Nurse practitioner week



From left to right: Lygia Holcomb, high school student guest, Toni Sullivan, Mike Beteet, Jane Dey, Governor John Ashcroft, Alice Kuehn, Maureen Brown, Paula Kingry, Linda Ford, Belinda Heimericks and Randy Wirtz (hidden)

Gov. John Ashcroft honored Missouri's nurse practitioners by designating Nov. 3 through 9 as Nurse Practitioner Week. At University Hospital and Clinics, nurse practitioners practice in the Women's Health Center, the Obstetrics and Gynecology Clinic and the Family Practice Clinic at Green Meadows. They also practice in the departments of child health and medicine and at student health. A hallmark of the nurse practitioner is an emphasis on wellness and self-care. Together, a patient, nurse practitioner and physician derive a plan for treating a specific health problem and improving the health of the patient. The goal is to help patients manage their own health more effectively.

• WEEPING CHANGES in health care Oare impacting the nursing profession in Missouri. An escalating demand for nursing services in a state experiencing population changes, increasing health and welfare concerns, and major economic problems influencing both fundly hinder Missouri nurses from providing such care: 1) a general shortage of registered nurses; 2) an insufficient number of nurses with the education and preparation necessary to meet the current demands for health-care services; 3) politically and economically

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Nursing in Missouri: forecasting the future practice; and 4) an

ing and delivery of health-care services are making it increasingly more difficult for Missouri's health-care providers to address the growing health problems experienced by at-risk populations such as the elderly, children, pregnant women and low-income individuals and families.

Nurses offer the potential for providing high quality, accessible and affordable health-care services throughout the state in primary, secondary and tertiary health-care settings and programs. However, four major problems currenttional problem of inappropriate utilization of nurses in accordance with their level of preparation and expertise (State Center for Health Statistics, September, 1990; Department of Health and Human Services, 1990; Doyle, 1991; Pearson, 1991; O'Connor, 1991, and Sullivan, 1991).

Given the uncertainty whether present policy and resource allocations can or will be modified to affect changes necessary to correct these problems, those in the nursing profession and others with involvement in health-care

delivery and policy in Missouri need to explore the possible futures of nursing.

Missouri Nursing 2000 is a research project designed to provide direction for Missouri nursing by presenting alternative futures against the backdrop of the current and projected health-care environment. This two-year study is using a series of questionnaires to aggregate the expertise of carefully selected panelists to address complex questions. Seventy nurse and non-nurse panelists were chosen for their professional knowledge and their current role in one of a variety of health-care organizations and/or geographic sectors in Missouri.

The study began with an invitational conference in spring 1991, at which national and local health-care experts reported on health care and societal issues that impact nursing and the health-care delivery system. Members of the research group presented 20 trends that summarized the current status and

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complexity of Missouri nursing and health-care delivery. For example, one trend "Increased intensity of the nursing practice environment in Missouri hospitals" summarizes a well-documented demand for more intensive nursing resources related to changes such as the increase in the older, frailer patient population, increased use of technology and a decreasing length of patient stay. Two other trends "An escalating demand for complex data management by Missouri nurses" and "Increased demand for Missouri nurses to manage diverse health-care personnel" - summarize the additional knowledge and skills required of today's practitioner of nursing. They also parallel another well-documented trend identifying an "Increased demand by Missouri nurses for higher levels of education preparation." Yet another trend - "Growing demand and competition for Missouri nurses in hospital and out-of-hospital settings"- documents

the current RN staffing dilemmas faced by all of Missouri's health-care providers.

The conference participants identified possible future characteristics of nursing practice, nursing education, and the health-care delivery system in Missouri. From the raw data generated by these work groups, the study group developed 25 forecast statements that formed the basis for the questionnaire to which panelists responded.

The data from this questionnaire were analyzed and comments were reviewed. The next questionnaire provided feedback to each panelist regarding the group responses to the first questionnaire and included four additional forecast statements. The research group is currently analyzing the data from these questionnaires and plans to present the results in May at an invitational conference in Jefferson City.

Pivotal questions concerning the future of Missouri nursing such as "How will ongoing societal and health-

care delivery changes influence Missouri nursing?" "How will nurses of Missouri influence the future of health care within our state?" "What is the most likely future of Missouri nursing without changes in current policy and resource allocations?" demand our concern. Analysis of the Missouri Nursing 2000 data is guiding the study group in responding to these questions and in articulating a preferred future for nursing and health care, one that would be most beneficial to the health and welfare of Missouri's citizens. The results of the study are being prepared for publication as a book and as articles published in professional journals and the popular press.

By the Research Study Group: Alice F. Kuehn, PhD, RN, C; Rose Porter, PhD, RN; Toni J. Sullivan, EdD, RN, FAAN; Sheila Decker, MSN, RN; Karen Hendrickson, MA, RN-CNAA; Sandra Shelley, DNSc, RN; Roberta K. Olson, PhD, RN; Carole Mornin, RN, MSN; and Kay Davis, EdD, RN.

Research proposals presented

N181 Professional Nursing Practicum, a last-semester senior course, consists of the application of management concepts, the demonstration of professional

nursing practice and scholarly endeavors in the clinical setting. Students develop a research synthesis paper from a nursing problem derived from the clinical area, utilizing each step of the research process, culminating in the Project Showcase, where presentations are made before nurse mangers, staff/peers, graduate and undergraduate students, and faculty. Students spend six to 10 minutes explaining their proposal in concurrent sessions, with opportunity for questions from the audience. This teaching strategy is highly valued by both undergraduate and graduate students as well as the central Missouri nursing community. These research problems are often pursued in graduate study.



Marie Hockman presents her research synthesis paper.

Mizzou says 'thanks'

More than 200 faculty and staff were recognized for their 25 years of service to the University at a ceremony Sept. 19 in Jesse Auditorium. Among those honored was our own Betty Crim, associate professor emeritus of nursing. Each longtime employee received a framed art print Ol' Mizzou painted by the late Fred Shane, who taught in MU's art department for 37 years.



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Dear Alumni,

"Budget Ax Poised at Mizzou," the January 18 headline in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, tells succinctly the major story of the past two months here on campus and in the School of Nursing. Our School's budget, I'm delighted to report, has so far escaped the budget-cutting ax. Current recommendations will become decisions when they are approved by the Board of Curators at its meeting in March. There is good reason to believe the School will not experience any cuts and, indeed, may receive a budget enhancement.

After the defeat of Proposition B, the new President of the University of Missouri System, George Russell, directed the campuses to put cost estimates on their campus goals. Improving faculty and staff salaries, enhancing graduate and professional education, improving the library and computing facilities, and maintaining the physical plant are MU's imperative goals. Budget cuts would no longer be across the board, slowly weakening the entire University. It was determined that approximately \$64 million in recurring or non-recurring funds would have to be generated or reallocated. It was finally determined that \$5.88 million of the monies would have to be raised from internal reallocation of funds from academic and non-academic operations.

Our campus was most fortunate to have in place an excellent plan, MU in the '90s, and a bottom-up planning process. All of the divisions were given a scant month to update their plans showing a 15 percent budget reduction over five years as well as plan for enhancement. We were required to show the impact of both reduction and enhancement. Our entire faculty and staff were nothing short of marvelous as they came together to build the scenario for the School of Nursing. In keeping with our plan, we outlined implementation of the PhD program, reconfiguration of our MS(N) program, which is already in process, and a reluctant enrollment reduction in our BSN program, if forced. The BSN program reduction was, of course, accompanied by data demonstrating the critical nursing need for new BSN graduates.

All plans were carefully and exhaustively reviewed by two campus planning committees and the campus administration. The School of Nursing fared very well in the process and, again, was not selected as a target for reduction. Indeed, the School of Nursing can likely look forward to enhancement as the planning committees deliberate on reallocation of the captured funds over these next months. I will keep you posted. If you have questions or concerns over these next months, call me at (314) 882-0278.

Appointment of a new president, the failure of Proposition B and its effects has stalled the Cooperative PhD in Nursing program proposal, as you might expect. Nevertheless, the unswerving support of our campus for the program and the strong support of the UM-SL and UM-KC campuses has the proposal again gaining momentum. I am now very optimistic about final program approval by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education. I will keep you posted.

Meanwhile, School of Nursing activities have continued full steam ahead. Elsewhere in the newsletter you will see that the faculty, staff and administration continue to be excited and challenged by the present and future opportunities for advancing nursing and nursing education. Plans are moving ahead for the second consecutive spring banquet. Please mark your calendars for Friday, April 3, when the banquet will be the premiere event in the new Donald W. Reynolds Alumni and Visitor Center.

Your support is crucial to our success now more than ever. Keep in touch, and come visit your School.

Toni J. Sullivan, EdD, RN, FAAN

Dean and Professor

Fall 1991 celebration of graduation

Baccalaureate

Twenty-four students graduating with a bachelor of science in nursing degree Dec. 15 were:

Andrea J. Albers Mary Ann Arthur Connie Desiree Boers Gary L. Boyd Amy Chow Linda Claycomb Sigrid Ann Ferguson Jeanette M. Forbis Michelle Lynn Gauldin Christina Marie Hanselman Nora Marie Hockman Joanne J. Holm Marilyn Lynne Jenkins Jennifer Lee Judy Melissa Lee Klepac Kathy Jo Lewis Laurie June Lewis Lori Jean Magnuson

Diane May Peterman Theresa Lynne Rodden Laura Denise Triola Kelly Twitchell John M. Vogel Cathy Lynn Wright

Graduating with honors were: Summa Cum Laude

Amy Chow

Cum Laude

Melissa Lee Klepac Kelly Twitchell

Master's

Ten students graduating with a master of science degree Dec. 15 were:

Marion I. Arnold Lana K. Davies Kathleen E. Haycraft Vincent Hayes Myra Gray Lowell Annette Howard McDonald Karen Mickey-Patton Susan Sendleweck Kay Suppes Marla Brandon Welch

Sigma Theta Tau members graduating were:

Bachelor of Science

Christina M. Hanselman Melissa L. Klepac Lori J. Magnuson Kelly Twitchell

Master of Science

Marion I. Arnold Lana K. Davies Kathleen E. Haycraft Vincent Hayes Annette H. McDonald Kay Suppes Marla B. Welch



(above) Annette H. McDonald shares the thrill of convocation with her family. Standing from left to right, her husband Gregory McDonald, Annette, her mother Mrs. C. F. Howard; front row left to right, daughter Marjorie and son Jason.

(right) Linda and Steven Claycomb share a precious moment with Associate Dean Elizabeth Geden (right) at the Nursing convoction ceremony.



(above) Earning her master's degree was a family affair for Linda Claycomb; standing left to right sons Scott and Sean; seated left to right Linda, her husband Dr. Donald Claycomb, and Steven who was born September 4, 1991.

Faculty news

Grants

Verna Rhodes' proposal, "Antiemetic Effectiveness of Emetogenic Antineoplastic Drug Protocols," was funded by Smith Kline Beecham for \$46,012.

Publications

Barbara Biehler's "Impact of Role-Sets on Implementing Self-Care Theory with Children" has been accepted for publication in Pediatric Nursing.

Vicki Conn, Susan Taylor, and Vincent Hayes' "Social Support, Self-Esteem and Self-Care after Myocardial Infarction" has been accepted for publication in Health Values.

Alice Kuehn's "Essential Gerontological Content for the Associate Degree Nursing Curriculum: A National Study" was published in Journal of Gerontological Nursing. 17(8),1-7.

Mary Manderino and Maureen Brown's "A Practical Step-by-Step Approach to Stress Management for Women" has been accepted for publication in The Nurse Practitioner.

Donna Mohl's "Establishing Telephone Triage Protocols for Ambulatory Care Practice" was published in the AAANA Viewpoint, 13(4),1-2.

Toni Sullivan's "Profile of Missouri RNs" was published in the Missouri Nurse 60(5),17-18; 60(6),15; "Organizational Assessment for Entry" was accepted for publication in a book to be published in the Executive Development Series of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing.

Presentations

Carole Ann Bach and Roxanne McDaniel presented "Quality of Life in Quadriplegic Adults" Oct. 26 at the ARN's 17th Annual Educational Conference in Kansas City. They had a poster "Quality of Life in Quadriplegic Adults: A Focus Group Approach," Oct. 23 at the ANA Council of Nurse Researchers in Los Angeles.

Ten faculty made presentations at the Second International Self-Care Deficit Nursing Theory Conference

Oct. 13 through 26 in Kansas City: Carole Ann Bach, "Generating Research Questions: Spinal Cord Injured Quadriplegics; Virginia Bzdek, "An Introspective Study of Self-Care Agency Related to a Chronic Illness"; Sheila Decker, "Generation of Research Questions—Post-Myocardial Infarction"; Elizabeth Geden, Vicki Conn, and Sue Taylor, "Further Examination of the Validity of the Selfas-Carer Inventory"; Lygia Holcomb, "Contraceptive Behaviors of Young Women"; Eileen Jackson, "Difference Among Care Participants Cognitive Models of Care"; Anita Ness, "Teaching S-CDNT to Generic Baccalaureate and RN/BSN Nursing Students; and Verna Rhodes, "Symptom Distress: The Concept and Postchemotherapy Self-Care Im-

Vicki Conn presented "Anxiety, Depression, Quality of Life, and Self-Care Among Older Adult Myocardial Infarction Survivors" at the Psychosocial Nursing Research Conference in September in Marion, Ind. and "Factors that Predict OTC Medication Use by Older Adults" at the Eighth National Forum on Research in Aging in October in Omaha, Neb.

Larry Ganong and Marilyn Coleman presented "Families in Transition" in October at the Comprehensive Health: Rx for Healthy Schools Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks. They presented "Remarriage Beliefs and Stepfamily Adjustment" and "Empirical Examination of the Content of Stepfamily Stereotypes" in November at the National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference in Denver, Colo.

Alice Kuehn presented "Access to Care and Prescriptive Authority: The Vital Connection" and "Missouri Nursing 2000: Forecasting Our Future" Oct. 14 at the Missouri Nursing Association's annual convention in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Rosemary Porter presented "The Influence of Master's Education on Nurses' Self-Image" Dec. 7 at the AACN Master's Education Conference in San Antonio, Texas, and

"Undergraduate and Graduate Education at Mizzou" Nov. 1 at the Statewide Organization: Health Occupation Teachers Conference in Columbia.

University hospital and clinics celebrates 35 years

For many of you, an old friend celebrated an anniversary in 1991. This old friend has faced many changes, and still has more to come.

On September 16, 1956, University Hospital opened its doors, providing the clinical facilities necessary for the School of Medicine's four-year medical degree program. On the day the new hospital opened, patients were moved from the old 75-bed Noyes Hospital on South Sixth Street.

In the past 35 years, University Hospital has established a proud record. In 1958, the hospital successfully performed the area's first open-heart surgery. And in 1989, University Hospital performed the area's first heart transplant. The hospital also performed the area's first transplant surgeries for kidney, and combined kidney and pancreas.

University Hospital's Level I Trauma Center is the only such center in mid-Missouri and one of only five in the state. The hospital's magnetic resonance imaging equipment is one of the most advanced systems for imaging in the world, and University Hospital is the only hospital in the area equipped to perform micrographic surgery.

Location of the School of Medicine and University Hospital in Columbia has led to the city's nomination as the "mini Mayo" of the nation. There are more physicians per capita in Columbia than anywhere in the United States outside of Rochester, Minn.

Students hold symposium

The School of Nursing showcased the research efforts of the winter 1991 graduating class on Dec. 6. This event focused on the students' recognition of a particular problem in their community and formulation of a proposal to address the issue.

The process is initiated by students completing an assessment of the community where they had their community health clinicals. It is through the community assessments that the students identify a problem that leads to the development of a plan based on research. Nurses from the local and state health departments participated in the symposium.

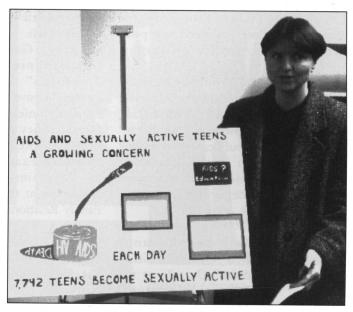
The symposium included oral presentations and a poster session. Topics presented were varied, such as prevention of burn injuries in children, respite care for Alzheimer patients, stress in single mothers, and helping the hungry.



Kelly Twitchell presented a poster on the Ashland Diabetes Support Group.



Mary Arthur's presentation focused on adult day care.



Dyann Helming's poster focused on the problem of AIDS and sexually active teens.



Pizza Party attendees were, from left to right, Andrea Albers, Laura Tvida, Melissa Klepac, Tina Hanselman, Desiree Boers, Lori Magnuson

December graduates honored

The Nursing Alumni Organization sponsored a pizza luncheon for December nursing graduates on Dec. 6.

Faye Fairchild welcomed the new graduates as alumni of MU. Graduates introduced themselves and told in what positions and where they would begin their nursing careers.

Alumni Mary Kennish, Velma Pickens and Reng Winters talked to the graduates about their experiences as nurses in the real world.

Joyce Lake, alumni relations staff liaison to the School, explained the procedure for obtaining a year's free membership in the MU Alumni Association, which is the organization that funds the nursing alumni organization.

Staff notes

Five staff members earned awards for continuous years of service to the University of Missouri-Columbia. The awards were presented by Dean Toni Sullivan at a luncheon October 21.

- 15 years—Corrine McCormack, has been employed with MU since 1976. She joined the School of Nursing in 1981 and is administrative assistant to the associate dean for research.
- 10 years—Lanelle Baskett, who joined the School's continuing education program in 1981 has been administrative assistant to the associate dean for students since 1989. Leta Davis, administrative assistant, joined the School in 1981 as faculty secretary, and in 1986 took over the responsibilities of coordinator of word processing.

5 years—Anita Heidbrink, senior secretary, has worked in the dean's office since 1986. Charlotte Hellebusch, a senior secretary, started at the School in 1986 as assistant to the coordinator of word processing.

Continuing nursing education goes international

The Second International Self-Care Deficit Nursing Theory Conference (S-CDNT) was Oct. 13 through 16 in Kansas City. Among the 80 participants were nurses from Canada, Belgium, The Netherlands, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia and South Korea. Fifty-one papers accepted for presentation provided an international flavor. Conference participants were especially honored to

have Dorothea Orem with them throughout the conference.

The ninth annual S-CDNT Institute is planned for June 8 through 12 in Vancouver, British Columbia.

On the calendar for spring are the following conferences:

- Second Continuing Education/ Staff Development Conference (Competency Based Education) -March 3 through 4.
- Ninth annual Invited Nursing Administrators Conference March 13.
- •11th Research Day "Action Research and Meta-Physics: Approaches to Inquiry" - April 3.
- Fourth annual Home Health Conference April 7.

Other conferences planned for spring include the Eighth Annual Staff Nurse Conference, Elder Abuse, Fourth Annual Pediatrics, and an operating room nurse conference.

Betty Crim honored as Columbia volunteer of the week

For 32 years, Betty Crim has been volunteering one way or another, mostly with the American Red Cross.

When she retired in 1988 from the School of Nursing, where she taught for 34 years, Crim says "I decided to do some of the things I didn't feel I had time for when I was working, and working for the Red Cross was one of them."

She can be counted on to help with three or four blood drives a month as a health history assistant, taking vital signs and going over donor health histories. The Red Cross' Gina Pliske says Betty Crim "is one of those people you know is always going to be there, and she's able to make donors feel comfortable when completing their health histories."

Crim also has other volunteer interests. She volunteers with Eldercare and, when necessary, relieves the regular staff nurse; tutors students in the School of Nursing on an as-needed basis; and serves on the professional advisory board of the Visiting Nurses Association, an organization she's had interest in since its inception.

On a non-nursing level, Crim is planning to be active in a new program being instituted through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program designed to assist teachers in the classroom. She is secretary for the local AARP chapter and on the membership committee for the University Retirees Association.

Seems now that Betty Crim has stopped working for herself, she's busier than ever working for others.

Excerpted from the Columbia Daily Tribune, 12/2/91

Health care professionals' roles change through years

The roles and responsibilities of physicians, nurses and other allied health care professionals have evolved over the past 35 years. Today, patient care is provided by physicians, nurses, respiratory therapists, occupational therapists and social workers working as a comprehensive health care team. This came about by adapting to patients' changing needs.

"Today's patients are sicker," says Helen Morgan, supervisor on 5 West, University Hospital and Clinics. "Patients on the floors often are the patients who would have been in intensive care 20 years ago."

"The need for greater collaboration between physicians, nurses and other health care professionals is increasing, along with the increasing acuity of patients," says Cindy Brooks, BSN '77, MS '89, a nursing services retention and market specialist. "And the pace for health care professionals is faster because patients' hospital stays are getting shorter."

"Helicopter transport service and new medical and technological advances are factors that help patients survive today, when in past decades they would have died," says Dr. Hugh Stephenson, Chief of staff at University Hospital and Clinics.

And these advances are having an effect on all health care professionals. For example, according to Andree Gelatt, an occupational therapist at Rusk Rehabilitation Center, today's patients need more comprehensive rehabilitation because of the severity of their injuries.

"There is a greater need for occupational therapists to have an expanded knowledge base because of the wider range of patients we treat," says Gelatt.

According to Morgan, the ethical issues centered around modern medicine's ability to keep patients alive longer has had an impact on nurses professionally and emotionally.

"It's often hard for a nurse to take care of a patient in a persistent vegetative state being kept alive by machines for months when the nurse knows the quality of life isn't what it should be," says Morgan. "So medical ethics certainly are a bigger issue today than they were a long time ago."

Excerpted from Staff for Life 9/27/91

Alumni recipients of Circle of Excellence awards

On Dec. 2, 1991, department managers and assistant managers at University Hospital and Clinics, Ellis Fischel Cancer Center and Rusk Rehabilitation Center were honored for outstanding managerial ability. Congratulations to these School of Nursing alumni who were among those honored:

Cathy Cartwright, BSN '73, pediatrics, PICU, Adolescent Unit. "Cathy's commitment to quality patient care shines through in everything she does — whether it's talking with a young patient, concerned parents, staff members, physicians or administrators. She communicates clearly yet firmly when necessary, and she leads by example by making contributions to the hospital through various committees and groups."

Carol Nierling, MS '84, women' health care unit, newborn nursery and the perinatal unit. "Carol's communication skills help make her an excellent manager — whether she is assisting a patient with a special request, working through a tough personnel issue or seeking a way to better market our services for women. Her keen mind, political savvy, strong work ethic and accessibility make her an effective leader and manager."

Quoted from Staff for Life 12/6/91 Vol. 9, No. 25

Alumni news

Wendy J. Evans, BSN '71, MS '85, Columbia, was appointed interim assistant hospital operations director of patient care services at Ellis Fischel Cancer Center.

Flora Richardson, BSN '75, Richardson, Texas, is working on safety for both Bell Northern Research facility and the larger Northern Telcom organization in Richardson.

Karen Starr, BSN '76, Nashville, is a clinical nurse specialist at Vanderbilt Institute for Treatment of Addiction. She is certified as an Addiction Counselor. Starr has been invited by the International Institute for Alcoholism Education and Training, Inc. to travel to Russia as a consultant. On May 4, she will speak at a workshop in Kansas City, Kan.

Mary Wolf, BSN '78, Columbia, presented two lectures during the John Hopkins Oncology Fall Institute in Atlanta. Lecture topics included mentoring and care for the care giver.

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Cheryl Currie, BSN '83, Columbia, received a promotion to clinical supervisor, (PSP), 4 West, University Hospital and Clinics.

Tracy Bocklage, BSN '85, Columbia, is course instructor of "Babies Don't Come with Directions; Parenting, Safety and CPR for Infants" offered four times a year by University Hospital and Clinics.

Davida Layer, BSN '85, Columbia, received a promotion to staff nurse III, SICU, University Hospital and Clinics. Jane Magruder, BSN '86, Columbia, received a promotion to staff nurse III,

Rusk Rehabilitation Center.

Theresa Boley, BSN '86, MS '90, Columbia, research associate, thoracic surgery, presented "Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia in Patients Requiring Post-Cardiotomy Centrifugal Ventricular Assist" in September at the International Workshop on Rotary Blood Pumps in Baden, Austria. A manuscript of the same title was published in the proceedings booklet.

In November Boley presented a poster "Surgical Treatment of Partial Anomalous Pulmonary Venous Connection at the 57th Annual Scientific Assembly of the American College of Chest Physicians, San Francisco and "The Use of a Prophylactic Laxative to Reduce Gastrointestinal Discomfort Following Open Heart Surgery" at the Scientific Session of Sigma Theta Tau's Biennial Convention, Tampa, Florida.

Jane Cochran, MS '87, Columbia, completed the requirements for diabetic educator certification.

Ann Altobelli McDonald, BSN '87, St. Louis, received a master of science of public administration degree in May from St. Louis University. Her first child, Matthew Campbell McDonald was born on August 14, 1991.

Kathleen Brandt-Kaiser, BSN '88,

Columbia, received a promotion to staff nurse III, 4 East, University Hospital and Clinics.

Jill Dunavant, BSN '88, Columbia, has completed requirements for oncology nurse certification.

Susan K. Felten, MS '88, Columbia, was appointed nurse practitioner for general surgery at University Hospital and Clinics.

Beth Lober, BSN '89, Columbia, received a promotion to staff nurse III, 5 West, University Hospital and Clinics.

390s

Stacey Martin, BSN '90, Rochester, Minn., completed the Critical Care Internship Program at St. Mary's Hospital. She has chosen to work in neurology/neurosurgery ICU at St. Mary's.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Mizzou Nursing Alumni Organization will be Friday, April 3 at the Donald W. Reynolds Alumni and Visitor Center. The executive committee meeting is scheduled for 2:30 p.m., with the general meeting at 4:30 p.m. Following the general meeting, a social hour for alumni will be held at the Donald W. Reynolds Alumni and Visitor Center. Alumni can then attend the 6:00 p.m. social hour and the 7:00 p.m. second consecutive MU Nursing Banquet which are also being held at the Donald W. Reynolds Alumni and Visitor Center. Plan now to attend the annual meeting and the banquet by completing the registration form below and mailing it to: Jim Lay, fiscal officer, School of Nursing, S221 School of Nursing Bldg., Columbia, Mo. 65211. Reservation deadline is March 16.

Nursing Alumni Annual Meeting and Second Consecutive MU Nursing Banquet **REGISTRATION FORM**

Friday, April 3, 1992

Name		-
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$\ \square$ I am an executive committee member and will a	ttend the executi	ve committee meeting
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News from Sigma Theta Tau

Greetings from Alpha Iota chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. Goals for 1991-92 are:

- encourage knowledge dissemination of research activities/findings to members and other health-care professionals
- •introduce Sigma Theta Tau to junior nursing students at the School of Nursing
- establish a Sigma Theta Tau "buddy" system for each new inductee
- •develop and present a Community Service Award (two year goal)

Two fall meetings were held. The October meeting was fascinating. Kathy Occena discussed her Alpha Iota sponsored research project, "The Relationship Between the Amount of Aerobic Exercise and the Perception of Well-Being in Elderly CABG Patients," and fielded questions from members. Diane Ketter, Barbara Hatfield, and Debra Gayer shared pictures, stories, and perspectives of their military service during Operation Desert Storm. Alpha Iota members enjoyed results of several informal studies conducted by Hatfield and Ketter during their experience.

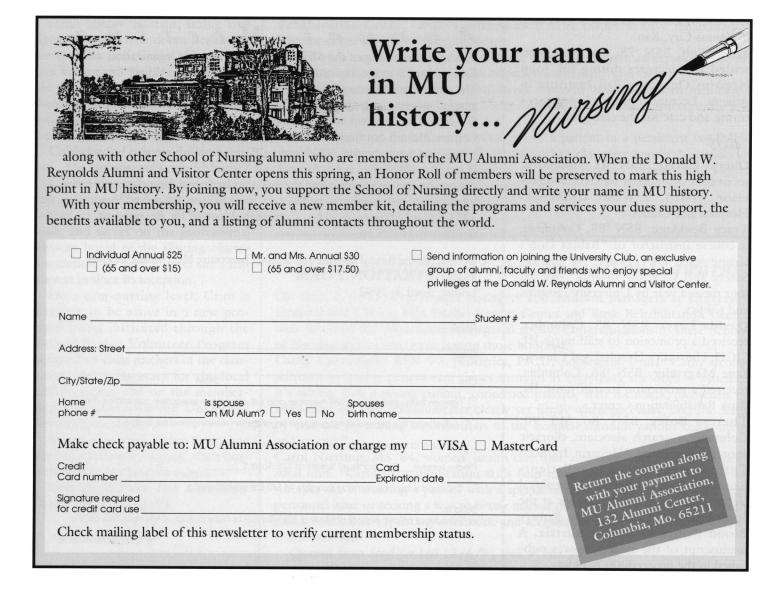
During the December meeting, held at the Holiday Inn Executive Center, 26 new members were inducted into Alpha Iota.

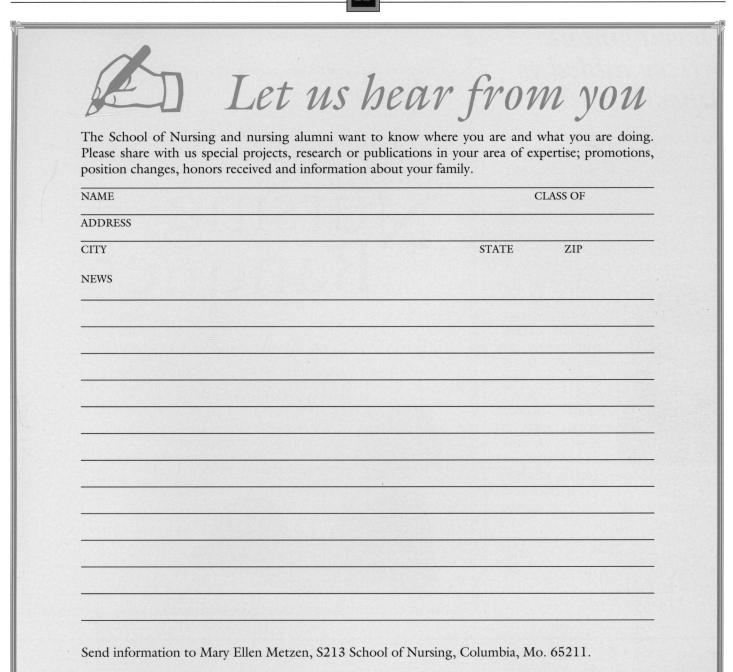
In November, Theresa Boley and Cindy Russell attended the Sigma Theta Tau Biennial Convention in Tampa, Florida. Based upon information received at the convention, Alpha Iota chapter and J. Otto Lottes Health Sciences Library will be an Alpha-testing site for the Virginia Henderson Library. The library, sponsored by Sigma Theta Tau, is in Indianapolis at society headquarters.

Alpha Iota is co-sponsoring the eleventh annual Nursing Research Day April 3 in Columbia at the School of Nursing. Topics include meta analysis and action research.

If you have any thoughts or ideas about our chapter's activities, please call me at (314) 882-6987 (work) or (314) 442-0577 (home).

Cindy Russell, RN MS President, Alpha Iota chapter, Sigma Theta Tau





Message from the president

In the wake of the defeat of Proposition B, education in Missouri has come into a new era. Good or bad — it is here! It involves scrutiny of all programs from kindergarten through graduate school, and so it affects our alma mater and the School of Nursing.

All self-analysis and in-depth study

is not bad but the end result, many times, depends on the biases of the person to whom final judgment is rendered. Mizzou, as well as other colleges, will see many changes. The School of Nursing is fortunate in having Dr. Gerald Brouder as interim chancellor but the School and the University need our support now as never before. Please stand up and be counted for education in Missouri and support your University; it did prepare us for what we are now doing.

All is never doom and gloom. The

spring meeting and banquet have been scheduled for April 3. The new alumni center will be ready for the banquet and we can hold our annual meeting there. Funds for this center were donated by Don Reynolds of Don Ray Media. It is something of which we can be proud. Do not forget to make your reservations now for the activities on April 3. See you in Columbia.

Dedrie Esry, PhD, RN
President, MU Nursing Alumni
Organization

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Development officer added to School's staff

Thanks to your fine support, the School of Nursing has been able to add a development officer to our staff. It is a pleasure to introduce Nick Davis to you.

Nick comes to the School from the University's Mizzou Annual Fund Program, where he was the program's supervisor for the past 2 years. He has extensive experience in the field of fund



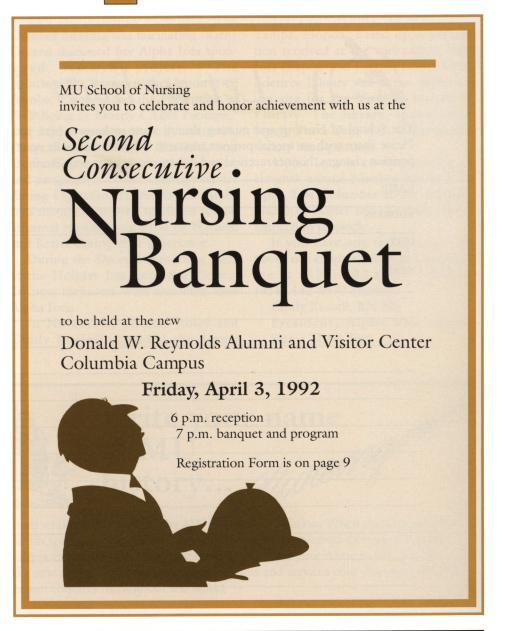
Nick Davis

raising for the University and has acted as consultant for various non-profit groups. I am confident he will make a strong addition to our management team as we work to continue our reputation for excellence in

teaching, research and service to the state, the nation and the world.

Mr. Davis looks forward to meeting and talking with many of you. His office is S222 at the School; his phone number is (314) 882-0252.

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