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October 31, 1976
Applications for charters due from schools to be considered in 1977.

April 15, 1977
Nomination forms due for Founders Awards to be presented at October Biennial.

Sigma Theta Tau

Exciting historical project

In the June meeting, the National Council approved a program to videotape interviews with the five founders of Sigma Theta Tau.

Local chapters in areas near homes of founders were contacted and they enthusiastically offered to assist with local arrangements for the taping sessions at their universities.

Sr. Rosemary Donley, national president, was selected as interviewer for these important historical tapes. The first two interviews were done in Florida. Vivian Andes, president of Beta Tau Chapter at Miami University, arranged for the videotaping at Miami University with Mrs. Edith Moore Copeland who lives in Delray Beach, Florida, and Mrs. Elizabeth McWilliams Miller who lives in Miami. Pictures of Sr. Rosemary with Mrs. Copeland and Mrs. Miller at the July videotaping in Miami appear on this page.

Videotaping schedules will soon be completed with the other three founders, Mrs. Belford, Mrs. Lingeman and Mrs. Wright.

One general videotape will be compiled from the five interviews and shown at Founders Award Luncheon at October, 1977, convention. The compiled tape and individual interviews will be available to chapters in late 1977.

Founders Awards to be presented

Awards are being prepared for presentation to members and chapters for excellence in activities which advance the purposes of Sigma Theta Tau. Named in honor of each founder and Mrs. Clarke, the director of the School, the awards symbolize the qualities of personal leadership which motivated the first members of Sigma Theta Tau.

The awards will be presented for the first time at the October, 1977, Biennial Convention in Washington, D.C. They are:

1. Marie Hippensteel Lingeman award for excellence in nursing practice.
2. Elizabeth McWilliams Miller award for excellence in research.
3. Elizabeth Russell Belford award for excellence in education.
4. Edith Moore Copeland award for creativity.
5. Mary Tolle Wright award for leadership.
6. Dorothy Garrigus Adams award for fostering high professional standards.
7. Edith Palmer Clarke award for the chapter whose efforts in the biennial period best fulfill the purposes of Sigma Theta Tau.

Nominations for awards may be submitted by members or chapters. Criteria and nomination forms will be available by late November for submission by April 15, 1977.
Sigma Theta Tau Research Grants Awarded

On April 14, 1934, Sigma Theta Tau established a fund to promote nursing research. The first award was made in 1936 to Alice L. Critel, Spallon Chapter, at Ohio State University. Since this early support for nursing research, initiated more than forty years ago, Sigma Theta Tau has funded approximately ninety projects to promote the development of nursing as a scholarly profession.

Application forms for 1977 Sigma Theta Tau research grants will be available late in 1976, due March 31, 1977 for awards to be made July 1, 1977. The distinguished review committee for Sigma Theta Tau research proposals is composed of: Dr. Margaret Duffey, Dr. Carol Lindeman, Dr. Margaret Newman, Dr. Ingeborg Maukshoh, Dr. Phyllis Verhoffon and Maureen Niland (national treasurer).

Research grants for 1976 have been awarded to:

Joyce J. Fitzpatrick

"An Investigation of the Interaction between Neuroticism and Environmental Stress in Relation to Patient Role Performance Forgotten by Many Years Ago". This investigation is concerned with identifying some of the rhythmic correlates of psychophysiological complementarity. An inverse relationship between self-regulating physiological rhythms and the behavioral man-environment interaction is postulated. The main theory of an inverse relationship between physiological and behavioral rhythms will be tested by measuring the two indicators (cyclic regularity and degree of neuroticism) while controlling for environmental stress due to life change.

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Study "Aging and Institutionalization as Determinants of Temporal and Motor Phenomena." By Joyce J. Fitzpatrick (American University, New York University) Associate Professor, Wayne State University College of Nursing.

Ramona Nelson receives research funds

Ramona Nelson (Eta Chapter, University of Pittsburgh) doctoral candidate, University of Pittsburgh, will study "Expert's Perceptions Concerning the Importance of Selected Tasks in the Effective Role Performance of Physician's Assistants; Adult, Pediatric, and Family Nurse Practitioners." Health care in the United States is provided by a variety of practitioners functioning in ever evolving roles. These roles are differentiated and defined in part by the tasks which are incorporated in each role. This study is concerned with the role of the physician's assistant and the nurse practitioner. A clear differentiation does not exist between the tasks which make up the role of the nurse practitioner and the physician's assistant. Their research will be entering a health care system that is already confused about who does what in providing patient care.

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Alpha Omega presents program

Genrose J. Alfano (Alpha Omega Chapter, Aedelphi University) Director of the Loan Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation Brom, New York presented "Nursing Practice as an Outgrowth of a Philosophy of Patient Care" at the May 16 Alpha Omega Chapter meeting, Adelphi University, Garden City, New York.

Dean June Rothberg welcomed the members, families and friends to the program, introduction and installation of officers. Kathleen Dirachle was installed as president for the coming year.

Beta Mu Chapter announces research conference

Beta Mu Chapter and the University of Arizona College of Nursing Research Committee are co-sponsoring the fourth annual nursing research conference. The conference "Clinical Nursing Theory: Where Does It Come From?" is open to nurses and nursing students. Program participants include: Dr. Barnes Glaser, Dr. Jan Alwood, Dr. Joyce Semadak, Ms. Bobbie Scrofield and Ms. Rose Garber.

Zeta and Chi Chapters co-sponsor annual nursing research conference

The "Spirit of Inquiry" was the theme of the third annual nursing research conference sponsored by Zeta and Chi Chapters, College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minnesota. Kathleen Lucas (Zeta Chapter) and Barbara Spradley (Chi Chapter) served as co-chairpersons for this early spring conference scheduled at the College of St. Catherine. Topios presented at this annual research conference included:

- The Research Process: Myths and Realities
- Maintenance of Gained Achievements During Rehabilitation
- Evaluation of Maternity Teaching Program
- Family-Centered Nursing - Does it Make a Difference?
- Study of Discharge Planning Liaison Program
- The Study of Physical Sensations During a Stressful Hospital Procedure - The Meaning for Nurses
- Sex Role Stereotyping in Assessment of Mental Health Made by Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses

Pi Chapter co-sponsors workshop on transcultural nursing

In February, Pi Chapter and the University of Maryland School of Nursing co-sponsored a workshop entitled "Cultural Diversity of Health and Nursing Care." The workshop leader was Dr. Madeleine Leininger, internationally known Nurse Anthropologist, Dean and Professor of the University of Utah School of Nursing.

Helen Kohler, R.N., Ph.D., Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Nursing and Gail Stuart, R.N., M.S., Assistant Professor, University of Maryland School of Nursing, participated in a reaction panel related to the theme. The highly successful workshop was attended by 300 nurses from sixty agencies covering the mid Atlantic states.

Alpha Lambda Chapter co-sponsors symposium

Alpha Lambda Chapter and the University of Illinois College of Nursing Alumna Association co-sponsored the ninth annual Dr. Mary Kelly Mullane Clinical Nursing Symposium in April, 1976. Marlene Kozier, R.N., Ph.D., professor of Nursing, University of California at San Francisco, made the keynote presentation "Realism Shock" at the University of Illinois Medical Center, Chicago.

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This study will focus on one factor which is major influence in determining their respective roles. It will also compare the perceptions of directors of formal educational programs for physicians' assistants: adult, family, and pediatric nurse practitioners concerning the implications of selected tasks in the effective role performance of graduates of their respective programs.

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Dates: September 16-17, 1976

Location: University of Arizona College of Nursing

Contact: Mary Opal Wolanin, Research Conference Coordinator, University of Arizona College of Nursing, Tucson, 85721

Alpha Zeta announces October research conference

Alpha Zeta Chapter, Columbus University, School of Nursing and Department of Nursing Education presents the Annual Nursing Research Conference and the Supporting Research Related to Pain.' Joan Munley, R.N., Ed.D., assistant professor, State University of New York Downstate Medical Center, College of Nursing, and Consultant in Research, Manhattan Veterans Administration Hospital is the keynote speaker. Clinical specialists will present clinical cases of clients experiencing pain.

Date & Time: October 23, 1976, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Location: Health Sciences Library, Columbus University

For additional information call: 212-684-5026 or 212-585-6206.

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Presentation of the Sigma Theta Tau charter to Beta Psi Chapter, University of Arizona College of Nursing Research Conference Committee, Arizona College of Nursing, Tucson, September 16-17, 1976.

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The Case For Problem Oriented Research

by Juanita W. Fleming, Ph.D.

What have we done in nursing research, what are we doing and what should we do...

...advancing this bicentennial year marks the 200th birthday of America. From what we know of the development of our country, it has been based on expansion. Great advances have been made in many areas including the area of nursing research but we know we have a long way to go if the nursing profession is to survive.

Research Component...

Can you think of any firm, any group, any manufacturer that has a survived and expanded it as a local venture in a quality state if there is not a research component? General Mills improves cereals and its other products through research, I.B.M. improves its computers and typewriters through research, pharmaceutical companies through research, the entertainment industry attempts to improve through research and we see the results which the consumer enjoys and may, in some instances, help him to help man survive, to some extent. Nursing research is essential! If we are to improve nursing practice through it our practice stagnates and becomes more and more dull.

Historical Perspective...

Our past research efforts were minimal because of our own limitations. I believe, as others in the past "Nursing was not visualized as a separate and distinct profession in its own right. Separate and horizontal laws were passed but these laws did not emphasize independent practice. Nurses themselves educated by and large in service institutions looked to medical research and nursing administrators to improve patient care. There was an interest in improving that care through research," Historical perspective. I studied, would show that forces external to nursing have had a tremendous influence on the development of research in nursing.

Future of Nursing Research...

Much more could be said about our past, but I will just look to the future. What should we do? The truth is we've come a long way in nursing research, but we have a long way to go. I believe that a large number of nurses accept that if the nursing profession is to survive, it must be able to provide the best service possible to those we serve and that in order to enhance our role we must derive knowledge through research.

Nurses are invaluable if they are to contribute to the principal investigator, as a participant in research and as a user of research finding in practice. The enthusiasm for research in nursing is on the upswing. The virtues of clinical nurse research are becoming apparent. Attempt to clarify the direction of research in nursing practice is evident. Research appears to be needed more vigorously. The profession of nursing now seems to value research and there is evidence that right for it in nursing practice. I predict that research will gain a greater "footprint" in the profession of nursing.

Examples Of Problems...

Health care for children and pregnant women...

The need for preventative health and health maintenance is evidenced by high risk nurseries and millions of children who need intensive care...

Health care needs of our growing aging population...

Chronic disease and unanswered questions about conditions that result in disability and in... Drug abuse, not limited to addiction continues to be a problem...

Parenting... people bear children with nothing done to assure that these parents are competent to nurture their children...

Physical environmental problems...

...air, water and noise pollution along with pest control, lead poisoning, and sulfur oxides continue to be problems...

Change and problems of coping with the many, many changes when changes occur so rapidly and with such force...

Women's Movement...

Nursing research will also likely benefit indirectly from the Women's Liberation movement. We have known that women and minorities receive few grants for research. It is likely... We know some of the impact needed to be an institute of nursing at NIH... In this time that we are seeking to our profession that our work on... We need nurse researchers who are able to... I believe we need nurse researchers who are capable of contributing to knowledge.

Consumer Movement...

The consumer movement, though not well visualized in the health field, I expect it will become, will also aid in fostering nursing research. The fact that people are beginning to seek relief from the disease-oriented... Nursing research today emphasizes health maintenance and prevention of ill health... I believe the role of nurse is to make all these areas of women's health care for women some of the impact needed to be more visible in their contributions.

Research Role...

To make the point, using another illustration, I would like to believe that one can be a teacher simply because he/she is a scholar in a subject. They pride themselves on never having had a course on teaching and that they know nothing about theories of teaching. But yet they teach classes to others, just as we are born nurse researchers. If one is to become a research researcher, one should be curious and... I predict that the effort to become a competent researcher is not an effort to surf. We all need to be conscious of ways to better our service to people... Research and nursing education as important, research must make the difference. What we need must have equal domain if we are to pursue excellence. Patient or client activity can promise... and a set of parameters. I believe that one must consider he/she is a contributor of knowledge. Research, she says, offers a great opportunity...
The Case For Problem-Oriented Research

Edited Version of Speech Presented ANA Convention Sigma Theta Tau, Inc, Research Conference
June 7, 1976, Atlantic City, New Jersey

by Juanita W. Fleming, Ph.D.

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This bicentennial year marks the 200th birthday of America. From what we know of the development of our country, it has been a period of expansion. Great advances have been made in many areas including the area of nursing research but we know we have a long way to go if the nursing profession is to survive.

Research Component...

Can you think of any firm, any group, any manufacturer that has a quality product and yet charges too little for it in a quality state if there is not a research component? General Mills improves cereals and its other products through research, I.B.M. improves its computers and typewriters through research, pharmaceutical companies improve their products through research, through the entertainment industry attempts to improve research materials so that what the consumer enjoys and may, in some instances, may even help man survive, to some extent. Nursing research is essential. If we are to improve nursing practice, then something about our practice stagnates and becomes mutilative and doomed to fail.

Historical Perspective...

Our past research efforts were minimal because of our own resistance in the past “Nursing was not visualized as a separate and distinct profession in its own right,” many said as they let nursing laws be passed but these laws did not emphasize independent nursing. Nurses themselves educated by and large in service institutions looked to medical research and nurse administrators to improve patient care. The profession of nursing was not enlightened as much as enlightened by. We must make the pendulum swing and appear to be free from the breakneck pace that our society is in. We must make the triumvirate.

Problems Which Need Researching...

A better quality of life for the people - children, youth, middle aged and the elderly - of this country has become an issue that cannot be ignored. It must be addressed by those who have traditionally done so. Nursing, like other professions, can accept an issue in generating knowledge to help solve the problems of the conflicts that confront man.

Examples Of Problems...

Health care for children and pregnant women:

The need for preventative health and health maintenance is evidenced by our enormous costs and millions of children who need immunization.

Drug abuse, not limited to addicting drugs, is a major concern of our society.

Problems more in tune with the domain known commonly to nurses and other health professionals. Take perhaps instead of the many descriptive type studies in which nurses study their patients, we will be involved in studies that help answer questions such as: what is the divorce rate in the United States? how long when nursing is truly recognized as capable of contributing to society? how to improve the quality of life in our society? We believe as Dr. Leiniger has said, “research is present because we will make the triumvirate.

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Nurses are in the caring business. Liniger stated that essence of health service lays with caring support behaviors and caring activities. Those who do not believe they can do this are not nurses. "She believes that the art and science of nursing, cultures, caring processes, and caring outcomes have been scarcely tapped by nurse researchers. I get the feeling that nurse researchers will take full advantage of the chance to generate for grants and contribute their knowledge to problems which affect many people. Great advances have been a low level of funding for nursing practice studies, but I believe this will increase if nurses will submit competitive grant requests, demonstrating new ways of looking at old problems. Much more could be said about the Women’s Movement and its effect on a predominantly female profession. I do not wish, however, to extend a point and forever point and wish to stress only that this movement is important in giving women some of the impact needed to be more visible in their contributions.

Consumer Movement...

The consumer movement, though not in the health field at present, I expect it will become, will also aid in fostering nursing research. The fact that consumers have more power and interest in the quality of health care is critical. There needs to be an increasing focus on the problem, the problem emphasizes health maintenance and prevention of ill health. An informed, motivated consumer can be a powerful force for change. I have as my most potent illustration the problem that retarded children who formed an organization and literally worked to have legislation that resulted in education in public schools for their children. The action of an active group seeing that their children have an opportunity in this society to receive an education is a potential. The future holds promise for the profession of nursing if consumers activate to have a healthy delivery system that is something more than ‘illnesses’ and ‘cures’ and for each individual may become an expression of the role of the self and the society. The average consumer’s image of nursing is not only that he - she is a contributor of knowledge.

Professional accountability will no doubt also affect the direction of nursing research. Peer reviews are not an easy process, it will be necessary for all to be of ways to service our people. Research, in my opinion, should hold no more lofty position than clinical practice. They are both necessary. Professional accountability refers both to the benefits that responsible research activity can promise...and a set of personal and professional characteristics. Research, she says, offers a great opportunity for the findings to the scientific method."

SUMMARY...

Summarizing the forces that are likely to facilitate nursing research are: the need for people who understand the health problems in our society, the need for people who understand the forces that affect the quality of life for all, the women’s movement, the consumer movement, and the professional accountability. There is a need not just illness-oriented, and professional accountability.

One major caution seems to be in order. I believe nursing research will be in nursing. Hopefully, it won’t be like so much of what we have experienced in the profession - pendulum swinging and appearing to not maintain perspective. Research is important. It is essential for the future. The nursing profession provides quality care to those it serves. However, research is only one aspect of what is needed. We need nurse educators, nurse administrators, clinical nurses, responsible for producing some of the nurses who research. It is not necessary for each of us to be a nurse researcher, but we are nurses. It was a nurse in England who noted that the window of a car looking outwards fared better than those inside the nursery. She conducted the research that the use of photography for dwindled practice problems. The observation initiated the research.

Research Role...

To make the point, using another illustration, take a student nurse who believe that one can be a teacher simply because she / he is a scholar in a subject. They pride themselves on never having had a course on teaching. They believe it is only a matter of theories of learning. But yet they teach their students what they think or what they did to their students. They are using a discovery in the development of research in nursing.

Future of Nursing Research...

Much more could be said about our past, but I propose to look to the future. What should we do? The truth is we’ve come a long way in nursing research, but we have a long way to go. I believe that a large number of nurses accept that if the nursing profession is to survive, it must be able to provide the best service possible to those we serve and that in order to enhance our abilities, we must derive knowledge through research. It is not true that "every nurse has a role in nursing research." We are principal investigator, as a principal investigator in an area of nursing practice.2

The enthusiasm for research in nursing is on an upswing. The virtues of clinical nursing research are beginning to appear. Attempts to clarify the direction of research in nursing practice is evident. Research appears to be needed and more vigorous than before. The profession of nursing now seems to value research and that it is the right thing for it in nursing practice. I predict that research will gain a greater "footprint" in the profession of nursing.
National activities at ANA convention

The national officers and Educational Development Committee represented Sigma Theta Tau and staffed the booth which was displayed for four days at the June ANA convention in Atlantic City. In addition to the booth, these national officers and committee members devoted themselves to Sigma Theta Tau activities throughout the week. The activities included the research conference, National Council meetings, three national committee meetings and many individual appointments with members, funding agencies, national and international nursing leaders.

1977 Biennial Washington, D.C.

Jean McKinley, national first vice president, announced plans for the exciting twenty-fourth Biennial Convention scheduled for November 22-27, 1977, at the Statler Hilton in Washington, D.C. "Lead Body in Action" is the challenging theme selected for this convention program designed to provide opportunities for demonstration of leadership.

Other members of the committee include:
- Kappa Chapter
- Catholic University
- Ellen Fahey and Sharon Sloda
- Tau Chapter
- Georgetown University
- Mary Ann Lachat
- Pi Chapter
- University of Maryland
- Major Rubin Bowden
- Dr. Joseph Proux
- Gamma Beta Chapter
- Howard University
- Hazel Thomas

1977 Biennial Planning Committee.

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Members Answer Call for Information on Recent Doctorates

Constance M. Baker, D.N.S.

"Microteaching: A Teaching Strategy for Increasing the Valuation of the Teaching Function of the Role"

Doctorate received from: University of California, San Francisco Campus, June 1975

Chapter membership: Beta Delta

Eileen J. Burgess, Ed.D.

"An Evaluation of the Curriculum Design Objectives at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University School of Nursing"

Doctorate received from: Nova University, 1976

Chapter membership: Beta Phi

Sally A. Buseck, Dr. P.H.

"Ethnography, Pennsylvania"

Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, August 1975

Chapter membership: Elia

Barbara J. Dunn Cook, Ed.D.

"Characteristics and Role Expectations of Nurses Caring for the Elderly in the Nursing Home and in Acute Care"

Doctorate received from: University of Pennsylvania, January 1975

Chapter membership: Elia

Mary Jane Venger Cutler, Ed.D.


Doctorate received from: Teachers College, Columbia University, May 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Kappa

Jacqueline Fawcett, Ph.D.

"Warrenville, Connecticut"

"The Relationship Between Spousal Support in Marital Stability: Strength of Identification and Their Place in the Socialization of Women"

Doctorate received from: University of Connecticut, May 1976

Chapter membership: Upsilon

Barbara R. Glenn, Ph.D.

"East Lansing, Michigan"

"The Relationship Between Process and Outcome of Companions in Patient Care: An Evaluation Model"

Doctorate received from: Michigan State University, June 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Phi

Jeanet Gottschalk, Dr. P.H.

"Politics of Health in the Development of a Rural Primary Health Care Facility in the Mid-South"

Doctorate received from: University of Texas Health Science Center, March 1976

Chapter membership: Beta Bella (Houston)

Doris E. Guerin, Ed.D.

"Hidden Crisis in Health Care"

Doctorate received from: Highland University, July 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Nu

Samuel T. Hughes, Ed.D.

"The Establishment of Criteria for Selection, Reappointment and Promotion of Faculty in Baccalaureate Schools of Nursing"

Doctorate received from: North Texas State University, May 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha

N. Robin Kubel, Ph.D.

"Yonkers, New York"

"A Study of Diabetic Children and Locus of Control Expectation"

Doctorate received from: University of Maryland

Chapter membership: Pi

Jean J. Mason, Ph.D.

"Galveston, Texas"

"An Analysis of Learning Resource Centers in NLN Accredited Baccalaureate Schools of Nursing as a Function of the Academic Qualifications of Directors and the Administrative, Fiscal and Organizational Structure of Centers"

Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, April 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Delta (Galveston)

Beryl M. Paters, Ph.D.

"Salt Lake City, Utah"

"Concepts of Hospitalized Children about Causality of Illness and Intent of Treatment"

Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, December 1975

Chapter membership: Elia

John R. Phillips, Ph.D.

"New York, New York"

"An Investigation of the Relationship Between Field-Dependence-Independence, Perseverance, and Judgment of Time Duration"

Doctorate received from: New York University, June 1975

Chapter membership: Upsilon

Dorothy Webb Puckett, Ph.D.

"Detroit, Michigan"

"Educational Counseling Groups for Black Adolescent Females from a Low-Income Housing Area"

Doctorate received from: Wayne State University, May 1976

Chapter membership: Rho

Mary Silva, Ph.D.

"The Effect of Orientation Information on Spouse's Anxiety and Attitude Toward Hospitalization and Major General Surgery"

Doctorate received from: University of Colorado Hospital

Chapter membership: Alpha Mu

Marlyn L. H. Stember, Ph.D.

"Evergreen, Colorado"

"The Impact of Hospitalization on Families"

Doctorate received from: University of Colorado, August 1975

Chapter membership: Alpha Kappa

Mary L. Talibott Thomas, Dr. P.H.

"Baltimore, Maryland"

"A Social Area Analysis of Patient-Nurse Contact in an Urban, Official Public Health Agency"

Doctorate received from: Johns Hopkins University

Chapter membership: Xi

Catherine M. Windwar, Ph.D.

"Boston, Massachusetts"

"An Analysis of Physicians and the Impact of the Hospital on Their Professional Satisfaction"

Doctorate received from: New York University, February 1976

Chapter membership: Alpha Omega

Margaret S. Wolf, Ed.D.

"New York, New York"

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very bright." He spoke as it if he had just said something profound and perhaps he had. Nurses are in the business of helping people care for themselves and use their energy to help others. However, this is not always the case. We are not in this profession for power, money or prestige because there is too little of that in it. The time is here and coming when our abilities will show more and we, too, like other professionals, will be expected to offer leadership in solving problems that affect man. It is not the length of men's life that is important but the quality of that life. Nursing research can contribute to that quality.

Leadership in Problem Solving... each of us does have a role in research. Determine that role and play it. Recently I heard a physician say, "We should use nursing brain power. Some nurses are

National activities at ANA convention
The national officers and Educational Development Committee represented Sigma Theta Tau and staffed the booth which was displayed for four days at the June ANA convention in Atlantic City. In addition to the booth, these national officers and committee members devoted themselves to Sigma Theta Tau activities throughout the week. The activities included the research conference, National Council meetings, three national committee meetings and many individual appointments with members, funding agencies, national and international nursing leaders.

1977 Biennial Washington, D.C.
Jean McKinley, national first vice president, announced plans for an exciting twenty-fourth Biennial Convention scheduled for October 22-27, 1977, at the Statler Hilton in Washington, D.C. "Let us prepare a Biennial Convention that is the challenging theme selected for this convention program designed to provide opportunities for demonstration of leadership. The four chapters in the Washington, D.C. area will cooperate in the convention planning with Tau Chapter, Georgetown University, acting as host chapter. Alpha Nu Chapter, University of Maryland, Ms. Ann Lachai, is serving as chairperson of the 1977 Arrangements Committee.

Other members of this committee include:
Kappa Chapter
Catholic University
Ellen Fahey and Sharon Sloboda
Tau Chapter
Georgetown University
Mary Ann Lachai
Pi Chapter
University of Maryland
Margaret Brown and Dr. Joseph Proux
Gamma Beta Chapter
Howard University
Hazel Thomas

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Members Answer Call for Information on Recent Doctorates
Constance M. Baker, D.N.S.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
"Micronursing: A Teaching Strategy for Increasing the Valuation of the Teaching Function of the Role" Doctorate received from: University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, June 1976
Chapter membership: Beta Delta

Eunice L. Burgess, Ed.D.
Tallahassee, Florida
"An Evaluation of the Curriculum Design Objectives at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University School of Nursing" Doctorate received from: Nova University, 1976
Chapter membership: Beta Phi

Sally A. Buseck, Dr. P.H.
Edinboro, Pennsylvania
"Characteristics and Role Expectations of Nurses Caring for the Elderly in the Nursing Home and in Acute Care" Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, August 1975
Chapter membership: Delta

Barbara J. Dunn Cook, Ed.D.
Sacramento, California
"Personality Typologies and Their Relationship to Nurses in the Associate Degree Nursing Program" Doctorate received from: Nova University, July 1975
Chapter membership: Eta

Mary Jane Venger Cutler, Ed.D.
New York, New York
"Management Theories for Nursing Service Development: Hospital Nursing Service Directors and Selected Subordinates' Concepts of Their Perceptions of the Directors' Use of Management Principles" Doctorate received from: Teachers College, Columbia University, May 1976
Chapter membership: Alpha Nu

Jean J. Mason, Ph.D.
Galveston, Texas
"An Analysis of Learning Resource Centers in NLN Accredited Baccalaureate Schools of Nursing as a Function of the Academic Qualifications of Directors and the Administrative, Fiscal and Organizational Structure of Centers" Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, April 1976
Chapter membership: Alpha Delta (Galveston)

Beryl M. Paters, Ph.D.
Salt Lake City, Utah
"Concepts of Hospitalized Children about Causality of Illness and Intent of Treatment" Doctorate received from: University of Pittsburgh, December 1975
Chapter membership: Eta

John R. Phillips, Ph.D.
New York, New York
"An Investigation of the Relationship Between Field-Dependence-Independence, Posture, and Judgment of Time Duration" Doctorate received from: New York University, June 1976
Chapter membership: Upstein

Dorothy Webb Puckett, Ph.D.
Detroit, Michigan
"Educational Counseling Groups for Black Adolescent Females from a Low-Income Housing Area" Doctorate received from: Wayne State University, June 1976
Chapter membership: Alpha Phi

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JANET GOTTSTALLIK, DR. PH.
Houston Texas
"Politics of Health in the Development of a Rural Primary Health Care Facility in the Midwest" Doctorate received from: University of Texas Health Science Center, March 1976
Chapter membership: Beta Beta (Houston)

Doris E. Guerin, Ed.D.
Springfield, Pennsylvania
"Hidden Crisis in Health Care" Doctorate received from: Highland University, July 1976
Chapter membership: Alpha Nu

Samuel T. Hughes, Ed.D.
Dallas, Texas
"The Establishment of Criteria for Selection, Reappointment and Promotion of Faculty in Baccalaureate Schools of Nursing" Doctorate received from: North Texas State University, May 1976
Chapter membership: Alpha Nu

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Yonkers, New York
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members demonstrate their commitment and support

Sigma Theta Tau members made an outstanding response to the transfer of collection of annual fees from chapters to the national office. More than ten thousand members responded to the first national mailing in July.

In addition to sending their annual fees, hundreds of members took the opportunity to support nursing research by making a contribution to the national fund.

The rapid growth and mobility of Sigma Theta Tau membership has made it increasingly difficult for chapters to maintain an up-to-date membership list. The use of computer for national maintenance of lists, mailing and dues notices will reduce the amount of time chapter officers have to spend in these areas and will improve chapters' ability to communicate with active members.

Second notices will be mailed this month to members who did not respond to the first dues notice prior to Sept. 1.

Memo To Members

We urgently need your assistance to maintain an accurate address. Current charges are 25 cents for each post office correction of addresses on our publications.

Address labels are printed by computer.
The number to the left is your identification number and will continue the same. The second number is your chapter number.

Expiration date - The last series indicates when active membership and publications expire, 1276 for Dec. 1976 and 1277 for Dec. 1977. If you are a Lifetime Chapter member, an L appears following the expiration date.

If there are errors in your name and address or if you move, clip or copy your address label (including all numbers) and send it along with your corrections to Sigma Theta Tau at address listed. Since the computer prints the main post office according to zip code, your correct zip code is essential.

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Annual report of national activities 1975 - 76

An overview of the activities in which the organization was involved in 1975-76 is summarized by the president, Sr. Rosemary Donley.

1. Developed booth which was introduced at 1975 NLN Convention and displayed at 1976 ANA Convention.
2. Educational Development Committee was organized and began to work promoting programs within the regions and editing monographs.
3. New Image board appointed and publication of Image in a new format and design.
4. Biennial at Houston with Avenues for Action theme, change in honorary membership and bylaws.
5. Eleven new chapters were approved and installed.
6. Established Pat Christensen Memorial Fund and collected $1,000.00.
7. Reflections (newsletter) was born and five issues published.
8. Research Fund Committee reorganized with funding dates established and administration of grants provided by national office.
9. Signed contract with HEW audiovisual center in Atlanta to do videotaping on distinguished leaders in nursing, a series of ten to be done.
10. Completed plans to videotape the founders of Sigma Theta Tau.
12. More than 4,000 new members inducted into the 75 chapters.
13. National dues collection initiated July 1, 1976, to assist chapters to be more active in programming.
14. Action begun on resolutions of last biennium related to chapters-at-large involving more than one school.
15. Hosted the Association of College Honor Societies Annual Meeting in Indianapolis.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE AND PLAQUE AVAILABLE
Sigma Theta Tau individual membership certificates with wooden plaques for mounting these certificates are now available from headquarters for $10.00 each. Individual orders for these plaques may be sent directly to headquarters along with chapter name and induction date.

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