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Newsletter & September 2011

From the President

Thanks to Julie Johnson, Doris Paul and Jean Young for hosting the Spring 2011 luncheon. Their class was celebrating their 50th anniversary. They had a good turn out for the event.

The beautiful CNY fall season will be here soon, and with it, the fall alumni luncheon. Looking forward to seeing many of you again, and also hoping to see some new faces.

Join the Alumni board in the fall basket raffle coming up in early November. Donations and/or money to purchase gift basket items will be welcome. The raffle was a money maker last year, and we are looking for to another success. This enabled the alumni to give the foundation more money for nursing scholarships.

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

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Treasurers' Report

We currently have 379 paid members to date. Alumni dues provide scholarships to deserving nursing students. We strongly encourage you to pay dues to support the efforts of your alumni association and our mission.



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

The alumni office is usually open on 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 <u>alumni@crouse.org</u>.

Thank you for supporting your alumni association and to help future nurses like yourselves.

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

Alumni Association Web Page

I hope all members of the Alumni have taken the opportunity to look at the School of Nursing and Alumni section of the new web site. Here's the address <u>http://www.crouse.org/nursing/alumni.</u>

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College of Nursing Director News

What's in a Name?

As of June 9, 2011, the School of Nursing has a new name! With the permission of both the New York State Education Department and the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission, the School is now officially known as the Crouse Hospital College of Nursing.

The name change is reflective of the faculty's continuing effort to build the strongest reputation of academic excellence possible for our program. The name more clearly differentiates program from the "training" schools of the past.

Crouse Hospital College of Nursing joins a growing number of hospital-based nursing education programs that have taken this step to level the recruitment playing field and strengthen the community image.

Over the next few months, signage and printed materials will be redesigned to reflect the new name. Faculty and staff are working hard to break the engrained habits of speech so that the word College occurs naturally and spontaneously. Any help alumni can give would be greatly appreciated.

Ann Sedore Director, College of Nursing



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Regrets		
Name	Class	Deceased
Carol M. Baris	1997	8/04/11
Betsy Barrott Burton	1949	5/13/11
Irene Marion DeOrsey	1947	6/11/11
Jean Stoker Gansz	1950	6/30/11
Vida Post Grau	1951	1/23/11
Barbara Fisher Hansen	1951	5/05/11
Betty Slate Kelly	1945	9/23/09
Vera H. Kostyk	1946	5/19/11
Harriet Stiles Lupino	1945	5/18/11
Lucille Cox O'Hara	1947	7/09/11
Mary Jane Bedet Piro	1946	7/21/11
Elizabeth Stafford Seaward	1943	7/20/11
Beverlee Olson Smith	1951	3/09/11

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.

Alumni Member News

Valerie Aarne Grossman, Class of May 1981, is busy in her nursing career in Rochester, NY. She is the "Hot Topics" column editor for the Journal of Radiology Nursing and an author of three books. The books include: "Quick Reference to Triage" (Volumes 1 and 2) and "Emergency Nursing: 5 Tier Triage Protocols". All three books are translated in Japanese. You can find them at this web page: http://www.nishimurashoten.co.jp/pub/details/118_ 406.html. (When you go to the website, click on the "translate" button in the upper right of the screen, to get the English translation!)

Kathy McIntosh, Class of 1981, would love to hear about her classmates. If you would like to get in touch with Kathy, send her an email. <u>Kmcintosh1@twcny.rr.com</u>. Any news can also be sent to the Alumni for our website or newsletter by emailing us at <u>alumni@crouse.org</u>. CNY-NCARE Nursing Research Forum.

Colleen Kelly recently notified us of her mother's death in 2009. **Betty Slate Kelly**, a 1945 graduate, long time employee of Crouse Irving Memorial Hospital on the IV team, and an active member of our Alumni Association died unexpectedly September 23, 2009. We apologize to her classmates for the delay in having this notice in the newsletter.

Class of 1961 Celebrates 50 years

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It was a weekend of fun and laughter as the class of '61 celebrated their 50th anniversary while hosting this years annual Nurses Alumni Luncheon at the University Sheraton Hotel on June 11, 2011.



Friday evening, June 10th, Julie Johnson hosted a cocktail party at her home, where nine members of the class congregated. It was a boisterous evening filled with laughter as the classmates reminisced about their three years as students at Crouse Irving Hospital School of Nursing. Such memories we had! It is a shame that those who are now attending the College of Nursing, will not know the camaraderie that we had in the past, by living together in the "old gray houses" surrounding the hospital.

Saturday the luncheon was attended by about 65 Alumni members, including 12 ladies from the class of '61 and even more members there from the class of '51' celebrating 60 years. The fundraisers included a 50/50 raffle and a "Basket of Cheer" raffle donated by Alumni President Joan Greene. The \$180 was a very welcome addition to the Nurses scholarship fund, supported by the Alumni. Carrie Berse, President of Crouse Health Foundation donated two Crouse Hospital afghans for two lucky members of the honored classes of 1951 and 1961.

Ann Sedore, Director of the College of Nursing was our guest speaker. She spoke of the advancements in the School of Nursing and the pride in the school becoming a College of Nursing. The class of 1961 presented Ann with a check for \$1500 for the Alumni Scholarship Fund. This donation will be divided into five \$300 named scholarships in the memory of the classes' five deceased members. These members are: Barbara Pickard Wright, May Lou Freson Romine, Jackie Prashaw Beisecker, Judith Roder Potts and Sandra Springer Thomas.

After the luncheon, a tour of the College of Nursing with its new Library Learning Commons and Simulation Center was enjoyed by all who came to see it. Thank you to Ann Sedore and Kris Delaney for helping with this luncheon tour.

Jean Young, Class of 1961

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Class of 1962 Celebration in 2012

If you are interested in hosting a 50 year reunion for the Class of 1962, please notify the Alumni Association Board. We would like to assist you however we can.

Please send a message to Julie Johnson, the newsletter editor and I will help you contact your classmates. You may also call the Alumni Office at (315) 470-7214 or email us at <u>Alumni@crouse.org</u>. You may also contact me through my home email at jjohn27363@aol.com.

Gift Basket Raffle - November 2011

Last November the Alumni Board hosted a gift basket raffle in the hospital cafeteria for five days. We raffled off eight awesome gift baskets. We were very successful and added approximately \$1500 to our scholarship fund with this fundraiser. We would like to repeat our success and need any help that we could get from our Alumni members.

It will cost at least \$50 to prepare a basket. Last year all board members contributed to this project by teaming up and creating eight baskets. The most popular basket was a Basket of Cheer which included a holiday theme with many different types of alcoholic beverages. Also popular was a Thanksgiving and a Christmas Basket which coincided with the upcoming holidays.

We need your help to make this year's raffle just as successful as least year. We can use you help with ideas for baskets, supplies to create the baskets, purchased items to use in baskets and of course, donations to purchase various items to complete the baskets.

Can you get together with fellow alumni to create a basket of your own? Are you personally talented in any area to be able to design a theme for a basket? Do you have extra supplies at home that could be used?

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes" **PLEASE** help us make this another successful event. Please contact the following people if you can help.

- Email: <u>Alumni@crouse.org</u>
- Phone: (315) 470-7214 (leave a message)
- Julie Johnson newsletter editor: jjohn27363@aol.com or (315) 449-3559 Joan Greene President jgreene6@twcny.rr.com

THIS IS OUR NUMBER ONE FUND RAISING PRIORITY THIS FALL. PLEASE HELP!

Fall College of Nursing Events

Recruitment Open Houses

The College of Nursing will hold two fall open houses to educate and recruit future nursing students. Spread the word!



- Saturday, October 29 from 10 am to Noon
- Thursday, November 17 from 5-7 pm

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Moving Up Ceremony

To commemorate students' completion of their first year at Crouse Hospital College of Nursing, a ceremony was held on Wednesday August 17, 2011 in the Marley Education Center for second year nursing students. The program and reception was also attended by Alumni Board members.

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Alumni Member Donations – 2011

Karen Carbacio '85	Sylvia Lewis '96
Carole Cheney '58	Christine Manwaring '46
Joan Durand '57	Donna Markham '66
Mary Dzwonkas '50	Mary Nolander '64
Susan Gewinner '71	Helen Parker '48
Joseph Guss '95	Muriel Partridge '47
Lillian Huffman '57	Mary Ellen Prosper '57
Jacqueline Jaquay '50	Cynthia Urbanik '68
Meda Kenty '35	Phyllis Wright '58

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Donations in Memory of Fellow Alumni

Alumni	Honoree
Mary Clinton '61	Elsie W. Hillen Scholarship
Carol Duheme '58	Jane Wart-Kee '58
Velma Kirsch '55	Beatrice Ciotoli '55
Velma Kirsch '55	Evelyn Touchette '55
Barbara Miller '49	Deceased Classmates
Carol Rutherford '55	Evelyn Touchette '55
Barbara Smith '65	Mattie VanGlynn '65

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Crouse Health Foundation News

Crouse Classic Golf Tournament

Net proceeds from the July 18th Crouse Classic Golf Tournament have reached almost \$95,000 (that's close to \$5,000 over budget) and they will be used to purchase two training manikins and fund other needs for the Baker Regional NICU.



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Heartfelt thanks go to all who supported the event as well as the tournament committee for its hard work. A special note of appreciation goes to event chair Dr. Steve Barker, who will step down after 10 years of providing leadership for the outing.

Tribute Evening

More than 700 tickets have already been sold for the Friday, September 16th Tribute Evening gala honoring the physicians of Cardiology, PC.

Our deep appreciation goes to Hospital Board Member and General Chair Bob Miron and all our leadership volunteers and committee members for doing a tremendous job with advance sales for the event.

Invitations were mailed in July; if you didn't receive yours, simply contact the Foundation Office at (315) 470-7702 for a copy or to make your reservation by phone.

Social Media

Crouse Health Foundation is now on Facebook and Twitter! We encourage you, family members and colleagues who are registered with Facebook to visit the Crouse Health Foundation site and become a friend. There are great pictures from the Crouse Classic posted right now plus information on a wide range of Crouse family activities. You can also follow us on Twitter@CrouseFound.

In a few weeks, the Foundation will launch its first fundraising campaign via social media platforms. The focus will be on the renovation and expansion of the Breast Health Center, and it will feature testimonials from a grateful patient.

In the meantime, our social media focus is on promoting our 2011 Tribute Evening gala and other Crouse family activities.



College of Nursing Scholarships

In August, the Crouse Hospital College of Nursing selected deserving students to receive scholarships made possible through the generosity of a number of donors, including Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni.

Through the support of our alumni, twelve scholarships were awarded: four \$500 scholarships from investment income from the Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni Endowed Scholarship Fund; six \$500 scholarships from the CHNA general scholarship fund; and two \$1,000 scholarships in the name of Elsie Hillen. Letters of appreciation are now coming in from the recipients and copies have been shared with the Alumni Board.

Also awarded this summer were five \$300 scholarships, funded by 13 members of the Class of 1961. This was done to commemorative their 50th anniversary of graduating from the Crouse Irving Hospital School of Nursing and in memory of five deceased classmates.

Our deep appreciation goes to all the Alumni who made these scholarships possible. Your generosity and support allows the College to recruit top students for our nursing program.

Carrie Berse, President, Crouse Health Foundation

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Have You Included the Crouse Hospital School of Nursing in Your Will?

f you have, please let us know. We'd like the opportunity to say "thank you."

For more information on how to make a charitable bequest, save on estate taxes, or set up a life income plan for a spouse, child or loved one, please contact Carrie Berse at the Crouse Health Foundation at (315) 470-7004 or carrieberse@crouse.org.

All responses are kept confidential and information is provided without obligation.