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ONE LEGACY AT A TIME*

*2008 NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS CEREMONY
Friday, October 17th, 2008*

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Michigan State University

East Lansing, Michigan



Order of Ceremony

Welcome and Introductions

KATHLEEN SCHWARTZ, CON BSN '71
*Mistress of Ceremony
Chair, College of Nursing Board of Visitors*

Dinner and Soft Music

THE NICHOLS TRIO

Guest Speakers

DAVID BAILEY, BSN Class of 2009
TIMIKA FOSTER, MSN Class of 2009
MELODEE VANDEN BOSCH, PhD Class of 2012

Carol E. Franck Nursing Leadership Award

MARY MUNDT, PhD
Dean and Professor

Presentation of Alumni Awards

SHARON BUURSMA, CON BSN '65
President, College of Nursing Alumni Association

LYN O'CONNOR, CON MSN '85
*Secretary, College of Nursing Alumni Association
Chair, Awards Committee*

Presentation of Faculty Awards

BARBARA GIVEN, PhD
*Associate Dean for Research
Director of the Doctoral Program
University Distinguished Professor*

Presentation of Student Scholarships

REGINA TRAYLOR
Director of Student Affairs

Closing Remarks

MARY MUNDT, PhD
Dean and Professor

Adjournment

Faculty and Leadership Awards

Carol Barthel Spirit Award

Carol Barthel, MSN, RN, was a member of the College of Nursing community for only a few years; however, her impact on the faculty and students will long be remembered. After teaching courses on mental health and psychology for four semesters, cancer took Carol's life on February 15, 2001.

This award is given to faculty and staff members who contribute positively to the climate of the College of Nursing by: encouraging others in their work, facilitating conflict resolution and a positive climate, promoting collegiality, mentoring others, exhibiting a positive approach to problem solving, supporting the development of others and strongly advocating for the College and University.

DENISE SAINT ARNAULT, PhD
Associate Professor

Billie Diane Gamble Undergraduate Faculty Teaching Excellence/ Enrichment Award

Billie Gamble was a teacher and mentor in the College of Nursing for many years. Her contributions to the careers and lives of thousands of students will be long remembered.

This award, established by friends, colleagues, and former students of Billie, is presented to a faculty member who demonstrates sustained excellence in undergraduate teaching.

LAURA FREIDHOFF, MD
Assistant Professor

Majorie A. Holmes College of Nursing Faculty Enrichment Endowed Award

Marjorie A. Holmes (CON BSN '60) entered the BSN completion program in 1957. It allowed her to attend college part-time while working to support her family. Marjorie spent many years as a nursing administrator and was actively involved in recruiting and retaining nurses in many organizations. In addition to this award, she has also established the Marjorie A. Holmes Undergraduate Endowed Nursing Student Scholarship and the Marjorie A. Holmes Endowed Graduate Student Scholarship.

This award recognizes and encourages innovative and creative scholarly activity. Its purpose is to assist faculty in obtaining advanced educational experiences and to promote the production of dissemination of knowledge by supporting faculty research and initiatives.

ESTHER BAY, PhD
Assistant Professor

Carol E. Franck Nursing Leadership Endowed Award

The Carol E. Franck Nursing Leadership Award was established in 1999 by friends and relatives of Carol's, honoring her retirement as Executive Director of the Michigan Nurses Association.

This award continues to advance Carol's work as a leader and lifelong advocate for the profession of nursing. By honoring nurses who have taken an active role in representing nursing and nurses to a wider public, the Carol E. Franck Nursing Leadership Award focuses on advocacy as a critical element of nursing leadership.

CAROLE A. STACY, MSN, MA, RN
*Vice President of Career Services
Michigan Health Council*

Alumni Awards

Distinguished Alumni Award

Since 1972, the College of Nursing Alumni Association has presented accomplished nursing alumni with the association's highest honors of recognition: Distinguished, Service, and Recent Graduate Alumni Awards.

The Distinguished Alumni Award recognizes nursing leaders who have attained the highest level of professional accomplishments, and/or has advanced the profession through practice, research, education, or administration. Recipients must have demonstrated community service on a local, state, national, or international level.

BERNADETTE MARQUEZ, CON BSN '80
Co-Founder, The Timothy and Bernadette Marquez Foundation
Co-Founder, The Denver Scholarship Fund

Alumni Service Award

Since 1972, the College of Nursing Alumni Association has presented accomplished nursing alumni with the association's highest honors of recognition: Distinguished, Service, and Recent Graduate Alumni Awards.

The Alumni Service Award recognizes alumni whose dedicated work and exemplary service have benefited society, and the profession of nursing. Recipients must have demonstrated community service on a local, state, national, or international level.

MICHELLE SCOTT, CON BSN '95
Chief Executive Officer, Voices for Health, Incorporated

Recent Graduate Achievement Award

Since 1972, the College of Nursing Alumni Association has presented accomplished nursing alumni with the association's highest honors of recognition: Distinguished, Service, and Recent Graduate Alumni Awards.

The Recent Graduate Achievement Award recognizes nursing alumni who graduated within the past 10 years and who have obtained a level of professional accomplishments including but not limited to: contributions to employer, history of promotion, military accomplishments, continued education, or published work. Recipients must have demonstrated community service on a local, state, national, or international level.

SARAH WITT, CON BSN '03
Staff Educator, Northwestern Memorial Hospital

Endowed Student Scholarships

Nancy Ann Mulrenan Agents Nursing Endowed Scholarship

Long remembered for her dedication to the field of nursing, exemplified in an unyielding commitment to the pursuit of excellence, this scholarship was established in the memory of Nancy Ann Mulrenan Agents (CON BSN '69) who died unexpectedly in 1994.

It provides financial assistance to deserving students in the College's RN to BSN program who have maintained a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

YULIYA VRETTOS, BSN Class of 2010

Carol Robinson Beals Nursing Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship has been established to honor Dr. Carol Robinson Beals (CON BSN '72). President of the Beal Institute, Carol is a medical doctor whose practice specializes in rheumatology. Today, the Beal Institute is an important healthcare provider for the state of Michigan.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students on a basis of academic achievement. Recipients must maintain a minimum 3.3 grade point average. Preference is given to students who are permanent residents of a rural area in the state of Michigan. Residents from the greater Midwest are also eligible for consideration.

ELIZABETH ADKINS, BSN Class of 2009

KYLE BARDEN, BSN Class of 2009

ALLISON WIELGOS, BSN Class of 2009

BRENT ZUKOFF, BSN Class of 2009

College of Nursing Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship

The Michigan State University College of Nursing Alumni Association provides opportunities for alumni to maintain lifelong engagement with the College.

This scholarship was established to demonstrate the College of Nursing Alumni Association's continuing commitment to the support and encouragement of future nurses in their pursuit of academic excellence. It provides financial assistance to students who maintain sound academic achievements and who have demonstrated leadership involvement in external community activities.

MICHAEL HILL, BSN Class of 2009

DEBORAH WEBSTER, BSN Class of 2009

Helen Calder Endowed Nursing Scholarship

This scholarship was created by Ralph Calder, an architect who was involved in the design of 54 buildings on Michigan State University's campus. He established this endowed scholarship in memory of his wife, Helen, with the intent of honoring the nursing care that she received while battling a long illness.

It provides financial assistance to students whose permanent residence is in the state of Michigan and who have maintained a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

ALLISON ATCHOO, BSN Class of 2009
KATHRYN BALBIERZ, BSN Class of 2009
COREY BORISCH, BSN Class of 2009
ELENA BREGIER, BSN Class of 2009
DEIDRA GRAY, BSN Class of 2008
JILLIAN KOURI, BSN Class of 2008
MIA MACERATINI, BSN Class of 2009
BLAIR MORLEY, BSN Class of 2009
SARA REAU, BSN Class of 2009
ASHLEY REECE, BSN Class of 2009
JAYNE ROTH, BSN Class of 2009
KATIE WEST, BSN Class of 2009

John F. Dunkel Memorial Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the family of the late Dr. John Dunkel, Associate Professor of Pathology at the College of Medicine at Michigan State University. It recognizes the family's strong connection to the field of nursing and is intended to encourage baccalaureate-prepared nurses who have demonstrated the capacity to achieve their educational and professional goals.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to graduate students attending the College's MSN or PhD programs. In addition to evidence of research potential, recipients are selected on a basis of academic merit and must maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average.

LORI HOUGHTON-RAHRIG, PhD Class of 2012
LISA SINGLETERRY, PhD Class of 2013

Janice and Alton Granger Nursing Endowed Scholarship

Janice Granger (CON BSN '80) is a valued member of the College's alumni family and has extensive ties to the community and to the state of Michigan. She is a former member of the College's Alumni Board and she currently serves on the Dean's Advisory Council, Board of Visitors. She and her husband, Alton (ENG BS '54), have long been supporters of Michigan State University and the College of Nursing.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to graduate students with a preference that their work is focused in gerontology. Recipients must maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

TERA MAYER, MSN Class of 2010
JACQUELINE PLAMONDON, MSN Class of 2011
CARRIE STANDEN, MSN Class of 2009

Captain Sean Grimes Nursing Endowed Scholarship

Established by his beloved family, this scholarship honors Captain Sean Grimes (BSN '97) who was an exceptional student that graduated with honors from the College of Nursing. He was the recipient of a Distinguished Military Graduate Award from the Reserve Officers Training Corps. Sean enlisted in the Army to make a positive impact in the world. His life tragically ended on March 4, 2005 when his armored Humvee was hit by an improvised explosive device during combat patrol in Ar Ramadi, Iraq. Sean had been in Iraq for about six months when he was killed.

To help future students realize their dreams of becoming a nurse, this scholarship provides financial assistance to Michigan State University nursing students that are an Army Reservist, Army National Guard member, Active Army soldier or honorably discharged veteran of these branches.

MALLORY GREKETIS, BSN Class of 2008

Inez and Gladys Harmon Endowed Scholarship

Inspired by the attentive and caring nurses at the Michigan State University Oncology Center, this scholarship was established by Dr. Laurence Harmon, Professor Emeritus of Food Science and Human Nutrition at Michigan State University. Dr. Harmon created this scholarship in loving memory of his wife, Inez, and his sister, Gladys.

This scholarship provides financial support to students who have completed at least two years of university academic credits with a minimum grade point average of 2.75 and who have the professional objective of becoming a registered nurse.

ASHLEY CLARK, BSN Class of 2009

KAITLIN HICKS, BSN Class of 2009

KELSI KRANZ, BSN Class of 2009

MIKAELYN LAW, BSN Class of 2009

BRIAN MCARTHUR, BSN Class of 2009

Rao and Joyce Kareti Nursing Endowed Scholarship

At the time that this scholarship was established, Joyce Kareti (CON BSN '97) was a student in the College's RN to BSN program. Dedicated to healing and care, Dr. Rao and Joyce Kareti are committed to healthcare and to helping students who, due to financial circumstances, may not be able to achieve their academic goals in nursing.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students who are pursuing their bachelor's degree through the College's RN to BSN option. Preference is given to students who are from ethnically underrepresented populations in the profession.

ANDRE PULFORD, BSN Class of 2010

Helen M. Kelley Endowed Scholarship

Helen M. Kelley was a practicing registered nurse for 45 years. She believed that nothing would ever replace good bedside judgment, care, and the support of a dedicated nurse.

This scholarship was created by Helen's sons and daughter-in-law, all whom are Michigan State University alumni, in her loving memory. It provides financial assistance to students enrolled in good standing in the College of Nursing.

LINDSAY DUNSTAN, BSN Class of 2009

AMY HOWELL, BSN Class of 2009

MATTHEW JAPINGA, BSN Class of 2009

Florence C. Kempf Nursing Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the legacy of Florence C. Kempf, who was the first director of the Michigan State University School of Nursing when it opened in 1950. She remained in that role until her retirement in 1964. Florence was instrumental in developing the educational framework for what is now the College of Nursing.

Established by Michigan State University nursing alumni and friends, this scholarship provides financial assistance to students who are in good academic standing.

MEGAN CHAPPO, BSN Class of 2009

COURTNEY HAHN, BSN Class of 2008

JULIE MCNIEL, BSN Class of 2009

AMANDA ROMIJN, BSN Class of 2008

Judge Paula Manderfield Endowed Scholarship

Paula Manderfield (CON BSN '79) worked as an RN part-time while attending Michigan State University to complete her bachelor's degree in nursing. When she entered law school, she continued to support herself by working as a nurse. Although known today as Judge Manderfield, Paula remains connected and has always held the belief that nursing is a noble and honorable profession.

This scholarship was established by Paula and her husband, David M. Gilstrap, with preference that it will provide financial assistance to students enrolled in the College's RN to BSN program.

JENNA CAULKETT, BSN Class of 2010

JOSEPH KANU, BSN Class of 2010

Mary B. McCartney Endowed Scholarship for Study Abroad

This scholarship honors Mary Browder McCartney, MA, RN, Assistant Professor Emeritus for the College of Nursing. Mary has long held an interest in international student exchange activities. In 1991 she was appointed the College's Director of International Activities and Programming and received the 1994 Ralph H. Smuckler Award for Advancing International Studies and Programs at Michigan State University.

Established by Mary and her husband, James, this scholarship is awarded to students who are enrolled in the College's baccalaureate, baccalaureate completion for registered nurses, or master's in nursing programs. Preference is given to students in the London study abroad program. Students in other study abroad programs are also eligible for consideration.

EMILY DESMET, BSN Class of 2009

NICOLE DUNN, BSN Class of 2009

Retired Faculty Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor retired faculty who dedicated their lives to the education of nurses. Recipients are selected based on good academic standing.

FAREN STRNAD, BSN Class of 2009

LINSEY SWARTZENDRUBER, BSN Class of 2009

Gilbert and Leona Schumann Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Barbara Given, Michigan State University College of Nursing, University Distinguished Professor, to honor the lives of her parents, Gilbert and Leona Schumann. It was Gilbert Schumann, who died on April 18, 1993, who inspired the creation of this scholarship. Gilbert was a farmer, husband, loving father and grandfather. Leona Schumann died on September 23, 2007, after several years of declining mobility. She had a long life as a mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Gilbert's long battle with ill health raised concerns with Leona and their children about the adequacy of care that the elderly receive. It is for this reason that the Gilbert and Leona Schumann Scholarship will always be awarded to nursing students who exhibit a commitment to the care of elderly.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to graduate students enrolled in the College's MSN or PhD programs. Students are selected on a basis of academic merit with a minimum 3.5 grade point average, and evidence of research potential. The students' research work must focus on gerontology, specifically chronic disease.

SANDRA SPOELSTRA, PhD Class of 2012

MELODEE VANDEN BOSCH, PhD Class of 2012

Tammi Therese Strohmaier Memorial Endowed Scholarship

Tammi Therese Strohmaier was a junior in the College of Nursing who was killed in a car accident in 1998 at the young age of 21. Though her time here was tragically cut short, Tammi left an important legacy, which included: community involvement, excellence in sports and high academic achievements.

To honor her memory, friends and family of Tammi established this scholarship. Preference is given to undergraduate students who have achieved academic excellence and have contributed to their community through service.

KRISTIN DIXON, BSN Class of 2009

JULIE VANRAEMDONCK, BSN Class of 2009

William G. and Marion E. Stuckle Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the late William G. and Marion E. Stuckle in appreciation for the quality healthcare that nurses throughout the world provide. It offers financial assistance to students who are in good academic standing.

JESSICA AMBROSE, BSN Class of 2009

DAVID BAILEY, BSN Class of 2009

HEATHER BLACKWELL, BSN Class of 2009

KATRINA BROOK, BSN Class of 2009

JESSICA FERN, BSN Class of 2009

MATTHEW GERMAY, BSN Class of 2009

JENNIFER GOODMAN, BSN Class of 2009

DEIDRA GRAY, BSN Class of 2008

REBECCA HERLAN, BSN Class of 2009

MICHELLE HOWARD, BSN Class of 2009

KATHRYN MCGREAL-MILLER, BSN Class of 2009

MEGHAN MURNAHAN, BSN Class of 2009

ERIC NEILSON, BSN Class of 2009

SCOTT PIPER, BSN Class of 2009

BRENNAN POWERS, BSN Class of 2009

AMY ROGERS, PhD Class of 2013

DANIELLE ROTH, BSN Class of 2009

ANNA SCHROEDER, BSN Class of 2009

ALICIA STAHL, BSN Class of 2009

ROBYN STRONG, BSN Class of 2009

CLAIRE URBIEL, BSN Class of 2009

KRISTINA VAN GINHOVEN, BSN Class of 2009

George and Margaret Lorimer Parsons Nursing Endowed Scholarship

An educator for more than 40 years, the late Margaret F. Lorimer began her teaching career in elementary education in 1934. She also taught at secondary school, junior college and university levels in the states of Kansas, Nebraska, Texas and Michigan. Margaret earned her bachelor's degree in English at Park University, her master's degree in English-Education at Northwestern University and her doctorate degree in Education from Michigan State University. She and her late husband, George Parsons, were longtime supporters of Michigan State University and have established two other scholarships at the University in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Education.

Established through a charitable bequest, this scholarship provides financial assistance to eligible students enrolled in the College of Nursing who are in good academic standing and have a minimum of third year status as an undergraduate student or are matriculating through a graduate or accelerated degree option program.

JAQUELINE BAUGH, BSN Class of 2009
SHANNON BIERGANS, MSN Class of 2010
ELIZABETH BUIOCCHI, MSN Class of 2010
HENDRINA CUPERY, MSN Class of 2010
CYNTHIA DECKER, PhD Class of 2013
RACHEL GRIFFEN, BSN Class of 2009
LORI HOUGHTON-RAHRIG, PhD Class of 2012
AMANDA KLANSECK, BSN Class of 2009
KATELYN KRAMER, BSN Class of 2009
BRENDA LEWIS, PhD Class of 2013
ADAM MACIVER, BSN Class of 2009
KELLY MERK, BSN Class of 2009
STEPHANIE MILLER, BSN Class of 2009
KELLEY NEWVILLE, BSN Class of 2009
JENNIFER PATRICK, MSN Class of 2011
ANDREW PEKLO, BSN Class of 2009
JILLIAN PURKEY, BSN Class of 2009
CHAD RADLICKI, BSN Class of 2009
ERICA ROSMAN, BSN Class of 2009
BECKY SCHWALLIER, BSN Class of 2009
DENISE SOLTOW, PhD Class of 2011
KRISTIN TWISS, MSN Class of 2010
MELODEE VANDEN BOSCH, PhD Class of 2012
MICHELLE VAN WINGEN, BSN Class of 2010
ADRIANNE WEBER, BSN Class of 2009

Diana Roush Memorial Nursing Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship honors the memory of a beloved member of the College of Nursing community, Diana Houghtaling Roush (CON BSN '75), who passed away on August 1, 2005. In 1991, she became a faculty member in the College, fulfilling a number of responsibilities, including the leadership role of Clinical Placements Coordinator. She was described as quietly working behind the scenes, making contact with clinical agencies and always functioning as an advocate for students.

This scholarship is eligible to prospective or matriculating graduate students majoring in nursing education. Preference is given to highly motivated candidates who have demonstrated financial need and are in good academic standing by possessing a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

KATHLEEN MARBLE, MSN Class of 2009

SARA MONKS, MSN Class of 2011

Conlon Wehrwein Endowed Scholarship for Graduate Students

Paul (SS BS '70) and Teresa (CON BSN '72) Conlon Wehrwein are graduates of Michigan State University as is their son Eric (BUS BA '01, AL BA '01) Conlon Wehrwein. In 2001, Teresa returned to Michigan State University as a faculty member and currently serves as Associate Dean for Academic and Clinical Affairs. When determining how to make this lasting gift to Michigan State University, the couple was significantly concerned about the growing nursing faculty shortage in Michigan and the nation.

This scholarship is eligible to prospective or matriculating graduate students planning a career in nursing education. Preference is given to highly motivated candidates who have demonstrated financial need and are in good academic standings by possessing a minimum 3.5 grade point average.

TIMIKA FOSTER, MSN Class of 2009

SARA MONKS, MSN Class of 2011

Annual Student Scholarships

Alvin and Irene Arens Scholarship

Alvin and Irene Arens are committed to providing scholarship support that encourages the pursuit of academic excellence and that would impact the lives of undergraduate students that might not otherwise have the means to pursue higher education.

This four year scholarship is awarded to students who are pursuing a degree in nursing evident by admittance into the College or the Michigan State University pre-nursing program. Students should have demonstrated financial need. Preference is given to students who are single parents with financial responsibility for their children.

ELIZABETH COFFMAN, BSN Class of 2009
TISHANNA FERGUSON, BSN Class of 2012
KATHARINE MINADEO, BSN Class of 2011
NICOLE TURNER, BSN Class of 2012

Sharon Barker Memorial Scholarship

Sharon Barker (CON BSN '92) served the Greater Lansing community as an industrial, surgical and ER nurse at Sparrow's pain clinic. Remembered for her caring personality and delightful sense of humor, Sharon died after a brief struggle with brain cancer in 1993.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to adult students who have a desire to complete their baccalaureate or advanced degree in the College of Nursing, with preference that the recipient is pursuing studies part-time.

SUSAN KLEINHANS, MSN Class of 2010

College of Nursing Scholarship

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students pursuing a degree from the College of Nursing. Recipients must demonstrate sound academic achievement and leadership involvement in community service activities.

VICTORIA HAYES, MSN Class of 2009
KYNDRA MORTON, MSN Class of 2011
DEBORAH WEBSTER, BSN Class of 2009

Dolly Semrau Nursing Scholarship

Dolly Ann Semrau, RN, former Head Nurse at the Jean Granger Prenatal Clinic, lost her battle with cancer in 1997. She is remembered by the College and the community for her selfless work and giving nature.

This scholarship was created by Dolly's husband, Dennis, in her memory. Recipients are selected based on their commitment to achieving academic and professional goals, and their community service involvement.

RENEE DOHERTY, MSN Class of 2010

ALICE MWANDA, MSN Class of 2010

WANDA MYERS, MSN Class of 2009

Sparrow Women's Hospital Association Scholarship

The Women's Hospital Association at Sparrow Hospital is dedicated to supporting nurses and nursing education.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students who have demonstrated academic achievement. Recipients must commit to working at Sparrow Hospital for one year after graduating from the College of Nursing.

EMMA HURST, BSN Class of 2009

THANK YOU!

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the many contributors who make these
scholarships and awards possible.*

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