital’s auxiliary.

This varied department includes the admitting office, the reception desk, switchboard, payroll, and bookkeeping facilities. The office is on the first floor of the hospital.

### What Do YOU See In the Hospital?

By J. C. Foley

When you’re in the hospital, what do you see besides beds and gowns? You’ll see doctors, nurses, patients, and X-ray machines? You’ll see people!

But you don’t usually see all of the people— many specialty-trained nurses who use their skills and knowledge to help you. They are your friends. They are your family. They are your doctors.

### Christmas Bazaar In 1926 Was Big Success for Original Auxiliary at Hartford Hospital

The Hospital Auxiliary in its first year, 1926, was a great success, raising funds for hospital purposes. The Guild is a large and active group.

The Sisters at the hospital are working day and night to see that every patient receives care that they would want for themselves. Additional functions and activities are planned to raise funds for hospital needs.

### Former Employee of Hartford’s Hospital

One of the former employees of Hartford’s hospital, Miss Marlene Wensing, is at present at the Novialet of the Religious Hospital Auxiliary of St. Joseph, located at Ambler, Ont., Canada.

### Former Employee of Hartford’s Hospital

Miss Wensing is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wensing, West Bend.

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### Laboratory Technicians who Work in the Hospital

The laboratory technicians who work in the hospital are responsible for providing accurate and timely results of tests ordered by doctors. They perform tests on blood, urine, and other bodily fluids.

### Medical Records Librarian

The medical records librarian is responsible for maintaining and updating the medical records of patients in the hospital. They ensure that patients’ records are accurate and complete.

### Housekeeper who keeps the hospital “hospital clean”

The housekeeper is responsible for maintaining a clean and comfortable environment for patients and staff. They are responsible for cleaning and maintaining all areas of the hospital.
Congratulations

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