

President's Report
Sept 22, 1954

One of the greatest honors that an association can confer upon its members is that of an officer. It has been my pleasure to serve you as President of the Greater Detroit Association this past year.

In looking back, this year has been a most interesting one. On December 2, 1953 our association was the guest of Sinai Hospital. Miss Mayer and Mrs. Nunn gave us the highlights of the San Francisco National Convention and we enjoyed a tour of this new hospital. A Social Coffee Hour and Christmas Party made the evening a very pleasant one.

On February 24, 1954 we enjoyed our meeting in the new Couzens Memorial Building Auditorium. Miss Eleanor Tourtillott, Director of Nursing Education, Henry Ford Community College discussed the "Two Year Nursing Program". This program, it is hoped, will help alleviate the shortage of nurses. Its aim is to teach bedside nurses rather than nursing supervisors. A general discussion left us with the feeling that perhaps these new trends in education might be the answer to the shortage of help and like nursing, the medical record librarians might too have a similar type of program in the medical record technician courses.

A tour of the new Couzens Memorial Building was climaxed by a tea at which the group had the privilege of meeting Miss Riese, Administrator of Children's Hospital.

At St. Joseph Mercy Hospital on April 28, 1954 we enjoyed a most informative program "Legal Aspects of Medical Records" by Mr. John

Powers, Public Relations and Counsel for the Sisters of Mercy.

On May 27th. Dr. Shinnick of the United States Public Health Hospital acquainted us with his type of hospital and with the Medical Record Librarian's duties. Following this the group enjoyed a tour of the hospital, it's medical records department and a social hour.

A big event was the dinner party, June 16th. at the Hotel Statler. Forty-five enjoyed this social gathering.

During the year the executive committee met on several occasions to carry out official business and further the welfare and progress of the association.

It is my sincere hope that this year of 1954-55 will have the same professional cooperation, help and understanding in association problems, the kindness and hospitality that spelled out teamwork and so well characterized this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
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