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Abstract:

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1980s. Audiovisual material includes both audio and video interviews with Luther Christman and other audiovisual material.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:**

Dean of Rush University’s College of Nursing and Vice President of Nursing Affairs, Luther P. Christman, was born in Summit Hill, Pennsylvania, 26 February 1915, to Elmer and Elizabeth Christman. Christman graduated from the Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing for Men in 1939, and married nurse Dorothy Black (Dorothy Christman) the same year. They had three children, Gary James, Judith Ann, and Lillian Jane.

Christman received a baccalaureate from Temple University, 1948. He received an Ed.M. in Clinical Psychology from the Philadelphia Psychoanalytic Institute. In 1953, he became Director of Nursing at Yankton State Hospital, Yankton, South Dakota. Some of his suggestions for changes in nursing education and practice arose from his experiences at the hospital. He was a proponent of practicing nurses teaching nursing students, or the teacher-practitioner role. He encouraged the use of administrative assistants for office management and non-nursing tasks to allow more time for patient care for nurses. He was a strong advocate of primary nursing, or the presence of a primary nurse who would care for a single patient throughout their stay. In 1956, he took a position with the Michigan Department of Mental Health. He was responsible for the development of the nursing programs in the state hospitals in Michigan and in the state’s training schools for the mentally retarded. In 1963, he accepted a position as associate professor of psychiatric nursing at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He earned his Ph.D. in Sociology and Anthropology at Michigan State University. He became dean of the nursing school and director of nursing at Vanderbilt University in 1967. There, he worked to rebuild the school, acquiring substantial funding, developing nursing as an applied science and introducing the practitioner-teacher model. In 1972, he became the first dean of the Rush University College of Nursing and vice president for nursing affairs at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. With strong administrative support, he moved to implement all the components for his plan for nursing, which would come to be known as the Rush Model for Nursing. The plan included the integration of practice, education and research; a quality assurance program; unit decentralization; levels of practice; primary nursing; the practitioner-teacher role; and a self-governing professional staff organization. Programs offering the clinical doctorate, doctor of nursing degree (entry level) and the combined Ph.D. – D.N.Sc. were initiated. Christman helped establish the National Male Nurse Association in 1974, which became the American Assembly for Men in Nursing in 1981. He was a strong supporter for the recruitment of male nurses, believing that diversity could make the nursing profession stronger. A gift from the John L. and Helen Kellogg Foundation in 1979 funded at Rush the first National
Center for Excellence in Nursing in the United States. Christman retired in 1987. In a long and distinguished career, Luther had published many scholarly works and participated as an active member and officer of numerous organizations. He was especially devoted to Sigma Theta Tau and its International Center for Nursing Scholarship. He received, in 1981, the Edith Moore Copeland Founders Award for Creativity, and the first Lifetime Distinguished Achievement Award given by the honorary society in 1991. In 2004, Christman was inducted into the American Nurses Association’s Hall of Fame. In 2007, the American Nurses Association established the Luther Christman Award. The American Assembly for Men in Nursing began awarding its own Luther Christman Award in 1975 to people who have helped further the cause of men in nursing.

COLLECTION OVERVIEW:

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   4.2. Writings about Luther Christman, 1971-11
   4.3. Clippings about Luther Christman, 1960s-1998
5. Vanderbilt University, 1966-1972
6. Rush University, College of Nursing, 1971-1984
7. Conferences and Other Events, 1956-1986
8. Awards and Honors, 1975-2004
9. Other Material, 1965-1990 and undated

ITEMS SEPARATED:

Items separated include pictures, an oil portrait, video cassettes, and audio cassettes.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION:


6 items
Scope Content: Biographical material includes Luther Christman’s curriculum vitae and information related to a collection of his papers at Boston University’s Mugar Memorial Library.

BOX 1

Curriculum Vitae, October 1978
Curriculum Vitae, July 1983
Curriculum Vitae, 1985-1987
Curriculum Vitae, 1993
Inventory of Luther Christman Papers at Mugar Memorial Library, Boston University, deposits from 1977 to 1989
List of Speeches and Publications Donated to Mugar Memorial Library, Boston University, [1991?]


About 10 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Personal material includes material that is not related directly to Luther Christman’s career, such as pages from his nursing school’s yearbook, 1939; information about his marriage to Dorothy Black (Dorothy Christman), 1939; and notes and messages for the Christmans, 1963-1988.

**BOX 1 (cont.)**

Pages from The Maltesian, Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing for Men Yearbook, featuring Luther Christman, 1939
Marriage Certificate and Announcements for Luther Christman and Dorothy Black, December 1939
Humorous Notes for the Christmans, 1963-1988

**Series 3. Correspondence, 1961-1998**

About 120 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Correspondence, 1961-1998, includes letters to and from Luther Christman, mostly related to nursing. Correspondence relates to international trips and speaking engagements; correspondence as Dean of Rush University’s College of Nursing; and other correspondence. This series also contains a small amount of personal correspondence, including Christman family Christmas newsletters, 1961-1985. Some folders retain their original titles. Other correspondence is arranged chronologically by decade.

**BOX 1 (cont.)**

Christman Family Christmas Newsletters, 1961-1985
Correspondence, 1960s
International Contacts and Trips, 1971-1986
Letter from Former Student, Peggy Moore, praising Christman’s leadership at Vanderbilt University, 15 March 1975
Dean’s Office, 1973-1984 and undated

**BOX 2**

Regarding Physicians Assistants, 1974
Letters from President Gerald Ford and First Lady Betty Ford after Ford given the Luther Christman Award by the American Assembly for Men in Nursing, 1975
Dean’s Office, regarding initial accreditation of College of Nursing Degree Programs, 1975
Letters from Christman to Lois H. Heckman about his life in nursing, 1975-1976
Correspondence regarding Christman’s speaking engagements, 1979-1984
Dean’s Office, 1970s
Correspondence, 1970s
Dean’s Office, 1980-1982
Correspondence related to tour of Rush by Dr. Frederika de Villiers, Assistant
Department Head of the School of Nursing at Potchefstroom University, South Africa, 1981
Regarding Community Nursing Service of DuPage County, 1982
Regarding Department of Pediatric Nursing, 1982-1983
Regarding Retirement from Rush, 1985-1988
Correspondence, 1980s (2 folders)
Correspondence, 1993 and 1998

Series 4. Writings, 1954-1998 and undated

About 250 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Writings include articles, papers, and speeches by Luther Christman and papers and articles about Christman.

Subseries 4.1. Writings by Luther Christman, 1954-1993 and undated

About 200 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Writings by Luther Christman, 1954-1993, include papers, speeches, and articles related to nursing and healthcare. Many of his writings cover topics such as primary nursing, nursing specialists, restructuring nursing departments, nursing education, the need for practitioner-teachers, patient care, nursing doctorates, the physician-nurse relationship, and the Rush model of nursing.

BOX 2 (cont.)

“The Psychological Impact of Mass Disaster,” Institute on Nursing in Disaster, June 1957
“Preparing Today for Nursing Tomorrow,” Convention Opening Remarks, October 1961
“Social Structure and its Effects on the Mentally Retarded Child,” Presented at First Annual Workshop on Nursing in Mental Retardation, November 1961

BOX 3

“The Nurses Will Resign—Rather Than Strike,” in New Medical Materia, July 1962
“Mandatory vs. Permissive Licensing,” Practical Nursing, 29 April 1963
“Whither Come, Whither Go!” The Missouri Nurse, April 1963
“The Attendant: Helpmate or Hinderance,” Perspectives in Psychiatric Care, May-July 1963
“Can We Run Fast Enough?” Speech for Sigma Theta Tau, Rho Chapter Meeting, 5 November 1963
“Abstract: The Selective Perceptions Resulting from Training for a Vertical Division of Labor and the Effect of Organization Cohesion,” Summer 1964
“Identification of Skills Necessary to Function in Community Mental Health Services—Rehabilitation,” presented at the Conference on Graduate Education in Psychiatric Nursing, 10 November 1964
Papers on “Critical Incidents” in career for National Nursing Leaders, American Nurses Association, 1964
“Introduction to a Simplified Study Design,” presented at the forum on Administration of Nursing Service in Hospitals, National League for Nursing, 10 March 1965
“The Process of Specialization in Nursing,” delivered at the Cleveland District NSA Section Meeting, 13 May 1965
“Some Observations on Nursing in a Period of Change,” Commencement Address, Practical Nurse Education Center, Northern Michigan University, 24 September 1965
“Structural Barriers in Nursing that Prevent Utilization of New Knowledge,” presented at 60th Tennessee Nurses Association Convention, 14 October 1965
“New Frontiers Facing the Professional Nurse,” Keynote Address, 62nd Annual Iowa Nurses Association Convention, 25 October 1965
“Nurse-Physician Communications in the Hospital,” Journal of the American Medical Association, Vol. 194, No. 5, 1 November 1965
“The Influence of Specialization on the Nursing Profession,” Nursing Science, Vol. 3, No. 6, December 1965
“The Clinical Nursing Specialist—Her Contribution to Nursing Service and Patient Care,” presented at Michigan Nurses Association, Spring Conference, 30 March 1966
“The Emerging Role of Community Hospitals,” presented at the Institute of Education and Service, 5 May 1966
“Knowledge, Change, and Nursing Care,” American Journal of Nursing, Vol. 66, No. 9, September 1966
“New Knowledge, New Technology Demand New Practice,” in Minnesota Nursing Accent, December 1966
“Old Patterns Waste Half the Nursing Hours,” The Modern Hospital, Vol. 108, No. 1, January, 1967

“Would a Stewardess Help?” *Saturday Review*, 4 February 1967


“Specialization and Utilization—Key to Effective Nursing Care,” presented at the California Nurses Association Convention, 7 March 1967

“Leadership Style and Organizational Effectiveness,” presented at the California Nurses Association Convention, 9 March 1967

“Assisting the Patient to Learn the Patient Role,” *Journal of Nursing Education*, April 1967

“Effects of Nursing on Organizational Effectiveness,” presented at School of Hospital Administration Alumni Institute, 8 June 1967

“The Role of Nursing in Organizational Effectiveness,” presented at the Hospital Nursing Shortage—Crisis or Illusion Institute and Seminar, June 1967

“Nursing, a Changing Profession,” Capitol School of Nursing Commencement, 20 September 1967

“Systems and Skills in Communication,” presented at New Mexico Nurses Association Convention, 8 October 1967

“New Knowledge, Change and Patient Care,” presented at Michigan Nurses Association Convention, 18 October 1967

“Innovations in Training to Prepare Nurses to Work with Disturbed Children,” presented at the American Public Health Association Meeting, 22 October 1967

“Creativity in Nursing Education,” presented at the North Carolina State Nurses Association, 26 October 1967


“The Nurse’s Social Role in the Helping Relationship,” presented at the Mississippi Nursing Association Convention, 2 November 1967

“The Preparation of the Nurse Specialist,” presented at the New Jersey League for Nursing Convention, 10 November 1967

“The Role of Systems Engineering in Meeting the Nursing College,” paper presented at Massachusetts Hospital Association Conference, 21 November 1967

“Commitment, Awareness, Responsibility, Education,” Keynote Address, Pennsylvania Nurses Association, 27 November 1967


“Experiment to Test and Implement a Model of Patient Care in Hospitals,” presented at the Conference-Workshop on Regional Medical Programs, 17 January 1968

“Current Concepts in Nursing Education,” presented at the Southeastern Surgical Congress, 27 March 1968

“The Nurse Clinical Specialist,” in *Hospital Progress*, August 1968

“Planning to Meet Nursing Needs and Education: Today and Tomorrow,” presented at the New Hampshire Nurses Association Convention, 1 October 1968

“Changing Knowledge Forces Changing Practice,” presented at the Cardiac Nursing Symposium, 4 October 1968
“Up, Up and Away,” presented at 18th Annual Student Convention, Student Nurses Association of Kentucky, 10 October 1968
“What has Happened to Patient Care?” Tennessee Mid-South Regional Medical Program, December 1968

BOX 4

“Community Resources—The Role of Other Professionals,” presented at the 22nd Annual Stoneburner Lecture Series, Medical College of Virginia, 20-21 February 1969
“The Nurse Specialist—Key to the Improvement of Patient Care,” presented at the 5th Annual Conference of Cooperative Community Nursing Services, 16 May 1969
“Patient Care—Coordination or Fragmentation,” presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association, 25 May 1969
“The Impact of Science and Technology on the Nursing Profession,” Southern Baptist Hospital School of Nursing Reunion, 10 June 1969
“It’s High Time We Made Better Use of Nursing Time,” Consultant, September/October 1969
“Nursing Education—Nursing Service, Where Do They Meet?” presented at Medical College of Virginia Alumni Association, 21 November 1969
“Apathy or Adventure?” South Carolina Nursing, Winter 1969-1970
“Malesness—One Means to Efficiency in Patient Care,” presented at Alumni Association, Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing for Men, 18 March 1970
“The Participation of Nursing in Health Care Delivery,” presented at Telephone Lecture Network Program, 7 April 1970
“The Future Role of Nurses,” presented at the 30th Annual Conference of the Maryland, D.C., Delaware Hospital Association, 8 December 1970
“The Flux in Nursing,” South Dakota Board of Nursing Workshop, 2 March 1971
“The Nurse of the Future,” presented at Baptist Medical Centers, 9 April 1971
“An Incident in Leadership,” presented at a meeting of the National Institute for Mental Health, 17 April 1971
“How to Create a Means to Enable Employees to Work toward and Accept Leadership Roles,” presented at Convention of Texas Society for Hospital Nursing Service Administrators, 18 May 1971
“Nurses, Do as You Say, Not as You (Usually) (Alas) Do,” Nursing, November 1971
“Change is in Order,” Journal of Nursing Administration, November-December 1971
“Implementation of the Lysaught Report and its Effects on Nursing for the 80s,” presented at Maryland Nurses Association Annual Convention, 1971
“Process or Role? Outcomes for Nursing,” presented at the Dolowitz Workshop, Holy Cross Hospital, 1 November 1971
“Nursing: Conflict and Change,” presented at First Annual Seminar for Nurses, Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Hospital, 22 March 1972
“Communication—A Form of Bias,” 8th Annual Clinical Nursing Conference, 20 April 1972
“Commitment and Accountability,” Oklahoma State Nurses Association Convention, 21 September 1972
“Baccalaureate Nursing Programs and Health Care: A Team Effort,” presented at Annual Meeting of the Association for Academic Health Centers, 14 October 1972
“Nursing: Conflict and Change,” presented at Conference for Illinois League for Nursing, 7-8 December 1972
“Community Context” from The Critical Issues of Community Mental Health, 1972
“Moral Dilemmas for Practitioners in a Changing Society,” Annual Institute of the Loma Linda University School of Nursing, March-April 1973
“Programming versus Thinking in Nursing Education,” presented at Sigma Theta Tau Symposium, 11 May 1973
“New Roles and Changing Relationships in a Medical Center,” presented at Pennsylvania State University Conference, May 1973
“Where are we going today?” presented at the Annual Meeting of the Delaware Nurses Association, 3 November 1973
“The Nurse’s Role in Society and How We Nurses Can Become More Involved in a More Effective Manner,” Kentucky Association of Nursing Students, 9 November 1973
“Dammit—Do It!” Hospital Topics, July-August 1974

BOX 5

“Challenges in Nursing,” Kansas Nurses Association Convention, November 1974
“Nursing Education—Where is it Going?” presented at Joint Affiliate Committee Meeting, 17 March 1975
“Problems of Role Definition in the Health Care Team,” National Conference on Social Welfare, 11 May 1975
“Evaluating the Quality of Nursing Care; Implications for the Future,” Sigma Theta Tau, 18 May 1975
“Aging as a Process,” International Conference on Arts, Sciences, and Communications, 15 July 1975
“Primary Care Nursing,” Sigma Theta Tau Meeting, 4 December 1975
“The Future of Nursing Education and Practice,” Comprehensive Pediatric Nursing, 1975
Editor’s Introduction, Behavioral Therapy, 1975
“Perfect Accountability,” Health Services Manager, Vol. 9, No. 1, January 1976
“Where are we Going?” Journal of Nursing Administration, February 1976
“An All R. N. Operating Room Staff,” Association of Operating Room Nurses, 10 March 1976
“The Components of the Nurse Specialist Practice,” The Nurse Specialist Conference, 26 March 1976
“Nurses Seek to Influence Care,” Hospitals: J.A.H.A., Vol. 50, 1 April 1976
“Clinical Competence,” presented at Friends Hospital, 12 May 1976
“The Autonomous Nursing Staff in the Hospital,” American Nurses Association Convention, June 1976
“Current Roles of Nursing in Health Care,” October 1976
“Celebrating a Revolution,” presented at the Kentucky Nurses Association Convention, 20 October 1976
“Clinical Doctorates—A Means of Increasing the Clinical Competence of Nurses,” January 1977
Untitled, Partial Paper on Primary Nursing, January 1977
“High Quality Nursing Practice—Is It Cost Effective?” presented at the Alpha Rho Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, 16 March 1977
“Apathy or Adventure?” Kansas State Nurses Association, 26 March 1977
“What is Professional Growth?” Kansas State Nurses Association, 26 March 1977
“Accountability and Autonomy are More than Rhetoric,” program sponsored by Alpha Chi Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau, 2 April 1977
“Transforming Science into a Social Good,” presented at the School of Nursing, University of Michigan, 30 April 1977
Untitled, “The concept of autonomy or self-governance is emerging as an organizational pattern for nursing staffs.” 1977
Untitled Editorial in The New Zealand Nursing Journal, April 1978
“An Organizational Perspective for Nursing Practice,” Colleagues in Patient Care: The Rush Model for Nursing Workshop, 20 April 1978
“Alternatives in the Role Expression of Nurses that May Affect the Future of the Nursing Profession,” The Nursing Professions: Views Through the Mist, 1978
“A Micro-Analysis of the Nursing Division of One Medical Center,” Nursing Personnel and the Changing Healthcare System, 1978
*A Luther Christman Anthology, Nursing Digest, Vol. VI, No. 2, Summer 1978*

“An Approach to Ethical Judgments within the Therapeutic Alliance,” *Issues in Mental Health Nursing*, [1978?]


“The Practitioner-Teacher,” in *Nurse Educator*, March-April 1979


“Professional Nursing Practice / Impediments to Practice = Satisfaction Quotient,” *Journal, NYSNA*, Vol. 10, No. 4, December 1979

**BOX 6**


Composite Annotated Bibliographies by Luther Christman, [1979?]

“An Organizational Perspective for Nursing Practice,” presented at the American Nurses Association Convention, 9-13 June 1980

“Are We Wasting Nursepower?” *Cost Containment Newsletter*, 27 January 1981

“Levels of Practice,” April 1981

“Christman Survival Kit for Nurse Managers,” for LSUMC School of Nursing, Continuing Education Program, March 1982


“Staffing Alternatives and Productivity,” 11 March 1983

“America’s Health Enterprise in the Late 20th Century,” A Colloquium of the Institute of Medicine, August 1984

Panel Member Response, Faculty Practice in Action, Annual Nursing Faculty Practice Symposium, 24-26 January 1985

Book Review of *Hospital Organization and Health Care Delivery* by Luther Christman and Michael Counte, 1982


Book Review by Luther Christman of *From Novice to Expert*, by Patricia Benner, *Nursing Administrator Quarterly*, 1985

Untitled, “The College of Nursing, Rush University, is the only college in this country where education, service and research are totally integrated into a whole,” 1986

Luther Christman’s series of lectures in Sweden, 1986

Letter to the Editor, *The Star*, Cook County, Ill., 21 June 1987

“The Future of the Nursing Profession,” *Nursing Administrator Quarterly*, 1987

“Unification: More than Just a Theme,” American Nurses Association Convention, 11 June 1988

“An International Issue: Can Nurses Keep in Step with the Pace of Science and Technology?” Luther Christman et al, 21-26 August 1988

“Knowledge is Power,” *Reflections*, 1992
“Science as the Predictor of Professional Recognition and Success,” *In Search of Nursing Science*, [1993?]
“Some Thoughts…,” undated

**Subseries 4.2. Writings about Luther Christman, 1971-1998**

7 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Writings about Luther Christman include papers, biographies, and other writings.

**BOX 6 (cont.)**

*Luther Christman: His Professional Life and his Contributions to the Development of the Nursing Profession*, by Mary Greene, 13 May 1971
Assessment of Luther Christman Publications, by George G. Holzhauer, 4 April 1972
Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Nurses Alumni Association Citation to Luther Christman, by Joyce Stoops, April 1978
“Service, Education, Research, and Consultation—Professionalism in Nursing: Luther Christman, 40 Years of Nursing Leadership,” Michael R. Parker, [1979?]
“Luther Christman: Prophet or Role-Model?” by Antonia C. McKenna, 6 December 1982
“The Life and Times of Luther Christman, RN, PhD,” by Thomas A. Wilson, [1982?]
*Luther Christman: Professional Reformer*, by Steven E. Merrill, 1998

**Subseries 4.3. Clippings about Luther Christman, 1960s-1998**

About 50 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Clippings about Luther Christman include articles in newspapers, magazines, and newsletters about Luther Christman and his work in nursing education and nursing administration.

**BOX 7**

Clippings, 1960s
Clippings, 1970-1974
Clippings, 1975-1979
Clippings, 1980
Clippings, 1981-1984
Clippings, 1985-1989
Series 5. Material Related to Vanderbilt University, 1966-1972

About 10 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Material related to Vanderbilt University includes items, mostly administrative, from Luther Christman’s years as Dean of Vanderbilt University’s School of Nursing.

BOX 7 (cont.)

Correspondence related to Luther Christman and Statements to the Faculty of the School of Nursing, 1966-1972
Training Grant Application for “Recruitment of Men into Nursing” Project, 2 October 1967
School of Nursing, A Working Paper on the Curriculum Change, by Luther Christman, 1968
Management Structure of School of Nursing, April 1972


About 150 items
Scope Content: Material related to the Rush University College of Nursing includes items related to Luther Christman’s position as Dean of Rush University’s College of Nursing and Vice-President of Nursing Affairs. This series includes material related to the establishment and development of the College of Nursing at Rush; monthly reports; material related to the administration of the college; student and faculty material; and other material.

BOX 7 (cont.)

Development: Position Proposal for Dean, Office of Nursing Sciences and Services, 26 October 1971

BOX 8

Development: Exploratory Meeting on Organizational Dynamics of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Medical Center, 12 June 1972
Development: Information about Possible Cooperative Program between College of Nursing and Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT), October 1972
Development: Transcript of Meeting about Development of Nursing Program, [1972?]
Development: Material Related to Approval to Admit Students and Approval of Baccalaureate Program, May 1973
Development: Dean’s Cabinet Inaugural Meeting Minutes, 21 September 1973

Monthly Reports: January-July 1980
Monthly Reports: September-December 1980
Monthly Reports: January-June 1981
Monthly Reports: 1983 (2 folders)

BOX 9

Monthly Reports: 1984 (2 folders)

Administrative: Rules for Governance, 1976
Administrative: Rules of Governance, 20 October 1982
Administrative: Rules for Governance, undated
Administrative: Patient Care Reorganization Project Committee, 24 May 1973
Administrative: Draft of Memorandum of Understanding between RPSLMC and Affiliate on a Cooperative Program in Nursing and Health Sciences Education, 1973
Administrative: Description of the Clinical Nursing Research Center, [1977]
Administrative: Primary Care Committee, Primary Nursing Implementation Information, February-April 1978
Administrative: Joint Practice Committee, 1978 and undated
Administrative: RPSLMC’s plan to develop the prototype of an academic medical center, [1978?]

BOX 10

Administrative: Correspondence with Heart International Foundation, 1979
Administrative: Program Request Form, Operating Room/Supply Processing and Distribution, July 1981
Administrative: Program Request, Increased Staffing for Operating Room Nursing, July 1981
Administrative: Department of Operating Room and Surgical Nursing, Special Planning Meeting Minutes, 14 January 1982
Administrative: Department of Operating Room and Surgical Nursing, OR/Pediatric Intensive Therapy Transfer Meeting Minutes, August 1982
Administrative: Congratulation Letters on Relocation of OR and Surgical Nursing, 2 September 1982
Administrative: “Plan for the 1990s,” 1984
Administrative: Draft Paper on Rush College of Nursing Organization and Administration, [1980s]
Administrative: From Luther Christman to the Management Committee, “The Advantages of Merger (Nursing),” undated
Students: Student Orientation Schedules, 1973 and 1981
Students: College of Nursing Pinning Ceremony Programs, 1981 and 1985
Students: List of Doctoral Students, Winter 1984

Faculty: Faculty Precis, March 1977
Faculty: Faculty Precis, Summer 1981

Other Material: Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association, letter to Luther Christman, regarding their contribution of funds for nursing learning laboratory, 29 May 1973
Other Material: “Levels of Nursing Practice, Historical Development of Program at Rush,” August 1975
Other Material: “A Micro-Analysis of the Nursing Division of One Medical Center,” by Luther Christman, [1977?]
Other Material: Levels of Practice Workshop, January 1982
Other Material: “A Brief History of the Levels of Practice System at RPSLMC,” by Elizabeth Carlson, April 1984
Other Material: Luther Christman’s business card, undated

**Series 7. Conferences and Other Events, 1956-1986**

About 20 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Material related to conferences and other events, 1965-1986, includes programs, schedules, reports, and papers for various nursing and healthcare conferences, symposiums, workshops, seminars, and other events attended by Luther Christman, presumably.

**BOX 10 (cont.)**

Outline for Talk at Conference in Pittsburgh, Penn., Loretta Denman, 11 April 1958
Report of Conference to Consider Medical and Nursing Practice in a Changing World, 25 March 1964
Schedule for Conference for Admissions Officers and Health Career Counselors, 7-9 August 1973
*Association of Operating Room Nurses Journal*, 21st Annual Congress, January 1974
Colleagues in Patient Care Conference: Position Papers on Joint Practice, Community Health Nursing, and Rush Model for Nursing, April 1978
Program of Events, Pinning Ceremony, University of Lowell, Keynote Speaker, Luther Christman, 23 May 1982
Agenda for Seminar, “Nursing Care Delivery: What are the Problems? What are the Solutions?” Lecture by Luther Christman, 22 June 1982
Alpha Chi Chapter News, Sigma Theta Tau, Boston College School of Nursing, Innovations in Clinical Practice Program, speaker, Luther Christman, August 1983
“Scribes and Savants: The Professional Blend,” National Symposium on Nursing Journalism, greetings from Luther Christman, 9 and 10 August 1984
Program and Responses to Dr. Claire M. Fagin’s Keynote Address, “Faculty Practice in Action,” Second Annual Nursing Faculty Practice Symposium, 24-26 January 1985
Program, Shriner’s Children’s Hospital Benefit, patrons included Luther and Dorothy Christman, 19 May 1985.
Program, Annual Homecoming Banquet, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Nurses Alumni Association, speaker, Luther Christman, 7 June 1985
Program, San Diego Chapter, American Society for Healthcare Education and Training presents the 2nd Annual Symposium for the Healthcare Educators, “The Past is No Longer Prologue to the Future,” featuring Luther Christman, 8 November 1985

Series 8. Awards and Honors, 1975-2004

About 20 items
Arrangement: Chronological
Scope Content: Material related to awards and honors includes awards and honors given to Luther Christman in recognition of his work in nursing.

BOX 10 (cont.)

Luther Christman Award, related material, 1975 and 1989
Invitation and Program, Dedication of Luther Christman’s Portrait, Painted by Walter Parke, 20 April 1978
Letter of Endorsement from Sue T. Hegyvary for Luther Christman, National League for Nursing Linda C. Richards Award, 10 November 1978
Nomination and Announcement, Edith Moore Copeland Award for Creativity, received by Luther Christman, 1981
Invitation, program, buttons, napkins for reception honoring Luther Christman’s tenth anniversary at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Medical Center, 10 June 1982
Awards and Honors, 1980s
Nomination of Luther Christman for the Mary Tolle Wright Leadership Award, Sigma Theta Tau, Gamma Phi Chapter, 1991
Awards and Honors, 1990s
Program from American Nurses Association Biennial Convention, Induction of Christman into Hall of Fame, 26-29 June 2004
Program, Mary Starke Harper Distinguished Lectureship, received by Luther Christman, 2004

**Series 9. Other Material, 1965-1990 and undated**

About 50 items  
Arrangement: Chronological  
Scope Content: Other material includes items that did not fit into other series. This series includes administrative material from the National Male Nurse Association, 1981 and 1984, which became the American Assembly for Men in Nursing. It also contains course material from a course, Nursing Financial Management, taught by Luther Christman at Case Western Reserve University, 1985.

**BOX 10 (cont.)**

“Unifying Education and Practice: One Medical Center’s Design,” by Margaret D. Sovie, University of Rochester, N. Y., *Journal of Nursing Administration*, 1980 and 1981

**BOX 11**

Course Material, Nursing Financial Management Course, Case Western Reserve University, taught by Luther Christman, 1985 (2 folders)  
Directory, National Academies of Practice, Nursing Chair, Luther Christman, 1989-1990  
“Excellence in Nursing,” video summary, undated  
Miscellaneous, 1975-1988 and undated

**Series 10. Pictures, 1974-1988**

About 20 items  
Scope Content: Pictures include individual portraits of Luther Christman throughout his career at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Medical Center, mostly from the 1980s. [Other pictures including Christman can be found in Group Portraits and Subjects in Record Group 44.] An oil painting of Luther Christman by Walter Parke, 1978, is included, also.

ITEMS SEPARATED: Individual Portraits in RG44: Christman, Luther, (Dean, College of Nursing), [1974?]  
ITEMS SEPARATED: Individual Portraits in RG44: Christman, Luther, [between 1980 and 1988]  
ITEMS SEPARATED: Individual Portraits in RG44: Christman, Luther, [1988?]
ITEMS SEPARATED: Individual Portraits in RG44: Christman, Luther, (picture of oil painting), [1978]
ITEMS SEPARATED: Individual Portraits: Oil Painting of Luther Christman


13 items
Scope Content: Audiovisual material includes both audio and video interviews with Luther Christman; video of a farewell reception for Christman for his retirement from Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke’s Medical Center, 1987; and a series of lectures with Margaret Buerger in a six-volume series of audio cassettes titled “Primary Nursing Care!” from the 1980s.

ITEMS SEPARATED: “Farewell Reception for Luther Christman,” VHS video cassette, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 487 [Accession 93-053], 25 July 1987
ITEMS SEPARATED: “Dean Luther Christman, VM-428, 4:30,” Betamax, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 595, undated
ITEMS SEPARATED: “Dialogue with Luther Christman and Virginia Henderson, 57 min.,” VHS video cassette, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 782, undated
ITEMS SEPARATED: “Luther Christman, 12 min.,” VHS video cassette, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 784, undated
ITEMS SEPARATED: “Professional Issues in Nursing, Dr. Luther Christman, 12:00,” U-Matic video cassette, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 788, 26 January 1978
ITEMS SEPARATED: “The Future of Nursing, Creating a Vision: An Interview with Luther Christman,” includes pamphlet, VHS video cassette, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 831, November 2000
ITEMS SEPARATED: “Interview with Luther Christman by archivist Stuart Campbell,” audio cassette, Audio-Visual Inventory Number 836, 13 February 1997
ITEMS SEPARATED: “Primary Nursing Care!” Volumes 1-6, Luther Christman and Margaret Buerger, audio cassettes, Audio-Visual Inventory Numbers 1115-1120, [1980s?]