



ALUMNI & FRIENDS NEWS

September 2015

Homecoming 2015

The 101-year tradition of Homecoming brings together alumni, friends and family for a full week of fun activities and celebrations Sept. 19-26. Alumni events will kick-off with an Alumni Day of Service and include the annual Homecoming Parade, Ski-U-Mania - the ultimate pregame celebration - and Golden Gopher Football.

- [U of M Alumni Day of Service](#): Join fellow Gophers from coast to coast in a nationwide Day of Service on Sept. 19 to make a difference in your community. Nursing alumni and students in the Twin Cities area are encouraged to join the team stocking the Hennepin County Medical Center food shelf from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. [Register online](#). Contact [Laurel Mallon](#) for more information.
- [Party on the Plaza](#): Celebrate the start of Homecoming and join in the ultimate Golden Gopher Pep Fest on Sept. 21. The event will feature a performance, U of M Marching Band and Spirit Squad, prizes and games at Coffman Memorial Union, Front Plaza.
- [Homecoming Parade](#): The annual tradition down University Avenue on Friday night will feature 2015 [Grand Marshal Archie Givens](#), MHA '68, BA '66. Note the new time: 6:30 p.m.
- [Ski-U-Mania](#): Join the ultimate alumni pregame celebration at the McNamara Alumni Center, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sept. 26.
- [Homecoming Football Game](#): Gophers take on the Ohio University Bobcats at TCF Bank Stadium at 2:30 pm. Sept. 26. Visit www.mygophersports.com for game tickets.

Alumni Society Update

School of Nursing Alumni Society President Deb Cathcart, DNP'14, MS '83, RN, welcomes seven new members to the board: **Eunice Areba**, PhD '14, RN, **Marilyn Bach**, MSN '95, BSN '74, **Jacob Aaron Blecher**, MN '14, RN, **Jean A Carraher**, MSN '03, BSN '95, BS '91, **Maureen J Fuchs**, BSN '92, RN, **Meagan Thompson**, MN student, and **Julie Vanderboom**, MSN '88. With a goal of supporting student success, enriching the lives of alumni and advancing the University, the board is looking forward to a productive year. We're here to serve all alumni and invite you to stay connected by joining (or renewing) your membership in the [Alumni Association](#) today.

Congratulations!

Marie E. Manthey, MNsg '64, BNsg Admin '62, PhD(hon), FRCN, FAAN, was selected as one of five Living Legends by the American Academy of Nursing. She will be honored in October for positively influencing generations of nursing leaders throughout the world by creating primary nursing and championing its

evolution and development into relationship-based care. The foundation of Marie's model of nursing is a commitment to the fundamental nature of the healing effects of a nurse's impact and influence on the patient care experience. Congrats!

Jewelry Sale's Final Hurrah

Over the past 22 years, more than \$205,000 has been raised to support nursing scholarships and programs through the Jewelry Sales. Now, the difficult decision has been made by the School of Nursing Foundation to conclude this effort with a final two-day sale on Dec. 9 and 10. Plans call for establishing a new Florence Ruhland Endowed Fellowship in honor of the event's founding volunteer chair. Carol Kelsey, current Jewelry Committee chair, invites you send in your final jewelry donations by Oct. 31 to help ensure and celebrate the sale's success. Please plan on supporting this final effort by attending the sale, too. Our grateful student scholarship recipients will thank you!

New Scholarship Endowed

Karin Alaniz, PhD '91, MSN '77, established a scholarship to support Bachelor of Science in Nursing students. In celebrating 38 years of service to the University and the School of Nursing, her dedication to undergraduate nursing students - particularly in the freshman guarantee program - inspired her contribution.

Creating Double Impact

Challenged by the School of Nursing Foundation, 147 donors stepped forward to take advantage of a matching gift provided by the foundation's trustees. Through the annual giving program, donors contributed \$15,147 to support a wide variety of nursing programs including health care research, strategic initiatives and student scholarships.

Volunteer Opportunity

Alumni volunteers are needed on the Minneapolis and Rochester campuses to review resumes and cover letters for senior Bachelor of Science in Nursing students taking the "Transition to Practice" course. If you are available assist on with this process on Tuesday, Nov. 17 from 8 - 10 a.m., please contact Christine Mueller at [612-626-4922](tel:612-626-4922) or cmueller@umn.edu.

Nursing Trivia

School of Nursing alumnus Ellen Church, BS '33, Dip '26, had the idea of preparing nurses to be the first members of this new profession. In 1930 she hired the first eight nurses to serve in what capacity? Send your answer to [Laurel Mallon](#) for a chance to win a University of Minnesota business card holder and luggage tag.

Keep Us Up-to-Date

Do you have employment news, a class note, a change of address or a nursing

memory to share? Please share your news via our [website](#) or contact Laurel Mallon, director of alumni and donor relations, at mallo001@umn.edu or [612-624-2490](tel:612-624-2490).

Events

Sept. 11: Tom Arneson, research manager for the Office of Medical Cannabis, Minnesota Department of Health, will speak about [“Medical Cannabis: Implications for Providers.”](#) 3:45-4:45 p.m. in the Bentson Center.

Sept: 15: [“DNP Information Session: Become a Psychiatric/Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.”](#) a webinar hosted by Merrie Kaas, will be held at 4 p.m.

Sept 16: [“Advance your Nursing Career: Explore Doctoral Education.”](#) a doctoral information open house, will allow attendees to explore and consider doctoral study in both PhD and DNP programs.

Sept. 21: The [Care Across the Continuum](#) conference will offer the opportunity to hear findings, discuss new care guidelines and consider how scenarios can best be handled by the multi-disciplinary critical and trauma care team to improve patient care. 7.5 ANCC contact hours offered.

Sept. 23: Christopher Johns, a professor at University of Bedfordshire, will present [“Reflective Practice and Professional Artistry: Dialogue and Insights Through the Use of Narrative”](#) during this Creative Dialogue Series.

Sept. 24-26: American Assembly for Men in Nursing’s [annual conference](#) will be held in Minneapolis. The School of Nursing is the host institution.

Sept. 30: The School of Nursing is offering faculty, staff and alumni a free workshop about why and how to create and maintain an effective personal LinkedIn page. The session will be offered by Anne Pryor of Meaningful Connections from 11 a.m.-noon. [RSVP](#) to reserve your spot.

Oct. 8: Join Dean Connie White Delaney for a viewing of “The American Nurse” documentary and facilitated discussion on the University of Minnesota Rochester’s campus from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 13: The Center for Nursing Informatics is hosting an [open house](#) to share career and student practicum opportunities for nurse informaticians.

Oct. 19: Pediatric Trauma Nursing Conference [“Tackling Trauma: Basics and Beyond”](#) will be held at the Minneapolis Airport Marriott. 6.5 ANCC contact hours offered.

Oct. 19: An [information session](#) for people interested in learning more about the DNP or PhD in Nursing programs will be held 5-6:30 p.m. at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing.

Nov. 11-13: [Internal Medicine Review and Update](#), designed to inform health care professionals of advances for common diseases and conditions, and recommendations for their optimal management, will be held in Minneapolis. Up to 20.75 ANCC contact hours offered.

Nov. 13: [Integrative Approach to Psychiatric Mental Health Care](#) will bring

together experts, mental health providers, faculty and students to share information about integrative mental health practices in Bloomington. Up to 6 ANCC contact hours offered.

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Nov. 21: [Climate Change and Public Health: An Interprofessional Review](#), co-sponsored by the University of Minnesota School of Nursing, will inform attendees about the health implications of climate change. Continuing education credits offered.

Ongoing: The Katharine J. Densford International Center for Nursing Leadership is hosting [a virtual learning opportunity, The Innovation Cube](#).

Save the Dates

Feb. 6, 2016: Minne-College Florida in Naples

March 5, 2016: Minne-College Arizona in Scottsdale

April 21, 2016: Nursing Spring Celebration & Reunion

April 22, 2016: Nursing Research Day

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