

MTSA **AIRWAYS**

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It's Graduation time at MTSA!!

It's hard to believe that it's already that time again – but it's graduation time at MTSA! With the comprehensive exam behind them, the Class of 2001 is excitedly preparing for their big night. This year, MTSA's biggest event will be held November 3. Practice for graduation will be on Thursday, 11/1. This will begin at the school at 9:00 a.m., and will take most of the day, so be prepared to stay. Baccalaureate service will be at the Church on 11/3 at 10:30. Please be at the School at 10:00 a.m. to prepare for the service. Graduation will be that evening at 5:30 p.m. Graduating students will assemble at the church at 4:45 p.m. There will be a reception at the school after the Ceremony, so be sure to bring your camera. Mark your calendars now for these important dates and times.

Why do we have to wear these strange-looking caps and gowns? "During the Middle Ages those seeking an education traveled to European centers of learning. Centers of learning and universities were closely allied with the clerics of the time, and the scholars donned garb similar to that worn by the clergy. This evolved into the academic uniform, a long black gown, hood, and cap, which proved useful for studying in unheated and drafty buildings. The hood served simultaneously as a head covering, a repository for coins and alms and the forerunner of the modern-day book bag. The hood was adorned with the colors of the university and designated the young scholar's school or university affiliation. By their distinctive clothing the students were set apart and distinguished from the citizens of the town; hence the origin of the phrase "town and gown. The hood is the most distinctive feature of academic regalia. The inside of the hood is lined with the official colors of the institution . . . The velvet trim around the outside of the hood designates the degree of field of study of the graduates." (From <http://www.wilkes.edu/Commencement/History>)

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Straub Clinic & Hospital (**Honolulu, HI**) is recruiting CRNA's. Contact Diane Kawasaki at (808) 522-4151 or dkawasaki@straub.net.

Largo Medical Center (**Clearwater, FL**) has immediate openings for CRNA's. Call (727) 581-8767, ext. 1203, for more information.

Southwest Medical Center (**Liberal, KS**) has CRNA positions available. Contact Roman Pohorecki, M.D. at (316) 624-1651, pager 091, or Bonnie Porter, CRNA at (316) 624-4796, pager 200.

Fort Sanders Anesthesia Group (**Knoxville, TN**) is recruiting new CRNA employees. Contact Greg Broyles at (865) 546-8040 or gbroyles@icx.net.

Montgomery Anesthesia Associates (**Montgomery, AL**) has CRNA positions available. Contact Becky Furst at (334) 293-8059 or njh@mindspring.com.

Winchester Anesthesia Group (**Winchester, TN**) has CRNA position available immediately. Call (931) 962-4061.

Amarillo Anesthesia Consultants (**Amarillo, TX**) has a full-time CRNA position available. Contact Susan or Penny at (806) 356-2770.

Calhoun Anesthesia (**Calhoun, GA**) has two CRNA positions available. Contact Dr. Brannon, Dr. Garner, or Dr. Keizer at (706) 629-2895.

Otsego Memorial Hospital (**Gaylord, MI**) is recruiting CRNA's. Contact Matt Demaree at (989) 731-2470.

Georgia Anesthesia Associates (**LaGrange, GA**) is looking for a SRNA/CRNA to join their practice. Contact information is available in the Job Opportunity Notebook in the LRC.

St. John's Regional Medical Center (**Joplin, MO**) is recruiting CRNA's. Contact Michele Beason at (417) 659-6701.

Lourdes Hospital (**Paducah, KY**) has two CRNA positions available. Contact Christine Thomas at (270) 444-2934 or cthomas@lourdes-pad.org.

Carle Clinical Association (**Urbana, IL**) is recruiting for a CRNA position. Contact Marilyn Roos at (800) 436-3095.

South Central Anesthesia (**Montgomery, AL**) has a CRNA positions available. Contact Bonita Lancaster at (334) 273-4527 or blancaster@baptistfirst.org.

Cook County Hospital (**Chicago, IL**) has daytime and afternoon shifts available for CRNA's. Contact information is available in the Learning Resource Center.

The Atlanta VA Medical Center (**Decatur, GA**) is seeking a Nurse Anesthetist. Contact information is available in the Learning Resource Center.

Baptist Hospital (**Pensacola, FL**) has employment opportunities for CRNA's. Contact Cheryl Benton at (850) 438-1848 or Cheryl1410@aol.com.

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

LIBRARY NEWS

The September 2001 edition of **Anesthesiology Clinics of North America** is subtitled **Thoracic Anesthesia**.

The Summer 2001 edition of **International Anesthesiology Clinics** is subtitled **Medical Ethics**.

New books:

Biochemistry / Pamela Champe

Clinical biochemistry made ridiculously simple / Stephen Goldberg

Herbal medicine / [edited by] Mark Blumenthal

Manual of emergency airway management / [edited by] Ron M. Walls

Anesthesia and neurosurgery / James Cottrell, David Smith, 4th edition.



From Wired News:

DEBATING MERITS OF PALMS IN CLASS

Campuses across the country are debating the efficiency of personal digital assistants as education tools. Some schools have banned the devices, while others have mandated their use. In a recent survey of teenagers conducted by International Communications Research, 23 percent reported that their schools banned the use of Palm handhelds, which is a much lower percentage than those who said their schools banned cell phones and beepers. Palm devices can be useful as educational tools because they allow students quick access to computing at a much cheaper price than desktop systems, according to Elliot Soloway, an engineering and education professor at the University of Michigan. Soloway also said that kids relate to the use of electronic media more than printed material. Schools that ban handhelds say the devices can disrupt classes and are often targets of theft.

From Reuters:

COLLEGE STUDENTS ADMIT THEY ARE CAUGHT UP IN WEB

One in 10 college students claims to have a dependence on the Internet, according to a survey report authored by Richard J. DioGuardi of St. John's University. Fifteen percent of the 134 freshmen and sophomores polled exhibit classic manifestations of addiction, DioGuardi said; these include social isolation, encroachment on daily life, an urgent need for the Internet, and withdrawal symptoms. In addition, these students would probably use the Internet as a social outlet and consider it essential to their well-being. These findings were presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in San Francisco.

Feeling Inadequate?? From Fortune:

America's 40 Richest Under 40

<http://www.fortune.com/sitelets/40under40/intro.html>

Fortune has just released their 40 Richest Under 40 list, and this year's list has a large number of celebrities, though as in previous years, IT money has clearly made young millionaires and billionaires out of a large number of the ranks. In addition to the list itself (readers can access the entire list through the button on the left-hand-side of the page), the feature includes stories on the increasing wealth of celebrities, female stars, the richest and boldest newcomers to the list, and **Fortune's** methodology in compiling the data.

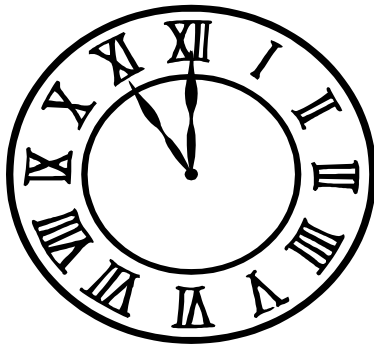


NOTABLE OCTOBER DATES

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| 8 | Columbus Day (MTSA OPEN) |
| 16 | National Boss' Day |
| 28 | Daylight Savings Time Ends |
| 31 | Halloween |

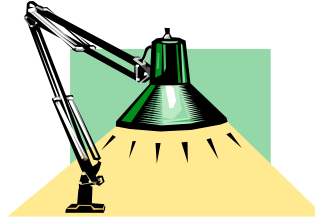
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Jeff Case '01
- 4 Lisa Hargrove '02
- 10 Karen Anderson '01
- 10 Marc Lindley '03
- 10 Jennifer Stinson (s)
- 11 William O.T. Smith, M.D.
- 13 James Vashon '03
- 15 Chris Lovelace '03
- 17 Lisa King '03
- 20 Gary Chandler '01
- 27 Matt Aydtt '01
- 29 Stephanie Wilson '02



Don't forget to "fall back" on October 28!

SPOTLIGHT ON . . . MTSA STAFFERS



Dolores Underhill, Evaluations Assistant:

Dolores is probably the first contact most people have with MTSA – and aren't we lucky!! With her bright smile and sweet Southern voice, Dolores makes everyone feel as if they are most important person in the world. A native Nashvillian who has lived here all of her life, Dolores never meets a stranger. In fact, we tease her that she meets someone she knows wherever she goes! After a 10-year courtship, Dolores married George Underhill four years ago on the Fourth of July. George teaches history and geography at Martin Luther King Magnet School (and recently began his 32nd year with the Metro Board of Education). Dolores also has three grown children (Luis, Ana, and Cristina), three grandchildren (Laura, Shoshoni, and Kiowa), and three stepchildren (Jenna, Jessica, and Jason). (I mustn't forget to mention Nicky, her 16-year old cat.) Dolores has been at MTSA for four and one-half years and she says her favorite part is the atmosphere and getting to know all of our great students, especially all about their families and hometowns. Dolores admires our students' compassion and their desire to help others. Dolores says that her hobbies include scrapbooking and traveling with her family, but if you have ever tasted her cooking, you'll know she's a whiz in the kitchen as well!

Dean Hunt, Education Coordinator/Assistant Dean

Of all of us here at MTSA, Dean Hunt has by far the most exotic birthplace – Tripoli, Africa! Because his father was in the Air Force, Dean lived in nine states while growing up. He has been married to Ellene for 28 years. Some of you may know Ellene since she works at TCMC as a Registered Nurse. They have five sons (yes, I said **five sons!**) It has been an eventful year for Dean and Ellene; not only did their two oldest sons, Jonathan and Jeremy both get married this year, but they recently found out that Jeremy and his wife are going to make them grandparents! (To make things more even, we hear the blessed event will be a **girl.**) Additionally, their two youngest sons, Mark and Derek, started Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, Virginia. So things are much quiet these days in the Hunt household. Dean has been at MTSA for four years. Prior to that, he was Principal at Madison Academy and then Dean at Andrews University in Michigan. Dean was glad to get back to the South and says he enjoys MTSA's supportive staff and outstanding students. However, Dean's first love is teaching and those who have had him as an instructor will vouch for his enthusiasm. Dean's favorite pastime is horseback riding and reading, especially history. Dean is constantly entertaining all of us here at MTSA with his hilarious stories!

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