

MERCHITE

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ONCE UPON A TIME ...



Mercilite 1986
Mercy School of Nursing
1921 Vail Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28207

Our Fair Lady



As we entered Mercy, full of fear and anticipation we were greeted by someone who would guide and direct us in learning our new profession. She showed us that she believed in us and would walk beside us through whatever we were to encounter. She was there to deliver a smile or a hug to make the good times better and the bad times bearable. While sharing her life experiences we were able to gain insight into what lay ahead of us. As our years at Mercy come to a close, we think back upon the times we have shared with a special lady who was also to begin a new life at Mercy. It is to you, Miss Dotty Schwobel, that we lovingly dedicate the 1986 Mercilite.



Special Recognition

In our busy days at Mercy, special efforts made on our behalf cannot be overlooked. We take time to recognize a special person who has added an extra bit of encouragement and enthusiasm to our days. He was always there whether it was to open the back door on cold rainy days or to help decorate for our prom at the last minute. For all these things and more, we love you Chester Reel.









OUR KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE

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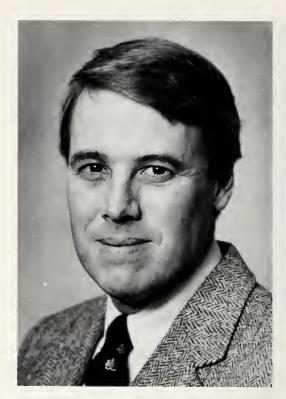
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Chester Reel



















OUR LITTLE TOWN



Mercy Hospital Inc.

Fundamentals of Nursing













Med-Surg Nursing













Psychiatric Nursing















Team Leadership













Obstetrics















Pediatric Nursing











Critical Care















Freshmen experience their first capping.



Play nurses?



Paging Dr. Heart!



Caught in the act Mrs. Rudisill!



My patient did what?



Grabbing a bite before clinical.



If I get one more admission I'll scream!



Awaiting the dreaded fire drill



I think I'll hang on to this one



Gossip in the girl's room.





Come on Terri my legs aren't that funny



That's what friends are for.



Full moon on a Thursday night. Double trouble!

WE'RE GONE WITH THE WIND

"Seniors"

Class Officers



Tammy O'Kelly—Pres., Kim Eudy—Treas., Donna Crump—Sec., Trena Lynch—V.P.



Happiness is a perfume You cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself Anonymous



Amy Rebecca Adams

... Hello Darlin—Come here often? ... Party Animal ... What are you doing? ... FOX ... Bummy, he's so sweet ... Cheryl, let's study ... Big Gulp ... mocha ... I'd rather be shot ... EM-R ... GhostBuster ... We did it ... WBCY chicken ... Bocephus ... Savannah ... K-Mart ... Let's Cruise ... Cellar Dweller ... Eudy, let's make Macaroni & Cheese ... What Annual? ... Let's shoot 'em ... Calendars . . . Lanny's Salad . . . Sharon & Greubie—Where will it be? . . . The Adams' Mobile ... "Uncle Jerry"—He's the best ... Fox Hunt ... Burr Rabbit ... Lynyrd Skynrd ... Yvette, I will if you will ... Naked body pictures ... Q-ROO ... Bessemer City—it's on the other side of Gastonia ... ELVIS!!! ... Gumby ... Pud if you don't ... vomick ... Snooze to country ... It's the best ... Chinese stop-light ... WSOC ... See you in the morning, Lisa ... Be vewy vewy qwiet ... Jessifer ... our little group ... when Bo was here ... pajamas ... Thursday Nights ... Fire safety ... big bullets ... Happy Birthday Trena . . . Thanks to my family, friends and Bummy for giving me the love and support necessary to help me to become a "real nurse".



Tammy Jane Baker

Give thanks for the fullness
of days spent together
The friends that we pray
will be with us forever
The feelings we've shared
the food and good fun
With faith that God's blessings
have only begun.



... Richie ... near Raleigh ...
"hain't" ... "won't" ... Miss T ...
cellar dweller ... cleanest room in
the dorm ... napattack! ... "Wake
me up when it's Friday"







Pam Bard

... Map ... Alan ... Cellar Dweller ... We did it ...
Love Ya Buddy ... tight jeans ... My hair's a mess ...
Cafe' a la Merce' ... Fox Hunting ... Love that Britch
... Myrtle Beach days ... Who's the phone for? ... Did
Alan call ... Teddy Bear ... I wanna go home ... L-I-SA, Where are you? ... All night coffee breaks ... I'm sick
of this place! ... Nothing to wear ... best buddy ...
Dominoes does deliver ... Midnight kk runs ... Donut
holes ... Will Miss you Li ... Old Maid at 95 ... Never
get mail ... S-H-O-P-P-I-N-G! ... I'm fat ... Seefood
diet ...





We've been through rough times, and the hardest may be yet to come.
But remember ... the best things in life don't come easily.
Changes must sometimes be made, and we must not be afraid to make them.
For if we always remain the same, we will fail to grow ...
Doug Konst

Susan Marie Beardsley

... Pink and Purple ... shopping ... The Limited ... let's go to the mall ... Forenza ... When the going gets tough the tough go shopping ... I hate this place ... one of the first to leave on Friday ... How many more days till the next vacation? ... I'm going home ... Mercy Prison ... will it ever be June 6, 1986? ... Have you started studying yet Tammy? ... Do I look fat? ... Mark, Mark, Mark ... I know I failed ... I'll never get married ... Yuck! ... massive ... it's the best ... Nakatos ... owns stock in McDonalds, taco bell ... and major stock holder in The Limited



Be all that you can be champion the right to be yourself
Dare to be different and to set your own pattern
Live your own life and follow your own star









Leslie Brafford

I awoke heavy and heavy I prayed, face in the sun, heart in the shade. As smoke hangs low on a sullen day, my prayer hung there ... till I heard His voice, "This is the day that the Lord hath made; Let us Rejoice and be glad!"

Ruth Bell Graham Psalm 118:24



... Giggles ... Dimples ... Dangling earrings ... John ... High Heels ... Likes hot dogs with onions (John eats them, too) ... I've got a new car ... Remember when "someone" knocked the picture off the wall in Memorial's ER? ... Dancing ... Rock 'n Roll ... Plum Crazy ... Rambo ... The Cellar ... When am I every going to find time to study ... Champagne ...

Donna Braswell

God, grant me the Serenity to accept the things I cannot change,

Courage to change the things I can, and the Wisdom to know the difference.







... I want to go home! ... The Pharmacy ... I want to be a private scrub nurse for a Heart Surgeon ... Wednesday Night Choir Practice ... Pantyhose ... Singing in the shower ... I've got to ask my Mama ... I miss Jeff ... August 16, 1986 at Idlewild Baptist Church ... Missionary's Wife ... China here we come ...

Linda Burnett

For what do we live, if not to make life less difficult for others?



... Slug ... The Off-Campus Home for Wayward Nursettes ... I have a friend who ... The crazier they are, the better I like 'em ... Back in my hippie days ...





Selena Louise Calloway

My Goals

A little braver when the skies are gray,
A little stronger when the road seems long,
A little more of the patience through the day,
And not so quick to magnify a wrong.

A little kinder, both of thought and deed, A little gentler with the old and weak, Swifter to sense another's pressing need And not so fast the hurtful phrase to speak.

These are my goals—not flung beyond my power, Not dreams of glory, beautiful by vain, Not the great heights where buds of genius flower, But simple splendors which I ought to gain.

These I can do and be from day to day
Along the humble pathway where I plod,
So that at last when I am called away
I need not make apologies to God.
Edgar A. Guest



... Nap time ... Billy Joel ... My room doesn't need cleaning ... HLM ... Susan, please get me up in the morning ... procrastination syndrome ... crying spells ... nieceses & nephews ... Elizabeth ... Let's not study ... General Hospital Rituals ... Sunday Blues ... Let's go home ...



Thanks to my wonderful family, and very special friends for all of their support, encouragement, faith and most of all, for their Love. If not for which I would have never made it through. I want to give special thanks to my father, who really knows what being a father is. I Love Ya.



Jennifer Shaheen Carnes

... Go Home... When is class over ... Aloha ... Go 'cocks ... Calvin's calling at 2100 ... Quiet I'm trying to sleep ... Gumby dammit ... I hate this place ... Only __more weeks ... Watermelon Capital of the World ... Party Animal ... Chinese Stop-light ... October 3, 1985 ... Our gang ... What's for supper? ... Cruising Franklin ... S.C. Friend ... BBQ Turkey with Amy ... EMT-RN ... Thanks Mom & Dad for your encouragement and support! I Love You both ...





Think of the hopes that lie before you
Not of the waste that lies behind;
Think of the treasures you have gathered,
Not the ones you failed to find;
Think of the service you may render,
Not of serving self alone;
Think of the happiness of others,
And in this you'll find your own.
Robert E. Farley

Clara Alice Crews

It is a time for memories and nostalgia a time for being touched by that spirit of love that is above us all

A time for remembering the people and things that carry us through the hard times and the sadness

A time for remembering



... Cruizer ... Bamboucha Akole' ... Firedrills ... R.A. ... Burlingtons not Boring! ... Mom ... Dad ... Julian ... Lil Randy ... Am I ever gonna find my Prince Charming? ... Kidnappers ... Who's my best friend? ... C.J. ... State Wolfpack ... What are you doing? ... Trace we need to wash the dishes? ... I can't wait to get out of this place ... I'm not C.J. Mrs. Rudisill! ... I need money! ... Wacko! ... Food! ... Pizza Hut ... Bojangles ... Po Folk ... Wendy's ... Kentucky Fried Chicken.







Donna Marie Crump

Everybody, Everywhere needs happiness, it's true,
But finding it and keeping it seems difficult to do.
Difficult because we think that happiness is found
Only in Places where wealth and fame abound.
And so we go on searching in "palaces of pleasure"
Seeking recognition and monetary treasure,
Unaware that happiness is just a "state of mind"
Within the reach of everyone who takes time to be kind—
For in making OTHERS happy we will be happy, too,
For the happiness you give away returns to "shine on you"





... D. Crumb.Crumpy ... I've got it bad! I think I need a PCXR, stat ... The Moose-Head is a MAJOR FOX ... Kim, I hope he's flattered! ... Greubie ... Since when is Halloween Oct. 20, on I-85? ... I'm gonna Vomik! ... I got my wheelchair Driver's License from the "Blue Light Special" ... I Luv "my Smitty fella." ... I was "dumped on" again ... Amy, want to go to China? ... Ketchup, Anyone ... MOM!! ... Friday, Gotta Go! ... C.J., It's Tuesday Can We Speak Now? ... Lisa, thanks for letting me stay ... PRAM: Thanks for Beaking with me ... Mama and Daddy: Thank you for your love, support and encouragement, You're the Best!

Deborah Y. Dawson

Nature

The world is too much with us; late and soon, Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers: Little we see in Nature that is ours; We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon! The Sea that bares her bosom to the moon. The winds that will be howling at all hours, And are up-gathered now like sleeping flowers; For this, for everything, we are out of tune; It moves us not.—Great God! I'd rather be A Pagan, suckled in a creed outworn, So might I, standing on this pleasant lea, Have glimpses that would make me less forlorn; Have sight of Proteus rising from the sea; Or hear old Triton blow his wreathed horn.

by William Wordsworth



... You're hurting me! ... I love carbohydrates ... Noodles at midnight ... Who, me sleep late?





Sharon Edwards

... Tony & Louie ... Fashionably late ... 259 ... In the mountains near Boone ... fix my hair ... First National Bank of Sheets and Spinzoli ... Where's that chicken machine ... Lisa Baby where's dinner ... up high ... The infamous triple daters ... Not a whomba or a pud ... Plug yourself in ... Thursday-Panama's ... Cellar Dweller ... Party Animal ... Mu-mu-mu ... Where's Thomasville? ... Atlanta Blue ...





Take time to work-It is the price of success. Take time to think— It is the source of power. Take time to play-It is the secret of perpetual youth Take time to read— It is the foundation of wisdom. Take time to be friendly— It is the road to happiness. Take time to love and be loved— It is the privilege of the gods Take time to share— Life is too short to be selfish. Take time to laugh— Laughter is the music of the Soul.

Kimberly Dawn Eudy

... Fox ... Cellar ... "I just love that boy to death" ... I'm so homesick I could cry ... I hate this place ... Official stockholder in Kraft Macaroni & Cheese Dinners ... Dream is to open her own nudist colony ... Yvette, when are we going to eat? ... Yvette, what are we going to eat? ... Has a Bachelor's degree in Interior Design ... I'd like to make a collect call ... What're you doing? ... Pud if you don't ... Tommy ... You might find her chained to her patient's bedpost on clinical with Mrs. Rudisill or taking a break with Mrs. Elkins ... Mrs. Moore, I need to p-void ... Specializes in intracardiac medicine ... What do you mean, there aren't 9 meals a day ... What, Cheryl ... Amy, what are we doing for lunch? ...



To learn something interesting you didn't know,
Don't wait till tomorrow to find ways to share,
To make a new friend,
really show that you care,
Don't wait till tomorrow to follow your heart,
To savor the beauty that life can impart,
Don't wait till tomorrow to let yourself start ...
Take time to do it today!
Amanda Bradley







Sandy Faulkenbury

Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure, than to take rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in the gray twilight that knows neither victory or defeat. T. Roosevelt





Betsy Lou Fesperman

Don't be afraid to stand tall in the sunlight. To reach for your dream, your star. To love with open-heartedness. To look up the mountain and not be afraid to climb. To believe in the wonder of life, the miracle of creation, the power of loving, the beauty within yourself, and the dignity of the human being.









Regina Marie Ficzko

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will When the road your trudging seems all uphill When the funds are low and the debts are high And you want to smile but you have to cry When care is pressing you down a bit You may give in, but don't you quit





... All Nighter ... That's the way they grow'em where I come from ... White-out ... Do me a favor—make sure I get up in ... Bills, Bills, Bills ... Too bad-so sad ... Nope-gotta work ... What the hey? ... Nooo Problem ... Oh_____, Late again! ... 4 Alarm—a beep, a buzz, a bell, and a chirp ... Taco Bell ...

Cheryl Christine Francis

Happiness

Happiness is like a crystal,
Fair & exquisite & clear,
Broken in a million pieces,
Shattered, scattered far and near.
Now & then along life's pathway,
Lo! some shining fragments fall;
But there are so many pieces
No one ever finds them all.

You may find a bit of beauty,
Or an honest share of wealth,
While another just beside you
Gathers honor, love or health.
Vain to choose or grasp unduly,
Broken is the perfect ball;
And there are so many pieces
No one ever finds them all.

Yet the wise as on they journey
Treasure every fragment clear,
Fit them as they may together
Imaging the shattered sphere,
Learning ever to be thankful,
Though their share of it is small;
For it has so many pieces
No one ever finds them all.
Priscilla Leonard







... What's up? ... I know I put it somewhere ... What prom? ... where are the plants?!? ... We did it! ... Orange fuzzy sox ... I need a coffee break ... Amy, have you studied, yet? ... Rob—he is the best! ... Kit-chen ... Ice Cream ... Peppermints ... Hangin' out ... I'm knapping after class ... Lisa, check on me in the a.m. ... Goo-Goo ... You were how old when that happened? ... Oh my goodness ... K-Mart ... Savannah ...



Mary Anne Frazier

Even if it's a little thing, do something for those who have need of help; something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it. Albert Schweitzer





... Cornelius ... P.P. Pinchpenny's ... General Hospital ... Steve Hale ... Tar Heel basketball ... going home on Thursday nights ... I'll never make it to June ... I'm ready to go home ... My name is Mary ANNE ...

Terri Gilfoyle

FreeBird

If I leave here tomorrow
Would you still remember me?
For I must be travlin on now
There's too many places I've got
to see
If I stay here with you
Things just couldn't be
the same
Cause I'm as free as a
bird now—and this bird
you can not change.
Lynyrd Skynyrd



... J.J.D. ... "Who's Zoomin Who?" ... What am I gonna do? ... Yankee B ... You never come home at night ... "Party all the time" ... Cellar; Halloween 85 ... "Joke 'em if they can't take a ____" ... "____ this ____" ... MJM can really G.H. ...







... Greubie ... Does anyone have any Bump medicine ... just look at this face! . . . It was the best . . . I'm not fat, I'm just fluffy ... You Whomba ... You guys! ... I'm sorry ... official party animal ... Cellar Dwellars ... You xof ... I don't know, what do you all think ... I will if you will ... Yes, you too, can go to Mercy School of Nsg! ... What greased doorknobs? ... Resume ... I have a major in Nsg minor in interior design! ... A. Shelton RN, has a nice ring to it ... C.Poe went down to the D. Poe ... Do I owe you money? ... I'm gonna Vomic! ... Amy, want to go to China! ... Hi cihuahua . . . But really Donna—Truckers are impressed with Blue and White hair ... I flunked the K-Mart wheelchair exam ... D.C. what do you think about that B.M. ... I Love You All! ...

Carin Greubel

His understanding is inscrutable He gives strength when we are weary, And when we lack might, He will increase His power. Though youths grow weary and tired, And vigorous young men stumble badly, Yet those who wait upon the Lord Will gain new strength; We will mount up with wings We will run and not get tired, We will walk and not become weary! revised version of Isaiah 40:29-31





Creola Jean Harris "C.J."

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6



... Twit ... good-gooney-goo ... Asheville ...
David ... Amanda ... Love is ... the MACbest,
Bear ... B.S. ... Ceige ... Crayola ... Clara—it's
your weekend ... Donna—do you want me to
help you pack your bags? ... Mom &
Dad—thanks for the encouragement and support,
Pooly & Clyde—thanks for making it all possible
... I Love You All! ...







Kathie Yvette Harwood

... early bird ... LN7 ... Cellar Dwellar ... "I wish I was rich!" ... Future Myers Park resident ... has a personal relationship with the AT&T telephone repairman ... Chris ... hypochondriac ... "Kim, I'm going bald!" ... shopping ... Ma and Papa's on Sunday ... "Tammy, where are we going for lunch?" ... Taco Bell ... BoBo ... "I'm homesick!" ... I'd rather be beat than go to work! ... "Kim, what time are you getting up in the morning?" ... Albemarle ... "I'm going to bed, I'll study in the morning" ... Daddy, Mama and Lisa—Thanks for all the love, support, and encouragement you've given me these past 3 years—I Love You!!!



Always Have A Dream

Forget about the days when it's been cloudy, but don't forget your hours in the sun ...
Forget about the times you've been defeated, but don't forget the victories you've won ...

Forget about mistakes that you can't change now, but don't forget the lessons that you've learned ...
Forget about misfortunes you've encountered, but don't forget the times you luck has turned ...

Forget about the days when you've been lonely, but don't forget the friendly smiles you've seen ...
Forget about the plans that didn't seem to work out right,

but don't forget to always have a dream.

Amanda Bradley



Julie Hassenplug

AT DAY'S END

Is anybody happier because you passed his way?

Does anyone remember that you spoke to him today?

The day is almost over, and its toiling time is through;

Is there anyone to utter now a kindly word of you?

Can you say tonight, in parting with the day that's slipping fast, That you helped a single brother of the

many that you passed? Is a single heart rejoicing over what

you did or said?

Does the man whose hopes were fading, now with courage look ahead? Did you waste the day, or lose it? Was

it well or sorely spent? Did you leave a trail of kindness, or a

scar of discontent? As you close your eyes in slumber, do you think that God will say, "You have earned one more tomorrow

by the work you did today?"







Patia Lee



The Heart is the Capitol of the Mind—
The Mind is a single state—
The Heart and Mind together make
a single continent—
One—is the population—
Numerous enough—
This estatic Nation
Seek—it is Yourself.

Emily Dickinson





Trena Lynch

In my lifetime
I hope to develop
Arms that are strong
Hands that are gentle
Ears that will listen
Eyes that are kind
A tongue that will speak softly
A mind full of wisdom
A heart that understands



... I love Earl!! ... Wait for me Jess ...
What time it is ... I'd rather be shot ...
What's for supper ... Let's go to the show
... Burrrr ... I'm a lose it ... Goodbye girl
... Weiner ... Piney Ridge ... I need
Chocholate ... Wedn. night phone calls ...
280ZX ... express to S.C. ... Bordation ...
Jessifer ... L. Tolbert Recruiter ... Amy
Amore ... walks to the park ... Anaroebics
... living out of a suitcase ... substation II
on Sunday nights ... life-time friends &
memories ... Thanks Mother, Tony & Earl
for all your love & support these past 3 yrs.
... With all my love & appreciation,
Trena ...







Lisa Mundt

God, let me have a goal to seek
And never let me make it.
Please keep it just beyond my reach,
And don't let me forsake it.
God, give me something up ahead
To which I can aspire;
And keep my aim and interest high
So That I will never tire.
Chet Long





... Mudd ... homesick ... The beach and motorboats ... map ... Cheryl, check on me ... WE DID IT! ... Cellar Dwellar ... fox ... Love ya Buddy ... Knife and fork ... The park ... our little group ... Pam, wanna go give blood? ... Harold Hanna ... Contacts are warm ... broke another coffee cup ... Amy, Thanks for calling Chris on August 23rd ... Cheryl is a Weinie Head! ... Love That Britch! ... All night coffee breaks ... Best Buddy ... Dominoes Does deliver ... Midnight K.K. runs ... Will miss you Pam ... Can I share your rocker at 95? ... oh, oh it's from dad ... warm hug ... Bearfeet and Snuggles ... Thank you Mom & Dad ...

Kristine Noblitt

New Friends & Old Friends Make new friends, but keep the old; Those are silver, these are gold. New-made friendships, like new wine, Age will mellow and refine. Friendships that have stood the test-Time and change—are surely best; Brow many wrinkle, hair grow gray; Friendship never knows decay. For mid old friends, tried & true, Once more we reach and youth renew. But old friends, alas! may die; New friends must their place supply; Cherish friendships in your breast-New is good, but old is best; Make new friends, but keep the old; Those are silver, these are gold. Joseph Dany



... Dixie Queen ... Bar-room brawler ... "I gave him his walkin' papers" ... Cleo ... Dragon Lady ... nails ... effecient with a scalpel ... So fond of children ... "I'll do it later" ... Robin's Mon chi chi ... "Krafty" ... color coordinated ... Cornered yet again ... "Wanna play quarters?" ... I'm gonna stomp his throat out ... black widow ... Window Artist #1 ... Ghandi's Secrets (Robin & Kristy) ...







Tamera Elaine O'Kelly

Which Tammy? ... No-only the name is Irish ... "Eyes"—is not a cowboy ... You know what I'm like on 2nd shift! ... To-do lists ... the "partywagon" ... Reeces cups ... Dynasty ... Letters from the Army, the Navy and Morganton(?!) ... long distance calls—Alaska! ... "My sister" ... Santa Fil ... When can ya'll fit in a class meeting? ...—and "Yes—fundraisers again."



A SMILE

A smile costs nothing but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. No one is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it, and no one is so poor but that he can be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and is nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give a smile. Give them one of yours, as no one needs a smile so much as he who has none to give.



Donna Pace

... Somebody get the phone ... Blackie ... Let's go to the Mall ... Po Folk's ... McDonald's ... I hate my Hair ... Survivor ... Parties ... UNCC ... I'm getting ill ... Kristy take my test for me ... I'm starting a diet Monday ... I can't wait to go Home





Success

Success is speaking words of praise, In cheering other people's ways, In doing just the best you can, With every task and every plan, It's silence when your speech would hurt, Politeness when your neighbor's curt, It's deafness when the scandal flow's, And sympathy with other's woes, It's loyalty when duty calls, It's courage when disaster falls, It's patience when the hours are long, It's found in laughter and in song, It's in the silent time of prayer, In happiness and in despair, In all of life and nothing less, We find the thing we call success.





Ashley Sabo

The Girl in the Glass

When you get what you want in your struggle for self And the world makes you Queen for a day, Then go to the mirror and look at yourself And see what the girl has to say. For it isn't your mother, your father, or husband Whose judgement on you must pass, The person whose verdict counts most in your life Is the girl staring back from the glass. She's the person to please never mind all the rest, For she is with you clear to the end; And you've passed your most dangerous and difficult test If the girl in the glass is your friend. You may be like Jack Horner and chisel a plum And think you are a wonderful girl, But the girl in the glass says you are a bum If you can't look her straight in the eye. You may fool the wide world down the pathway of years And get pats on the back as you pass But the final regard will be headaches and tears If you've cheated the girl in the glass.

Anonymous





Lisa Sheets

I've listened to lectures on every topic in nursing,
And taken unreadable notes by the ream,
I've poured over print that seemed quite microscopic,
And researched and researched till I could just scream,
I've sentenced myself to scholastic confinement,
And analyzed, memorized, pondered and crammed,
I've studied the need for each homework assignment,
Examined the value of being examined,
I've questioned and answered in class my full quota,
I've tried not to snooze—or at least not snore,
I've used my IQ down to its last iota,
So Thank Gosh I've finished cause . . . I can't take it
anymore!





... I'm not late, they're early ... I'm so mad ... My hair looks awful, I need a permanent ... I can't go, I've got to work ... Where's the nearest Teller II? ... Tia ... Sheetsie Baby! ... What no mail?! ... Did Doug-ee call? ... Test?when?Tomorrow?—Oh No! ... Sha-don't forget to read your message on the mode ... I love working in the ER so much I've admitted myself twice as a patient in 6 months ... It's at the bottom of the mountains 30 minutes from Boone ... Northern Southerner . . . Sharon, can I borrow your vacuum? ... Music Maniac . . . Sheets National Bank





Sherry Gail Smith

Dear Lord,

Thou Great Healer, may Thy great strength and power flow through me and lend skill to my hand, vision and judgement to my mind, and compassion to my heart. Grant me the strength to minister to my fellowman in his hours of suffering and travail. Make me worthy, Lord, of this saintly task and may I faithfull discharge my duties in deep humility, worthy of the trust and faith placed in me.

Amen.





Thanks Mom and Dad for all you've done
Not only for the days of laughter and fun,
But for being there on days of gloom.
When things would look so full of doom.
Your support has meant so much.
For this and everything—I love you a bunch!

Robin Spake

... What a freak! ... Hand me that ... Vicious lies ... Sugarcreek ... Wendy's ... Po Folks ... "Don't you touch that blanket! ... Ya'll what am I gonna wear? ... Robert's car "Mutha" & the milkshake ... slick ... "Kristy, you can't wear that" ... "Is frank in the office?" ... Dr. Stearn's party Queen ... Speed demon ... me & Robert ... I wanna go home ... I need new shades ... Window Artist #2 ... R & K on the blacklist again ... "Leave boo-boo seal alone" ...





True Greatness

A man is as great as the dreams he dreams
As great as the love he bears;
As great as the values he redeems,
And the happiness he shares.
A man is as great as the thoughts he thinks,
As the worth he has attained;
As the fountains at which his spirit drinks
And the insight he has gained.
A man is as great as the truth he speaks,
As great as the help he gives,
As great as the destiny he seeks,
As great as the life he lives.





Lisa Michele Swindall

... Just five minutes ... Ball and chain ... Wednesday night Hotline ... I 85 S ... Dixie Panamas, Cellar, Lambda Chi ... Bambi ... Spinyoli ... 5% interest ... Sharon Baby, where's dinner? ... Mr. Plastic ... Mom and Dad thanks for the love and support ... Keith thanks for being so understanding. ...

I wish I wish that I could know
The places I have yet to go,
The ways I'll change, the things I'll do,
The special dreams I'll make come true,
I wish I wish that I could see
The life that lies ahead of me.





Kathy Tauscher

"To Deborah"

Everyone needs at least
one good, close friend;
one who means a lot,
and one who can share secrets and feelings,
that might otherwise be
locked up and afraid to come out.
Everyone needs someone
who cares—and doesn't hide it;
Someone to ease the down moods.
Thank-you . . . for being the one for me.
I hope my friendship has been
at least half as good for you,
because friends as special as you
are hard to find.





... "Clunking Clogs"





Susan Wuckovich

... Wacko, Spunky, Parkton, Mom, Dad, Lynn, I've got to go study ... I need the water turned on! ... Selena, Victoria, A basket case ... I'm so nervous! ... 4.0 average ... My room ... Green ... Tony ... Work ... I'm getting fat! ... Chewing gum ... Krispy Kreme doughnuts ... I put Spunky on the shelf! ... Santa Filomena ... Clowns ... The same pencil and same desk or no "A" on that test ... Always carrying on during fire drills ... I've gotta go wake up Selena ...



What does it take to make a day? A lot of love along the way: It takes a morning and a noon, A father's voice, a mother's croon; It takes some task to challenge all The powers that a man may call His own: the powers of mind and limb; A whispered word of love; a hymn Of hope—a comrade's cheer— A baby's laughter and a tear; It takes a dream, a hope, a cry Of need from some soul passing by; A sense of brotherhood and love; A purpose sent from God above; It takes a sunset in the sky, The stars of night, the winds that sigh; It takes a breath of scented air, A mother's kiss, a baby's prayer. That is what it takes to make a day: A lot of love along the way. William L. Stidger

















She loves me!



Me? Study?



See Mom. I'm doing my laundry!



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Me? Overdrawn?

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Tracy Mixson



Maureen Tibbitts

Now I lay me down to study,
I pray the Lord I won't go nutty.
If I should fail to learn this junk,
I pray the Lord I will not flunk.
But if I do, don't pity me at all,
Just lay my bones down in study hall.
Tell my teacher I did my best,
Then pile my books upon my chest.
Now I lay me down to rest,
And I pray I'll pass tomorrow's test.
If I should die before I wake,
That's one less test I'll take.



Why can't I live out here?





Nurse? or Firefighter?



Our Gang



What diet?



I'm just holding up the tree!



Go ahead; make my day.

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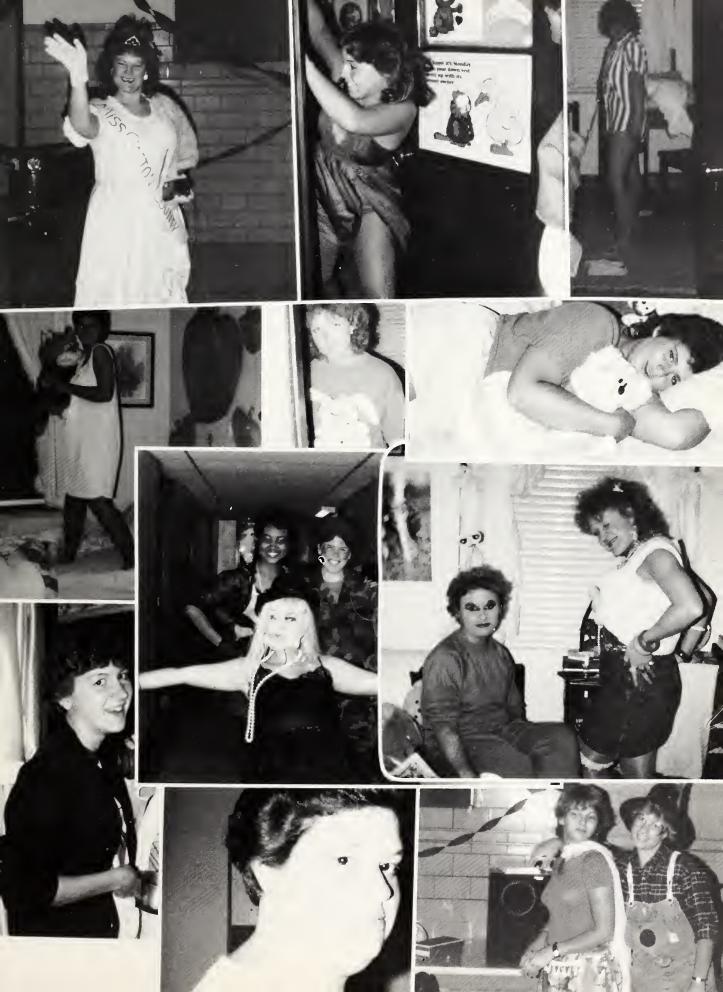


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As our book is opened to reveal pages of our busy lives, we take time to recall the good times as well as the tough ones.

Surviving the challenge of becoming a Mercy nurse is one that we all look upon differently. Hopefully this collection of the times at Mercy will bring back happy memories. I hope that the memories contained in this yearbook are as special as the ones that were brought back to me while compiling our 1986 Mercilite.

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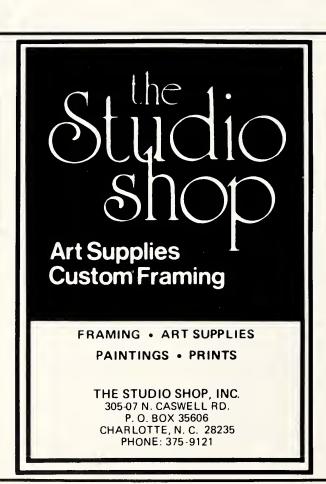
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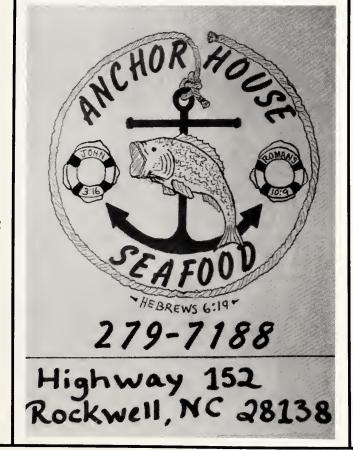
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Dear Pam,

You have worked very hard to become a good nurse, and I congratulate you on a job well done.

You have proven yourself to be "all Growed up" and quite capable of managing the many responsibilities that will be yours in the future.

We are extremely proud of you sweetheart, and very pleased to know that you are happy and content with what you will be doing with your life.

We wish you the best of everything and we love you very much.

Love, Daddy Judy Debra Congratulations
AMY
and
The Class of '86!

Best wishes from Amy's family

Kim,

Our sincere congratulations and best wishes. We're very proud of you and your achievements. May God Bless you in your chosen profession.

Love, Dad & Elaine

Congratulations Class of '86

Cheryl

Our love and best wishes

Mom and Dad

To Gina Congratulations on your chosen career. We luv Ya!

Mom & Dad

Trena,

Congratulations! We are so proud of you. Remember to put the Lord first and may He bless you as you close another Chapter of your life and begin a new one. Your father would have been proud of his little girl.

With all our love, Mother and Tony Sherry,

Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, for all the People you can, while you can. Always remember to press toward the goal to win the supreme and heavenly prize to which God in Christ has called you to. Congratulations as you continue your calling.

We love you, Mom & Dad Susan,

"Congratulations! We're proud of you!"

Love, Mom, Dad, and Lynn

FIRST MEETING I am well versed in the art (And it is an art) Of loving a growing person. I loved a little girl with a doll, A little girl who was once my doll. I loved a troubled teen (Get off my case!), Though it was a bit harder At sixteen than at six. Now the dilemma-Your third year away ended, How to properly love This radiant woman, Beloved stranger in my life. Love. Mom

Congratulations-Mary Anne

May Success and Happiness be yours always We love you Mom, Dad and Timmy Congratulations Pam!

We love you!

Mama, R.A., Derek and Chad

Donna,

Where the Golden Sun is setting
And the path so seldom trod—
May your name in Gold be written
In the autograph of God.
We're Very Proud of You!!

Love-Mom & Dad

Donna,

The sweet memories of her childhood, the joy and happiness of her love today, the bright dreams for all her tomorrows these are the blessings of a daughter. Mary Ann Lowden

Congratulations! We are so proud of you and wish you the best in your nursing career.

Love, Mama and Daddy

Congratulations C.J.

We knew you could do it!
We are all very proud of you
And we love you dearly.
Now go out there and show the
world what you're made of.
Momma, Daddy, Clyde, Polly and Amanda

Congratulations Sharon!

We are proud of you. Hope you the best in the future, and in everything you choose in life. We love you Cooder.

Daddy, Mama Doug, Randy, Shelia and Jeremy. Sandra Ballard Faulkenberry, the first daughter born in San Diego, CA, has always been a joy for both of us. From the time she was a freshman in high school, her goal was to be a nurse. Her love and compassion for others show in her daily life. We're very proud of her accomplishments and know she'll do well in everything she undertakes. We love you Sandra! May God Bless You.

Love, Mom & Dad Lisa,

When you were in your first year and it was the hardest, I told you that you were not promised "A Rose Garden". You made it and I'm so very proud of you.

Dad

Carin

Thinking of you brings such special thoughts and cherished memories, too, of what it has always meant to have a grandaughter like you. A granddaughter who has always brought such joy to every day and who deserves the nicest things that life can bring her way.

Love, Nanny & Pops

Carin,

No words can describe the warm memories, the pride, and the gratitude, too, that comes from having a daughter to love and cherish like you. You have always brought just so much joy and happiness to my life, you will never know how much you are loved. May you have the things in life you so richly deserve.

Love,

Love, Dad

Carin,

As a daughter you have always been a source of pride and joy, always glad to share and help showing that you care.

As a person of your own, you are a source of joy, always so warm and giving. Looking on the bright side, finding fun in daily living.

You bring a special touch to everything you do.

Carin, you are loved both as a daughter and a person so very, very much.

Mom & Johnny

Deborah:

Refrain not from speaking at the proper time, and hide not away your wisdom.

> Sir. 4:23 243 Michael Janet David Jennifer

Yvette, CONGRATULATIONS!

We are so very proud of you and wish you all the luck and happiness life has to offer. Our love and best wishes go with you as you start your new life.

We love you very much! Mom, Dad and Lisa Kathy, you have worked very hard in the last three years to reach graduation day. We are very proud of your achievements.

May your chosen profession fulfill your hopes and dreams.

Love & Best Wishes

Mom & Dad

Dear Patia,

Congratulations! May you always share your kindness and new talents with those who will need you.

With love and appreciation Mom & Dad Tammy,

Congratulations on your success at Mercy—I know you are going to make a success of your career, because that's the type person you are. We love you dearly.

Mom & Dad

Jennifer,

A journey of a thousand miles is accomplished by taking the first step! We're very proud of you.

Congratulations Love, Mom and Dad Congratulations! Trena

You⁷re so precious to me and these past three years have been long and hard but wonderful with you in my life. Will you marry me, now?

I love you, Earl

Congratulations Selena

We are very proud of you. You will always be our favorite nurse.

Your family

Tammy Baker

This makes all the time we spent apart worth it! I'm so proud of you

Love Always Richie

Congratulations Kim Eudy

Our past three years have been filled with pain, sharing, happiness, and a love that has often seemed like a fairytale. Only GOD knows what the future holds for us, but I know that my love will continue to follow you throughout your new profession ... And your life, May GOD bless you in all that you do KIM.

I Love You Kim, Tommy Mabry Congratulations Foxes
We made it!

Love, Amy





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