



Graham Hospital School of Nursing GHSON ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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Noelle Simulation Lab....

The School of Nursing has two new patient simulators, Noelle, a birthing simulator, and Baby Hal. Both of these high fidelity simulators are wireless and are controlled by an electronic tablet. The tablet can be used to program different patient conditions for mom and baby. Some examples are normal vaginal and c-section deliveries, breech, shoulder dystoria, hemorrhage, and infant seizures. There are two monitors that display Noelle's vital signs, the fetal heart monitor tracing, and once Noelle's baby is delivered, the fetal heart rate monitor tracing changes over to Baby Hal's vital signs.

Noelle actually births a smaller version of Baby Hal. Students can insert notes in a performance log as well as perform many assessment and care activities.

These simulators are difficult to describe in a short explanation. Noelle has an extensive library of speech including Spanish. Baby Hal cries and has sounds such as respiratory distress. Both simulators are intubatable with breathing, pulses, ECGs, heart and lung sounds, color changes (cyanosis) and many more. The simulators can also be used for training purposes for hospital staff. Ventilation and chest compressions can be measured and recorded for CPR training. The school is so lucky to have such high tech simulators.

We are in the process of furnishing a simulated birthing room next to the maternity classroom. As a result of the remodeling of Graham's OB department we were able to get an older birthing bed and a crib. We have added some smaller items such as pictures on the wall, IV stand, bedside table and over the bed table. We would love to get a used infant warmer but even simulated equipment is expensive so the obtainment of additional equipment will be a work in progress for the next two years.

Message from the Director....

This fall, I received an email asking if we still had some nursing caps available for sale. Unfortunately, I accidentally deleted the message so please contact me if it was you.

I do have a few never used caps that we could sell if anyone is interested. The School has changed caps over the years due to the closure of several companies. The caps that I have are the style from the 1970s and only have very slight differences from the 50s and 60s.

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ALUMNI UPDATES...

Class of 1991... Lisa Gearing Burch was awarded the SRC Alumni Achievement Award on October 8, 2011. Lisa currently is an instructor for GHSON at the freshmen level.

Class of 2001... Jennifer Weese Osborn married Mike Osborn in 2009. They welcomed their first child, Ella Marie Osborn, December 24, 2010 at Graham Hospital.

We want to hear about what is happening with all of you—new jobs, educational pursuits, marriages, babies, etc. If you have info you would like to share in the newsletter, please contact:
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CLASS OF 2011

- 1st Row: Katie Dye, Rebecca Knoblock, Robin Billingsley, and Mark Harper
- 2nd Row: Alison St. Clair, Amy Kief, Kristin Hughes, Mindy Anderson, Elizabeth Crafton, Kay Bitner, Josh Wilkinson, and Christie Towery
- 3rd Row: Phyllis Wilkinson, Phyllis Nugent, Jennifer Huls, Michelle Cagle, Trish Wilcox, and Jamie Ebbert
- 4th Row: Lacey Isom, Tammy Spencer, Amanda Kitchen, Katrina Young, and Tara Adams

IN SYMPATHY

*Edith Beaver
Class of 1937
September 17, 2011*

*Helen Polich
Class of 1938
May 9, 2011*

*Wanda Jones
Class of 1950
May 21, 2011*

*Anna Lee Myers
Class of 1966
March 9, 2011*

*Linda Ashwood
Class of 1994
October 17, 2011*

*James Williams
Class of 1994
June 29, 2011*



Upcoming Alumni Meetings.... December 1, 2011 & April 5, 2012 @ 7 pm