

# Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences *Newsletter*

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### *Welcome Back!*

The fall term resumed on Tuesday, July 31st, welcoming **175 students** to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. There are 46 students enrolled in the first year of the full-time basic nursing program, and 18 students enrolled in the second year of the program. Seventeen students are beginning the part-time basic RN program this fall. There are 25 students in the accelerated LPN-RN/paramedic/RN bridge program, four students in the part-time bridge program, and seven students are enrolled in the RN-BSN program. There are eight students in the first term of the MLS program, and two students in the second term of the program. Four students are studying to become surgical technologists this year. There are ten students in the first year of the radiology technologist program and six students completing their second year in the program. Ten students are enrolled in the evening/weekend basic nursing program, and eleven are enrolled in the evening/weekend LPN/Paramedic bridge program.

We hope that you ALL have a GREAT year, and enjoy your time at the College of Nursing and Health Sciences!

### *Policy Reminders*

Student parking is allowed *with* a current, valid parking sticker on your back window. If you do not have a visible parking sticker, you may be required to move your vehicle until you have one displayed. Parking stickers and temporary stickers can be obtained from Mrs. Spane, at the third floor office.

Students are required to wear an **ID badge** at all times when on college/hospital property. If you lose your badge, please see Mrs. Vandergriff on the second floor to obtain a new one. You will not be allowed to attend classes without a badge. *Do not* share your ID badge/number with anyone, and do not let fellow students into the first floor door if they do not have a badge. If you forget your badge, please “buzz” in from the front door, then sign in at the second floor office. You’ll be given a temporary badge to wear for the day, which authorizes you to attend classes/labs.

Finally, there is **no smoking** allowed on college or hospital property.

**9/7: last day to withdraw from an 8-week course to receive a “W”**

**10/12: last day to withdraw from a 12-week class to receive a “W”**

***Don't forget! Evaluations will need to be completed at the end of each class***



# Student Council



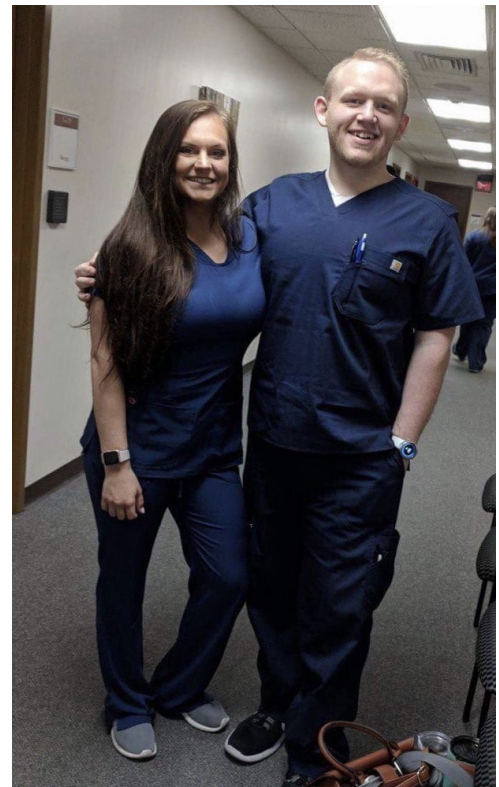
The Student Council will be hosting a back to school **Bar-B-Que** on Friday, August 31st. The event will be held at Kiwanis Park (2100 Rotary Dr, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701), at shelter #3. StuCo will provide burgers and hot dogs, chips, drinks, and dessert. The event will run from 11-3, and you are invited to drop -in anytime that your schedule allows! All students, faculty, staff, and their families are invited to attend. We'll have food, games, fun, and prizes!

There will be a signup sheet for those interested in being StuCo officers or class representatives, as well as for activities planned for the year. If you attend the BBQ (and sign in!), you'll earn 5 graduation points for college involvement!

Your Student Council presidents have a lot of fun activities planned for this year, and need YOUR help! Get involved, and let your voice be heard at the college! Class representatives and officers are recognized at graduation, and wear a special cord with their regalia.

## Alzheimer's Memory Walk

Need Graduation Points? Join Mrs. Lisa Moses and **Ruby's Memory Makers** team in the Alzheimer's Memory Walk at Cape County Park North on **September 15th!** Registration at 0800, short program at 0900 and walk at 0930. If interested in walking as a part of Ruby's Memory Makers, contact Mrs. Lisa Moses. Bring your kids - both human and furry! Students who attend are awarded 5 graduation points.



2018-19 Student Council Co-Presidents:

**Mikel Ulrich and Zach Fields**

**Remember!** *Fall balances need to be paid by December! See Mrs. Sells if you have questions about your account!*

WE THE PEOPLE...Constitution Day commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution by thirty-nine brave men on **September 17**, 1787, recognizing all who are born in the U.S. or by naturalization, have become citizens. The college will recognize Constitution Day with a video playing in the commons area, a word search, and a quiz! Complete the games for your change to win prizes!

Registered to vote? If not, go to <https://vote.gov>

# Honor Society

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences is home to the Beta Kappa Sigma chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society. The honor society recognizes scholarship, character, and leadership in Associate degree program students. To be invited to join PTK, you must have completed 12 semester hours with at least a 3.5 grade point average. Watch your email after each semester's grades are posted for your invitation to join!



## RT program news

The **Diagnostic Radiologic Technology (RT)** program sponsored by the Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CONHS) in Cape Girardeau, Missouri has once again achieved a one-hundred percent pass rate for first time test takers on the national certification examination offered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. The national average pass rate for this examination by first time test takers was 89.3, significantly lower than the College's 100% pass rate, illustrating the effectiveness of the preparation of CONHS's graduates when measured against their peers nationwide.

CONHS's 2017 RT graduates also outscored their peers throughout the country

***Make sure that you have returned your award letter to Financial Aid!!!***



# NSNA

The National Student Nurse Association is dedicated to fostering the professional development of nursing students. NSNA is the voice of the future of the nursing profession. There is an introductory NSNA meeting on **Thursday, September 6th** at 1500 in the 2nd floor commons area.



## Movie Nights!

Students are invited to attend these upcoming Movie Nights in the commons area!

**September 9, 1700-1900: PHILADELPHIA** – illustrates ethical and legal issues in healthcare and society

**October 12, 1700-1900: GIFTED HANDS**– biographical movie about Dr. Ben Carson (neurosurgeon) that illustrates how hard work, critical thinking, and determination can overcome adverse situations

**November 9, 1700-1900: PATCH ADAMS**– comedy-drama based on the life story of Dr. Hunter "Patch" Adams. Good illustration of using humor in healthcare

Students will receive 5 graduation points for attending any of these three movies. Bring a blanket or comfy lawn chair. Popcorn and snacks provided!





On August 2, SoutheastHEALTH Foundation and Southeast-HEALTH Auxiliary scholarship recipients had the opportunity to personally thank the individuals who are helping them earn higher education degrees at a Scholarship Luncheon. The luncheon was held at the Jackson Civic Center and celebrated the success of 33 students who received \$67,000 in scholarship awards. Guest speaker was Dr. Jerry Durham, Interim President of the Southeast Missouri Hospital College of Nursing and Health Sciences.

The scholarship program continues to grow each year, said SoutheastHEALTH Foundation Executive Director Patti Ranzini. "Because of the generosity of donors, our scholarship recipients are working to transform their dreams into reality. Our scholarship programs not only make a difference to students, but also to our communities, as scholars meet their academic goals and enter the growing healthcare workforce."

## RT lab improvements

SE Health has chosen to donate to the CON a ceiling mounted, 2 detector, 3 phase Philips radiographic system. The unit is approximately 12 years old and very serviceable. It replaces a much inferior radiographic unit that was originally designed to work with radiographic film, and is no longer considered an appropriate technology in medical imaging. New, this system would retail for somewhere north of a quarter of a million dollars. With the installation of this unit, our students will be practicing at or above the standard used by all of our clinical affiliates.



### First Floor Renovation Project

Robinson Construction has begun demolition of the first floor of the College in preparation for the renovation of that floor, a project estimated to take about 100 days. A committee comprised of Drs. Durham and Buttry, SEH facilities management leaders (Brian Gilliland, Dyke Marble), SEH Environmental Safety, SEH Infection Prevention, Sandin Engineering, Keystone Design, and Robinson Construction managers meet bi-weekly to monitor the project. The project is scheduled to be completed no later than the end of November 2018. At least two classes that are scheduled to meet in the last eight weeks of the fall semester have been assigned meeting space at the hospital.

