



Milestones

Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital

45th Anniversary



1964

- The official opening ceremony of the Glenrose (GRH) is held Friday, August 14, with Minister of Health Dr. J. Donovan Ross officiating. The former Royal Alexandra Hospital space is provided to the Glenrose to create the new provincial specialized rehabilitation hospital.
- From 1964-70, Dr. John E. Bradley holds the position of Executive Director of the Glenrose Provincial Hospital, which he develops into a major resource for the treatment of children with physical and emotional disabilities. In 1977, Dr. Bradley is appointed by Premier Peter Lougheed as his Special Advisor on Medical Research and works to create the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research (AHFMR) as an institution of national and international research excellence.
- Dr. T. Baker is appointed as Chairman of the Board, a position he holds until 1972. The T. D. Baker Junior High School in Edmonton and the Tom Baker Cancer Centre in Calgary are named in his honour.
- Dr. J. L. Gulley is elected President of the Medical Staff.
- The first of two Children's Units with 13 admissions is opened.
- Social Work Service is initiated.
- The North Building, formerly the RAH Isolation Hospital, is demolished to make way for the extensions to the GRH Boiler Plant.
- The School of Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy at the University of Alberta is reorganized as the School of Rehabilitation Medicine.
- The Citadel Theatre opens as Edmonton's first professional live theatre.
- Canadians are issued Social Insurance cards for the first time.
- A bill creating a new Flag of Canada is passed in the House of Commons.

1965

- Treatment services are expanded towards capacity. 211 beds are opened on the Convalescent-Rehabilitation Unit and 44 beds on the Multiple Handicapped Children's Unit.
- Renovations are completed on the fifth floor of the Hospital providing expanded facilities for OT, Recreation, Arts and Crafts, PT, Speech Therapy and an additional temporary school classroom.
- The first mandated health warnings appeared on cigarette packets.
- The mini-skirt makes an appearance.
- *The Sound of Music* receives an Oscar for best film.

1966

- Glenrose School Hospital addition is completed and equipped with 100 beds.
- Pilot project for treatment and education of children with mental health problems is initiated with 13 patients admitted.
- Audiology Service is established.
- The Cerebral Palsy Clinic is transferred to the new School Hospital.
- Official opening of the new School Hospital, with the Minister of Health cutting the ribbon.

- The extension to the GRH Power Plant and the installation of a 50,000 pound boiler is completed with the official opening of the new addition.
- *Selected Articles of Mao Zedong* is first published in China.
- *I Heard It through the Grapevine* is a landmark song in the history of Motown Records.

1967

- Industrial Arts and Home Economics areas of the School Hospital are constructed and equipped.
- The first survey visit for Accreditation is completed and the Hospital receives full accreditation.
- Final ward (302) is opened, permitting the hospital to expand to 380 beds.
- An affiliation agreement with the University of Alberta designates the Glenrose Provincial Hospital as an academic teaching hospital.
- Adult Amputation Program is initiated.
- Prosthetic Service is established.
- Gift Shop operated by the Women's Auxiliary commences operation.
- First human heart transplant is performed by cardiac surgeon Christiaan Barnard at Groote Schuur Hospital in South Africa.
- The revolutionary Ernesto "Che" Guevara, an Argentine Marxist revolutionary and guerrilla leader, is captured and executed by the Bolivian army.
- The House of Commons votes to make "O Canada" the official national anthem.

1968

- Dr. George Eddy, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, University of Alberta, is appointed Acting Clinical Director, Glenrose School Hospital. By 1970, he is the Clinical Director.
- Last Nursing Unit is opened at the GRH, bringing the total to 406 beds in the complex.
- A children's day camp program is held. The camp provides comprehensive therapy and recreation.
- The Glenrose School Hospital is now the only facility in Alberta to offer a complete medical/social psychological evaluation.
- New logo designed for the Glenrose is incorporated in the first publicity brochure.
- Robert F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr. are assassinated.
- Pierre Elliott Trudeau becomes the 15th Prime Minister of Canada.

1969

- Prosthetics Department is initiated.
- Glenrose Driver Training Program is established.
- New Evoked Response Cortical Audio Meter at GRH is the first of its kind in Alberta.
- Speech Pathology and Audiology program begins at the U of A, School of Rehabilitation Medicine.
- Astronaut Neil Armstrong becomes the first person to walk on the moon.
- The Official Languages Act makes French and English equal throughout the Canadian government.
- The Woodstock Festival is held at Max Yasgur's dairy farm in Bethel, New York.

1970

- The Canadian Council on Hospital Accreditation accredits the Hospital for a further three-year period.
- The federal voting age is lowered from 21 to 18.
- *Kentucky Rain* is a hit song for Elvis Presley.
- The FLQ, a militant separatist group in Quebec, kidnaps a British diplomat & murders a Quebec cabinet minister. These circumstances ultimately culminate in the only peacetime usage of the War Measures Act in Canada's history.

1971

- Dr. W. G. McPhail is appointed Executive Director of the hospital.
- Speech Pathology-Audiology Department is the largest department in North America and the first such Canadian department to be certified by the American Board of Examiners.
- Peter Lougheed, lawyer and former Canadian Football League player, serves as Premier of Alberta from 1971 to 1985.
- Folk rock song "*American Pie*" is recorded
- Prime Minister Trudeau weds Margaret Sinclair.

1972

- First GRH research grant.
- Renovation of the fifth floor west wing is completed to provide additional treatment space.
- Speech Language Pathology and Audiology Assessment Clinics are established.
- Closed circuit TV system is installed in patient rooms.
- *The Godfather* is released in cinemas in North America.
- Five men are arrested for breaking into the Democratic National Committee headquarters at the Watergate complex.

1973

- The first Neurodevelopmental Pediatric Rehabilitation Service is initiated.
- Convulsive Disorder Clinic, Juvenile Amputee Clinic, Stroke Family Counseling Program, and Speech Language Program Mobile Clinic are established.
- The Speech Pathology–Audiology Mobile Van comes into operation, the result of a contribution by the Elks Purple Cross Fund. Under this program, a team of clinicians visit nine health units in Alberta for two days each month and provide treatment to selected patients who are able to continue working on home program materials between visits.
- The U.S. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in programs conducted by Federal agencies, in programs receiving Federal financial assistance, in Federal employment, and in the employment practices of Federal contractors.
- The Paris Peace Accords to end the Vietnam War are signed by the U.S., North Vietnam, South Vietnam and the Viet Cong.

- Motorola invents the cell phone.
- Construction of the GlenEast Extension is completed.

1974

- A Research Service Consultant (shared with the U of A, Faculty of Nursing) is appointed.
- An Independent Living Suite (ILS) is established on the second floor of the School Hospital. The unit, designed as closely as possible to an average apartment, is used by both children and adults. A Touch Operated Selector Control Unit enables the severely handicapped to operate devices in their environment independently. This is believed to be the first in Alberta.
- Satellite outpatient Glenrose Physical Therapy Clinic in Sherwood Park is established.
- A language nursery for preschool children with severe disorders of communication is launched.
- Dr. Charlene Robertson joins the staff of the School Hospital and conducts the Neonatal Follow-up Clinic.
- The Juvenile Amputee Clinic moves from the University of Alberta Hospital to the Glenrose.
- The resignation of President Richard Nixon is announced.
- The famous skeleton "*Lucy*" is discovered in Ethiopia. Lucy lived 3–4 million years ago.
- The RCMP allows female members for the first time.

1975

- The Language Nursery for pre-school children with severe communicative disorders begins.
- The Social Service Department is instrumental in the development of the first Glenrose Group Home.
- The addition to the School Hospital is completed. It provides space for a regular nursery program, as well as the Psychology Program and a Kindergarten Room.
- The last Americans from the embassy depart Saigon on April 30, concluding the US presence in Vietnam. The Vietnam War is over.
- Bill Gates and Paul Allen create the company Microsoft.
- The beaver becomes an official symbol of Canada.
- *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* is awarded an Oscar for the best film.

1976

- Over 200 children attend the Glenrose School daily while receiving treatment for their various disabilities.
- Scoliosis Program and Screening Service is established.
- The GRH Self-Care Unit is established.
- Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine at the U of A is founded. The first Dean is Dr. F. Wilson.
- The Eaton's catalogue is discontinued.

- Parliament votes to abolish the death penalty.
- Ethernet networking is invented.
- In South Africa Riots in Soweto mark the beginning of the end of apartheid.

1977

- The Staff Education and Research Unit is established.
- The Adult Convulsive Disorder Clinic is established.
- Dr. D. R. Shea joins the permanent part-time Medical Staff as Consultant in Pediatrics (with special interest in Learning Disorders of Childhood).
- The Scoliosis Screening Project is financed by the Special Services and Research Fund.
- Queen Elizabeth II tours Canada as part of her Jubilee Goodwill Tour.
- The Charter of the French Language is passed by the Parti Québécois.
- All Canadian road signs are converted to metric units.
- Elvis Presley dies.

1978

- The fifth floor adds air conditioning.
- The Pediatric Rehabilitation Program is consolidated to GlenEast.
- Seating Program is established.
- Dr. Ehor Gauk becomes a member of the Board of Management as the nominee of the Medical Staff.
- All Pediatric services are consolidated into the School Hospital.
- Edmonton hosts the 11th Commonwealth Games.
- Light Rail Transit (LRT) service commences in Edmonton.
- Pope Paul VI dies in August; successor John Paul I dies 34 days later; Cardinal Karol Wojtyla of Poland becomes John Paul II, first non-Italian pope in 456 years.
- The CBC becomes the first broadcaster in the world to use an orbiting satellite for television service, linking Canada “from east to west to north.”
- The world's first successful test-tube baby is born.

1979

- Introduction of Auditory Brainstem Response testing as a diagnostic measure of auditory nerve function.
- The GRH is the winner of the Youth, Schools & Institutions Division at the Klondike Parade.
- An Art Contest is held to choose a drawing to be printed and used as the 1979 GRH Christmas Card - the first ever produced by the hospital
- Joe Clark becomes Canada's sixteenth, and youngest ever prime minister.
- Chris Haney and Scott Abbott invent *Trivial Pursuit*.
- Margaret Thatcher becomes first woman Prime Minister of Britain.
- Mother Theresa wins Nobel Peace Prize.

1980

- A biweekly payroll/personnel system is introduced.
- The Glenrose proceeds with plans for a new building (GlenWest).
- A new addition to the camping program in the School Hospital is a winter ski camp for children from the Emotionally Disturbed Children's Unit and is funded by the Women's Auxiliary.
- The Great Divide Waterfall on the High Level Bridge is created to commemorate Alberta's 75th anniversary.
- Terry Fox begins his Marathon of Hope run across Canada in support of cancer research.
- The National Energy Program is introduced.
- John Lennon of The Beatles is assassinated in New York City.

1981

- GRH opens the first Voice Clinic in Alberta - following the efforts of Speech Pathologist Dr. Frank Wilson, University of Alberta and Communications Disorders.
- In excess of 34,000 patients have received the benefit of intensive rehabilitative care since the doors opened in 1964.
- Tots & Parents Program expands to six regular, six-week sessions.
- A hospital-wide in-service Education Program is formalized.
- The first year of the Edmonton International Fringe Theatre Festival.
- International Year of Disabled Persons is first proclaimed by the United Nations.
- American hostages are released from Iran.
- Ronald Reagan is inaugurated as 40th President of the U.S.
- The IBM PC is launched with 64 KB of RAM and a single 5 1/4 inch floppy drive.

1982

- Dr. Anne Bellamy and Dr. Fred Wilson found the GRH Brain Injury Program.
- On February 16, 1982, UNA begins a legal strike at sixty-nine (69) Alberta Hospitals affecting 6,000 nurses.
- A classroom is opened for hearing impaired youngsters of school age who rely on signing.
- Name changes occur - from the Convalescent Unit on Station 201 and the Physically Handicapped Children's Unit (PHCU) into the Pediatric Rehabilitation Unit and the Child and Family Psychiatry Unit (CFPU).
- GRH Staff Day Care is opened and enrolls its first children.
- Dominion Day renamed Canada Day.
- The first drawing of Lotto 6/49 occurs with a jackpot of \$500,000.

1983

- Name change from Glenrose Provincial General Hospital to Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital.
- Pastoral Care moves from being a service provided by voluntary clergy to a formal program supervised by a chaplain coordinator.

- Multi-disciplinary protocols are implemented.
- GRH inpatient occupancy is 75% for adult rehab; and 60% for pediatric rehab.
- Re-accreditation by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association continues the Audiology Department's standing as the only audiology service in Canada with such accreditation.
- The development of the Central Portering Services within Materiel Management portfolio results in improved service efficiencies.
- Authorization is received from the Government of Alberta for a new 208-bed Adult Rehabilitation Unit (GlenWest) and a new relocated boiler house with a total project cost of \$56,895,942.
- Michael Jackson performs live on the Motown 25: Yesterday, Today, Forever television special.
- The metric system of weights and measures is officially adopted by the federal government.

1984

- Cochlear Implant Program begins.
- Speech Pathology Department name changes to Communication Disorders.
- Women's Auxiliary continues to operate the patient library and the gift shop, as well as annually coordinating blood donor clinics, bazaars, and numerous patient teas.
- Closure of 21 self-care unit beds.
- The Edmonton Oilers win the Stanley Cup, their first of five in seven years.
- Pope John Paul II tours Canada.
- Marc Garneau becomes the first Canadian in space aboard the Space Shuttle Challenger.

1985

- The Assistive Technology service is established with the support of the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta.
- Pet Therapy is introduced to the Glenrose.
- In October, the GRH is again awarded a three-year accreditation. This is the sixth consecutive time the Glenrose receives this distinction.
- Construction begins on the Energy Centre in September.
- Rick Hansen launches his Man in Motion world tour to raise money for spinal cord research.
- Phase III of West Edmonton Mall opens, making it the largest shopping centre in North America.

1986

- Formal establishment of Amputee Program and RA Program.
- Soviet nuclear plant at Chernobyl destroyed by fire.
- Canada receives a United Nations award for sheltering refugees.

1987

- During 1987-1988, the design and working drawings for the new Adult Rehab Unit of the Glenrose are finalized.
- A tornado in Edmonton kills twenty-seven people.
- The city of Frobisher Bay, in the Northwest Territories, changes its name to Iqaluit.

1988

- Construction of GlenWest commences.
- Opening of the new Energy Centre.
- Stephen William Hawking achieves success with the runaway best seller *A Brief History of Time*. Dr. Hawking's achievements are made despite the increasing paralysis related to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). He uses an electronic voice synthesizer to communicate.
- Prime Minister Brian Mulroney officially apologizes for the WWII internment of Japanese Canadians.
- Jaron Lanier coins the term "Virtual Reality".
- Wayne Gretsky's deal is the biggest trade in the history of the National Hockey League and, perhaps, the biggest in the history of all sports.
- *Rain Man* receives an Oscar for the best film.

1989

- Adult Rehabilitation Shared Care Unit is the first in Alberta that integrates patient self-management with support by formal and informal care providers. As patient acuity increases, the Unit is replaced by Orthopedic Sub Acute Care service.
- Office of Research Services is established.
- The Canadian-American Free Trade Agreement comes into effect.
- The World Wide Web and HTML are created by English physicist Tim Berners-Lee.
- Tiananmen Square Revolt in People's Republic of China.
- The fall of the Berlin Wall.

1990

- Cardiac Rehabilitation transfers from the RAH to the Glenrose.
- The Spinal Cord Injury program transfers from the U of A Hospital to a 26-bed unit in GlenWest.
- Movement Disorders Clinic is established with its services divided equally between Clinical Research and Patient Care.
- Move to the New GlenWest 208 bed building completed (\$69 million).
- Donor contributions to the Glenrose approach \$8 million for the year.
- Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 signed into law on July 26.
- Nelson Mandela is released from jail after thirty years.
- The National Gallery of Art purchases Barnett Newman's Voice of Fire for \$1.8 million, causing a storm of controversy as the painting is no more than three strips of paint.

1991

- His Excellency the Right Honourable Ramon J. Hnatyshyn, Governor General of Canada, turns the sod for the Glenrose Carnival of Champions Sports Space and the Adaptive Playground.
- The Goods and Services Tax (GST) comes into effect.
- WiFi is invented.
- Seventy-four years after its founding, the Soviet Union breaks up into 15 independent republics.

1992

- Establishment of GRH Research Centre in historic building; recruitment of first full time Director of Research.
- *Cravings*, a cappuccino bar and café, opens in the Lloyd Wilson Garden Rotarium.
- Dr. Ehor Gauk, Pediatric Neurologist, assumes a leading role in the *Children of Chernobyl* Project.
- *Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus* by John Gray is published.
- Ralph Klein succeeds Don Getty as Premier of Alberta.

1993

- Shared Care Unit for patients who wish to actively collaborate in their own care opens on April 1.
- The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) is passed.
- Nokia sends the first text message between mobile phones.

1994

- GRH Foundation is incorporated; the Board of Trustees Chair is Louise Campbell along with Vice Chair/Treasurer, Ralph Peterson. Six additional Trustees round out the Foundation Board.
- FIM™ (Measurement of Functional Outcomes) is initiated at the GRH to resolve the long-standing problem of lack of uniform measurement and data on disability and rehabilitation outcomes.
- Dr. Al Cook is appointed Dean of the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine at the U of A.
- Nelson Mandela is elected president of the Republic of South Africa.
- *Forest Gump* receives an Oscar for the best film.

1995

- Governance is transferred from the GRH Board of Management to the newly established Capital Health Authority (Region 10) on February 1.
- Official opening of the Al Shamal Shrine Temple Pediatric Rehab Unit 201 on March 22.
- The first *Toonie* is minted.
- Global Positioning System (GPS) becomes fully operational.

1996

- The Cognitively Impaired Unit and other Geriatrics programs are transferred to the GRH from the Edmonton General Hospital.
- WestJet is founded by four Calgary entrepreneurs.
- The first cloned mammal, Dolly the sheep, is born in Scotland.
- Hotmail is introduced as the first webmail services on the Internet.
- Mr. Dressup does his last show.

1997

- Telehealth Technology is implemented at the Glenrose.
- Glenrose is invited to pilot the CIHI National Rehabilitation Reporting System (NRS).
- Diana, Princess of Wales dies after a car crash in the Pont de l'Alma road tunnel in Paris.
- Confederation Bridge opens between New Brunswick and PEI.
- Hong Kong is returned to China after 156 years under British rule.
- Release of the first novel *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, by J.K. Rowling.
- Release of *Titanic* – best-selling movie until 2009 when it was surpassed by Avatar, both movies were directed by James Cameron.

1998

- Alberta Caregiver College® is established at GRH to support caregivers of brain injury and stroke survivors followed by the development of an educational CD for self-education for parents of children with developmental difficulties.
- A seasonal Golf Clinic is developed through the GRH Recreation Therapy Department to address the rehabilitation needs of stroke patients who were avid golfers.
- Rehabilitation Technology is established as a clinical research group studying the use of advanced technologies for the assessment of children with spinal curvatures, growing into an international collaborative training ground for Engineering, Rehabilitation Medicine students and Medical faculty.
- Glenrose Staff Fitness Co-op opens.
- Glenrose Heart Beat of Edmonton Race receives the Athletics Canada Award for Road Race of the Year.
- *Chicken Soup for the Soul* is first published.
- Google is born.
- In a five year period Microsoft introduces Windows NT 3.1, Windows 95 (Internet Explorer is first included in the Windows 95 Plus) and later Windows 98 to the market.

1999

- Planning begins on the renovation of the ICAN Centre.
- Glenrose staff participate in planning for Y2K.
- Julie Payette becomes the first Canadian to board the International Space Station.
- President Clinton is tried and acquitted on charges stemming from the Monica Lewinsky scandal.
- Adrienne Clarkson becomes Governor General of Canada.

2000

- August 2000 - 100th Cochlear Implant is implanted.
- Staff officially move into the I CAN Centre.
- Pediatric Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) Clinic established.
- The remains of an unidentified Canadian soldier killed in France in World War I are brought back to Canada and buried in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Ottawa.
- Reality television begins on MTV with *Survivor* and *American Idol*.

2001

- The first annual GRH Golf Tournament takes place.
- Her Royal Highness Maha Chakri Sitindhorn of Thailand, the National Advocate for Rehab Services in Thailand, visits the Glenrose.
- September 11, terrorists attacks on the U.S. killing 3,017 and injuring 6,291.
- The first complete trans-Atlantic robotic surgery is performed by physicians in New York controlling robotic instruments as they remove a gall-bladder from a women in Strasbourg, France.
- Canada becomes the first country in the world to legalize medical marijuana.
- The first iPod is launched by Apple.
- Wikipedia begins and grows rapidly.
- *A Beautiful Mind* receives an Oscar for the best film.

2002

- Syncrude Centre for Motion & Balance is opened. It is the first in Canada to house integrated motion and balance services with a combined mandate for clinical service evaluation, research and education.
- Aleks Kostov Rehabilitation and Assistive Technology Research Lab officially opens following receipt of furnishings, computers and equipment through the GRH Foundation.
- Glenrose EMG Lab is privatized.
- Guy LaFleur, former Montreal Canadiens star, visits the Spinal Cord Injury Unit.
- Four Canadian soldiers are the first casualties of the war in Afghanistan.
- Queen Elizabeth II comes to Canada for a 12-day tour to mark her Golden Jubilee as Queen of Canada.
- Canada signs the Kyoto Accord, limiting greenhouse gas emissions.

2003

- Bimonthly Glenrose Telehealth Nursing Best Practice Rounds are broadcast province-wide.
- The Acute Geriatrics Service Review is completed by GRH for the Ten Year Continuing Care Strategic Services Plan for Capital Health.
- After 13 years, the Human Genome Project identifies all the 20,000-25,000 genes in human DNA.

- The space shuttle Columbia disaster occurs when the space shuttle disintegrates during re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere, causing the loss of all seven crew members.
- Health Canada announces 17 suspected SARS cases in Canada.
- One of the most cutting-edge technologies used to control prosthetic limbs is called targeted muscle reinnervation (TMR) and is developed by Dr. Todd Kuiken at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago.
- *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown is published.

2004

- The Women's Auxiliary hold a "Grand Re-opening of the Corner Store" celebration after major renovations.
- Her Imperial Highness, Princess Hisako Takamado of Japan, tours the Glenrose.
- The official opening of the Dr. Bill Black Auditorium.
- Official re-opening of the newly renovated Al Shamal Shriner's Pediatric Rehab Unit 201.
- "State-of-the-art" computerized technology to support improved patient care and function is implemented. The C-Leg is a knee-shin system featuring on-board sensors and microprocessors.
- *Hands across Africa* is founded. The *Hands across Africa* project is comprised of 21 GRH health care professionals and others and raises close to \$100,000.00 for three grass roots projects in Sierra Leone, South Africa and Tanzania.
- The Canadian Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation publishes the second edition of its *Canadian Guidelines for Cardiac Rehabilitation*.
- The Boxing Day Tsunami kills nearly 230,000 people in 11 countries.
- The City of Edmonton celebrates its 100th Birthday.

2005

- Celebrating 30 Years of Achievement, a special event is arranged for Nora Rigelhof, former President of the Glenrose Women's Auxiliary.
- Formal Spasticity Management Program is established to support children and adults with a focus on clinical service delivery, research and linkages to a national physician education program. The first Pediatric Spasticity Assessment Clinic is held at the Glenrose.
- The Glenrose goes smoke-free, including all buildings and parking areas.
- Telehealth technology is used to enhance rehabilitation services and build community capacity in Fort Chipewyan, NWT.
- *Executive Safety WalkABOUTs* are implemented to support creating a culture of safety with frontline staff.
- The first "Spotlight on Research" breakfast is held; Pediatric Psychiatrist Dr. Alan Carroll is the keynote speaker.
- The Geriatric Outpatient Assessment Clinic adds a Continence Management Clinic.
- Staff, patients, teachers, students and parent volunteers join fellow Albertans in a Challenge Attempt for the Largest Simultaneous Walk and Run. The event beats the

Guinness World Record: 141 participants walk the 1-kilometre route marked out by the GRH Healthy Active Living Committee.

- GRH physicians Dr. Charlene Robertson, Dr. Ehor Gauk and Dr. John Bradley are selected by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta to represent Alberta's "Physicians of the Century".
- The Province of Alberta celebrates its 100th Birthday. Queen Elizabeth II arrives in Canada for a nine-day visit to celebrate the centennial of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

2006

- Honourable Norman L. Kwong, CM AOE, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta becomes the Honourary Patron of the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital.
- Spinal Cord Injury Education Program with funding from the GRH Foundation and Alberta Paraplegic Association targets patients, caregivers, physicians and other healthcare professionals.
- With the arrival of Dr. Lonnie Zwaigenbaum, work begins on the development of the new pan-Alberta "Autism Research Centre of Excellence".
- The GRH holds a Talent Night, *Glenrosapalooza* in the Dr. Bill Black Auditorium. Due to escalating demand, performances are held over two nights.
- 35 overhead ceiling lifts are installed in patient rooms and treatment areas.
- With support from the GRH Foundation, the Catherine Isles Assistive Technology Classroom opens.
- First annual Award of Courage is held at the Glenrose.
- Ed Stelmach is sworn in as Premier of Alberta.
- Stephen Harper, an Albertan, becomes the 22nd Prime Minister of Canada.
- Rogers Wireless begins deployment of Canada's first 3G Wireless Network.

2007

- Baroness Susan Greenfield from the UK visits the GRH. She provides a short presentation on "The Impact of Technology on Children's Brains" which is attended by clinical staff, community and government representatives including the Honorable Lieutenant Governor of Alberta and his wife.
- The Regional Interdisciplinary Spasticity & Tone Management Service opens a one-of-a-kind service within Canada.
- GRH Nurse Monique Davey is presented with the Canadian "Award of Excellence in Orthopaedic
- *The Long Walk Home* written by GRH Patient Master Corp. P. Franklin, who received extensive rehabilitation treatment at GRH after two above-the-knee amputations as a result of being injured in Afghanistan, is published.
- A front page article in the *Globe and Mail* references the GRH and University of Alberta Hospital as "becoming the country's version of the Walter Reed Army Medical Centre in the US".
- The Senate Committee on National Security and Defence visits the GRH.
- Spasticity Program for Adults conducts its first Intrathecal Baclofen (ITB) trial, which produces a marked reduction in spasticity.

- Mention of the GRH using the Wii for therapy is published in the Los Angeles Times, US News, and in other major print and electronic media worldwide. Nintendo also refers to GRH in their press conference at the Electronic Entertainment Expo held in June in Santa Monica, California.
- The GRH helps train a Guide and Assistance dog. The dog, a yellow lab named Nashville, is part of a volunteer program through the Western Guide and Assistance Dog Society.
- The Movement Disorders Program at the Glenrose is named a Centre of Excellence by the U.S.-based National Parkinson Foundation.
- A partnership with Alfred Health in Australia is initiated involving regular videoconferences to share best practices and strategies on common areas of clinical service.
- Dr. Martin Ferguson-Pell is appointed Dean of the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine at the U of A.
- Canada 2006 Census data is released with the population of Canada at 31,612,897.

2008

- To address access issues, a new Neuro Trauma Unit is established, converting 16 existing sub acute and neuroflex beds.
- *Easy Street* bids farewell.
- Bisbee (dog) receives recognition during REACH and Long Service Awards ceremonies for his volunteering on Unit 302 for 13 years.
- A new Adult Spina Bifida Clinic opens in June, the first in Canada.
- GRH is recognized by Canadian Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence in their report *Bringing Our Wounded Home Safely*.
- First Glenrose Cochlear Implant Summer Camp.
- Two patients of the Amputee Program provide a live demonstration of bionic arm technology to the media. GRH is the first site in Canada offering this major advancement in upper-limb rehabilitation.
- Wheelchair Art is introduced at GRH and is profiled in the Edmonton Journal.
- Glenrose Women's Auxiliary name changes to *Friends of Glenrose*.
- The first Internationally Educated Nurses from the Philippines arrive at the GRH.
- Crude oil hits new high of \$140 a barrel.
- Global stock markets plunge with the Economic Crisis. The Loonie drops below \$.80US for the first time since mid-2005.

2009

- *The Living Garden* for patients and staff is initiated. The GRH Work on Wellness (WOW) Committee is formed, replacing the Glenrose Healthy Active Living Committee and the Social Club.
- New Omega Carver Scanner system is incorporated into the GRH Prosthetics and Orthotics Service.
- Energy Centre expansion is completed.

- Dr. Stephen Duckett is appointed as President and Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services. Official launch of Alberta Health Services on April 1, 2009. Dr. Duckett tours the Glenrose.
- CTV profiles the *Glenrose Bistro* as leading the way in an effort to offer up healthy hospital food.
- Defence Minister Peter MacKay visits the Glenrose.
- Courage Centre, Phase 1 construction begins.
- Glenrose WIKI – Home for Life: Design and Modifications for Barrier-Free Living is launched using Web 2.0 technology.
- Pediatric Rehab wall mural is designed and painted by artist Barbara Hartmann in GlenEast, with funding provided by the Edmonton Arts Council.
- Barack Obama is inaugurated as the 44th President of the U.S. President Obama makes his first foreign trip by visiting Canada.

