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Congratulations to the 2007 Cohort!

Message from the National Program Office (NPO):

The leadership seminar in Atlanta last week was a great success and it was wonderful to see the fellowship network in action. With 60 fellows and 100 alumni in attendance it was quite an impressive group! In addition, to the seminar content speakers, fellows and alumni had the opportunity to hear from John Lumpkin, Sue Hassmiller and Maryjoan Ladden from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation as well as the staff from the new program office at the Center for Creative Leadership. The 2007 cohort was honored with wonderful remarks from National Advisory Committee member Sheldon King who imparted his wisdom and humor on the cohort during their celebration ceremony on Saturday night. Please join the NPO in once again in congratulating the 2007 Cohort!

Have You Heard?

Judy Beal ('08) received a RWJ Early Careers in Nursing Award for \$120,000.

Ann Cary ('08) was elected chair of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities, Jesuit Colleges of Nursing Programs, a 20 member group of Jesuit Deans representing Jesuit Schools of Nursing in the US. She was elected to the Medical Center of Louisiana Foundation Board of Directors, located in New Orleans, LA.

Bill Cody ('03) was appointed founding dean of the Andrew Blair College of Health at Queens University of Charlotte. The college is funded by a \$7 million gift and will include the present school of nursing.

Martha Dawson ('01) successfully defended her doctorate research thesis on Charge Nurses' Perceptions of Career Mobility Barriers. She will receive her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) from Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University on May 16, 2010. She was also named the Principal Investigator for the Workforce Diversity Grant at the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing.

Lynne Dunphy ('09) was elected to the Board of Directors, Nat'l Org of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF).

Carolyn Farrell ('01) was appointed as a Consultant to the Community of Genetic Educators (CoGE) at the NIH Genome Institute. <http://www.nature.com/scitable/content/Online-Community-for-Genetic-Educators-At-the-139529>

Margaret Flinter ('02) developed a model for Nurse Practitioners Residency Program's that has been used in the Health Care Reform bill (Section 5316). The development of the concept was refined during her work as an Executive Nurse Fellow. Margaret is passionate in her belief that Nurse Practitioners are critical players in addressing the provision of quality primary care. She has noted that unlike their primary care physician colleagues, nurse practitioners have had to assume their roles in primary care without the benefit of formal post-graduate residency training programs.

Margaret Frankhauser ('04) has been appointed Chief Executive Officer for Central NH VNA & Hospice, the product of a merger of her previous organization, Community Health & Hospice, and the VNA Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity. The merger materials have been submitted to the state of NH for review, and the execution date is expected to be in the late spring 2010.

Mary Ellen Glasgow ('09) has been appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Princeton HealthCare System, in Princeton, NJ.

Jennie Chin Hansen (NAC) was chosen as the new Chief Executive Officer of the American Geriatrics Society (AGS). http://www.americangeriatrics.org/news/jch_031710.shtml

Barbara Heller ('98) has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the World Trade Center Institute of Maryland. She continues to serve as a member of the Board of MedStar Health and as a member of Senator Benjamin Cardin's Health Care Advisory Committee.

Peggy Hewlett ('00) was elected to the AACN Board of Directors for a two-year term; Will receive the Medical Georgia of Georgia Distinguished Alumna of the Year from the School of Nursing this month.

Karen Hill ('00) completed Doctorate in Nursing Practice degree from the University of Kentucky on 3/31/2010.

Jeanette Ives Erickson ('98) senior vice president for Patient Care and chief nurse, received the Chancellor's Award for Longstanding Community Commitment and Service from the University of Massachusetts (UMass) Boston on March 25. The honor recognizes her efforts to promote diversity in nursing and her role in facilitating an alliance between Partners HealthCare and the UMass Boston's College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Through this collaboration, a nursing leadership development and scholarship initiative has been created that, to date, has helped nearly 40 students of diverse backgrounds to advance their education at UMass Boston. In addition, the award recognizes her ongoing commitment to both the local and global communities.

Mary Lou Manning ('03) is the President-elect. Association for Professional in Infection Control and Epidemiology, Chapter 15.

Marcia Maurer ('04) – Dean of Nursing at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) is the recipient of a \$500,000 appropriation from Senator Durbin to launch a regional nursing program in Carbondale Illinois approximately 200 miles south of SIUE. This initiative will provide baccalaureate nursing education for rural southern Illinois. Senator Durbin will make the presentation Wednesday, April 7th to the University President and Dean Maurer at the SIU Carbondale campus. This will enable SIUE to admit an additional 40 pre-nursing students annually in addition to the 160 admitted annually at the Edwardsville campus. In addition, this fall the School will be launching the DNP program at SIUE.

Barbara Wadsworth ('09) was appointed to serve on the Gift of Life Donor Program's Medical Advisory and Policy Board (MAPB) for a three year term of 2010-2013.

We are pleased to announce that a number of our program alumni are newly elected members of AACN's Executive Committee & Nominating Committee: **Jane Kirschling ('00)**, DNS, RN, FAAN, dean of the University of Kentucky College of Nursing, assumed the role of AACN President-Elect and will serve as President from 2012-2014. **Juliann G. Sebastian ('98)**, PhD, RN, FAAN, dean of the University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Nursing, was elected to the AACN Board as Secretary. Two new Members-at-Large were elected to the AACN Board this year, including **Peggy O. Hewlett ('00)**, PhD, RN, FAAN, dean of the University of South Carolina College of Nursing. Newly elected members to AACN's Nominating Committee also were announced at the Spring Annual Meeting and include **Paulette Burns ('05)**, PhD, RN, dean of the Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences at Texas Christian University.

Publications and Media

Judy Beal ('08) Article in Press: "Public Service: Experienced Nurses' Views on Social and Civic Responsibility" To be published by Nursing Outlook next month. Co-authored with Joan M Riley, EdD

Ann Cary ('08) was featured in a press release about the first DNP program in Louisiana, initiating the first cohort of 25 Doctor of Nursing Practice students, May 2010. She also delivered a presentation at the AACN Clinical Nurse Leader National meeting in San Diego, Ca : Redesigning Health Care post Katrina- the role of the CNL.

Jody Crastek ('05) presented on the following topics: "Perinatal Hospice" at the Palliative Care Education Course at Harvard, in November 2009; " Of course you can do Peds- you just need retooling" at the Hospice and Palliative Care Nurses and Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine annual conference in March 2010; "High Impact, Low Frequency" at the Hospice Minnesota annual conference in April 2010; and Training sessions for groups wanting to set up Pediatric Palliative Care programs in July 2009, Sept 2009, January 2010 and March 2010. In addition, Jody is co-author of "Just in Time Guide. A Primer for Pediatric Palliative Care at Home" - a manual for hospice home care nurses who are asked to care for children in the community.

Carolyn Farrell ('01) was included in Transformational Leadership, Commitment to Community Education (with a photo on the cover with a West Point cadet), and Research sections and the Roswell park Cancer Institute publication (https://www.roswellpark.org/files/1_2_1/pubs/Colon-Tip-Sheet-11-5-09.pdf) to promote the Colorectal Cancer Risk Management Clinic (a collaborative initiative with Annette Sunga, MD – Cancer Prevention, & Carolyn Farrell, Director – Clinical Genetics). She was also interviewed on "Roswellness" Radio: "Genetic Testing & Colorectal Cancer Risk" <http://www.roswellpark.org/media/audio/dr-carolyn-farrell-genetic-testing-and-colorectal-cancer-risk> ([Roswellness-Farrell-Genetics.mp3](#)). Her photo is among featured professionals of Roswell Park Cancer Institute as part of Roswell's new overhead banner spanning one of the 3 main panels in the foyer/security area at Buffalo Niagara International airport (so if you come to Buffalo, look her "up"!) Carolyn also presented "Genetics/Genomics: Emerging Impact & Issues in the Public Health" lecture via distance arrangement to graduate students of Lillian Rivera, PhD's class at Florida International University, as well as in-person for graduate Nursing faculty & students at SUNY Buffalo School of Nursing.

Karen Hill ('00) authored "Building Leadership Teams" JONA (2010) 40(3), 103-105. Check out this article since it highlights our very own Maryann Fralic, DrPh, RN, FAAN including her lessons learned in several of her leadership roles with strengthening teams.

Manning, M.L., & Grosso, D., Doctor of Nursing Practice students advocating for health care access, quality and reform: From the classroom to Capitol Hill. *Journal of Nursing Education*. Accepted for publication April 2010.

Choi, B., & **Manning, M. L.** (2010). The immunization status of home schooled children in America. *Journal of Pediatric Health Care*, 24:1, 42-47.

Bolden, L. V., & **Wicks, M. N.** (2010). Predictors of mental health, subjective burden, and rewards in family caregivers of patients with chronic liver disease, *Archives of Psychiatric Nursing*, 24(2), 89-103.

Obesity Initiative

Recognition for Childhood Obesity Prevention Project:

On Tuesday March 16, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners recognized three work groups that exemplify the County's mission of effective, responsive and efficient government. The **Honoring Effective Responsive Outstanding Efficient Service (HEROES) Award** is given each year to a collaborative group that is highly successful and creates valuable partnerships.

A workgroup lead by **Bonnie Brueshoff, ('06)** cohort received a HEROES award for the LANA program, which was a component of her RWJ Childhood Obesity Prevention project. In 2009 the Dakota County Public Health Department piloted a research-tested preschool nutrition program called LANA (Learning About Nutrition through Activities) with 75 licensed home childcare providers and the 500 children and families they served. LANA is a policy and environmental change intervention that promotes fruit and vegetable consumption using daily menu changes, weekly tasting and cooking activities, monthly curriculum theme units and periodic family events – all made fun with the help of puppet "LANA the Iguana." In the research phase at follow up, children in the intervention condition ate significantly more vegetables at lunch, and fruits and vegetables at snack, than controls. Now in 2010 LANA has been expanded to include Head Start and school district preschool programs serving high-risk families in Dakota County. The Minnesota Department of Health is also rolling out the LANA program to other Minnesota counties statewide.

Opportunities

ANA has a Senior Policy Fellow position available in Nursing Practice and Policy (see link below). The focus of this position is research and translating research into policy.

<http://www.nursingworld.org/FunctionalMenuCategories/AboutANA/WhoWeAre/ANAJobs/Sr-Policy-Fellow-NPP.aspx>

Call for applications for the 2011 APHA Public Health Fellowship in Government The American Public Health Association (APHA) would like to announce the call for applications for the [2011 APHA Public Health Fellowship in Government](#). This is fourth year that APHA is offering this fellowship which has been described as an “amazing” and “phenomenal” experience by previous fellows. Candidates must have strong public health credentials and be interested in spending one year in Washington, D.C. working in a congressional office on legislative and policy issues related to health, the environment or other public health concerns. The fellowship will begin in January 2011 and continue through December 2011. The fellowship provides a unique learning experience and demonstrates the value and need for basing policy on sound science. Throughout the year, the fellow will gain a practical knowledge of government and how the public policy process works. Applications and additional information are available at <http://www.apha.org/advocacy/fellowship/>. The application, including a CV and three letters of recommendation, are due to APHA by May 17, 2010. All candidates: must be APHA members ([membership information](#)), have five years experience as a public health professional beyond graduate or medical training, a graduate degree in a public health or a related discipline. For more information, please feel free to contact me at susan.polan@apha.org or (202)777-2510.

At-Large Nursing Representative seat on the Joint Commission’s Board of Commissioners The Joint Commission’s Board of Commissioners is looking for one or more potential candidates to fill the At- Large Nursing Representative seat on the Joint Commission’s Board of Commissioners that will become vacant at year-end. The individual selected would be a full voting member of the Board and serve an initial three-year term beginning on January 1, 2011. He or she would be eligible to serve two additional three-year terms, if re-appointed. The Criteria for the Selection of the At-Large Nursing Member for the Board of Commissioners are attached. The ideal candidate would have personal characteristics that demonstrate the potential for constructive and substantive contribution to the mission of The Joint Commission; relevant clinical background; and the ability and the willingness to represent The Joint Commission and its interests to outside groups in which the individual enjoys prominence and respect. Assumption of the responsibilities of this voluntary position would require the commitment of approximately 8-10 days annually to Board meetings and related activities. All expenses related to service by individuals on the Board of Commissioners are covered by The Joint Commission. Information regarding The Joint Commission can be found on their Web site at www.jointcommission.org. A special Board Committee is overseeing the solicitation and selection process for the new At-Large Nursing Representative. The Committee will review the nominees this coming fall and make its recommendations to the Board of Commissioners at its November 2010 meeting. The Board is expected to take final action to conclude this selection process at that time. Completed nomination cover sheets together with current biographical information should be submitted to Ms. Elissa Hawley, Manager in the Department of Board and Committee Activities, by Friday, May 7, 2010. Please note that a curriculum vitae or resume for each nominee is required.

Debra Toney (06) President of the National Black Nurses Association will host their 38th Annual Institute and Conference in San Diego, CA, August 3-8-2010. The Second cohort of the Founders Leadership Institute will be held during the conference. For more information please view the website at www.nbna.org

Charleen Tachibana ('09) will be hosting the Transforming Nursing Care Delivery Seminar at Virginia Mason Institute in Seattle, WA. *Leading the Transformation of Health Care: Virginia Mason’s Experience Applying the Toyota Production System in Nursing*
May 25, 2010 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
May 26, 2010 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
For more information go to: www.VirginiaMason.org/VM

Spitfire Strategies

Click on the following link to see what Spitfire Strategies is offering for the first quarter of 2010. You can also sign-up to receive the Spitfire Newsletter directly:

http://campaign.constantcontact.com/render?v=001bNszPz862Yx-kf4xNX2qlsh2p9PqMn8l4yJTrQ-MLgcFlqhQD651eD8uPIQdCbrqVjwAnZvWomB3INQBsbizvUCwzk_8qsiolz6y3RHFPXhSHBhYb6U5A%3D%3D

Job Postings

Dean, School of Nursing - University of California, San Francisco

The University of California, San Francisco, one of the world's premier health sciences institutions, invites applications and nominations for the Dean of the UCSF School of Nursing. The School of Nursing, like the other three schools and the graduate division at UCSF, consistently attracts the highest quality students and has achieved an international reputation for excellence in research, education and service. The new Dean will be an accomplished, energetic individual, with a substantial history of decisive and innovative leadership, who will advance the School's commitment to combining research and scholarship with high quality clinical education at the graduate level. S/he will be expected to

find new ways to sustain the growth of the school and to lead initiatives to expand the revenue base and control expenses. The Dean is responsible for identifying, in conjunction with the faculty, priorities and the allocation of resources to meet those priorities. The ideal candidate would be a nursing leader of national prominence with the ability and stature to address the challenges facing nursing education and eager to provide a vision to achieve the School of Nursing's ambitious goals. Further information can be found at: <http://nurseweb.ucsf.edu/index.shtml>. Nominees and applicants should hold a degree in nursing and a PhD or equivalent professional degree or experience and demonstrate scholarly distinction appropriate for a tenured appointment in the School. Significant experience in nursing education and research is expected. The search committee will review candidates immediately and continue until a new appointment is made. **TO APPLY** Applications should be sent electronically to UCSFNursing@imsearch.com. For any questions or to discuss the position, please contact Michael A. Baer 202-682-1504 or Stephanie Fidel 617-933-1896.

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