

# VOORWOORD

# FOREWORD

Lesers word 'n geseënde Kersfees en 'n vreugdevolle nuwe jaar toegewens.

Dit wat vanjaar op openbare gebied en in die verpleegarena gestalte gekry het hou vir die verpleegberoep groot uitdagings in. Die referate wat gelewer is by die RAU simposium *Verpleging in die Jare Tagtig*, verskyn in hierdie uitgawe. In dié artikels word tale sake aangeraak wat deurgaans vir ons rigtingwysers vir die pad vorentoe behoort te wees.

## Skryfkompetisie

Die wenner van vanjaar se Curationis-Johnson en Johnson skryfkompetisie was mev D D Jaftha van die Rooikruiskindergedenk-hospitaal en haar artikel verskyn in hierdie uitgawe. L Acres van Florida en A E A Moir van Durbanville deel die tweede plek en S J Moolman van De Aar het die derde plek behaal in die kategorie vir geregistreerde verpleegkundiges.

Geen pryse is vanjaar toegeken in die kategorie vir student-, ingeskreve en leerlingverpleegkundiges en verpleegassistente nie. Die min inskrywings wat in hierdie kategorie ontvang is het nie aan die beoordelingskriteria voldoen nie.

Die aankondiging vir die 1985 skryfkompetisie wat handel oor verpleging van ons jeug verskyn agterin. Die hoofdoel van die skryfkompetisie is om verpleegkundiges aan te moedig om te skryf, en veral oor kliniese onderwerpe. Daar is soveel wat ons met mekaar kan deel terwyl ons terselfdertyd tot die uitbouing van Verpleegkunde bydra.

Benut die kans wat die skryfkompetisie bied om u vermoë om u gedagtes te verwoord te toets. In die 1985 kompetisie word meer tyd vir die skryfwerk gegee en dit word makliker gemaak vir die onervare skrywer daarin dat die tipe artikel meer afgebaken is as in die verlede.

Readers are wished a blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year.

Many things which were realised both in the public and nursing arenas this year hold great challenges for the nursing profession. The papers which were presented at the RAU Simposium *Nursing in the Eighties* appear in this issue. In these articles various matters are highlighted which should serve continuously to direct us on the road ahead.

## Writing Competition

The winner of this year's Curationis-Johnson and Johnson writing competition was Mrs D D Jaftha from the Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital and her article appears in this issue. L Acres from Florida and A E A Moir from Durbanville share the second place and S J Moolman from De Aar won third place in the category for registered nurses.

No prizes were awarded this year in the category for student, enrolled, and pupil nurses and nursing assistants. The few entries received in this category did not meet the judging criteria.

The announcement of the 1985 writing competition which concerns nursing of our youth appears on pages 55 and 56. The main objective of the competition is to encourage nurses to write, particularly on clinical topics. There is so much we can share with each other while at the same time contributing to Nursing Science.

Utilise the opportunity which the competition provides to test your ability to put your ideas into writing. In the 1985 competition more time is being allowed for writing the article and it has been made easier for the inexperienced author in that the type of article is more defined than in the past.