

Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association

General Meeting

Date: **August 12, 2017**

Officers Present:

Gayle Rood (President); Madge Casper (Vice President); Libby Ketchem (Treasurer); Ellen Wathen (Secretary); Brenda Foucault (Past President)

Others Present:

Janelle Armes, Shirley Baughn, Susan Boze, Brenda Brazelton, Noma Brizius, Karen Bryant, Mary Ann Cates, Phyllis Claridge, Joyce Elpers, Karen Gines, Ellen Girvin, Janet Goode, Bonnie Groben, Doris Hayhurst, Beverly Hill, Mary Hoagland, Karen Jochim, Jane Jones, Martha Maddox, Ruth Nix, Vickie Raleigh, Leanna Reece, Joan Ritter, Rita Sellers, Rebecca Shelton, Karen Sights, Robin Smith, Robina Spencer, Marie Wilhite, Cyndi Williams, Dana Winfield, Darlene Wolf, Mary Trimble, Marian Camp, Janice Kennard, Theresa Hocking, Catherine Wische, Nancy Brack, Sue Schauss, Gail Mayer, Betty Welch, Debbie Hamilton, Connie Gelarden, Pat Schoonover, Joyce Gain Myers, Janet Flake, Rita Byers, Bonnie Hostettler, Gayle Johnson

1. Call to Order and Welcome – Gayle welcomed all alumni and guests to the annual meeting. Alumni were greeted by a mannequin dressed in a 1902 school of nursing uniform created by Gayle Rood.
2. Speaker – Linda White provided the address to the alumni – update on DHS: celebrating 125 years; Main campus changed name to Midtown campus to distinguish from the downtown area where Deaconess Clinic is located; EPIC most wired winner; DHS is EPIC vendor for Good Samaritan Hospital and others; Linda E White Hospice House opening with nurses stations x 2 funded by DHSON Alumni Association and virtual tour; remodeling of Midtown in main lobby, cafe on 1st floor and reopen in March 2018, gift shop, OR suite to be completed in Oct 2017; Gateway Hospital has ortho neuro hospital, Deaconess Clinic building, employee/MD parking garage; DHS Chancellor Center is a MD Anderson affiliate as of Sept 2016; Heart Hospital received Healthgrades Awards 2017, Region's only provider for TAVR (transcatheter aortic valve replacement), physician and staff went on mission trip to Dominican Republic; The Women's Hospital has Boston IVF, gynecologic oncologist, urology oncologist; HealthSouth (Deaconess owns 27.5%) has unit at Midtown campus and changing name to Encompass Health; new Deaconess Clinic at Lynch Road; Affiliation agreements with Ferrell Hospital, Carmi Hospital, Gibson General; Ambulance Transcare EMS in IL as requested as provider in IL; have presence in Owensboro Care Point as requested; Medical building in Henderson, KY; affiliation talks with Methodist Hospital in Henderson, Linda then entertained questions from the alumni and presented a short video on 125 years of Deaconess.
3. Recording Secretary Update – Alumni were reminded that the meeting minutes from August 2016 are available on the DHSON link on www.deaconess.com. Ellen reviewed the main topics from August 2016. Minutes were approved by attendees.
4. Treasurer's Report – We have \$10,366.80 in the checking account. Educational fund requests year to date are \$16,525.50 for 30 separate submissions. Some of these funds were for education expenses for a new WOCN and another to support nursing education in Africa based on relationship established through a mission trip. Current

paid memberships for 2017 are 237 and for 2018 are 66. Some memberships are paid up to 2026. \$15000 were awarded in scholarships for entry level nursing education: : \$1000 to Katelyn Keitel (descendant of Martha Keitel Maddix), Heather Morrow (relative of Sheryl Gatewood and Sheryl Woodburn), Taylor Pflug (descendant of Patricia Ann Parke 1960), and Zachary Renshaw (descendant of Bonnie Harth Groben 1966); \$3000 to Allyson Schneider (descendant of Candyce Wannemueller 1971) and Lillian Schnautz (relative of Lynn Schnautz); and \$5000 to Jared Bradley (descendant of Beverly Kramer Bradley 1955). We received several thank you notes from scholarship recipients. Also, the DHSON Alumni Association supported a journal publication's artwork (color graphs and open access) for an aromatherapy research study conducted by Deaconess nurses, including Libby Ketchem and Susan Alka.

5. Recognition of Classes celebrating 50 years and 60 years.
6. Moment of Silence – A moment of silence was held for alumni who have passed in the past year.
7. Browning Funeral Home – has website (browninggenealogy.org) to check on class deaths. USI has offered assistance to help archive historical content and share information electronically for those with interest. This is a new offer and efforts will begin soon.
8. Game: Cap Folding – alumni were challenged to recall how to fold nursing caps. Winner was Mary Hoagland.
9. 125th Birthday for Deaconess – displays in September at Midtown and Gateway will be from the DHSON demonstrating our history.

New Business:

10. Nominations –
 - a. Vice President - nominations were held. Madge Casper was nominated and re-elected as Vice President.
 - b. Treasurer - nominations were held. Libby Ketchem was nominated and re-elected for Treasurer.
11. Next meeting in 2018 – the next annual meeting will be Aug 11, 2018, on the Midtown Campus – tentatively to be held in Johnson Hall. Alternate site could be the Gateway Campus in the new conference room in the Ortho Neuro Hospital. Location confirmation will be announced in the annual newsletter.
12. Adjourn – meeting was adjourned by Gayle. Tours of the LEW Hospice House were conducted by Linda White for alumni.