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Mercy School of Nursing  
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## Dedication

As we entered the halls of Mercy School of Nursing for the very first time, a feeling of overwhelming anxiety filtered through each one of us. As the years passed and our knowledge grew, we realized just how much we have yet to learn. We knew, however, that no matter what, the instructors would always be there. As we face the strange and foreign world of reality, we begin to look back at our years here and must remember someone who stood out among the rest. She was there with a smile as we waded through the jungle of critical care, guiding us, and reassuring us through all the stress. "You better know your stuff" she'd say, and we would commit ourselves to do our best. Through all the lines, tubes, and monitoring, we know that she is a real person, someone to whom we all can relate. Thank you for being you, and as our graduation approaches, we won't soon forget. The class of 1988 would proudly like to dedicate this annual to a wonderful, "cool" lady, Ms. Susie Elkins.

# Ms. Susie Elkins



At work and at play.



Don't think this will keep me quiet!



I have no clue what they're talking about.

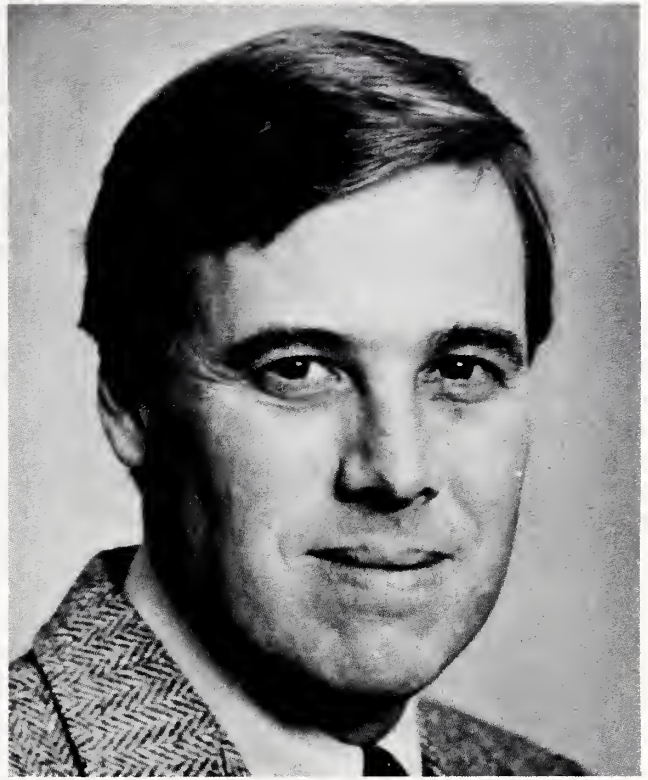




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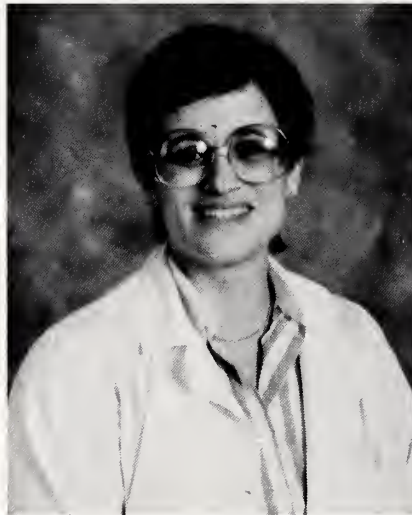
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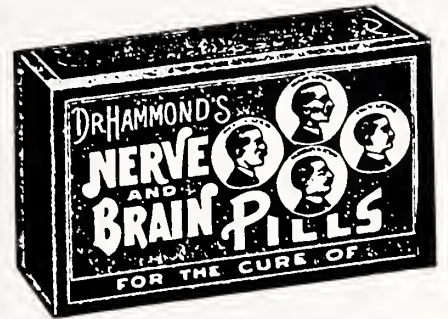


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“Clinical! — NO! not today!!!!”

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## Seniors



Front Row: Lisa Bailey, Angie Gilbert, Dana Huggins and Paula Bauer. Second Row: Lisa Tolbert, Alecia Mason, and Kim Carter. Last Row: Stephanie Morgan.



**LISA ELAINE BAILEY**

**"The Gift of Friendship"**

Friendship is a priceless gift  
That cannot be bought or sold,  
But its value is far greater  
Than a mountain made of gold—  
For gold is cold and lifeless,  
It can neither see nor hear,  
And in the time of trouble  
It is powerless to cheer—  
It has no ears to listen,  
No heart to understand  
It cannot bring you comfort  
Or reach out a helping hand—  
So when you ask God for a gift  
Be thankful if he sends,  
Not diamonds, pearls, or riches,  
But the love of a real true friend.



**PAULA JEAN BAUER**

I accept life unconditionally. Life holds so much—so much to be happy about always. Most people ask for happiness or condition. Happiness can be felt only if you don't set conditions.

Arthur Rubinstein

**KIMBERLY RENÉ CARTER**

“There are places I remember  
All my life, though some have changed.  
Some forever not for better.  
Some have gone and some remain.  
Though these places had their moments  
Of people and friends I still can recall,  
I know I’ll often stop and think about them.  
In my life, I’ve loved them all . . . ”

Lennon and McCartney



**ELIZABETH FRIEDHEIM**

Guard within yourself that treasure, kindness  
Know how to give without hesitation,  
How to lose without regret,  
How to acquire without meanness.  
Know how to replace in your heart,  
By the happiness of those you love,  
The happiness that may be winting to yourself.  
George Sand



**ANGELA RENE GILBERT**

Look to this day!  
Yesterday is but a dream  
And tomorrow is only a vision  
But today, well lived, makes  
Every yesterday a dream of happiness,  
And every tomorrow a vision of hope.

**KIMBERLY DANA HUGGINS**  
**DON'T EVER**

Don't ever feel guilty about the past—What is done is done. Learn from any mistakes you might have made. Don't ever feel that you are alone—There is always someone there for you to reach out to. Don't ever forget that you can achieve so many of the things you can imagine—Imagine that! It's not as hard as it seems. Don't ever stop loving, Don't ever stop believing, Don't ever stop dreaming your dreams.



## ALECIA LYNNE MASON

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,  
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,  
When the funds are low and the debts are high  
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,  
When care is pressing you down a bit,  
Rest! If you must—but never quit.  
Life is queer with its twists and turns,  
As every one of us sometimes learns,  
And many a failure turns about  
When he might have won if he'd stuck it out;  
Stick to your task though the pace seems slow—  
You may succeed with one more blow.  
Success is failure turned inside out—  
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt—  
And you never can tell how close you are,  
It may be near when it seems afar;  
Stick to the fight when you're hardest hit  
It's when things seem worst that you mustn't quit.



## STEPHANIE ANNE MORGAN "COMES THE DAWN"

After awhile you learn the subtle difference between holding a hand and chaining a soul, and you learn that love doesn't mean leaning and company doesn't mean security. And you begin to understand that kisses aren't contracts and presents aren't promises. And you begin to accept your defeats with your head held high and your eyes open, with the grace of a woman not the grief of a child. You learn to build your roads on today because tomorrow's ground is too uncertain; for plans and future have a way of falling down in mid-flight. After awhile you learn that even sunshine burns if you get too much, so you plant your garden and decorate your own soul instead of waiting for someone to bring you flowers. And you learn that you really can endure that you really are strong and you really do have worth. And you learn and learn . . . and you learn, with every good-bye you learn.

Veronica Shoffstall





### DIANE ELIZABETH MORRIS

When you have to attend to things of that sort, to the mere incidents of the surface, the reality—the reality, I tell you—fades. The inner truth is hidden—luckily, luckily.

### MARSHA DEAN PENIX

As I stand here upon this hill,  
Looking out over the world held so dear,  
I see a life filled with many goals  
Some accomplished, many shattered and some  
Yet to be fulfilled.  
A life in which many friends have been made and  
Dear ones lost.  
Where crises have occurred and almost brought  
This life to an end; yet exaltations have  
Kept it going and alive.  
A life that sees the world as a beautiful one  
With many great things to offer, many  
Events to conquer, and many people to help.  
Yet this life could not have gone through  
These events without parents,  
And great parents they have been!

Written by Marsha Penix





## LISA DESIREE TOLBERT

The World Would Be A Nicer Place If Traveled At A  
Slower Pace

Amid stresses and strains

Much too many to mention,

And pressure-packed days

Filled with turmoil and tension,

We seldom have time

To be "friendly or kind"

For we're harassed and hurried

And always behind—

And while we've our "gadgets"

And "buttons to press"

Making leisure hours greater

And laboring hours less,

And our standards of living

They claim have improved

And "repressed inhibitions"

Have been freed and removed,

It seems all this progress

And growth are for naught,

For daily we see

A world more distraught—

So what does it matter

If man reaches his goal

"And gains the whole world

But loses his soul"—

For what have we won

If in gaining this end

We've been much too busy

To be kind to a friend,

And what is there left

To make the heart sing

When life is a cold

And mechanical thing

And we are but puppets

Of controlled automation

Instead of "joint heirs"

To "God's gift of creation."

Helen Steiner Rice



Thank you Mother, Daddy, Janet, Tracy  
and Daved for all of your love and support  
these past three years. I love you!

## Juniors



Back Row: Sharon David, Nancy McIntosh, Lisa Vanhoy, Tammy Collins, Julie Pendleton, and Michele Wise. Front Row: Hiliary Hoffman and Tammy Harrison.



Katherine Ancona

Andi Brenn

Tammy Collins



Sharon David

Tammy Harrison

Hilliary Hoffman



Janet Johnson

Nancy McIntosh

Julie Pendleton



Lisa Vanhoy

Mary Beth Welday

Michele Wise

## Freshmen



From Left to Right: Diane Weisenhorn, Amy Jonas, Kristen Mundt, Stephanie DeFore, Jane Beech and Robin Mills.



Jane Beech  
Kim Brooks  
Leah Casteen  
Stephanie DeFore  
Evonna Emory



Melinda Finger  
Leigh Ann Funderburk  
Carol Getsy  
Ellen Goodnight  
Amy Jonas

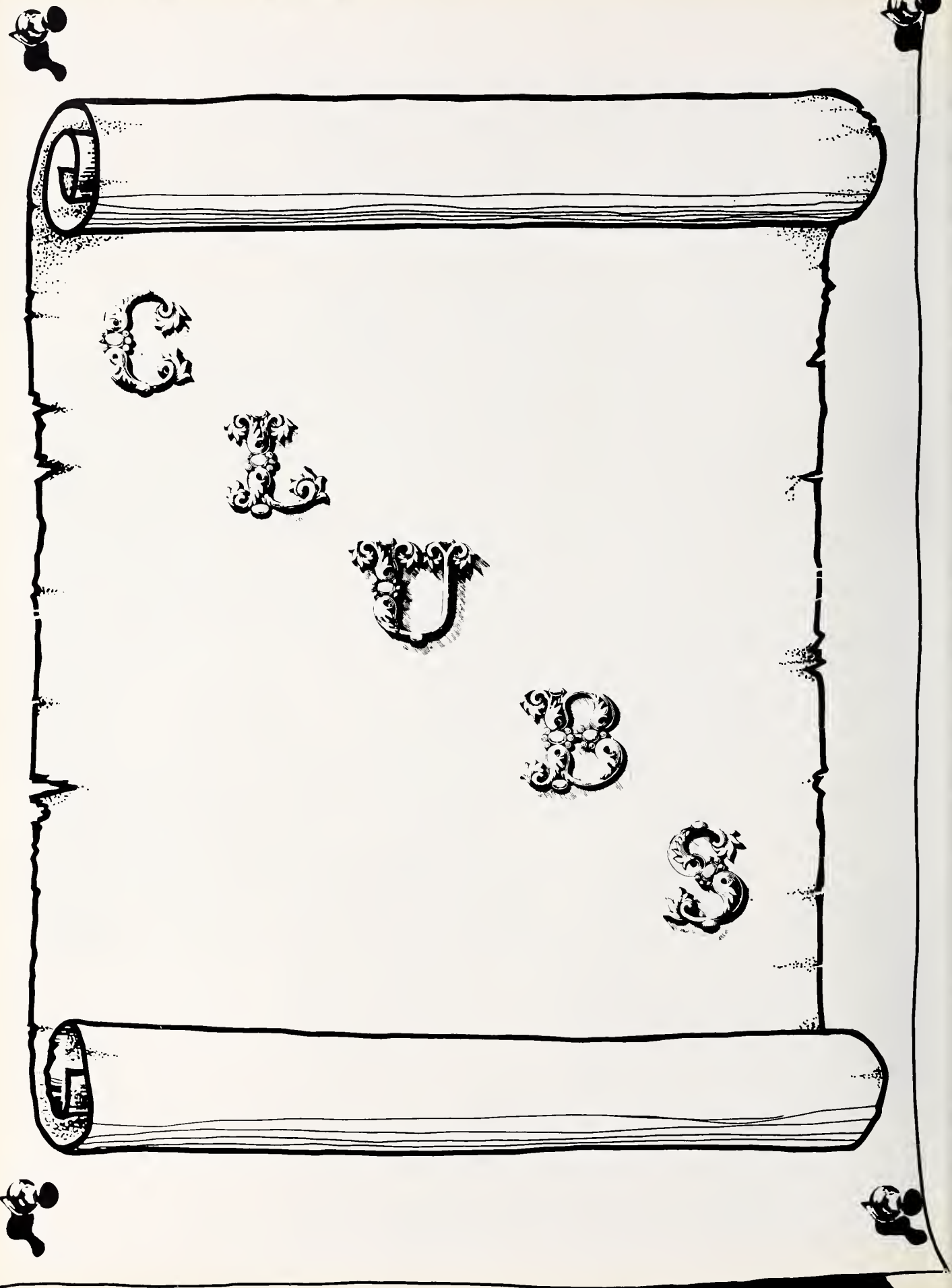


Meredith Marshall  
Robin Mills  
Kristen Mundt  
Kristy O'Kelly  
Tammy Weirich



Diane Weisenhorn  
Anne Eckel  
Candi Brown  
Robin Painter





# Admissions and Promotions



1st Row: B. Holliday, M. DeRitis. 2nd Row: J. Moore, L. Jolly, P.Campbell, L. Opdyke

# Curriculum Committee



1st Row: C. Liu, L. Tolbert, S. Elkins. 2nd Row: J. Moore, L. Jolly, P. Campbell, L. Opdyke

# Faculty Development



B. Holliday, L. Nelson, S. Elkins

# Student Regulatory Committee



L. Vanhoy, S. Morgan, P. Bauer, S. Elkins, A. Gilbert, B. Holliday



# Faculty Advisors



L. Nelson, S. Elkins

# SGA Officers



1st Row: S. David. 2nd Row: K. Carter, L. Tolbert, M. Penix, A. Gilbert, N. McIntosh

# Campus Ministries



1st Row: P. Bauer, K. Carter. 2nd Row: S. Davis, J. Pendleton, J. Johnson, N. McIntosh

# Social Club



1st Row: P. Bauer, L. Tolbert, H. Hoffman, K. Ancona, K. Carter, M. Penix. 2nd Row: MB Welday, L. Pendleton, J. Johnson, N. McIntosh

# Santa Filomena



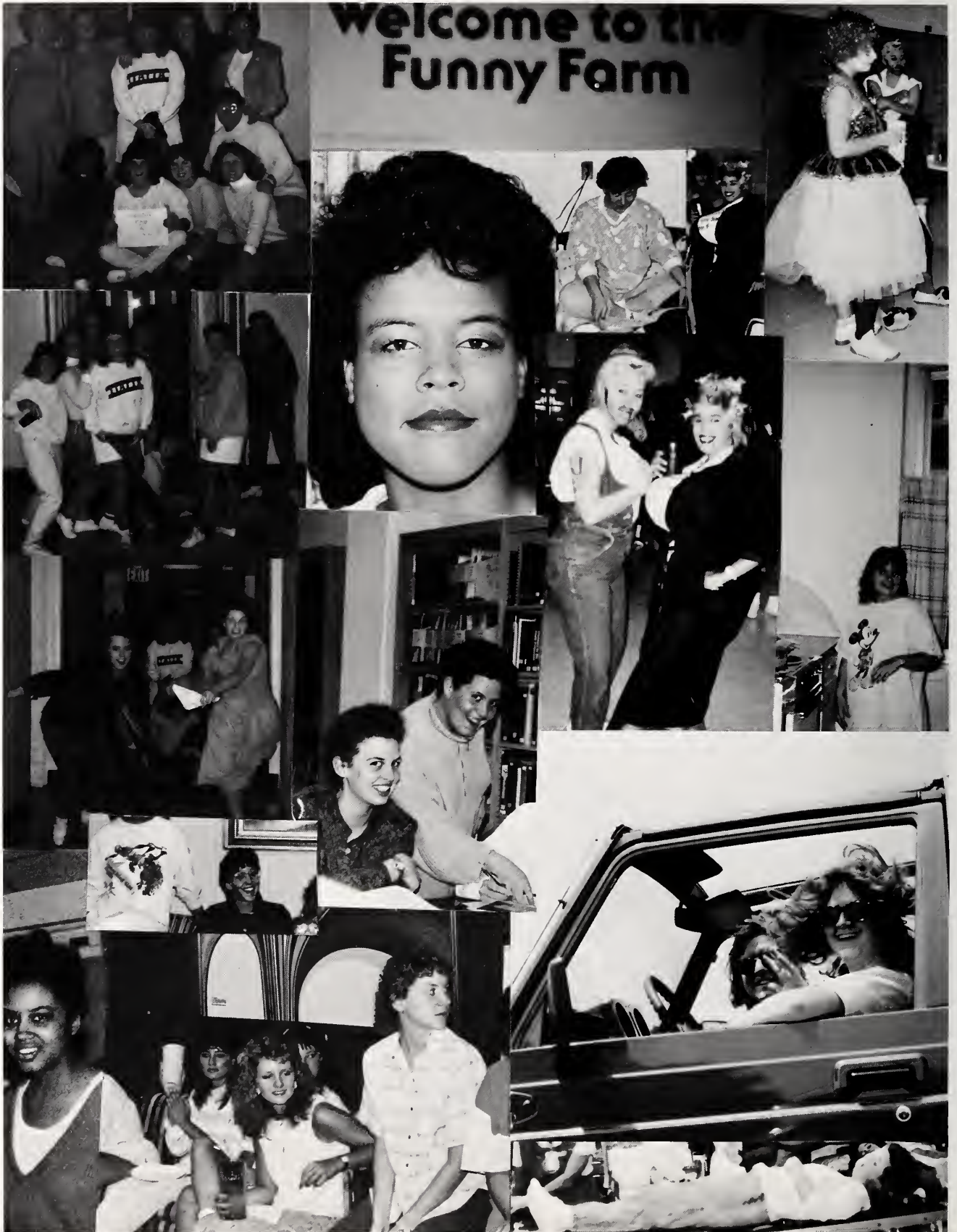
1st Row: P. Bauer, A. Gilbert, L. Bailey

# Red Cross



Marsha Penix

“A Day in the Life . . . Student Nurses!”

















## “Seniors, I Wills”

I, ALECIA MASON, being of anemic body and psychotic mind, do hereby leave all the rising seniors and juniors all the luck and tolerance in the world. To Janet and Nancy another year of the yearbook. To Julie, my little sister, I leave all of my books and a great year to look forward to. To Mrs. Holliday I leave all the gratitude and love I can offer, thanks for being there. To Stephanie, the best friends anyone could ask for, I think you know how I feel. To the graduating seniors, I'll love and miss you.

Me, myself and I, PAULA BAUER, being of stressed mind and exhausted body, do hereby leave the following remnants of my Mercy trials and tribulations: to Jane, my loving suitemate, I leave all my dirty dishes and one bottle of Palmolive. To Ellen, I leave almost all the classy men in Charlotte (some for me) and the book entitled “Safe Sex”: to Kiane, I leave all the “I Nevers” that I never did. To the rising seniors, I leave screaming children, paranoid parents, critical extravaganza and to one poor soul, the all consuming never ending RA position—good luck. I leave to the instructors and esp. Mrs. Holliday, all my thanks for teaching, guiding and sometimes dragging me through this 3 year ordeal. I leave screwed up TV sets, curfew, cold-hot rooms, fire drills, endless meetings, classes, and last but not least Clinical to anyone who has enough stamina to become a Mercy graduate. One thing I will not leave, however, are the lasting friendships which I have gained. P.S.: LJ-KMA

I, KIM CARTER, being of incapacitated mind from Mercy Syndrome do hereby bequeath: to Mary Beth, Andi, Janet and Kate, I leave all my care plans, books, etc. Also I leave a blue band for your hats knowing that each of you have deserved it. I love ya'll! To Jane and Diane I leave a piece of chalk to count down your days at the Satellite Jail. To 10 of the best friends anyone could ever have—thanks for all the memories that I will always treasure. To Steph I leave your very own Red Lobster with unlimited use. To Janet and Nancy I leave those wild nights before exams. To Paula—“I love you”, thanks for being a great friend. To Lisa: There will be no more fire drills, no more curfew, no more wild nights before exams, no more Mercy uniforms, no more case studies, and no more bubble baths (ha! ha!), but remember that there will always be our friendship, thanks for those memories—I love you! To the instructors I leave all my gratitude for teaching me all that I needed to know to get through this place!

I, LISA BAILEY, being of little mind left and run down body, leave Lisa V., Michelle W. my Mercy books and great memories. To the instructors and staff, my thanks and to the graduating class of 1988 I leave my love, our memories, and a lasting friendship. Congrats!

I, LISA TOLBERT, being of unsound mind and debilitated body do hereby leave to Candy B., Amy J., Leigh Ann F., and Meredith M. the ability to get to S.C. in one half the time it usually takes without getting caught (sometimes!) To the rising seniors I leave my congratulations and sympathies to survive the best and hardest years left. To my little sister Janet, "I love you and I'll miss you!" To Jane B., Diane W., and Ellen G., many endless nights of studying (yes you too Ellen!) and best of luck with their futures. To Paula B. thanks for putting up with me! To Kim Carter, we finally did it! How would I have ever made it without you these past 3 years?!! Thanks for sharing all the good and bad times with me. To the faculty a big thanks for helping me make it through Mercy! To my fellow classmates my best wishes for their nursing careers ahead—I'll miss ya'll.

I, ANGIE GILBERT, being of scattered brain and over worked body do hereby leave a long awaited and hard earned goodbye to Mercy School of Nursing. To the upcoming seniors, I leave my motto—"Hang in there! It's almost over!!" To the upcoming juniors, I leave a lot of luck. To Mrs. Holliday I give all my thanks for the listening ear. To the receiver of room 309, I leave the toilet paper in the ceiling should you ever run out. And to the brave soul who becomes RA. I leave what sanity I may have left.

I, MARSHA PENIX, do hereby will the following: (1) My outstanding ability to procrastinate up to the very last minute to any fool who is willing to take it; (2) My ability to make sacrifices in order to improve my physical well-being and to become a more well-rounded person; as well as my ability to get off my tail and find those things in life that are enjoyable and academic to those undergraduates who aren't too easy to take it; and (3) To my little sister Tammy, I will you all the best wishes that I can with all the luck in the world—keep it up baby!!



## Janet Johnson, Editor; Alecia Mason, Co-Editor

“There is a destiny that makes us brothers; none goes his way alone. All that we send into the lives of others, come back into our own!”

As this year comes to a closing, it will be hard to say goodbye to the friends I’ve grown to love. There are so many things I could say to the graduating class—“Good Luck!”, “I will miss you!”, just to name a few. But, most of all I would like to let you all know how much you’ve meant to me. BEST WISHES ALWAYS!!!! Take care and don’t forget us who will be suffering next year!!!

Much love,  
Janet Johnson, Editor

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Dear Paula,

There is a time in every parent's life when a special child comes to the point of leaving the nest. Of course we have mixed emotions Paula, but we will "always be there" for you, now and always. We're so proud of your achievements sweetheart and we know you'll do well in your chosen profession.

**Lovingly, Mother and Dad**

Congratulations Kim!!

We are very proud of you!! We love you!!

**Jim and Dan**

Kim,

We are very proud of you for the things you have accomplished. We know God will bless you in your Nursing career.  
We love you very much!!

**Mother and Dad**

Dear Kim,

Congratulations, and good luck with your career! I'm very proud of you!!  
I love you!

**J.P.**

Congratulations Alecia!!!

You are a very special person. Continued success in your future endeavors.  
I love you,

**Mom**

Congratulations to the class of '88. Especially our granddaughter Angie. Wishing you success and happiness.

**Grandparents Jim & Othel Gilbert.**

To Angie Gilbert the #1 and only daughter in our life who makes us so proud. We wish you continued success in achieving the goals you have set before you. May God always come first in your life putting all else second. You will always be our Joy.  
God bless you—Love,

**Mom and Dad**

Angie,

You set your goals, worked hard and sacrificed lots to reach them. We're very proud of you and love you more than we often say.  
Best of luck!  
Love,

**Daddy, Shirley, Granny,  
& Granddaddy**



Congratulations to our loving daughter and sister, Lisa Bailey. The hard work and long hours have paid off. In your chosen career, many chances will come to help others, but always remember, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths."

Love,  
**Mom, Dad, Ricky, & Karen**

Lisa

I have always been proud of your accomplishments thru your life, but it is most gratifying to see you become a Registered Nurse.

Your Dad  
**Jim Tolbert**

In memory of my loving aunt, Florence Millwood; The most energetic and vivacious person I had ever known. When she spoke everyone listened. You thought "God has spoken" and God did speak, he called her home but her presence and memories will forever linger and touch my life.

**Lisa Bailly**

To Lisa

We wish the best to the best. We always knew that was you that makes us so proud and happy. Thanks for being the person you are. We knew you could do it!  
All our Love and Prayers

**Tracy T. and Mama**

Marsha Penix

Daughter, You're a Winner . . .  
A winner sweats when no one is looking,  
finds strength and courage when all seems lost.  
Pain is never on her mind, but always in her body.  
Her strongest muscles, her heart, knows no rest, for it is continually striving towards its goal.  
A winner has pride in her soul and humility in her step.  
A winner always comes back, even when the score says differently,  
just to prove that she's a winner.  
And you will always be a winner.  
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