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CMHA School of Nursing



he Class of 1995
began their nursing
education in the
original School of Nursing
building located at 1416
East Morehead and moved
to the Rankin Education
Center at 1200 Blythe Boulevard during the summer
of 1994. The new school

boasts a spacious Nursing Skills/Computer Lab, Anatomy Lab, Chemistry Lab, Auditorium, Bookstore as well as generous sized classrooms, faculty and staff offices and lounge areas. With its contemporary new design, the CMHA School of Nursing

has proven to be a delightful change for both students and personnel.

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A Message from the Administrator/Director

Clara Smith, RN, MEd



lthough it has been a year or two since I graduated from my basic nursing education, I still have vivid memories that will never be erased. I remember how long 10 minutes was when I had to talk to my first patient (now client), that I had an instructor who counted my steps to make a bed, that I had to sharpen needles (not disposable) before giving injections, that I did care plans using Abdellah's 21 Nursing Problems (not Gordon's Functional Health Patterns), that the Dean measured how far our hems

were from the floor before clinical each day (no pantsuits), that I spent 6 weeks of clinical in a TB Sanitarium wearing isolation garb (now PPE) all day, that Ruth Broadhurst and Evelyn Perry were mentoring faculty, and that I made many friends who are still friends today. It is our hope that this Memory Book will jog your memory and help you reflect on how you have grown over the past two years. When it has been a year or two since you graduated, you will see that you and nursing have continued to grow and change.

CMHA School of Nursing Board of Directors

Left to right: Marcus Harris, Chair, Nancy Austin, Anita Brown, Mike Tarwater, Kay Smith, Bob King



In 1993, the Charlotte Mecklenburg Hospital Authority separately incorporated the School of Nursing and appointed a Board of Directors as the governing body of the School. The Board of Directors

consists of professionals from the community and meets quarterly to discuss current as well as future planning for the School.

Faculty and Staff

he faculty and staff of the CMHA School of Nursing are truly dedicated to increasing each student's knowledge and promoting his or her advancement. School personnel strive to provide an atmosphere that inspires the student to learn while nurturing growth toward the professional goal of becoming a Registered Nurse. Unafraid of change, the faculty and staff are continually working to learn new and different aspects of nursing and education. Their ultimate goal is to assure that each student achieves his or her highest potential.























Susan Appel Wilma Blackburn Nancy Comer





Claire Corbin Connie Deming Sylvia Doyle







Duke Duncan Ginger Eklund Crystal Harris







Steve Hillis















Gail Johnson Graham Keever Steve Lazenby

Denise Howard Jean Hutton Renee Hyde



Jane McCloskey

Sonya Montgomery Karen Parker Arlene Polaski







Cindy Rhodes
Ellen Sheppard
Pat Taylor







Joan Teli Sue Thornton Brenda Vasquez







Gail Watson
Virginia Whedon
Steve White























Level II



















Level II







Ann Bales

Add a supportive and understanding family, minus two years of your life, equals a Real Nurse.

Kim Bennett

Always pretend you are who you wish you were, and act like the person you wish you could be.

Mollie Berkeley

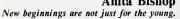
Nursing school is like labor ... when it's over, it's wonderful.

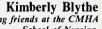




Jennifer Bernard Sylvia does remember how to make a bed!

Anita Bishop



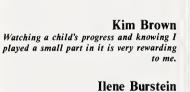








Kimberly Blythe I've made life-long friends at the CMHA School of Nursing.



Barbara Cicero Learn to Listen. Opportunity sometimes knocks very softly.







Cathy Clinton Nursing school has been my greatest challenge and also my most rewarding experience.









An intense two years. Nursing school is not for the faint hearted nor the uninformed.

Lynda Doubraski Thanks for the memories!







Scott Floyd Boy, it sure is warm in here ... Doesn't anyone think it's warm in here?

Susan Gay

Beate Graeter Airway, handwashing, side effects, nutrition, risk factors . . . these are the key issues to pass exams!







Mia Grigsby I greatly appreciate the chance to start a new career and the opportunity the school has provided me.

Janeen Griswold Thanks Mom!

Terri Gustin One Gustin entered nursing school, two will finish!



Deborah Hall I thank God, my family, friends, and the CMHA SON instructors for helping me achieve the dream of a lifetime.

Lisa Hall

Chris Hare

Compassion, understanding, and acceptance are things to strive for ...
especially when you are working maternity.

Kathy Harris
There's no better feeling than the accomplishment of a set goal.







Todd Hawkins Nursing school has taught me that we are truly capable people.

Rita Hayes
I have enjoyed the challenge of learning
something new every day and interacting with a wide variety of patients.

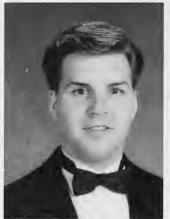
Cindy Haynes
Nursing school has been a very good
growth experience for me.













Mac Herring

Eric Hiatt

The best thing about nursing is being able to recognize and meet your patient's needs.

Mike King
If I hadn't been there, I never would have
believed I'd done it!

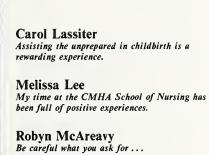


Kyle Kirby















Mary Meserole
My longtime dream of becoming a nurse is finally realized. It's a great feeling!

Kim Mixson
Thanks to all my instructors and fellow classmates who have helped me through the challenges of nursing school.

Donna Mueller

Diane Mulkey

Nancy Merrick







The only place you can find success before work is in the dictionary.

Kristen Nastasi
I have made the best friends since I have been in nursing school.

Nursing tests are like a box of chocolates, you

never know what you're gonna get.



Nick Pollock Becoming a nurse has fulfilled one of my life-long dreams.

Patricia Reynolds
If at first you don't succeed, spend the
afternoon in the skills lab.

Carina Rivenbark

Nancy Robertson
God's gift to you is what you are; your gift
to God is what you make of yourself.







Judy Rochelle

I think this might be a question on the
test.

Tracy Seaman
Watching a new life enter the world
reinforced every reason why I became a
nurse.

Monica Sharkey I am confident that the hardships of nursing school will satisfy my individual goal and benefit my family's future.







Shirley Shaw
Nursing school has provided me with
experiences and challenges I'll remember
forever.

Iris Skipper
Nursing school ... what a challengel

Amy Smith

Nursing school has given me the opportunity to build friendships that will last a lifetime.







Sue Smith
I think I have that!







Sharon Stanley
There's nothing like nursing school to help you realize your potential.









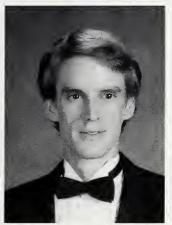
Lynette Tweed
My most memorable, and embarrassing,
moment of nursing school is passing out
face-first on the OR floor.

Deborah Utley

Teri Wallace These past two years have been the most challenging years of my life.







Heidi Watts
It's almost here! You know, that light at the end of the tunnel!

Libby Whitesides
Anxiety related to anticipated job market.

Scott Wilkinson Nursing school has been a very unique and stressful, yet challenging, experience.



Michelle Zamieroski Nursing school has been a great learning experience.

Not pictured: Kelly Rednour Terri Williams







Level 1



















Level I







Kim Abernethy Crystal Abrams Kristina Andronica Rebecca Baker **Cathy Battle** Renee Bauer Yavonne Bell Cynthia Bradford Debra Bradshaw Wendy Brower Crystal Buchanan

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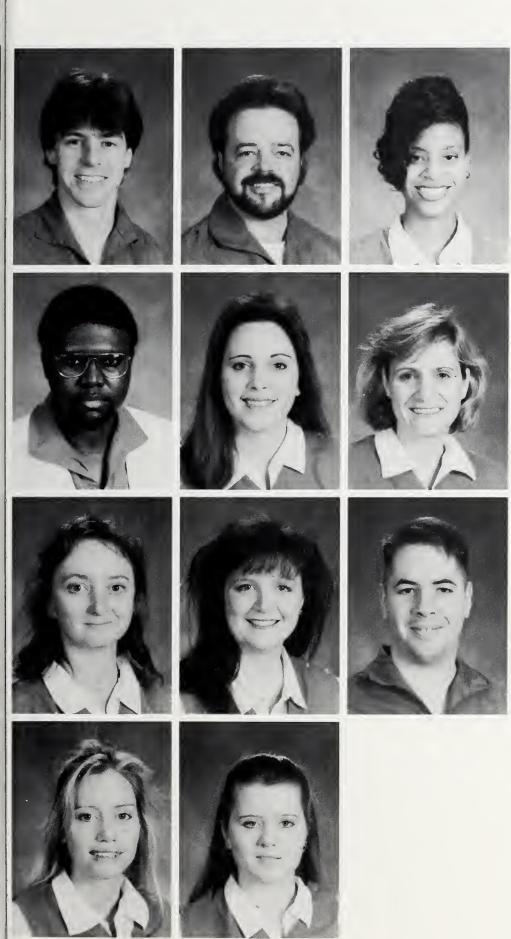
Grant Cail Kristie Chapman Elizabeth Church

Pam Cloninger Genevieve Conroy Janice Cook

Catherine Corn Ari Crenshaw Kristina Earle

Kathryn Eller Cyndi Favorite

Laurie Felstow **Kimberly Ford** Jeannette Gantt Jennifer Gardiner Dennis Guerra Deborah Hardwick Terra Haught William Haynes Debra Hendricks Tammy Herrin Margaret Hewett



Tim Hill Doug Hines Kim Houston

Nate Huggins Tracy Johnson Elizabeth Jones

MK Knollmeyer Robin Lackey John Lindsay

Tracy Lutz Jennifer McFalls

Lori McFerren Linda Richard Hilary Rowe Angelica Shaver Ashley Shields Amy Sloop Richard Sly Renee Smith Julia Twitty

Sally Osterhout Lazanna Powell







Donna Tyndall Wendy Upton Pat VanPelt

Randi Vignola Mark Webb Melissa Williams



Not pictured: Dana Armstrong Marilyn Bizuwork Erica Cirillo Sandra Jessup Margaret Johnson Tina Lee Karen Metler Kelly Neff Stephanie Palmer Suzanne Pedone Jamie Ray Diane Schoenheit Leslie Stiegelmeyer Lisa Stinson Melanie Whelan

CMHA School of Nursing Class of 1995



CMHA School of Nursing Class of 1996



Level II Student Government Association

Top: Ginger Eklund, Advisor, Mike King, Bottom: Terri Gustin, Nancy Robertson, Mia Grigsby



he Student Government Association is a student-wide organization. This year, thanks to the tremendous leadership of President Mike King, the SGA managed to organize both a fundraiser and a community service project during the fall semester. Organized by Vice President Terri Gustin, the

fundraiser helped purchase the class' senior gift to the School. Earned funds were kept in meticulous order by Treasurer Mia Grigsby. Secretary Nancy Robertson and her committee organized an "angel tree" to buy Christmas gifts for the TAPS students. Faculty and staff also participated in this project, donating both funds

and time to make it a success. All the officers are grateful for the opportunity to serve their classmates and for the support of the faculty and staff. A special thanks to Connie Deming for all the time she contributed to the TAPS Christmas project.

Level I Student Government Association

Top: Nate Huggins, William Haynes, Bottom: Ginger Eklund, Advisor, Melissa Williams, Kim Abernethy



he Level I SGA was elected in the Fall of 1994. Officers were President William Haynes, Vice President Kim Abernethy, Secretary Nate Huggins, and Treasurer Melissa Williams. The hopes and aspirations of the group included community services such as a

bone marrow drive and social activities. Through these activities, the class has grown closer and maintained a positive morale. Due to the understanding of the serious commitment and dedication that nursing students require, the Association will strive to encourage and support their fel-

low students. The Class of 1996 hopes to become a new breed of nurses set apart by maximum care and compassion for the patient as well as each other.

Student Nurses Association

Back: Brenda Vasquez, Advisor, Eric Hiatt, Front: Tracy Seaman, Sue Smith, Anita Bishop



his year, the Student Nurses Association made great strides in building an exciting chapter. With strong leadership from President Anita Bishop, and an active recruitment effort, membership increased 757%. Monthly programs organized by Vice President Sue Smith covered a variety of topics including Lupus and a presentation by a recent graduate who answered questions about "what its like to work as a staff nurse." Many members

volunteered their "spare" time to assist with a fund raiser campaign, spearheaded by Treasurer Eric Hiatt, to boost the chapter's financial stability. The highlight of the year was the chapter's participation in a national convention. The Association's members have been well informed of all activities via the newly created newsletter, "The Pulse," produced by Secretary Tracy Seaman.

The Memory Book Committee

Back: Mia Grigsby, Eric Hiatt, Ginger Eklund, Advisor, Front: Mollie Berkeley, Kim Abernethy



he Memory Book Committee is the first of its kind at the CMHA School of Nursing. Delighted to have the opportunity to create the book "in-house," the committee has worked diligently to provide a new and improved version of the memory book. Many thanks go out

to all of the contributors of photographs and encouraging words. The committee hopes you enjoy browsing through memories of the 1994-1995 school year and we wish the 1995 graduates much luck and great success as they pursue the world of nursing.

Memories ...





























































































































































































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