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Memories: - In the 70's - a winter faculty party was held (2 or 3 times) at the Lake Lodge - The snow plow cleared a path from the lodge down the hill & into the ice of the Lake & we rode sleds & toboggans on it - What a time!

- The last day of clinical for Senior Nursing Students ended each year with times to remember! As student nurses left the hospital the fun began. The scissors came out and as they boarded buses for the ride back to campus - uniforms were slashed - & often large pieces were cut off - That remained was autographed by fellow students - Nursing instructors ignored the "going on - understanding" rite of passage. Administrators on campus had been known to frown on these "unprofessional" happenings - & I remember being called on the carpet one year for allowing such shenanigans!

Nursing faculty were acutely involved in "team teaching" - Faculty meetings lasted from 2 to 3 hours - We knew each other well!

The buses that transported nursing students to clinical on Tuesdays & Wednesdays were NEVER canceled due to weather conditions. I have seen both students & faculty sliding to the door of a bus on ice covered roads & streets!

Pinning ceremonies were experiences filled with pomp, grandeur, love and weeping! There were few dry eyes by the time each nursing graduate was personally honored -

Rosie Fisher & I began teaching at ASC at the same time. We spent endless hours preparing our own individual handouts which were incorporated into Reg. Notebooks which have, since the 70's, been the basis of much of the Nursing Students' guides.

During most of the 1980's + early 90's ASC students attained a 90% or higher ^{1st time} State board passing rate. She achieved 100% at least one of these years.

I tried to remember to say a prayer each time we arrived for a clinical day - hoping that we "did no harm". I'm sure God watched over my clinical groups for all these years.

^{Dear} I remembered the 1st time you (Bob Lorie) came to evaluate my ^{classroom} teaching - There were about 80 students + I recall after the session when I met you (Bob) in ^{your} office he (like a good administrator) 1st complimented me on a couple things - He then suggested I might consider moving around a bit more + noted I stood only in front of the lectern. I remember responding "I was afraid if I let go of it + moved, I might fall down"

Dear Bob + Janet - Hope you are both having good days - Jon + I are writing this as we prepare to fly out of the Dallas airport on a trip to "explore" Costa Rica - Enjoy Thanksgiving - Sherrin