Charlie: "I want to show you my new comic strip, Schroeder, because I think you'll appreciate it. This one musician asks the other if he can play the 'Hallelujah Chorus', see? And this guy says, 'Oh, I guess I can HANDLE it.' Get it? Get it? Pretty good, huh? huh? (No response from Schroeder) It's sort of sad when you think of a kid like that going through life without a sense of humor."

To sharpen your sense of humor and to bring you the latest version of the current events in the Division of Medical Technology, we again rely on our friends from "Peanuts," Charles Schultz and the United Features Syndicate, Inc.

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Franklin: "My grandfather has a birthday this week."
Patty: "Does he mind getting old?"
Franklin: "No, he says it doesn't bother him. In fact, he says he feels great. He says that once you're over the hill, you begin to pick up speed!"

A birthday? Well, sort of--it's the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Class of 1953 who are just coasting along through life. Please see the special item on the banquet reservation form.

Sally Anderson Chapple*  
Audrey Bernstein  
Jane Carr Czyzwoski  
Betty Dieter*  
Barbara Erickson DuHoux  
James Ferderer  
Wilma Fitisimmons Wilkinson  
Lorlie Halvorson Pederson  
Kathryn Hammer Glen  
Beverly Hardy Griffin  
Ruth Hawley Benassi  
Virginia Herrala Erickson*  
Vernetta Hidde  
Margaret Hirt Smith  
Carol Knobel Timney*  
Greta Lilleberg Smith  
Joan Olson O'Dell  
Joan Owen Novak  
Betty Peterson*  
Carol Sandell Josephs  
Jean Urbank Lemberg  
Janet Vogt Turning  
Lois Wagner Olin  
Mary Weimer  
Mitsue Yanagita Yamaguchi  
Mary Teske Yocum**

* Address unknown  
** Deceased

Linus: "Mom put a note in my lunch today. 'Dear son, I hope you enjoy the lunch I made for you today. Study hard. It is important to be a good student. However, do not neglect your peer-group rating.' When she was young, Mom never felt she had a very good peer-group rating."

All of you moms and pops out there enjoy a good peer-group rating, we're sure. Our faculty do also and for some of them, the peer-group rating went public during the last year.

Karen Viskochil was one of the eight Horace T. Morse-Amoco Foundation award winners at the University last year. This award is for outstanding contribution to undergraduate education. Since there are approximately 4500 faculty eligible for nomination for these awards, Karen's recognition was, indeed, a coup for herself, the program and the profession.

Esther Freier and Verna Rausch (the Gold Dust Twins of Quality Control) won the Professional Achievement Lectureship from ASMT for 1977 for distinguished contributions to the practice of medical technology.

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Lucy: "This is the best book I've ever read! It's called 'The Three Little Kittens Who Lost Their Mittens', and it's all about these three kittens, see? I've never read a book that I've enjoyed so much."

Violet: "What other books have you read?"

Lucy: "This is the only one!"

Since many of you are currently employed in the laboratory and have occasion to use reference books, it may be helpful to you to know which of the vast number of books in the laboratory field serve as textbooks for the courses in the professional part of the program. This list is intended for information only and not as endorsement or advertisement.

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Obviously, one cannot survive by using just one book. In addition to those listed above, the faculty of each unit prepare a laboratory manual which is reproduced within the University for sale to the students and others.

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Sally: "Look, big brother! They accepted my application not to go to camp! How about that! Boy, am I ever lucky!! Now, I can hang around the house all summer and deteriorate!"

Don't just hang around the house and deteriorate! Get with the latest in certification!

Last year we informed our faithful readers of the withdrawal of the American Society for Medical Technology from the activities of the Board of Registry of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. We also indicated that ASMT endorsed the formation of a new certifying agency which would be independent of any professional organization. The new agency, the National Certifying Agency for Medical Laboratory Personnel (NCAMLP), has been established and will offer certifying examinations in July. Of importance for our readers is that NCAMLP will recognize previous certification. Anyone who has a recognized certificate or license in the laboratory field can obtain a certificate from NCAMLP without examination until June 30, 1980. For further information about the recognition process, contact

NCAMLP
1625 I Street, N.W.
Room 726
Washington, D.C. 20006

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Lucy: "Nine hundred an' one...nine hundred an'two..."
Charlie: "Gee, I thought you'd have given up by this time."
Lucy: "No sir! When I get started on something really worthwhile I never give up!"
Charlie: "If you're going to count all those stars, I think I'd better help you."
Lucy: "Well, I appreciate this Charlie Brown."
Charlie: "Have you counted that little one up there?"
Lucy: "Which little one? That one?"
Charlie: "No, that little one over there."
Lucy: "Over there?"
Charlie: "No, there."
Lucy: "You mean that little one next to that chartreuse one?"
Charlie: "No, that little one right there."
Lucy: "You mean right there?"
Charlie: "No, right there...right up there."
Lucy: "There? Up there?"
Charlie: "No, there."
Lucy: "There? There?"
Charlie: "NO! THERE!"
Lucy: "There?"
Charlie: "YES! THERE!"
Lucy: "What about it?"

WHAT ABOUT IT? WELL, GREAT COBS OF PUTTY!!

This June the 2000th student will receive a baccalaureate degree in Medical Technology
from the University of Minnesota! We're proud of this accomplishment and trust that
you are too.

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Lucy: "Dear Santa Claus,

I know you are a busy man. Make it easy on yourself. This year
just bring me money. I don't want you to waste your time thinking
about what toys I might like. Preferably tens and twenties."

Contributions to the William A. O'Brien Scholarship Fund in the form of tens, twenties,
Treasury notes, checks - anything negotiable - are always welcome. Just send your
contribution to the

    William A. O'Brien Scholarship Fund
    c/o Ruth Hovde
    Box 70 Powell Hall
    500 Essex Street S.E.
    University of Minnesota
    Minneapolis, MN 55455

Scholarships, taken from the interest that has accrued over last year, were awarded
for 1977 to

Pamela Hovland Claudine Zahn Diane Zander

With resident tuition currently at $329 per quarter, your generous donation of tens
and twenties helps at least a few students to complete their education with less
financial strain.

You will note that no guest speaker is scheduled for the banquet this year. The
honorarium reserved for the speaker will be contributed to the Scholarship Fund.

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Charlie: "So you really like your teacher, eh, Linus?"
Linus: "She's a good teacher, Charlie Brown. No, she's more than just a good
teacher. She's a great human being! No, she's more than a good teacher
and a great human being. Miss Othmar is a good teacher, a great human
being and a living doll!"

We thought that it might be of interest to you to identify the living dolls who
serve on the teaching faculty for the program in medical technology at the University.
The individuals, their titles and area(s) of expertise are as follows:

Donna Blazevic
Larry Bowers
Jeanne Cagle
Sandra Carter
Sally Clysdale
Grace Mary Ederer
Joan Feickert
Esther Freier
Helen Hallgren
Jessie Hansen
Naomi Hanson
Dolores Harvey
Louise Hofherr
Ruth Novde
Barbara Jackson
Patricia Johnson

Professor
Assistant Professor
Teaching Specialist
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Teaching Specialist
Professor
Teaching Specialist
Professor
Assistant Professor
Assistant Professor
Assistant Professor
Instructor
Assistant Professor
Professor
Teaching Specialist
Senior Medical Technologist

Microbiology
Chemistry
Hematology
Immunohematology
Chemistry
Microbiology
Hematology, Immunohematology
Chemistry
Immunology
Chemistry
Chemistry
Chemistry, Urinalysis
Microbiology
Administration
Chemistry
Teaching Laboratory Manager,
Hematology, Immunohematology,
Urinalysis
Administration, Hematology,
Immunohematology
Hematology
Chemistry, Urinalysis
Microbiology
Administration; coffee-making
Chemistry
Chemistry, Urinalysis
Chemistry, Urinalysis
Hematology
Immunohematology
Chemistry, Hematology

Teaching Specialists are those medical technologists who, on part-time status, work
with the students in the laboratory phase of the structured courses.

Teaching assistance is also provided by members of the clinical laboratory staff of
the University Hospitals and graduate students. The clinical experiences of the
students are under the supervision of the staffs of the laboratories of the affiliated
institutions.

Fairview
Fairview-Southdale
Lufkin Laboratories
Methodist

Mount Sinai
St. John's
St. Paul Red Cross Blood Center
Veteran's Administration

University

We've come a long way, baby, since those days of full clinical load, teaching/
supervising students, and managing the laboratory!

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Linus: "My mother is always complaining about having to make lunches. What's so hard about it? This morning I told her I'd make my own lunch. And I did, too! See? I made my own lunch...eight candy bars!"

You won't need to make your own dinner on Wednesday, May 10, 1978. That's the date of the Annual Alumni Banquet.

Date: Wednesday, May 10, 1978

Place: Minnesota Alumni Club
50th floor of the IDS Tower (80 S. 8th St., Minneapolis)

Time: 6:00 p.m. Social Hour - Cash Bar
7:00 p.m. Dinner

Cost: $10.00 per reservation

Program: Short greetings only. The rest of the evening devoted to visiting, showing snapshots, bragging, reminiscing.

Deadline for reservations: May 2, 1978

If you would like to sit with the honored group, please check the box below.

Please reserve _______ places for me for the Medical Technology Alumni Dinner.

I enclose $_______ as payment ($10.00 per reservation). Make check payable to Medical Technology Alumni Association.

☐ Please reserve _______ seats for me at the 1953 table.

Signature ____________________________

Mail by May 2, 1978 to

Medical Technology Alumni Association
195 Administration Services
University of Minnesota
2610 University Avenue
St. Paul, MN  55114