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Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing Alumni Association

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## Save the Date

### ▪ Evening at the Vineyard

Friday, June 17

Mark your calendars now!! June 17, 2016 is the "Alumni Evening at the Vineyard," sponsored by the College of Nursing. The event is for alumni and guests. Join us for an evening of good food, good wine, and great friends. Talk to your classmates now and plan a get together for June. Watch for your invitations to arrive in May. Hope to see you there!

### ▪ Alumni Award Nominations

Saturday, September 17

**New deadline for submitting nominations is June 1, 2016.**

Please honor the alumna you know that has gone above and beyond in the nursing profession and nominate them for an Alumni Award. Awards will be announced September 17 at Homecoming 2016. Nomination form and guidelines are enclosed.

*See back cover for full Calendar of Events.*

## Class of 1965

*Celebrated their 50th Reunion*



Patricia Gleason Blair



Mary Helen Dean DuDash



Mary Ellen Giles German



Judith Gallehue Gummersheimer



Patricia Onyun Henkins



Patricia Yoches Hinds



Rita Jean Barborinas McMorrow



Jan Hammerand Nau



Mary Dunn Negro



Mary Eileen Black Peterson



Mary Mundy Phelps



Sally Schierer Raisler



Kathy Johnson Rosenbohm



Victoria Jones Selburg



Connie Johnson Setterlund



Cheryl Sabino Shewmake



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# Letter from the College President

Patricia A. Stockert, RN, PhD

Dear Alumni and Friends,

As I write for this issue of Notes from Greenleaf, we are winding down 2015 and the celebration of 110 years of excellence in nursing education at the School and College of Nursing. Fall is here and winter is soon to come as evidenced by the cooler temperatures, shorter days, and the falling leaves that are resulting in a lot of yard work. I hope that this issue finds you well and adjusting to the change in seasons. This issue highlights the 2015 Homecoming events which celebrated our 110 years. I was happy to see so many alumni come back to the College for the Alumni Members Brunch and the Dinner Celebration. We had increased attendance at both events this year. A number of classes were celebrating milestone anniversaries including one of the members of the class of 1940 celebrating her 75th anniversary! I enjoyed meeting and talking with alumni from the different classes. I encourage you to consider nominating someone you know for an award next year!

The 2015-2016 academic year is off to a busy but great start. Here are some of the highlights:

- We experienced another great enrollment of 674 students for fall 2015 in all programs. There were 408 students in the BSN program (including 52 RN to BSN students), 233 students in the MSN, 10 in the post-graduate certificate option, and 23 students in the DNP programs.
- We received over 200 applications for the BSN program for fall 2016.
- The Curriculum Committee implemented the final year of the revised BSN curriculum. The College moved towards a concept-based curriculum to better prepare our graduates to face the challenges in the changing healthcare system. The final courses of the revised curriculum will be implemented in January 2016 with spring semester.
- Thanks to all our alumni and friends, we awarded approximately \$196,000 in scholarships to 133 students for the 2015-2016 year. It is through your generosity that this is possible and I send a heartfelt thank you to you.

As economic times continue to be challenging, we remain focused on increasing endowments and scholarships for our students. The continued decrease in federal and state funding for student financial aid presents challenges to the students. The annual appeal letter will focus on monies for scholarships and replacement of simulation manikins. A donation of \$1,000 or more will provide a named scholarship for a student. I hope that you will consider making a gift this year when your Annual Appeal letter arrives.

You are a very important part of the College family and it is our goal to stay connected with you.

*Patricia A. Stockert, RN, PhD*



Mary Donnelly, '79,  
*President of Alumni Association*

# Alumni Update

Greetings everyone!

Once again, as the Fall and Winter months envelop us we take time to reflect on where we have been and plans for the future. The Alumni Association grows stronger every year and with that growth, opportunities to connect and share in the excitement of our ever evolving alma mater!

Our College Homecoming in September was another success! Our brunch has grown to the point where we moved it to the 700 Auditorium in the medical center. The food was good and enjoyed while Dr. Stockert provided an update on the growth of the college and future plans. A theme of this year's event was a celebration of our 110th year! Those who attended received a special pin commemorating this from Dr. Stockert. We had another pleasant surprise when one of our attendees, Kathy Doubet made a photo frame for everyone in attendance! Distance is not a deterrent if you are interested.

We also had our growing number of Alumni items on sale for those who wanted to purchase them before the dinner in the evening. Our list grows with the car decals, CON pendant and now our new ornament displaying the bridge. We are happy to mail you any items you wish to purchase!

Our evening activities were held at the new Jump Trading Simulation and Education Center. A special thank you to Toufic Khairallah (TK) for providing tours for those interested. It was a beautiful evening with music provided once again by the Hot Cats out of Chicago, a silent auction and always the good food and camaraderie! The classes of 1960, 1965, and 1975 celebrated special anniversaries. Once again, I encourage you not to wait for a special number to celebrate but to encourage your classmates to come and join us every year!

Our October meeting was held at Avanti's North. We had a presentation by Dr. Suzan Shane Gray on the Alaska trip students took during a Cultural Immersion course this Summer. It was interesting and very informative to learn of the healthcare needs of the Alaskan Native Americans.

Our other Fall activities included the Halloween and Christmas candy we put out for students. A little candy helps the study time! Several continue to volunteer at the College Thanksgiving Dinner held at the Spalding Pastoral Center. It is always a pleasure to meet students and their families and they in turn love our stories!

Our first meeting of the New Year will be Thursday, January 21, at 5:30 pm at Sky Harbor Steak House in Peoria. Start the New Year off by joining us!

As we roll past the holiday season and reflect upon the many blessings we have been given, let us remember our alma mater and how our education has benefited not only our own lives, but those we have touched throughout the years!

May God bless and keep you in His care throughout the winter months.

# Proud of our Own

## Cassy Horack

NAMED VP AT

OSF SAINT FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER



Posted July 1, 2015 at 6:00 a.m.,  
Chillicothe Times Bulletin

OSF Saint Francis Medical Center has named Cassy Horack Vice President of quality and safety. She replaces Mike Cruz, MD, who served in the role before being named President of the medical center earlier this year. Horack will oversee the Quality, Safety and Clinical Analytics departments, Infection Control and Risk Management. According to a press release from OSF, she is accountable for all infection prevention activities, public reporting, meeting regulatory requirements and Joint Commission accreditation readiness for OSF Saint Francis. Horack began her career as a pediatric nurse in 1990 and most recently served as the director of quality and safety/patient safety officer for OSF Saint Francis. Horack earned her bachelor's degree from Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing and completed her Master of Science degree in patient safety leadership from the University of Illinois-Chicago.



## Please Help Us Find These Alumni

The College has lost touch with the following alumni. If you have contact information for any of them, please share with Helene Batzek, Alumni Representative, at 309-624-9933, or [helene.batzek@osfhealthcare.org](mailto:helene.batzek@osfhealthcare.org).

### Class of 1971

Linda Calli  
Judith Herron  
Criste Kicks  
Karolyn Lambert  
Barbara Lauterbach  
Linda Leader  
Sandra Lindberg  
Cathleen Pearson  
Susan Pfau  
Martha Schmidt  
Patricia Snider  
Donald Wayhrich  
Joann Zerwekh

### Class of 1972

Nancy Clark  
Phyllis Crotzer  
Kathleen Greske  
Theresa Huffman  
Connie Malcolm  
Susan Pieranton  
Rosetta Spence  
Sosamma Thomas  
Pamela Tolson

### Class of 1973

Rita Adams  
Barbara Avraham  
Pamela Bowen  
Sally Clark  
Pamela Collier  
Martha Grimes  
Jo Ellen Hansen  
Marilyn Homerding  
Karen Jording  
Marian Lazarus  
Laurel McReil  
Linda Ritz  
Beverly Sanderson  
Donna Stover  
Penelope White  
Lynn Winkler  
Faye Yetton

### Class of 1974

Kathleen Chapman  
Sandra Copp  
Joda Dixon  
Mary Dubin  
Mary Foster  
Judy Holding  
Thomas Hood  
Kathleen Ireland  
Sandra McWherter  
Marcia Potter  
Diane Rosenbert  
Margaret Sergesketter  
Deborah Siltman  
Lori Stark  
Marianne Verhein  
Debra Vielhak  
Janice Wilburn  
Madonna Wilhelm  
Sally Wilkes  
Kaye Williams

### Class of 1976

Teresa Barber  
Donita Berry  
Karen Devault  
Louise Dieter  
Linda Frieders  
Jana Hart  
Terry Ann Jones  
Elizabeth Klieber  
Cheryl Lopeman  
Debra Peppel  
Deborah Reiser-O'Brien  
Mary Alice Rodgers  
Denise Rosenberg  
Nancy Smet  
Cynthia Traver  
Elizabeth Troxel  
Beth White

# New Members

The College is pleased to recognize the latest Alumni Association Members:

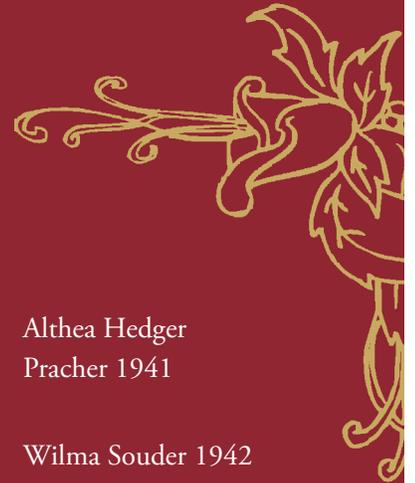
Emily Sheetz Anderson	2015
Julie Baker	2014
Katie Kniery Bertsche	2013
Jacqueline Cooley Miller	1971
Hillary Holmes	2014
Carol Stingl Jagelski	1963
Kaitlin Mathey	2015
Lauren Passini	2015
Danielle Pray	2015
April Summers	2015
Peg Thomas Mowbray	1957
Margaret Tomlins	2015
Amy Vandell	2015
Alissa Druse Watkins	2007/2013

## LIFETIME MEMBERS

Julie Alms Dubois	1979
Dawn Ewing	2013
Melissa Mooney Joos	2002
Mary Rose Morrissey Kelly	1940
Theresa McGowan Miller	1989
Jenny Schmitt	1994/2015
Ida Caletti White	1948

## In Memoriam

Eternal rest grant unto them,  
O Lord, and let perpetual  
light shine upon them. May  
they rest in peace. May their  
soul and the souls of all the  
faithful departed, through the  
mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.



Althea Hedger  
Pracher 1941

Wilma Souder 1942

Margaret Jamison Ary 1946

Loretta Schmidt Sparks 1946

Helen McNamara Kirwan  
1948

Nellie Hicks Porch 1952

Louise Gunther Gorman 1953

Frances Carr Kelly 1953

Marcia McCaughey 1966

# Saturday, September 19

# HOMECOMING 2015

Celebrating 110 years of Excellence in Nursing Education

## Homecoming Brunch

The All Alumni Homecoming Brunch was held in OSF Saint Francis Medical Center's 7th Floor Auditorium this year due to capacity limits in the College. A delicious brunch was provided by OSF SFMC Catering. An informative and well received talk was given by Patricia Stockert, President of the College. Tours of the College were also provided. Mary Rose Morrissey Kelly, an annual attendant of the Homecoming Brunch, was celebrating her 75th anniversary. President of the Alumni Association, Mary Donnelly, presented a lifetime membership to Mary Rose Kelly for her 75th anniversary and her continued support of the Association since its conception in 2006.

## Special Thank You

- Jump Trading Simulation and Education Center (JTSEC)
- Barbara Lloyd - Photography
- The Hot Cat's Jazz Ensemble - Music
- Toufic Khairallah (TK) '06 - Tours of the JTSEC facility
- Jan Boundy '61 – Presentation of the Alumni Awards
- Planning Committees:
  - Class of 1960 Class Reunion – Yvonne Etheridge and Janice Junker
  - Class of 1965 Class Reunion – Janet Shipley, Mary German, Mary Phelps, Kathy Rosenbohm and Mary Ann Vieweg
  - Class of 1975 Class Reunion – Barbara Adams
- Alumni Association and College of Nursing Planning and Materials

## Gifts for Silent Auction

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|------------------------|---|
| Cookie Shack           | Marriott Pere Marquette                   |
| Weaver Ridge Golf Club | Sydney Frank Importing Company            |
| Prospect Florist       | Patricia Stockert                         |
| Par-A-Dice             | College of Nursing Alumni and Association |
| Boyd's Steakhouse      | Mary Donnelly                             |
| Red Barn in Morton     | Ida White                                 |
| Avanti's Ristorante    |   |

## Donations

- |                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Burklund Distributors, INC | Holly Heffron    |
| PHD Services, LLC          | Judith Arterburn |
| Dr. Margaret Louis         | Diane Gould      |
| Yvonne Tornow Etheridge    |                  |

### Class of 1965



### Class of 1970



### Class of 1975





# HOMECOMING 2015

# Alumni Awards



## RUBY CEALEY AWARD

presented to **Emilie DePasquale Deady '64**

The Ruby Cealey Distinguished Alumni Award recognizes and honors a nurse alumnus who has represented his or her alma mater well by displaying caring, professionalism, leadership, community service, and contributions to the profession in many ways. The 2015 award recipient is Emilie DePasquale Deady, a graduate of the Class of 1964 diploma program at Saint Francis Hospital School of Nursing. Ms. DePasquale Deady's nomination follows:

Emilie is recognized as a consultant, leader, innovator, planner, communicator, health care executive, author of publications, and mentor.

Emilie DePasquale Deady earned a baccalaureate degree in nursing from the University of Maryland in 1972, then earned two masters degrees: one in Community Health Nursing from Catholic University of America in 1974 and another in General Administration from the University of Maryland in 1987.

From 1978 to 1997 she served as President and CEO of the Visiting Nurse Association of Northern Virginia at Arlington. This multisite system conducted 180,000 visits per year and included a certified hospice and a management company. She increased the revenue from \$500,000 to \$20 million and increased the staff from 29 to 500. In 1997, she went on to become Executive Director of Inova Home Health in Springfield, Virginia. For a short time, she was an interim president for a Community Health Accreditation Program in New York.

Emilie also served as a nurse consultant for the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Health Resources Service Administration where she planned and facilitated a national task force on the diversity of nursing education and practice. This included a report



Emilie DePasquale Deady '64

that went to HHS and to Congress.

From 1999 to 2007, she was the principal advisor to the Director of Medical Services for the Peace Corps in Washington, D.C. This involved the support and management of the day-to-day operations for over 7,000 volunteers in 72 countries. This involved her interfacing with programs and services worldwide.

Since 2008, she is serving as a consultant for Home Health and Hospice. Throughout her career she has provided presentations at local, state, and national levels. She has received many awards including the VNAA Mentor of the Year Award and Excellence in Nursing Practice Award from Epsilon Zeta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society.

Emilie was also awarded the 2015 Hall of Fame award.

## EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP

presented to **Jacquie Kauffman '14**

The "Outstanding Alumni – Excellence in Leadership Award" is given to recognize and honor a nurse alumnus who has exhibited excellence in nursing leadership. The recipient of the 2015 award was Jacquie Kauffman, a 2014 Master of Science in Nursing graduate of the College of Nursing. Ms. Kauffman's nomination follows:

Jacquie Kauffman graduated, with Distinction, with her master's degree in nursing in the area of Nurse Management and Leadership from the College of Nursing. Since 2012, Jacquie has served as the Assistant Patient Care Manager for Occupational and Employee Health at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center (OSF SFMC). Prior to that, Jacquie served as the educator for the rehabilitation unit at OSF SFMC. While in this role she assisted the manager in achieving and maintaining a Tier 1 department for the past two years. While at OSF SFMC, she has served on many committees such as the Professional Nursing Congress, chair for EOC Safety Committee, chair for Needle Stick Committee, and was also a member of the Infection Control Committee. Her dedication to her community is demonstrated through her Capstone project which was a Smoking Cessation Program. This program has been implemented at OSF and in the outpatient setting.

As a leader, Jacquie is transparent and shows great respect for those she works with. She is able to see employees as people and has an amazing ability to make everyone feel welcomed, valued as part of the team, and valued as a person. She is able to see the real person, build them up and help the individual so they can see their skills and talents. She has a special talent that allows her to develop a personal relationship with coworkers to understand their personal and professional needs. She would often seek out educational and informational events, manage to organize them in a way that staff were able to attend. She organized activities to build cohesiveness, morale and team building. As a leader she has demonstrated her skills and talents through her education, career, and dedication to the community she serves.

## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

presented to **Kelly Jo Cone '92**

The “Outstanding Alumni – Excellence in Education” Award recognizes and honors an alumnus who has exhibited excellence in nursing education and professional development and demonstrates characteristics that reflect the highest professional nursing standards. In addition this person functions as a mentor and a role model to other professional nurses. The 2015 recipient of the Outstanding Alumni in Excellence in Education is Kelly Jo Cone, member of the College of Nursing class of 1992. Dr. Cone’s nomination follows:



Kelly Jo Cone '92

Kelly Jo Cone completed her Associate Degree in Nursing in 1983 at Illinois Central College and graduated from Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing in 1992. She went on to earn the Master’s degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago Peoria Illinois Regional program, and then in 2001 she earned the Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing Research from Saint Louis University. Kelly began her nursing career as a staff nurse

in intensive care at Pekin Hospital and then in the early nineties began her career in teaching. During those years she taught at the College of Nursing and provided classes in the emergency department at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center. She has taught at University of Illinois at Peoria, Mennonite College of Nursing, Bloomington, and has been faculty at Methodist College. However, for 17 years she has been faculty and achieved the rank of Professor and graduate program faculty at the College of Nursing. This educator has been committed to the growth of the graduate program. Kelly serves as the Coordinator of the Adult Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist MSN program option and Coordinator of the DNP program.

During her tenure at the College, she initiated the College Honor Society which later became Tau Omicron, a chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International. She was chapter president for six years. She is a Certified Nurse Educator by the National League of Nursing. She has conducted multiple research studies and presented these research studies locally, nationally and internationally namely Ireland and Canada.

This alumnus is credited for her high expectations for quality, her knowledge and commitment to evidence-based nursing and education, her educational ability, expertise and love for nursing, and education of nurses. Faculty and students alike recognize her as a role model, mentor and praise her for her knowledge and her leadership and passion for education. She is known as a positive role model for nursing students and practicing professionals.

## EXCELLENCE IN PRACTICE

presented to **Shannon Foiles '96, '04**

The “Outstanding Alumni – Excellence in Practice” Award recognizes and honors a nurse alumnus who has exhibited excellence in nursing practice, is an alumnus viewed as an excellent nurse by peers and the public by demonstrating the skills, attitudes, knowledge, qualities, and values of a professional nurse. The recipient of the 2015 award is Shannon Foiles, a 1996 BSN and 2004 MSN alumnus from the College of Nursing. Ms. Foiles’ nomination follows:

Shannon Foiles began her nursing career at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center (OSF SFMC) in 1996. She has cared for primarily critically ill patients throughout her nursing career working mainly on cardiac units and with the Cardiology Institute. She is known for her quality of care, knowledge and expertise. She is currently working as an Advanced Practice Nurse at OSF SFMC. In the role of APN, she serves as a preceptor, mentor and role model.

Patients report that this nurse is attentive to their needs, teaches in a way that they can understand and she consistently demonstrates caring and patience. She has been a leader of the Advanced Practice Nursing Committee at OSF SFMC. She is often a speaker at professional conferences.

Shannon regularly serves as a preceptor for the MSN students at the College of Nursing. She demonstrates a unique ability to share her knowledge and teach as she allows the novice nurse and students to have hands-on experience. She is supportive of quality nursing standards and learning and facilitates growth of the learners. She willingly provides clinical guidance to healthcare providers, nurses and residents as the need arises.

She is recognized as a true professional. For example, she is a proponent of improvement of patient care. She readily expresses her concerns in a respectful manner and proposes strategies for improvement. She is known for her problem solving and innovative solutions for clinical and patient problems that are evidence-based and formatted to fit the needs of the nursing unit and the patients. She works closely with the nurse educator to identify gaps in practice and opportunities for strengthening and facilitating change. She remains current of research and evidence based nursing practice.



Shannon Foiles '96/'04

## OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARDS

Please consider nominating one of your classmates or peers for an Outstanding Alumni Award. Help the School/College recognize the outstanding professional nurses that graduated from the School or College of Nursing. To nominate someone, please submit a written statement that summarizes the professional practice and accomplishments of the alumnus according to the award criteria (see insert in the Newsletter). We recommend that you talk to the person you are nominating to gather information to include in your nomination.

The new deadline for nominations is June 1, 2016. The Outstanding Alumni Awards are presented at the Homecoming dinner in the fall. The date for next year's event is September 17, 2016.



## College Merchandise

\$10



Pewter Pendant

\$15



Pewter Ornament

\$5



Window Decal

To order, please contact Helene Batzek  
309-624-9933 -or- [helene.c.batzek@osfhealthcare.org](mailto:helene.c.batzek@osfhealthcare.org)

## Keep Sending Us Your Thoughts and Ideas

The College continues to read your communications and it is our goal to serve you as best we can. If you have any input to what you would like to see the College and Alumni Association do, please contact Helene:

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309-624-9933

## We'd like to hear from you!

Is there any professional or personal news you'd like to share with your colleagues? New job? Promotion? Advanced certification? Honors/awards? Professional activities? Marriage? New baby? Move? What would you like to see included in *Notes from Greenleaf*? Send us the details.

Last Name		First	Surname
Home Address			Telephone
City	State	Zip Code	
Occupation	E-mail	Yr. Graduated	
SFMCCON/SFHSON Degree(s)		Year(s) Received	
Other Degree(s)	Year(s) Received	Institution	Major

For further information contact Helene Batzek, Alumni Relations Representative.  
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Please help keep our alumni files current by sending us your e-mail address and phone number.

### Interested in Joining the Alumni Association?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please respond to Paulette Archer '70 at (309) 655-4132, [paulette.m.archer@osfhealthcare.org](mailto:paulette.m.archer@osfhealthcare.org), or mail your \$10 membership fee (\$250 for Lifetime Membership) to 511 NE Greenleaf St., Peoria, Illinois 61603. Make checks payable to SFMCCON Alumni Association



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## 2016 Calendar of Events

January 21	5:30 p.m.	Alumni Association Dinner Meeting	Sky Harbor Steak House Peoria
March 24	5:30 p.m.	Alumni Association Dinner Meeting	Lariat Steakhouse Peoria
May 14	9:00 a.m.	Commencement	Peoria Civic Center
May 19	5:30 p.m.	Alumni Association Dinner Meeting	Rhythm Kitchen Peoria
June 17	5:30 p.m.	Alumni Association Dinner Meeting	Kickapoo Creek Winery Kickapoo