

MCC-SNA Newsletter

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NLNAC on Campus February 24-26

Three officials from the National League For Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) with expertise in nursing education and nursing professional practice will be visiting the College to provide an in-depth study of the educational effectiveness of MCC's Associate Degree Nursing Program. A public forum as part of the NLNAC accreditation site visit is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, February 25 from 2-3 P.M. in the Gene-see Room of the Prael College Center.

"The public is invited to provide constructive feedback to the site

visitors about MCC's nursing program," said Patricia Markowicz, Associate Dean of Health Sciences.

The site visit team will be evaluating the nursing program to determine its ongoing ability to meet the Commission's rigorous requirements outlined in the Standards and Criteria for Accreditation for Nursing Education.

Added Markowicz, "This accreditation process assists in program improvement as it relates to resources invested, process followed and results achieved.

MCC-SNA at State Convention

MCC student nurses attended the Michigan Nursing Student's Association State Convention in Grand Rapids on February 6-8 with financial support from CLEF. Thanks CLEF board members!

This year showed a great improvement in students' participation with 22 new as well as current NSNA members making it to the three-day event. Nursing faculty members Ms. D. Lape, Ms. R. Newberry and Ms. G Burseson accompanied the students. The group drove on their own to and from the convention site.

Students had the opportunity to listen to different interesting and very informative topics cont. p.2

Congratulations, You made it!

The Mott Memorial Building Auditorium was the site of this year's ADN Pinning Ceremony on January 10.

Dr. M. Richard Shaink, MCC President led administrators, nursing faculty members, family members and friends of the forty-five students as they witnessed the ceremony.

Ms. Janice Simmons, MSN, RN Vice-president for Nursing & Clinical Services at Hurley Medical Center was the keynote speaker. Her inspirational speech focused on caring. Ms. Simmons shared her 10 secrets for an exhilarating nursing career and a happy life to the new graduates. cont .p.2.

Ms. Janice Simmons addresses the graduates



Meet the faculty!

Dr. Patricia Montpas is one of the most sought-after instructors by MCC nursing students.

Dr. Montpas graduated from Flint St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing (diploma program) and earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from U of M Flint. She obtained her MSN and a doctorate degree in education (EdD), from Wayne State University.

She joined Mott's Nursing Department in 1984. She has taught all courses except Mental Health Nursing. She usually teaches NURS- 105 lab and clinical, NURS-106 clinical and NURS-209 theory.

She has so much regard for nursing that her four daughters followed in her footsteps— they are all graduates of Mott's ADN program. Also she has three nurses as daughters-in-law.

She is married to Michael and they are blessed with seven children. Babies and children are her favorites.

Congratulations (cont)

Jan's 10 Secrets

1. Always remember and cherish family and friends.
2. Never forget why you became a nurse.
3. Enjoy life and stop to smell the roses.
4. Always acknowledge and thank those who do special things for you.
5. Remember the golden rule— do unto others as you would have others do unto you.
6. Time waits for no one. Treasure every moment you have.
7. A kind word is never lost. It keeps going on and on from one person to another until at last it comes back to you again.
8. He who is not ready will be less so tomorrow.
9. Be too large for worry, too noble for anger, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.
10. Be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

Update from Nursing Program Coordinators



Welcome back to a new semester!

Sign up for hospital computer classes for the second half of the semester which will be scheduled in late February –early March. Watch for notification.

Graduating students will take the HESI computerized test on Feb. 17, 18, or 27th and again in late April. This test is a good prediction of how a student will score on the State Board Exams.

Did you know?

***You can get help with math from Ms. Ocedek, Ms. Westhoff, or any of the Nursing faculty members listed on the black cabinet in the lab?

***There are computer programs available in AVT to help you with math?

***You may not register for next semester if your health records (TB skin test, physical forms) and your CPR card are not up to date!

State convention —cont.
that dealt on the different specialty areas in the nursing profession These provided students a better idea on making their choices in their future career.

The attendees were treated to an evening full of fun listening to a presentation incorporation humor in nursing.

MCC student nurses came home armed with added knowledge and gratitude for having been given this most rewarding experience.

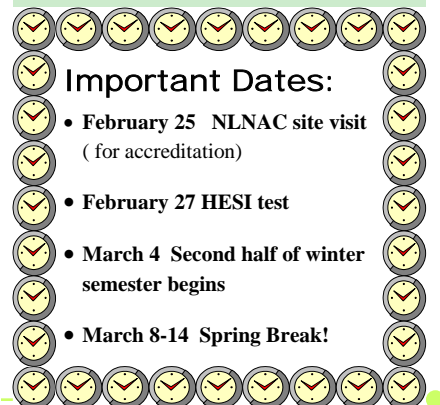
Attendees included: Tamara Dumond, Kathi Quackenbush, Erika Chevrette, Kisha Blanton, Jesusa Pimentel, Wendy Baker, Linda Germain, Karla Petrella, Angela Hudson, Danielle Kaatz, Juli Campbell, Jennifer Venner, Jamie Braden, Candace Cullen, Amanda Ethell, Vickie Hickman, Steve Blinks, Aimee Lowes, Denise Trantham, Jessica Kovach

Welcome !



Welcome to the National Student Nurses' Association Inc!

Tamara Dumond, Amanda Ethell, Mary Williams, Angela Hudson, Linda Germain, Aimee Loves, Jennifer Venner, Denise Trantham, Jamie Braden, Kathi Quackenbush, Jessica Kovach, Candace Cullen, Kisha Blanton, Nicole Skrandis, Elizabeth Gajda-Gutman



Important Dates:

- February 25 NLNAC site visit (for accreditation)
- February 27 HESI test
- March 4 Second half of winter semester begins
- March 8-14 Spring Break!