Fall 1953

Yale University School of Nursing, Alumnae Bulletin, Vol VI No. 10 Fall, 1953

Yale University School of Nursing

Follow this and additional works at: http://elischolar.library.yale.edu/ysn_alumninews

Part of the Nursing Commons

Recommended Citation
http://elischolar.library.yale.edu/ysn_alumninews/14

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the School of Nursing at EliScholar – A Digital Platform for Scholarly Publishing at Yale. It has been accepted for inclusion in Yale School of Nursing Alumni Newsletters and Magazines by an authorized administrator of EliScholar – A Digital Platform for Scholarly Publishing at Yale. For more information, please contact elischolar@yale.edu.
ADVANCED PROGRAMS AT YSN

Marion Russell YSN 1929
Director of Advanced Program in Mental Health Nursing

With encouragement from the University the Committee on Advanced Curricula of YSN has continued to discuss possibilities for developing advanced programs which will enable nurses to undertake with confidence leadership positions in their specialty.

For the past four years there has been one such program at YSN, the Advanced Program in Mental Health Nursing, which leads to a Master of Science degree in the Graduate School. Students enrolled in this program are all graduates of approved schools of nursing, have baccalaureate degrees and professional experience which qualifies them appropriately for these Programs. A language examination in French or in German is given on admission, as required by the Graduate School.

The Advanced Programs in Mental Health Nursing have been developed so that nurses will be prepared to practice and teach mental health principles in whatever field of nursing they are engaged. Courses are given in Anthropology, Case Work Principles, Education, Child Growth and Development, Clinical Psychology, Health and Social Practices in Nursing Education, Psychiatry, Psychopathology, Sociology, Psychosomatic Nursing, Practices and Trends in Public Health Nursing, and Research. There is a total of 14½ hours a week in theory given concurrently with 12 hours a week of supervised field work during the academic year of eight months. The field work is selected individually for each student in relation to her own objectives. During the four summer months field work is on a full time basis for each student. These programs are of twelve successive months duration.

Although the same theoretical principles apply both in the children's field and in work with adults, nevertheless the differences of thinking, feeling, and behavior intrinsic to each of these two groups makes it highly desirable to allow nurses to become specialists in applying mental health principles to one group or the other, while understanding the universality of these principles. For this reason an Advanced Program in Psycho-pediatric Nursing has been developed in conjunction with the Advanced Program in Mental Health Nursing, specifically for those nurses who wish to become specialists in the application of mental health principles to the pediatric field, and who wish to develop skills in teaching these principles. Special seminars and specialized field work are available to these students.

It has been proved that there is a basic core of knowledge which can be taught concerning understanding of the emotions, thinking, and behavior of people and for developing greater skill in working with patients and others. The nurses who have gone through these advanced programs apply these principles to many varied fields of nursing, as is shown by the broad range of positions held by graduates of these programs, outlined below. Our experience has shown us that it is more important to train professional nurses to understand and use a body of principles such as are presented in our Advanced Programs in Mental Health Nursing, than to train nurses for a specialized position, such as supervisor or instructor or administrator. Specific positions vary far more from place to place than does the body of principles which relate to practicing mental health in nursing, in teaching, or in administration.

Other advanced programs for nurses leading to a master's degree are under consideration. It has seemed that because the Grace-New Haven Community Hos-
pital has already achieved a national reputation through its development of Rooming-In, we are in a specially favored position to develop an advanced program in Maternal Health Nursing. It is hoped that by the fall of 1954 we shall be able to accept nurses who wish to specialize in maternal health nursing for a master’s degree through the Yale School of Nursing. Miss Ernestine Wiedenbach will direct this program. As soon as it seems feasible to organize other advanced programs leading to a master’s degree, these will be undertaken.

NOTES ON THE ADVANCED PROGRAM IN PSYCHO-PEDIATRIC NURSING

Faith Jensen YSN 1950
Graduate of Advanced Program in Mental Health Nursing 1951

Mental Health, on the tip of every tongue, has been interpreted in terms of these three questions:
1. How do you feel about yourself?
2. How do you feel about other people?
3. How are you able to meet the demands of life?

The Yale School of Nursing is attuned to the times and not only offers students in the basic program a sound understanding of “the patient as a person,” his total needs; but sponsors an advanced program in Mental Health Nursing. This program aims to prepare the advanced student to work with the various types and degrees of emotional or behavioral deviations, to understand the dynamics involved in their formation and expression, and to teach the psychiatric principles concerned in the care of anyone, in whatever field the nurse may be employed. It is assumed that the graduates will work in some leadership, educational, integrating, and coordinating capacity, and can help other nursing practitioners function on a teamwork basis to promote and maintain health, both physical and mental.

I took the course two years ago, chose to specialize in Child Psychiatry, while the other four in the class were oriented toward Adult Psychiatry. The academic courses provided a background of knowledge for the student in cultural adjustment to the nature of man, (Anthropology), normal and abnormal personality structure, development, and behavior, (Psychiatry), Mental Hygiene, Psychopediatric Nursing, Psychosomatic Nursing, Psychological tests and methods, (Clinical Psychology) behavior deviations and mental illness as a public health concern; the mental health nurse and the community, (Psycho-pathology, Public Health), education philosophy, techniques, and methods, (Nursing Education), the relation of the nurse to emotional behavior and social difficulties, and also to co-workers in other professions, (Mental Health Nursing, Sociology).

The field work placements suited our assorted aims and objectives. I spent several months on the pediatric wards, giving complete nursing care, in this new sense, to carefully selected children who, for one reason or another, presented a problem. One, a boy with rheumatic heart disease, was depressed and withdrawn; another, a little girl, was cross, irritable, demanding, and resistant to treatment. I realized afresh the many useful opportunities that could be seized to know the patient better—during his bath, a procedure, a meal—instead of waiting for the "ideal moment," which in nursing seldom presents itself; we are so increasingly busy. These patients of mine were usually the focus of ward interest, they’d proved so refractory to regular methods of handling. It was rewarding to work out with the headnurse and members of other disciplines, a total plan of care; to act as a resource person for the students.
I did a study on tonsillectomies and adenoidectomies, too, noting how much happier the children were who had visitors, even tho this was the briefest of hospitalizations. There was a period spent in Rooming-in, an excellent opportunity for family teaching; another block, at the city nursery school; and finally, my summer field work at the Bradley Home, where I worked with children who had nervous and emotional handicaps. My classmates had other hospital experiences—medicine, surgery, communicable diseases, the Institute of Human Relations; and outside placements at the Clinic for Alcoholism, Children's Center, Austin Riggs Center, etc.

I would recommend this course to alumni in every field of nursing, not just psychiatric specialists; for by integrating mental health concepts throughout the services, we can become more understanding nurses.

GRADUATES OF ADVANCED PROGRAMS IN MENTAL HEALTH NURSING AND APPOINTMENTS FOLLOWING GRADUATION

Class of 1950

Mary W. Bischoff
Instructor in charge of psychiatric nursing program, Kankaree State Hospital, Illinois

Mary G. Connolly
Assistant Professor, School of Nursing Education, Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.

Class of 1951

Roxy Bogigian
Assistant Professor Psychiatric Nursing, Vanderbilt University School of Nursing

Faith Jensen (Y.S.N. '50)
Psychiatric Nurse Specialist, Emma Pendleton Bradley Home, Providence, R. I.

Patricia Kiefer
Psychiatric Nurse Superintendent II, Pontiac State Hospital, Michigan

Hilkka Peltoven
Mental Hygiene Nurse Consultant, Husimaa Public Health Teaching and Demonstration Field, Finland

Olga Pontius
Director, Advanced Psychiatric Nursing Program, University of Texas School of Nursing

Ione Ripley
Public Health Nursing Consultant, Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Washington, D. C.

Class of 1952

Beate Brann
Assistant Director of Nursing Education, Mendota State Hospital, Wisconsin

Eleanor Lewis (Y.S.N. '28)
Associate Professor of Nursing, Ohio State University, School of Nursing

Alphonse C. Sootkoos
Assistant Chief of Nursing Service, Veterans Administration Hospital, Massachusetts

Evelyn Sturmer
Associate Director of Nursing Service, Grace-New Haven Community Hospital, New Haven

Helen T. Watson
Consultant in Public Health and School Nursing, State Department of Health, Connecticut

Class of 1953

Florence Erickson
Associate Professor, Pediatric Nursing, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Karín Jansen
Instructor State School of Public Health Nursing, Stockholm, Sweden

Genevieve Noble
Director of Psychiatric Nursing Education, Department of Mental Hygiene in Hospitals, Virginia

Reva Rubin (Y.S.N. '46)
Assistant Professor Obstetrical Nursing, Bridgeport University, College of Nursing, Connecticut

Kirsten Welle-Strand
Psychiatric Nursing and Mental Hygiene Consultant, Bergen Health Department, Norway

The Regional Group in Washington, D. C., met on October 28 at the home of Rachel Hall Turney '40, to adopt by-laws and elect new officers.
NEW HAVEN REGIONAL

On September 30, 1953, the New Haven Regional Group met at Nathan Smith Hall. Guest speaker for the evening was Jean Lashar Weed '54 who reported highlights of the International Congress of Nurses which she attended as a representative of the Yale School of Nursing. After presenting the history of the organization and its activities, Miss Weed showed slides depicting the culture of Rio de Janeiro and cordially answered many questions of those present.

Election of officers for the coming year was held. Virginia Brant '51 is secretary, and Marian Weinberger '45, treasurer. Refreshments were served by Myrthel Nelson '51 and her classmates. The next meeting will be on January 13, 1954.

The group plans to sponsor a Rummage Sale next Spring for the benefit of the Annie W. Goodrich Fund.

Elizabeth Plummer, '46W,
Chairman

Our sincerest sympathy to Mary Bohan Eagan '32 and her family in the sudden loss of her husband, Dr. Edward F. Eagan, on June 13, 1953;

and to Jo Anne Selleck Taylor '51, whose husband, Dr. Sterling P. Taylor, Jr., died suddenly on October 9, 1953.

WEDDINGS

'32. Alma Whitman to Dr. Thomas O. Frasier in Honolulu.
'35. Roberta Dudley Walker to Thornwell Jacobs, Jr. Address: 1681 Lady Marion Lane, N.E., Atlanta, Ga.
'38. Evelyn Stotz to Ray Farnsworth, April 4, 1953.
'46. Mary Jean Thompson to Durward Dolman Saxon, September 12, 1953.
'53. Shirley Force to Frederick L. Edwards, October 24, 1953. Address: 64th Rd., Rego Park, N. Y.

BIRTHS

'36. To Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Kirkpatrick (Ruth Garrod) a son, Dana Andrew, August 27, 1953.
'38. To Dr. and Mrs. James D. Barger (Josephine Steiner) a son, Michael Thomas, II, May 1953.
'40. To Mr. and Mrs. T. Alton Harrington (Mary Conly) a third child, David Marshland, July 10, 1953.
'41. To Col. and Mrs. Michael J. Ingelido (Elinor Affinito) a son, Christopher David, October 2, 1953.
'41. To Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Dunham (Carol Reynolds) a second son, June, 1953.
'42. To Dr. and Mrs. David G. Decker (Elizabeth Bavis) a son, Arthur Bavis, March 11, 1953.
'44. To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Rudd (Carolyn Clausen) a daughter, Rachael Clausen, July 28, 1953.
'44. To Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel A. Denman (Lucille Grafton) a son, Scott Grafton, March 16, 1953.
'44. To Mr. and Mrs. Edmond J. Holdeman (Eleanore Weare) a daughter, Janice Ann, July 20, 1953.
'45W. To Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Smith (Mary Reichert) a daughter, Andrea Marie, October 5, 1953.
'46. To Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Grunberg (Eleanor Hoffman) a son, Neil Everett, August 9, 1953.
'46. To Dr. and Mrs. Nicholas Fish (Sara Hyde) an adopted daughter, Judith Bayard, May 1953, born January 31, 1953.
'46. To Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Waletstein (Pearl Ryshpan) a daughter, Rachelle, July 23, 1953.
'47. To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Paige (Sylvia Drake) a son, Richard Warren, October 3, 1953.
'47. To Mr. and Mrs. Glenn H. Kyle (Signe Carlson) a daughter, Honore, October 9, 1953. Address: 6236 N.E. Sumner, Portland, Ore. They plan to return to Alaska soon.
'48. To Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey A. Corson (Adelaide Barrett) a son, Alan Barrett, August 2, 1952.
'48. To Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Ross (Virginia Millard) a daughter, Rebecca Diane, September 3, 1953.
'48. To Mr. and Mrs. John L. Carter (Clarice Reep) a daughter, Ellen Marie, February 28, 1953.

'49. To Mr. and Mrs. William F. Meggers, Jr. (Barbara Bonar) a daughter, Pamela Anne, October 3, 1953.

'49. To Mr. and Mrs. Morrell Heald (Barbara Legg) a son, Seth Galbraith, September 18, 1953.

'50. To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Appler (Esther Semmler) a son, John Charles, August 19, 1953.

'51. To Dr. and Mrs. Robert L. Nolan (Virginia Reynolds) a son, Douglas Keith, August 27, 1953.

'51. To Mr. and Mrs. Conrad J. Hemond, Jr. (Eileen Hemond) a daughter, Nancy Eileen, July 14, 1953. Address: 842 N. Market Street, Fredrick, Md.

MIGRATIONS

Dean-Emeritus Annie W. Goodrich is now living at Cobalt Lodge, Cobalt, Conn., and would of course enjoy greetings from any or all of us. She does know we are busy people and the following list of new addresses and positions (which nearly floored your editor) will verify the fact that we are not a static group.

'27. Evanita Pangborn Morse, resident nurse, Thatcher School, Ojai, Cal.

'31. Eleanor Tilton Davis, Candlewood Lake Club, RFD No. 1, Brookfield, Conn.


'32. Ruth C. Johnson, Apt. 2A, 249 State Street, Albany, N. Y.

'33. Arria Huntington, 1230 Amsterdam Avenue, New York 27, N. Y., student at Teachers' College.

'34. Elizabeth Ferguson King, 5350 N. Halifax Road, Temple City, Calif.

'34. Thelma Chase Bevin, Box 154, East Hampton, Conn.

'35. Ruth Evans Silcox, 50 Crosby Brown Road, Gladwyne, Pa.

'35. Ruth Dingman Crawford, Chapman College, 766 North Vermont, Los Angeles 29, Cal.


'35. Thelma Laird, Director of Nursing, Memorial Center for Cancer and Allied Diseases, New York City, part time Instructor and Field Supervisor in Nursing Education, Columbia University.

'36. Margaret Birchard Fillmore, 3707 Nanz Avenue, Louisville 7, Ky.

'36. Hazely Yonick Sherwood, 1101 Crescent Lane, Springfield, Ill.


'38. Violet Michelson Windus, 291 Brewster Road, Bristol, Conn.

'38. Julia Freund, 318 Woodbourne Avenue, Baltimore, Md. She enrolled at the 11th Annual Summer School on Alcohol Studies at Yale last summer.

'38. Olive Llewellyn Blandau, 6531 37th St., N.E. Seattle 5, Wash.

'38. Evelyn Stotz Farnsworth, student in Hospital Administration, School of Public Health at Yale.

'38. Doretta Thielker, 440 Prospect Street, New Haven, science instructor, Grace-New Haven School of Nursing.

'39. Esther Anderson Werninghaus, Apt. 1F, 5640 Netherland Avenue, Riverside 71, N. Y.

'40. Nelliana Best, 1627 Grant Street, Berkeley 3, Cal.

'40. Rachel Hall Turney, Box 143A, So. Langley Lane, McLean, Va.

'40. Eleanor Voorhees, 105 Sherman Road, Brookline, Mass., Asst. Prof. PH Nursing, Simmons College.

'41. Wanda Galantowicz, 223 Conant Drive, Buffalo 23, N. Y., Nsg. Arts Instructor, Univ. of Buffalo School of Nsg.

'42. Mary Beale Kenyon, 284 Brimfield Road, Wethersfield, Conn.

'42. Lois Brown Stokes, 1403 Reservoir Avenue, Roslyn, Pa.

'42. Betty Jean Gray, N. Dearborn Street, Chicago 10, Ill.

'43. Florence Harris Eger, 21 Greenridge Avenue, White Plains, N. Y.

'43. Eleanor Severson Janikowski, 453 W. Washington Street, Caladonia, Minn.
44. Britta James, 50 East Bellevue Place, Chicago 11, Ill., student, Univ. of Chicago.
44. Doris Connor Oremus, Box 93, Union Bldg., Singapore, Malaya.
44. Constance Bancroft, Apt. 337, 1476 Pennsylvania Street, Denver, Col., program asst., TB Society of Denver. She received her M.P.H. at Yale last June.
44. Frances Ford Cooke, 75 Washington Street, Natick, Conn., has a second son, Benjamin, born November 17, 1952. They have two boys and two girls.
44. Mildred Perkins Bradley, Fort Myers, Fla., office nurse for her husband.
45. Mary Kinports Singleton, 6305 Temple Road, Jacksonville 7, Fla., staff nurse, Dieval Medical Center.
45. Alice Forman, 125 Bellevue Avenue, Upper Montclair, N. J., State Certified Midwife of Scotland, England and Wales, staff nurse at St. Luke’s Hospital, N.Y.C., student at Teacher’s College.
45. Jeanne Michaels Radow, part time nurse for clinic service and P.H. education, Planned Parenthood Center, Columbus, Ohio.
45. Eunice Tucker Herrington, Bandon, Oregon.
45W. Mary Oesterle Haw, 5325 Kellogg Ave., Minneapolis 10, Minn.
46. Capt. Clara E. Houck, Dams U.S. Army Hospital, 8167th Army Unit, APO 1055, c/o P.M. San Francisco, Cal.
46. Mary Kopenhaver, 215 Princeton Avenue, Polymerton, Pa.
46. Sue Cailliet Gardon, 336 Metcalfe Avenue, Westmount, P.Q. Canada.
46. Kathryn Lynch Burdette, 30 Ansonia Street, Hartford Conn., until her husband returns from service.
46. Martha Miller Newton, U.S. Army Hospital, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.
46. Charlotte Perkins Charbeneau, resident nurse at the Mohonk School, Mohonk Lake, N. Y.
46W. Betty Due Reilly and family sail November 17 to spend 9 months in Sweden. Dr. R. will study neuro-surgery there.
47. Tina DiMaggio, 1230 Amsterdam Avenue, Box 320, New York 27, N. Y., student at Teachers’ College.
47. Mary Ellis, 194 East End Avenue, New York City.
47. Berenice Johnson Watermond, staff nurse, New Haven V.N.A.
47. Ruth Kozak, The Evangeline, 125 West 13th Street, New York 11, N. Y.
47. Margaret Meston Breg, c/o Capt. Wm. R. Breg, Jr., Tokyo General Dispensary, APO 500 c/o PM San Francisco, Cal.
47. Lois Young, 919 Oakland Street, Ann Arbor, Mich.
47W. Dorothy Burchette, Apt. 208, 3211 S.W. 10th Street, Portland, Ore., Asst. Clinical Instructor in Pediatrics, Dept. of Nursing, Univ. of Oregon Medical School.
49. Barbara Legg Heald, 3927 Orchard Road, Cleveland Heights 21, Ohio.
49. Marjorie Rovelstad Wessen, 576 Whalley Avenue, New Haven.
50. Elizabeth Gilmore Hartsig, 5735 Ellsworth Avenue, Pittsburgh 32, Pa.
50. Mary Cushman Colwell, 54 Vista Road, North Haven, Conn.
50. Lucy Conant, Nurses’ Home, Truro, Cornwall, England, student in midwifery.
50. Faith Jensen, 135 Waite Street, Hamden, Conn., staff nurse, New Haven V.N.A., as of September, 1953.
50. Yuki Takagi ’50, and Elizabeth McGarry ’51, students in the Advanced Program in Mental Health Nursing at YSN.
51. Shirley Weber Howard, instructor in Advanced Medical and Surgical Nursing, Grace-New Haven School of Nursing.
1953

Mary Bliss, Carol Burke, Janet Haynes, Vivienne Patterson, Irene Shanahan, Doris Wellenkemp, staff nurses at the Univ. of Calif. Hosp. The five last live at 728 Parnassus Avenue, San Francisco, Cal.

Constance Callahan, 250 West 8th Avenue, Denver 7, Colo., staff nurse in Pediatrics, Denver General Hosp.


Margaret McDonald, Children's Hospital, Los Angeles, Cal.

Rauha Koski, 234 Whalley Avenue, New Haven, Instructor of Divinity Student Aides, Yale Psych. Clinic.

Lois Shipton, 3500 East 41st Street, Seattle 5, Wash.

Nancy Alley, Eleanor Chapman, Jeanne Piccirillo, and Gloria Rea, staff nurses at New Haven V.N.A., 35 Elm Street, New Haven.

Helen Bennett, head nurse, Children's Service, G-NHCH.

Jane Stanna, Lanphier's Cove, Branford, Conn., Teaching Supervisor, Pediatrics, G-NHCH.

OTHER NOTES

27. Dean Elizabeth Bixler is the newly elected president of the Conn. State Nurses Assoc. On October 15 she was awarded the citation of merit by the New Haven Chapter of Hadassah for her interest in and service to the fellowship program which enables Israeli doctors, scientists, and nurses to study new techniques in the U.S.A.

29. Jeannette Snyder Hiller received her Doctor of Education degree from Stanford University in June 1952. Effective July 1, 1953, she was promoted from Assistant to Associate Professor in the School of Nursing, University of Calif., San Francisco.

30. Hazel Bowles spent the summer touring France, the Principalities, Italy, and Switzerland.

32. Mary Bohan Eagan was elected to fill the vacancy on the School Board caused by the death of her husband. Her activities in Lynn, Mass., have included: executive board of Infant of Prague Guild; board member of Girls' Club; vice-pres. Christocratic Club; vice-pres. Lynn Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

38. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Deretchin (Laura Wolf) announce the Bar-Mitzvah of their son Simon Jeffrey on September 5, 1953.

52. Jean Carter writes enthusiastically of her arrival at the American University Hospital, Beirut, Lebanon, to quote: "The hospital is so much like Yale that I'm sure someone from there has left their mark. The procedures are almost identical. I have to keep telling myself where I am."

ADDRESSES UNKNOWN

44. Mary Alice Lord (Mrs. Kenneth Harding).

45. Helen Hunter.

45W. Hilde Kantsky Cherry (Mrs. James W.).

45W. Madeline Robb Crowley (Mrs. Lawrence G.).

46W. Jean Ball Trumpp (Mrs. Theodore F.).

46W. Lt. Adiel Wilder.