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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

North Pinellas Anesthesia Associates, P.A. (**Tarpon Springs, FL**) has multiple CRNA positions available in the Tampa Bay area. Contact information can be found in the Job Opportunity Notebook in the Learning Resource Center.

Good Samaritan Hospital (**Portland, OR**) has CRNA positions available in numerous departments. Contact Danny Christgau, Corporate Staffing Manager, 1-800-973-2619.

Anesthesia and Pain Consultants (**Ft. Myers, FL**) has full-time call and non-call positions available. Contact Lisa Burkhard at aaswf@aol.com.

For further information on this and other positions, please check the Job Opportunity Notebook in the Learning Resource Center.

NEWS AROUND MTSA

As you may already know, MTSA's incoming class of 2003 is our largest ever – 44 students!! Our first challenge with a class of this size is where to put them – which is why in the coming weeks we will be rearranging the classroom to accommodate a couple of more tables in the back of the room. The copying machine reserved for students will be moved into the quiet study room off of the Learning Resource Center. This will hopefully make things a bit more comfortable for the junior class, but they should nevertheless be prepared to get very “close” to their fellow students!

Also new in the classroom will be a new Dell 4100 Dimension desktop PC. This new addition will include a ZIP drive and CD/DVD drive, which should help not only our students, faculty, and staff in their presentations, but also the guest lecturers that often visit MTSA.

We have also had some faculty changes. Due to Dr. Daniel's departure from the Nashville area, Dr. Dean Hunt will be teaching Statistics (1st and 2nd quarters). Dr. W.O.T. Smith and Dr. Rob Taylor will be teaching Respiratory (1st quarter). Dr. Rob Taylor and Dr. Melissa Rose will be teaching Pharmacology II and III (2nd and 3rd quarters). Dr. Melissa Rose will be teaching OB (2nd quarter).

Evaluations of the Learning Resource Center have been placed in Junior and Senior class mailboxes. Please complete these and put them in the “Library” wire basket in the front office. As always, thanks so much for your cooperation in constantly re-evaluating and (hopefully!) improving the LRC.

As I mentioned in last month's **AIRWAYS**, we now have a subscription to the European Journal of Anaesthesiology. We recently received all of the previous issues of this journal for 2001, so I invite you all to come in and peruse this new addition to our collection. Our new book additions to the LRC have been ordered and can hopefully be unveiled in next's month issue. Some of our older editions will probably be discarded, so keep your eyes open for books with the bright green “FREEBIE” insert.

Campus Talk



with Mitzi Birdwell

Spotlight on Kevin Cox

It wasn't very difficult to select a student for my July interview. I wanted to introduce someone to the incoming class who always (and I mean ***always***) makes us laugh here at MTSA. Since his first day here, Kevin Cox has never failed to bring a smile to our faces. Originally a native of Memphis, Tennessee, Kevin was working at Memphis Regional Medical Center in Shock Trauma, Trauma Recover, and Burn ICU when he first heard about nurse anesthesia. MTSA alumni who were working with Kevin encouraged him to check us out. Kevin plans to return to the Memphis area after he graduates.

Kevin and his wife, Jennifer, have quite a menagerie back in Memphis, consisting of a Labrador Retriever, a Chow, two rabbits, and "some fish." To unwind, Kevin likes to exercise, fish, and run. He also tries to visit his parents' farm near Memphis, where he and his sister were raised. Jennifer is a gymnastics coach and, Kevin claims, "the world's best wife."

Kevin and Jennifer met in 1994 at Maywood Beach in Olive Branch, Mississippi. Kevin was lifeguard and Jennifer was sunbathing. Kevin admits that, for him at least, it was love at first sight. They dated for only seven months before Kevin proposed. But on just their seventh date, on a starry night, Kevin pulled over and stopped his car, took Jennifer in his arms and "promised her the stars." How romantic!!! (You know how we girls love stories like that!)

Now, for the fun stuff:

Dream car: Corvette Convertible ('58-'61)

Dream vacation: Switzerland

Favorite music: 80's

Chocolate or Vanilla: Chocolate

Coke or Pepsi: Coke

Beach or Mountains: Beach

Khakis or Blue Jeans: Khakis

Cat or Dog: Dog

Advice for classmates: "Get plenty of sleep – sleep is the key. Eat good food and get plenty of exercise."

Since we received so many thank-you's for sharing Mary Jane Collins' fruit salad recipe last month, I thought I would ask Kevin to share his favorite recipe with us. Unfortunately, Kevin can only manage Wyler's Soup Starter. It is, he says, "the gift that keeps on giving." (Probably best to keep Kevin off of kitchen duty!)

I asked Kevin where he saw himself in five years, and he explained that since he grew up on a farm and had a pet goat named Cheetah (!?), he hopes to someday have his own goat farm in the Memphis area. He and Jennifer hope to have two or three children by then – but you aren't going to name any of them Cheetah, are you, Kevin???



NOTABLE JULY DATES

4 Independence Day
30 First Day of school for
MTSA's Class of 2003!

JULY BIRTHDAYS

13 Mike Hall '01
15 Paul Buras '01
15 John Cole '02
15 Chris Hamm '02
17 Anita Turner (f)
18 Amber Adema '02
21 Rod Schwindt '01
22 Larry Lancaster (f)
30 Kelly Lomax '03
30 Jim Tucker '03
31 Amy Gideon (f)



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