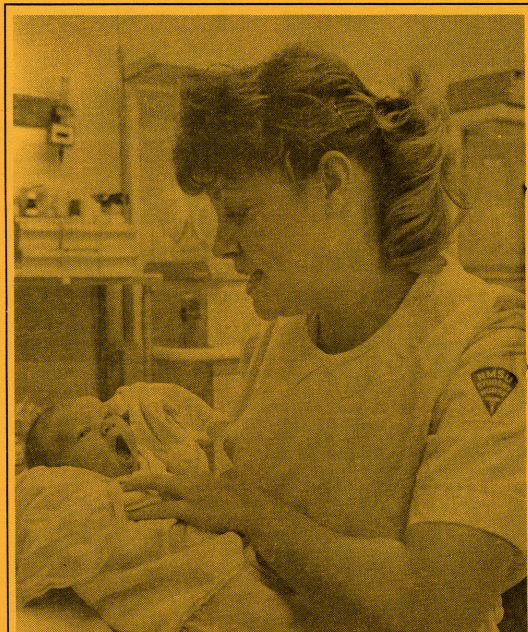


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Nursing Grads Beat National Average



Lisa Stidham, a junior nursing major, gains practical experience in her program by working with newborns in the nursery at the Kirksville Osteopathic Health Center.

Before practicing in any state, a nurse must pass the National Council Board Examination. Of the 45 NMSU 1984 nursing program graduates, 91 percent passed the examination. One hundred percent of the 1982 and 1983 graduates who took the exam passed.

While the average passing rate remains somewhere in the 80th percentile, how does NMSU stay so high? Elsie Simms, head of the Nursing Division, attributes the program's success to three factors: her predecessor, Grace Devitt, the division's faculty; and a careful criteria-based admissions process.

Simms said the program is difficult. For a student to even be considered for admission, he or she must have been a very high achiever in high school. Once in the program, students are prepared to deal with the patients on all levels. They must learn to deal with the patient's social situation and his psychological and health care needs.

"By the senior year, they (NMSU nursing students) are in labs 15 hours a week," Simms said. In the meantime, they also have four hours of other courses. Simms said the lab helps the student tie the knowledge together.

"It's one thing to know the separate subjects and it's another to put it all together," Simms said.

With training this extensive, it's no wonder the graduates do so well. Simms said all of the division's graduates who seek employment have been finding it.

But employment isn't the only reason NMSU's nursing students are trained so rigorously.

"It's a little frightening. The medicines we give today are extremely powerful...it's almost immoral to graduate people who can't pass State Boards," Simms said.

FILM BOASTS LOCAL TALENT

"The Dream Spinner," a film about German history in Missouri, is scheduled to open at theaters in six Missouri cities this spring.

The film focuses on Gottfried Duden, a German lawyer who settled in St. Louis in 1824. Tens of thousands of German immigrants came to Missouri in the 1800s because of a book Duden wrote. "The Dream Spinner" works its way up to four modern Missouri families of German descent and their accomplishments.

Several faculty and students at NMSU contributed to the project, in-

cluding James Paulding, associate professor of humanities, who produced the film.

James Severns, professor of dramatics, was a consultant for the film. Leon Karel, professor emeritus of humanities, and David March, professor emeritus of history, served on the project's advisory council. A major role in the film was played by drama student, Randy Bame, and music major Louise Klopp performed research for the project.

The NMSU Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of William

Fitzsimmons, professor of music, performs Paulding's film score and a special choir from the Kirksville Upper Elementary School sings the film's title song. The musical score will be released on the album, "The Dream Spinner."

Paulding will travel to Germany to complete arrangements for the film to be shown on German National Television. The film will also be shown on American television and distributed nationwide for use by libraries, historical societies and at all educational levels.

NOTES...

Several NMSU faculty, staff and students have received recognition inside and outside the University. **Jerry Mayhew, Debbie Masten and Karen Nunn**, HPER, participated in the Columbia Sports Medicine study at the Missouri State High School Wrestling Championships held recently in Columbia. **Mayhew, Fontaine Piper and Larry Boleach** will present four research studies at the Central District Physical Education Convention in Omaha, Neb., March 21. Eleven active members of **Lambda Chi Alpha** attended the Great Plains Conclave, Feb. 8-10, at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo. The NMSU colony won the Manpower Award for the largest number of delegates. In the **Language and Literature Division**, several groups and individuals have recently received recognition for accomplishments.

Roy Tanner, associate professor of Spanish, published his article, "Ricardo Palma and Francisco de Quevedo: A Case of Rhetorical Affinity and Debt," in "Kentucky Romance Quarterly." **Jim Thomas**, associate professor in Language and Literature, will have several poems

published in journals. "Archer" will print "Timber Job," "Dog River Review" will publish "Saturday Morning Sale" and "New Mexico Humanities Review" will print "Fence Building," "New Letters," as Kansas City literary periodical, will print two poems and the "Webster Review" is printing his translation of a German short story. Circa '21 has commissioned **Nancy Whiting**, theater department, to design costumes for its upcoming production of the musical comedy, "Unsinkable Molly Brown." The dinner theatre, in Rock Island, Ill., opens production April 19.

The NMSU Forensics Team makes the headlines in competition against 13 colleges and universities at the Mid-America Forensics League Tournament, held Feb. 9 at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. **Ken Johnson** captured first place in After Dinner Speaking. **Karman Wittry** and **Louis Cohn** advanced to the final round of competition in Informative Speaking and Extemporaneous Speaking. "The Hoosier Schoolmaster" will publish "The Administrator and Communication" by **Marlow Ediger**, Education. "An Automated Library System for Northeast Missouri State University," an article written by **George Hartje**, Libraries and Museums, was published in the October/November issue of "Show-Me Libraries."

Ideas, Anyone?

The "Northeast Today" would like your input. If you know of outstanding faculty, staff or students, or if you have a story idea, fill out the "Northeast Features" section of our standard entry form. We appreciate your comments and ideas.

The "Northeast Today" is published weekly by the Public Relations Office. Deadline for entries is at 5 p.m. the Wednesday before publication the following Monday. This deadline is subject to change for issues before and/or after holidays and for calendar issues. Entries should be printed on forms available in the Public Relations Office, 202 Administration/Humanities Building.

ITEMS OF INTEREST...

THIS WEEK...

INTERESTED VOLUNTEERS for the Kirksville Crisis Line should take part in a training session from 7 to 10 p.m. today, in the Alumni Room of the Student Union Building. The Crisis Line is open daily from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. for community members experiencing a crisis and needing support. For more information, call Peggy Rogers at 665-8537, Mary Haley at 785-4803 or Tina Taucher at 785-4811.

ALPHA PSI OMEGA honorary theater fraternity will hold its Washington Auction at 8 p.m. today, in the Little Theater in Baldwin Hall. The fraternity is taking donations of items for the auction. For information, call Max Ayers at 665-7536 or Fran Ramelow at 627-1472.

THE GERMAN CLUB will present an audio-visual program on the annual German celebration of "Karneval" or "Fasching," at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, in 285 Baldwin Hall. The program precedes a business meeting concerning the German Club Scholarship and a trip to a German settlement. All students, faculty and staff are welcome.

UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRIES sponsors a special Ash Wednesday service from noon until 1 p.m. Wednesday, in the Alumni Room of the Student Union Building. UCM invites students from all religious denominations.

THE NMSU HISTORICAL SOCIETY holds an open meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, in the Alumni Room of the Student Union Building. Jerry Stremel, associate professor of social science, will speak on "How Much Education is Necessary to Teach?"

ON-CAMPUS RESIDENTS have the opportunity to express concerns about residence hall living at a forum at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, in the first floor lounge of Dobson Hall. Ron Gaber, director of Residence Life, and Gene Schneider, physical plant director, will be on hand for information. Disney House of Dobson Hall is sponsoring the forum.

SAB SKI NIGHT is scheduled from 3 to 10 p.m. Thursday, at Rainbow Basin Ski Resort. Tickets are \$8 with an SAB sticker, \$9 without and must be purchased in advance at the Student Activities Board Office in the Student Union Building.

AN AEROBATHON for Cystic Fibrosis runs from 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, at the Olympian Fitness Center. Pledge sheets are available at the Olympian or at the Business Division Office in 182 Violette Hall. Delta Sigma Pi professional business fraternity will award prizes to top money-raisers. For more information, call Lori Kain at 665-3544.

A POOL TOURNAMENT, sponsored by the Sigma Phi Epsilon spring pledge class, will run all day Saturday, in the Games Room of the Student Union Building. Participants may sign up in the SUB this week. The fraternity will award prizes to tournament winners.

THE INTERNATIONAL CLUB will hold an informational meeting at 5 p.m. Sunday, at 414 S. Osteopathy. All students are invited.

FREE THROW COMPETITION in the men's and women's open and all sports trophy divisions begins at 7:10 p.m. today, at Court One in Pershing Arena. For more information, contact the Intramural Office, 309 Pershing Building, at 785-4467.

FIVE \$1,000 AWARDS will be given by the National Press Photographers Association. Applicants need not be journalism majors. Awards will be determined based on a minimum of four 8 x 10 prints and a contact sheet of a recent shooting. Additional information and application materials are available in 332 Administration/Humanities Building or 311 Laughlin Building. Deadline is March 1.

THE CAREER PLANNING and Placement Center has interviews scheduled with six companies this week. Worlds of Fun interviews today and George A. Hormel And Company will be on campus Tuesday. The Columbia Police Department and Aldi Inc., will interview Wednesday. McDonnell Douglas interviews Wednesday and Thursday and Penn-Daniels Inc., (Jacks) interviews Thursday. CPCC has scheduled interviews with eight companies next week. Moingona Girl Scout Council will interview for summer camp positions Feb. 25. The positions do not require a degree. The St. Louis County Police Department and Kansas City School District #500 interview Feb. 26. The School Board of Broward County in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Allstate Insurance interview Feb. 27. Lincoln (Neb.) Public Schools and Pizza Hut Inc., interview Feb. 28 and Growmark Inc., interviews Feb. 28 and March 1. For more information, contact CPCC at 785-4237. Interviews are by appointment only.

CURRENTLY ENROLLED VETERANS may apply for the Ronald K. Cullers Memorial Veterans Scholarship. Application deadline is 4 p.m., March 1, in the Registrar's Office. The \$100 scholarship will be awarded at the March 14 meeting of the Vets Club.

SOPHOMORES interested in attending Army ROTC Basic Camp this summer in Fort Knox, Ken., may contact Maj. Paul Spivey, 11 Hardman Building, at 785-4454.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT to sign up for the Student Activities Board spring break trip to Daytona Beach, March 1-10. The cost is \$184 with an SAB sticker, \$199 without. For information, call Ric Brockmeier at 785-5227.

LYCEUM PRESENTS the Kansas City Ballet at 8 p.m., Feb. 25, in Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Students, faculty and staff may pick up free tickets Thursday, Friday and Feb. 25, at the Student Activities Board Office in the Student Union Building, or at the door. The Missouri Arts Council has provided financial assistance for the performance. Photography and the use of recording devices during the performance is prohibited.

THE BULLDOG FOOTBALL TEAM is looking for equipment managers for this spring and next fall. Interested students should contact Jack Ball, head coach, in 200 Pershing Building, or call the Football Office at 785-4170.

AN OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING LIST will be ready by March 15, for interested students, faculty and staff. For more information, stop by the Student Senate Office in the Student Union Building.

ALUMNI OF PI KAPPA DELTA national honorary speech fraternity should contact Nancy Goulden at 785-4510 or Lora Wollerman at 785-5129.

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE of the Career Planning and Placement Center holds mock interviewing from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday in 250 Violette Hall. Interested participants should sign up for an interview at the CPPC. The Committee also sponsors resume critiquing from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Call the CPPC at 785-4218 for more information.

D A T E L I N E

TODAY

German Language Table, 5:15 p.m., Ryle Hall private dining room

Delta Sigma Pi open meeting, 7 p.m., Tangerine Room, SUB, speaker, Lt. Col. Bruce Caine, Military Science

Spartan Club open meeting, 6 p.m., 252 Violette Hall, door prize

Prevention Week, program on damage and vandalism, Tim Forshey, Residence Life, 8 p.m., Ryle Hall conference lounge.

TUESDAY

Japanese Film Series, "Rashomon," 7:30 p.m., Little Theatre, BH

Last Day to drop full semester courses without code

Prevention Week, study skills program, Dave Lascu, 7 p.m., Ryle Hall conference lounge.

WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday Eucharist, 5:15 p.m., Tangerine Room, SUB, 9:30 p.m., Newman Center.

University Players Film Club showing, "Pauline at the Beach," 8 p.m., Aud., BH
Pershing Society, Trivial Pursuit Contest, 7 p.m. registration, 7:30 contest time, Activities Room, SUB
Prevention Week, Rape and Self Defense, Sam Dameron, Criminal Justice, 7 p.m., Ryle Hall conference lounge

THURSDAY

Testing Services, Miller Analogies Test (MAT), 3 p.m., A/H 103
University Symphony Orchestra Concert, 8 p.m., Aud., BH

Prevention Week, The Herpes Epidemic, Jason Haxton, 7 p.m., Ryle Hall conference lounge

FRIDAY

SAB MOVIE, "Woman in Red," 7, 9 & 11 p.m., Little Theater, BH

SATURDAY

"Changes," Calvin Miller, through Saturday, BSU Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, 17th Annual Jazz Festival, guest artist, Willie Thomas
Testing Services, Real Estate Licensing Exam (RELE), 8:30 a.m., location to be announced
Bulldog Basketball vs. Southeast Mo. State University, 5:30 & 7:30 p.m., Pershing Arena

SUNDAY

NMSU Live, 8 p.m., Georgian Room, SUB