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GREETINGS FROM THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Welcome back to returning students and a special welcome to our new students. I hope your summer was enjoyable and that you are looking forward to the coming academic year and preparing for your health care career. Faculty and staff have been busy these past several months preparing for your return.

We are pleased to introduce you to the new faculty and new support staff. They are a wonderful addition to our college. Their pictures and information are included in this newsletter.



Dr. Nadine Coudret

The faculty, staff and I are here to teach and support you as you prepare for a career in health care and related fields. One way that you can make this coming semester more productive is to take advantage of the support that is available to you. Get together with your classmates to share lecture notes, listen to podcasts, practice new skills and enjoy each other. Call on your faculty for help and ask for their assistance. The faculty, staff and I want to help you in any way that we can. By working together we can make this a successful and enjoyable year that prepares you for your career as a health care professional.

College receives \$3.2 Million in Grants

The College of Nursing and Health Professions received a record number (5) of grants and funding this summer. A \$1.2 million federal grant was received to provide primary health care for the Glenwood Leadership Academy and its surrounding area. This 5 year grant will be used to implement and staff a school based health clinic in Glenwood Leadership Academy. Dr. Coudret said, "The Clinic will strengthen and expand access to primary health care and wellness for Glenwood area residents across the lifespan." The clinic will become a valuable clinical education site for USI nursing and health professions students.

The CNHP also received three grants for a total of \$2.2 million to implement a new psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioner program, a new clinical nurse specialist program, and to expand the Doctor of Nursing Practice program. A fifth grant of \$77,000 was received and will be used to fund graduate nursing traineeships.

This has been an exciting summer for the CNHP and we are looking forward to implementation of these grants.

WELCOME NEW STAFF AND FACULTY!



Tammy Oliver, Sr. Administrative Assistant for Graduate Nursing. Tammy is a returning CNHP employee. Prior to her work at Kohl's Tammy worked for the CNHP in the Advising hall. She has two children: a son, Landon, majoring in Engineering at USI and a daughter, RoseMeredith, a senior who will attend USI next fall.



Kerrie Geiser, Administrative Assistant for Food & Nutrition. Kerri resides in Henderson, with her husband of 22 years, Rob. They have 2 teenage children. Brooke a senior at Henderson County High and Ross a sophomore.



Mary Scheller, Administrative Assistant for Gerontology. Mary is a life-long Westsider. She is married to Bob Scheller and has four children. Mary is a graduate of Indiana University. Before coming to USI she was a program coordinator for Keep Evansville Beautiful.



Jordan Bartek, Administrative Assistant for Health Services. Jordan is a recent graduate of Western Kentucky University. She will be working closely with the Health Services internship programs.

Dr. Gabriella Mustata Wilson

Health Services and Health Administration

Dr. Wilson comes to us from the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University. She will be working in the Master's of Health Administration and undergraduate Health Services programs. Dr. Wilson, her husband, and son, Michael Alexander, age 5, moved to Evansville from Cadbury, Pennsylvania.



Dr. Mikel Hand

Nursing

Dr. Hand comes to us with extensive experience in nursing education and has an enviable record of scholarship and research. Dr. Hand has worked previously at Pepperdine, UCLA and most recently was a faculty member with MacMurray College in Jacksonville, Illinois. Dr. Hand has had extensive clinical and management experience.



Dr. Sam Euler

Dental Clinic

Dr. Euler is a familiar face in the Dental Clinic. He worked part-time with the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting students in the dental clinic last year. Dr. Euler's dental practice prior to joining the clinic was located in Evansville. He is now our full time Dentist and we are glad to have him in that position. Dr. Euler enjoys fishing and time with his family.



Jody Delp '96

Coordinator Clinical Simulation Center

Jody comes to us from Deaconess Hospital where she worked as a Respiratory therapist for the past 14 years. Jody also taught ACLS, PALS, and BLS through the American Heart Association. She has a Bachelor of Arts in General Science from USI and an Associate of Science in Respiratory Therapy. Jody is a Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) and a Certified Pulmonary Function Technologist (CPFT). She also has two children. She will be working with all programs in the CNHP through the Simulation Lab.



A USI Student's Experience in a German Hospital

One the 2nd day of her German travel abroad experience, **Mellisa Lafferty**, fell and broke her wrist in 4 places. The following is her story of German healthcare from the patient's point of view...

Well, when I broke my arm it was Saturday night on July 2. The next morning I went to the emergency room with a German tutor from school who could translate. We had to wait for a long time because the ER is first come first serve like ours. It doesn't matter what is wrong with you, you just have to wait. When my turn finally came, we walked into this office to give information to the administrator. Since my insurance card wasn't a European card, I had to pay 50 euro up front. Then we went to a room where a doctor could look at my arm. He told me I needed an X-Ray, so we went to another hallway to find it. No one led us there. When we got there we waited for a bit and someone came to get us. I had my arm X-rayed and went back to the other room again. The doctor looked at my arm and said my radius was cracked in 4 places. He said if he just put a cast on it, it would never heal. He said the only sensible solution was to have surgery to put a metal plate and screws into my arm onto my bone. He said I could either go home right away or stay here and have it done. I decided to have it done in Germany so I wouldn't have to go home and miss the programs. They scheduled my operation for the next morning (Monday). Since my insurance wasn't the normal European insurance, they said they might have to consider it private, which meant I would be treated like a private insurance patient. I would be operated on by the chief of surgery and I would be placed in a different corridor with my own giant room and flat screen TV. However, they said it's best to just operate on me, send me the bill and have my own insurance reimburse me. So I had a regular doctor for surgery.

The next morning I came back to the hospital to a different corridor. I had to wait and they said I needed to go meet with the anesthesia department so they could explain the procedure. I went there and waited for my turn. Then I went back and the lady asked if I wanted to be awake or not and then I signed some papers. Of course I wanted to be put to sleep! Then I went to a room they assigned me too. I was in there with 3 other women, and there were no curtains in between us. I was even facing one of them. There was a little sink in the room with a mirror. The bathroom was down the hall. After a couple hours, I changed into my gown and they took me to surgery in my bed. I got the IV put in and went to sleep. Then when I woke up, I was in the recovery room with several other patients. I couldn't really look around and I was in a lot of pain, but there was a man next to me moaning really loud. Every time I asked for medicine, the medicine they gave me didn't help. They took me to my room after a while and I rested. A dietician came several times while I was there to schedule my meals. The nurses often wore sandals which I thought was strange. Also, there was a male nurse who had tattoos showing and big earrings. I didn't understand that. The hospital isn't as fancy as ours back at home, which explains why it doesn't cost as much to go to doctors in Germany. They just gave me Ibuprofen for pain the whole time. They were good about getting to me fast though. I was out of the hospital by that Wednesday. My arm looked good besides the swelling from blood pooling in that area. He just wrapped it in gauze and said to start moving it around right away to keep range of motion but not to carry anything or put my own weight on it for 6 weeks. They also told me that sometime I will have to get the plate taken back out once everything is healed.

About 2 weeks later, I went for a check-up appointment at an orthopedic doctors office. They said it would be around 50 euro for the appointment and that they would send me the bill. When I got my turn to see the doctor, he decided to stick a large syringe in my arm by the wound to drain blood out because it was still a little swollen. Nothing came out, which was good because it wasn't infected with pus. Then he took the stitches out. My arm is doing well now.



Health Professions Center Pictures

Each of the college programs will have pictures depicting aspects of their programs on the Health Profession Center walls. The pictures will be displayed on the first and second floors. The first pictures related to the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting programs are on the wall near the dental lab. Service Learning pictures representing all the programs are on the wall across from Mitchell Auditorium.



Faculty & Staff Birthdays

Beth Thompson - August 14
 Dr. Melissa Hall - August 23
 Peggy Graul - August 26
 Dr. Judi Kuric - August 31
 Dr. Ethel Elkins - August 31
 Amy Wilson - September 4
 Tracy Waddell - September 20
 Kimberly Bastin - September 25
 Dennis Siepierski - September 27
 Joy Fein - September 30
 Dr. Renee Dugger—October 5
 Janet Selby—October 12



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept 5 Labor Day
 Sept 20 CNHP Ice Cream Social for Freshmen

PROGRAM ADMISSION DEADLINES

Sept 15 Diagnostic Medical Sonography Bachelor Program
 Sept 15 Radiologic & Imaging Sciences Program

College Community Lounge

The college community lounge is located in the lower level of the health professions building behind the elevator on the north end of the building. The room number is HP0110. We encourage you to take advantage of the lounge to socialize and relax .

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 Broken jaw,
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 Freshmen
 Convocation
 Cheer**



Welcome New CNHP Freshmen!

"INPUT FOR EXCELLENCE" offers students and staff an opportunity to make suggestions, offer praise, etc. "INPUT FOR EXCELLENCE" boxes are located in the School Community Lounge HP 0110, the Charles Day Learning Resource Center, and the Reception Desk in HP 2068. Use this handy tear-off to share your thoughts with us or email your comments to jfselby@usi.edu.

"Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising up every time we fail."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson