


Newsletter   May 2012

From the President


I have no complaints from the winter we had this year and I'm looking forward to a warm, sunny spring.

I encourage all of you to pay your alumni dues to enhance the scholarships and special projects for the College of Nursing.

The College of Nursing is actively planning the 100th Anniversary of the college and the alumni association is active on several of the committees.

We hope to have a good turnout for the spring luncheon which will be held at the Crowne Plaza. The College of Nursing Director will be present to fill us in on all the activities planned for celebrating their 100 year anniversary.

Joan Warboy Greene, Class of 1957
jgreene6@twcny.rr.com

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Treasurers' Report

We currently have 290 paid members. Alumni dues provide scholarships to nursing students. Dues payments are a very important part of our mission and purpose so thank you to those who have paid their dues.

Donations in memory or in honor of someone dear are always welcome.

The alumni office is open most Mondays. Please call (315) 470-7214 with any questions or leave a message and we will return your call. You can also email us at Alumni@crouse.org.

Jo Oliva, Treasurer, Class of 1954
Jean Serling, Co-Treasurer, Class of 1950

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Alumni Association Web Page


Don't forget! This newsletter and other information can be found on the alumni's web page at www.crouse.org/nursing/alumni.

Great News for Dues Paying Members

The Crouse Hospital Auxiliary has a special gift for all paid members of the Alumni. With proof of paid membership, you will receive a 10% discount at the Hospital Gift Shop.

If you need a membership card, you can contact the alumni office by mail. Please include a self addressed stamped envelope and your membership card will be mailed to you. For those alumni with an email address, you can contact JulieJohnson@crouse.org or send an email to Alumni@crouse.org and I will send you a receipt electronically that can be used for the Gift Shop.

If you are in the Syracuse area, you can also avoid using the mail, and stop and pick up your membership card from Linda Sue Thompson. Please call ahead to make sure she will be available. Her number is (315) 470-5705. Linda Sue's office is in the Marley Education Center, 3rd Floor, Main Office during business hours of 9 am- 2:30 pm.

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Pay Your Alumni Dues On Line!

Anyone that wishes to pay their annual dues by credit card, can now do so by going on line!

To pay dues on line go to the alumni web page at www.crouse.org/nursing/alumni. Choose Alumni Membership in the left hand column.

This is a secure sight linked to the Crouse Health Foundation. Your dues will be acknowledged.

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Fundraiser and Membership Event

On April 30, 2012 the alumni board had a "Meet, Greet and Join" Open House for Crouse alumni that work at Crouse Hospital or other local jobs! Many alumni of the College stopped by to renew friendships and become alumni members at the same time. We held this membership event in the Community Room of the Marley Education Center from 1-5 p.m.

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Scholarship Opportunities

The Alumni tries to provide scholarships for tuition support for two students in a summer course required for BSN or MSN completion. If there are any other alumnus that would like to help with these scholarships or support one of their own, please include that with your dues renewal in a separate envelope marked **Summer Tuition Support**.

Alumni Member Donations – 2012

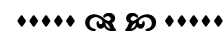
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| Donna Berrigan '62 | Phyllis Johnson '54 |
| Edith Blair '51 | Mary Knapp '56 |
| Karen Carbacio '85 | Margaret Marposon '56 |
| Mary Clinton '61 | Mary Nolander '64 |
| Bethyl Dodge '57 | Phyllis Nuffe '58 |
| Kathleen Dzwonkas '50 | Kathy Paolini '66 |
| Mary Ellen Prosper '57 | Muriel Partridge '49 |
| Joan Greene '57 | Florence Smith '54 |
| Joseph Guss '95 | Barbara Smith '65 |
| Mary Heffernan '51 | Sandra Walrath '54 |
| Susanne Hoffman '55 | Kathleen Workman '65 |
| Lillian Huffman '57 | Phyllis Wright '58 |

Alumni News

Margaret Blades, Class of 1941, let us know she and husband celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary recently! They live independently; they winter in Florida and spend the summer months in Horseheads, NY. How lucky they are to have such an active lifestyle into their 90's.

Bert Eischen, class of 1940, continues to be actively involved in the Alumni and also volunteering in the Hospital.

All of the alumni board hope both Bert and Margaret will enjoy the 100th year of the Crouse Hospital College of Nursing celebration in 2013!



In Memory of Donations

Donna Markham, Class of 1966 made a donation in memory of her mother Gloria Rima White.

A generous donation was made to the Nursing Student Scholarship Fund in memory of Margaret August Friedrich, Class of 1950.

This donation was made by Margaret's Children:

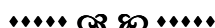
- J. Peter Friedrich, Jr.
- Jason Friedrich
- Johanna Friedrich Gaines



Regrets....

Name	Class	Deceased
Doris Doxsee Barlow	1941	1/22/12
Clara "Jen" Jensen Clapp	1944	10/30/11
Rose Duca	1949	3/24/12
Violet A. Duprey	1946	3/1/12
Marjorie Argust Friedrich	1950	9/16/11
Eleanor Zachmann Iadanza	1954	1/8/12
Meredith Beckstead Nelson	1952	9/20/11
Joan Dicks Oksa	1950	3/25/12
Donna Parry Conte Palmer	1955	3/22/12

When informing the Alumni Office of the death of an alumnus, please send an obituary from the newspaper, notification from a family member or friend or a link to an obituary published on line. Please include your name and address as well.



Fall Luncheon
October 13, 2012
Borio's Restaurant

More information available in the next newsletter.



College of Nursing Events

Accepted Student Reception

On March 31, 2012, the College of Nursing held the first "Accepted Student Reception" for the Fall 2012 admitted class. Parents and students enjoyed a delicious breakfast followed by a morning of special activities. After congratulatory remarks by College Director, Dr. Ann Sedore; Chief Nursing Officer, Mary Agnew welcomed the guests.

Tours of the Learning and Simulation Center, the Library, the Center for Academic Success and the Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology labs were then available to all.

The program ended with an Educational and Professional Forum, with representatives from Bayberry Uniform, SUNY Upstate Medical University Bookstore, Crouse Hospital College of Nursing Financial Aid Office and the Alumni Association participating. Students also had the opportunity for a tour of the Dormitory and a "Dorm Life" discussion. Many of the students confirmed their admission at this event.



Open House

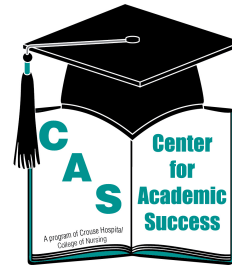
An Open House for prospective students to join the winter and spring classes of the Crouse Hospital College of Nursing was held on April 21, 2012 from 10am- Noon at the Marley Educational Center.



Convocation Ceremony

On Wednesday, May 23, 2012 the graduating seniors and their guests will enjoy an evening of appetizers and drinks at the Sheraton University Hotel. This evening is set aside each semester for a traditional pinning ceremony and to recognize honors graduates.

The Alumni Association presents Bayberry Uniform Shop gift certificates to three lucky graduate nurses. These same alumni board members welcome the grads to nursing with letters of welcome that grant them one year free membership to the Alumni Association.



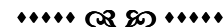
Volunteer Opportunities

There has been a lot of exciting growth this semester in the CAS. The Academic Enrichment Program (AEP) created in the fall of 2010, has expanded this spring to include two more advanced classes.

On March 30, 2012, the center opened a Learning Supplies Store for students. The volunteer alumni proctor team: Joan Greene, Julie Johnson and Jean Young, have provided over 300 hours of proctoring. This growth is possible because of the collaborative efforts of the CAS Learning team (6 advanced level CON students) and the alumni volunteers.

During the summer and fall semesters the CAS welcomes additional support from interested individuals. Many opportunities could use your help. This would include (but not limited to): typing projects, proctoring, packing items for the store and material preparation for the AEP sessions.

Please contact Nikki Look at 470-5779 if you are interested. You can also give your name to Julie Johnson, Alumni Program Support Volunteer at: JulieJohnson@crouse.org.



Graduation Commencement Ceremony

This year's ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 24 at 6:00 pm at Hendricks Chapel on the Syracuse University Campus. Any and all alumni are welcome to attend.

A reception will follow immediately after on the 2nd floor of the Marley Educational Center.



Director's Corner

Vision 2013: Building on a Century of Excellence

Planning is already underway for the College's 100th anniversary. The official birthday is August 13, 2013, but the celebration will begin with 100 days to 100 years in September, 2012. Faculty, students, alumni, hospital staff and the community will have numerous opportunities to reminisce and reconnect. Plans include an educational conference for the region in May and a Homecoming weekend in the fall. Nostalgic Fridays each month will highlight each decade of the college's existence and will help us all remember what it was like "back then."

Activities are underway to reconnect with as many graduates as possible. Part of our fall plan is to gather and publish alumni memories of their years in nursing school. You can help with this by sending your funny or touching experiences to alumni@crouse.org or mailing printed copies of your memories to **Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni, 736 Irving Ave., Syracuse, NY 13210**. Pictures of your years in school would also be greatly appreciated.

We also hope to highlight the contributions of our grads to health care and the community. We will be looking for true life accounts of our grads "making a difference."

If you need more information or want to help with any of our planning, just call the College at 470-5705.

Ann Sedore
Director, College of Nursing



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Cross Cultural Healthcare Experience

Crouse Hospital College of Nursing is embarking on a journey that will take undergraduate nursing students and faculty across the globe to expand their understanding of international healthcare issues as they relate to nursing through a cross-cultural healthcare immersion experience. First stop: Guatemala, this June.

The College wants to be able to present unique learning and growth opportunities to students beyond the traditional boundaries of classroom and clinical. The new course offering provides the chance for students and faculty to learn together while delivering valuable medical services to an underserved population in Central America.

The first country the college will visit through the course, titled *Culture and Health Care: A Clinical Elective Abroad*, will be Guatemala, from June 2-10. At the completion of the course, students will have a better understanding of how environmental, political, and socioeconomic issues affect the health of the Guatemalan community; how cultural norms, values, and beliefs shape the healthcare practices in that country; and how to collaborate with nurse/healthcare team members to enhance the role of nursing in the delivery of healthcare services.

Before departing, faculty and students will complete multiple online exercises in the month preceding the trip. Once in Guatemala, participants will partner with local Guatemalan healthcare members in a clinic setting to provide supervised community and primary health care with the local context and conditions.

Twelve students and four faculty are scheduled to participate. The faculty members leading the initiative are Peg Ryan, MS, RNC, Sally Manahan, MS, RN, ANP; Carrie Kangah, MS, RN; and Ashley Zimmerman, BS, RN.

For more information about Crouse Hospital College of Nursing's Global Health Initiative, call 315/470-7481. Donations for the Crouse Hospital College of Nursing Global Health Initiative can be made [online through the Crouse Health Foundation](#) or by calling 315/470-7702, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Crouse Health Foundation News

Endowment Allocation Committee

The Crouse Health Foundation's 2012 Endowment Allocation Committee met March 19th to distribute \$900,000 from 2011 investment income to 62 high-priority needs at Crouse Hospital. Alumni President Joan Greene represented Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni on the committee, and a complete list of the grants made that evening can be found on the Foundation's website at crouse.org/foundation. Included in the distribution were five \$500 scholarships made possible by the endowed Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni Fund.

The market value of the Foundation's Endowment Fund is now more than \$20 million and, with this latest disbursement, close to \$17 million in investment income has been given back to Crouse Hospital for equipment and programs since 1988. If the Foundation's investment results are strong mid-way through 2012, an additional \$50,000 in investment income will be distributed to the hospital at that time.

College of Nursing's Global Health Initiative

This new program will give about 20 nursing students the opportunity to expand their understanding of international health issues and gain first-hand experience of such issues through a nine-day trip to Guatemala this June. Visit <http://www.crouse.org/news/article.aspx?id=3284> to learn more about Crouse Hospital College of Nursing's Global Health Initiative.

The Foundation is seeking to raise about \$10,000 to assist the College with some of the costs of the trip. Thanks go to Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni for contributing \$1,000 as an organization. Individuals are also invited to participate; simply contact CarrieBerse@crouse.org or Carrie Berse at (315) 470-7004 or visit our website at crouse.org/foundation if you would like to donate any amount.

Tribute Evening

Planning continues for the Friday, September 14th Tribute Evening gala honoring Bill and Sandra Pomeroy of CXtec, both Crouse supporters and active community volunteers. Details on leadership volunteers and entertainment will be announced soon.

Syracuse Auto Dealers Association (SADA) Charity Preview

The 2012 SADA Charity Preview was held on February 15th raising almost \$17,200 (our second highest total in nine years.) Proceeds will be used toward the renovation and expansion of the Breast Health Center.

Crouse Classic Golf Tournament

The July 16th Crouse Classic Golf Tournament has a few open foursomes in the morning field only but several sponsorship slots are available too. In you are interested in either opportunity, please contact the Foundation Office at crousefoundation@crouse.org or visit our website.

Breast Health Center Initiative

Crouse Hospital Employees have formed a committee that is focusing on raising funds from their colleagues for the renovation and expansion of the Crouse Breast Health Center. A kick-off event will be held on May 1st, with the goal of raising \$100,000 from employees (with pledges to be satisfied within 12 to 18 months).

To make a donation to the Breast Health Center, contact Carrie Berse at CarrieBerse@Crouse.org, (315) 470-7004 or visit <http://www.crouse.org/give/foundation/> and click on Giving to Crouse in the left hand column.

Major Gifts

The Foundation recently received the following major gifts:

- ✓ A large stock gift from a grateful patient, in honor of Cardiologist Dr. Joseph Battaglia;
- ✓ Renewed funding (for three years) by the Crouse Hospital Auxiliary for the Visit To Hospital-Land Program; and
- ✓ More than \$5,000 in donations from managers, directors and administrators at Crouse, to be used toward a new LED lighting system for the clock tower. This system will be an energy-efficient and easier way to light the clock tower for selected events and the Auxiliary's Lights of Love Campaign. Anyone interested in learning more about this initiative is encouraged to contact Carrie Berse at (315) 470-7004 or CarrieBerse@Crouse.org.

**Carrie Berse, President
Crouse Health Foundation**