

TECHS TALK

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ANNUAL ORBS BANQUET ON MAY 15

Med Tech Council News

This year the council has consisted of four seniors, one Orbs representative, one ADT representative, three juniors, two sophomores, and one freshman, with Miss Hovde and Miss Weber as advisors.

During the fall quarter the constitution was revised slightly to clarify the representation of the classes.

The big sister program, started last year, has been continued this year. A Med Tech carnival was held in October with a good turn out from all classes and the staff. The junior and senior girls invited their little sisters to come and get acquainted with their upperclassmen.

In February the council with the help of the senior class sponsored a tour of the hospital for freshmen, sophomores and juniors. Most of the juniors and a surprisingly large number of sophomores and freshmen came to see the labs where they would be working in their senior year. After the tour, refreshments were served in the Powell Hall recreation room.

The council has also functioned as a clearing house for student problems. At one of the meetings the crowded conditions in which the night techs lived in Powell was brought to the attention of Miss Weber. The next week the seniors were happy to learn that she had acquired another room for us.

The room in Powell and our tour of the hospital made us feel that we had accomplished something this year and we hope that next year will be even more successful.

DON'T FORGET THE BANQUET!!!

The annual Orbs Banquet will be held Monday, May 15 at 6:00 P.M. in the Main Ballroom of the Coffman Memorial Union. Tickets are \$1.75 and may be bought from Seniors or at the door. All students in Medical Technology, graduates, parents, friends and faculty are invited to attend.

Please return the enclosed card by May 9 so we may make a reservation for you. If you don't intend to come to the banquet please return the card anyway so we can check our mailing list.

The program will include presentation of the Orbs Scholarship Award, announcement of the new Orbs members, a skit by the Medical Technology seniors and a dance by Lois Royce. Dr. Stewart C. Thomson, Associate Professor and Assistant Director of Public Health, will be the guest speaker.

ARE YOU WEARING THE MED TECH PIN?

This is to remind you that graduates in Medical Technology now have a pin. A Med Tech, to be qualified to wear the pin must have a degree in Medical Technology or a baccalaureate degree in science with training in lab procedures. The price of the pin is \$4.80. To verify their graduate status, University of Minnesota graduates must order the pin through the Med Tech office. Then the orders are sent on to the Balfour Co. Several other schools and hospitals have accepted the design for the pin.

UNIVERSITY STAFF

ADT ACTIVITIES

Dr. Gerald T. Evans is in charge of the Medical Technology Department. Ruth Hovde '38 is the head Instructor. Allie Skoro '42 is the Counselor of the Students in Medical Technology and Jane Weber '41 is the Administrative Laboratory Technologist.

The instructors and staff techs in the labs are as follows:

HEMATOLOGY:

- Norma Benham Lick '42
- Audrey Naas '47
- Harriet Broman '49
- Jeanette Stephens '40
- Jeanne Smaltz '48
- Ella Spanjers '48

URINES: Ruth Muir '45

CHEMISTRY:

- Verna Rausch '45
- Wsther Fraier '46
- Lorraine Lopic '47
- Bernice Theissen Flert '48
- Ruth Heinemann '48
- Joanne Davey '48
- Dorothy Tan '49
- Harriet Bruning '49

TISSUES:

- Lois Pennecke '49
- Roberta Harmon '50

BACTERIOLOGY:

- Mary Welshons '47
- Joan Schlosser '48

BLOOD BANK: Aileen Blomquist '42

DISPENSARY:

- Phyllis Johnson Krigbaum '42
- Betty Weisel '42
- Florence Swenson Grandchamp '48
- Frances Simon '49 (part time)

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- Betty Harvey '49
- Frances Simon '49 (part time)

PARASITOLOGY:

- Allie Smith Skoro '42

SEROLOGY: Joe Bocchi '49

Alpha Delta Theta, Medical Technology Sorority, at the University of Minnesota, has had quite an eventful year. Rushing and initiation have been held every quarter. During the summer ADT had many informal activities of the girl's choosing, such as a theater party, a swimming party at Cedar Lake and a date house party at Gay Eggers' cottage.

After a football game last fall, we had a steak fry out at Audrey Granberg's cottage. The annual Christmas formal was held on December 3 at the Columbia Chalet. The hall was decorated with snowballs and a Christmas tree. Many alumnae attended.

Activities during winter quarter included a banquet held at 510 Groveland, the annual rummage sale, Founder's day Banquet, and the Interprofessional Sorority dinner at which Verdis Webster and Shriley Westvig were recognized for their high scholastic averages.

At the beginning of spring quarter new officers were installed. They are:

- Ann Lowry--President
- Marlene Johnson--Vice-President
- Lois Bratshi--Secretary
- Kathleen Clayson--Treasurer
- Janet Ecklund--Editor--Historian
- Marian Langlie and Helen Jensen--co-Rushing Chairmen.

JANE WEBER TO WORK IN PASTEUR INSTITUTE

Jane Weber, Administrative Technologist here, is leaving for Europe about May 15. Paris, France is her destination. She will work there for a year doing Bacteriology in the Pasteur Institute. Ruth Hovde will take her place here temporarily until Lorraine Gonyea returns from California to take the position late this summer. At present Lorraine is doing hematology at the Scripps Metabolic Clinic in La Jolla, California.

WHERE ARE YOUR CLASSMATES?

Medical Technology seems to be a good Profession if you want to see the country. However, there seems to be a tendency for University of Minnesota graduates to go west.

Ruth Rosendahl is working at Scripps Metabolic Clinic in La Jolla, California. Ann Kemp, Marlys Hawkinson and Coleen Rehder are with the University of California Hospital in San Francisco. Arlene Volkart and Gail Jannecke are sold on the climate in this state. They are working in Sacramento,. California is also the home of Joyce Hoffman who married a lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. Mary Munehata chose the Methodist Hospital in Los Angeles.

After that list you wonder if any of our graduates stayed in the mid-west. Jean Skonsberg Ahnemark just left employment at the Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines and is now in Minneapolis with her husband waiting for an addition to the family in June. Ruth Stenstrom Anderson and Betty Carlson Swenson are at Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul. Ruth Ingersoll is living in Minneapolis and is the mother of a little girl. Marie Frensko is married and has a son. They live in Ivanhoe, Minnesota.

Several of the recent graduates have found jobs around the Twin Cities. Marilyn Ring and Mary George are at Fairview. Ruth Engst is working for Dr. Zimmerman at the University Hospital doing chemistries for ACTH research. Ruth Kuhlman will soon be working for the Nicollet Clinic. Frances Simon is working at the University Hospitals in the BMR-ECG lab and the Dispensary. Roberta Harmon is in the Tissues Lab temporarily until she takes Joan Schlosser's place in the Bacteriology lab when Jo leaves to be married. Rita Pottner will be working in Dr. Watson's lab at the University Hospital.

Fargo has been chosen by several of our graduates. The Fargo Clinic. was chosen by Marian Dahlman, Joyce Tanam and Betty Andrews. Marian is now married.

Two of our former staff techs have left Minnesota to take jobs in the west. Olga Leschisin left the University Hospital to take a job as head tech at Mormon and Catholic Hospital and head tech of a commercial lab in Idaho Falls, Idaho. Lorraine Gonyea has left the special hematology lab to do hematology in the Scripps Metabolic Clinic in La Jolla, California.

June Lienna is at Great Falls, Montana. Marlys St. Cyr and Ruth Mlekoday are still working at Hillside Memorial Hospital in Flint, Michigan. Detroit Lakes, Minnesota is the home of Vivian Olson Mulkern who is expecting. Charlotte Rohr Treanor is with Northwestern Surgical Supply at Northwestern University in Chicago.

Angela di Giambattista Manning has left the BMR-ECG lab here to take the job of raising her new baby boy born March 3.

Muriel Koed and Betty Nelson are at Mason City, Iowa. Mary Lou Fnger and Dorothy Faber are working in the Vets Hospital out at Fort Snelling. Betty Mutchler and Marilyn McCurdy are working in Seattle.

ROTATION CHANGE

The rotation has been changed again. Parasitology is no longer in the third rotation. The girls now go from Serology and Parasitology. The third rotation is fourteen weeks long with four weeks spent in Dispensary, five on nights and five on Floats. Time spent in the other labs is as follows: Hematology, six weeks; Urines, two; Bacteriology, five; Flood Bank, two; Serology, two; Parasitology, two; Chemistry, ten; Tissues, four; and BMR-ECG, four.

Incidentally, the Parasitology lab is now part of a larger lab recently completed next door to Dr. Wallace's office in the Zoology building

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