

BRYAN



NOTES

March, 1972

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ALUMNI BANQUET

It is time to start thinking about the annual banquet and making plans to attend. The banquet will be held on Saturday, June 24, 1972, at the American Legion Club, 5730 "O" St. (The date was printed wrong in the last Newsletter.

We will again have a buffet dinner with spouses and guests invited. The cost will be \$5.00 each, tax and tip included. The executive committee is presently making arrangements for the program.

Honor classes for the banquet include 1932, '37, '42, '47, '52, '57, '62, '67, and the 1972 graduating classes. Does this include your class?

Reservations must be made in advance. Please mail reservations with payment to Box 120 at the dorm by June 15, 1972. Please fill out the enclosed questionnaire and return it with your reservation.

BUILDING AGAIN

Soon if you visit your home hospital you will have trouble finding the front door. As of April 1, 1972, the front door will be closed and construction of a six level addition will be started.

Entering the building will be done through the Emergency Room or the door located on the east side of the building.

Included in this area will be a new gift shop, coffee shop, waiting area with a special area for children, several more elevators, and many new offices.

Bryan Memorial Hospital must continue to grow if it is to keep up with the city of Lincoln and the "ever changing medical profession."

POINTS TO PONDER

BRYAN ALUMNI CALENDAR 1972

The meetings will be held at the School of Nursing unless otherwise indicated.

March 28 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

What is happening to the nurse today and what is her changing role. A look at the Bryan School of Nursing and its future.

April 25 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

Nursing Unions - What are they? What is their function?

May 23 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

A look at the ten hour work day and four day week - Does it work for nurses?

June 24 (Sat)

Alumni Banquet - Legionaire Club
57th and O St.

Social Hour - 6:00 p.m.

Dinner Hour - 7:00 p.m.

Spouse or guest invited.

August 22 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

How does the Good Samaritan Law apply to nurses? What are some other Legal Aspects pertaining to the nurse?

September 15 and 16

Friday - 6 to 10 p.m.

Saturday - 4 to 10 p.m.

Carnival at the School of Nursing

This will be done in cooperation with the students as a fund raising project. (Your help is needed)

October 24 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

Relicensure of RN's - what are going to be the requirements for the nurse to keep her license current?

November 28 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

Pot Luck Supper - Spouse or escort may come along We are working on the program

January 23, 1973 (Tues) 7:30 p.m.

Election of Officers

The Executive Board hopes that these meetings will be of interest to you and that you will mark your calendar and plan to attend.

A topic of much concern, criticism, and speculation is the movement toward educating nurses in colleges and universities and phasing out the diploma schools. While it is advocated by some that this type of program would provide quality nursing care at a lower cost to the patient, we seriously question whether it will save the patient any money and whether it will provide the quality nursing care that our patients have experienced in the past.

Some questions that would arise in our minds with this development are:

- are hospital costs really going to be reduced, or will hospital administrators find themselves developing extensive inservice programs to prepare these collegiate graduates in clinical experience areas. Development of such inservice programs in order to provide quality nursing care would certainly increase hospital costs and thus patient costs.
- are these programs equipped to provide the nursing student with clinical experience so that they can apply their knowledge, as the key to quality nursing care is certainly the ability to apply your knowledge as well as possessing knowledge
- are there enough qualified instructors and enough facilities to educate the necessary number of nurses needed or will we find many of the RNs roles turned over to those who are less qualified
- is the nursing profession becoming one of a "status seeking, educated people" who are poorly qualified for rendering patient service
- is the key to quality patient care knowledge and theory or is it knowledge, theory, and clinical experience to apply that theory

The above was topic for discussion at the last Nebr. Nurses Dist. #3 Association Notes and meeting of February 29.

Are you concerned about our profession and its status--if so please consider the development of the collegiate programs and write your professional organization and express your opinions. If you do not belong now is the time to join and make your opinion count.

If you wish write Bryan Alumni Association and express your views.

DON'T DELAY -- SPEAK OUT NOW

DUES ARE DUE

It is time to pay dues again. Dues are still just \$4 and should be sent to Bryan Alumni Association, Box 120, 5000 Sumner Street, Lincoln, Ne. 68506

CARNIVAL TIME

A carnival is in the planning. The executive board is presently giving serious consideration to making this our money making project of the year and thereby eliminating the usual money making projects during the year.

Game booths, cake walks, bingo games, and any other suggestions you may have will be considered.

Would you be willing to help with such a project? Much help will be needed in preparation for the carnival as well as in the operation if this is to be a success. Let us know your views soon.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

As you may have noticed this issue of the paper is being put out by Carol Sherman as BRYAN NOTES editor and the executive board. Despite the establishment of a permanent mailing address, we have received very little "news" to print. No doubt our function is to educate our group through this publication but we would like some feed-back - your news, births, deaths, weddings, and your thoughts and opinions.

What have you done this year to support your organization? Did you pay your dues? Did you attend any meetings? (We haven't had a quorum present for a year.) Did you not like the program? Did you express your opinion or offer suggestions? There is much work being done by a very few to keep this organizations going.

Bryan Nurses Dorm, Box 120, Lincoln, the place to write; the next meeting will be at the school on March 28, 1972 at 7:30 p.m., we'll look for you there.

DEATHS

Miss Clara Schecht, '33 died on December 24, 1971.

Miss Schlecht was superintendent and instructor in OB between the years of 1944 and 1965 when she retired.

Miss Schlecht did much for our organization in supporting it. She was very interested and involved in the student loan fund and thus her family felt it only fitting for the memorials to go to the Bryan Memorial Student Loan Fund.

Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. Margaret (Strawser) Pavelka, '46, whose husband died January 30, 1972.

Mrs. Pavelka was Director of Nursing Service and Nursing Education at Bryan Memorial Hospital from 1961 to 1971.

The family requested that the memorials were to go to either the Heart Association or to the Bryan Memorial Student Loan Fund.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Did you notice lots of plastic Christmas figures on houses and in windows around Lincoln this year?

These were items ordered by the Executive Board last fall and sold as a money making project during November. Approximately 200 Santas, sleighs, reindeers, snowmen, and angels were sold resulting in a profit of \$165.00.

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the 1972 year we now have 25 paid members to start our year - where are the rest of you???

Our total in checking account is \$556. The Savings Account is \$463. Ruth Kimmel Memorial fund has \$482.

Please fill out the questionnaire below and return to
Bryan Alumni Association, Box 120, Lincoln, Ne. 68506

NAME: _____ MAIDEN NAME: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____ YEAR OF GRADUATION: _____

CORRECT ADDRESS: _____

Do you plan to attend the banquet? _____ Will you bring a guest? _____

Name of guest _____ Is your check enclosed? _____

Are your dues enclosed? _____ Would you be willing to help with the
carnival? _____ Do you have suggestions for the carnival? _____

What is your phone number? _____

Do you have suggestions for the Executive Board? _____

Activities ? _____ Programs? _____

Do you want us to continue with the work we have been doing? _____

Do you want us to continue having meetings, or should we abandon this program and
just have the annual banquet? _____

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