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Greetings from the President



Kathy Paolini

The summer has been very hot and I hope all of you are enjoying your summer activities.

This is my first letter as President of the Alumni Association and I am very excited to get started and

see what we can accomplish together over the next few years. The past year has been a time of change for the Crouse Hospital Nurses' Alumni Association and I am confident that we are moving in the right direction and building on the strong foundation that Janet Dellas, Louis lannotta, Jo Oliva and Jean Serling, Emeritus Members of our Board, have so generously established for us. It is vitally important that we retain their great and accomplished legacy of scholarship and service.

I would also like to thank Julie Johnson, our former president, for being so involved with the students at the Pomeroy College of Nursing. She has made a strong commitment to our students. I am very grateful to her for her hard work at the College of Nursing.

I would also like to thank the Alumni Board for all the support they have given me. It's an honor to work with all of you and your strong commitment to Crouse Health and the Pomeroy College of Nursing.

Our Alumni Association will stay aligned with the changing needs and desires of our college, our alumni and our students if we continue to evolve and grow. In that spirit -- to ensure that the Crouse Hospital Nurses' Alumni Association and our alumni-at- large are serving in the most productive and mutually beneficial way possible — we are forgoing the membership "fee" and incorporating all graduates, by right of diploma, into the Alumni Association because we are stronger together. However, as other colleges

News from the College

by Rhonda Reader, Vice President, Clinical Services & Nursing Quality, Crouse Hospital Dean, Pomeroy College of Nursing





Rhonda Reader

There are many exciting things happening at the Pomeroy College of Nursing. We recently welcomed 74 new students to our traditional, weekday program. Our first evening/weekend group completed their program in July and are moving on to start their professional careers. And now we have an additional program option for prospective students. In July, we received approval from the state education department to offer the *Degree in Three* with Le Moyne College. This program allows a student to be dually matriculated at Pomeroy and Le Moyne, earning

both an associate's and bachelor's degree in three years. We believe this format is economically advantageous for students and will help increase the number of baccalaureate-prepared nurses in our community. This link will take you to the press release and the local television segment announcing our innovative program: crouse.org/degreein3/

As many of you are aware, there is a nursing shortage across the nation. The new *Degree in Three* is one way we are attempting to address the shortage. Another strategy is the addition of a new position at Crouse Health. We've developed a role for a nurse to collaborate with the faculty, human resources staff, and nursing leadership to



encourage Pomeroy College of Nursing students to work as patient care helpers or student aides and seamlessly transition to a professional role upon graduation. Ashley Haustatter, BSN, RN has joined Crouse in the role of Manager for Nursing Relations and Retention.

Finally, in addition to the usual business associated with



Ashley Haustatter, BSN, RN

a new semester, our faculty and staff are preparing for our accreditation visit by NYS Office of Professions and our professional accreditors, Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). Our site visit is scheduled for March, 2019. There will be information on our website about the visit and alumni are invited to participate.

Please visit the Pomeroy College of Nursing Facebook page for more photos and the updates on student activities throughout the year. Thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful fall season.

Newsmakers

Ayona Breaker, MSN, RN, assumed supervisory responsibilities for the adult medical surgical RN float pool at Crouse Hospital in May 2018. Ayona will continue to serve in the role of administrative nursing supervisor as well. Ayona brings a wealth of experience and vision to the role as a travel RN who has worked in multiple medical-surgical specialties and healthcare systems including Geisinger Health, Johns Hopkins, Tampa General, SUNY Upstate and the VA Medical Center. She is a 2004 graduate of Crouse Hospital School of Nursing and received her bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing from Excelsior College in Albany. Most recently, she served in the role of administrative supervisor for Crouse. Congratulations and best wishes, Ayona, as your leadership role expands within our organization.

Patrick Crehan, NP, Class of 2012, has joined Crouse Medical Practice as a provider in Neurology. Congratulations, Patrick!

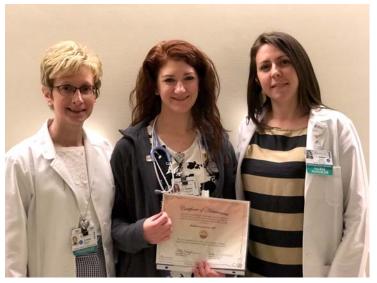
Karen Dabrowski, BSN, RN has accepted the position of Nurse Manager for 6 North Irving. In this role Karen will assume day-to-day operations and management responsibilities of our inpatient neurology unit. Karen is a 1985 graduate of Crouse Irving Memorial Hospital School of Nursing and obtained a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Empire State College in 2013. Karen began her Crouse career in 2010 as a Care Manager and served in that role until 2015 when she was appointed Manager of Care Coordination/Utilization Management. Congratulations, Karen and much happiness and success in your new role!



Valerie Aarne Grossman

Valerie Aarne Grossman, Class of 1981, was selected as one of 12 nurses to receive the American Nurses' Association's Honorary Nursing Practice Award which acknowledges a registered nurse who is directly involved in patient care and who receives recognition by peers for contribution to the advancement of nursing through strength of character, commitment and competence. She was presented this prestigious award in Washington, DC on

June 22,2018. Valarie currently resides in Macedon, NY and is a clinical manager at the University of Rochester Medical Center. Among her many accomplishments, she is a published author and serves on the Editorial Boards of the *American Journal of Interventional Radiology* and *Nurse Education Today*. She also participates on the Advisory Committee of the #EndNurseAbuse Professional Issues Panel of the American Nurses's Association. Congratulations, Valerie!



Lynne Pelo Shopiro, Class of 1982, Aislinn, and Diana Trump Dixie, Class of 2008

Aislinn Lacorozza, Class of 2015, is a Professional Nursing Pathway Recipient. Lynne Pelo Shopiro, Class of 1982, Cardiac Services Administration, and Diana Trump Dixie, Class of 2008, Nurse Manager on 4 North Irving, presented her award. Please congratulate Aislinn when you see her!

Jennifer Conlon Neubauer, Class of 1980 attended the Alumni Spring Luncheon and shared her nursing career highlights. She has worked full-time since graduation. Currently, she is a neonatal nurse practitioner at Nemours Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, a pediatric hospital located in Wilmington, Delaware which is governed by the Nemours Foundation, a non-profit organization created by philanthropist Alfred I. duPont in 1936. Jennifer graduated from the NNP Program at Georgetown University in Washington, DC in 1989 and was our Alumni Treasurer "way back when." It was so fun to catch up with Jennifer and we hope to see her at another luncheon soon!

Lorraine Piacentini, Class of
1987, is a new Crouse Hospital
Nurses Alumni Board member.
She retired from Crouse Hospital
after 31 years, working in the
Emergency Department and OTP.
We welcome Lorraine to our Board!



Jennifer Conlon Neubauer

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Applicant Referral Program Still in Place

by Francine Wojcik, Crouse Hospital Recruitment and Retention Coordinator

We continue to aggressively recruit to fill open nursing positions. Please keep in mind that we still offer the Applicant Referral Program. We are always looking for innovative ideas and ways to recruit talented staff to our hospital. If you have ideas, please let us know! Contact me at (315) 270-8088. Thank you!

Twenty-Five Year Anniversary Tributes

At the Crouse Health 25 Year Club Dinner, held May 10, 2018 at Drumlins, three alumni received their 25 year anniversary tribute.

Jennifer Cross, Class of 1991, Women & Children's Administration

"Jennifer's success comes from her quantity and quality of care she gives to anyone she comes in contact with. She is able to brighten up our days with stories and fun. She should be proud of herself just as she is of her 3 kids. Happy 25 years!"

Marcia Kellog, Class of 1994, Madison Irving Surgery Center

"Marcia has worked at Crouse for 25 years and in that time she has changed departments a few times from Med/ Surg to OB and now to the OR at Madison Irving Surgery Center, but in all that time she has never changed her love for the Dallas Cowboys! She is a loyal fan as well as a loyal employee! In the last 25 years Marcia has raised 3 children, 1 girl and 2 boys. Her love for her kids shows as she always talks about her daughter who is now in college and her boys who are very active with sports. Marcia has a contagious laugh and we are lucky to have her!"

Terry Zahler, Class of 1992, Educational and Professional **Development**

"Terry is dedicated to making others feel special. She's the event planner in our department, making birthdays and other celebrations special. Her professional development expertise allows her to act as council to several departments within the organization. She's

dedicated to Crouse Mission, Vision, and Values, and champions carepassion on a daily basis! When I think of the most caring person I know, I think of Terry. She has enough heart to cover our entire organization."

Congratulations to Jennifer, Marcia and Terry and many, many thanks for your years of service to Crouse Health!



Terry Zahler and husband, Andy, at 25 Year Club Dinner



Jennifer Cross



Marcia Kellog



Terry Zahler

2018 Commencement

The Pomeroy College of Nursing at Crouse Hospital held its 2018 Commencement on Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 2 pm in Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse University. Diplomas were presented to one hundred and five candidates, including 47 December 2017 graduates and 16 anticipated June 2018 graduates. Dean Rhonda Reader presided. Kimberly Boynton, President and CEO of Crouse Hospital, and Betty O'Connor, Chief

Nursing Officer, offered greetings. Margaret
Wells, Dean of the Purcell School of Professional
Studies at LeMoyne College, gave the

Commencement address. Ethan Seidl, Student Speaker, offered remarks. Seven awards were presented. The recessional proceeded down the steps of Hendricks Chapel and out into a joyous celebration on the front lawn under a bright blue sky.

Congratulations, Graduates!

















PCON Graduation Award Recipients, May 2018

Award of Excellence Melissa Cefaliello

Clinical Excellence Kimberly Morris (Dec 2017) and Julia Davidson

The Bill and Sandra Pomeroy Head, Hands and Heart Scholarship Marcelyn Cook and Melissa Cefaliello

Ann Wiles Lifelong Learner
Carlton Gates

Crouse Nurses Alumni Award Irina Onufriychuk

Student Leadership Award Ethan Seidl

CNYNA Outstanding Nursing Student Julia Davidson

Presidents Volunteer Service Awards Caitlinn Jones and Adrianna Quig

Sue Wood Memorial Excellence Award Ashlyn Swanka

> Spirit of Nursing Award Chrystal Behm



The annual Alumni Basket Raffle

– the major fundraiser for the
alumni scholarship program

– will be held in the Crouse
Health cafeteria from Monday,
October 15 – Friday, October 19.
Please come by and participate.
We will have many beautiful and
valuable gift baskets on display
for you to take a chance to win!



Alumni Recipients of The DAISY Award at Crouse Health

Sarah Padgett, Class of 2017, from the Kienzle Family Maternity Center, is our August 2018 DAISY Award winner. Her nominator wrote, "A month ago I left a drug addicted, abusive husband and took our 1 yr. old with me. I then found out that I was pregnant... After I delivered, Sarah made sure I knew that it was up to me who comes in and sees us. She then made sure the other staff knew the situation. She never made me (nor did anyone else) feel like I needed to be ashamed. She just made sure I was safe with my daughter...She really made a stressful time feel more manageable... I could never thank her enough for helping me when I was here at night trying to figure things out and felt very alone. She is one of a kind and I pray I come across more like her in my life."

Congratulations & thanks to Nick Viggiano, RN, Class of 2015, from 6 South Irving, on being the July 2018 DAISY Award winner. Besides writing, "Nick stayed by my side, helping me get through it," a patient used these 14 descriptors in his nomination: phenomenal nurse, extraordinary person, incredible bedside manner, active listener, explained things, answered questions, genuine, kind hearted, caring, easy going, proactive, on time with meds, thoughtful, very personable. Now THAT's Carepassion!

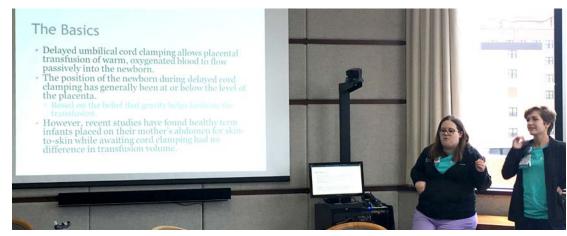
Eric Russell, RN, Class of 2014, from our 6 South Irving Unit, is the **May 2018 recipient of the DAISY Award** for extraordinary nursing. Eric was nominated by a patient who commended his precise skills and confidence in his care. The patient said Eric made her feel like a team member in her care, with wonderful staff to help her get better. She said Eric would always let her know what medicine she was being given and how it would help. The patient added that Eric's confidence in himself and in her helped her have confidence in herself. "Eric is an exceptional nurse, not only for his skills, but for what he brings along with them. Skills you cannot teach, you have to have them within you." Congratulations, Eric, and thank you for living the Crouse mission, vision and values in your patient care every day!

Congratulations to Jason Lyons, RN, Class of 2016, from 6 North Irving, who is our recipient of the April 2018 DAISY Award. Jason was nominated by a patient who was in Jason's care on the day of his lumbar puncture. The patient says the procedure was his worst fear and he was very anxious. He couldn't voice his concerns because of his anxiety, but wrote them down. "As Jason read them, he put a hand on my shoulder," the patient said. "He looked me in the eyes with so much empathy and concern when he said he would take care of me and that I would get through it." The patient commented on Jason's genuine demeanor, saying, "While I was terrified, Jason helped me be brave." The patient said he couldn't have gotten through it without Jason.

Spotlight on Melissa Cefaliello and the NICU Academy

Melissa Cefaliello, a May 2018 graduate of the Pomeroy College of Nursing, has completed the Crouse Hospital NICU Academy. The program provides six intensive weeks of orientation, including lectures, skills training in the classroom, clinical days and guest lecturers. After the completion of the six-week program, Melissa and her fellow orientees are scheduled with an orientor for ten weeks of 1:1 clinical training.

The NICU Academy was successfully launched in March, 2018, following several years of development. Melissa participated in the second academy with ten orientees. Lynn Givas, **Educational Coordinator** in the Department of Educational and Professional Development and one of the Academy's creators, explained that the Academy was created to standardize, organize and offer a comprehensive orientation process for graduates to be equipped with the skills and knowledge to function safely and efficiently in a high level NICU. Two dedicated orientation coordinators, Brenda Harrington, Class of 2005, and Karla Piazza, Class of 1989, have joined the team to provide and support the structure of an academy-style program. The program has



Melissa presenting at the NICU Academy with Jen Swaine, RN

had positive feedback from the NICU staff and providers, as well as the orientees.

Melissa, the May graduation recipient of the Award of Excellence and the Bill and Sandra Pomeroy Head, Hands and Heart Scholarship, always knew that she wanted to practice in a familyoriented setting. As she noted, "In the NICU, family is especially important." She is particularly grateful to Bill and Sandra Pomeroy for their scholarship which supports her current efforts to obtain her BSN through the online program at Pennsylvania State University. Lynn Givas remarked that "Melissa was a pleasure to work with from the start. She was interactive with lectures and guest speakers; she was attentive during skills presentations and always willing to participate. The team is looking forward to having Melissa grow into an expert NICU nurse."

The Academy will be adding an extended program to reflect the 12 month cycle of the residency program (please see Emily Young's article on the residency program at Crouse Hospital). The expanded curriculum includes professional development, communication

skills and tools to assist in coping with a high stress work environment and advanced neonatal care topics. It will also include the S.T.A.B.L.E. program which focuses on the post-resuscitation/pretransport stabilization care of sick newborns and the six assessment parameters of sugar, temperature, airway, blood pressure, lab work, and emotional support. The year



NICU Academy with Crouse Alumni including Carla Piazza RNC, BSN; Brenda Harrington, RN; Melissa Cefaliello, RN; and Maddy Eberle, RN, Class of 2018

concludes with a resuscitation review and mock codes in preparation for attending high risk deliveries.

Congratulations to Melissa and to all recent graduates of the NICU Academy. Your neonatal nursing careers are off to a thriving and robust start!



Nurse Residency Programs at Crouse

by Emily Young, Class of 2011, Educational Coordinator, Department of Educational and Professional Development

The Crouse Health Residency Program began January 1, 2018. Currently, six programs are being offered: a Med-Surg Residency, a Labor and Delivery Residency, a NICU Academy, an ED Academy, an ICU Residency, and a Peri-Operative Academy. Over 100 RNs are enrolled in one of the programs.

The purpose of a residency program is to help new nurses adjust from being students to practicing RNs. Numerous studies show that residency programs not only help with recruitment of new nurses but also help with the retention of nursing staff. This improvement can be attributed to a couple of factors. First would be the way the classes are structured. In traditional orientations, all classes are given in a very short duration and nurses become overwhelmed with the amount of information that they are being given. In residency programs,

classes are spaced out between on-the-unit orientations so that when students come to class, they can reflect on actual patient experiences they have recently had to solidify their learning.

Second, traditional orientation programs tend to focus on handson skills. At Crouse, our residency program

incorporates not only hands-on skills that are specific to each of their nursing units, but also a professional development piece for each class. The purpose of this addition is to allow nurses to improve their professional practice as they begin their new nursing career. Also, including professional development helps to create stronger, more empowered nursing



Respiratory Skills Lab during NICU Academy

leadership that starts from the very beginning of their careers.

We hope this residency program will continue to make nurses at Crouse not only better at the bedside, but also advocates in their nursing profession as well. We are always striving to continue to improve our patient care, as well as to promote the nursing leadership of the future.

In Grateful Appreciation

Linda Sue Thompson has been a Crouse employee for 35 years. Her first job, from 1983-1986, was in Educational Services. She then began her long career as Office Coordinator for the School of Nursing.

One of Linda Sue's responsibilities was to assist the Alumni organization. It wasn't long before she had taken on many different "chores" that needed help. These responsibilities included assisting with collecting dues, keeping track of correspondence that arrived in the mail for the alumni, the multi-thousand newletters mailed three times a year to the alumni members, updating all the names and addresses of members, keeping track of the deaths, maintaining the alumni database, and in more recent years, designing and printing the membership cards. I know the most time-consuming job was in the middle 2000s when the delivery of the newsletter changed from regular mail to e-mail. This project alone took over two years to complete. LindaSue has always offered her expertise for any project Alumni had, doing all of this often after hours and always with a smile.

Beginning in August, Linda Sue will be busy out in her



Linda Sue's Lake Sunrise

kayak, with Rufus, her Airedale, enjoying a well-deserved retirement. As it gets cooler in the fall, she will then be found working with a variety of craft projects for the many craft shows she hopes to participate in. Sounds like a plan for a busy year and a new challenge.

All of us involved with the college will miss seeing her, working with her and knowing she was always available for any one of us.

Forever grateful, Julie Johnson on behalf of the Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni

Carrie Berse

News from the Crouse Health Foundation

by Carrie Berse, President, Crouse Health Foundation

Pomeroy College of Nursing Scholarships Through the generous

Through the generous support of the Crouse Hospital

Nurses Alumni, fifteen scholarships totaling \$7,500 were recently given to Pomeroy College of Nursing students for the 2018-2019 academic year. These awards came from investment income earned by the endowed Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni Fund, and recipients were selected by the school based on academic achievement and financial need. In January, another eight scholarships will be awarded for the 2019 calendar year in the name of Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni from an outright donation of \$5,000 made by the association. These "split" scholarship disbursements academic year versus calendar year - represent the College's goal to have monies available for students entering our program in both the fall and spring semesters. Our students are deeply grateful for this meaningful support, and our heartfelt thanks go to all the alumni whose continued involvement and generosity make these awards possible.

If you would like to learn more about how you can personally assist our students through an outright or estate gift, contact Carrie Berse at the Crouse Health Foundation at (315) 470-7004 or <u>CarrieBerse@Crouse.org</u>. All information will be provided in confidence and with no obligation.

CrouseCares Comprehensive Campaign

The Crouse Health Foundation's CrouseCares Comprehensive Campaign has raised close to \$15 million toward a goal of \$20 million. To-date, this fundraising effort was largely focused on providing support for the establishment of the new Pomeroy Emergency Services Department, which will be complete and open to the public on October 10th. Now, our fundraising efforts going forward will concentrate on plans for the renovation and expansion of the Baker Regional Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Crouse Hospital. More details on this initiative and specific opportunities for support will be shared soon. In the meantime, to learn more about giving to the campaign, please contact the Crouse Health Foundation at (315) 470-7702 or visit crouse.org/crousecares.

Event Updates

The 2018 Crouse Classic Golf
Tournament at Bellevue Country
Club was held on July 16th, netting a
record \$133,000 for new fiber-optic
endoscopes for the Baker Regional
NICU. This state-of-the-art equipment
will support the work of our
neonatologists, gastroenterologists,
nurses, technicians and staff who care

- for between 800 and 1,000 premature and critically-ill babies each year.
- Our second annual Polo for Preemies fundraiser was held on July 29th with more than 1,200 in attendance at the Skaneateles Polo Club. Net proceeds totaled more than \$45,000 and will be used to further the work of the Baker Regional NICU.
- Our 42nd annual Tribute Evening gala on September 21st was sold out as we welcomed 1,200 guests to honor longtime Crouse OB/GYN Dr. William "Bill" Loftus. Dr. Loftus was recognized that night at Syracuse's Oncenter for a career spanning 50 years and the delivery of more than 15,000 babies (in addition to caring for women of all ages.) It is important to note that Dr. Loftus continues to practice and that gives us all another reason to celebrate!

President's Message

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and universities do, in lieu of alumni dues, we ask that you consider a tax-deductible donation – large or small, yearly or one-time – to our Association to support our meaningful scholarship program. Student need for financial assistance continues to grow, as does the impact of Alumni Association scholarships. Thank you for your consideration and for assisting fellow Pomeroy College of Nursing students and the next generation of nurses.

Also, we are recruiting new board members. If you know anyone who is interested, please contact me at kpnurse66@icloud.com.

Over the past year, we have met with graduating seniors, students and staff members at the PCON and examined our goals, by-laws, finances and governance. As our loyal and dedicated alumni, we welcome your feedback, ideas and involvement, too. Crouse Hospital Nurses' Alumni Association has achieved so much and we want its great work to continue.

I look forward to hearing from you and hopefully, meeting many of you at our Spring Luncheon, traditionally held the first Saturday in June. Details to follow!

Thank you. *Kathy*



(L to R) Marcia Crosby Emond, Class of 1966; Beverly Allen Rinefierd, Class of 1988; Olivia Barrett, Class of 2013; and Joan Kingsby Piorun, Class of 1968

activities of the College, with a question and answer period following.



Class of 1955

Spring Luncheon

The 2018 Alumni Spring Luncheon was held at Borio's on Oneida Lake on June 2nd. The Class of 1955 was well-represented with a table filled with lively conversation and laughter. A special thank you to Velma Kirsch for bringing and sharing her albums for all to look at. Also represented were the graduating classes from 1950, 1951, 1954, 1957, 1961, 1966, 1968, 2009 and 2013. A delicious luncheon was served and enjoyed by all. The 50/50 raffle was drawn and Lorraine Piacentini, our newest Board member won. (Under no pressure – honest – Lorraine donated her winnings back to the Alumni Association.) Gifts of "100-Year" pins were given to Janet Dellas, Jo Oliva and Jean Serling for their years of service; a "Happy Retirement" card and gift was given to Linda Sue Thompson from the Alumni Board Members and Kathy Paolini, our incoming President, thanked and presented Julie Johnson, our retiring President, with a card from the Alumni Board. Dean Rhonda Reader and Associate Dean Patty Morgan were also in attendance and enjoyed the festivities. Following lunch, Dean Reader gave an update on the



The 2019 Alumni Spring Luncheon will be held on June 8, 2019 at Vito's Restaurant, East Syracuse (formerly Rico's). Please save the date and join us! It's always a fun and informative time and we'll look forward to seeing you! Details will be forthcoming in the Spring 2019 newsletter.



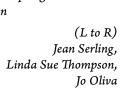
Linda Liegal Tindall, Class of 1966



Linda Sue Thompson



Rhonda speaking at Alumni Spring Luncheon





We Remember... RECENTLY DECEASED

CLASS OF 1942

Margaret Gilmour Steltman ~ July 18, 2017

Upon graduation and before marriage, Margaret worked as a nurse at Oswego Hospital. After raising her family, she returned to nursing for a short time at Albany Medical Center. She was also a volunteer for the Albany area Red Cross and was honored with a 25 year volunteer certificate. She lived in Delmar, NY with her husband, Charles, for 45 years. She moved to Rochester for her final years. She is survived by 3 daughters and a son.

CLASS OF 1943

Evelyn Colman Polge ~ March 25, 2018

In addition to her nursing degree, Evelyn received an Education degree from Syracuse University. She was a supervisor at the Onondaga County Health Department for 25 years, retiring in 1985. She was, at one time, the president of Crouse Hospital Nurses Alumni Association and a member of the NYS Nursing Association. Evelyn enjoyed traveling, and loved to bask in the warmth of the Florida sun.

CLASS OF 1948

Dorothy Schaad Rolince ~ March 18, 2018

Dorothy worked as a registered nurse at Crouse Hospital. She was an avid seamstress and loved spending time with her family. Dorothy was predeceased by her husband of 56 years, Paul Rolince Sr., in 2005; and daughter, Patricia Rood, in 2014. Surviving are four sons.

CLASS OF 1949

Minnie "Arleen" Stewart Lang ~ July 15, 2018

Arleen was born in Sherburne, NY, the youngest of nine children. She worked at Crouse-Irving Memorial and was a caring, determined, and compassionate woman who loved spending time with her family, especially the little ones. She is survived by her husband of 65 years, four sons and two daughters.

CLASS OF 1950

A Theresa Donohue Foley ~ May 16, 2018

After graduating from Crouse, Terry entered the United States Army until 1954 and was stationed at the Walter Reed Military Medical Center. She married Walter Foley in 1955 at Base Chapel II at Ft. Sam Houston. She always looked forward to time spent at their camp in Old Forge where she enjoyed kayaking and skiing in her younger years.

CLASS OF 1953

Nancy Johnson LaQuay ~ June 11, 2018

Nancy was a Nurse Practitioner for NYS at the Public Safety Building in Syracuse and lived in Elbridge for 45 years. Surviving are her husband of 65 years, Richard LaQuay, and two daughters.

CLASS OF 1958

Karen Cogan Woods ~ July 3, 2016

Karen was a nurse for 40 years and maintained her license throughout her lifetime. She and her husband, Fred, moved their family to DeLand, FL, where they were longtime members of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

CLASS OF 1989

Diane Sue McMahon Austin ~ May 6, 2018

Diane was a proud graduate of Crouse School of Nursing and worked many years as a Registered Nurse in various capacities before becoming ill with cancer. Her passions were reading, golf, sailing, music, puzzles, humor, and being with her family and many friends.

CLASS OF 1994

Kimberly Gould Grosso ~ June 8, 2018

Kimberly was employed as an RN for 24 years, most recently at CNY Family Care, East Syracuse. She is survived by her husband of 36 years and two daughters.

CLASS OF 2004

Andrea (Vono) Silver ~ September 12, 2016

Andrea, 34, was employed as an RN at Crouse Hospital for 11 years, most recently on 5 South Irving. She affectionately referred to all the nurses on 5 South as her "second family." She enjoyed listening to music, watching movies, and swimming in her pool. She loved the fall season and especially Halloween! She is survived by her husband, James N. Silver.



Announcing a New Three-Year Dual Degree Program in Nursing

We're very excited to announce that the Pomeroy College of Nursing at Crouse Hospital and Le Moyne College have been approved by the New York State Department of Education to offer a three-year dual degree program in nursing — the first of its kind in Central New York. "Degree in Three" will provide students with dual matriculation at both Pomeroy and Le Moyne colleges, culminating upon completion in an associate in applied science with a major in nursing from Pomeroy and a bachelor of science with a major in nursing from Le Moyne. The program will begin in January 2019. The PCON/Le Moyne partnership is continuing to provide innovative solutions to students that put a focus on clinical experience and academic success. For more information, contact Amy Graham at x17481 or amygraham@crouse.org.





Have You Included the Pomeroy College of Nursing at Crouse Health in Your Will?

If 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.



Send Us Your News!		
Name:	Class:	Year:
Name while attending Crouse Hospital School/College of Nursing:		
E-mail:	-	
News to Share:		
Send your news to: Crouse Hospital Nursing Alumni Association, 736 Irving Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13210 or email Alumni@Crouse.org.		

We look forward to hearing from you!

Fall 2018











Alpha Delta Nu Nursing Honor Society

The Alpha Delta Nu Nursing Honor Society Fall 2018 Induction Ceremony was held on Thursday, September 27.

Twelve current fourth semester students were inducted:

Emilee Anderson Elise Schmidt Jenna Buffaloe Janielle Siver Joshua Smiedy | Vice Melanie Cadin Corey Clark President

Ashlyn David Kandi Stevens

Becky Engell | Secretary Sarah Volcko | President Meghan Kuba

To be eligible for induction students must have a 3.0 GPA and obtain at least a "B" in all nursing courses. This group of students chose to fundraise and participate in the 2018 Heart Walk as their mandatory service project. Congratulations!

