Monmouth University

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Notes on Nursing

Without having experienced the cold of winter, one can not appreciate the warmth of spring. *Chinese proverb.*



From the Dean's Desk Marilyn M. Lauria, R.N. Ed.D.

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the School of Nursing, I would like to offer our readers many good wishes for the coming year. I hope you like the revised look of our newsletter. It was designed by our new editor, Barbara Paskewich.

This has been an eventful year for the Monmouth University School of Nursing and Health Studies as well as for the entire Nursing community. In January, because NJ doesn t have the position of Lieutenant Governor, Senate Co-chair John Bennett (a member of the School of Nursing Advisory Council since it s inception) was Governor of N.J. His wife Margaret (Peg) Bennett a Monmouth University BSN & MSN alumna was First Lady. On January 9, First Lady, Peg Bennett held a luncheon In Celebration of Nursing at Drumthwacket, the Governor s Mansion. I served on the planning committee and attended this event as a representative of the University. Many distinguished members of the nursing community were in attendance.

On January 11, we were pleased to host a luncheon to honor Margaret Bennett, at Monmouth University. Members of the University Board of Trustees, representatives of the Nursing Advisory Council, and the Nursing Faculty attended this program.

I am pleased to announce several new graduate programs for the year 2002. We have received approval to offer these additional tracks in our MSN program; School Nursing, Nursing Education, and Forensic Nursing. In addition we will be offering a post MSN certificate in Nursing Education and a graduate certificate (post baccalaureate) in Forensic Nursing. To see an overview of the curriculum requirements for these specialty areas look for the insert in this newsletter.

The faculty and staff have done extensive research and developed curricula that we believe will offer our students a positive learning experience in a worthy area of study. There is strong interest in the MSN programs and a need for both School Nurses and Nurse Educators. Forensic Nursing is an emerging field of Nursing studies. We will have the distinction of being the only University in the region to offer this specialized program.

In addition to the new Nursing programs, the School of Nursing is exploring the possibility of offering a new undergraduate Major, a BS in Health Studies for non- nurses. The foundation of Health Studies will focus on the relationship between lifestyle and health and the importance of disease prevention. We have developed a survey which will be administered by the research firm, Kane - Parsons. This will provide us with some idea about the level of interest in this area of study. We will keep you updated with our progress in this area.

There appears to be a heightened awareness and focus on Nursing Education. We have seen increasing enrollment in our MSN programs and the School Nurse Certificate. Our Continuing Education programs have steady attendance with waiting lists for several classes. Both Brookdale Community College and Ocean County College report increasing Nursing enrollment this year. I hope this is an indication that the Nursing Shortage is beginning to turn around.

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Student & Faculty news

Milestones

Margaret Bennett, BSN, MSN, 98 held the distinction of being the First Lady of the State of New Jersey as her husband Senator Bennett, Co President of the Senate, was the acting Governor.

Lou Bosmans, RN, MSN, 00 FNP C was a member of a select team that set up a medical services area at Ground Zero and provided triage and care for the volunteers. She wrote a feature story about her experiences in for The Monmouth University Outlook.

Mary Lou Burden, BSN, 88 and Marge Dooley BSN 88 - coordinated the School Nurse Association Component at the NJEA convention in November 2001.

Mary Gauld, BSN, currently enrolled in the School Nursing Program had a baby boy, Peter Andrew, 8lb 4oz on January 3, 2002. Congratulations!

Nancy Shafer-Winter, BSN, MSN, 98 received the Janice M. Marchetti Leadership award from the Lambda Delta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing on June 3, 2001.



Monmouth County School Nurse Association

Notes from Laura Jannone, BSN, MA, MCSNA President.

MCSNA holds bi-monthly meetings at Monmouth University. The following programs are scheduled at this time. If you are not a member of this organization you are welcome to attend. A nominal fee is requested.

January 28, 7pm Wilson Auditorium- Eileen Allen, RN, will speak on Date Rape Drugs and the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (S.A.N.E.) program in Monmouth County. She is the coordinator of this program.

*March 11, Environmental Protection Agency s workshop on indoor air quality Tools for Schools at The Club 5 8pm * Pre-registration is required. If you are interested in this program or would like more information please contact Laura Jannone at 732-263-5457.

March 25, 7pm Linda Sarason, speech specialist and coordinator for the Search Day Training Center, will present a program on Autism. She gave a well received presentation on this topic at both the NJEA convention and the NJSNA meeting.

Monmouth University Student Nurse Association

Notes from Therese Fylak MUSNA President 2001-2002

Our next meeting will be held at 3:45pm on February 5, 2002 in the 3rd floor conference room of the NAB. A membership drive for 2002 will be held during the month of February. Please support our program and consider becoming an active member. Dues are \$15. annually. Membership applications will be distributed in all classes. The election of officers will take place in April with a call for nominations in March.

We have Monmouth University School of Nursing polo shirts sizes Large & X-large, available for \$25.00. They are navy blue shirts with white embroidery.

Lambda Delta News

Notes from Kathy Armstrong Lambda Delta President 2001-2002

The twelfth annual research day will be held at Monmouth University this spring. Please visit the School of Nursing web site for additional information.

The "Innovations in Clinical Excellence" Award was presented to Maryanne Crowther, RN, APNC, by Sigma Theta Tau, International and Nursing Spectrum at the 36th Biennial Convention in Indianapolis on November 10, 2001. Other Lambda Delta Chapter members who received this award were Ann Maroulis, Nancy Shafer-Winter and Richard Hader.

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Continuing Education

Winter is the time for study, you know, and the colder it is the more studious we are. - Henry David Thoreau

Spring Programs

Prescribing Antibiotics- March 12, 2002

Bey Hall- room 128 7-9pm Fee \$35. /\$20. (Monmouth University Students) presenter Joseph J. Dicubellis, R.Ph. M.P.H., Pharmacist Monmouth Medical Center.

This program will cover the parameters for prescribing antibiotics: selecting the most effective drug, appropriate dosage for age and weight, avoiding food and drug interactions, drug level monitoring, renal function monitoring, and review of culture and sensitivity screenings.

Domestic Violence, Teen Abuse, Sexual Assault:

Identification and Intervention-April 11, 2002 Bey Hall- room 128 6-9pm Fee \$35./\$20. (for Monmouth University Students) NJNSA contact hours - 3.0

Presented by Karen Gillespie, Coordinator Teen Dating Abuse Prevention Program for the Women's Center Monmouth County. Eileen Allen, RN, Coordinator of the Monmouth County Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program.

This program will include nursing assessment and intervention techniques as they apply to the care of victims of domestic violence and teen abuse. Learn to identify the red flags, the resources and crisis intervention methods. This course will also focus the role and responsibility of the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner.

Pediatric Physical Assessment- May 18, 2002

3rd Floor NAB 9-3pm Fee \$55./\$40. for (Monmouth University Students) NJSNA contact hours 6.0

Presented by Steve Miller, DO, Pediatrician with Navesink Pediatrics & Laura Jannone, RN, BS, MS, Coordinator of the School Nurse Certification Program and faculty member at Monmouth University.

This program focuses on the assessment of the school age child and will present identify action and intervention tips, techniques for physical exam, and guidelines for the Management of health issues.

Introduction to Forensic Nursing June 11, 2002

Bey Hall- room 134 6-9pm Fee \$35/\$20 students **NJSNA contact hours 3.1**

Forensic Nursing is a new and rapidly growing area of healthcare. Forensic nurses in New Jersey currently provide care and treatment to a wide variety of patients in many different practice settings. Many nurses perform some types of forensic nursing tasks during their daily routines.

Come join us in taking a closer look at various roles of the forensic nurse in the areas of Women's Health, Gerontology and Death Investigation.

Suturing Workshop- May 7, 2002 Co-sponsored with Monmouth Medical Center Lab Room Edison, 215 6-9pm Fee \$35./\$20. (for Monmouth University Students)

Presented by Ethicon, hands on techniques for suturing. This is a laboratory class. Space is limited please register early.

NJSNA Contact hours will be provided.

If you would like more information please contact Barbara Paskewich, Special Project Coordinator at (732) 571-3694 or e-mail <u>bpaskewi@monmouth.edu</u>

If you would like to register for Continuing Education Programs please complete the form on the next page and return with payment.

Nursing Faculty Position-

We would like to make our newsletter recipients aware of a faculty position at the School of Nursing if you are a suitable candidate or know someone who is please contact Dean Lauria.

The School of Nursing and Health Studies seeks a tenure track assistant professor. The candidate must be licensed (or eligible for licensure) as a registered nurse in the State of New Jersey. Master s degree in nursing required. A Doctorate in nursing or related field is preferred. Certification as a nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist and prior college teaching desirable. The candidate must be prepared to teach undergraduate and graduate nursing courses as well as undergraduate health courses, as appropriate, and do appropriate scholarship in the field. Additional responsibilities include student advising, School and University service.

Please send a letter of application and curriculum vitae with the names of three references by February 4, 2002 to Dean Marilyn M. Lauria, Marjorie K. Unterberg School of Nursing and Health Studies, Monmouth University, 400 Cedar Avenue, West Long Branch, NJ 07764. (email lauria@monmouth.edu) Monmouth University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer

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We would like to hear from our students and alumni with your professional and personal achievements. Please drop us a line or e-mail <u>bpaskewi@monmouth.edu</u> if you have something to add for the milestones section of the newsletter.