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October 31, 1976

Applications for charters due from schools to be considered in 1977.

April 15, 1977

Nomination forms due for Founders Awards to be presented at October Biennial.

April 24-27, 1977

Anaheim, California (In coordination with NLN Convention)

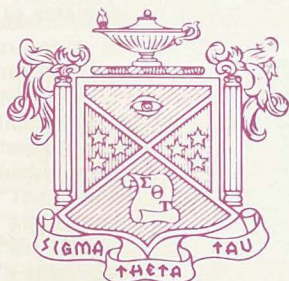
- Booth exhibited & National Council meets
- Research session and luncheon
- Educational Development Committee meetings scheduled with program representatives from all chapters.

October 20-22, 1977

Sigma Theta Tau - 1977 Biennial Convention

Theme: Leadership in Action

Location: Statler Hilton, Washington, D.C.



Sigma Theta Tau

REFLECTIONS

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Exciting historical project

In the June meeting, the National Council approved a program to videotape interviews with the five founders of Sigma Theta Tau.

Local chapters in areas near homes of founders were contacted and they enthusiastically offered to assist with local arrangements for the taping sessions at their universities.

Sr. Rosemary Donley, national president, was selected as interviewer for these important historical tapes. The first two interviews were done in Florida. Vivian Andes, president of Beta Tau Chapter at Miami University, arranged for the videotaping at Miami University with Mrs. Edith Moore Copeland who lives in Delray Beach, Florida, and Mrs. Elizabeth McWilliams Miller who lives in Miami.

Pictures of Sr. Rosemary with Mrs. Copeland and Mrs. Miller at the July videotaping in Miami appear on this page.

Videotaping schedules will soon be completed with the other three founders, Mrs. Belford, Mrs. Lingeman and Mrs. Wright.

One general videotape will be compiled from the five interviews and shown at Founders Award Luncheon at October, 1977, convention. The compiled tape and individual interviews will be available to chapters in late 1977.



Miami, July, 1976 - Vivian Andes, Mrs. Edith Moore Copeland (Founder), Sr. Rosemary Donley (Pres.) and Elizabeth McWilliams Miller (Founder) discuss history of Sigma Theta Tau at Videotaping session.



Sr. Rosemary Donley (Pres.) discusses Sigma Theta Tau history with Edith Moore Copeland.



Sr. Rosemary Donley, (Pres.), meets with founders Mrs. Elizabeth Moore Copeland and Mrs. Elizabeth McWilliams Miller.

Founders Awards to be presented

Awards are being prepared for presentation to members and chapters for excellence in activities which advance the purposes of Sigma Theta Tau. Named in honor of each founder and Mrs. Clarke, the director of the School, the awards symbolize the qualities of personal leadership which motivated the first members of Sigma Theta Tau.

The awards will be presented for the first time at the October, 1977, Biennial Convention in Washington, D.C. They are:

1. **Marie Hippensteel Lingeman** award for excellence in nursing practice.
2. **Elizabeth McWilliams Miller** award for excellence in research.
3. **Elizabeth Russell Belford** award for excellence in education.
4. **Edith Moore Copeland** award for creativity.
5. **Mary Tolle Wright** award for leadership.
6. **Dorothy Garrigus Adams** award for fostering high professional standards.
7. **Edith Palmer Clarke** award for the chapter whose efforts in the biennial period best fulfills the purposes of Sigma Theta Tau.

Nominations for awards may be submitted by members or chapters. Criteria and nomination forms will be available by late November for submission by April 15, 1977.



Sigma Theta Tau Research Grants Awarded

On April 14, 1934, Sigma Theta Tau established a fund to promote nursing research. The first award was made in 1936 to Alice L. Crist, Epsilon Chapter, at Ohio State University. Since this early support for nursing research, initiated more than forty years ago, Sigma Theta Tau has funded approximately ninety projects to promote the development of nursing as a scholarly profession.

Application forms for 1977 Sigma Theta Tau research grants will be available late in 1976, due March 31, 1977 for awards to be

made July 1, 1977.

The distinguished review committee for Sigma Theta Tau research proposals is composed of: Dr. Margery Duffey, Dr. Carol Lindeman, Dr. Margaret Newman, Dr. Ingeborg Mauksch, Dr. Phyllis Verhonick and Maureen Niland [national treasurer].

Research grants for 1976 have been awarded to:
HELEN M. ARNOLD - "An Investigation of the Interaction between Neuroticism and Environmental Stress in Relation to

Menstrual Cycle Regularity."

JOYCE J. FITZPATRICK - "Aging and Institutionalization as Determinants of Temporal and Motor Phenomena."

RAMONA NELSON - "Experts' Perceptions Concerning the Importance of Selected Tasks in the Effective Role Performance of Physician's Assistants; Adult, Pediatric and Family Nurse Practitioners."

KATHLEEN O'CONNELL - "Factors Influencing Willingness to Comply with Medication Regimens."

Helen M. Arnold receives research grant

Helen M. Arnold (Alpha Omega Chapter, Adelphi University) doctoral student at New York University was funded for her project "An Investigation of the Interaction between Neuroticism and Environmental Stress in Relation to Menstrual Cycle Regularity".

This investigation is concerned with identifying some of the rhythmic correlates of psychophysiological complementarity. An inverse relationship between self-regulating physiological rhythms and the behavioral rhythms of man-environment interaction is postulated.

The main theory of an inverse relationship between physiological and behavioral rhythms will be tested by measuring the two indicators (menstrual cycle regularity and degree of neuroticism) while controlling for environmental stress due to life change.



HELEN M. ARNOLD

is designed to provide baseline comparative data among institutionalized and non-institutionalized aged individuals. Several measures of body movement and temporal experience will be utilized in comparing the groups.

The aging process has generally been thought to affect temporal perspectives and time perception. Research to date provides inconclusive evidence to support the accepted view that aged persons' temporal orientation is concentrated on the past. In addition, there is conflicting evidence regarding the change in time perception that occurs with the developmental aging process, little evidence regarding the relationship between body movement and temporal experience and minor support for a change in temporal experience that is associated with the process of institutionalization.

Descriptions of activity levels and temporal experiences of the aged, as well as descriptions of the effects of aging and institutionalization on these temporal and motor variables would provide professional nursing practitioners empirical support for their clinical assessments and interventions.

Ramona Nelson receives research funds

Ramona Nelson (Eta Chapter, University of Pittsburgh) doctoral candidate, University of Pittsburgh, will study "Experts' Perceptions Concerning the Importance of Selected Tasks in the Effective Role Performance of Physician's Assistants; Adult, Pediatric, and Family Nurse Practitioners."

Health care in the United States is provided by a variety of practitioners functioning in ever evolving roles. These roles are differentiated and defined in part by the tasks which are incorporated in each role. This study is concerned with the roles of the physician's assistant and the nurse practitioner. A clear differentiation does not exist between the tasks which make up the role of the nurse practitioner and the physician's assistant, yet they are entering a health care system that is already confused about who does what in providing patient care.

This study will focus on one factor which has major influence in determining

their respective roles. It will compare the perceptions of directors of formal educational programs for physician's assistants; adult, family, and pediatric nurse practitioners concerning the importance of selected tasks in the effective role performance of graduates of their respective programs.



RAMONA NELSON



KATHLEEN A. O'CONNELL

Kathleen A. O'Connell awarded research grant

Kathleen O'Connell (Delta Chapter, University of Kansas) doctoral candidate in psychology, University of Kansas, will study "Factors Influencing Willingness to Comply with Medication Regimens".

Research has established that a significant number of persons fail to take or discontinue taking medication prescribed by their doctors. The purpose of this study is to investigate some factors that may influence patients' willingness to take medicine. In structured interviews persons who are supposed to be taking regular doses of prescribed medicine will be asked about their adherence to their medication regimen. In addition they will be asked how likely they would be to take medicine under a number of conditions specified by the investigator. The major variables to be studied are: the severity of the patient's condition, the amount of discomfort associated with the condition, and the perceived effect of the medicine on both severity and discomfort.

Research grant awarded to Joyce J. Fitzpatrick

A research study "Aging and Institutionalization as Determinants of Temporal and Motor Phenomena," by Joyce J. Fitzpatrick (Upsilon Chapter, New York University) Associate Professor, Wayne State University College of Nursing,



JOYCE J. FITZPATRICK



Beta Chi Chapter Installation, Northwestern State University, Shreveport, LA. (l to r) Dr. Arnold Kilpatrick, President, Northwestern State University of LA, Lily Larson, National Second VP and Installing Officer, Mattie Caldwell, President, Beta Chi Chapter.

Zeta and Chi Chapters co-sponsor annual nursing research conference

"The Spirit of Inquiry" was the theme of the third annual nursing research conference sponsored by Zeta Chapter, University of Minnesota, and Chi Chapter, College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Kathleen Lucas (Zeta Chapter) and Barbara Spradley (Chi Chapter) served as co-chairpersons for this early spring conference scheduled at the College of St. Catherine. Topics presented at this valuable research conference included:

- "The Research Process: Myths and Realities"
- "Maintenance of Gains Achieved During Stroke Rehabilitation"
- "Evaluation of Maternity Teaching Problem"
- "Family-Centered Nursing - Does it Make a Difference?"
- "Study of Discharge Planning Liaison Program"
- "The Study of Physical Sensations During a Stressful Hospital Procedure - The Meaning for Nurses"
- "Sex Role Stereotyping in Assessment of Mental Health Made by Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses"

Pi Chapter co-sponsors workshop on transcultural nursing

In February, Pi Chapter and the University of Maryland School of Nursing co-sponsored an all-day workshop entitled "Cultural Diversity of Health and Nursing Care." The workshop leader was Dr. Madeleine Leininger, internationally known Nurse Anthropologist, Dean and Professor of the University of Utah School of Nursing.

Helen Kohler, R.N., Ph.D., Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Nursing and Gail Stuart, R.N., M.S., Assistant Professor, University of Maryland School of Nursing, participated in a reaction panel related to the theme.

The highly successful program was attended by 300 nurses from sixty agencies covering the middle Atlantic states.

Alpha Lambda Chapter co-sponsors symposium

Alpha Lambda Chapter and the University of Illinois College of Nursing Alumni Association co-sponsored the ninth annual Dr. Mary Kelly Mullane Clinical Nursing Symposium in April, 1976.

Marlene Kramer, Ph.D., professor of nursing, University of California at San Francisco, made the keynote presentation "Reality Shock" at the University of Illinois Medical Center, Chicago.

Mary Ann Walke served as co-chairperson for this very successful symposium attended by more than 500.

Alpha Omega presents program

Genrose J. Alfano (Alpha Omega Chapter, Adelphi University) Director of the Loeb Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation Bronx, New York, presented "Nursing Practice as an Outgrowth of a Philosophy of Patient Care" at the May 16 Alpha Omega Chapter meeting, Adelphi University, Garden City, New York.

Dean June Rothberg welcomed the members, families and friends to the program, induction ceremony and installation of officers. Kathleen Dirschel was installed as president for the coming year.

Beta Mu Chapter announces research conference

Beta Mu Chapter and the University of Arizona College of Nursing Research Committee are co-sponsoring the fourth annual nursing research conference. The conference "Clinical Nursing Theory: Where Does It Come From?" is open to nurses and nursing students. Program participants include: Dr. Barney Glaser, Dr. Jan Atwood, Dr. Joyce Semradek, Ms. Bobbie Scofield and Ms. Rose Gerber.

Date: September 16 - 17, 1976

Location: University of Arizona College of Nursing, Tucson

Contact: Mary Opal Wolanin, Research Conference Coordinator
University of Arizona College of Nursing Bldg.
Rm. 203, Tucson, Arizona 85721

Alpha Zeta announces October research conference

Alpha Zeta Chapter, Columbia University, School of Nursing and Department of Nursing Education presents "Nursing Interventions and the Supporting Research Related to Pain." Joan Munley, R.N., Ed.D., assistant professor, State University of New York, Downstate Medical Center, College of Nursing, and Consultant in Research, Manhattan Veterans Administration Hospital is the keynote speaker. Clinical specialists will present clinical case studies of clients experiencing pain.

Date & Time: October 23, 1976 - 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Location: Health Sciences Library, Columbia University

For additional information call: 212-694-6092 or 212-595-6266.



Presentation of the Sigma Theta Tau charter to Beta Psi Chapter, University of Oregon Health Sciences Center, Portland. (l to r) Dr. Robert Stone, VP of the UOHSC, Mrs. Ruth Wiens, Dean, Pro Tem, School of Nursing, UOHSC, Mrs. Bernice Jones, President, Beta Psi Chapter, Ms. Maureen Niland, National Treasurer and Installing Officer.



The Case For Problem Oriented Research

Edited Version of Speech Presented ANA Convention Sigma Theta Tau, Inc. Research Conference
June 7, 1976, Atlantic City, New Jersey

by Juanita W. Fleming, Ph.D.

What have we done in nursing research, what are we doing and what should we do?...

This bicentennial year marks the 200th birthday of America. From what we know of the development of our country, it has been on a course of expansion. Great advances have been made in many areas including the area of nursing research but we know we have a long way to go if the nursing profession is to survive.

Research Component...

Can you think of any firm, any group, any manufacturer that has a product and maintains that product in a quality state if there is not a research component? General Mills improves cereals and its other products through research, I.B.M. improves its computers and typewriters through research, pharmaceuticals are improved through research, the entertainment industry attempts to improve through research as well as determine what the consumer enjoys and may, in some instances, determine what helps man survive, to some extent. Nursing research is essential if we are to improve nursing practice. Without it our practice stagnates and becomes imitative and doomed to failure.

Historical Perspective...

Our past research efforts were minimal because of our own development. Notter notes that in the past "Nursing was not visualized as a separate and distinct profession in its own right. Separate licensing laws were passed but these laws did not emphasize independent practice. Nurses themselves educated by and large in service institutions looked to medical research and nursing administrators to improve patient care and gave little if any thought to improving that care through research." Historical perspective, if studied, would show that forces external to nursing have had a tremendous impact on the development of research in nursing.

Future of Nursing Research...

Much more could be said about our past, but I prefer to emphasize our future. What should we do? The truth is we've come a long way in nursing



Research Session at ANA June 7, 1976. (L to R) Sr. Rosemary Donley, president, Dr. Juanita Fleming, speaker, Jean McKinley, first V.P.



Research Session at ANA June 7, 1976. (L to R) Dr. Juanita Fleming, speaker, Jean McKinley, first V.P., Sr. Rosemary Donley, president.



Dr. Juanita Fleming, Jean McKinley discuss Research Session.



Audience at ANA Research Session, June, 1976.

research, but we have a long way to go. I believe that a large number of nurses accept that if the nursing profession is to survive, it must be able to provide the best service possible to those we serve and that in order to enhance our service, we must derive knowledge through research. Notter believes that "every nurse has a role in nursing research, either as a principal investigator, as a participant in inquiry or as a user of research finding in practice."²

The enthusiasm for research in nursing is on an upswing. The virtues of clinical nursing research are echoing. Attempts to clarify the direction of research in nursing practice is evident. Research appears to be defended more vigorously. The profession of nursing now seems to value research and the future seems very bright for it in nursing practice. I predict that research will gain a greater "foothold" in the profession of nursing.

Problems Which Need Researching...

A better quality of life for the people - children, youth, middle aged and the elderly - of this country has become an issue that cannot be solved by those who have traditionally done so. Nursing, like other health professions, can accept a role in generating knowledge to help solve some of the problems that confronts man.

Juanita Fleming, Ph.D., Assistant Dean for Graduate Education, University of Kentucky College of Nursing, Lexington, Ky.

Examples Of Problems...

Health care for children and pregnant women.³

The need for preventative health and health maintenance is evidenced by prematurity, high risk nurseries and millions of children who need immunization.⁴

Health care needs of our growing aging population.

Chronic disease and unanswered questions about conditions that result in disability and infirmity.

Drug abuse, not limited to addicting drugs continues to be a problem.

Nutrition — a significant number of our population are considered poorly nourished.

Parenting — people bear children with nothing done to assure that these parents are competent to nurture their children.

Physical environmental problems; air, water and noise pollution along with pest control, lead poisoning and sulfur oxides continue to be problems.^{5, 6}

Change and problems of coping with the many, many choices when changes occur so rapidly and with such force.

Why Questions...

Problems more in tune with the domain commonly known to nursing will continue to be studied but perhaps instead of the many descriptive type studies in which nurse researchers engage, we will be involved in studies that help us answer the why questions. The divorce rate in the United States is rising precipitously since the turn of the century. In 1975, it was predicted that more than 1/3 of all marriages will end in divorce while on the west

coast more like 50 percent will end in divorce.⁷

Stresses and strains that result from the breakneck pace that our society keeps do not allow for much opportunity to adapt. The increasing number of individuals with psychological problems and psychiatric problems continue to be a concern.

Problems in Quality of Life...

Loneliness, pain, fear are but a few of the problems that researchers in nursing will go on studying in order to add to the pool of knowledge. Problems suitable to nursing practice in regard to quality of life are not difficult to identify. Research related to the clinical specialties, research related to procedures and techniques, research related to specific aspects of care - prevention, maintenance, acute, chronic, and the dying, young patients, old patients - and so on will no doubt continue.

We could no doubt go on giving illustrations that speak to the point that nursing research will gain a greater foothold because of the need for as many persons as are able to contribute to knowledge through research.

A battle, if you will, against these phenomena that would result in an unhealthy environment for us and generations that are to come after us. President Nixon asked in his 1970 State of the Union message, "Shall we surrender to our surroundings or shall we make our peace with nature and begin to make reparations for the damage we have done to our air, to our land, and to our water?"

Women's Movement...

Nursing research will also likely benefit indirectly from the Woman's Liberation movement. It is a known fact that women and minorities receive few grants for research. It is highly likely that they will receive more as the society in which we live is bound because of its advanced industrialized state to assure increased freedom and equality. Women, like men; minorities, like the majority; in society will opt for individual self-fulfillment and will seek to achieve the same levels of opportunity. I hope there may one day be an institute of nursing at NIH or permanent funding similar to the Hatch Act funding for Agriculture. I long for the time when nursing is truly recognized as capable of contributing to the solution of health problems in our society. I believe as Dr. Leiniger that the study of nursing and health care phenomena will be explored vigorously during the next

decade. Nurses are in the caring business. Leiniger stated, "The essence of health service lays with caring support behaviors and caring activities...all of which is the heart of nursing." She believes that "...the art and science of nursing care, caring cultures, caring processes, and caring outcomes has been scarcely tapped by nurse researchers..."⁸ I predict nurse researchers will take full advantage of the chance to compete for grants and contribute their knowledge to problems which affect man's general well being. There has been a low level of funding for nursing practice studies, but I believe this will increase if nurses will submit competitive grant requests demonstrating new ways of looking at old problems. Much more could be said about the Women's Movement and its effect on a predominantly female profession. I do not wish, however, to get too far from the point and wish to stress only that this movement is important in giving women some of the impact needed to be more visible in their contributions.

Consumer Movement...

The consumer movement, though not as active in the health field as I expect it will become, will also aid in fostering nursing research. The fact that medical care is only one aspect of health care is critical. There needs to be a broader focus on health that emphasizes health maintenance and prevention of ill health. An informed, motivated consumer can be a viable force for change. I have as my most potent illustration the parents of retarded children who formed an organization and literally worked to have legislation put on the books that resulted in education in public schools for their children. They are still an active group seeing that their children have an opportunity in this society to reach their maximum potential. The future holds promise for the profession of nursing if consumers activate to have a health delivery system that is something more than illness-oriented. A high level wellness for each individual may become an expectation of the majority of the citizens. The average consumer's image of nursing is not yet one that she/he is a contributor of knowledge.

Accountability...

Professional accountability will no doubt also affect the direction of nursing research. Peer reviews are likely to enhance research quality. Gortner notes that scientific accountability refers both to the benefits that responsible research

activity can promise...and a set of personal and intellectual characteristics. Research, she says, offers a great opportunity for the continual use of the scientific method.⁹

Summary...

Summarizing the forces that are likely to facilitate nursing research are: the need for qualified researchers who understand people to help study the means for improving the quality of life for all, the women's movement, the consumer movement with a need to have a system that is not just illness-oriented, and professional accountability.

One major caution seems to be in order. I believe nursing research will gain in nursing. Hopefully, it won't be like so much of what we have experienced already in our profession - pendulum swinging and appearing to not maintain perspective. Research is important and essential to assure that the nursing profession provides quality care to those it serves.

However, research is only one aspect of what is needed. We need nurse educators, nurse administrators, clinical nurses, responsible for providing patient care as well as nurse researchers. It is not necessary for each of us to be a nurse researcher to have a role in research. It was a nurse in England who noted that premature babies near sunlit windows fared better than those inside the nursery. She didn't conduct the research which resulted in the use of phototherapy for jaundiced prematures. However, her observation initiated the research.

Research Role...

To make the point, using another illustration, there are individuals who believe that one can be a teacher simply because he/she is a scholar in a subject. They pride themselves on never having had a course on teaching and that they know nothing about theories of learning. But yet they teach. Few are born teachers just as few are born researchers. If one is to become a researcher, then one should prepare and make every effort to become a competent researcher. We all need to be curious, we all need to be conscious of ways to better our service to people. Research, in my opinion, should hold no more lofty position than clinical practice, teaching, administering, or what have you, in nursing - nor must it hold a less position. Just as we see the duo of clinical practice and education as important, research must make the triumvirate. All three must have equal domain if we are to pursue excellence. Patient or client

care is our business. We educate for the purpose of care, we research to see how to improve education or care. Theory testing is just as essential in nursing as it is in any field.

Pundit, I believe, said it is better to be a nobody who accomplishes something than a somebody who accomplishes nothing. None of us can do everything but all of us can do something. If man has all else and does not have healthy living, he has no victory as health alone is victory.

Leadership in Problem Solving...

As nurses, each of us does have a role in research. Determine that role and play it. Recently I heard a physician say, "We should use nursing brain power. Some nurses are

very bright." He spoke as if he had just discovered something and perhaps he had. Nurses are in the business of caring for people and use their intellectual skills to do so. However, this is not always recognized. We are not in this profession for power, money or prestige because there is too little of

that in it. The time is here and coming when our abilities will show more and we, too, like other professionals, will be expected to offer leadership in solving problems that affect man. It is not the length of man's life that is important but the quality of that life. Nursing research can contribute to that quality.

¹Notter, Lucille. "The Case for Nursing Research", NURSING OUTLOOK, XXIII (December, 1975), 760-763.

²Ibid., 760

³Ziegler, Edward F. "The Unmet Needs of America's Children." CHILDREN TODAY, V, (May-June, 1976), 40.

⁴American Nurses Association. CAPITAL COMMENTARY, VI, (June, 1976), 1.

⁵Council on Environmental Quality. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY. (Aug., 1972), 30.

⁶Ibid., 128

⁷Stafford, Rebecca. What To Do About Marriages? PHP, (March, 1976), p. 3.

⁸Leininger, Madeline (ed.), NURSING RESEARCH SUPPORT CENTER NEWSLETTER, (Oct., 1975), 2.

⁹Gortner, Susan, "Scientific Accountability in Nursing," NURSING OUTLOOK, XXII, (Dec., 1975), 764-768.

National activities at ANA convention

The national officers and Educational Development Committee represented Sigma Theta Tau and staffed the booth which was displayed for four days at the June ANA convention in Atlantic City. In addition to the booth, these national officers and committee members devoted themselves to Sigma Theta Tau activities throughout the week. The activities included the research conference, National Council meetings, three national committee meetings and many individual appointments with members, funding agencies, national and international nursing leaders.



Exhibit on display - Atlantic City, June, 1976.

1977 Biennial Washington, D.C.

Jean McKinley, national first vice president, announces plans for an exciting twenty-fourth Biennial Convention scheduled for October 20-22, 1977, at the Statler Hilton in Washington, D.C.

"Leadership in Action" is the challenging theme selected for this convention program designed to provide opportunities for demonstration of leadership.

The four chapters in the Washington, D.C. area will cooperate in the convention planning with Tau Chapter, Georgetown University, acting as the host chapter. Grace Chickadonz, president, Tau chapter, is serving as chairperson of the 1977 Convention Arrangements Committee.

Other members of this committee include:

Kappa Chapter
Catholic University
Ellen Feely and Sharon Sloboda
Tau Chapter
Georgetown University
Mary Ann Lachat

Pi Chapter
University of Maryland
Major Rubin Bowie and
Dr. Joseph Proux
Gamma Beta Chapter
Howard University
Hazel Thomas



1977 BIENNIAL PROGRAM PLANNING session, Atlantic City, June 7, 1976. (L to R) Joe Proux, Sharon Sloboda, Ellen Feely, Nell Watts, Grace Chickadonz, Hazel Thomas, Christina Browsky, Sr. Rosemary Donley (Pres.), Jean McKinley (First V.P.).



Members Answer Call for Information on Recent Doctorates

Constance M. Baker, D.N.S.

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
"Microteaching: A Teaching Strategy for Increasing the Valuation of the Teaching Function of the Nurse Role"

Doctorate received from: University of California, San Francisco Campus, June 1975

Chapter membership: Beta Delta

Eunice J. Burgess, Ed.D.

Tallahassee, Florida
"An Evaluation of the Curriculum Design Objectives at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University School of Nursing"

Doctorate received from: Nova University, 1976

Chapter membership: Beta Phi

Sally A. Buseck, Dr. P.H.

Edinboro, Pennsylvania
"Characteristics and Role Expectations of Nurses Caring for the Elderly in the Nursing Home and in Acute Care"

Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, August 1975

Chapter membership: Eta

Barbara J. Dunn Cooke, Ed.D.

Sacramento, California
"Personality Typologies and Their Relationship to Success in the Associate Degree Nursing Program"

Doctorate received from: Nova University, July 1975

Chapter membership: Epsilon

Mary Jane Venger Cutler, Ed.D.

New York, New York
"Management Theories for Hospital Nursing Service: How do Hospital Nursing Service Directors and Selected Subordinates Compare in their Perceptions of the Directors' Use of Management Principles?"

Doctorate received from: Teachers College, Columbia University, May 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Zeta

Jacqueline Fawcett, Ph.D.

Warrenville, Connecticut
"The Relationship Between Spouses' Strength of Identification and their Patterns of Change in Perceived Body Space and Articulation of Body Concept During and After Pregnancy"

Doctorate received from: New York University, May 1976

Chapter membership: Upsilon

Barbara Given, Ph.D.

East Lansing, Michigan
"The Relationship Between Process and Outcome Components of Patient Care: An Evaluation Model"

Doctorate received from: Michigan State University, June 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Psi

Janet Gottschalk, Dr. P.H.

Houston Texas
"Politics of Health in the Development of a Rural Primary Health Care Facility in the Mid-South"

Doctorate received from: University of Texas Health Science Center, March 1976
Chapter membership: Beta Beta (Houston)

Dorris E. Guerin, Ed.D.

Springfield, Pennsylvania
"Hidden Crisis in Health Care"

Doctorate received from: Highland University, July 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Nu

Samuel T. Hughes, Ed.D.

Dallas, Texas
"The Establishment of Criteria for Selection, Reappointment and Promotion of Faculty in Baccalaureate Schools of Nursing"

Doctorate received from: North Texas State University, May 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha

N. Robin Kubel, Ph.D.

Yonders, New York
"A Study of Diabetic Children and Locus of Control Expectancy"

Doctorate received from: University of Maryland

Chapter membership: Pi

Jean J. Mason, Ph.D.

Galveston, Texas
"An Analysis of Learning Resource Centers in NLN Accredited Baccalaureate Schools of Nursing as a Function of the Academic Qualifications of Directors and the Administrative, Fiscal and Organizational Structure of Centers"

Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, April 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Delta (Galveston)

Beryl M. Peters, Ph.D.

Salt Lake City, Utah
"Concepts of Hospitalized Children about Causality of Illness and Intent of Treatment"

Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, December 1975

Chapter membership: Eta

John R. Phillips, Ph.D.

New York, New York
"An Investigation of the Relationship Between Field-Dependence-Independence, Posture, and Judgment of Time Duration"

Doctorate received from: New York University, June 1976

Chapter membership: Upsilon

Dorothea Webb Puckett, Ph.D.

Detroit, Michigan
"Educational Counseling Groups for Black Adolescent Females from a Low-Income Housing Area"

Doctorate received from: The University of Michigan

Chapter membership: Rho

Mary Silva, Ph.D.

College Park, Maryland
"The Effect of Orientation Information on Spouses' Anxiety and Attitude Toward Hospitalization and Major General Surgery"

Doctorate received from: University of Maryland, May 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Mu

Marilyn L. H. Stember, Ph.D.

Evergreen, Colorado
"The Impact of Hospitalization on Families"

Doctorate received from: University of Colorado, August 1975

Chapter membership: Alpha Kappa

Mary L. Talbott Thoms, Dr. P.H.

Baltimore, Maryland
"A Social Area Analysis of Patient-Nurse Contacts in an Urban, Official Public Health Agency"

Doctorate received from: Johns Hopkins University

Chapter membership: Xi

Catherine M. Windwer, Ph.D.

Roosevelt, New York
"The Relationship Between Locus of Control, Social Desirability and Choice of Psychoprophylaxis"

Doctorate received from: New York University, February 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Omega

Margaret S. Wolf, Ed.D.

New York, New York
"Nurses' Views of an Ideal Psychiatric Ward"

Doctorate received from: Teachers College, Columbia University, August 1975
Chapter membership: Upsilon

Josephine A. Dolan to prepare Sigma Theta Tau Historical Calendar

Sr. Rosemary Donley, national president, is delighted to announce that Josephine A. Dolan (Mu Chapter) professor emeritus, University of Connecticut, will prepare a Sigma Theta Tau historical calendar to be available in late 1977.

Ms. Dolan is uniquely prepared for this exciting historical project. Her field of specialization is history of nursing; she has published numerous books, monographs, technical reports, reviews and journal articles regarding history of nursing.

Ms. Dolan has served as historical consultant on state and national projects and has received extensive honors.

She served as curator, Mansfield Historical Society Museum, 1966-68, and as Invited Visitor to St. Thomas Hospital, 1970, and Deaconesses of Kaiserswerth, Germany, 1970.

Ms. Dolan recently completed a beautiful historical calendar for the Connecticut State Nurses' Association.

Sigma Theta Tau members demonstrate their commitment and support

Sigma Theta Tau members made an outstanding response to the transfer of collection of annual fees from chapters to the national office. More than ten thousand members responded to the first national mailing in July.

In addition to sending their annual fees, hundreds of members took the opportunity to support nursing research by making a contribution to the national fund.

The rapid growth and mobility of Sigma Theta Tau membership has made it increasingly difficult for chapters to maintain an up-to-date membership list. The use of computer for national maintenance of lists, mailing and dues notices will reduce the amount of time chapter officers have to spend in these areas and will improve chapters' ability to communicate with active members.

Second notices will be mailed this month to members who did not respond to the first dues notice prior to Sept. 1.



Annual report of national activities 1975 - 76

An overview of the activities in which the organization was involved in 1975-76 is summarized by the president, Sr. Rosemary Donley.

1. Developed booth which was introduced at 1975 NLN Convention and displayed at 1976 ANA Convention.
2. Educational Development Committee was organized and began to work promoting programs within the regions and editing monographs.
3. New Image board appointed and publication of Image in a new format and design.
4. Biennial at Houston with Avenues for Action theme, change in honorary membership and bylaws.
5. Eleven new chapters were approved and installed.
6. Established Pat Christensen Memorial Fund and collected \$1,000.00.
7. Reflections (newsletter) was born and five issues published.
8. Research Fund Committee reorganized with funding dates established and administration of grants provided by national office.
9. Signed contract with HEW audiovisual center in Atlanta to do videotaping on distinguished leaders in nursing, a series of ten to be done.
10. Completed plans to videotape the founders of Sigma Theta Tau. Implemented in summer of 1976.
11. More than 4,000 new members inducted into the 75 chapters.
12. National dues collection initiated July 1, 1976, to assist chapters to be more active in programming.
13. Action begun on resolutions of last biennium related to chapters-at-large involving more than one school.
14. Hosted the Association of College Honor Societies Annual Meeting in Indianapolis.

Memo To Members

We urgently need your assistance to maintain an accurate address. Current charges are 25 cents for each post office correction of addresses on our publications.

Address labels are printed by computer. The number to the left is your identification number and will continue the same. The second number is your chapter number.

Expiration date - The last series indicates when active membership and publications expire, 1276 for Dec. 1976 and 1277 for Dec. 1977. If you are a Lifetime Chapter member, an L appears following the expiration date.

If there are errors in your name and address or if you move, clip or copy your address label (including all numbers) and send it along with your corrections to Sigma Theta Tau at address listed. Since the computer prints the main post office according to zip code, your correct zip code is essential.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE AND PLAQUE AVAILABLE

Sigma Theta Tau individual membership certificates with wooden plaques for mounting these certificates are now available from headquarters for \$10.00 each. Individual orders for these plaques may be sent directly to headquarters along with chapter name and induction date.

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