

Spotlight Iowa City

2 UHC nurses singled out

Since 2005, 95 nurses from UIHC have been recognized as 100 Great Iowa Nurses.

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Stopping a painful ulcer, preventing a stroke, and preparing a patient for surgery are just a few things that nurses Donna Dolezal and Sandra Roberts have done for more than two decades.

The pair, who have grown accustomed to rising before dawn, said their drive comes from the desire to give good patient care. "A disease is a family disease; it's not just an individualized disease and process," said Roberts, the vascular nurse coordinator at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. "We see a lot of patients come through every day, but we have to stop and remember this in their lives — it's not just an everyday thing."

Roberts and Dolezal are among 10 other nurses from the UIHC who were added to this year's list of 100 Great Iowa Nurses.

Roberts and Dolezal — selected from a pool of hundreds with a variety of different backgrounds — work in the UIHC Surgery Specialties Clinic.

For analyzing a vascular patient needs, Roberts is the person to go to.

As the day progresses, she takes pictures of patient's wounds, teaches nurses, and schedules patients for procedures, interventions, and surgeries.

Standing alongside the physician while he or she assesses the patient, Dolezal



(Left to right) Donna Dolezal and Sandra Roberts are UIHC nurses recently awarded with spots on the list of 100 Great Iowa Nurses. The list is maintained by the Iowa Hospital Association and is culled from more than 13,000 Iowa nurses. (The Daily Iowan/Ian Servin)

said teamwork is important. "We're more like a team with the physician. We're on the same level — we're part of a team," Roberts said. "We aren't waiting for them to tell us to do something, we're planning and looking to be proactive instead of reactive."

That approach helps to save lives, she said. Dealing with patients with a variety of health complications, Roberts helps patients with ulcers, lymphoid threats, life-threatening aneurysms, and stenosis — putting patients at risk for a stroke.

"People come in who can't do their daily activities anymore because they can't walk," she said. "These pain issues or ulcer issues can be life-threatening."

Down the hall, Dolezal, the nurse manager of the UIHC Surgery Specialties Clinic pre-operative and anesthesiology clinic, prepares patients for surgery.

Working for 25 years at

the UIHC, she has helped patients through every type of surgery imaginable. As a manager, she must know how to balance patients' needs with staff needs.

"As a nurse, especially as a manager, it is all about change and instituting changes in the institution," she said.

Part of the change she brought to the UIHC involved her dedicated work to a project involving undiagnosed sleep apnea. Dolezal learned how to identify patients with sleep apnea and worked toward documentation and educating people about the changes in the disorder.

"My whole reason for the project and all projects is to make it better for the patients — make surgical experience better for patients — make it safer," she said. "You never know when it's going to be you or a friend or a relative or somebody else who's going to be in surgery."

Dolezal and Roberts serve as role models for UI students, said Keela Herz, the associate dean for faculty at the UI College of Nursing.

"The College of Nursing and UIHC are partners in providing strong clinical education experiences for student nurses," she said. "Having great role models at the UIHC inspires our students and promotes a positive environment for quality patient care."

Out of roughly 13,000 nurses who work in hospitals statewide, the 100 nurses chosen to be awarded personifies what is great about nursing in Iowa, said Scott McIntyre, communications director of the Iowa Hospital Association.

"Taking care of people's health and their lives they take very seriously and at the same time with a great deal of humanity and compassion," he said.

METRO

Obama to speak in IC on Wednesday

President Obama will address the community on Wednesday in the University of Iowa Field House.

Obama will speak about student loans and college affordability. The visit is part of the president's two-day college tour that includes stops at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and the University of Colorado-

Boulder on Tuesday.

The event is free for UI faculty, staff, and students; tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets are available today at the IMU box office beginning at noon.

Attendees are asked to bring as few items as possible — they will be required to pass through security before entering the event. The event will begin around 1 p.m.; doors will open to the public at 10 a.m.

— by Kristen East

Man faces drug charge

A man has been charged with controlled-substance violation.

According to a Johnson County Sheriff's Office complaint, Robert Wofford Jr., address unknown, was charged April 17.

On April 17, Wofford allegedly delivered five bags of crack cocaine to an undercover state narcotics officer. According to

the complaint, Wofford was in possession of additional crack cocaine to be delivered later. Wofford allegedly swallowed some of the crack, and some was located in his possession.

According to the complaint, the substance field-tested positive for cocaine.

A controlled-substance violation is considered a Class-C felony.

— by Jordyn Reiland

BLOTTER

Edward Ballard, 21, Bridgeview, Ill., was charged April 20 with public intoxication.

Lauren Benkowski, 20, 922 E. Washington St., was charged April 20 with assault causing injury.

Raleen Bradford, 30, 1920 Hollywood Court, was charged April 8 with domestic assault.

Andrea Brown, 50, 1618 Muscatine Ave., was charged April 21 with public intoxication.

Arthur Carlson, 20, 404 S. Gilbert St. No. 835, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Nathan Chalkley, 18, 2026 Muscatine Ave., was charged April 20 with PAULA.

John Clark, 60, Louisville, Ky., was charged April 20 with OWI and possession of marijuana.

Dominique Conway, 25, address unknown, was charged April 21 with possession of marijuana.

Jonathan Crozier, 22, Peconica, Ill., was charged Sunday with two counts of public intoxication and two counts of disorderly conduct.

Douglas Cuskaden, 27, South Bend, Ind., was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Graham Dalley, 26, Shafesbury, Vt., was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia, OWI, possession of marijuana with intent to deliver, and a drug tam-stamp violation.

Alexander Elze, 22, 278 E. Court St., was charged April 16 with keeping a disorderly house.

Alec Finn, 20, 411 N. Linn St., was charged April 20 with keeping a disorderly house.

Jamie Flaherty, 42, Cantril, Iowa, was charged April 16 with OWI.

Owen Flynn, 19, Palo Heights, Ill., was charged Sunday with public

intoxication.

Caroline Franczyk, 20, 223 E. Bloomington St., was charged April 20 with presence in a bar after hours.

Zachary Gengler, 19, 633 S. Johnson St. No. 6, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Joshua Graves, 20, 505 E. Burlington St. Apt. 18, was charged April 20 with interference with official acts, public intoxication, and public urination.

Jacob Gregorich, 19, 327 E. College St. Apt. 1721, was charged April 20 with keeping a disorderly house.

Sarah Hansen, 22, 418 N. Van Buren St., was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Jordin Hay, 20, Youngstown, Ohio, was charged April 21 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kashawn Hayes, 21, 945 Cross Park Ave. Apt. A, was charged April 7 with domestic assault and fifth-degree criminal mischief.

Nicole Holcomb, 22, North Liberty, was charged Sunday with OWI.

Travis Huer, 21, Muscatine, was charged April 21 with OWI.

Sean Huilman, 18, NOOR Currier, was charged April 20 with PAULA.

Karlie Keene, 18, Conrad, Iowa, was charged April 16 with possession of a controlled substance.

Chris Kogut, 21, 3022 E. Court St., was charged Sunday with two counts of criminal mischief and public intoxication.

Anthony Lopez, 22, Chicago, was charged April 20 with public intoxication.

Chayenne Leed, 19, Blairstown, N.J., was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kaitlyn Leger, 19, Blairstown, N.J., was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Donelle Lindsay, 30, 412 N. Clinton St. No. 3, was charged Sunday with public intoxication.

Eric Maldonado, 27, 718 Carriage Hill Apt. 1, was charged April 21 with OWI.

Michael Marek, 21, Tinley Park, Ill., was charged April 21 with public intoxication and fifth-degree criminal mischief.

Angelica Marrufo, 19, 325 E. College St. No. 1627, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Jordan Martinez, 21, Davenport, was charged April 21 with public intoxication.

Cole McCray, 28, Cedar Rapids, was charged April 21 with public intoxication.

Kody Murphy, 21, 404 S. Gilbert St. No. 634, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Deshan Mucanelli, 18, 1926 Broadway No. E, was charged April 21 with fifth-degree theft.

William Noonan, 50, Bloomington, Ill., was charged April 20 with interference with official acts, public intoxication, and disorderly conduct.

Luciano Pascucci, 20, 51 Tamarack Road, was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Marshall Peterson, 20, 650 S. Johnson St., was charged April 20 with presence in a bar after hours.

Kenny Parnell Jr., 22, Las Vegas, was charged April 20 with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver and a drug tam-stamp violation.

Garrett Read, 20, address unknown, was charged April 18

with public intoxication.

Natalie Richard, 28, South Bend, Ind., was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lomie Robertson, 49, 2022 Taylor Drive, was charged April 20 with OWI and driving while license suspended/canceled.

KC Rohn, 21, Winston, Ore., was charged April 20 with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Claire Ryan, 20, 325 E. College St. No. 1627, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Kent Sierree, 32, Altoona, Iowa, was charged April 20 with driving while license suspended/canceled.

Desiree Shamblin, 25, 2401 Highway 6 E. Apt. 4809, was charged April 19 with driving while license suspended/canceled.

Matthew Shultz, 27, 118 N. Seventh Ave., was charged Sunday with disorderly conduct and public intoxication.

Charles Sosa III, 53, address unknown, was charged April 20 with disorderly conduct.

Kristen Sulowski, 20, 366 S. Clinton St. H2621, was charged with presence in a bar after hours.

Paul Torres, 19, 505 E. Burlington St. No. 7, was charged Sunday with keeping a disorderly house.

Vanessa Vinall-Williams, 22, Des Moines, was charged April 20 with driving while barred.

Earl-Lopaka Wann, 23, Las Vegas, was charged April 20 with possession of marijuana and a drug tam-stamp violation.

Ashley Walden, 20, 327 E. College St. No. 1731, was charged Sunday with presence in a bar after hours.

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1. Olympic trials: College wrestlers take over
2. Letter to the Editor
3. Parking expenses and downtown living lead to drop in car use at UI, nationally
4. State Board of Regents to vote on delaying maturity date of \$30 million credit for UI flood recovery
5. County attorney says Peng Tang will still face tampering charges



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April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

24th Take Back the Night, 6:30pm
Join us for an empowering march supporting survivors and symbolically making the night safer.
On the Pentacrest lawn.

26th The Clothesline Project, 10am-3pm
View a display of clothes created by sexual assault and domestic violence survivors.
On the Pentacrest lawn.

For a listing of Sexual Assault Awareness Month events, visit: 335-6000, 24-hour rape.org

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If you answered yes, you might qualify for this study.

We are looking for women and men 18 to 45 for participation in a research study of an experimental treatment for extreme emotional intensity. Study involves 11 visits to the Dept. of Psychiatry. Compensation is provided.
Please contact Martha at 319.353.3904

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Septagon Construction Company plans to submit a Notice of Intent to the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to be covered under NPDES General Permit No. 2 "Storm Water Discharge Associated with Industrial Activity for Construction Activities." The storm water discharge will be from construction activities located in the NW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 79N, Range 69W, Johnson County. Storm water will be discharged from a point source and will be discharged to storm sewer and ditches to Iowa River.

Comments may be submitted to the Storm Water Discharge Coordinator, IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, Environmental Protection Division, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50319-0094. The public may review the Notice of Intent from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday, at the above address after it has been received by the department. Published in Iowa City Daily Iowan, April 23, 2012.