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JEFFERSON MEDICAL COLLEGE HOSPITAL, SCHOOL OF NURSING
SPECIAL ISSUE SPRING 1967

SCHOOL OF NURSING BEGINS 76th YEAR IN TRUE JEFFERSON SPIRIT

1825- The State of Pennsylvania granted an extension of the charter of Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania to include the granting of medical degrees. The newly created medical school was known as the Medical Department of the Jefferson College of Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

1838- The Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia was granted a charter by the State Legislature "with the same powers and restrictions as the University of Pennsylvania."

1877- Jefferson became the second medical institution in the country to have its own teaching hospital when the 125-bed facility was completed.

During the next decades some of the country's outstanding physicians were associated with Jefferson:

Dr. Samuel D. Gross, "Dean of American Surgery"
Dr. Chevalier Jackson, Inventor of the Bronchoscope founded the branch of medicine known as Bronchoscopy
Dr. J. Marion Sims, "Father of Modern Gynecology"
Dr. Carlos Finlay, discoverer of the cause of yellow fever

Jefferson Hospital Training School for Nurses began under the direction of Chief Nurse, Miss Ella Benson. Two years was the length of the training period.
Shortly thereafter, Miss Effie Darling became the Directress of the Training School for Nurses.

1893 - In March the school consisted of three graduate nurses, thirteen student nurses and six male nurses.

May 22 the first Nurses' Home was formally opened. The home was located at 518 Spruce Street.

November 24 five nurses received diplomas from the training school. Graduation exercises were held in the Clinical Amphitheatre of the Hospital.

1894 - Miss Susan C. Hearle assumed charge of the Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing with thirty student nurses. Miss Hearle received her early training under Florence Nightingale; later she graduated from the Training School of the Philadelphia General Hospital.

1907 - The Main Building of the hospital accommodating 325 beds was completed. (This building is still in use after sixty years.)

1908 - Anna E. Laughlin, a graduate of the school and the chief nurse of the hospital's operating room succeeded Miss Hearle as director of the school.

That same year the current home of Jefferson Medical College was completed.

1915 - Miss Clara Melville, a graduate of 1910, was elected Directress of Nurses.

1917 - Patriotic Jeffersonians answered their country's call for help by forming a unit to serve in the War. The Jefferson Unit, known as U.S. Army Base Hospital No. 38, was composed of 99 nurses and six civilian hospital employees.

1924 - Samuel Gustine Thompson Hospital Annex completed.

Miss Nora E. Shoemaker (former teacher and acting Directress of Nurses during Miss Melville's years of service with Base Hospital No. 38) appointed the first full time instructor of nurses in the school. Prior to this time nursing education was one of the many duties of the Directress of Nursing.

1931 - Curtis Clinic Building completed. This building currently houses the out-patient departments; emergency room and School of Nursing classrooms.

Until 1931 small monthly remunerations had been given to students. Discontinuing this practice made it possible to employ more graduates so that students could be released from the responsibilities of the wards to attend classes.

1933 - Nosokomos first used as the title of the Year Book. The title comes from two Greek words: "noso" - the study of the sick and "komos" - a female who attends.

1936 - A nursing library consisting of twelve hundred volumes was presented to the School.

1942 - Jefferson nurses once again answered their country's call for wartime service. U.S. Army Base Hospital No. 38 was re-activated. Sixty Jefferson nurses and sixty Jefferson physicians served with the unit near Cairo, Egypt.

1953 - Miss Mable C. Prevost, a graduate of the School, became Director of Nursing.

1958 - Organization of the hospital was changed, creating two departments of nursing - School of Nursing and Nursing Service. Miss Doris E. Bowman, a graduate of the School, became the Director of the School of Nursing.

1959 - The James R. Martin Student Nurses' Residence was dedicated by Mrs. Martin as a memorial to her late husband, who served as the associate dean of the Medical College.

Caps 'N Capes published for the first time.

1962 - Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing was fully accredited by the National League for Nursing.

1964 - Basic nursing techniques first taught via closed circuit T.V.

1966 - 75th Anniversary of the School of Nursing. The class of 1966 brought the total of graduates to nearly 4,000. Seven members of the class of 1966 were commissioned in the Armed Forces.
1967 - In the true Spirit of '76 Jefferson presses on to maintain its leadership in Nursing Education; leadership of which its 300 students; 30 faculty members; and 4,000 alumni can continue to be proud.

**UNIFORMS PAST AND PRESENT**

**JEFFERSON OF THE FUTURE**

Marcia Kurtz, Miss Jefferson 1967
Kathy Raab, runner up (left)
Elvira Paoletti, runner-up (right)

The following article appeared in Miss Kurtz’s home town paper:

“Marcia Kurtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Kurtz, Crestwood Drive, Pottstown, Route 18, a Senior at Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing, Philadelphia, won the 'Miss Jefferson of 1967' competition based on her record of nursing care, personality, school spirit, appearance in uniform, general talent and poise.

She is a graduate of Pottsgrove High school, where she was "Homecoming Queen" and was a drum majorette. At Jefferson she played basketball and was captain of the team this year. Her special nursing interest is care of children.

Her mother, a graduate of Reading Hospital School of Practical Nursing is employed at Pottstown Memorial Medical center, north division. Miss Kurtz is engaged to Ronald Favinger, a junior at Juniata College, Huntingdon.”
SENIOR AND FRESHMAN TIE FOR HONORS

Perky Kathy Raab tied for runner-up in the recent Miss Jefferson contest. Kathy has represented Jefferson in SNAP (Student Nurses’ Association of Pennsylvania) activities since her freshman year; whenever she can she snatches new members for SNAP.

Kathy stole the hearts of the judges with her sentimental recitation entitled “Dear Mom”.

In addition to these activities Kathy is the Business Manager for Nosokomos, 1967 edition.

The sparkle in her eyes and the sparkler on her finger indicate that marriage will share a place with pediatric nursing in this happy Miss’ future.

On March 29, Vera Pauletti was chosen runner-up in the 1967 Miss Jefferson Contest. Vera, a member of our Freshman Class, was elected representative of the Student Council and is a faithful member of the chorus.

This talented young Miss and her song “You’re Gonna Hear From Me” caught the attention and applause of all present on that most spectacular evening.

Vera, a leader throughout her High School years was concertmaster for St. Maria Goretti’s Orchestra in which she spent long and hard hours mastering her violin.

Vera, a real symbol of dedication in all her endeavors deserves a round of applause.

THE FRESHMAN CHOIR

This past year, under the direction of Miss Ethel E. Riehle, the choir sang for the Philadelphia Health Fair. At Christmas, divided into groups, they went through the hospital caroling. The choir has also sung at a number of “Old Folks Homes”. Perhaps the event that most freshmen look forward to is singing at graduation each September.

For those girls who feel that they can’t sing, there is a welcome invitation to come anyway.
Under the capable direction of Paula Beaner and Sue Good, the girls will be performing their talents to a script written by Virginia Bozarth. The stage manager, Kathy Prentice, will be kept busy trying to keep things running smoothly backstage. Eileen Hansen (choreographer) and Cheryl Peters (music director) are working hard to make sure the audience will enjoy the show.

Rumor has it that this year's theme revolves around a group of boarding school girls, who are campused for the week-end. Also campused is the school's number one hockey player and the big game is scheduled for the coming week-end.

Laughter unfolds when the girls pool all their "gossip information" about people in key positions, in an effort to keep their hockey champ in the game. Will they succeed?

Whether your motive is one of curiosity or an evening of delightful entertainment - why not join us on May 24th or 26th? You're more than welcome and we're sure you will enjoy it.

UNDER THE HOOP

New uniforms ( kilts), peppy cheerleaders and an enthusiastic cheering section combined to make the 1967 season one of the most successful ever.

Captained by Marcia Kurtz, coached by Mrs. Ann Sage and managed by Cathy Prentice the school basketball team logged a 7-1 record to tie with Bryn Mawr and Presbyterian for a berth in the League Championship. In the play-off series Bryn Mawr downed both opposing teams and went on to defeat Lankenau in the Championship.

CHEERLEADERS VICTORIOUS

Sixteen RAH's for our outstanding cheerleaders! During half time at the Basketball League Championship more than a dozen schools were represented in the Cheerleading Championships and our squad took second honors. (The squad's spirit was raised before the competition by the large yellow pom-poms presented to them by the School Basketball team.)

Eileen Gannon, the hard working, quick stepping captain deserves an extra cheer for seeing that each girl performed with precision accuracy.

THE DELIGHTFUL CREATURE

Between the innocency of an entrance exam and the dignity of an R.N. there comes the delightful creature - the student nurse.

They come in assorted sizes, weights, and shapes, and they all have the the very same creed - to enjoy every second of every hour of every day, off and on, and to protest with griping (their only weapon) when their forty hours are over and the supervisors are in the snack bar!

Student nurses are found everywhere - underneath everything or jumping through, swimming from or running over. Patients love them, doctors tolerate them, and nothing protects them.

A student nurse is truth with blood on her uniform, beauty with gloves on her hands, wisdom with Abbocillin in her hair, and the future with scissors in her pocket.

To the doctors a student nurse is an inconsiderate, questioning, and intruistic jangle of noise. When you want her to make an impression, she becomes a sadistic, giggling creature, bent on wasting as much time as possible and sleeping through classes.

A student nurse is a composite - she has the appetite of a horse, the digestion of an ulcer patient, the energy of an s.s. enema, the lungs of a telephone operator, the imagination of a Vanderbilt grad, the enthusiasm of central supply, the audacity of a nurses' aide, and when she gives injections, she has five thumbs on either hand.

She likes food (few potatoes), vacations, Christmas, money from home, love stories, officers, water in its natural habitat, doctors, working elevators, off duty and fire alarms - not to mention handsome lads with Jaguars.

She's not much for books without pictures, ward clothes, hair nets, study hours, metric system and campuses.

Nobody is so early to rise and so late to bed: nobody gets so much out of doctors and medical conferences: nobody else can cram into one day, 3 enemas, 12 complete baths, 3 trips to the morgue, 2 trips to the school office, set her meds up, press her uniform, polish her shoes, do her nails, stay out 'til 11:30 and still get along with her roommate.
OUTSTANDING ALUMNAE

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Alice Boehret presently is working on her doctorate in Nursing Education. She is the Dean of an Associate Degree Program in North Carolina.

Doris E. Bowman is the Director of the Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing.

Ruth Spencer Druee is the Director of the School of Nursing and Nursing Service, Ohio Valley General Hospital.

Martina Mockaitis is a Junior at Jefferson Medical College.

Mabel C. Prevost is currently an Assistant Director of the Jefferson Medical College Hospital.

Joyce Price, one of the first women to graduate from Jefferson Medical College, is now serving a residency in surgery at the Pennsylvania Hospital.

Kathryn Rorabough is the Director of Nursing, The Child Hospital, Albany, New York.

Barbara Schutt serves the nurses of America as the editor of the American Journal of Nursing.

Edna Scott currently is the Director of Nursing at Bryn Mawr Hospital.

Audrey Latshaw Sutton has authored textbooks for practical nursing students.

Lt. Col. Harriet Werley received the Legion on Merit, the nation's second highest peacetime award.
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M. Earle Densmore Norton received the Honor of Knight, the nation's second highest payment award.