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#### Greetings Alumni and Friends!

One of the IU School of Nursing's greatest and most enduring strengths is its volunteers. They are the ones who allow the school to move beyond the norm, to shine. Margaret Mead, respected cultural anthropologist, once said, "Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Inside this issue you'll see a glimpse of that change – alumni helping students find career paths, supporting the renovation of the School's learning lab or serving on the alumni board. Their involvement makes a positive influence in the lives of students.

Dues-paying members of the Indiana University Alumni Association (IUAA) are a continual source of volunteers for the School. Whether advocating for the University in the legislature, hosting outreach events or mentoring students, we encourage you to take advantage of membership in the IUAA. In addition to financially supporting alumni programs, members receive both IU and the IU School of Nursing alumni publications, gain access to the career services center and connect with alumni nationwide through members-only discounts on programs and events. To the class of 2008, we encourage you to take full advantage of your membership benefits.

Whether you are a new graduate or seasoned alumnus, we invite you to work with us to continue to build a strong and vibrant school. Volunteering means different things to different people but as nurses we know, at its core, volunteering means to make a difference. To the many volunteers at the IU School of Nursing, we thank you. To those of you considering a volunteer opportunity, we welcome and encourage you to join us. When you enrich a student's life, you touch his or her patients for years to come. That's how you change the world, one person at a time.

#### Sincerely,

Marion E. Broome, PhD, RN, FAAN Dean and Distinguished Professor

Cora D. Hartwell, MSN, ANP-C
President, IU School of Nursing Alumni Association



Please visit our Website, **nursing.iupui.edu**, to learn about new faculty members at the School of Nursing.





# TWO PERSPECTIVES ON VOLUNTEERING

#### **MICHELLE TREON**

I'm in a position to be a mentor when I work with nursing students and I enjoy answering their questions, ones that I remember having when I was in their position. I've had many wonderful mentors myself and I enjoy having opportunities to pay that mentorship forward. As secretary for the IU School of Nursing Alumni Association, I volunteer as a way to give back to the IU School of Nursing. I also serve on the student affairs committee in order to connect current students with the alumni population. We organize semester Career Talks by guest speakers so students can learn about the many opportunities in the nursing profession. We also assist with graduation ceremonies and sponsor a congratulatory graduation gift on behalf of the IUAA. Additionally, a member of our committee attends student council meetings to stay connected and informed of how alumni can further enrich our students' education. While reaching out to students, we also volunteer at several IUAA sponsored events throughout the year to re-connect alumni to the School. It's rewarding to be a liaison for those alumni attending Reunion Weekend, and I always enjoy hearing their stories about Ball Gardens and how the School "used to be". Remembering our history and learning how far we have progressed, that connection between student and alumnus, will help our current students become better informed nurses and future school ambassadors.

#### **MARGARET PANNELL**

Why do I volunteer? This question was initially posed in relation to my involvement with the IUSON Alumni Association. I was introduced to the benefits of volunteering long before I obtained my nursing degree from IU; however, with my IUSON education and subsequent career in nursing, I saw more opportunities to provide meaningful community service. In 1987, I was inducted into the Eta Chi Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. This is a national service organization composed of professional and student nurses. Guided by our motto, "Service for Humanity," I have been involved in presenting community-based programs addressing minority health issues, worked in shelter clinics and collaborated with other health related agencies to address the needs of the Indianapolis community. Chi Eta Phi is also committed to promoting and supporting the profession of nursing. To that end, Eta Chi Chapter has been very active in generating funds for nursing scholarships. Once a year, we host a scholarship benefit entitled, "Flip Side". Over the past 23 years, this event has enabled Eta Chi to distribute over \$100,000 in nursing scholarships. We have also established an IUSON scholarship: The Eta Chi Scholar. This award is given annually to the minority applicant with the highest GPA. I now view my involvement with the Alumni Association as the missing piece in my community service repertoire. As a member of the Alumni Board, I have an opportunity to participate in and support the continued growth and development of the School of Nursing while keeping abreast of the needs and concerns of nursing students. If my small efforts can make a difference in one life, then my time has been well spent.

## Are you interested in volunteering for the IU School of Nursing?

If so, return this form to: Danny Kibble, Director of Alumni Programs

IUPUI Office of Alumni Relations 850 West Michigan Street, Suite 241 Indianapolis, Indiana 46202-5198

Name:	Email:
Phone Number:	Best way to contact you: (Email or Phone)

#### I would be interested in:

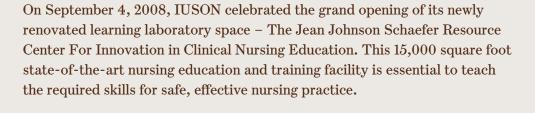
- O Hosting an alumni event
- Serving on my class reunion planning committee
- O Serving on the interview portion of the BSN admission process
- Mentoring a student
- O Becoming a guest speaker in a class or career-information session at the IU School of Nursing
- Serving on a fundraising committee
- O Participating in Hoosiers for Higher Education
- O Participating in the IUSON oral history project

You can also fill out this form online at www.alumni.iupui.edu/nursingalum.html



# **MAKING** a Difference

The Jean Johnson Schaefer **Resource Center For** Innovation in Clinical **Nursing Education Opens** 



The facility has four distinct areas -

#### LEARNING RESOURCES SKILLS CENTER

Ten teaching cubicles built to resemble a hospital setting provide space for students to learn and practice basic psychomotor skills.

#### SIMULATION IMMERSION UNIT

The unit contains four high technology rooms with a control center located behind one-way glass so that students can be immersed in simulations without being able to see faculty. Simulations can be viewed for real-time analysis by students in a classroom or one of the four debriefing rooms. These simulations are recorded for later review by faculty and students.

#### PHYSICAL EXAMINATION SUITE

The suite gives nurse practitioner students the opportunity to learn physical assessment skills using patient simulators or hired simulated patients. Six examination rooms replicate authentic exam areas found in a physician's office.

#### **COMPUTER CLASSROOMS**

Two computer classrooms are dedicated to teaching and simulation.

The Resource Center for Innovation in Clinical Nursing Education enables IUSON to provide students with the knowledge, competency and skill sets needed to work in today's complex healthcare environments. A renovation of this magnitude would not have been possible without the generosity of the following individuals who made individual gifts over \$10,000:

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We are grateful for all gifts in support of the new lab space and there are many more individuals to whom we are thankful but, unfortunately, do not have the space to include here.

If you would like a take a tour of the new facility, please contact Janet McCully, 317-274-4293 or jmccully@iupui.edu







## **ALUMNI** in Practice

Having earned her doctorate from the IU School of Nursing in 1990, Dr. Joanne Warner's nursing career has varied from educator to clinician and from author to policy analyst. She served as Dean of the Indiana University East School of Nursing from 1996-2002 and then as Associate Dean for Graduate Studies for the IU School of Nursing on the IUPUI campus. In June of 2007 Warner was appointed Dean and Professor of Nursing at the University of Portland. In her interview, Dr. Warner shares her thoughts on volunteerism, the future of nursing, and the fond memories she holds of her alma mater.

#### What made you want to become an educator in the academic environment as opposed to a clinical nurse educator or the multitude of options available to nurses?

With each advanced degree, I marveled at the widening sphere of influence. My sense was moving from influencing the health of individuals to that of communities – and then with my doctorate in health policy, I knew that effective public policy could change the world significantly by the options it made available and by the values it puts into play. Serving in the role of educator provides a similar extension of influence. By facilitating learning in a cohort of students, I could impact not only their lives and development but the health and lives of all those they serve year after year.

# Why did you choose the IUSON for your graduate studies?

IUSON was the first school in the nation to offer a doctorate in health policy (within a school of nursing). In 1985, I was in the first cohort of students. The five of us had an impact on the development and refinement of the program. I was the first graduate of the program – an honor that has always had significance to me.

#### What is your favorite memory while at IU?

The day before I wrote my qualifying exam for my doctorate, I received the journal with my first published article. Excitedly telling my faculty about my publication colored my day with pride and confidence!

#### How are you still connected to IUSON?

I often call upon the experts I know, recommending them to others as consultants or resources. I write chapters for books and renew conversations at national meetings. Hearing from the doctoral students about their dissertation progress and professional plans renews my spirit about nursing's future.

#### *In your opinion, what is the current status of the nursing profession?*

If you listen to the media, you'll hear phrases like 'embattled workforce', 'compassion fatigue' or 'deficit of crisis proportions'. Not cheery news. However, I believe the nursing profession is the best potential fix for a broken health care system. I draw hope and confidence for nursing from a variety of directions. I know that great nursing schools are preparing graduates to not only work adroitly in our system, but to improve and refine it. My most persistent hope lives in the belief that nursing is a sacred act and honor. It is the fulfillment that disregards dire predictions, believes in a transformed system where nursing fully offers its gifts and lives as though you are all that matters in this very moment.

#### What can IUSON alumni do to help the next generation of nurses?

They can wear their nursing image boldly as they volunteer, work, vote, speak up and join with others as we live our nursing values. IUSON alumni can serve as the ethical, scholarly and compassionate shoulders that our new graduates and novice nurses stand on as they continue advancing health and the profession.

#### Why is volunteer service important to you?

Service is our professional responsibility to contribute to society what nursing has to offer. One of my favorite examples of service was leadership and ongoing involvement in the Friends Committee on National Legislation. That

occurred at the intersection of my public health interests, nursing focus and faith-based ideals. It was a chance for a nurse to be the visible leader and voice of a national group, and a chance for me to bring my nursing skills of communication, consensus building, and organization into the workings of a multidisciplinary group. Those lobbying visits and policy discussions richly informed my teaching and my scholarship, and that is the best aspect of service.



## **ALUMNI** News & Events

## **REFLECTIONS...ONE YEAR AFTER GRADUATION**

#### Jordan P. Hobbs (BSN '07)

"I've had professors who want to teach and are effective at it," he says. "The caliber of the professors and nurses is such that they transform students. I think most students don't recognize themselves when they graduate."

## Cassandra L. Harriman (BSN '07)

"I will never forget my first clinical group," she says. "I found that the best resource wasn't the newest technology or the most detailed drug resource guide - it was my fellow nursing students, who were always supportive."

# 2009 Nursing Reunion SAVE THE DATE!

**Nursing Reunion Weekend** 2009 is May 15 and 16! We will be celebrating special anniversary years for those classes ending in "4" and "9". Want to help us plan YOUR class reunion? Please contact Danny Kibble, Director of Alumni Programs, at dikibble@iupui.edu or toll free (866) 267-3104.



#### 2008 NURSING REUNION

On May 16 and 17, 2008, over 100 graduates and friends of the IU School of Nursing returned to campus to celebrate and rediscover the IU School of Nursing. "Rediscover the IU School of Nursing" tour, one of the most popular events of the weekend, gave our alumni the chance to see the newly renovated Resource Center for Innovation in Clinical Nursing. Current undergraduates (including volunteers Karen Smith and Sarah Shank, both from the Class of 2009) served as hosts as our returning alumni once again filled the halls of the IUSON. The weekend's other activities included tours of downtown Indianapolis, wonderful meals, an all-alumni reception on the rooftop of the new IUPUI Campus Center, and a tour of the new IU Melvin & Bren Simon Cancer Hospital.

Cora Hartwell, President, IU School of Nursing Alumni Association, emceed the annual Alumni Recognition Luncheon as those class years celebrating their reunion (1948, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1983, and 1993) were recognized. The 2008 IU School of Nursing Alumni Association Award Recipients were also honored: Distinguished Alumni Award, Victoria Lee Champion; President's Award, Patricia Paton; and Special Recognition Award, Dr. Mimi A. McKay. Congratulations to our recipients and our celebratory years!





# ALUMNI RETURN TO THE CLASSROOM

Alumni volunteers return to the IU School of Nursing throughout the year to expose students to different fields of nursing. They provide an insider's point of view on their nursing disciplines and "real-world" experiences. Alumni who returned this year to share their stories included Sara Avery (BSN '98), pictured left, a flight and ER nurse, Ron Kraus (BSN '96), flight nurse and clinical educator, Grace Schoonveld (BSN '79), Case Manager at IU Hospital, and Chad Priest (BSN '99), Associate, Baker & Daniels.

If you are interested in returning to the IU School of Nursing for a "Career Talk" to talk about your experiences and answer questions, please contact Danny Kibble, Director of Alumni Programs, at djkibble@iupui.edu or toll free (866) 267-3104, or Chandra Dyson, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, at cbaskin@iupui.edu or (317) 274-8094.

### MNRS ANNUAL LUNCHEON - March 2008

Dean Marion Broome, the IU School of Nursing Faculty, and the IU School of Nursing Alumni Association hosted a luncheon during the Midwest Nursing Research Society's 2008 Conference in Indianapolis, March 29, 2008, to recognize those alumni who are committed to nursing research. Held at the Indiana Statehouse Atrium, the attendees included (L to R): Coral Smith (student); Nancy Edwards, (MSN '84); and Marsha Ellet, (MSN '87). The 2009 conference will be held in Minneapolis. We look forward to seeing you there!



# Nursing Words of Wisdom

During Nursing Reunion Weekend 2008, alumni were given the opportunity to provide advice for students and nursing alumni by writing messages of luck and hope. Here are a few of those messages:

"Do your best, and always remember how you will help society." Betty Barnett (Class of '53)

"Hang in there and learn everything you can. Then remember that when you graduate, you have just begun to learn." Esther Macklin (Class of '58)

"Nursing is full of changes, challenges and opportunities. Stay prepared and enjoy the ride! It's a profession." Elizabeth Brown (Class of '63)

"Remember that a large part of nursing is teaching – patients, their families, younger nurses, and sometimes each other. It's called growth, and it can be wonderful." Phyllis Breen Cogan (Class of '68)



# Happy 100!

In 2008, five graduates from IU School of Nursing celebrate a special milestone – their 100th birthday!

Nellie M. Burns (Class of 1929) - July 25 Anah L. Dickison (Class of 1938) - December 11 Geneva R. Fugate (Class of 1930) - October 18 Esther G. Fox (Class of 1929) - September 23 Arzelia H. Shultz (Class of 1931) - July 7

# The IU School of Nursing - Defining Indiana University Breakthroughs

Marion Broome, Dean, IU School of Nursing, is leading our school in shaping the future of our nation's health education and research initiatives. Throughout this year, Dean Broome traveled to Dallas, Los Angeles and San Diego for inspiring and thought-provoking discussions on "Indiana University's Breakthroughs in Nursing." These tours presented perfect opportunities for area alumni and friends from the IU School of Nursing and local Indiana University Alumni Association Chapters to gather and learn about the recent accomplishments of their alma mater. Attendees in Dallas included Lynn Asher (Norman), (BSN '81) and Lily Yee Teng, (BSN '76). Later this year, Dean Broome will be visiting Phoenix, Washington, D.C., and several spots in Florida. If you are interested in volunteering as a host in one of these areas, please contact Danny Kibble, Director of Alumni Programs, at djkibble@iupui.edu or toll free (866) 267-3104.





# Join fellow IU School of Nursing alumni and friends at the IUAA's 21st annual Homecoming Luncheon

Saturday, Oct. 25, 10-11:30 a.m., Hoosier Village, behind DeVault Alumni Center, 1000 E. 17th St., Bloomington, Ind.

Enjoy live music, great food, games, and a special reserved section for the IU School of Nursing. For reservations, contact Danny Kibble, director of alumni programs, at (317) 274-2289, toll-free (866) 267-3104, or djkibble@iupui.edu. Members of the IU Alumni Association receive discounted admission!





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For additional information email: www.alumni.iupui.edu or email ssdavis@iupui.edu or call Stefan Davis at 317-274-2317 or toll free at 866-267-3104.





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