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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The reunion this year has special meaning for all of the School of Nursing community. In May, when we meet for our 120th annual meeting, we will also be celebrating the graduation of the first class of the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in May 1894! Seventy years later came the inauguration of our own chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. Both events are noteworthy.

At the outset the program was designed to prepare professional nurses rather than utilize former patients or individuals lacking in education and dedication. In 1964 the Alpha Zeta Chapter provided a mechanism to celebrate scholarship, research and excellence in our nursing graduates, a far cry from an apprenticeship type of program.

Graduation yesterday and today are very different experiences. Charlotte Munck (class of 1909) and her biographer, Margarethe Koch '99, describe the event. Incidentally, Munck believes "that passing the exam weighs very little compared to the three years of practical work. If you have done well in the practical work, it outweighs the examinations. After the exam follows the great graduation exercise, to which nurses may invite guests"...

Munck also writes: "Tonight at 8 pm is the great battle where we get our diplomas and our pin, but for us who came in September – it will be "King for a Day," because we have no right to keep them till the 3 years have passed. At noon yesterday our names were posted and we had all passed our examinations... At 8 o'clock, the guests gathered in the great hall, and then came the nurse procession, as many of the former years who could be there, class by class in uniforms, then the school and eventually we, two by two, with Miss Maxwell at the rear... Then there was prayer and again singing, and finally Dr. Coffin, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, spoke. He was serious as well as entertaining, and he made a very strong appeal about development of personality in the serious and influential life, a nurse can live as she wants to." *Margarethe Koch. "Charlotte Munck" Et. Livsbillede, T.E.C. Gads Forlag, Kobenhayen, 1941 p. 51-53. Translated from Danish by Gunilla Svensmark. Anne Mette Olesen's master's thesis was also utilized. We thank them both for allowing us to print their work.*



Today, nursing students gather outside Butler Library with other Columbia graduating classes for the ceremony, complete with cap and gown. Faculty march in with their distinctive regalia, speeches are made, honorary doctorates bestowed. Each school's graduating class stands as their respective dean reads the text recommending them for their degrees – BS, MS, PhD, DNS, DNP. In a smaller school ceremony, diplomas are given individually to the new alumni. Other schools confer similar degrees in the same fashion. Academic parity has been reached.

FIFTY YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER OF SIGMA THETA TAU

In 1964 under the leadership of Professor Dorothy Reilly '42, a committee of graduates and undergraduates worked on establishing a chapter of Sigma Theta Tau of the National Honor Society at the Department of Nursing. It was to give recognition to scholarship, research and excellence in nursing. In the February issue of the *Alumnae Magazine* of that year, Pam Gordon (Wickstrom) and Lynne Pfarrer (Seidel) of the graduating class, wrote an article outlining their work establishing the chapter:

Alpha Zeta's mission is to "provide leadership and scholarship in practice, education and research to enhance the health of all people. We support the learning and professional development of our members who strive to improve nursing care worldwide."

On May 18, 1964 the Alpha Zeta Chapter installed its first members. The founding President was Mary Masterson (Germain)'64, first Vice President, Judy Gregorie (Aflitti)'65, Second VP, Susan Greenburg (Gordon)'64, Secretary, Jane Forrest (Kiehle)'65 and Treasurer, Adele Merrell (Welsh)'63. The counselor was Dorothy Reilly. Eighty-seven new members were installed and presented with the Sigma key. Members of the classes of 1962 and 1963 were invited to join as were Columbia faculty members. Two members of the Master of Science program, Patricia Boone and Phyllis Leppert MD, both of the class of 1964, were also awarded their keys. In 1965, sixty-seven new members were installed. Since then membership in Alpha Zeta has grown substantially. By 2011, Alpha Zeta had over 2000 members.

At its inaugural meeting in October Dr. Hildegard E. Peplau Ed.D, RN, a leading authority in psychiatric nursing, presented the keynote address. She told her audience "It is the thesis of this paper that professional behavior is a refinement of behavior learned at home and in the community that requires the application of scientific knowledge and awareness of the uniqueness of the nursing situation by the professional nurse." Dr. Peplau then contrasted the differences in behavior in social and professional situations. She stressed that "the goal of nurse-patient relationship is to solve

health problems with a focus on the patient. The professional nurse does this by listening carefully to the patient. In doing so, a friendly attitude is helpful in solidifying that relationship. The attire used in the nurse patient relationship requires simplicity and is indicative of a professional situation. That professional situation is always goal directed and understood in terms of a systematic theoretical matrix. Using a knowledge and theory based practice the nurse can be a model for patients to emulate by bringing relevant information that the patient can use."

The establishment of Alpha Zeta at this time was yet another indication of the changes occurring in nursing and at the Department of Nursing. Indeed, if you were to look at the academic achievements of classes beginning in the 1950s, you would find a high proportion of alumni who have advanced degrees and successful professional careers. Heard very frequently from alumni is the comment that "my nursing program prepared me to go anywhere as a nurse. It opened doors and provided opportunities never dreamed of - and my pin was immediately recognized."



Happy Anniversary Alpha Zeta!

WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOU

Have you or a classmate recently received a promotion? Won an award? Published a book? Started a business? We want to hear about it! Submit your class/program notes for the opportunity to be featured in the next issue of the *Academic Nurse* or the *CUPHSONAA Alumni Magazine*. Alumni are encouraged to send information about life events, career milestones, and about how their education at Columbia Nursing has positively impacted their lives. Please submit your class note to admin@cuphsonaa.org or nursingalumni@columbia.edu by May 15 for the summer CUPHSONAA Alumni Magazine or February 14 for the School's *Academic Nurse*.

CLASS NEWS

1942

Marion HOWALD Swarthout writes: I have recently spoken with most of my remaining 1942 classmates. In general we seem to be a pretty hardy group. Personally she says: I am well, busier than I want to be, but that probably keeps me going. I have two daughters nearby, and my other three children have visited me during the year. I have enjoyed chatting with all the above "sisters".

Elizabeth SCHOONMAKER Booth has hung up her riding boots, but is still traveling. This year, as a former Navy nurse, she took an Honor flight to Washington, DC and enjoyed it immensely.

Jean LAGAKIS Benner has some physical problems, uses a walker, but lives alone, and sounds very cheerful

Annette FITCH Donovan says that she feels better than she has in 5 years! She knits, is active in several groups, including a poetry club and is proud to report a 4th great-grandchild.

Barbara TANIS Fetzer is not faring as well. She has fallen, now uses a wheelchair, and has considerable memory loss. Fortunately, she still has her husband to care for her.

Martha PEARSON Freeman is enthusiastic as ever, although she now uses a cane to navigate. She is still driving her car.

Doris SAWYER Jimison is very active, playing bridge, still driving enjoying family. She has two sons.

Irene HOLTAN Schmidgall is well. She keeps busy in the community as well as visiting her spread out family.

After trying phone and e-mail, I was unable to reach: **Rose BENDOCK Carr**, **Beth MARTENS Craft**, **Jo HALLINAN Finan** and **Vivi TOOTELL Westwick**.

1943

Mary "Molly" CAMPBELL Smeaton died November 23, 2013, at home. It was while she was at the School of Nursing that she met her late husband Jim, a Columbia University football player in the hospital

with a broken leg. Her nursing career spanned 45 years including pioneering the continuing education Department of St. Anthony's Hospital in St. Petersburg Florida. She held numerous offices, including Pres. of District 13 Florida nurses Association and was active in Florida chapters of the American Red Cross.

Molly kept an active nursing license until 80 years of age. She had a spirit of adventure and was a world traveler in her later years.

Molly never met a stranger and was a friend, nurse and confidant of many. She volunteered for causes and was a hospice volunteer until moving to Huntersville NC in November 2012. She is survived by her sister, four children, four grandchildren, six great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

1947

A. Jane SYLVESTRE Jaffé, Stephanie Green wrote, "Our mother died at her home in Port Washington, NY at the age of 89 on October 15, 2013 of colon cancer. Anne Jane Sylvestre attended the Uni-



versity of New Hampshire and the School of Nursing receiving her BS in 1947 and actively worked as a public health nurse before marrying her husband

of 57 years, Dr. Ernst R. Jaffé. Most of her married life was spent in Tenafly, NJ.

She was always busy in the community, working with the PTA, the local blood bank, and the school library. A lifelong love of hers was art; she painted in oils and watercolors. Recently while at her life care facility she re-explored watercolors. Family gatherings and dinners with a view were some of her favorite events. She leaves a son, daughter and her four grandchildren.

1948

Bette Marie FEARON Johnson - Elizabeth Johnson Cua, "I am writing to inform you of my mother's passing on August 14th, 2013. Bette Marie Fearon Johnson was a very proud graduate of Presbyterian, class of 1948. We have enjoyed many tales from her years in NY nursing. Among them were days of doing public health nursing in Harlem, working on the surgical floors and crossing the GW Bridge for gym class. She was a great oral historian. Her aunt, Marie Byron, was at Harkness Pavilion and our father, Samuel Ault Johnson, was a graduate of Columbia Medical School."

1954

Anna Chidester DEYO Howerton - Anna's niece, Tona Tuttle, informs us that Anna died on November 21, 2013. She said her Aunt Anna spoke very highly of the School of Nursing and the fine training she received as well as her opportunity to practice Nursing at CUPH. "Anna enjoyed 82 years of this life, and 54 years married to her husband Robert. Anna graduated from Averett Junior College and the Columbia University Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing as a registered nurse where she practiced and briefly taught nursing. She met the love of her life, Robert, in a record shop in New York City and shortly before he had to ship out to Germany in the U.S. Air Force. Anna agreed to write to him if he would write the first letter which he did before he shipped out the next day. They corresponded for a year and were married when he returned home on leave. They celebrated their brief honeymoon at the

Motel on the Mountain in NY State and a trip to Niagara Falls. He always referred to Anna as his “Little Wife” and they enjoyed listening to songs by the Sons of the Pioneers and going out to eat. She is survived by a sister-in-law, two nephews and two nieces.”

1960

Helen BRANDT Battiste began her life in the Black Hills of South Dakota and later moved to the Southwest, having fallen in love with the Sonoran Desert. Helen held a master’s degree working in behavioral health, and was an early pioneer in hospice nursing. She retired in 2007 from the Carondelet Hospice where she was a nurse case manager. Helen died in Tucson on January 31, 2014. She is remembered by friends and family members including son, grandson, great-grandsons, and her partner.

1963

Suzanne AMSTER Harris writes that she’s retired and “We continue to enjoy living in Southwest Colorado; keeping active skiing 2-3 times a week during the winter. We are still very active competing in cowboy action shooting, traveling to matches in our fifth wheel. Our two children are married, living in Portland, OR and San Francisco – two WONDERFUL places to visit.



1964

Linda KIVOWITZ Glazner has her own consulting firm in Wisconsin. She has published extensively on public health issues. She writes that she founded an organization called “Open Door” to assist ex-convicts as they leave prison walls, helping them to return to society. She writes: “We are here 5-10 am, 365 days for them. They are let out of jail at 5 am. Hence we are here - clothes for them. If they go into jail in summer in shorts, flip-flops and tee shirts they come out in shorts, flip-flops and tee shirts in winter. We offer other resources as well. Public health at its best.”

1967

Janet HINE Widell writes: “After teaching at several local universities including the Troy University School of Nursing in Montgomery AL I have retired. But I have continued as a parish nurse for First Presbyterian Church in Auburn, AL. Bob and I also enjoy International and US travel as well as seeing our three grandchildren.”

1968

Sally THOMPSON Popoli writes that she and her classmates are already planning for their 50th!

1981

Debra HANNA, Associate Professor of Nursing at Molloy College (NY) advised us of the completion of her research study “Learning about Turning, a Mailed Survey of Nurses’ Work to Reposition Patients.” She had received a research grant from our Association as well as funding from Molloy. She has also received the Faculty Research Award for graduate faculty from that institution. She has prepared an excellent Power Point presentation with which to demonstrate her results.

REUNION 2014

Our third reunion with the School of Nursing and their Alumni Association has been scheduled for May 2nd at Bard Hall. The agenda with invitations and notifications for the day are in process or by the time you read this, already received.

To expedite the process and to avoid confusion, all reservations for attending should be made through the School’s Office of Development and Alumni Affairs either in response to the printed invitation or online.

Go to: www.alumni.columbia.edu/nursingreunion2014 and you will see the tentative schedule and the registration options. Give the number of people attending not the cost in that box. While you are at it, you can also see the names of the alumni that have already registered.

CORRECTIONS

The last issue of the Newsletter carried misinformation about the Dean’s election as president elect. It was stated that it was the American Association of Colleges of Nursing. The correct organization she will head is the American Academy of Nursing.

The recent article and obituary about Dorothy Davis Thompson was written by P. S. Ruckman of the San Antonio Express-News. We are sorry for not crediting him with his work.

In Memoriam

1943	Mary CAMPBELL Smeaton	November 23, 2013
1947	A. Jane SYLVESTRE Jaffé	October 15, 2013
1947	Bette FEARON Johnson	August 14, 2013
1954	Anna CHIDESTER Deyo Howerton	November 21, 2013
1960	Helen BRANDT Battiste	January 31, 2014

WAR TIME LIFE IN EUROPE IN THE 1940's

As a former faculty member at the School of Nursing, she is a graduate of Hunter College and helped to establish the geriatric portion of the nurse practitioner program at the School. For those too young to remember those years during World War II and for those old enough to remember the pain and suffering, her story is a reminder of the horrors of war. It is also a reminder of what current day refugees have to endure as they leave their homes and possessions.

"It was March 1939 when I was born in Luxembourg. My parents had already escaped the Nazi occupation in Vienna, Austria and were Jewish refugees sheltered in Luxembourg. Then in early fall 1940 the German Army invaded my country. At first the Gestapo said that all Jewish refugees could leave the country. Three busses were arranged to take us all out of Luxembourg and into France.

My parents and I got the last seats on the second bus. My mother wanted us to take the third bus because there were more children seated there but my father prevailed to take the second bus. We later found out that the third bus was stopped and everyone on it was sent straight to the Auschwitz concentration camp.

Our two busses made it through to France and then crossed the Spanish border. We were hoping to make it into neutral Portugal. At the Spanish border we were captured by the Spanish Militia and put into a detention camp. Spain, now was an ally of Hitler would not permit Jews to cross over into Portugal.

Our two bus drivers, not being Jewish, were released. They knew that we would be taken back to a concentration camp so they went on to Portugal and notified the Jewish International Committee of our dangerous situation.

When the Gestapo came for us they received a 'document' from Portugal claiming that our group were people visiting their Portuguese relatives and if they were detained further, it would create an international incident.

At that point in time Hitler was not willing to anger the few countries with which he had neutrality agreements. They let us continue into Lisbon with Gestapo guards observing if we would really be met by Portuguese families on the platform and escorted away. This had all been secretly pre-arranged. My parents and I met our sponsor family, the Martes. We lived with them for the next two years until we left to come to America in 1942."

We should all be "Neighbors" to our fellow travelers.

OUR UNSEEN HELPERS – THANK YOU

We all know that Brown Brothers Harriman has been our investment firm for many decades. A daughter of the founder, Mary Magoun Brown, was a graduate of the first School of Nursing Class in 1894. Her father and uncle served on the Board of Managers and the School of Nursing Committee for decades.

What you may not know is that we have also had long associations with other vendors or business associates. Philip Holzer Company has been our mailing house for publications since the early 1980s. They are responsible for folding, stuffing, addressing and sending out our materials. Their founder, Philip Holzer was 92 when he died in 2011. Before WWII and joining the Navy, he invented a novel ration coupon system for the wartime Office of Price Administration (WPA), conserving significant amounts of fuel and work hours for the war effort by mailing ration books directly to homes, and avoiding long lines. Many of us that lived through World War II knew those ration books and gas rationing stickers for automobiles without ever knowing who invented them or how we got them in the mail. It was a boon because there was no Internet, postal service was slow and war offices were sparsely staffed. Mr. Holzer also collected 18th century American antiques. His company was founded in 1955. Our man on the ground at the company is Tat Wan who started working for the company in 1979.



Tat Wan

Prior to their receiving the printed material, we have another colleague, Monte Press, who has been an enormous help in design, composition and the final product of our *Magazines, Newsletters* and all other print material you receive. We would particularly like to thank Barbara DeAngelo who never complains about our dumb mistakes, endless editing and who turns out appropriate formats that interest our readers. Monte Press first started to work with us in the 1970s and it was the firm's



Barbara and Frank DeAngelo

founders, the husband and wife team, Gloria and Sil Montenero, who provided these services. Today, daughter, Barbara, and her husband, Frank, continue their excellent work and we greatly rely on their expertise and responsiveness to our deadlines.

Thank you for helping us to get our messages out for so many years. You are good friends to have and great business partners.

FROM APPRENTICE TO PROFESSIONAL

How did a nursing program that started as an apprentice program grant an array of degreed specialists on a par of with rest of Columbia University graduates?

Very slowly and with great perseverance.

At the very beginning of the School of Nursing, owing to the historical role of women in higher education, few applied to become nurses. It was not considered ladylike to care for the sick outside of one's own family or close neighbors. Hence, nursing programs throughout the country were modeled after apprentice-type training in an attempt to recruit candidates who may not have had much education but were promising candidates. The School would teach them what they needed to know. As such, it provided a venue for single women and others desiring independence that needed to earn an income. Early classes were taught mostly by physicians. Ward work was where most of the learning took place and the nursing staff provided instruction. Their schedule was a rigorous one! In addition to classes they put in 56 hours a week ward duty and 52 for night duty. (see schedule below).

The first catalog issued by the School in 1917 named six nursing faculty members – plus supporting medical staff. All were PH nursing graduates. Other than Miss Maxwell, with her honorary Columbia master's degree, and physicians, the only other faculty member was a Columbia bachelor's graduate in 1917 that taught Anatomy, Physiology and Chemistry provided groundwork for physician presentations. That same catalog carried the distribution of hours assigned to each topic in the curriculum with numbers of points per course. The titles and points offer an idea of the emphasis of the program:

Freshman year	Hrs	Pts
Anatomy & Physiology	60	3
Bacteriology	16	½
Chemistry	20	1
Nutrition and cookery	70	4

Household economy	10	½
Elem. materia med.	16	1
Nursing ethics	10	½
Princ. Nursing	30	2
Pathology	16	1
Bandaging	10	½
Medical nursing	20	1
Surgical nursing	20	1
Junior year		
Infants and children	20	1
GYN	10	½
OR	6	½
Communicable dis.	10	½
ENT	10	½
History of Nursing	10	1
Senior year		
Nervous/mental	10	½
Skin/VD/Occupation	10	½
Survey of fields	10	½
Special problems	10	½
A&P review	6	-
OB	18	

Students could avail themselves of bachelor degrees at Teachers College, studying in the first and fourth year but keeping their hospital residence and assumedly assigned clinical hours. Students “may be given time to attend the place of worship they prefer once on Sunday.”

By 1925 three of six faculty, held BA's from other colleges, but came to PH for their training which was three years in length. There is no mention of the qualifications of the nurses supervising in the clinical areas.

Plans were underway shortly after this catalog was published to affiliate with Columbia University. However, as late as 1933 the only person to hold a master's degree was the physical education director! The transition to the University took several years to accomplish organizationally plus nursing faculty had to be more academically prepared to lead the program. Hence, in 1935 the College of Physicians and Surgeons assumed responsibility for the educational program and this was accomplished by a large increase in physician lecturers as they were the only ones qualified to hold university rank. The Presbyterian

Hospital School of Nursing became the Department of Nursing, Faculty of Medicine, Columbia University and was under the supervision of the Medical School and its Dean. All students were admitted and registered by Columbia University. However, high school students were still being admitted and the program continued to be three years in length with large course blocks carrying 14 credits each. There were now two master degree prepared faculty members and increasing numbers of bachelor degree holders. The *Announcement* issue [school catalogue] of 1937-38 carried a broader view of nursing and what its preparation meant. A statement of philosophy was added. (See www.archive.org and type in Columbia Presbyterian School of Nursing to see other digitized publications of the School.)

There were some minor changes to the curriculum over time but the same courses, with some adjustment in hours allocated, continued to be offered.

By 1957 all graduates of the Department were granted a Bachelor of Science degree from Columbia University as well as a diploma from the Presbyterian Hospital. Two graduations were held. By this time all admitted students were required to have at least two years of college prior to admission. The program for college graduates, “A group,” continued in the same pattern since the Maxwell era with only two and a half years of training. It essentially followed in the same pattern as the ‘B group’ or those with two years of college. In 1955-56 a new and first graduate program was added in Maternity Nursing.

By the early 1960s the emergence of a different school was becoming evident. Many of the more senior faculty members now held master's degrees and junior faculty members were matriculated in graduate programs. Federal Nurse Traineeship and Alumni Association scholarships enabled more graduates to continue in graduate studies. However doctoral programs in nursing were few in

number. Yet at the Department of Nursing 27 hours of clinical practice per week was required of each student in addition to classwork. As always, most of the faculty continued to be graduates of the School. One faculty member had married and students were increasingly permitted to marry while still in the program.

While many faculty were recruited among the newest graduates the gap in philosophy and practice between the youngest and the older faculty continued to grow. Nursing theorists began to provide some basis for curriculum content. The curriculum was reorganized and University policies governed academic affairs. The program for seniors ended in May at graduation. They no longer had to fulfill any hours they may have missed. In 1965-66 a second graduate program was added in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing.

The sixties were turbulent times at Columbia and the Medical Center. Medicare cut reimbursement rates to nursing schools that forced Presbyterian Hospital to surrender its financial responsibility for the Department's students. In 1968 Presbyterian Hospital voted to establish a School of Practical Nursing in hopes of finding more students willing to study nursing as enrollment in the baccalaureate program was declining.

As with so many institutions and ways of living, the 1960s changed a great deal, including the Department of Nursing. The next edition of the *Newsletter* will continue this journey, **Apprentice to Professional.**

BABIES HOSPITAL

Most alumni remember the clinical days in this special hospital. Evenings on the orthopedic floor with casted kids, traction apparatus, school days for those hospitalized for long periods. Or maybe watching the sun come up as rocking chairs and bottles occupied students who could gaze out windows to the East, or the prized outdoor play area on the roof of the building. It was here that students were exposed to many rare and unique health problems for children. It was also here that many nursing students decided to specialize in the care of children.

Babies Hospital has a long history, beginning in the latter part of the 1800s. The McNutt sisters were physicians (remarkable at the time for two sisters to be MDs) and concerned about the lack of bed availability for sick children. Early issues of the *Alumni Quarterly* give testimony to how sick children were cared for. Because infectious diseases were rampant and antibiotic therapy not yet discovered, children either got well or died – at home. Those with more serious, long-term health concerns were also kept at home with little physician oversight; visiting nurses, however, would bring comfort and care to these families.

The McNutt sisters were successful in starting a medical facility for babies, first on 55th Street and prior to moving uptown when Medical Center opened. A new era in the medical care of children began. As a center of excellence, children from all over the world came for the talented care received at 'Babies.'

I also recall that an offer made to the Vanderbilt Clinic to provide a nurse for the infant welfare work was received with the following remark – “Well, the June crop of babies are dead, a very few may be saved in July and August; yes, you may try the experiment for two months.” Needless to say, the results were so telling that the work is continued to the present day with an enlarged staff of nurses.

We now are definitely established as co-workers with the medical profession and as such have been able to make valuable contributions to the health program.”

1923 Alumnae Quarterly, Vol. 17 #2 Taken from a speech by Anna C. Maxwell for the Guild of Public Health Nursing.

With acclaim, advances in technology and care, patient stays were shorter, age limits for admissions expanded and Babies became Babies and Children's in 1994. At that point, the Medical Center had expanded beyond its former footprint to cross Broadway and take up the entire blocks between Riverside Drive and 168th (the Health Sciences Library on that corner) to 165th. With that expansion came a significant recasting of the old 'Babies.' Morgan Stanley assisted in its redevelopment and it is now known as Morgan Stanley's CHONY (Children's Hospital of New York, a major institution for patient care and research.)

From being the first such hospital designated for the care of sick infants to being a premier children's hospital offering specialized care in neonatology, cardiac transplantation, oncology, gastrointestinal disease, child psychiatry, orthopedics, surgery and emergency pediatric-to mention a few! The Entry to Practice students are fortunate to be able to have their pediatric rotations in this setting that provides family centered care, a concept of care introduced by the former Director of Nursing, Jane McConville.

Walking the halls of CHONY today you still have the opportunity to see Columbia University nursing students. Instead of wearing the traditional nursing uniforms with a pinafore and cap of years ago, they are wearing navy blue scrubs with the distinguished crown and school embroidered on their tops. The students are enthusiastic, always looking for new and challenging experiences to broaden their knowledge of pediatrics. One day they may be caring for an infant who received a heart transplant, the next an adolescent with rare form of cancer. Their caring goes beyond just the patient. Because the CHONY's philosophy is Family Centered Care, the students have the benefit of working with the entire family. They are part of a team who are all there to provide optimal care in a supportive environment. It may seem as if many things have changed such as the uniforms they wear, acuity of the patients and involvement of the families. One thing has remained the same and that is the dedication and commitment of the Columbia University nursing student to the children and their families.

Thanks to Penny Buschman '64 FAAN, Assistant Professor and Program Director of the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Program and Jeanne Churchill, DNP, Assistant Professor and Nurse Practitioner teaching pediatrics to the Entry into Practice students.

The dream of two sisters decades ago has come true.



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