

Mizzou Nursing

Dean Phyllis Drennan, right, along with other administrators, faculty and staff, welcomed new students to Mizzou, at the annual freshmen picnic Aug. 28.



CONTINUING EDUCATION REACHES MORE THAN 500 RN'S

More than 500 registered nurses statewide have been reached by the School of Nursing's Continuing Education Program through a \$232,000, three-year gerontological nursing grant from the Division of Nursing, USPHS, DHHS Special Projects. A comprehensive eight-day credit course, various workshops, and preparation for the American Nurses Association certificate examination in gerontological nursing were offered in eight sites throughout the state. As a result, the number of certified gerontological nurses in Missouri has increased from 34 in 1985 to 59 in 1987. These continuing education offerings have been enthusiastically received and follow-up evaluations indicate that nurses are applying what they learned in their practice with older adults. One participant enrolled at the Cape Girardeau site was Toby Griffith, RN, a practicing nurse for more than 40 years and now retired, who is working toward a bachelor's degree. As a project for academic credit, she organized a hospice in her rural southeastern county where health-care resources are practically nonexistent. —Rose Mary Langland

NOTES FROM DEAN DRENNAN *In the interest of parsimony, my notes are brief because so many of the significant events during the past six months are highlighted throughout this newsletter. I am especially proud to recognize our emeriti faculty, as well as the students, faculty and staff who received awards. You will note many more alumni are taking the time to inform us about their activities; bravo!*

We had 111 students who graduated in 1987-88 with a bachelor of science in nursing. Also, 32 graduate students met the requirements for a master of science in nursing. Seventy-two percent of our BSN and 77 percent of our MS/N graduates remained in Missouri to practice nursing.

Our faculty received recognition in multiple ways from May 1987 through June 1988 with 43 publications in refereed journals and 47 presentations (including 24 national and four international presentations).

I predict that many of you are planning your vacation or have requested time to attend our 70th anniversary celebration Sept. 29 and 30, 1989. We are all eagerly anticipating your return to campus—because you are our legacy and commitment to professional nursing.

ALUMNI PRESIDENT REQUESTS ASSISTANCE

Next year will be exciting as Mizzou celebrates its sesquicentennial and the School of Nursing celebrates its 70th anniversary. Rose Porter and Ann Rosenow head the events for the School.

The Nursing Alumni Organization has been asked to help collect a heritage display. Appropriate items include uniforms, old equipment, pictures (moving from old to new hospital) and news articles. If you have items you would like to share, send them by Dec. 1 to Mary Berhorst, Route 64, Box 70, Linn, Mo., 65051.

The School's events will begin on February 10, 1989 with Geraldine Felton,

a national nursing leader, discussing the history of scholarship in nursing. A program depicting the history of nursing is being planned for this day; the heritage display will be on exhibit.

The next planned activity is Research Day scheduled for April 7. The event is co-sponsored by the School of Nursing; the Division of Nursing, UMC Hospital and Clinics; and Alpha Iota Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau.

The final events will be on September 29 with a lecture on the future of nursing as a profession, an evening banquet and a tentative mock trial by School of Nursing graduates who are also lawyers.

Do you have information on graduates or faculty who have served as president of the Nursing Alumni Organization or the Seventh District Missouri Nurses

Association, or Sigma Theta Tau, Alpha Iota chapter or received alumni awards? Posters are being planned to highlight these individuals. Please send me any data you have.

If this isn't enough for 1989, the MoNA convention will be Oct. 1 through 4 in Springfield. Susan Vest Wright is in charge of the alumni breakfast.

There will be no business meeting in spring 1989, but there will be a business meeting Sept. 30. There will be a luncheon on Sept. 30 to honor the Honorary Alumni Award recipient. Don't forget to submit your nominations for this award to Brenda Harriman, Route 2, Malta Bend, Mo. 65339.

I wish you a good fall and happy holidays!—Mary Berhorst, president

Dr. Anna Cowles, right, convocation keynote speaker, believes now is the time for new graduates to provide nursing leadership.



COWLES CHALLENGES GRADUATES

The most effective leader is one who commands both a theoretical grasp and practical skills for planning and directing change says Dr. Anna Cowles, dean emeritus of nursing at Howard University. Keynote speaker for the School's Convocation in May, she challenged the graduates to be leaders because leadership is inherent in the practice of professional nursing. She related that outstanding leaders in nursing, past and present, were and are ardent workers and prolific writers for the cause of women. The following passages are selected excerpts from her written text.

The nursing profession must heighten its capacity for leadership in order to realize the full potential of nurses to make valuable contributions to effective and humane systems of health care. This leadership must be exercised not only in areas of health care but in society as a whole. The nurse leader must be able to understand and manage the forces that generate change.

Issues that are vital to the ability of nurses to deliver professional nursing services effectively and for which change skills are a critical element are: 1) financing of health care generally and of nursing care in particular, 2) the organization of health care teams, 3) the scope and standards of professional

nursing practice, 4) health maintenance service as opposed to simple management of illness, and 5) the very structure of our emerging future system of health care.

We must actively participate with the consumer in arriving at decisions in health planning. We must take the leadership in educating the consumer to function effectively and to be a leader in health planning. Our leadership areas of expertise include knowledge of administrative principles, models of health care delivery, methods of planning and evaluating services and interpersonal skills, to name a few. Consumers can demonstrate leadership also by sharing with us the information related to what they want from the system, what appears to be missing in the system, how they expect to be treated in the system and how much they are willing to pay for services received.

Nursing leadership must lead and direct to unify our educational system; we must attune ourselves to be political activists; we must learn to compromise to effect progress and change in the health care system—for the good of the consumer as well as for the good of nursing. In this endeavor to achieve influence, we must take the lead in preparing a core of individuals knowledgeable of health care delivery models, in community, state, and national planning, in policy development, in economics and in health law. We must begin to prepare our potential leaders to be statesmen with the knowledge and skills necessary for involvement in the arena of government and with the ability and support to address issues substantively. More than one million nurses can have an impact!

Dr. Cowles related that the graduates' educational programs had given them the knowledge base of liberal arts and nursing education components; the tools to think logically, analyze critically, communicate effectively, and distinguish between observation and inference in scientific investigation. The final challenge to the graduates was to be accountable for all aspects of nursing care and evaluate the outcomes. This is our time to provide leadership—will you, the graduates provide it or receive it?

70TH ANNIVERSARY & SESQUICENTENNIAL

Active planning is under way for the School of Nursing's participation in the University's sesquicentennial celebration. A series of nursing history seminars will honor the University's progress for 150 years as well as 70 years of progress at the School of Nursing. Please mark your calendars for these important events.

On Feb. 10, Geraldine Felton, a noted scholar, will discuss the history of scholarship in nursing. A special depiction

of some important events in the history of nursing at Mizzou will highlight this program.

Alpha Iota Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International will also celebrate its 25th anniversary on the 29th of September.

On Sept. 29, a combined 70th anniversary of the School of Nursing and sesquicentennial celebration will take place. Scheduled events include the third nursing history seminar on nursing's future and a banquet to honor alumni and friends of the School of Nursing.—Ann Rosenow and Rose Porter, Co-chairwomen

CONVOCATION 1988

At May graduation ceremonies, 56 bachelor's degrees, including 11 RNs, and 13 master's degrees were awarded. The School now has 2,922 graduates. Students graduating with honors were

Summa Cum Laude

Deanna L. Naumann

Magna Cum Laude

Angela Dye Steinert

Cum Laude

Carol Ann Beck

Beth A. Flaming

Trina J. Schalk

Donna Marie Winberg

Sigma Theta Tau—Alpha Iota chapter Undergraduates

Susan Lynnette Bailey

Katherine Gail Bowman

Michelle Rae Brouk

Theresa Dawn Cahalan

Julie Keirn Echelmeier

Dana Marie Engelhart

Cheryl Joyce Feder

Beth Ann Flaming

Laura Janine Froese

Vicki Annette Haworth

Theresa Jon Heintz

Michele Evette Johnson

April Jones

Angela Janine Morrow

Pamela Nichols

Shelley Powell

Linda Ryan

Linda Sherrer

Donna Werder

Marjorie Whitman

Donna Winberg

Graduate Students

Jane Bostick

Cynthia Feutz

Connie Gay

Carolyn Lemons

Joy Pendergrass

Cynthia Stotler

Mei Tyan

Community Leaders

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Donna Guyot

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CITATION OF MERIT



Shirley Farrah, BSN '66, received the 15th distinguished Nursing Alumni Organization Citation of Merit. The award was presented at the group's annual luncheon April 9. She received a master of science in

nursing in 1969 from the University of Illinois Medical Center in Chicago. Farrah, director of the Continuing Education Program at Mizzou, is a doctoral candidate in higher and adult education and foundations at the University.

She is past president of the Nursing Alumni Organization, the Seventh District Missouri Nurses Association, and Alpha Iota chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. She also served as delegate to the American Nurses House of Delegates from 1983-87.

Honors Farrah has received include: nominee for Outstanding Women's Teaching Award from the MU Alumni Association in 1980; Recognition in Continuing Nursing Education Certificate from the Missouri Nurses Association, 1977-81; nominee for Seventh District Missouri Nurses Association Nurse of the Year Award in 1983; recipient of a Nurse of the Year Award, from the Seventh District Missouri Nurses Association in 1985; member of Sigma Theta Tau, Alpha Iota chapter; recipient of the Walter Scott Monroe Research Fellowship Award and the University Extension Fellowship Award, 1987-88.

SIGMA THETA TAU ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Alpha Iota chapter of Sigma Theta Tau inducted 36 members April 23 at the Spring Induction and Installation. New officers installed were **Mary Lower**, president, left; **Virginia Bzdek**,

secretary; and **Betty Crim**, counselor. Recognition was extended to Sigma Theta Tau members **Irma Fleeman**, **Kathleen Kaiser**, and **Virginia Hagemann**. The support of **Betty Crim**, **Jane Brinton**, and **Ruby Potter** for their contributions to the University chapter and to nursing were recognized with gifts of Sigma Theta Tau crystal. **Margaret Woods Allen** of Sikeston, Mo., also received a gift of commemorative crystal in recognition of her support of nursing research.—*Karna Schofer*

TWO WIN WRITING AWARDS IN CONTEST

Barbara F. Prowant, graduate student, and **LaVonne Burrows**, BSN '78, Lois M. Schmidt, Zbylut J. Twardowski, Cheryl K. Griebel, Lenor P. Ryan, and

Roberta J. Satalowich's research paper "A Randomized Prospective Evaluation of Three Procedures for the Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter Exit Site Care" won the American Nephrology Nurses' Association Writing Award, which was presented in May at the opening ceremonies of the 1988 National Symposium in Reno, Nev.

CALL FOR 1989 HONORARY ALUMNI AWARD NOMINATIONS

The University of Missouri-Columbia Nursing Alumni Organization will present the Honorary Alumni Award to an individual who is not a graduate of the School of Nursing but who has made an outstanding contribution to the nursing profession and our School of Nursing.

The candidate cannot be a graduate of the School of Nursing, must exhibit outstanding achievement in nursing, must show continued interest in and support of the UMC School of Nursing, must be approved by Mizzou Alumni Board and must be present to receive the award.

Support of and involvement in the School of Nursing Alumni Organization is considered but not mandatory. The award is given odd numbered years. Alumni are invited to submit nominations.

HONORARY ALUMNI AWARD NOMINATION FORM

I nominate the following individual for the Honorary Alumni Award to be presented by the Mizzou Nursing Alumni Organization

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: Home () _____ Work () _____

Alumni Activities: _____

Please include vita (if available).

Indicate your reasons for nominating this individual: _____

Your Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone: Home () _____ Work () _____

Please return by Oct. 31 to Mary Berhorst, Route 64, Box 70, Linn, Mo. 65051



Harrisburg, Mo. High School students, left, assisted Kim Holiday and Deanna Naumann in designing a proposal.

STUDENTS PRESENT PROPOSALS

Senior nursing students, Diana Prince and Laura DeVenney, developed a plan to address the problem of high infant mortality rates for blacks in mid-Missouri. Improving prenatal care is the key to the black infant mortality problem in Columbia the students say. They proposed using an existing center for prenatal counseling, which would include support groups geared to the needs of black women. Free pregnancy tests also would be administered at the center.

Karyn Doering and Kim Dowat suggested establishing a day-care center for the elderly. Senior citizens nationwide

face neglect, abuse or premature institutionalization because of stress on family members that care for them; a day-care center would relieve the stress.

Traci Cahalan and Vicki Haworth focused their project on the farm crisis victims. The students outlined plans for stress-management workshops, self-help groups and support networks for farm families.

In May, 56 senior nursing students presented proposals or posters at a symposium at the School of Nursing, Harrisburg (Mo.) High School students attended the symposium to hear the formal presentation. The class assisted Kim Holiday and Deanna Naumann in designing their proposal "A Peer Counseling Program for Students at a Rural High School."

CONTINUING EDUCATION FACULTY RECEIVE AWARD

The Honorable Mention Award for Creative Programming was received by the School of Nursing's Continuing Education program. This award, which was presented by the National University Continuing Education Association, was received for a short-term workshop conducted throughout the state for registered nurses who wanted to increase their knowledge and skill in physical assessment of the adult client.

Mary Margaret Bayer, BSN '64,

developed the program in collaboration with program director Shirley Farrah, BSN '66. Maureen Brown, BSN '61, MSN '85 was the instructor for each workshop.

All of the workshops received outstanding evaluations with respect to content, teaching methodology, application of practice and speaker's knowledge and effectiveness. In addition to the impact on practice, one of the most gratifying outcomes of these workshops has been the clear relationship to extension's long-term programming in the area of continuing education and the potential impact on the health care of the citizens of Missouri.

SHARON KRUMM TO JOHNS HOPKINS



Sharon Krumm, BSN '63 and MSN '74, former director of nursing at Ellis Fischel State Cancer Center in Columbia, has accepted the position of director of oncology nursing for the Oncology Center at Johns

Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore.

During her 24 years of service, Krumm has had a profound influence on nursing practices at the cancer center by insisting

on professionalism, assertion of each patient's right to competent, compassionate and holistic care. She provided leadership and energetic support of oncology nursing on the state and national levels. Krumm consistently has emphasized the importance of educating patients about the cancer process and the treatments they are receiving.

In addition to memberships in many local and national organizations, she is chairwoman of the nursing administration committee of the national Oncology Nursing Society. She has given more than 40 presentations on a variety of nursing subjects. Since 1977, Krumm also has held appointments as an adjunct clinical associate in the School of Nursing and a clinical instructor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine.

ALUMNI BOARDS

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Ex-Officio Members - Phyllis Drennan, dean, and Joyce Lake, alumni liaison

FACULTY AND STUDENT HONORED



Maureen Brown received one of two 1988 Alumnae Anniversary Faculty Awards for outstanding contribution to the education of women at Mizzou. The honor presented at a faculty

recognition ceremony April 12, carries a citation and a \$1,000 prize. Presented annually since 1970, the award was established to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the admittance of women to the University of Missouri.



Dr. Gelene Adkins received the Graduate Nurses Association Award for Outstanding Faculty for 1988. Karen Baughman, who presented the award at the May divisional convocation said that

Dr. Adkins "served as role model, adviser, mentor and friend to many graduate students. She has won the love and respect of all those who have come in contact with her because she is never too busy to advise, counsel, encourage and, most important, listen to others."



Rhonda Brown, MSN '88, received an Eighth Annual Graduate Student Association Superior Graduate Achievement Award. The award recognizes outstanding achievement in the

areas of teaching, research, academics and extension. She also was selected one of the outstanding graduate teaching assistants at the University.

Members of the class of '78 attending the reunion, are from the left, first row: Faye Hutton Netherton, Ron Dover. Second row: Carmen Hornsey Wilberg, Kathy Johnson Montgomery, Michelle Mangrum, Sheri Mordt. Third row: Patty Nast, Katie Delaney, Janet Wisch Thompson, Jean Ann Goucher Britt, Sharon Taylor, LaVonne Wiss Burrows and Sue Ann Vest Wright.



CLASS OF '78 REUNION

"Still crazy after all these years . . ." The UMC School of Nursing class of 1978 had its 10-year reunion April 8 and 9. Sixteen of the 43 graduates attended all or part of the activities. An informal gathering began at noon April 8. Afterwards, Dean Phyllis Drennan, who joined us for dinner, presented an update on the School and faculty. A marble paperweight inscribed "U.M.C. School of Nursing Class of 1978, Ten Year Reunion" was presented to class members as a memento of the occasion by Ron Dover and Michelle Mangrum.

After breakfast April 9, we had a tour of the University Hospital and Clinics, the School of Nursing and Health

Sciences Library, which was guided, in part, by Kathleen Kaiser. A superior facility with libraries, laboratories, and state-of-the-art technology for earning a nursing degree is available today, but we couldn't help wondering how nursing students stay in top physical condition without the daily trek(s) to and from Lewis and Clark.

The gathering concluded with the spring meeting of the Mizzou Nursing Alumni Organization after which at a luncheon, Shirley Farrah received a citation of merit. We were able to visit with faculty we had known ten years ago, namely, Ruth Benson, Verna Rhodes, Ruby Potter and Ruth Ann Kroth.

Class members attending were: Kathe Berger, Kathy Johnson Montgomery, Becky McCarthy Hirsch, Patty Nast and Janet Wisch Thompson from the St. Louis area; Katie Delaney, Sheri Mordt, Kim Tweeddale Cornwell and Sharon Taylor of Columbia; Ron Dover and Michelle Mangrum from the Kansas City area; Jean Ann Goucher Britt of Festus, Mo.; Carmen Hornsey Wilberg of Dublin, Calif.; Faye Hutton Netherton of Wichita, Kan.; Sue Ann Vest Wright of Bolivar, Mo.; and LaVonne Wiss Burrows of Springfield, Mo.

It was a terrific time of sharing and reminiscing. We parted with plans to return in 1991 and 1998!—*Sue Ann Wright*

FACULTY NEWS

M. Manderino, L. Ganong, and K. Darnell had a manuscript "Survey of Stress Management Content in Baccalaureate Nursing Curricula" published in the September '87 issue of *Journal of Nursing Education*.

A. Rosenow and **M. Brown** presented in April an abstract "Correlates of Perimenopausal Distress in Women 45 to 55 Years of Age" at the Women's Health Care Program at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. They also presented a paper "The Psychological Correlates of College Age Women Regarding Knowledge of Fertile Time of the Menstrual Cycle" at a Nursing Research Conference at the University of The Virgin Islands.

V. Rhodes has been selected to serve as an Oncology Nursing Foundation/Bristol-Myers Research Review Consultant for Oncology Nursing Foundation Proposals. She gave a formal paper on "Distress Associated with Selected Chemotherapy

Protocols" at the Key Aspects of Comfort: Management of Pain, Fatigue and Nausea conference at Chapel Hill, N.C.

E. Geden received funding from the Center for Nursing Research (NIH) for her research "Effects of Cognitive Strategies on Recovery from Cesarean Delivery". First-year funding began in March.

D. Glanz is co-investigator in an NIH grant "Moderation of Stress Among Critical Care Nurses."

V. Aukamp presented a poster "Meta-Analysis of the Nursing Diagnosis Anxiety" in March at the North American Nursing Diagnosis Association meeting in St. Louis. She also presented "Knowledge Deficit as a Nursing Diagnosis in the Third Trimester of Pregnancy" at the same meeting.

P. Drennan presented a paper "Investing in Investigation: Administrator's Responsibility in Research" at the Nursing Research Conference, Focus on Clinical Research, at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau. She

also was elected to a three-year term to the Board of Review, National League for Nursing, Council of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs in Nursing. The appointment continues through 1991.

M.M. Bayer and **M. Brown** received an honorable mention award for their program "Increasing Skills for Nursing Assessment." The award was presented by National University Continuing Education Association Division of Women's Education Creative Programming in April in Philadelphia.

E. Hubsby and **Jenean Sears** presented a poster "Fatigue Reduction in Newly Diagnosed Multiple Sclerosis Patients Through Nursing Interventions" in March at the Key Aspects of Comfort: Management of Pain, Fatigue, and Nausea conference, in Chapel Hill, N.C.

B. Shelton presented a poster "Self-Care Actions and Their Perceived Effectiveness in Reducing Morning Sickness" in March at the Key Aspects of Comfort: Management of Pain, Fatigue, and Nausea conference at Chapel Hill, N.C.



Hagemann

**NURSING
EMERITI
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Kaiser



Crim



Fleeman



Spalding



Nahikian



Potter



Brinton



Benson



Baker



Kroth

We proudly recognize 11 emeriti faculty who have served Mizzou with dedication and distinction. The first nursing emeriti recognition was awarded in 1967.

In April, four faculty members were awarded emeriti status effective September 1988 and were honored at a recognition luncheon. **Virginia Hagemann, Kathleen Kaiser, Betty Crim and Irma Fleeman** chose early retirement. A total of 84½ years of service has been given to Mizzou by these faculty members. They have shared their expertise, enthusiasm and commitment to nursing education with us and countless students. They will be missed.

Professor Virginia Hagemann of Columbia served the University from 1978-1987. Hagemann was highly respected for her knowledge of nursing science, her teaching and clinical expertise, and her dedication to the advancement of the nursing profession. She was an exemplary faculty member who contributed to the undergraduate and graduate programs.

Assistant Professor Kathleen Kaiser of Columbia served the University from 1964-1987. She was an exemplary teacher throughout her career and received one of the very first Faculty-Alumni Awards in 1968 and in 1980 was nominated for an AMOCO Teaching Award. Kaiser was there for each of us as individuals; her wit and sense of humor kept us in tune with reality.

Associate Professor Betty Crim of Columbia served the University from 1954-1988. Crim had an unwavering commitment to teaching the fundamentals for professional practice and her special interest was faculty governance. In April, Ms. Crim was honored for 34 years of service at a retirement recognition ceremony and dinner. To commemorate the contributions she has made to generations of students, an endowed scholarship was established in her name by alumni, faculty, friends, and family. She also gave a major gift to the endowment.

Assistant Professor Irma Fleeman of Columbia served the University from 1969-1988. She served as assistant dean for 11 years. Irma was nominated by the Nursing Student Council for a Distinguished Faculty Award and received campus recognition as the first recipient of the Open Door Award for Advising, which is given by the Missouri Students' Association. She was recognized for her commitment to undergraduate students and support of faculty, and cited for her maturity, respect for others and for her wise counsel.

One dean and six faculty were awarded emeriti status from 1967 to 1985. A total of 155 years of service was given by these faculty members. Their legacy to us is unsurpassed and because of their commitment to professional nursing education, we have the distinguished tradition of combining the powers of the

intellect with caring about mankind.

Professor Lucille Spalding of St.

Louis served the University from 1956-1967. Ms. Spalding offered courses in rural areas of Missouri for RN's; thus, beginning our Continuing Education Program. In 1961, the former assistant to the dean designed a plan for the Master of Science program.

Associate Professor Martha

Nahikian of Normandy, Mo., served the University from 1958-1978. She provided the leadership for a senior nursing course that challenged students for professional nursing practice. She received a Faculty-Alumni Award in 1970, a testimonial to the respect she earned as teacher, counselor and colleague.

Dean Ruby Potter of Columbia served the University from 1934-1973. She was an instructor, principal, director and professor, associate dean of the School of Medicine in charge of School of Nursing. Dean Potter's outstanding service and support to the University and our School has been sustained at an exemplary level since she retired in 1973. She served as co-chairwoman of a committee to fund an endowed distinguished professorship from 1983-86.

Professor Jane Brinton of Columbia served the University from 1959-1976. She was assistant to the director and assistant to the dean; in 1973, she was appointed interim dean. She motivated and inspired faculty to strive for excellence in nursing by adhering to her high ideals and loyalty to the University. She was a champion of personal and academic freedom, encouraging individuals to take a rational stand on their beliefs and values. Ms. Brinton continued an active commitment to our School by serving as co-chairwoman of the committee to fund an endowed distinguished professorship.

Assistant Professor Ruth Benson of Columbia served the University from 1959-61 and from 1963-1981. Ms. Benson was nominated in 1977 for the Alumni Anniversary Award for Excellence in Teaching. She was an excellent teacher with high performance standards, especially in clinical practice. Students fondly remember her sense of humor.

Assistant Professor Eleanor Baker of Columbia served the University from 1960-1983. Ms. Baker received a Faculty-Alumni Award in 1972. Her special commitment to handicapped students, and terminally ill patients and their families remains a role model. She interacted with more than 1,800 nursing majors and approximately 10,000 nurses through continuing education.

Assistant Professor Ruth Ann Kroth of Columbia served the University from 1959-1985. Her philosophy of professional nursing practice was mirrored by her accountability to the students and their patients in providing the highest quality learning experiences for each student and care to each patient.

ALUMNI NEWS

Dorothy Stammerjohn Cline, GN '37, has published *A Monument of Courage*, a history of the First Christian Church, Boonville, Mo., 1887-1987.

Helen McDonald Althoff, GN '40, retired in 1984 after serving for 39 years as an industrial nurse. She was a charter member of the Industrial Nursing Association.

Edith Hayes, BSN '41, was a finalist for the Lexington, Ky., Outstanding Volunteer of the year for her work with Alzheimer's patients and their families through The Helping Hand organization.

Pat Lesh, BSN '61, was recognized as employee of the month at St. John's Mercy Hospital Medical Center's Professional Home Health Service in St. Louis. She was cited for outstanding services, initiative, integrity, and for furthering the Mercy philosophy and values. She is a home-health nurse and also coordinates the home-health hospice program.

Karen O'Sullivan Wegner, BSN '63, was appointed administrator of Willow Crest, a 72-bed adolescent psychiatric hospital and residential treatment center in Miami, Okla.

Dr. Louise Hart, BSN '63, received an honorary membership in the Indiana Association of Nursing students in February. In May, she received the Teaching Excellence Award from the Alpha chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International; was elected president of District Five, Indiana State Nurses'

Association, and was named coordinator of the senior year at DePauw University School of Nursing.

Mary Ann Huesgen Curry, BSN '64, a professor of family nursing at Oregon Health Sciences University, was inducted into the National Academies of Practice Nursing in 1987.

S. Jane Bilbrey Bruton, BSN '67, was certified in 1987 by the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses. Jane is director of admissions at a rehabilitation hospital in Mobile, Ala. Her husband, Shelby Bruton, MD '68, practices psychiatry in Mobile. They have two children, Jason and John.

Barbara Alexander Babb, BSN '71, is a flight nurse with Area Rescue Consortium of Hospitals Inc. in St. Louis. Many of the automobile crashes involve teen-agers and alcohol, which she has made her special concern. Babb dedicates her free time to making public appearances about the 'crash scene' and alcohol. She and her husband live in Chesterfield, Mo., with their teen-age daughter and son.

Janet Moll, BSN '72, co-designed and implemented Nursing Associates in 1974. Nursing Associates in Dallas, Texas, is one of the first private practices for primary care of the older adult. The model uses the holistic approach—clients' psychosocial, spiritual, physical and mental health aspects.

Donna L. Otto, BSN '72, MS '81, associate hospital director at University of Missouri-Columbia Hospital and Clinics, received a 1988 Chancellor's Staff Recognition Award this spring at Staff Recognition Week on Campus. Mrs. Otto

also was elected to a three-year term on the governing board of the Midwest Alliance in Nursing.

Christine Kunz, BSN '72, MS '76, received American Nurses Association certification as an oncology nurse.

Sheila Adams-Leander, BSN '73, is director of the home health department at Missouri Baptist Medical Center in St. Louis. She also established two home-health agencies in the past six years.

Colleen Sheets, BSN '75, was certified as a diabetes educator in October 1987. She completed a revision of a chapter on diabetes mellitus in the older adult. The chapter was co-written with Dr. Richard and Diane Guthrie. Sheets is a board member and treasurer of Central Missouri Diabetic Camp Inc. (Camp Hickory Hill). She resides in Columbia and has a son and a daughter.

Karen Oldham Starr, BSN '76, created the position of her dreams as a clinical nurse specialist at Vanderbilt Institute for Treatment of Addiction.

Katherine Ann Elmer, BSN '82, received a master of science degree in Nursing (Research) from St. Louis University in May.

Lt. Rick L. Wade, BSN '84, graduated with distinction from the School of Aerospace Medicine Flight Nurse Course. He is stationed at Scott Air Force Base, III.

Kathy Kemner Murphy, BSN '84, MS '88, and **Marion Felkemer Maloney**, BSN '84, MS '88, presented their thesis research on chest physiotherapy at the 10th International Cystic Fibrosis Congress in March in Sydney, Australia.

Theresa Boley, BSN '86, presented a paper on "The Use of Ventricular Assist Devices in Open Heart Surgery Patients" at the Southeastern Surgical Nurses Association in February at Lake Buena Vista, Fla. She also presented a poster on the Sarns Centrifugal Pump and was a panelist on ECMO, Roller Centrifugal Pumps at the Society of Thoracic Surgeons in February in St. Louis.

IN MEMORIAM

Maxine McMurtrey Clark, AB '29, GN '30 Nurs., died Jan. 11, 1988, after a long illness. She is survived by her husband, Joseph M. Clark, of Fayetteville, Ark; two sons, Joseph H. Clark of Dallas and Thomas M. Clark of Lafayette, La.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Clark received an MS in botany from Tulsa University in 1956. She was an honorary life member of the Tulsa Garden Club and also served as club president. She was a charter member of the Arkansas Native Plant Society, a member of the Arkansas Academy of Science, and an honorary member of Fort Smith Geological Society. Mr. Clark sent us a picture of Maxine to complete the class composite of '30 graduates.

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