



Hurley School of Nursing

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President's Message

Dear Alumni Members

I quander about what type of message to deliver in today's such troubled times. It is difficult to be positive when the environment is so negative. Everyday I hear another heart aching story of lives that are seriously being affected due to job loss, health insurance reductions or just struggling to keep up with the cost of living. One-hundred years ago in 1909 (1 year after Hurley Medical Center opened its doors to care for the sick), Hurley Nurses Training School opened it's doors to train the best of the best. How ironic is it that last year General Motors also celebrated it's 100th year anniversary. Who would ever dream that the company would be bankrupt 1 year later. For the autoworkers, the task to pursue work elsewhere or for another company is much more daunting and finite. The manual labor has been replaced by updated technology. In medicine, technology continues to be incorporated in the care of patients with new developments everyday. However, is it going to replace the human passion needed to motivate patients, provide physical nursing care or compassion and empathy? What about leading nurses to new models of care? The opportunities in nursing are endless, the challenge is to know which opportunities to seek out and which ones to pass by. Choices available may not be what we were originally trained for, but that is the art of nursing to take a skill and use it beyond original intentions. We all have one thing in common that we chose to

receive the training to become a registered nurse. It was not until 1932 when the requirements were amended to require a high school diploma. Even if you chose not to work in nursing, the training you received will be with you forever. Hurley Nursing School has trained 3,384 graduates. What if you multiplied this by the number of lives that each of you have saved, hearts you have touched, or educational information that you have delivered. How many lives have we changed? In nursing, outcomes are much more valuable than any number. So choosing the profession of nursing, not only has made a difference in yourself, but in others as well.

As I see my young daughter faced with the loss of a good friend because his family is moving out of state for a chance at a better life, I struggle with what I can say to her. In turn I found her educating me on finding the good in their paths that have already crossed. She found humor, advice and most of all a lasting friendship that will be with her forever. So, as we go through these life challenges, we find some more significant and life changing than others. However, there are paths that you come to and no matter which one you take, hopefully there was a good friend you found to lead you to the next path, and another to keep by your side as you reach the next one.

Good Health to you all!

Diane (Larmor) Welker
Class of December 1983
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Hurley School of Nursing Trivia Facts

- ◆ 1913-Hurley Alumni Association formed
- ◆ 1917-\$15 covered the total cost of textbooks, not other fees req.
- ◆ 1918- All underclothing needed to be marked with owners name on neck and waistband., or it would be confiscated
- ◆ 1931-Students were required to furnish their own textbooks (\$45), the hospital provided room and board
- ◆ 1945- The uniform was called "The Bag"!
- ◆ 1953-First African American student enrolled
- ◆ 1954- The first male received a diploma

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Alumni Board Members Wanted

We are making every effort to keep the alumni alive and well, however we need alumni members to continue to support nursing education.

The association works to keep the alumni connected as well as supporting and encouraging those who are beginning their nursing career. The more sup-

port we have, the stronger the alumni association will be sustainable. Ways in which you can support the association:

- Dues: Keep up to date on paying your dues
- Donations: donate to either one of our 2 scholarship funds (page 17).

- Become a Board Member: consider being on the board to help with alumni activities; this includes anything from fundraising, banquet planning, web site development, newsletter, U of M liaison, or other activities.

Please contact Diane Welker if interested in any of the board activities at 810-658-2316 or email welker.mom@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE: Hurley School of Nursing Annual Alumni Banquet

Don't wait until the last minute to reserve your space for the dinner. We don't want to turn anyone away from an opportunity to share a night with former classmates

Date: Friday October 2, 2009
Time: Social Hour 6pm Dinner At 7pm
Cost: \$30 (Cash bar)
Location: Holiday Inn Gateway
5353 Gateway Centre (off US 23/Hill Rd)
Flint, Mi 48507

Menu: **Champagne Chicken:** Sauteed to a golden hue, then topped with Sun Dried Tomato Artichoke Cream or **Lake Superior Whitefish** encrusted with shredded Potato, sautéed, and then painted with a Balsamic vinegar (make your selection on the banquet reservation form on pg 17)

Hotel Room Reservations only: 810-232-5300 Rm Discount: \$94 + tax (code ILV2P) brkfst incl

BANQUET RESERVATIONS DUE BY SEPT 14

Hurley School of Nursing's Oldest Living Graduate - (We believe)!!

(Interview by Agnes Henige Taylor)



Mary (Blyth) Altman, class of 1931 was born March 10, 1907 and celebrated her 102nd. birthday in March 2009. She has lived for the past two years in Our Lady of Mercy Nursing Home, P.O. Box 369, Hubbell, Michigan, 49934 between Hancock-Houghton and Calumet.

Mary's first nursing job after graduation was Private Duty Nursing. As the Great Depression progressed, Mary said, "things were really, REALLY bad, worse than they are now in our poor economic times". Being bored with Private Duty, she wanted to get into OR work but couldn't, so she did post graduate work in Detroit, Michigan and specialized in Pediatrics. She reiterated several times how much she loves children, having none herself. (She has many nieces and nephews who

keep an eye on her) .She became supervisor of a Kings Daughters Home which cared for children between birth and 5 years. "I loved this job with my whole heart". She resigned this position at the start of the war, serving two years in the Army as a First Lieutenant in the Mojave Desert, California. Due to some health problems she was unable to serve at a Field Hospital for the Battle of the Bulge. After serving her country, Mary moved to San Antonio, Texas and Temple Texas to care for hundreds of patients with amputations from the war. She was chief nurse there and assistant to the Captain. They wanted to keep her on staff due to her "terrific" organizing skills but Mary later moved on to Flint, MI. marrying in 1949. After 10 yrs her husband died from Cancer of the Kidneys. Mary then moved to Pine Island, Florida for 21 years. Much of her time was used in volunteering at clinics for babies and children. She said, "I was busy all the time. I like to be busy and keep active". Mary reports, "her training" at Hurley was tops. I learned a lot about Whooping Cough in CD class and I saw many children with this. I loved my nursing career, keeping all of my AJN magazines for years to keep abreast of the latest. I like to know what's going on". She is aware of all the high technology now and doesn't like it. She loves her alumni and was very active at one time attending conventions, banquets and all types of career activities. She uses a walker to get around, but her active mind "doesn't need a walker." She was vibrant, interesting, alert and such a delight to talk to over the phone. **We CONGRATULATE our oldest Living Graduate. What a GEM !**

Send cards to
Mary Altman
C/O Suzanne Knott
844 8th Street
Lake Linden, MI. 49945

102 and going strong!



KEEPING TRACK OF CLASSMATES!!!!

30's

Ardis Martin '36

Turned 95 in July. She meets with other nurses once a month for companionship and to get CEU's. Her hobby of 40 years is porcelain art, she also goes to class once a week for painting. She is an usher at her church, St Francis Cabrini and still drives -but not on the highway!

50's

Phyllis Dixon Hayes '51-B

Retired

Mary Drake Guibord '51-B

Retired in 1991. Spent 41 years mainly in the operating room. She also worked critical care, "private scrub" on and off for 5 years and did Industrial Nrsng. at Howard Hughes Research lab in Fullerton, California.



Norma Weiss Lake '51B

Kenneth Lake
Celebrating 57 years of wedded bliss; 9 children, 21 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Joyce Miller Ells '52-B

She was a stay at home mother until all her children were in school. She retired in January 1991 from Eaton Rapids Medical Clinic after working for 12 years. Her husband of 52 years was in a fatal accident in August 2003.

Avis Murphy '52-B

She is a retired school nurse from Flushing schools (22 yrs).

Natalie McCormick Livsey '52-B

Retired from nursing in 1990.

Charlene Wackerle Compton '53

Has a B.S in health administration and is currently retired.

Marlene Schuler Zelenka-Freas '53

Has a B.A and a M.S from the university of Detroit. Currently she is retired from Hurley as director of O.R, PACU, and GI Lab.

Phyllis Cumming Barnes '56

Retired.

Carol Fisher Pinkerton '57

Retired with 8 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Sharon Borton Barcey '58

In the winter she lives in Zephyrhills, Florida and is currently retired.

Sheila Weaver Place '58

Retired from nursing in 2008.

Barbara Anderson Browne '59

Retired and loving it!

Joyce Wigglesworth Tobias '59

She currently lives in Vancouver Washington and still works 2 days a week as a certified family Nurse Practitioner in an Indian Clinic. She also enjoys garden design for fun.

60's

Judith Tune Lanyi '60

Retired from an occupational health nurse career and continues to participate in the Parish Nurse Program

Dianne Mills '63

Retired from McLaren in 1997 and from East Michigan Eye Center in 2006.

Karen Snyder Keese '63

Retired in 2007, working casual 1 day a week as a clinical documentation specialist. Three children and

three grandchildren.

Catherine McCormick Whitehead '64

Retired from Pediatric nursing at St. Jopseph Mercy Oakland (after hours clinic).

Esma Bathbun Walker '66

Works at McLaren in Women Services, OB GYN, special care nursery – casual status.

Manila Ainsworth Sanders '66

Still working full time in O.R. at Scheurer Hospital in Pigeon, MI.

Jill (Critchfield/ Baker) Lake '68

Retired in 2004 after working 37 years at Hurley Medical Center. She currently lives in the British Islands and spends 2 months in Michigan in the summer visiting children, grandchildren, and friends. She is currently a construction worker building her own home with her husband. After completion, she plans on doing some serious sailing. She would love to hear from you at davidlake5548@aol.com

Marilyn Pope Rosema '69

Married with 6 children, 4 grandchildren. Works on-call with home health department of Retirement Village in Kalamazoo. She has been on 3 mission trips to Ukraine, and taught children how to read the Bible.

70's

Elizabeth Ott VanSickle '76

Employed at Mott Children's Health Center. She works as an NP at Beecher Teen Health Center

JoNeil Smith '76

She is currently a Doctoral student at the University of Phoenix, and also works for the Advisory Board Academy.

KEEPING TRACK OF CLASSMATES!!!!

Carol Varner Little '78

Works at Saginaw VAMC as a family nurse practitioner. She received her BSN in 1987 from Ferris State University and her MSN in 1997 from Andrews University.

Judy Parks Mikhail '78

Works as an administrator in trauma and neuro services at Hurley Medical Center's Level I trauma center.

Karen Emeigh Goike '79

For the past 25 years since leaving Hurley Medical Center she has worked for William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak and Troy Michigan. She obtained her BSN from Oakland University in 1989. She is married and lives in Washington, Michigan with 2 teenagers and 2 dogs.



Cherie Schutt Elhart '79

Working as a Cabi Clothing Consultant.

80's

Paula Doerr Bishop '81

Assistant Director of Nursing/Clinical Coordinator-Baker college of Owosso.

Suzanne Plante '82

She is employed at University of Michigan Cancer Center Surgical Oncology Clinic. She is also program committee co-chair for Ann Arbor Chapter of the Oncology Nursing Society.

Lisa Kozumplick Allen '82

Received her BSN from University of Texas- Arlington. Currently works in Quality Improvement for Advantage

Health Physician Network in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dawn Wilson Etzler '82

Certified Medical Case Manager at Health Plus of Michigan

Sheryl Bowen Kulis '83

Worked in ophthalmology- scrubbing/assisting with cataract surgery from 1985-2006. Now works at Genesys Ambulatory Surgery Center.

Cynthia Hoover Sexton '83

Received her MBA and most recently a PhD in Health Care Administration. She works at Health Plus of Michigan

Rhonda Wheeler Walker '87

Completed her BSN, December 2008

Christina Kidder Aplin-Kalisz '87

Received her MSN, NP from the University of Michigan- Flint. She is currently a Clinical Teaching Professor for the U of M -Flint NP program. She recently started her DNP at Case Western University and continues to work 2 days/week in internal medicine. Her daughter, Amanda, is a sophomore at Western, Michigan University.

90's

Karen Sue Grattan '94

Charge nurse at Health Source of Saginaw, White Pine Unit Mental Health Adolescent Unit.



Clinical Excellence Award Winners \$100

Hurley School of Nursing graduates were known for their exceptional clinical skills. To help carry on that legacy, Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Association recognizes graduates from each of the 3 area nursing programs who have demonstrated exceptional clinical skills throughout their training. Their instructors select the student(s).

University of Michigan -Flint

Dec 2008 Erin Luchenbill

April 2009 Patti Mendenhall

* BSN program

April 2009 Eric Naugle

*BSN program

April 2009 Carrie Haneckow

* 2nd degree BSN program

**only \$50 given due to selection of more than 1 student*

Mott Community College

April 2009 Tamara Tift-Pittsley

Jan 2009 Erika Kovalcsik

Baker College Nursing Program

Mar 2009 Audra Whitt

June 2009 Erica Morse

2008-2009 Hurley School of Nursing Scholarships

\$5000 Joanna Hark

Geriatric Scholarship

Melinda Derwin (2008)

Genny Carly (2009)

\$500 Ethel P MacLennan Scholarship

Genny Carly (2008)

Cheryl Barker (2009)

\$500 Lina Bickel Milner Scholarship

Charles Dionne (2008)

Chinenye Akujobi (2009)

\$500 Mary Kozumplick Scholarship

Armita Joseph (2008)

Melissa Allen (2009)

Donations to the Hurley Alumni Scholarship Funds



We have 2 scholarship funds; one is a general nursing scholarship fund for nursing students and the second is one for HURLEY GRADS ONLY who are pursuing additional education. However we need to build the fund before we can offer an application. Please see page 17 to send in your donation.

Thank you to our contributors!

Thank you to the following for donating to the *Nursing Scholarship Fund* supported by Hurley Alumni

Ardis Martin '36
In memory of Henry Martin
Veronica Borowiak Pierson '51
Audrey Cornell Kraemer '51-B
Frances Jean Price 51-B
In memory of Nancy Ann Swanson Price '55
(beloved sister-in-law)
Mary (Drake) Guibord '51-B
In memory of Barbara (Crimmins) Reuther
Marilyn Boatman '51-B
Natalie McCormick Livsey 52-B
In memory of Gerry Masuch Walker '52-B
Betty Anderson '52
In memory of Gerry Haley Bier
Shirley McEachern Voorhees '52B
In memory of Geraldine Masuch Walker '52B
Shirley Fisher Blackburn '53
In memory of Margaret (Peg) Waters '53
Dorothy McGregor Renbarger-Morris '53
In memory of Gerry Masuch Walke '52-B
Pat Kerr Hoops '53
In memory of Margaret (Waters) Wagner '53
Elizabeth Campbell Lingenfelter '54
Joyce Wigglesworth Tubias '54
Pauline Jordan Barr '59
Jerry Hagy '67
In honor of Jerry Hagy
Noel Stuart Stemen '67
Sandra Robbins Hedges '67
Esma Rathbun Walker '66
In memory of Heddi Orlowski '66
Susan Heidenreich Roth '64
Sharel McCann Etheridge '63
In memory of Ruth Blakley (assistant director in 1960's)
Janice Dismond '62
In memory of Ethel McLennon
Carol Hammond Parker '64
Julianna Budek Gulish '66
Michele Perrigo Byrne '71
Patricia Bowers '74
Judy Parks Mikhail '78
Beth Prior Diel-Svrjcek '79

Suzanne Plante '82

In memory of Dorothy Nelson

Doris Ruzicka Ethier '84

In memory of Ruth Councilor '84

Christine Kidder Aplin- Kalisz '87



Thank you to the following for donating to *the Hurley Graduate Alumni Fund*

Mary Stevens Vukovich '48
In memory of Margaret Vukovich
Elizabeth Miron Helmer '52B
In memory of 52B deceased
Fatyma Jabara Horrocks
Marylou Dowset Devlin
Millie Groulx Wigley
Marjorie Beynon Johnston
Marilyn Pope Rosema '69
In honor of Steve Pope
(brother and Hurley Grad)
Norma Cristick McClure '73
Faye Corey Meder '51-B
In memory of Jane Hoerger 51-B
Charlene Wackerle Compton '53
In memory of Margaret Waters Wagner
Janet Pacholke Hull '58
In honor of class of '58
Agnes Bendis Taylor '63
In memory of Mary Jane Smith

Attention "Golden Girls" Class of 1959!

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Please join us at the Holiday Inn-Grand Blanc for the alumni dinner on Friday Oct 2. Since it is our 50th, we will surely shine and share. We have addresses for 40 classmates and hope to see you ALL there. If you are interested in a gathering after the dinner or if you have questions or suggestions, please call
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Be prepared to tell your story as we pass the microphone to hear about your favorite story or what you have been doing for the past 50 years!



Class of 1978 Invites you to attend 2009 banquet

May 1978 Hurley Graduates
How quickly time passes; it has been 31 years this May since we graduated from Hurley Medical Center School of Nursing. The realization of time always hits me when the daughter that I was pregnant with at graduation has her August birthday; and this year she turns 31. I am sure we all have similar stories to tell and tons of photos to catch up

on. To that end I would like to invite all the members of our graduating class to join me on Friday night, October 2, 2009 at the Grand Blanc Holiday Inn for an evening of "catching up". The Hurley Alumni Association is hosting the Alumni dinner that night in celebration of Hurley's 100th Year of Graduating Nurses. It appears that some of the other classes are attempting to organize their classes for dinner so if

we could commit once we get our newsletters they will work on seating us together. If you have the addresses of any of our fellow classmates you can forward them to me I will be sure to help Hurley update their records. I am looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Lynne Wentz
Senior Class President May 1978
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In Memory for Those We Have Lost



Grad year	NAME
1940	Electra Hutchins (Munson)
1944	Kathleen Anderson (Hammond)
1951	Barbara Reuter (Crimmins)
1953	Margaret Wagner (Waters)
1961	Joyce Mikovits (Muma)
1987	Gary Like

Please contact Kathy Linker if you know of any classmate who passes on so Hurley alumni can properly acknowledge them. Contact info KathyL@mottchc.org or 810-659-9019

Hurley Distinguished Alumni Award Winner 2008: Diane Welker

Nominated by Beverly Jones, RN, BSN, MPH, FAAN

(former Chief Nursing Officer and Senior Vice President of Hurley Medical Center).

Diane Welker is a well grounded, solidly knowledgeable nurse, who is also a well rounded, very thoughtfully centered person. She is the kind of practitioner and professional that nurses hold in high regard and one who both, physicians and nurses seek for services for themselves or loved ones and/or for collegial consultation. When she has met and completed services to families it is not uncommon for them to seek her out at a later time for services to another loved one or themselves. Diane has a quiet memorable impact on all who comes in contact with her. Nurses have described her consultations as allowing them to breathe a sigh of relief when she arrives because they are confident that she will help them help their patient and in the process they know they are going to learn. While her professional success clearly emanates from her own hard work and record of self motivated accomplishments, it is easy to believe that this desire was likely first ignited during her basic education program at the Hurley School of Nursing. Diane's educational record evidences the value continuous learning holds in her life. Following graduation from Hurley, Diane received progressively higher degrees from the University of Michigan, Rush University and she completed a Post Masters Nurse Practitioner Certificate at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, Michigan. From 1984 to the present time Diane has held clinical positions ranging from staff nurse to nurse practitioner and administrative roles ranging from nurse manager to interim vice president of nursing at Hurley. She currently serves as a Nurse Practitioner consultant for Pain and Palliative in the care of patients in need of her service through Hurley Health Services. Diane is a sought after as a nursing speaker on pain and palliative care. She has given presentations in several Michigan cities for a variety of professional organizations. Diane has presented scientific posters at regional and national professional gatherings. She has presented posters and published a booklet on *Troubleshooting Vascular Access Devices* that was published world wide through Sims Deltec. Students and faculty from various college and university nursing programs constantly seek her services as an advanced nursing practice preceptor and/or clinical mentor. Diane practices in a manner that epitomizes professional nursing practice and serves as a role model for students and registered nurses at all practice levels. Diane believes in the importance of health for all persons and actualizes this value in the manner in which she spends her time away from work. It will come as no surprise that a person such as Diane, who continually pursues excellence, is an active member of several professional organizations. She served as the Chair of the Genesee County Coalition for Hospice and Palliative Care, is a Clinical Teaching Associate for the University of Michigan. She also received a grant to help teach the community about Advance Directives. A crowning glory in Diane's list of valued organizational activity is her service to the Hurley Alumni Association. She works hard at balancing her professional responsibilities while keeping her family as a first priority. This includes her husband Randy of 18 years, and 2 daughters, Courtney(16), and Mackenzie (13). Diane's professional performance, service and community contributions are not only commendable, they are outstanding and truly worthy of recognition.

Thank You Hurley Alumni !



Diane Welker and Agnes Henige-Taylor

Dear Hurley Alumni,

I want to thank you for being selected as Hurley School of Nursing's Distinguished Alumni award winner 2008. As you could see, I was very shocked to even be nominated for this award. Hurley School of Nursing was such an exceptional school. It provided me with a wealth of knowledge and experience that was a basis to build what I know today and what I will continue to become tomorrow. Hurley has produced exceptional grads and it seems that there are so many more deserving. I am so ever grateful and appreciative of this award. I am proud to be a member of such an elite group of nurses and wonderful people. Thanks Again, Diane

Hurley Seeks Millage Approval in August 4th Election

Hurley's burden of providing uncompensated care is growing. Hurley is the safety net hospital for the people of Genesee County. Many people are losing their job and/or their health insurance. Hurley provided \$55 million of *free care* in 2008. This is an increase of 20 percent from 2007. The 0.9 mill proposal will provide Hurley with a steady, reliable source of funds to continue providing quality of care for all families in Genesee County. This includes:

- * Providing funding for Hurley's Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Burn Unit and Level I Trauma Center
- * Providing community health care services for seniors and elderly residents of Genesee County
- * Providing peace of mind to working people in Genesee County. In tough times, good jobs with benefits will be gone tomorrow.

To ensure accountability and transparency, Hurley will publicly release how the funds will be spent via regular reports. Supporters of the millage proposal include: The Flint Fire Department, Physicians of the Genesee County Medical Society, Genesee Health Plan, McLaren Regional Medical Center, UAW Region 1C & Greater Flint CAP Council; Concerned Pastors for Social Action, Congressman Dale Kildee, Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Association, Registered Nurses and Pharmacists of Hurley Medical Center and many more.



2008 Treasure's Report

Submitted by Marcie Welker

Balance 1/1/08	\$14,277.37
Income	
Memberships (annual & lifetime)	2,130.00
Alumni Dinner	5,231.00
Donations	620.00
Student Nurse Scholarship	1,080.00
Graduate Nurse Scholarship	215.00
Transcript fees	18.00
Logo Wear (apparel)	2,009.00
DVD's	100.00
Interest	41.25
Total	\$11,444.25
Expenses Paid Out	
Alumni Dinner (Includes \$900 deposit-Holiday Inn for 2009)	6,687.94
Genesee Free Clinic	1,000.00
CEU Winners	400.00
Office Supplies	36.51
Logo Wear/DVD	1,880.29
Newsletter	3,262.82
Awards	214.80
Clinical Excellence Awards	300.00
Postage	84.82
State Of Michigan (non-profit)	20.00
Hurleyfest-100 Year Celebration	1,055.46
Debit Memo	40.00
Scholarship fund Audit	2,500.00
Meeting Expenses	195.87
HSOON Cap (raffle)	20.40
Total	\$ 17,698.91
Balance 12/31/08	\$ 8,022.71
Assets	
Citizens Bank Checking Account	\$ 8,022.71

Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Distinguished Alumni Award 2009

Call for Nominations

Hurley School of Nursing is pleased to continue honoring outstanding Hurley Graduates that have demonstrated dedication and leadership to the nursing profession. Nominations may be made by former alumni, others, or him/herself.

Award Criteria

- Graduate of Hurley School of Nursing
- Demonstrated dedication and leadership to the nursing profession
- Excelled in making a difference in nursing practice, service to the community or in improving the lives and or health of others.

Nomination Process

1. Submit information below
2. Attach letter

(Describe how individual has demonstrated an active pursuit of excellence or why this person is nominated for the Distinguished alumni award as described in the award criteria above).

3. Send curriculum or resume of person who is being nominated (optional).



Distinguished Alumni Award will be given at the Annual alumni Banquet on October 2, 2009

2009 Distinguished Alumni Nomination Form

Name of Nominee _____
 Phone Number of Nominee _____
 Nominee's Degree(s) _____ RN _____ BSN _____ MSN _____ PhD _____ ND
 other _____ Year of Hurley SON Graduation _____
 Nominator's Name: _____
 Nominator's Phone Number _____

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NOMINATIONS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2009

Update: University of Michigan-Flint 2009

The Department of Nursing at the University of Michigan- Flint is committed to expanding the number and scope of international experiences for students. The UM-F faculty believe that it is imperative to respond to our students' needs for global and cultural education. The faculty have designed study abroad experiences that enable students to provide nursing care in cultures different from their own and provide service to vulnerable populations. International academic service-learning opportunities assist students to gain clinical knowledge and skills, cultural understanding and competence, learn communication and interpersonal skills needed to work within a multicultural world and develop as engaged citizens in a global society. International experiences also foster in students an adventurous spirit and teach them that there are many health care delivery systems throughout the world, each with strengths and limitations.

During the 2008-2009 academic year UM-Flint's undergrad and grad nursing students---under the mentorship of nursing faculty and their counterpart host nationals---have been engaged in several exciting international service-learning activities aimed at improving the health and well-being of medically underserved people in Kenya, India, the Dominican Republic and Cambodia.

UM-Flint has established formal student-faculty exchange agreements with schools of nursing and hospitals in Kenya and India. UM-Flint is especially grateful to HMC Chairman of Radiology Dr. Appa Rao Mukkamala for making the exchange with the NRI Academy of Sciences, NRI Medical College and General Hospital, in Vijayawda, India a reality. Dr. Mukkamala personally accompanied UM-F administrators to India last year to formalize the exchange agreement. In August three UM-F Adult Nurse Practitioner graduate students and one faculty member will

travel to India, and in October several nursing faculty and students from India will visit us in Flint. As soon as details about the fall visit have been finalized, you will be invited to a reception to meet them.



Uof M –Flint Nursing Students at the 100 year celebration

This fall there will be 25 BSN and 15 MSN students who are welcomed into the inaugural class of the University of Michigan-Flint Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program with a reception in their honor on August 27th in the William S. White atrium from 4-7PM. UM-Flint Chancellor Ruth Person will begin formal remarks at 5:00 PM. The DNP program seeks to develop nursing scholars who are leaders in evidence-based practice, quality improvement, health care policy and advocacy, and advance practice nursing. The incoming class was chosen from an extremely competitive pool of approximately 100 applicants and will enter the 4 year part-time online program. Please join the faculty of the University of Michigan-Flint Nursing Department and others in this historic event by calling Marcia Campbell, program administrative assistant at 810-762-3420 with your interest in attending. We welcome all HMC SON alumni to participate in this exciting event.

Fundraising Items



100 year celebration t-shirts: Back: Hurley Nurses....100 years of counting beats
 Front: Hurley Nurses Rock (see logo on back of newsletter)
 Sleeve: Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Association

Items

- A. TShirts: S-M-L **\$20** or XL-XXL **\$25**
 Color: Navy with white lettering or White with Navy lettering
- B. "Hurley Nurses Rock" Mugs: **\$7**
- C. Hurley School of Nursing Alumni 12 month Calendar **\$10**
- D. History Book **\$25** (limited quantities left)
- E. DVD **\$25**

Item(s) A-E	Color (if indicated)	Size (if indicated)	Quantity	Amount
Shipping & Handling				4.00
Total				

Shipping Information: *Make check payable to Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Association*

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone number _____

Questions: Call Doris
810-658-4076
810-814-5733

Send Form to:
Doris Ethier
7236 E. Potter Rd
Davison, MI 48423

Hurley Grads Favorite Memories

1939— I was in the first class that Miss Mable McNeil picked to go into training. We started with 16 girls, 13 of us graduated in January 1939. We were the last class to receive a monthly allowance. *Edna Rich Ritter*

1947— Making popcorn in our room without Minnie catching us.

1947— As a student, scrubbing in on the first spleenectomy done at Hurley of a lady in an auto accident— she survived. *Betty Adkins*

1948— I was chosen by my class as a representative to attend the State Nursing Convention in Lansing. I became car sick on the drive due to my excitement. *Norma Weiss Lake*

1948— One of my classmates was caring for an old gentleman who had lost his dentures. In the process of bath and bed change, she found that he had the bedpan under the sheets. Lo and behold there were his teeth in the bedpan. Before she could act, he grabbed them and popped them back into his mouth *Elvira Taylor Scripter*

1951 B— Christmas time! Roommate Dorothy Slump and I filled a 5 gal bucket with chunks of coal ‘stolen’ from furnace room in the underground tunnel. We then bought a small tree and shoved it between the coal in the bucket and kept it watered using a rubber enema bag with a long hose- My!!how we loved those Christmas trees. *Mary Guibord*

1953 Tornado— Flint area freshman came back from break to volunteer where needed. Faculty worked in ER and OR helping with triage. Everyone helping wherever needed. Proud? You bet your life! 55’

1958- Starched white uniforms must be 13” from floor. Dr Branch insisted student nurses to wear clinic shoes. Going out for evening must be in by 9pm. Mrs. Smith checked us in. Studying under Miss Webens. Very stern instructor. Looking back I know I learned the most from her. *Sharon Barcey*.

1961- One night I was awakened from a deep sleep— a ghostly figure was in my room covered with a bedsheet. I had forgotton to lock my door. It wasn’t until month’s later that I found out it was my suite mate Ann McDaniels. She loved to pull pranks. *Sharon Morey Olinger*

1963 - Taking turns serving tea/coffee at the “formal School of Nursing Teas” as part of our social training. We were not allowed in the lounge unless dressed in dress/skirts (no pants) Capping ceremony— what pride *Agnes (Bendis)Taylor*

1963 -The commradarie/friendships built during the difficult, extremely busy freshman year. We learned both individual & group discipline. I remember the deep wonder and satisfaction as we rode the bus to First Presbyterian for the capping ceremony. In that era caps were important there was “awe” that we really made it through first semester. *Sharel (McCann) Etheridge*

1964- Mrs. MacLennan yelled at me for knitting in Ethics class. Ruth Ann Babs threw her mattress off the balcony *Catherine Whitehead*

1967- Weekly picnics in Ballenger Park and early spring. Count down to graduation. Bus rides to Mott Community College and many friendships that were made. *Joan LaPorte*

1967—The blizzard of 67 paralyzed the city. We worked doubles and took people off the streets for shelter and warmth. *Connie Paksi*

1978— Laying on the bottom of the morgue care (under the drape) in the tunnel hallway and grabbing people’s legs that walked by (classmates of course)

1982—Sneaking through the basement hallways beneath the school and hospital in the middle of the night to “borrow” scrubs from the laundry room.

1982—Coming in past curfew and never getting wrote up because the night desk lady liked my boy-friends’s TR7, He offered to take her for a drive but she refused.

1982— Mrs Trainor making dorm rounds and complaining that all we ever talked about was boys and sex.

1982—When I walked at night from the dorm to the hospital, sometimes bats would fly at my head! *Dawn (Wilson) Etzler*

1983— Ripping up our school uniforms and TP’ing the School of Nursing grounds. *Cyndi Sexton*



What's New in Nursing at Hurley Medical Center?

Patricia Roberts RN, MSN Senior VP of Patient Care Services and CNO of Hurley Medical Center

This past year at HMC, Patient Care Services has been very active on several fronts. Organizationally we have committed to a Patient and Family Centered Care delivery model. The core concepts to this model are Dignity and Respect; Information Sharing; Participation; and Collaboration. Rather than viewing this as a "project", we have taken the approach that this is a cultural change that emphasizes individualizing care by focusing on our relationship with patients and their families which is core to our practice as professional nurses. Specific strategies to improve the patient experience, quality and safety of care and our outcomes have been based on the integration of evidence-based practices and best practices from other high performing hospitals. Each patient care unit developed a quarterly strategy focused on communications, relationships, transitions, and care planning to ensure they made improvements to these processes that were more patient and family centered. We have seen consistent positive feedback in the patient rounding being done, our patient satisfaction scores, and decreased complaints from patients and their families. From an infrastructure perspective, there have been many accomplishments. The HMC Nursing Philosophy and Scope of Practice statements have been updated to reflect our patient/family focus. We have received the organizational support to fully staff a Nursing Education department. A Nursing Quality department has also been established. Part of the role of our quality efforts have been the development of unit based and an overall Nursing dashboard. The dashboard is a simple way for staff and managers to visualize (through a color coded monthly quality score) whether we are meeting the goals and metrics we have set for ourselves. We have also reestablished our professional practice group. This group has been empowered to make decisions about changing the practice of nursing at Hurley, and how our work gets done. Five nursing performance improvement teams are in place looking at restraints, pain management, falls, skin integrity, policy and procedures. Overall, we want the best care and experience for our patients and families and want to create an environment where nurses want to practice and feel good about their work environment.



Calling All Hurley School of Nursing Memories

We are still collecting memories of your days at Hurley School of Nursing. I did get quite a few stories and responses however, not enough for a book as we originally planned. We have published some in the newsletter (see page 13) however there are many more out there so send in yours. This year we will be publishing a calendar with many of the memories as well. See fundraising items on page 17.

Submit your memory

Class of _____

☐ Yes publish my name

Name _____ (optional)

☐ No do not publish my name

Phone _____ (optional)

Send to :

Diane Welker
2866 Hasler Lake Rd
Lapeer, MI 48446 or

Email welker.mom@gmail.com

Hurley Medical

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Hurley Celebrates 100 Years of Touching Lives

Hurley kicked off its 100th Anniversary year by holding a press conference on January 15, 2008, unveiling a plaque from the Historical Society of Michigan honoring Hurley's 100 consecutive years in one location. Numerous elected officials, community members, patients, physicians, and staff were on hand. A special anniversary cake and displays with photos and artifacts from the past set the scene.

The medical center campus came alive with the Hurley Heritage Festival, a public celebration of our history on August 2, 2008. The morning began with a dignitary breakfast attended by community leaders and officials as well as past employees, and several past CEOs. Food, giveaways, historical displays, children's activities, and continuous on-stage entertainment all made for an old-fashioned block party. Hurley School of Nursing Alumni set up a display booth filled with historical instruments and pictures. Flint's own LaKisha Jones of American Idol fame capped off the entertainment. Over 3,000 people attended the festival.

The final celebration marking the 100th Anniversary of Hurley Medical Center was held on December 19, 2008, in the West Tower Lobby. Contents dedicated for a time capsule – departmental items representing the unique way in which the hospital serves its patients – was on display. Pen and paper were made available for those employees, or visitors who wished to write a personal message to our counterparts 100 years into the future. Messages were enclosed in the time capsule. Rick Warmbold, Foundation President, acted as Master of Ceremonies and read from James J. Hurley's Last Will and Testament.

"Hurley Hospital" was created in 1905 through a gift, bequeathed by James J. Hurley to the City of Flint. Mr. Hurley left the block of real estate on which the medical center still stands and \$55,000 to the city to construct a hospital that would serve all people, regardless of their ability to pay. Three years later, the hospital opened its doors with 40 beds, 6 bassinets, and 8 nurses.

James J. Hurley was an English immigrant who found his way to Grand Blanc. According to legend, he arrived with one dollar in his pocket but found fortune in the junk business. At his death, he was a founder and Director of the Union Trust and Savings Bank, the Flint Light and Power Company, and a major stockholder in the W.A. Paterson Carriage Factory. After Hurley's death, his dream lived on as Hurley Hospital continued to serve the community regardless of their ability to pay.

Submitted by: Sonya Moreau (Harris) 82'

Hurley Alumni Info Center

Transcripts:

Send your request in writing to
Hurley Medical Center
Dept of Nursing Education,
ATTN: Diane Wager,
One Hurley Plaza, Flint, MI 48503.
Cost is \$3.00 each.

Please include your name, name at graduation, date of graduation, name and address of the institution where transcript is being sent and your current address. Make checks payable to Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Association

Diploma:

Send your request in writing to Hurley, Department of Nursing Education as stated above. Ask that a Replacement Diploma Request Form be sent to you. Please fill out the form completely and legibly. Cost of replacement diploma is \$40.00. This process may take 3-4 weeks.

School Pin:

Send your request in writing to Hurley Department of Nursing Educa-

tion. Ask that a form be sent to you regarding pin replacement. You will then be dealing directly with Herff Jones, Co. They must have request form when you place the order.

Address Change:

Please notify us if you move so we can update our database and keep you on the mailing list. Call the Department of Nursing Education at (810) 257-9410 or e-mail: dwager1@hurleymc.com

Hats:

Unfortunately, hats are no longer available. We cannot find a company who makes them. So if anyone of you know of someone who does, please notify Diane Wager at 257-9410.



Health and Welfare

Chairman:

Kathy Linker
7474 W. Coldwater Rd.
Flushing, MI 48433
(810) 659-9019 or
kathyL@mottchc.org

Please notify Kathy if you know of illness or death of Alumni or call Diane at the Alumni Office at 810-257-9410.

Hurley 100 year celebration



Agnes and Nora— still one of the very few wearing her Hurley hat with pride



Marcie Welker & Agnes at the Hurley Alumni booth sharing history!



Doris Ethier & Lakisha

Dues/Donation/Banquet Payment Form

Due by Sept 14, 2009

Name _____ Graduating Class _____

First

Maiden

Last

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email address _____

☐ Yes, update my profile in keeping track of classmates (work, education, accomplishments)

ANNUAL DUES

☐ Lifetime member (\$0)

Amount

☐ Annual Dues Sept 09-Sept 10 (\$15.00)

☐ Lifetime Dues (\$150.00)

Total dues _____

DONATIONS

I wish to donate to the Hurley School of Scholarship Fund(s)

Amount

_____ **General Scholarship** Fund for students in nursing programs

_____ **Hurley Graduates** who are pursuing further education

Please acknowledge my donation in

Memory of _____

Honor of _____

Total donation(s) _____

BANQUET RESERVATION

☐ Yes, I will be attending the banquet on Oct 2, 2009

_____ Champagne Chicken

_____ @ \$30= _____

_____ Lake Superior White Fish

_____ @ \$30= _____

No, I will not be attending the banquet, however I will

Support a student to attend (\$30)

I would like to order a commemorative bottle of wine

to pick up at the banquet

_____ @ \$12= _____

Make Check payable to Hurley School of Nursing Alumni Association

Total Enclosed _____

Send Entire Form by Sept 14, 2009 to

Marcie Welker

P.O. Box 78

Flushing, MI 48443



The Florence Nightingale Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself before God and presence of this assembly;

To pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully.

*I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous
and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.*

*I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standard of my profession
and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping
and family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my calling.*

*With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work,
and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.*

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