UBC NURSING TODAY

NEWS ITEMS

TWO NEW GRANTS TO CONTINUING NURSING EDUCATION

The Division of Continuing Nursing Education at UBC has received two special projects grants totaling $11,600 from the Ministry of Education.

One grant is being used to launch the Post-RN Clinical Nursing Program in Long-Term Continuing Care. This 50-hour course, with classroom study and clinical practice sessions, started in February.

Laurel Nassi, a graduate of UBC's BSN program who has been working in the Extended Care Unit (ECU) of the Health Sciences Centre Hospital at UBC, is coordinator for the course. Rose Murakami, Director of Nursing of the ECU and on the faculty of the School of Nusing, is the educational consultant for this program.

The second grant will be used to launch a Post-RN program in clinical psychiatric nursing. Barbara McGuire, an assistant professor in the School of Nursing until 1981, is completing the program development for this course.

"We are delighted that the Ministry of Education has provided funds for these projects and has shown continuing support for post-basic continuing education programs for nurses," said Professor Shirley Brandt, Director of Continuing Nursing Education and Principal Investigator for the projects.

"Nurses throughout the province have expressed a great concern regarding the lack of such courses since the need for them is so great."

Further information about the courses can be obtained from the Division of Continuing Nursing Education.

GOOD ATTENDANCE AT WR CAUSN ANNUAL MEETING

Several faculty members attended the Western Region CAUSN Annual Meeting held at the University of Victoria, February 17-19, 1982. The conference theme, "Professional Education and the Adult Learner," resulted in many interesting papers. Dr. Carrie Lenburg, Co-ordinator, Regents External Degrees in Nursing, the University of the State of New York, presented the keynote address, Dr. Lenburg discussed "Accessability and Flexibility in Nursing Education Programmes: Options and Obstacles."

Three faculty members of the School of Nursing presented papers. Pam Thompson addressed "The Present State of Continuing Nursing Education for Nurses ...Where Do We Go From Here?" Ann Hilton presented a paper entitled "Nurses' Performance and Interpretation of Urine Testing and Capillary Blood Glucose Monitoring Measures." Winnifred Mills talked about "What Makes Our Students Want to Learn? Motivation Orientation and the Adult Learner."

The Conference, which was attended by 58 representatives from all University Schools of Nursing in Western Canada, stimulated much discussion regarding adult learners in nursing and the need to look at alternative educational strategies.

At the business meeting, Elizabeth McCann was awarded an honorary life membership to WR CAUSN in recognition of her long time commitment and contribution to university nursing education.

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WOODWARD LECTURE SET

Noted nursing leader and cultural anthropologist Dr. Madeleine Leininger will be the speaker at this year's annual Marion Woodward Lecture. This public lecture, sponsored by the UBC School of Nursing, will be held Thursday, May 20, 1982, at 8 p.m. in Lecture Theatre 6 of the Instructional Resources Centre.

Dr. Leininger, who was the first nurse to receive a doctoral degree in anthropology, has carried out extensive research into cross-cultural aspects of health care.

She believes that nursing and health services cannot be adequate, effective or comprehensive unless cultural aspects of health and illness are given full consideration.

"Cultural beliefs, values and patterns of living have been part of man's development and survival for nearly a million years," she once told an audience at the University of Maryland. "A person's reaction to illness, health maintenance, daily activities, body discomforts, changes in life, food preferences and various caring and curing treatment practices are all linked with cultural beliefs, values and experiences."

Dr. Leininger is currently professor of nursing and anthropology and director for health research at the College of Nursing, Wayne State University, Detroit.

Her presentation is titled "Transcultural Care: The Fourth Major Revolution in Health Sciences." Faculty and students are encouraged to invite guests to the lecture.

As well, Dr. Leninger will be on campus during her visit to Vancouver and will be meeting informally with faculty.

Further information about her visit can be obtained from Prof. Elaine Carty, local 82-7444.

DONATION TO THE LONG-TERM NURSING PROGRAM

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Jewish Home for the Aged, which operates the Louis Brier Home and Hosital in Vancouver, has made a $1,000 donation to be used in the Long Term Nursing Program offered by UBC's Division of Continuing Nursing Education.

The donation was made to honor Mrs. Lillian McLean on her retirement as Nursing Director of the Louis Brier Home and Hospital.

The funds will be used to purchase texts and teaching aids for students in the program.

"The Division welcomes the donation and appreciates the very special tribute to Mrs. McLean," said Professor Shirley Brandt, Director of Continuing Nursing Education. "Mrs. McLean has been a great supporter of an in-depth program in genetic nursing care."

ALBERTA VISITORS FOR LEARNING CENTRE

During February, the Learning Centre and School of Nursing were visited by Valerie Gunn, a health care programming consultant in educational and institutional planning from Calgary. Ms. Gunn has been hired by the Grande Prairie Community College to advise on facilities for their new nursing program.

She will make recommendations on curriculum, facilities, programs and learning resources needed for a proposed new school of nursing in existing buildings on the campus.

During her three-day stay, Calgary architect Roger Field also visited and spent one day touring the UBC Learning Centre and classroom areas.

As well, Olga Anderson, chairman of Library Services for Grande Prairie Community College, visited the Centre, Biomedical Communications and the Woodward Biomedical Library. She was especially interested in the Centre's A-V facilities and learning aids.

"The UBC Centre has gained a wide reputation for excellence because of its emphasis on self-directed learning activities and the ways we make these available for students and faculty," said Rosemary Knechtel, coordinator of the Centre. "The Alberta visitors were impressed and likely will model at least some of their planning on our facilities."

RESEARCH COMMITTEE INCREASES ACTIVITIES

The Research Committee of the School of Nursing is looking for ways to make the research carried out by faculty and students more readily available.

At a recent meeting the Committee made several recommendations that could assist in promotion of its activities, Professor Ann Hilton, chairman of the committee said.

If you have written a research report and would like to have it kept in the Woodward Biomedical Library, this can be arranged. Published and unpublished reports are listed and kept in designated boxes in the Archives section of the Library, which would make the reports much more widely available. If you wish your report filed and circulated in this way, supply a copy of the report in an appropriate cover to Professor Kathleen Simpson of the Research Committee who will arrange submission to the library.

Faculty who are interested in working with graduate students are urged to complete the Research Committee's forms giving areas of interest, experience and field of research.

Faculty should be certain to notify Dr. Marilyn Willman, Director of the School, when resarch funds have been awarded so that notification of new research awards can be announced.

Faculty are also urged to keep the record of on-going research (in the yellow folder in the research office) up to date.

Further ideas that would help promote research should be given to Prof. Hilton, local 82-7498.

NEW IN THE LEARNING CENTRE

A-V Media

A Moveable Feast. 16 mm film produced in 1981, 26 1/2 minutes. This new Canadian film about breastfeeding is endorsed by the Canadian Pediatric Society. Using documentary footage, animation and dramatized skits, it takes a candid look at many of the most common myths, questions, concerns and problems encountered by new parents about breastfeeding.

Teaching Aids

2 Resusci Anne torsos for C.P.R.
2 Airway models -- good for demonstrating correct positions for hyperextension of the neck
1 floor model Baumanometer (must be kept at all times in the patient care area in the Centre)
3 Adam teaching models (male anatomical models)
1 Susie Simon teaching doll (adult)
1 Amputation Stump
1 Brain anatomical model
1 toy box (donated for our new "pediatric corner")

A Reminder!

We are still looking for contributions of used toys to fill our toy box in the Learning Centre. These can be left either with Valery Bihrer or Barbara Iwasaki in the A-V Loan-Out area. Phone 82-7508.

-- Rosemary Knechtel
Learning Centre

IN PRINT

ELAINE CARTY and ILENE GORDON. "Sexuality Questionnaire." Great Expectations, Vol. 10, No. 4, Winter 1982, pp. 23-26. (To date the questionnaire has attracted some 500 replies from across Canada.)

ILENE TANZ GORDON. "The Birth Controllers: Limitations on Out-of-Hospital Birth." Journal of Nurse-Midwifery, Vol. 27, No. 1, Jan.-Feb. 1982, pp. 34-39.

GLORIA JOACHIM and ANNA KARAMPELAS. "Head Nurse and Clinical Instructor: A Team Approach Helps Both Students

and Patients." The Canadian Nurse, Vol. 78, No. 2, February 1982, pp. 26-29.

GLENNIS ZILM. (Book review of One Thing for Tomorow, by Joyce Brack with Robert Collins.) Quill & Quire, Vol. 47, No. 11, p. 28.

FACULTY NEWS

Eight faculty members attended the Western Region meeting of the Canadian Association of University Schools of Nursing in Victoria during "Break Week" in February. These were: ANN HILTON, JANET KNOX, BETH McCANN, WIN MILLS, PAM THOMPSON, PAT VALENTINE, KIRSTEN WEBER and ANNE WYNESS.

Prof. JOAN ANDERSON visited the University of California, San Francisco, in late January to give a Seminar for School of Nursing faculty and graduate students. She spoke on her recent research on a cross-cultural study of families with a child with a long-term health problem.

Prof. ELAINE CARTY participated in a "Health Beat" television program on Channel 10 in February on "Miscarriages." She spoke from both a professional perspective as a counsellor to women who have had miscarriages and from her personal experience. The program has been shown several times in the Greater Vancouver area.

Prof. GLORIA JOACHIM was married February 18 to Ben Keil. Much happiness to them both.

MARLA PERZOW, from Montreal, has joined the support staff for the School of Nursing as first-year secretary.

Prof. SHEILA STANTON, who is chairman of the British Columbia-Yukon area, attended the meeting of the National Health Services Committee of the Canadian Red Cross in Toronto in late January.

GLENNIS ZILM, part-time lecturer in the School of Nursing, re-arranged her working days at the beginning of March to be part of a five-member jury committee of the Canada Council in Ottawa. The jury made recommendations to the Canada Council on grants to publishers for 1982. Ms. Zilm is also a regular reviewer of Canadian books for Vancouver Radio CHQM.

COMING EVENTS

March 26, 1982

Nursing Undergraduate Society Annual Spring Banquet, in the SUB Ballroom, Friday, March 26, 1982 at 6:30 pm. Tickets $8.50 and faculty are invited to attend. Theme is Greek and togas are required dress!

April 28-30, 1982

National Nursing Research Conference sponsored by the University of B.C. and University of Victoria Schools of Nursing. To be held at the University of Victoria. Full conference programs are ready and can be picked up in the nursing office, School of Nursing. Further information and details from Ann Hilton, UBC, local 82-7498.

Dr. Todd Rogers of the Faculty of Education will be teaching an inservice education series on "Research Design" for Education faculty in the fall of 1982. Nursing faculty are welcome to attend. Further details will be announced in the early fall, but you may want to keep some time open for this series.

Abstracts are invited for presentations at the Annual Meeting and Scientific Session of the Canadian Council of Cardiovascular Nurses. The meeting is to be held in Calgary October 18-19, 1982. Deadline for abstracts is March 15, 1982.