February 2016

Save the date: Nursing Reunion Celebration

All alumni are invited to the 2016 school reunion Thursday, April 21 at the Town and Country Club in St. Paul.

Call for alumni award nominations

Each year at the reunion, the school honors alumni with awards for achievement and outstanding service. If you know of a deserving alum, please describe (in a few paragraphs) why that person deserves recognition and submit your nomination online or email Laurel Mallon by Feb. 24.

Rising Star Award: This award recognizes a graduate of the School of Nursing who is achieving noteworthy success. Alumni may be nominated for their career, entrepreneurial and scholastic accomplishments or for distinguished service to the School of Nursing, the profession or the community. Nominations will be accepted for alumni who graduated within the past 10 years.

Distinguished Alumni Humanitarian Award: This award recognizes a School of Nursing graduate for exceptional humanitarian service in a health care environment. Selection criteria include going beyond the excellence expected of nurses, performing extraordinary altruistic and humanitarian health care service, changing and saving lives through holistic care efforts, making a meaningful difference in the world or providing distinguished service that brings honor to the nursing profession, the School of Nursing and the University.

Check out past recipients, nominate fellow alum and get more information about the awards on the School of Nursing website.

The award recipients will be honored at the reunion celebration on April 21. This year’s theme is Back to the Future: Remember, Celebrate, Imagine. Join the 50-, 40-, 25- and 10-year honored reunion classes for a lively evening reconnecting with classmates and colleagues. Enjoy the Discovery Expo and dinner program showcasing inspired nursing and alumni achievement. There will be Golden Medallion presentations for members of the Class of 1966 and earlier. Contact Laurel Mallon at mallo001@umn.edu or 612-624-2490 for details.

Do you know a future U of M nurse?

Have you recently welcomed a new arrival in your family? The School of Nursing Alumni Society would like to help celebrate the occasion. Please send an email with news about your baby or grandchild along with your mailing address to mallo001@umn.edu to receive a “Future U of M Nurse” baby onesie (available in 12 months size). Then, please email a photo of your new “Future U of M Nurse” to include in an upcoming Nursing Alumni eNews.

Study participants needed
The School of Nursing is seeking participants for a study examining the effectiveness of remote health monitoring technology to help people with memory loss stay at home and provide a sense of security for their family caregivers. In addition, the school is seeking participants for an exercise study for people with Alzheimer’s disease.

**Upcoming events**

**Generations in the Workplace**  
**Thursday, Feb. 25, 6-7 p.m. | Mayo Auditorium, University of Minnesota**
Join the University of Minnesota Alumni Association for an exciting and interactive program to discuss why generational differences matter, the benefits to understanding and accommodating each one, and how new understanding of generational difference can contribute to productivity and effectiveness in your workplace. Open to students, alumni, mentors and faculty/staff. Free. Register here.

**Minne-College Arizona**  
**Saturday, March 5, 12:30-6 p.m. | Hilton Scottsdale Resort & Villas**
Hear about current research from University of Minnesota faculty, followed by a reception. Register here.

**Nursing Research Day**  
**April 22, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. | McNamara Alumni Center, Minneapolis**
Faculty, students and community partners will lead concurrent oral and poster presentation sessions that showcase findings from innovative research and evidence-based projects that improve health and quality of care. The keynote speaker is Kathleen R. Stevens, a professor at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and founding director of the Academic Center for Evidence-Based Practice. ANCC contact hours offered. Registration will go live in mid-March. Visit www.nursing.umn.edu for more information.

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