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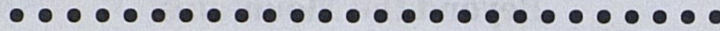
Beyond the Mountains

This is the sixth fall I have lived in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky. Truly, the foliage was the most beautiful I have seen. As Dr. Anne Wasson and I would drive to and from the mountains we frequently commented on the loveliness of the season. The mountains were inspiring, causing me to think of a quote by Louisa May Alcott "Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead."



June 5 the Philadelphia Committee hosted a FNS fund raiser in conjunction with the Radnor Hunt. Many thanks to Mary Hodge, chairman, for all the work which went into this important event. I wish to personally thank the committee members: Miss Kip Kelso Boden, Mrs. Thor Brehmer, Mrs. Nicholas Chimicles, Mrs. James Cohen, Jr., Mrs. Spencer Ervin, Mrs. Robert Gawthrop, Jr., Mrs. William R. Hagner, Mrs. John G. Harkins, Jr., Mrs. William J. Helm, Jr., Mrs. Edward B. Hodge, Mrs. J. Cranston Hodupp, Mrs. Gary A. Horn, Mrs. E. Norton Hunt, Mrs. George B. Kneass, Mrs. Joseph C. Kohn, Mrs. Suzanne K. Lammers, Mrs. E. Townsend Moore, Mrs. Joseph P. Moore III, Mrs. Daniel F. Russell, Mrs. John Sommer, Mrs. Ernest R. von Starch, Mrs. Alexandria Lammers, Mrs. Alida Harkins and Mrs. Robert Arnold who is a honorary member.

The entertainment by the Orpheseus Club was the highlight of the evening! Kate McHugh, CNEP director; Penny Armstrong, CNEP clinical director, and husband Rick; as well as Elizabeth Parr, CNEP student advisor, joined our wonderful Philadelphia area friends! CNEP has an associate office in the Philadelphia suburb of Conshohocken, and this was a grand opportunity to discuss with our sponsors and supporters the marvelous expansion of the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing. Much fun was had by all.



The Board of Governors met in Lexington in June and at Wendover in September. I am always impressed with the significant amount of time the leadership of the Board gives to the Frontier Nursing Service. Due to summer vacation schedules the final report of the strategic planning committee has been delayed until the December meeting.

The Audit Committee of the Board of Governors met with representatives from Ernst & Young to discuss the 1994 audit which was published in the last *Quarterly Bulletin*. This was a very significant audit for the FNS. For the first time in the history of the Service, the operating line, before foundation transfers, was in the black.



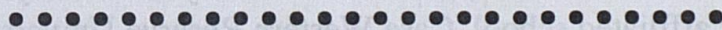
The Louisville Committee held the annual FNS luncheon at the Louisville Boat Club on September 14. Betty Christie and her committee did a fantastic job of organizing the day. The Boston Committee raised funds to produce an updated FNS video. This was shown for the first time at the Louisville Luncheon. The reviews were excellent. We will be loaning this for meetings and selling it to individuals. Please contact Barb Gibson at Wendover for more information.

During the Louisville Luncheon, one of our dear sponsors commented on how long it had been since she had been to Wendover. Others said they had never been. So, a support arose to rent a van and drive into the mountains during the fall foliage. This we did on October 14. Joy and Walter Bennett, Ruth Devine and Helena Mink really enjoyed their visit to Wendover. This may become an annual event. Certainly Barb Gibson and I would love to have more of our friends visit Wendover.

Thanks to the generosity of Board member John Foley and the Louisville Committee, we are rebuilding the rail fence which originally surrounded Wendover. Mrs. Breckinridge's home, "The Big House", a national historic landmark, is truly a place of peace and beauty.



The Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing continues to successfully graduate nurse-midwives and to admit new students. In August and September, 88 students came from beyond the mountains to attend the opening "Midwifery Bound" session. Currently 363 students are enrolled in CNEP and 184 have graduated. This distance learning program is extremely successful. The Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing received a grant from the Office of Rural Health, and one portion of the grant money is to be used to explore recreating the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Program. Much hard work has been done by Kate McHugh and Nancy Fishwick regarding a survey of our graduates, many of whom are dual licensed as FNPs and certified nurse-midwives. Due to my great interest in the resurrection of the FNP program, I attended a distance learning and telemedicine conference in New Orleans October 24 through the 26. There is a great amount of work going on across the country in this area. I will keep you updated on the progress of the FNP program.



Chairman of the Board, Miss Jane Leigh Powell, has been a life long resident of Long Island, New York. As of December 2, 1994, Leigh will have a new address in Chesapeake City, Maryland. Leigh has been anticipating a move for several years. All of us at Wendover wish her much happiness in her new rural home, barn and all!



When I travel, friends of the FNS always ask me about the health of Miss Kate Ireland. Kate made a successful recovery from the cancer of 1991. The radiation therapy, however, destroyed bone in her hip and this summer she underwent hip replacement surgery. The recovery was progressing nicely when the femur broke at the lower pin insertion point and Kate had to once again have surgery! She is doing well. Her spirits are great. Have a wonderful holiday season!

-Deanna Severance

Notes from the School

New Pathway to CNEP- Kate McHugh

Something very new is happening for nurses interested in becoming student nurse-midwives in the Community-Based Nurse Midwifery Program!

For a number of years the administration and staff of CNEP have been frustrated by the phone calls we get from nurses with associate degrees in nursing. About 20% of our phone inquiries each year come from registered nurses who have not yet finished a baccalaureate degree. Nationally, about 52% of all graduating registered nurses have an associate's degree. Completion of the baccalaureate can be a frustrating experience for many registered nurses. Travel to a central campus combined with work and family life becomes a nearly insurmountable barrier - especially in rural areas. This barrier keeps many talented nurses out of nurse-midwifery in the 1990's.

For some time, discussions about this barrier have occurred between Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing and our affiliated school, Case Western Reserve University.

This fall, the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western agreed to design a distance learning program for nurses seeking to complete their baccalaureate degree in nursing (BSN). Most of these students are interested in finishing their BSN and then attending the CNEP program for their nurse-midwifery. From CNEP, these graduate nurse-midwives could return to Case Western for their master's degree in nursing.

We advertised this new option by mail last month and the response has been overwhelming! Over 100 phone calls have been received already. The letter describing this new option seems to have been passed with great enthusiasm from one nurse to another leading to multiple calls from many hospitals!

Most of the calls came from extremely experienced women's healthcare nurses in small towns and rural areas. The happy voices on the other end of the phone speak of their joy at

identifying a path that would lead to the baccalaureate and on to nurse-midwifery.

Under the leadership of Dean Joyce Fitzpatrick and Associate Deans Hogan and Novotny, the BSN-completion program will start in January 1995. Students taking a full course of study will travel to Cleveland twice for on-campus intensive courses. Other courses will be taken at home using a variety of distance learning techniques. Students could be finished with their BSNs by early 1996.

Students interested in becoming nurse-midwives are applying now to Frontier School and the CNEP program for provisional acceptance. Full acceptance will be granted after the completion of the BSN. Students could start their nurse-midwifery training by spring of 1996.

This unique program is once again a measure of the creative working relationship between the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing and the Francis Payne Bolton School of Nursing. Our unique relationship has led, once again, to a mutually beneficial solution to a vexing problem.

Courier News

Jennifer Shade from Houston, Texas, was the first of the Fall group to arrive after Labor Day weekend. She is a graduate of Rice University in Houston. She has been teaching school since graduating and spent a lot of time tutoring some elderly people along with working at one of the elementary schools and going on Home Health rounds during her stay here.

Katharine (Kit) Aldrich just graduated from high school at Milton Academy. She is from Barrytown, New York, and heard of us through former couriers, Evie Chandler and Sarah Bacon. Kit is interested in the care of infants and had the chance to shadow a midwife among other routine things during her stay here.

Julia Swanson, Farmington, Minnesota, graduated from the University of Minnesota and is in the process of applying to medical schools. She heard of us through Dr. Ellen Ordway, courier in the 1940's, who is now a professor of biology at the University of Minnesota. Julia observed surgery, worked in the elementary schools, shadowed doctors and nurse practitioners and went on home health visits.

Julia Cross came to us from Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and knows former couriers, Nyasha Spears, Gretchen Lanweir and Stacie Zellman. Her father has worked with former FNS staff, Dr. Tim Carey and Dr. Peter Morris. Julia graduated from Grinnell College in Iowa and is interested in medicine. She had the opportunity to shadow midwife Betsy MacMillan while here. (Thanks Betsy, for allowing the couriers to follow you).

Allison Ballew also from Chapel Hill, North Carolina heard of us through Stacie Zellman. Allison graduated from the University of North Carolina and is interested in public health. She went on home health visits, worked at an elementary school, tutored and shadowed doctors and nurse practitioners.

A special thanks to this group of couriers who were so flexible and willing to spend a lot of their time working on some large "out of the ordinary" projects while they were here.

One of the more special projects for couriers is to spend time with home bound people who need help with errands or need someone to talk to.

Edith Wooton, former employee of the Frontier Nursing Service, is one of those people. After working at FNS for approximately 20 years, Edith was diagnosed as being legally blind. Needless to say, for Edith this was very discouraging news. She had been the sole provider of her family for many years.

Edith's children are very caring of her but there are times when they can't be with her. When a receptionist from Home Health called and asked if we had a courier who could spend time with Edith, I said yes. Since then, couriers have been going during the week and helping Edith with her bills, running errands for her and just talking with her. This means so much to her. She becomes attached to them and is so appreciative of their help. Jennifer Shade was the latest courier to spend time with Edith and found it a very rewarding experience.

-Barb Gibson



Jennifer and Edith



Allison Ballew, Julia Cross, Kit Aldrich, Jennifer Shade and Julia Swanson.

Former Courier News

We said good-bye to **Michael Todd** who stayed longer than he had planned in order to assist me with orientation of the new Fall group of couriers. He spent an extra three weeks with us and took over the role of "lead" courier helping with schedules, and looking out for the new arrivals. Thank you, Michael! We miss you!

I heard from **Lisa Cobb**, courier during September 1993. She is buried in the books at Tufts University for now and is thinking of joining the Peace Corps when she graduates next Spring. She sees and talks to **Matthew Cushing, Terri Crimmins** and **Amanda Olivo**, all couriers during September 1993.

Claire McManus, courier during January 1994, wrote from Vermont where she went back to shepherding and attending lamb births. She said **Katy Shandley** and **Megan Delaney**, both couriers in her group, are planning to visit her soon.

Nikki Douglas, courier of July 1993, attends Hampshire College. She misses the rolling green hills of Kentucky and wants to come back and visit someday. I hope you can, Nikki!

Rosie Perera, courier during April 1994, wrote from Northampton, MA. Her summer consisted of working in a pizza place, taking an intensive lifeguard training class, being lazy, having barbecues and going swimming.

Allison Voehl, courier during March 1994, is buried in books at Dartmouth Medical School. She says the first year is tough but she loves it and likes living in Lebanon, New Hampshire.

Amanda Olivo, courier during September 1993, wrote to say she spent the summer working part time at a child care center and taking some college classes. She said she has definitely decided to become a midwife (thanks to her FNS experience). She plans to attend college in the Fall .

Katie Huffling, courier during November 1993, is living in Gainesville, Florida and attending the University of Florida. She plans to attend nursing school next Fall and is pursuing nurse midwifery as a career.

Jessica Rice, courier, June 1994, spent the summer sleeping late, reading and eating wonderful home cooked meals until August 29th when she went back to school.

Sarah Bacon, courier, September 1993, finally got around to writing. She worked in Washington, DC last summer in a gallery in the visual resources department, making exchanges with galleries across the world. She also wrote, interviewed and researched for a consumer's almanac. She visited Italy and described it as being like another world.

Dan Eldridge, courier, February 1994, visited Paraguay after leaving FNS. Now he says he is wandering the streets trying to decide what to do with his life. He thinks he may move to Boston. He recently had a great visit with Rosie Perera in Northampton, MA.

-Barb Gibson

Field Notes

Once again, a lovely Kentucky fall with warm days, cool evenings and lots of beautiful weather. Wendover has been buzzing with tours, overnight guests and special functions. Within a few days of the new couriers arriving, we had the September Board meeting. Cassie produced her usual wonderful meals, the couriers clicked and we all had a great time. Two weeks later we gave the Midwifery Bound CNEP students a gala meal and in the beginning of October the newest graduates came for dinner with all their instructors.

Our most obvious and largest maintenance project was having the Garden House painted. The job was contracted out but our men were kept busy taking out air conditioners, repairing storm windows and replacing screening. The building looks so pristine. Now we plan to paint the workshop and garage when time permits.



The Garden House

We expected to have a respite and be able to work on the routine winter preparations, but that was not to be. On the first really cool morning it was decided to fire up the old coal boiler in the Garden House. As the men got it up to steam, a large crack appeared and water poured out. A fast shut down followed and once it was cool, a repair made. Well the same thing happened the next day only the crack was appreciably larger. Three times and the old boiler was put to sleep. It was actually dismantled and taken to the junk yard. (We were paid for the metal but certainly not what the old work horse was worth to us!) A cement pad was built, a gas tank installed and the new gas boiler delivered. Soon we expect the installer to hook it all together. Everyone has been understanding in the Garden House. The offices have been cold and the couriers have had to put up with cold bedrooms in the mornings but no one has complained.

Next we discovered the heat pump downstairs in the Big House had also decided to call it quits. Lunch has been a bit chilly but soon the new duct work will be completed and the new pump installed.

J. G. Morgan Retires from FNS

November 11th proved to be a very bittersweet day when J. G. Morgan, Wendover's maintenance foreman, retired. Everyone was sad that the day had arrived, though delighted for him.

The weekday mornings just won't be quite the same for me. From the first day I was on the job as Manager, J. G. and I have met for coffee in the Big House kitchen at 6:30 a.m. We settled our employee supervision relationship that day. J. G. nicely told me to just let him know what I wanted done. In my typical New England way I said "back up three spaces". His eyebrows raised and I said "J. G., you know Wendover and how it should be. I don't know or pretend to know. So, you tell me what should be done." This has worked beautifully for the past four years. I give J. G. all the credit for the way Wendover now looks, so neat and proud on the mountainside.

Every Christmas season I will remember one of the best quiet jokes ever played on me. In 1990 as Christmas approached J. G. asked if I would like some lights on a tree. Well, that's all part of the season and the next thing I knew a tree was all lit up where the "Cabin" once was. I commented how lovely it looked and that I had never realized what a pretty shaped pine tree we had there. J. G. kept a very straight face and mumbled something. This kept up for about a week until I took a little closer look and saw the guy wires holding it up!

Wendover will be forever grateful that J. G. was able to come back and guide us to making it the way it now is. We know he'll keep an eye on us as he goes by. It's been a wonderful four years for us. J. G., we thank you and wish you the happiest of times for years and years to come. *-Susie Hudgins*



Susie Hudgins, J.G. and Deanna Severance

Wendover Special

The weekend will include: Rooms for parents and two school age children in the Big House on a Friday and Saturday night. A country breakfast on Saturday morning, a family dinner Saturday evening and lunch or brunch on Sunday morning. Babysitting services can be arranged at a nominal charge. Come join us for a relaxed weekend. Contact Susie Hudgins, 606-672-2318.

Meet New Board Member, Beth Hadley



The Frontier Nursing Service Board of Governors is honored to have Elizabeth (Beth) Hadley, J D MPH, serve as a member of the FNS Board of Governors. Mrs. Hadley joined the board during April 1994. She has served as a member of the FNS Washington Committee since 1990 and was a Trustee until her election to serve as a Board member.

Until recently, Mrs. Hadley was a Senior Policy Fellow at ANA with responsibility for policy analysis of issues raised by health care reform legislation at both the state and national levels. Before joining ANA in January of 1994, she worked at the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services where she served with the Working Group of the White House Task Force on Health Care Reform. While at the Department of Health and Human Services, Beth worked on Medicare reimbursement issues affecting health professionals, as well as malpractice and antitrust questions and issues affecting the Food and Drug Administration.

Prior to joining the federal government, Mrs. Hadley was an assistant attorney general for the State of Connecticut and helped to represent the health agencies and professional licensing boards of that state, including the Connecticut State Board of Nursing. She holds a law degree from the University of California at Berkeley, a Master's Degree in Public Health from Yale's School of Epidemiology and Public Health, and is a magna cum laude graduate of Yale College, where she majored in history and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Welcome, Beth!

-Barb Gibson

Focus on the Frontier School of Midwifery

When the midwives Mrs. Breckinridge recruited from England, chose to return home during the war, Mrs. Breckinridge decided to educate her own midwives. She founded the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing in 1939 for that purpose. Today with its CNEP (Community-based Nurse Education Program) it is the largest school of midwifery in the nation. The following are employees at the School's home base site in Hyden.

Jeanette Woods, Registrar and Office Manager, has been at the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing for 18 1/2 years. She has the amazing ability to remember every student and faculty member - a walking history book with a great sense of humor. Jeanette was born and raised in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and has been married for 26 years to Arnold Woods (who was delivered by midwife Anna Mae January).

Judy Adams, Executive Secretary, was delivered at home by an FNS district nurse-midwife. Her three children and two grandchildren were also delivered by FNS midwives but in the hospital. In fact, her first child was delivered in the old Hyden Hospital by a student. It was the student's fourth delivery and the whole class observed! Judy's friendly voice is the one you most often hear when you call the School office. Aside from being the executive secretary, she is responsible for entering all the evaluation data that the student sends in at the end of a course. Judy also assists Jeanette with tracking and entering information for applicants and inquiries. During Midwifery Bound, she is the CNEP sales clerk for the "shop till you drop" adventure.

Debbie Cornett, Academic Resource Coordinator and Librarian, is an FNS baby, born in the old Hyden Hospital building. Her two daughters were also delivered by FNS midwives. Debbie is responsible for getting copyright clearance for all the articles that come with the modules and is the person to notify, that sends out the Level 2, 3 and 4 modules. She is the registrar for the Preceptor

Training Workshop, and works with the Quality Assurance officer on contracts for clinical sites. She also manages the transportation for Midwifery Bound among many other things too numerous to mention.

Heather East, Public Relations and Publications Coordinator, delivered her first baby at the Mary Breckinridge Hospital which led to her becoming a child-birth educator. She also had her second baby just this month at Mary Breckinridge Hospital. Heather has the enormous task of putting together the School Directory as well as updating the catalog and seeing that they get out. She is also responsible for all course production of modules and is the contact person for Level 3 for both students and faculty. She sees that the Midwifery Bound Packet is put together and sent out as well as tracking travel, dietary and housing needs for students.

Deborah (Debbie) Hoskins, housekeeper, is the daughter of Virginia Roberts, administrative assistant to Deanna Severance, CEO and Director of Frontier Nursing Service. Debbie formerly worked in the admitting department at Mary Breckinridge Hospital and later worked at the Hyden Manor Nursing Home. CNEP says, "without Debbie, we would be hungry and without a bed to sleep in." What more is there to say? Thank heavens for Debbie!

Theresa Caldwell, housekeeper, is a FNS baby born in the old Hyden Hospital. Her two daughters are also FNS babies. Theresa's husband, William Caldwell, works in housekeeping at the Mary Breckinridge Hospital. Theresa assists Debbie with housekeeping during all of Midwifery Bound and Level 3. She spends the remainder of her time in the offices.

Gabrielle Beasley, Special Projects, started working at the Frontier School of Midwifery with Jeanette Woods but wandered away after 10 years. Now she manages the production of the CNEP newsletter, takes the PR pictures, does some videotaping and any other projects that pop up, such as designing the Midwifery Bound schedule. Gabrielle recently produced a new video tape for Frontier Nursing Service called "For Mother and Child". She did an excellent job! Gabrielle is the daughter of former director of FNS, Dr. Rogers Beasley. *-Barb Gibson*



Jeanette Woods



Judy Adams



Debbie Cornett



Heather East



Debra Hoskins



Theresa Caldwell



Gabrielle Beasley

FNS Employees

Matrend (Doc) Hacker began working in the maintenance department at the Mary Breckinridge Hospital in 1976. He is the Maintenance Crew Chief at the hospital and is also a licensed plumber. He works as a plumber and electrician during his spare time.

Doc is married to Wanda, EKG specialist at the Mary Breckinridge Healthcare. They have two sons and one grandson.



"Doc"



Lucy

Lucy Lewis began working at FNS during March, 1973. She was the cook at Mardi Cottage (hired by Molly Lee) and Haggin Quarters until 1976 when she moved to the dietary department in the new Mary Breckinridge Hospital.

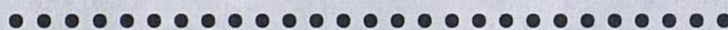
Lucy has three children: James Lewis, fire instructor at the Leslie County Fire and Rescue; Linda Craft, supervisor of Hyden Clinic, Emergency Room and Kate Ireland Women's Center; and Denise Towers who lives in California. Lucy says she loves and appreciates her job and is thankful for all FNS has done for her.

-Barb Gibson

Miscellaneous

Dr. Patience H. White, director of Rheumatology at Children's National Medical Center in Maryland and **member of the Frontier Nursing Service Board of Governors**, was honored as the 1994 Health Care Professional of the Year by the Maryland Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities.

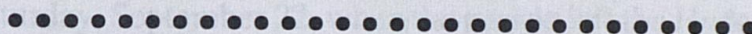
Dr. White, a Bethesda resident, was recognized for her advocacy efforts in helping adolescents with chronic illnesses and disabilities to find employment opportunities. In 1986, Dr. White established the Adolescent Employment Readiness Center (AERC) at Children's Hospital to help adolescents ages 12 to 19 with career and job counselling and assistance with job placements. AERC has become a model program and Dr. White has lectured nationally and internationally on its effectiveness.



Dr. Joyce Fitzpatrick, Dean of the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, and **member of the FNS Board of Governors**, recently was selected by the Institute of Medicine for its Distinguished Scholar in Residence Program. The program provides research support for a prominent nurse leader to assess health policy issues of national concern.

Dr. Fitzpatrick was the only nurse selected for this honor this year. She will spend two days a week throughout the academic year at the Institute of Medicine in Washington examining ways to identify and reduce the barriers that impede access to affordable health care. While in Washington, Dr. Fitzpatrick will meet with officials from federal agencies and congressional committees, attend forums and present her findings in a paper to be published by the Institute of Medicine, the American Academy of Nursing and the American Nurses Foundation. She plans to focus on evaluating innovative interdisciplinary primary health care educational programs.

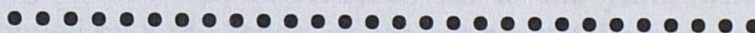
Dr. Fitzpatrick has held teaching positions at New York University, Ohio State University and Capital University and has been a consultant to many other colleges and universities. She has received many honors and awards in her profession including; Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, the American Journal of Nursing Book Of The Year Award six times, the Midwest Nursing Research Society Award for Distinguished Contribution to Nursing Research, the Ohio State University Distinguished Alumna Award, the Sigma Theta Tau International Elizabeth McWilliams Miller Founders Award for Excellence in Nursing Research and the New York University Division of Nursing Distinguished Alumna Award.



Mary Ann Quarles Hawkes, former FNS social services secretary of 1948, has written a book entitled *Excellent Effect: The Edna Mahan Story*. The story is about one of the first female correctional superintendents in U. S. history, the institution she ran, and its employees and inmates.

Mary Ann Hawkes is a retired Professor Emerita of Rhode Island College in Providence, Rhode Island. Her career in corrections goes back to the New Jersey Reformatory for Women where she worked as a classification officer for Edna Mahan.

To order, write to American Correctional Association, Attention: Customer Service, 8025 Laurel Lakes Court, Laurel, Maryland 20707-5075.



A letter of appreciation sent to Mrs. Breckinridge from her friends on Camp Creek many years ago:

Dear Mrs. Breckinridge,

We, your neighbors on Camp Creek, wish to congratulate you on your 80th birthday.

For these 30 some years you and your Frontier Nursing Service have been a great source of comfort to our neighborhood.

We realize that to you and the Service we owe a very great debt, and realize, too, that saying THANK YOU cannot begin to discharge this debt. But we do want to say THANK YOU anyway.

We are indeed hard pressed for words to say what we feel in our hearts about someone we think so highly of. Therefore, we shall let the wiseman Solomon's words speak for us:

*She stretcheth out her hand to the poor;
yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy;
She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in
her tongue is the law of kindness...
Give her the fruit of her hands;
and let her own words praise her in the gates.*

Signed: Lee Morgan, Lillian C. Hayes, Jurdon Howard, William Adams, Albert Adams, Robert Adams, Eshmoel Cornett, Hobert Cornett, Jim Hayes, Ginger Morgan, Leonard Adams, Carl Adams, Charlie Adams, Ellen Howard, Mildred Cornett, Douglas Cornett, Aggie Cornett, Owen Adams, Florence Ann Adams, Eva Adams, Geneva Adams.

-Barb Gibson

The Mary Breckinridge Festival

In the early 60's The Mary Breckinridge Festival was the "big day" of the year in Hyden. Everyone attended the event both young and old. The complete program was aimed toward honoring Mary Breckinridge for the work she had done in Leslie County. Each year, during the first week of October, we still have the "big day". The following is a report of Mary Breckinridge Day in 1962.

-Barb Gibson

The festivities planned by the Leslie County Development Association to honor Mrs. Breckinridge began at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 22, when the parade left the Hyden grade school. Betty Lester led the parade mounted on Kemo, followed by Molly Lee on Flicka and Anne Cundle on Trigger. Directly behind the riders came Maggie Wilson on Crown, with Anna May January beside her and the two junior couriers, Maudie Canham and Sandra Keep, ready to jump out if the horses and riders ran into any difficulty.

The floats were excellent. The Beech Fork float, pulled by Anne DeTournay in her jeep, had a log cabin with the nurse (Sue Smith) standing beside the door. The father of the family leaned against the house and numerous children clustered around him.

The float from the Confluence-Dryhill area was similar in that it too was a log cabin with a family and a nurse (Dora Howard). A sign over the cabin read: "Good-bye Granny, FNS is here." The "Granny" (Miss Zilpha Roberts) sat in the yard, which was surrounded by a rail fence, in her sun bonnet, brewing sassafras tea. On the back of the float hung a doll in a diaper and a sign proclaimed "Law, Pa, 'hits another boy."

The Wendover district float represented a nursing visit, 1962 style, with a white frame house as background for the nurse and the family.

The Red Bird district float was a thing of beauty in red and white with a huge red cardinal on top of the cab of the truck. Members of the Red Bird Sewing Club rode on the float and displayed the kind of garments they had made for the FNS over the years.



Mrs. Breckinridge on Doc



Beech Fork Community Float



Betty Lester, Molly Lee and Anne Cundle

The Hyden float illustrated the international aspect of the Frontier Nursing Service. A huge globe was surrounded by flags of the countries in which graduates of the School of Midwifery are now serving; large American and British flags flew from the back; and two students (Judy McCormick and Janet Priebe), one in riding uniform and one in hospital whites, rode on the float.

The Wendover employees rode in a truck, gaily decorated, and driven by Hobert with Becky Jane beside him. The Hyden men were on one truck, carrying the tools they use in their work, and the women who work at the Hospital were on Joe Roberts' big coal truck. They had a washing machine, a sewing machine, kitchen table, various pots, pans, and mops and brooms to illustrate their jobs. Some of the FNS children from the Brutus area rode in a pickup truck and the Hyden Glee Club was pulled on a wagon bed by a jeep. There were three mule team wagons, one containing old John Wooton and his fiddle. Carol Banghart and the students were in one jeep in the uniform skirt and blouse, and Liz Palethorp drove the hospital nurses in the station wagon, all dressed in "pure white".

Meanwhile, from Wendover, courier Carley Clark had ridden Doc, Mrs. Breckinridge's mount for the occasion, to the high school. Kate Ireland drove Mrs. Breckinridge, Agnes Lewis, and Lucile Hodges to the school and Helen Brown drove the guests who were already at Wendover - Vanda Summers, and Dr. John H. Kooser and his daughter and daughter-in-law. Mrs. Breckinridge mounted Doc and stood ready to review the parade as it passed. Doc was delighted see the other three horses arrive and he and Kemo exchanged loud and enthusiastic greetings.

The crowd, which included friends from Hazard, central Kentucky, and other places as well as Clay and Leslie Counties, was estimated at around 3,000. It was a beautiful sunshiny day and the whole program was a tremendous success.

IN MEMORIAM

These friends have departed this life in recent months. We wish to express our sympathies to their families, and our gratitude for their interest in our work.

Mr. Ralph Becker, Washington, DC died during August, 1994. Mr. Becker was a lawyer who also was a ambassador to Honduras, an organizer of Antarctic explorations, a Republican Party activist and a civic and cultural leader. His wife, Anne serves on the FNS Washington Committee.

Mr. Kenneth F. Jones, Bradford, New Hampshire died during August, 1994. Mr. Jones was employed by Holmes transportation for 42 years and was a World War II veteran. He was a friend of Dr. Anne Wasson.

Nora Hoskins, Asher, Kentucky died October 4, 1994. She was employed by FNS for 40 years. She was the housekeeper at the Beechfork Clinic from 1930-1970.

Mr. Frank Bowling, Big Creek, Kentucky died October 24, 1994. He served on the FNS Community Health Center Committee for almost 36 years and was a supporter of the Frontier Nursing Service.

Mr. Burgess Standley, Jr., Medfield, Massachusetts died November 28, 1994. He is the son of Mrs. Caroline Standley, trustee and former member of the FNS Board of Governors.

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We wish to express our deep appreciation to these friends who have shown their love and respect for the individuals named below by making supporting contributions in their memory to the work of the Frontier Nursing Service.

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Because text for the *Bulletin* must go to the printer several weeks before publication, it is not possible for any issue to contain an up-to-date list of job opportunities. Instead, we list types of positions that are most likely to be available and invite anyone qualified and interested to write for current information.

FNS Staff Opportunities include: Family Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, and Physicians. For current information or to apply for a position, contact Eva Morgan, Human Resources Manager, Wendover, KY 41775 (phone 606-672-2317).

Courier Program: This program has an ongoing need for all types of people, with all types of skills. The program is not limited to those interested in a health career. It encourages applications from anyone who is willing to volunteer for a minimum of 8 weeks and would like to be exposed to the work of the Frontier Nursing Service. For current information, write or call Barb Gibson, Director of Public Relations/Courier Program, FNS, Inc., Wendover, Kentucky 41775 (phone 606-672-3280 or 672-2317).

Nursing Volunteer Program: This is a program that has been recently designed to meet the needs of nurses and nursing students who only have a short length of time in which to come to FNS and gain experience. In this program if accepted, there is no required amount of time. For current information, write or call Glenna Combs, Director of Nursing, Mary Breckinridge Healthcare, Inc., Hyden, Kentucky 41749 (phone 606-672-3162).

Thank you for responding to our Urgent Needs

A special thank you to the Parker Poe Charitable Trust Foundation for providing funds for the new catwalks at Aunt Hattie's Barn. This is a note written by a local employee of FNS regarding the beautiful work done on the Barn.

Deanna,

I was at the Barn Apartments today and everything looks so beautiful. I just wanted to thank you and the maintenance crew for all the improvements. With the wood decks and the lovely landscaped mountain it reminded me of one of the resorts in the Smoky Mountains. It's so nice to see FNS properties looking so good.

-Connie Napier



Aunt Hattie's Barn

URGENT NEEDS

FNS has an urgent need for the items listed below and hopes that its friends will wish to contribute toward their purchase. Because of your generosity, we sometimes receive more gifts for a particular item than we need. In those instances, your gift will be applied toward another urgent need listed below. Donations should be sent to the Development Office, Frontier Nursing Service, Wendover, Kentucky 41775, where they will be gratefully received.

	Cost
Beechfork Clinic:	
Adult Scale	300
Baby Scale	300
Community Health Center:	
Ear Probe Thermometer	750
Instruments	750
Emergency Room:	
Stethoscopes	200
Medical Emergency Books	80
Instruments	200
Home Health Agency:	
2 Otoscopes	400
Centrifuges (4) @ \$375 each	1,500
Hyden Clinic:	
Infant Scale	500
Stethoscopes	80
Instruments	300
Peds Blood Pressure Cuffs	300
Synamap	800
Kate Ireland Women's Center:	
Rolling Cart for Fetal Monitor	100
Glucometer	200
Educational Materials	200
Book Shelves	200
Television for Lobby	400
Lab:	
Chairs	400
Obstetrics:	
Ear Therometer	750
Baby Scales	600
Circuit Board for Fetal Monitor	400
Wendover:	
Linens for the Big House	400

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“He shall gather the lambs with his arm
and carry them in his bosom, and shall
gently lead those that are with young.”

Isaiah 40:11

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From the Articles of Incorporation of the
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