You’re Invited!

Alumni Spring Celebration & Reunion

Join nursing alumni, students, faculty and friends for a lively evening reconnecting with classmates and colleagues at the Alumni Spring Celebration & Reunion April 23. Festivities begin with the Discovery Expo showcasing alumni achievements and nurse-led advancements in health care. Prior to the dinner program, enjoy light hors d’oeuvres, a cash bar and the silent auction benefiting student and alumni programs. Martha Turner, American Nurses Association’s assistant director of the Center for Ethics and Human Rights, will give the keynote address “Every Role, Every Setting: Nursing and the Daily News.” Registration is $25 students, $45 U of M Alumni Association Members, $50 alumni and friends.

In the News

- Star Tribune published “Leg pain? U study said walk it off and avoid the stent surgery” Jan. 10.
- Star Tribune published “Google this: Do Internet searches mirror our moods?” Jan. 6.
- Star Tribune published “New generation of Somali women is on the rise in Minnesota” Dec. 27.
- St. Cloud Times published “CSB nursing remodel takes students into medical future” Feb. 6.

Volunteer Opportunities

Jewelry Committee: Every year the School of Nursing Foundation hosts a Jewelry Sale to raise money for nursing scholarships. Volunteers are needed throughout the year to sort, price and organize the vast array of donated jewelry. Most work sessions are scheduled during the day, so people with flexible work schedules, lovers of jewelry and individuals looking for unique volunteer opportunities are invited to consider joining this vibrant group. Please contact Jewelry Sale Chair **Carol Kelsey** for more information.

Nursing Alumni Society Board: Consider serving as an advocate for the School of Nursing and the nursing profession by applying for a position on the Nursing Alumni Society Board. Share your expertise and nurture strong relationships among alumni. Applications are being accepted through March 30 for three-year terms that will begin in September. Members attend meetings (in person or virtually) every other month to foster a community of alumni, students and friends. Applicants of all ages, degree programs and geographic locations are invited to apply. Fill out a **Nursing Alumni Volunteer Form** to express interest in serving on the board.

Nominate an Outstanding Nurse

Mpls.St. Paul magazine is looking for nurses who are exceptional in their profession to receive recognition as an outstanding nurse. **Nominations** for awards must be received by April 1.

Welcome our Future U of M Nurse
Ilana Moshe, DNP ’13, is pleased to introduce her second son, Jonah, born July 22, 2014. If you have a new arrival in your family, email news about your baby or grandchild along with your mailing address to receive a “Future U of M Nurse” baby onesie (available in 12 months size). Then, email a photo of your new “Future U of M Nurse” to be included in an upcoming Alumni News.

Get Connected

Have you recently moved, married, been hired for a new position, received a promotion or been honored with a special award? Please share your story. Tell us and get connected through the school’s alumni webpage.

Website Offers New Content About the School’s History

The School of Nursing website was recently updated, with help from the Alumni Society’s Heritage Committee, to include new content about the School of Nursing’s history. Check out historic photos, oral histories and historical highlights by the decade.

Monthly Giving

Support what’s important to you, on a schedule that fits your budget and busy lifestyle. Once you set up a monthly gift, it will automatically repeat each month, providing a convenient way to spread your contribution over time. You will create a larger impact through your giving by making manageable payments in an amount that's right for you. Reliable donor support leads to significant advances in School of Nursing priorities such as scholarships, academic programs, health care research, and technology enhancements. You can change or cancel your ongoing contribution anytime by calling the University of Minnesota Foundation at 612-624-3333 or 800-775-2187. You can also set up a monthly gift by printing and mailing in this gift form.

Events

Feb. 28: Minne-College sessions, including one with School of Nursing Professor Linda Bearinger, will be held in Arizona.

March 5: A Speed Mentoring event, hosted by the Nursing Alumni Society Board, will bring students and nursing alumni together to have one-on-one conversations.

March 10: Recent University graduates are invited to an Emerging Professionals Event at Surly Brewery. Enjoy special U of M pricing on beer, complimentary happy hour fare and networking with other U alumni.

March 12: The St. Croix Valley Alumni Chapter is hosting a gathering with keynote speaker Professor Cheryl Robertson discussing Ebola and other pandemic diseases. She will share stories from her recent trip to Liberia at 7 p.m. at The Gables of Boutwell's Landing, 5600 Norwich Parkway in Oak Park Heights. Call 612-624-2323 for more information.

March 12: “Patients First: Doing What's Right Every Time,” celebrating the newly updated Code of Ethics for Nurses with American Nurses Association President Pamela Cipriano, will be held at Northop. The event is free but space is limited, so register soon.

April 15: The Second International Conference on Research Methods for Standardized Terminologies will bring together experts to share new strategies that are needed for big data analysis to impact health systems and quality of care.
April 19: Cherry Meier, vice president of public affairs at VITAS Healthcare, will give the Florence Schorske Wald Lectureship on Hospice and Palliative Care. She will be presenting “How to Develop a Compliant Hospice/Nursing Home Partnership.”

April 23: Two attorneys will discuss what motivates patients to seek legal counsel after unanticipated outcomes in health care during the “Power of Apology after Medical Error” Wisdom Dialogue, hosted by the Katharine J. Densford International Center for Nursing Leadership.

April 24: Spend the day with faculty, students and community partners who will be presenting oral and poster sessions highlighting innovative research and evidence-based projects during Research Day. Keynote speaker Pamela Hinds, PhD, RN, FAAN, will present “What Makes Research Findings Useful: Listening to Patient Voices.”