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Hall of Fame Honoree Recognized for History of Service



(left to right)

*Diane Dressler, Past AHOF Recipient;
Judy Miller, Past AHOF Recipient;*

Mary Pat Kunert, Faculty Counselor, Delta Gamma Chapter

The Union at Marquette University was crowded with well-wishers to recognize Lorraine Machan to the Delta Gamma Hall of Fame. Dr Machan is visiting friends and family from Aubry, Texas. Jacquelyn Nook, Program and Awards Chair offered the recognition address with these poignant comments:

“This award (Hall of Fame) is reserved to recognize and honor a retired leader from the nursing community, in order to enrich and remember our histories past. The Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society is committed to scholarship, leadership, and excellence in the nursing profession. It’s vision and mission is to create a global community of nurses who lead, using scholarship, knowledge, and technology to improve the health of the world’s people.” Lorraine was recognized for her personification of these qualities of excellence.

Lorraine began her career in 1944 with a Bachelor’s degree from Marquette University. She continued to pursue a Master’s degree with biology major and chemistry minor. She then enlisted in the Army Nurse Corps and taught biological science and chemistry to nursing students at Marquette University. She continued her pursuit of excellence and obtained a certificate in midwifery with honors from Queen Victoria Hospital, Johannesburg, South Africa. She served as a hospital administrator and nurse midwife in Uganda until 1955. For the following six years she headed the Zoological department at the University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland.



(3rd from left)

*Lorraine Machan, AHOF Recipient, 2002
(Pictured with family)*

She returned to Wisconsin and obtained her PhD

in Zoology with a physiology minor from the University of Wisconsin. She returned to Africa to continue her teaching career.

Her desire to return to family in 1975 brought to again to Marquette University where she became Director of the Graduate Program. She taught undergraduate, graduate and continuing education courses in pathophysiology, tension control and biofeedback. She continued in her later years to reach out to Lethotho, Africa for academic service. She returns tom Wisconsin to be embraced by family, colleagues and interested Delta Gamma members. Marquette University and Delta Gamma Chapter are fortunate to have such an international presence as a Hall of Fame recipient 2002.



(left to right)

*Donna Metoff, President
Lorraine Machan, AHOF Recipient
Jacquelyn Nook, Program & Awards Chair*

Grant Application Announcement Sigma Theta Tau Research Award Grant

Maximum Award: \$3,000 for one year

The Delta Gamma Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau is now accepting applications for a research grant to be awarded to a chapter member in the spring of 2003.

The award will be presented

Sunday, April 27, 2003 at the Induction Ceremony.

Eligibility and Requirements:

- Active member of Delta Gamma Chapter
- Have the ability to carry out the proposed research. Beginning researchers need to have a qualified advisor.
- Research is to be completed one year after the presentation of the award. The researcher must submit a written copy of the completed research in Spring 2004.
- The grant recipient may be required to present the completed research at the annual chapter research conference.
- Funding will not be provided retrospectively for research completed or near completion.

If you

are interested in running for executive office or a committee membership, please contact Ruth Waite or any of the chairpersons listed within this newsletter.

To apply, submit eight (8) typewritten copies of the research proposal that includes:

- Title page with a brief biosketch (credentials, position, etc.) on only one copy. The seven additional copies should not include identifying data
- Introduction indicating need for research
- Problem statement
- Brief theoretical framework
- Hypothesis
- Methodology
- Significance
- Timetable
- Budget
- References and appendices

Limit length to less than 6 pages, double spaced (excluding title page, budget, references, and appendices).

All applications will be evaluated using a blind review process. The recommendation of the Research Committee is submitted to the Executive Committee of the Delta Gamma Chapter for the award decision.

Applications should be submitted no later than Monday, March 3, 2003 to:

Kerry Kosmoski-Goepfert PhD, RN
Marquette University
College of Nursing
Clark Hall
P.O. Box 1881
Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881
Phone 414-288-3830
Email: kerry.goepfert@marquette.edu

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Hall of Fame Honoree Recognized for History of Service (Continued)

Outstanding Nurse Scholar in EDUCATION

The recognition and award for this high honor was presented to Maureen O'Brien. Mary Pat Kunert did the honors of mentioning the contributions this fine professor has done for the education of our future and current nurses. A bolt of humor was directed in this commentary and is sorely missed in this writing.



*Maureen O'Brien
Outstanding Nurse Scholar Awardee –
in Education*

Dr O'Brien has dedicated her professional life to the health and welfare of children and families. Her career that started in 1977 brought her to perfect her skill in the care of the family at Children's Hospital, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She taught at Marquette in 1984 after achieving her Master's degree. Academic study brought Maureen to complete her doctorate degree at the University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing in 1996.

Teaching challenges and varying practice venues has brought Maureen to recognized for her knowledge and skill in the care of the hospitalized and community ill child. She has numerous publications and speaks widely on the topics of childhood illnesses, family distress and coping, and technology.

Currently, Maureen is acting as Interim Associate Dean for the Graduate Program and her organizational style and sense of detail has brought her to seek new and expanded goals. This recognition, which brought a plaque and flowers from her honor society and friends, is one more feather in the stylish exterior that makes Maureen O'Brien an Outstanding Nurse Scholar in Education and beyond...



*(left to right)
Ardene Brown, Past AHOF Recipient
Maureen O'Brien, Outstanding Nurse Scholar–Education
Julia O'Brien (Maureen's Mother)
Mary Ann Lough*

Past Outstanding Nurse Scholars were present at the Awards and Hall of Fame Event

Diane Dressler, Ardene Brown, Joanne Krumberger, Darlene Weiss, Richard Fehring, Judith Miller

The Treasure Chest

Donna Jamieson, Treasurer for the Chapter with the help of Lisa Hanson, Finance Chair have completed an analysis of an external audit completed by financial analysts. Suggestions regarding audit frequency and maintenance methods for financial records were discussed with the Executive Board. These recommendations were greatly appreciated and quarterly reporting has been made available to the board for effective fiscal planning.

Travel and Expense Recommendations were presented to the Board for congruency in planning reimbursements for Local and National Conference/Presentation attendance.

The Treasurer and Finance Chairs offer the following Balances as of October 31, 2002.

Money Market Account: \$29,311.05
US Government Bonds : \$10,248.40
Checking Account (9-30-02) \$3,252.04

Calendar of Events

March 25, 2003
June 17, 2003

Board Meeting 5:00 - 6:30 MU Union Cafeteria
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General Membership Meetings:

February 18, 2003
April 27, 2003
May 8, 2003
May 9, 2003
June 12, 2003
October 9, 2003

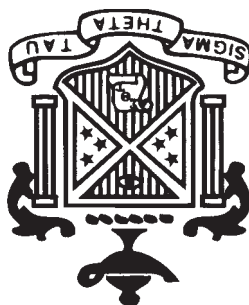
UWM G40 Cunningham Hall - Sigma Theta Tau Joint Meeting
Induction at MU - Union Ballrooms
Research Event - Preconference - MU
Research Event - MU
Transition/Spring Event - Klemmers Ballroom, Oklahoma Ave.
Awards and Hall of Fame - MU

ADDRESS CHANGE

Are you moving? Don't forget to tell us. It has come to our attention that some members are not receiving our mailings. While Delta Gamma tries to save money on our mailings through use of bulk rates, we have found that our labels received from International may not have correct information. Please make it a point to notify us if your address changes. We can notify International Member service for you but feel free to call them yourself:

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