

SENIOR SCAPE

By Christina Doyle

My mom moved into a new condo, and I went to visit for a couple of days. Searching for a coffee cup one morning, I sighed, 'It seems like I'm always looking for something in your kitchen.' 'That's good,' Mom said. When I looked confused, she explained, 'Because when you know where to look, it's time to go home.' **Caroline Young**

This month dear readers, it is a pleasure to bring you the thoughts of what a mother means to us? Us, is the Evergreen Choir! So, without further ado, I give you the Evergreen Choir and a few others to make you smile.

My mother taught me something very important. As a soloist, Mom said, 'You are in demand as a vocalist now which can be a lifetime activity, but I want you to know that there comes a time to step down and finish on a good note.' (pardon the pun)

I retired from solo singing when I turned seventy-five. What a wonderful life in music I have had! I had open heart surgery and I wasn't the same afterwards. It was time to follow my mother's advice.

Enid (One of our founding members of our choir)

In my autograph book when I was about 11 years old, my mother wrote:

Life is mostly froth and bubble

But two things stand like stone

Kindness in another's trouble

And courage in your own.

That is how I have tried to live my life!

Sylvia

When I was a teenager, my mother taught me how to smile with my eyes. She showed me how to let my soul come through. She always reminded my sister and I that it is our inner beauty that is really important. **Willo Rodrigues**

My mother and her mother were strong women. Stand tall, never allow yourself to be bullied and do a kindness every day.

Ruth McD

A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take. **Cardinal Meymillod**

My mother died when I was 16 in 1960.

In those years, although I was in boarding school for 5 of them, I learned to love to sing, do crafty things and to sew. Like her I love flowers and china. From her I learned to enjoy life. I only knew my mother until she was 47; no wonder I don't know how to grow old!

When I see mothers and daughters sharing shopping outings, movies, dinners and manicures there is a touch of jealousy.

When I observe mothers helping their daughters become mothers, I realize how much I missed. I also know I will meet her again one day.

Mothers, we all had one!

Maggie K.

As you can see, mothers indeed have a special place in our hearts and I sincerely hope that is the case in yours too. As for me, what has impressed me the most about my own mother, is her ability to persevere. Through my mom I have learned 'never owe money to anyone?'. Make sure you pay off something before you go and buy anything else. And yes, I did just that. Thanks, so much mom. **Christina**

May this Mother's Day be a special one for all of you who have had a wonderful mother.

There is no one who can replace her. It is no matter that she may be a foster mother, a step mother a biological mother, a grandma, a friend. Someone who has been a mother to you.

On behalf of the Evergreen choir and a few others, thank you for your quotes, your memories and the love of a mother.

To all the mothers everywhere here and in Heaven, thank you mom, we couldn't have done it without you. Thank you, dear readers, as always for your positive encouragement for my wee column that I so enjoy sharing with you each month. May God richly Bless all of you and your families as we celebrate and remember our Mothers.

HAPPENINGS
AT THE
SENIORS' CENTRE

BLACK TIE GALA EVENT. This popular event is being held again on **Saturday, June 8.** Tickets go on sale at Reception on May 1.

SILVER STARS. The Silver Stars always put on a fun performance. This spring it will be held on **Saturday, June 22** and **Sunday, June 23** at 2 pm. The title is "Let Him Sleep 'Til It's Time For His Funeral." Tickets go on sale at Reception on May 1 and will cost \$5 per person, which includes refreshments at intermission.

EVERGREEN CHOIR. The choir's Spring performance will be held **Saturday May 25** starting at **1.30 pm**. Tickets are \$5 each but children 14 and under are free with a ticket.