

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON**

ON THE DEATH OF ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR EMERITA MARGARET C. DUROSE

Margaret C. DuRose, associate professor emerita of the School of Nursing, died in Madison, Wisconsin September 20th, 2004 at the age of ninety-three. She served on the faculty from 1936 to 1976.

She was born in Chicago, but spent most of her youth in Waukesha. She entered the university and completed her preparation in nursing in August of 1932. Immediately following the completion of the nursing certificate requirements, she continued in the university seeking a baccalaureate degree in sociology. (At the time, students in the School of Nursing had a double major.) At the same time that she was completing her baccalaureate degree she was appointed head nurse of pediatrics (Fall, 1933). She completed her degree in 1936. The following summer she spent three months as postgraduate student at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago. Upon her return, she was appointed an instructor in pediatric nursing in the School of Nursing. She continued part-time studies at the University of Chicago; this was required for her to maintain her teaching position. She returned to full-time study in 1950 at Teachers College, Columbia University in New York where she received a master of arts degree in nursing.

Professor DuRose was instrumental in changing the quality of care of hospitalized children, as well as being a significant member of the faculty of the School of Nursing. The school transitioned from a certificate-granting program to an independent school during her tenure. She held the position of instructor from 1936 to 1945 and was promoted to assistant professor in 1945. She was an associate professor of nursing from 1952-1974. She retired in '74 but returned to a 40% position through 1976. At the time of her retirement, Dean Valencia Prock said, "you are a distinguished alumna of this School of Nursing who is held in high esteem by students, and faculty, and alumni. ...you have devoted your life in order that children may receive exemplary health care through the education of students in nursing, in medicine and in other health fields. Above all, you are wise in understanding of human life and human problems and of the spirit, which makes man what he is."

Professor DuRose had a commitment to excellence. She was committed to developmentally-based care for children. She placed high expectations on students and was a mentor/teacher of a team of pediatric nursing faculty, a number of whom went on to establish notable careers in the care of children. She was instrumental in establishing working relationships between social workers, the Department of Pediatrics, specialists in mental health, occupational therapists and families to insure the "total" care of sick children. She was visionary in the use of a variety of settings to teach the care of children. She opened clinical learning sites at Central Wisconsin Center, (formerly Central Colony), the UW preschool laboratory and facilitated classes in child development for residents of Eagle Heights. Through her leadership at Children's Hospital she established the foundation in the clinical setting for the development of the first master's degree offered by the School of Nursing.

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