## 2020 Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Newsletter

## **EXCITING NEWS**

HOMECOMING is August 8, 2020, at 9:30 in Johnson Hall with a free Olive Garden catered meal. Get your buddies together, you don't want to miss this! Registration in this newsletter.

## 2019 Annual Meeting

The 2019 Annual Meeting was held in Johnson Hall on August 10, 2019. Sister Shelia was the only member from class of 1968 being recognized for 50 years. There was a moment of silence for the loss of alumni in this past year. Linda White, Executive Director of the Deaconess Foundation gave a slide presentation on changes within the Health System. It was very informative and interesting to see Deaconess Hospital growth and upcoming events, including the new Medical Center in downtown Evansville, IN.



## Membership

The Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing Alumni paid members = 216 for 2019 and 96 have paid for 2020 already. There are some forward-thinkers that have paid all the way up to 2030! Now that makes a treasurer happy!! <sup>(i)</sup> Please see the last page of the newsletter to join the Alumni and keep up with latest news.

## **Treasurer Report**

The Alumni has \$408,300 in the Deaconess Foundation Endowed Fund and \$40,224 in the Foundation General Fund with \$30,958 for educational use. In fiscal year 2019 we supported \$8556.10 in educational fund requests and have already approved \$770 in requests for fiscal year 2020. The checking account balance = \$9,575.20.

## **Recording Secretary Report**

Minutes were read from 2018 annual meeting and approved as read. The actual minutes are available to read on our Web Site.

## Web Site

The Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing Alumni has a page on the Deaconess Hospital website which has a new look. Go to: http://www.deaconess.com; then select: FOR YOU at the top of the screen; then select 'For Health Professionals' from the menu on the right side of the screen; then select Deaconess Nursing from the menu on the right side of the screen; then select 'School of Nursing Alumni' from the menu on the right side of the screen. Forms for Financial Assistance and Scholarships are on the web site as well as the latest information regarding meetings, Alumni news, etc. We have a Facebook page that is listed as **Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing** (Evansville) Alumni. Please visit it and "like us".

## Krueger Symposium

This is a free annual event last held on April 16, 2019, in the new Ortho/Neuro tower on the Gateway Campus. Dr. Krueger was recognized for his 20<sup>th</sup> sponsored event. The 2020 symposium will be on April 21<sup>st</sup> and coincidentally the 21<sup>st</sup> symposium! Condolences on the passing of Dr. Thomas Krueger shortly after the 20<sup>th</sup> program completion. He will be missed for his contribution and support of Neuro education.

## **Health Science Institute**

In 2017, the Board voted to award scholarships for direct descendants of the Alumni or Deaconess employees to attend the Health Science Institute (HSI) held annually in June. The Health Science Institute is for area high school students. The 2019 recipients were: Elizabeth Angermeier \$1300, Kennedy Hallam \$650, Allison Herr \$650, and Morgan Schymik \$650.

## Alumni Database

We attempt to update our list of addresses and names of past graduates. Many thanks to all who send in addresses of classmates and friends! Anyone can send an update to our officers for name or address changes.

## **Alumni Deaths Since Last Newsletter**

Our sympathy to the family and friends to those not previously acknowledged: Betty Detering Bright class of 1945; Norma Davidson Ellington class of 1947; LaVon Ringham Luhring class of 1949; Marilyn Mossbarger Lewis class of 1952; Patricia Walker Harvey class of 1953; Marion Young Vliet class of 1955; Kathryn Braun Brace class of 1956; Donna Carney Kays class of 1957; Karen Adams O'Neil class of 1961; Judy Michels Lawrence class of 1963; Ellen Girvin class of 1967; Etta Goldman class of 1968; Phyllis Nussmeyer Pace class of 1972; Arlene Cottrell Helms class of 1974; Paula Grubbs Warner class of 1975; Betsy Timmerman Berning class of 1977; Carla Strutton Fuller class of 1974.



## **Educational Funds**



The Alumni funds available in the Deaconess Hospital Foundation are for Continuing Education for any Deaconess School of Nursing graduate. All 3 forms needed to complete a request for educational funds are located on the Deaconess website (see directions on Website). The money is set aside to fund registration fees for educational offerings attended by Alumni members. There is no cap on the amount to be awarded per Alumni per year. To obtain funds from the DHSON endowments, you will need to complete the forms found on the Deaconess web site in the DHSON Alumni link. Send the forms to Libby Ketchem at Deaconess Hospital - Main Campus. Be sure to send all three forms leaving ample time for all signatures to be obtained and the forms to be routed to complete the request. It takes at least THREE weeks before the check can be mailed. If unable to submit request due to time limits, please keep all paid receipts and send in with request forms for reimbursements. It is the requestor's responsibility to check with the seminar leaders to be sure the check is received. Reminder, at this time, \$30,958 funds are available, take advantage of this opportunity.

## **Scholarship News**

DHSON Alumni Association offers scholarships for Nursing Education to be awarded to descendants and those with connections to descendants of graduates of the Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in Evansville, Indiana. The scholarships have been established for the express purpose of providing assistance to a student pursuing education in order to obtain a license for Registered Nursing. It is the Alumni's desire that preference be given to scholarship applicants who are entering their first year of nursing education. Scholarship forms are available on the Deaconess Web site or from one of the officers. Scholarship information is also sent to the local high school counselor offices. The application needs to be returned to Libby Ketchem, at Deaconess Hospital, by March 13, 2020. At the Board Meeting in 2016, it was voted to increase the scholarship monies to \$15,000.00 awarded and dispersed to gualifying students.

## Nursing Scholarship 2019 winners:

Stephanie Dowker \$500, Dylan Saint-Pre \$500, Adele Schnautz \$2500, Sophia Smith \$1500, Katie Steenberg \$1000, Hayley Wessel \$1500, Emily Wigginton \$2000, Hilary Pruit \$1000, Ashlyn Downs \$500, Heather Morrow \$1000, Alexa Wheeler \$1500, Laura Williams \$1000. Post mark submissions are important to consider as there were some declinations due to being received past the due date.

## 2018 DHSON Alumni Officers

Elected Deaconess School of Alumni Board:

President

Gayle Brubeck Rood (retired) 812-897-3155

Vice President



Kami Patterson

Comprehensive Pain Management; 812-450-7246



Secretary Ellen Wathen

Deaconess Employee Education; 812-450-7249



Treasurer

Libby Ketchem Deaconess Wound Services; 812-450-4825



Brenda Goldman Foucault (retired) 812-962-1844

## **Elections in 2019**

Past President

With no nominations from the floor, Libby agreed to continue as Treasurer. Kami Patterson was elected as Vice President. As previously addressed, there was a request for new interest for succession planning for current officers.

## **President's Corner**

This is a plea for participation. We have plenty of paid members but few attend the annual meeting. The Board would love to see more alumni engaged in promoting our history and deciding how to allocate available funds. Please reach out to peers and make your 2020 resolution to be more active in the DHSON Alumni. See you at the August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting!

## **Nursing Pins/Nursing Caps**

Since we are unable to find a company that will make just one pin, check out E-Bay, Craig's List or Estate sales for a replacement pin.

## Navy Tote Bag

They are imprinted with 3 gold DHSON pins, if interested contact Gayle Brubeck Rood @ 812-897-3155. Bags are \$10.00 plus shipping.

## Please feel free to contact any of the officers with news, questions or updates about Alumni functions.



**History Corner** 

We are sorry to report that when the school closed, a lot of information was lost due to limited storage space. We thank all involved with the archives to keep our school history alive. The archive is located on the first floor of the Health Science Building. For updates you want to share, notify any Board member or the hospital librarian, Gail Lee 812-450-3385. The Archives Committee and contact numbers includes Janice Thompkins Ziliak Clark 812-455-0762, Mary F. Greulich 615-347-0544 and Paula Enlow Stone 812-459-3387.

Throughout the next year we will attempt to capture everyone's current email and build a database for more real-time communication. Please help by legibly including your email. We will test the integrity of the database, once created and ask for a bounce back receipt to confirm delivery.





# 2020 Annual Meeting

Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 to 4 PM Deaconess Midtown Campus, Johnson Hall The meeting will commence at 09:30. Come early to mingle with classmates & enjoy a continental breakfast and a free lunch catered by Olive Garden.

Cut off this reminder and put in your August calendar!

For the miniscule rate of \$5.00 per year, you can keep current with the latest news from classmates, friends, teachers!Send your 2020 Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing Alumni dues to: Libby Ketchem c/o Deaconess School of Nursing Alumni, Wound Services 600 Mary Street Evansville, IN 47747		
Name:		
Address:	City:	State:
Zip Code: Phone:	Email address:	
Graduation Name:	Maiden Name:	Class:
Would you like to have your name listed in the Class listings on the deaconess.com web site? (Personal information is password protected.)YesNo Include:AddressEmail addressPhone		
I PLAN TO ATTEND HOMECOMING MEETING August 8th:YESNO		
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