Accountants + Nurses => Ice Skating

By JANE LEAVY

On February 26, the College of Nursing joined with the Accounting program for their annual ice skating activity at Seven Peaks Ice Arena. Admission was one can of food to benefit the Utah Food Bank. Hundreds of students from both programs came to mingle, ice skate, and munch on treats. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the break from their intensive studies.

Thanks to all who helped organize and attended the event. We were able to donate many cans of food! See you next year!

Choose To Give

By JULIE PETERSON

During the week of March 15-19, the College of Nursing will be participating in BYU’s annual Choose to Give campaign. This year the College of Nursing has a goal for 100% of the nursing students to donate to Choose to Give. Students can choose to contribute any amount. If each of us gives just a dollar or two, we can meet our goal and help the University and College of Nursing students succeed.

Choose to Give contributions are used for three areas. Choosing to give to the President’s Priorities provides funding for the math lab, teaching assistants, and mentorship learning. Giving to need-based scholarships provides opportunities for students who are struggling financially to continue their education. Finally, contributing to college annual funds gives Dean Cole of the College of Nursing the opportunity to decide where nursing student contributions go. Projects include funding for nursing labs and N400.

This year the College of Nursing is hosting an activity to get you excited about Choose to Give. It will be held during the week of March 15-19. More information will be provided once the details are planned. If you have any questions or would like to help with the activity, please e-mail me at byusna@gmail.com. I am so excited about this wonderful opportunity to serve other students and I hope you will be too. Thanks in advance for your support of this worthy cause.
College of Nursing Celebrates Florence Nightingale

By MARY COLEMAN

2010 marks the 100th anniversary of Florence Nightingale’s death. Nursing institutions across the world are honoring Nightingale and teaching nursing students the great impact she had on modern-day nursing.

Dean Beth Cole was featured in the Harold B. Lee House of Learning Lecture Series, highlighting the opening of the library’s Florence Nightingale exhibit. Cole focused on the life and contributions of Nightingale to the fields of nursing, statistics and public health. “Due to her efforts to reform and advance nursing as a noble profession,” said Cole, “she dramatically changed society’s perceptions of the usefulness of women and employment opportunities for women.”

The lecture was followed by strolls through the library exhibit. The exhibit, which will be open all year, contains original letters, photos, and books of Florence Nightingale. The book “Life and Death of Athena, an Owlet from the Parthenon” is displayed along with other artifacts. The book is one of three original copies in the U.S., and Cole was presented a limited facsimile of the book for her dedication in educating others of Nightingale.

By KATIE MUSSMAN

The BYU College of Nursing recently had its Professionalism Conference in the Wilkinson Student Center on February 22. Florence Nightingale expert Barbara Dossey spoke to students at the event. “Any time you have a nationally known speaker like Barbara Dossey, it is a highlight,” said Rose Ann Jarrett, the public relations supervisor for the College of Nursing. “We actually sent a film team to New Mexico to interview Barbara Dossey,” said Glenda Christiaens, professor in the College of Nursing. Dossey participated in a question-and-answer session after her lecture. Dossey is featured in the Florence Nightingale Exhibit in the library.

In addition to the new exhibit and the guest speaker, Utah Governor Gary Herbert gave an official statement declaring Feb. 21-27, 2010, Florence Nightingale recognition week.

Student Thoughts on Nightingale

“The key to Florence’s powerful impact was her ability to notice the seemingly trivial things that were in fact very important, and then to have courage to act and fix the problems.” - Amber Jones

“Her unseen strength pushes us forward giving us drive to fight our battles and light to know how.” - Diana Snyder

“Her legacy is that of moving the profession of nursing from the shadow of disrespect to the glow of great respect.” - Carol Louch

“The ultimate healer to Florence remained the Savior, Jesus Christ, although she maintained nursing was to be kept secular; and all people regardless of race, gender, or religion were to be accepted.” - Melina Gherisi

Florence Nightingale Essay Contest Winners:
(Left to right) Melina Gherisi, Stephanie Hoyt, and Elise Corbett
Congratulations!

Robyn (capstone) and Kristian Ekenes
October 24, 2009
Boise, Idaho Temple

Peyton Dale
Born December 4, 2009 to
Camille (capstone) and Scott Jensen

Students Present on Ecuador Experience at Sigma Theta Tau Conference

By KATIE THORNTON

I thought it was really neat that Sherri Palmer requested that students come with her to the Sigma Theta Tau Conference in Indianapolis last fall to present the research she and Sondra Heaston had done on student nurse working in Ecuador. It was a great experience to actually feel like a contributing member of a professional nursing association. I think that we sometimes join professional organizations just so we can put it on our resumes. But this experience of presenting research at the Conference really helped me feel like I was more than just another nameless member.

ChristieSue Hendrichen and I felt very special because all of the people surrounding us at the Conference were probably at least 30 years older than us on average, and were pretty surprised to hear that we were attending before we had graduated. They were even more surprised when they found out we were presenting at the conference. Overall, it was a great experience and I am really grateful to Sherri for inviting ChristieSue and I to come to the Conference and to the College of Nursing for funding our trip.

USNA Convention

By JANE LEAVY

The 58th Annual Utah Student Nurses Association Convention was held on February 6 at Snow College. The theme for the convention was "Empowering for the Future." Many of the speakers focused on life-long learning. Life-long learning helps us provide better care for our patients and enhances the nursing profession.

Elections for the new 2010-2011 USNA Board was held. Students representing many schools in the state participated, including some of our very own BYU students. Thank you to all who attended and supported our state's student professional organization.
CALLING ALL VOTERS

WHAT: 2010-2011 SNA Board Elections
WHEN: March 3-6
WHERE: College of Nursing Website
*Login in on the website and click on “SNA” under the “Students” tab. Check out the candidate bios and vote!
WHY: Let your voice be heard!

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Natalia Woolley

NEWSLETTER:
Jeff Brown
Amy Madsen

USNA REP:
Celeste Wouden
Jacob Schwab

Save the Date!
Destress with Glenda—March 6 at 10:00am in room 3238 WSC.
Hoedown Closing Social—March 26 at 6:00pm (location TBA)
Check your email for weekly updates!
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