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2014**

Minne-Colleges 2014: University of Minnesota Days in Florida and Arizona

Learn about the latest discoveries and innovations coming from the University of Minnesota at Minne-Colleges in Florida and Arizona. Presentations will be given by University of Minnesota faculty and researchers, with a keynote address by President Eric Kaler. The day concludes with a reception hosted by President Kaler and Karen Kaler. The cost is \$50 per person.

The Minne-College in **Naples, Fla.**, will be held Jan. 18. [Register here](#). In addition, you are invited to enjoy a complimentary brunch with School of Nursing Dean Connie Delaney and host June Lapidus, '78, '82, at The Café, 821 5th Ave. S., Naples, FL. RSVP to [612-624-2490](tel:612-624-2490) or westr073@umn.edu for the brunch.

The Minne-College in **Scottsdale, Ariz.**, will be held Feb. 22. School of Nursing's Ulf Bronas will present a session on "Exercise for a Better You." [Register here](#).

Alumni Honors and Awards

School of Nursing alum **Clara Adams-Ender** received one of nursing's highest honors when she was recognized as a Living Legend by the American Academy of Nursing at the opening night of the academy's conference in Washington, D.C. on Oct. 17.

Hyeoun-Ae Park was elected as president of the International Medical Informatics Association (IMIA) during Medinfo2013, which was held in Copenhagen, Denmark. She will serve as president of IMIA from 2015 to 2017. She will be the first nurse, the third woman and the third Asian person to be president of IMIA. Park received her master's degree in nursing in 1983.

Faculty Honors and Awards

Associate Professor **Renee Sieving** was inducted into the American Academy of Nursing (AAN) at its conference in October. AAN's 2,089 fellows are recognized as nursing's most accomplished leaders in education, management, practice and research. Sieving joins 18 School of Nursing faculty members who are AAN fellows.

Assistant Professor **Niloufar Niakosari Hadidi** was elected president of Minnesota Affiliate of National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS). The Minnesota Affiliate of NACNS has the distinction of becoming the first state

affiliate of the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists in 1999.

Clinical Assistant Professor **Kathryn White** was elected president-elect of the Minnesota Association of Nurse Anesthetists.

Congratulations Graduates!

The 2013 fall commencement ceremony was held Dec. 17 at Ted Mann Concert Hall. The commencement address was given by Clinical Professor Joanne Disch. Student speakers were Rebecca Brown, who received a Master of Nursing degree, and David Boyd, who received a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree. Visit the [School of Nursing's Flickr page](#) for photos of the ceremony.

Retirement Celebrations

Former Dean and Professor Sandy Edwardson's retirement reception was held Sept. 19 at The Commons Hotel. Clinical Professor Joanne Disch's retirement celebration was held Dec. 10 at the Weisman Art Museum. To see photos from the events, check out the [School of Nursing's Flickr page](#).

Announcing the Susan J. Forstrom Nursing Fellowship

Susan Forstrom (BSN '65, MS '79) has established a named fellowship to provide financial support for nursing students who are working toward a PhD. Preference will be given to students whose research focuses on improving the health of minority or underserved populations and/or who seek to improve the quality of health care through new ways of conducting interprofessional collaborations.

Thinking of Grad School?

The deadline for applying to the [Doctor of Nursing Practice](#) program for fall 2014 is March 3. You may qualify for one of the \$20,000 scholarships made possible by the Bentson Foundation. Or you can contact [Student Services](#) to learn more about the [PhD in Nursing](#) program.

Faculty Employment Opportunities

There are tenure and tenure-track positions open at the School of Nursing. To learn more about the opportunities, visit our [Employment Opportunities](#) page or contact Associate Professor Linda Halcon at halco001@umn.edu or Professor Melissa Avery at avery003@umn.edu.

Congratulations to our Future U of M Nurses

The School of Nursing Alumni Society is pleased to welcome the following Future U of M Nurses:

Hilde Alaniz

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Hilde Alaniz, granddaughter of Karin Alaniz (MS' 77, PhD '91)	Lucy Leischner, daughter of Rebecca Menzel Leischner (BSN '04)	Nathaniel Naasz, son of Nicole Dyane Naasz (BSN '10)	Jonathan Kelly, son of Michaela Murphy Kelly (BSN '11)
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If you have a new arrival in your family, email 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, email a photo of your new "Future U of M Nurse" to be included in upcoming Alumni News.

Save the Date for Reunion Weekend Festivities - April 24-26

Thursday, April 24: Celebrate the Powerful Presence of Nursing and 100 Years of Engaging Alumni at the **Nursing Alumni Spring Celebration and Class Reunions**. Honored reunion classes include the BSN classes of 1964, 1974, 1989 and 2004. All are welcome and reunion class gatherings are being planned. The Discovery Expo, registration and dinner program will take place 4:30-8:15 p.m. at the Town and Country Club in St. Paul. Cost is \$50. Contact Laurel Mallon at [612-624-2490](tel:612-624-2490) or mallo001@umn.edu for more information or assistance with class reunion activities.

Friday, April 25: Join alumni, faculty, students and community partners for a day of concurrent oral and poster presentations showcasing innovative research and evidence-based projects that address health issues and improve quality of care at **Nursing Research Day**. Keynote speaker Robin Newhouse, chair of the Organizational Systems and Adult Health unit at the University of Maryland School of Nursing, will present "Patient Center Outcomes Research (PCOR): Changing the Lens of Our Questions, Methods and Outcomes." Research Day will take place 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at McNamara Alumni Center on the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus, 200 Oak St. SE, Minneapolis, MN.

Saturday, April 26: Enjoy a live broadcast of Garrison Keillor's "Prairie Home Companion" at the grand re-opening of Northrop Auditorium at the **University of Minnesota Alumni Association Annual Celebration**, 4-8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$90 for the evening, which also includes a light dinner on Northrop Mall. A block of tickets for the school has been reserved. Please contact Elise Whaley at [612-625-7821](tel:612-625-7821) and mention the School of Nursing to secure your seats for what promises to be a sold out performance and glorious U of M

experience.

For those needing hotel accommodations, a block of rooms has been reserved at The Commons Hotel, 615 Washington Ave. SE, Minneapolis. Please contact The Commons Hotel at [612-379-8888](tel:612-379-8888) or [1-800-822-6757](tel:1-800-822-6757) to reserve a room. The rate will be \$134 plus tax and parking.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, Feb. 23: A U of M New Mexico Alumni Gathering will be held 2-4 p.m. at Rust Medical Center, 2400 Unser Blvd. SE, Rio Rancho, N.M. School of Nursing's Ulf Bronas will present "Exercise for a Better U." Please RSVP to Phyllis Frederiksen at phylliskf@comcast.net or [505-828-1908](tel:505-828-1908). Later that day, from 5-7 p.m., you are invited to join School of Nursing Dean Connie Delaney, alumni and friends for dinner at Turtle Mountain Brewing Company, a brewhouse featuring calzones and pizza. Please RSVP for the dinner to Barb Mullikin at westr073@umn.edu or [612-624-0103](tel:612-624-0103).

Thursday, Feb. 27: In this Wisdom Dialogue, **Barbara Nichols** will share how global leadership trends and issues impact nursing, and she will discuss structural and diversity leadership issues from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Weisman Art Museum. Cost is \$35 for the general public, free to students. For more information or to register, visit our [Wisdom Dialogue page](#).

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