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## From the President

By Patrick Brady '83

I'm sure each president has their goals for the Alumni Association during their tenure. One common question faced by each president is "Are we doing enough for our members?" I often consider the sustainability of our organization. What will the membership be like down the road? Who will be our leaders? Sometimes I think to myself "Well, we've been around for a long time." While this may be true, I want the Alumni Association to be around forever!

While we have many, very committed members from the 40s, 50s and 60s, there has been something of a gap in enthusiasm about the Alumni Association over several decades for classes from the late 70s through the 90s. Perhaps it's because there were many transitions in that era. Some students attended UNO for part of their classwork, changes at Charity Hospital and development of the Associate Degree program sent students to hospitals around the metropolitan area for their clinicals. The traditional ties created by the dorm and clinicals at the same hospital no longer held us.

But we are starting to see more interest. I was delighted to have a big group of my 1983 classmates attend the Breakfast this last September. And **Ellen Manieri '77** organized a three-class reunion in February for 1977-78-79 that was a huge success, with over 80 alumni in attendance! We need these classes to step up and become active members – to keep the Alumni Association strong, and to maintain our programs that assist the school and current students. And **Linda**



*Catherine LaFleur St. Cyr '59, Joshua Bourgeois '18, and Lillian Samardzija '60 at the Spring Luncheon.*

**Grant MacLachlan '78** wrote out a check for \$1,000 for scholarships at the Spring Luncheon!

As for more recent graduates, I realize that the times have changed the nursing school experience profoundly. Many current students face challenges that we never did in school. Caring for children *and* aging parents, working multiple jobs to pay tuition on top of supporting families, and military deployments to name only a few. As our new graduates are starting out in their professional careers, it is understandable that being active in the Alumni Association probably isn't a priority for many.

This is part of why we have forged such a strong connection with CASN, the Charity Association of

Student Nurses.

Their president attends our Board Meetings to let us →



*Left to right: Dean Cheryl Myers with Tiffany Manno '13 as she presents a check from River Oaks Hospital for scholarships to President Patrick Brady '83.*



know what they are doing and how we can help – such as assisting with travel expenses for Convention. CASN Members attend our Alumni events to sell t-shirts. They are always so delighted to meet members from so many generations of nursing, and we value the opportunity to get to know current students! We have also invited the officers of the Student Government Association and Spectrum to attend our meetings as well.

These students have already learned how enriching it is to be involved with their peers beyond classwork and clinicals. That the Spirit of Charity is not in the piece of paper you receive at the end, but the journey you share on the way. They will be the future leaders of our profession – and, we hope, the future leaders of our Alumni Association!

So I guess the question “Are we doing enough for our members?” is a multi-pronged one. What can we do to connect with more alumni over all the generations? How can the Alumni Association’s mission resonate with past and future graduates? How can our organization be more meaningful to every Charity alumni?

We embrace the rich and inspiring history of our school. I want us to embrace our future just as warmly. I want the Alumni Association to be a vital and engaging continuation of the Charity experience for all our graduates.

Exploring these questions is my goal as your President. I want your help. If you can think of ways that we can better serve our members and foster our graduates’ love for the Alumni Association, please let me know.

#### Lunch and a New Scholarship

Our Spring Luncheon at the Hilton Airport Hotel was again a huge success! One notable highlight of the luncheon was the generous donation of a scholarship from River Oaks Hospital, presented to the Alumni by our own **Tiffany Manno ’13**. This scholarship, which will be provided over every fall and spring semester, hopes to encourage knowledge about psychiatric and mental disorders across healthcare. Tiffany, the director of Risk Management at River Oaks, was the driving force behind this gift. We appreciate such a generous opportunity for our students – and it happened because of one of our alumni!

#### A Nod to NODNA

On May 11, a group of us alumni were fortunate enough to attend the New Orleans District Nurses Association (NODNA) Celebration of Nursing Excellence breakfast. We have strong associations with NODNA, with past-president **Patrick Reed ’90** and current president **Ecoee Rooney ’99** both being Charity graduates. Nurses and students were honored for their contributions to the profession and to patient care. Several Charity alumni and students received recognition!

**Shalan Randolph ’02** received the NODNA



*Ursula Allain ’65, Ecoee Rooney ’99, and Sharon Burel ’80 at the NODNA Nursing in Excellence breakfast.*

Excellence in Nursing award for Direct Patient Care in Ambulatory, APRN; **Darrell J. Price ’92** received the NODNA Excellence in Nursing award for Direct Patient Care in Hospital In-Patient, APRN; **Mary Kelly ’91** received the NODNA Excellence in Nursing award for Beyond the Bedside for Nursing Leadership for a Nurse Executive. Charity students **Brandi Borden, Erez Martin** and **William Mark Pellegrin** received NODNA Rising Star Scholarships of \$500. We are so proud of you all!

#### Homecoming Plans Coming Soon!

Homecoming 2020 is not too far off and plans are in the works! For those of you who haven’t heard of it, Homecoming is a celebration we hold every five years. It happens over a weekend in the fall, with three official events: a Saturday morning of activities at the school, a Saturday evening get-together, and a Sunday brunch. It’s an amazing amount of fun as over 300 alumni gather to party and remember our school days!

Homecoming 2020 is scheduled for October 17 and 18, 2020. So mark your calendars! More details will be in the *Alumni News* this fall, and in the *2020 White Cap* in the spring. I’m sure you will all be pleased with the activities we are planning, so stay tuned! This is a good time to contact your classmates to organize reunions and also to find “missing” classmates. The Alumni office can assist you with names and addresses, and we would really appreciate information about classmates you may find that are not in our data base.

#### Fall is for Breakfast

In our excitement about Homecoming, we don’t want to forget the Fall Breakfast! Especially since, because of the expanded logistics required for Homecoming, there will NOT be a Spring 2020 Alumni Luncheon. So this breakfast is your last chance to join with your classmates for a year! Don’t wait! Get on the phone, rally the gang, and order your tickets today! ❖



# Marvels & Wonders!

By Joycelyn Jeansonne '78

It was a beautiful April morning at the elegant Hilton Hotel in Kenner. Few would have remarked at the gathering of so many generations of nurses, except perhaps for the occasional glimpse of a bit of shimmer.... Only among ourselves did we flash our golden bracelets, reveal our S-emblazoned chests, flex our nerves of steel and acknowledge the secret: "Charity is Our Super Power!"

It was a *Marvel* of a party, as the Wonder Women and Super Men in attendance enjoyed a delicious lunch, renewed old friendships and pondered the heroics of nursing careers with fellow graduates, old and new!

President **Patrick Brady '83** welcomed the alumni and their guests and **Jenn Garnand '11** gave the blessing – aiming true, as always, and hitting us square in our hearts. (You can read Jenn's blessing on page 6.)

## CSN Report

**Dr. Cheryl Myers**, Executive Dean of the School of Nursing, began by thanking us for inviting her to speak at the luncheon. She pointed out to the students present that there is clearly life after nursing school and recognized the recent graduates in attendance.

The enrollment at school is still booming with 680 RN students and 120 LPN students. Approximately 170 will be admitted for the fall semester.

The faculty and staff continue to work with architects to design a state-of-the-art facility that will house the School of Nursing and all of Delgado's allied health programs in the former LSU Medical School building on Tulane Avenue next to Charity Hospital, with a projected completion date of 2021.

## Special Guest

Patrick introduced **Tiffany Manno**, a 2013 Charity graduate who is now Director of Risk Management and Performance Improvement at River Oaks Hospital.



*Left to right, top to bottom: Trisha Talboys '18, Shelley Blanda '18; Ursula Allain '65, Dr. Cheryl Myers; Ginger Andry '58; Joyce Kelly, Mary Singletary and Rose Jeanne Buccola, Class of '49, celebrate 70 years.*



Tiffany presented a "Big Check" to the Alumni Association for scholarships for Charity nursing students.

The check represents River Oaks Hospital's commitment to provide a \$1,000 scholarship every fall and spring semester to encourage nursing students to further their knowledge of psychiatric illness and treatments because psychiatric patients are seen at all levels of care.

Tiffany orchestrated the donation by River Oaks because of the difference it made in her life to



receive the Sally Cooper Alumni Scholarship while she was a student. Tiffany spoke eloquently about how the scholarship "is a big reason I am where I am today." (You can read Tiffany's remarks on page 6.) Tiffany is a Charity Super Hero for sure!

Many recipients of alumni scholarships from this semester were in attendance – scholarships all made possible by donations from alumni, family and friends. →







### Election Results

These newly elected officers were administered their oath of office: Treasurer **Ursula Allain '65**, Nominating Chair **Emily Ovalle '13**, and Board Members **Charlene Berger '79** and **Amber Stokes '13**.

Continuing in their current positions are: Secretary **Joycelyn Jeansonne '78**, Board Members **Vivian Manes '70**, **Patrick Reed '90**, and **Brooke Troxclair '17**, and President-Emeritus **Bryan Camus '12**.

Patrick Brady was uncontested in his position as President and is proud to serve in that role until Spring 2022.

### Roll Call

Patrick and Joycelyn conducted the roll call of classes. Three members of the **Class of '49** were there to receive their Platinum Certificates for their 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: **Rose Jeanne Roussel Buccola**, **Mary Smith Singletary** and **Joyce DeLatte Kelly**.

**Patricia Flynn Parr '95** sent a photo of her mom, **Joyce Picou Flynn '49**, and a copy of *The White Cap* from 1996, with a picture of Patricia and Joyce attending an alumni event together that spring. Joyce passed away in 2009. "I would have loved to bring her to this Class of '49 reunion," wrote Patricia.

The **Class of '59** held their 60-Year reunion and had ten classmates in attendance to receive their Diamond Certificates. And the **Class of 2018** had a great showing with seven new graduates! We also welcomed nine current students - and even one student-to-be! **Sadie Peters** was just accepted to the School of Nursing, and she came with her friend **Donna Apperson '02**.



*Top to bottom, left to right: the Class of 1959; Jo Ann Toval '80 and Judy Ross '68; Charlotte Arras '71 and Jo Ann Rizzuto '71; Kimberly North '94 and daughter Ashley Davidson, a current student; Patrick Brady '83, Roberta Bartee '66 and Bryan Camus '12; Sadie Peters and Donna Apperson '02.*



The **Class of 1969** is planning their 50<sup>th</sup> reunion for the fall, so we hope to see many of them at the Ridgeway on September 28. We were happy to at least see **Julia George '69** this spring. It was her lucky day – she won the raffle for a Pelican Trinket Box!

**Drawings & Surprises**

The winner of the 50/50 drawing was **Jo Ann Toval '80**, collecting \$182! The CHSN Cape raffle donated by **Joy Weber Gregersen '50** was won by **Kimberly North '94**. **Mary Singletary '49** won the raffle for the Charity Pin Cross-Stitch which was artfully stitched and donated by the amazing **Kathy Hug '65**.

The door prizes were extra exciting because **Peggy Johns '63** donated a whole bunch of wonderful scarves she had knitted and cute quilted “microwave bowls” (you can put your soup bowl inside to microwave and when you take it out, you don’t burn your fingers). She also embroidered hand towels with the words “Charity is My Super Power!”

Many of the CASN students were at the national convention that day, but the SGA and other student volunteers pitched in to run the CASN table so we could choose from their extensive selection of great Charity t-shirts.

Some alumni surprised us with gifts!

**Joyce DeLatte Kelly '49** was accompanied by her daughter Maureen Kelly and graciously brought her cape to donate.

**Catherine LaFleur St. Cyr '59** brought us a class photo dated 1946 of her sister’s class (**Anna Belle LaFleur Simoneaux '47** passed away in 1997). Catherine was delighted to recognize **Mary Singletary '49**, one of her sister’s friends! **Lorre Lei Jackson '58** still has her scrapbook from nursing school and found in it a copy of the speech given by a recent graduate, **Mary Ellyn Chadwick '53**, at their Capping Ceremony in May 1956. “It’s just as relevant today!” says Lorre Lei. (See what you think! Read Mary Elln’s address on page 14.)

**See Ya’ll in the Fall**

Patrick thanked everyone for attending, and wished them safe travels home. **Cindy Beniger '68** led us in singing the Alma Mater, and as the last bars faded away, we slipped quietly back into the guises of our normal lives. But we are always at the ready to return when the Big “C” appears in the sky – or when the next alumni event beckons!



*Top to bottom, left to right: Evelyn Schroeder '58, Maureen McDonald '62, Lorre Lei Jackson '58, Peggy Johns '63 and Anne Daigle '58; Angele Rains '18, senior Mira Bull, Karen Bonilla-Zeladon '18 and senior Amanda Weinberger; Joycelynn Jeansonne '78 and Carol Gonzales '80; Mary Jo Johnson and Mary Jean Johnson Southerland, Class of '74; Cindy Beniger '68 leads the Alma Mater.*



# River Oaks Hospital Provides Scholarships

By Tiffany Manno '13

Director of Risk Management, River Oaks Hospital

*At the Spring Luncheon, Tiffany presented a check from River Oaks Hospital to the Alumni Association for scholarships for students at Charity School of Nursing. The check represents River Oaks Hospital's commitment to provide a \$1,000 scholarship every fall and spring semester to encourage nursing students to further their knowledge of psychiatric illness and treatments because psychiatric patients are seen at all levels of care. These were Tiffany's remarks at the Luncheon.*

Charity is my Super Power. My experience at Charity School of Nursing has given me the power of UPLIFT.

Whether I was walking down the halls, studying in the library, caring for my patients and their family in clinicals, or volunteering at Habitat for Humanity with my classmates, there was always someone there to say *I believe in you.*

From faculty and staff, peers, family and friends - there was always *You've got this.* That's what I heard when I volunteered to take a gunshot victim as my first clinical patient assignment. That is what I heard when I was up all night preparing a detailed patient care plan for clinicals the next day. That is what I heard from the Librarian when I was studying for hours on end in the Charity library to prepare for the world of nursing ahead. *You've got this.*

In my turn, as a tutor to my peers in nursing school, I would give them a resounding *You've got this.* And now, in my position as the Director of Risk Management and Performance Improvement, I am still saying *You've got this.* We're going to make things better together and ensure that we deliver the best patient care possible.

We are the sum of each other's success. When I received the 2013 Sally Cooper Alumni Scholarship, it made all of the difference for me. You, the alumni, were there to say *I believe in you.* I want to thank you all. I am here today because of you.

In continuing with the Spirit of Charity, I am so honored to announce the River Oaks Hospital Psychiatric Scholarship on behalf of our CEO Deagan Watson and my colleagues, to the Charity School of Nursing. This is a \$1,000 Scholarship which will be offered in the Spring and Fall semesters.

This scholarship is meant to uplift a student's spirit as my spirit was uplifted when I received the Sally Cooper Scholarship. As a Behavioral Health Hospital, we hope to raise awareness of Psychiatric - Mental Health Nursing, promote mental health, and break down The Walls of Stigma surrounding mental illness.

We are proud to have this opportunity to give back to our Nursing Community which gives so much, not only to our hospital and patients it serves, but to our community as a whole, everyday. Thank you! ❖

## Blessing for Spring Luncheon 2019

By Jenn Garnand '11

We bless this food that we are about to share and the company in which we share it. Let us begin our time together today in the spirit of Charity....

Christopher Reeves has said, "A **hero** is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to **persevere** and **endure** in spite of overwhelming obstacles."

In our case, this *hero* is a **NURSE**.

Myrtle Aydelotte said that "Nurses encompass an *art*, a humanistic orientation, a *feeling* for the **value** of the individual, an *intuitive* sense of **ethics**, and the appropriateness of *action* taken."

*Who inspires one to be a nurse? Every nurse who's ever come before us who hasn't turned their back on a nursing student or graduate nurse, every nurse who has acknowledged that it's okay and simply **human** to make foolish mistakes, every nurse who has taken a moment of their time to help when you've been scared, and every nurse who continues to remember *what it's like* to be a beginner.*

Nurses UNDERSTAND, plan, encourage, SUPPORT... Nurses wipe tears, refer, bandage, assess, COUNSEL... Nurses organize, teach, HEAL, laugh, LISTEN... Nurses comfort, hold your hand, respond, monitor, CARE –

And what is this superpower they possess? Well, we don't have to engage in *grand, heroic actions* to participate in the process of change. **Small acts**, when multiplied, are the ones that **transform** others, often ourselves, and *sometimes even the world*.

In our case, this superpower is **CHARITY**. Charity is to give of *yourself*, without regret... and without reward.

However, Charity is not a duty, but a JOY. It's the voice of the most vulnerable. *The voice of the voiceless*. Charity is when we see the **need**, not necessarily focus on the cause. Charity is having done something for someone who can *never repay you*.

Oftentimes, it's an action, but most importantly, it's a state of the HEART.

**Charity is expecting the best of each other.**

Charity is pure **LOVE**.

*And LOVE is crucial here...* Because if **love** can't cure it – **NURSES CAN**.

*Amen.* ❖



## February 2019 Reunion Reunites Three Classes

The Charity Classes of 1977, 1978 and 1979 held their combined Forty-Year Anniversary Reunion in February at Southport Hall in Jefferson, LA. The reunion was organized by **Ellen Williams Manieri '77** and over eighty graduates from the three classes attended. There was music, an open bar and a buffet.

Because of the structure of the curriculum at that time, the three groups often had classes together, "so it seemed appropriate to reunite all the old friends," said Ellen. ❖

Thanks to **Mike McCall '77** for the class photos, from top to bottom: 1977, 1978, 1979.





# Pinning Ceremonies and Graduation Awards

Congratulations to all of the seniors from Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 who have joined our ranks as nurses and alumni! We especially want to recognize the recipients of these graduation awards:

## Class of May 2019

*(Pictured to right, left to right, top to bottom)*

**Joshua Heigle**, Honor Pin

**William Pellegrin**, Award of Distinction

*(pictured with Dr. Cheryl Myers)*

**Brandi Borden**, Margaret Palmisano

Alumni Award, and NODNA

Leadership Award *(presented by*

*NODNA President Ecoee Rooney '99)*

**Ahoefa Agbobli**, Sister Blanche

McDonnell Award

**Mira Bull**, Sister Stanislaus Malone Award

**Bridget Breaux**, Highest GPA



## Class of December 2018

*(Pictured to left, left to right, top to bottom)*

**Angele Rains**, Honor Pin, Highest GPA

and SAC Award *(pictured with*

*Deborah Skevington '79 and*

*Dr. Cheryl Myers)*

**Karen Bonilla**, Sister Blanche

McDonnell Award and

NODNA Award

*(presented by Bryan Camus '12)*

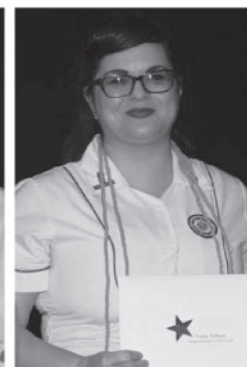
**Shelley Blanda**, Sister Stanislaus

Malone Award and CASN Award

**Laura Gamber**, Award of Distinction

**Trisha Talboys**, Margaret Palmisano Alumni Award

*(Not pictured):* **Jessica Ackerman**, Spectrum Award



The Theresa Bittenbring and John Henry Marque Fund Student Nurse Awards are given to the students with the top five highest GPA's for the academic year.

For 2018-2019, the recipients are: **Bridget Breaux** and

**Joshua Heigle** of May 2019; **Angele Rains**, **Rachel Wolf** and **Zachary Kirwood** of December 2018.





# Dean's Report

By Cheryl Myers, PhD, RN

Executive Director CSN Campus/Dean of Nursing

It is a pleasure to bring you summer greetings! As we close the 2018-19 academic year, I'd like to update you on some of the accomplishments of our students and upcoming news that we are excited about.

First, our students/graduates! We continue to be proud of the time and effort each of our students puts into meeting the rigor of the nursing program. Now, more than ever, the complexity of patient care is increasing, which requires an increase in the level of sophistication in the teaching and testing environment of the program. Our faculty continue to work hard to assist students to meet the challenge of nursing in the increasingly demanding world of healthcare. We are pleased that the past two graduating classes did exceptionally well on the NCLEX: May 2018 earned a 96.39% pass rate and the class of December 2018 earned a 97.94% rate!

Thanks to your support, members of CASN were able to attend the spring 2019 NSNA conference in Salt Lake City. When they returned, we were able to witness the growth and continued socialization into the profession. As one student stated, she was able to see how nurses can truly make a difference in healthcare.

As of July 1, we will welcome our new Chancellor, Dr. Larissa Littleton-Steib. Dr. Steib has served at Delgado in the past as the Executive Dean of the West Bank Campus and the Vice Chancellor for Workforce Development. She left Delgado to serve as the Chancellor at Baton Rouge Community College, and we are pleased to have her return to her home. I'm sure you will meet her at one of the upcoming alumni events.

The plans for the renovation of the LSU Medical School building at 1542 Tulane Avenue are progressing. We are excited for construction to begin sometime in the next academic year, with a planned move of the nursing and allied health programs likely in 2021.

Thanks to the generous donations from the alumni, over \$8,800 in awards/scholarships were distributed to students at the spring 2019 Promotion and Awards Ceremony. Without your support, many of our students would not be able to achieve their goal of becoming a Charity nurse. We truly appreciate each and every one of you for the time, talent, encouragement and other support you provide for our students and the program. Wishing you a safe and restful summer! ❖

## Farewell to LOADN

The Louisiana Chapter of OADN-LOADN, the Louisiana Organization for Associate Degree Nursing, is disbanding

due to waning participation. The members voted to keep a portion of the group's remaining funds in Louisiana (the balance will go to the OADN Foundation). Each nursing program that held an OADN agency membership was provided a check for \$500 to be used for student scholarships.

The Charity Alumni Association will administer the gift as part of their scholarship program, and we anticipate awarding the LOADN Scholarship to a student in Spring 2020. It is an unfortunate loss of an important advocate for the Associate Degree in Nursing in the state.

CSN Faculty member Barbara Hebert is the treasurer of LOADN. CSN Faculty member Pat Smart, past-president of LOADN, continues as current treasurer of OADN. ❖

## Charity Yearbooks Online

Soon it will be as simple as going online when you want to see your yearbook! We are in the process of archiving all the School of Nursing yearbooks at **Internet Archive**, a non-profit library of books and historical material from libraries and other institutions all over the country. You can use it free!



It's easy to find your yearbook.

There is a link to the Internet Archive site on our website, **CharityAlumni.org** on the **FAQs and Links** page.

Or, on your web search engine, type in:

**Internet Archive** (No "s" on the end!)

When that comes up, on the SEARCH ARCHIVES bar type in: **Charity Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association** (Type the whole thing to avoid getting a bunch of other stuff.)

Our yearbooks will pop up! (Put it in your Bookmarks!) There is a "SORT BY" bar, and just click on "TITLE" to get them in order by year. Then click on the year you want. You can flip through your yearbook page by page, zoom in, even download!

We are still in the process of scanning all the yearbooks, so it is not yet a complete collection, but we hope to be finished by the end of the year. As of this writing, the collection includes 1938 through 1959, and 1991 through 2004. If your yearbook isn't there yet, just check back later. Ultimately we hope to add other historical School of Nursing documents as well. Even if your year isn't listed yet, it's really fun to look through the other books!

Another neat thing to do in the Internet Archive is to search for "Charity Hospital Report." These are the Big Charity Hospital's annual reports to the State of Louisiana going back to 1842! Some are even in French! Very cool! ❖



# Igniting Passions

By Brandi Borden, May 2019

Outgoing CASN President

In April 2019, ten students from the Charity Association of Student Nurses (CASN) attended the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual National Student Nursing Association (NSNA) Convention, which was held in Salt Lake City, Utah. The theme was *Ignite Your Passion: Lighting the Way for Excellence!* and attending this convention helped ignite our passion for nursing. For some of us, this was our first time at a nursing convention and anticipated with excitement what we would be doing. For others, we had been to several conventions and knew what to expect and what we wanted to accomplish.

Throughout the convention, we networked with leaders, speakers, faculty, and thousands of fellow student nurses. Dr. Rumay Alexander delivered an amazing Keynote Address at the Opening Ceremony and set the tone for a great convention. The Endnote Address was given by Alexandra Wubbles, a Critical Care nurse in the Burn Trauma ICU, who was wrongfully arrested while advocating for her patient in 2017. These nurses are leaders and had inspirational stories to share.

Johnson & Johnson sponsored two Plenary Sessions. At the *What Would a Nurse Do?* Plenary Session, we learned how three nurses changed healthcare by rising to the challenges of being a nurse and advocating for patients and healthcare. During the *Trending: Healthcare Everywhere* Plenary Session, we caught a glimpse of the future with technological advancements within healthcare. As Charity student **Gina Galliano** said, "It was inspiring to hear the RNs speak with such passion about their careers. This event certainly cemented nursing as my future."

The focus sessions covered seminars, workshops, and presentations. Some focus sessions shared study tips while others presented information about different types of nursing specialties, various skills, or issues we may face as nurses. **William Pellegrin** said, "I attended the focus session *The Whole Truth: You Have the Power to Stop Human Trafficking* and was alarmed and shocked at the

statistics and how easy it was to fall victim to this. I learned how to spot signs and how to help the victims by educating them as well."

**Matt Kiefer** enjoyed several focus sessions, but one stood out for him. He reports, "I was inspired after talking to Andrew Vietch, a flight nurse from Africa who currently teaches at Stanford in California along with Josh Wall, President Elect of the Air and Surface Transport Nurses Association. Both men are part of ASTNA and explained



Above, left to right: CASN members Matt Kiefer, William Pellegrin, Brandyn Filerman, Kokoro Schwartz., Kasey Hall, Laurie Siekkinen, Brandi Borden, Angela Adams, Gina Galliano and Doreall Jupiter at Convention.

why flight nursing is one of the most rewarding jobs and at the same time why it isn't for everyone." He adds, "They each took the time to answer my questions and explained the benefits, the reasons to volunteer for extra shifts, and the importance of being certified in critical care. Being certified is a mark of a professional, it makes you more conscious, you can practice at a higher level, and you take the job more seriously."

While in the House of Delegates, we listened to student nurses who presented their resolutions. Those who have never been to a Resolutions Hearing may not be aware of the influence and magnitude we have to create change within our chosen profession. It takes time to research whether or not a particular issue is needed within the healthcare setting, analyze the pros and cons, write it in the proper format, and present it to thousands of nursing students who will be voting for or against the topic at hand. As **Laurie Siekkinen** says, "It was amazing to see that we as nursing students have a voice and how our voices can



bring change to the nursing profession and care we provide our patients.”

At NSNA’s First Night Party, we all got on the dance floor and danced the night away. No matter if we danced well or not, we were all together, being present, enjoying the moment, and having a blast! The next night, several of us met and took pictures with Nurse Blake (a RN, nursing and health advocate, and writer) at a party. During our few days at convention, we each had the opportunity to carve out time to enjoy the beautiful gardens around the gorgeous Salt Lake Temple and Tabernacle. Some of us experienced new adventures and crossed off items on our bucket list, such as seeing mountains, seeing snow, and skiing for the first time.

Attending convention inspired **Kokoro Schwartz** to be involved. “Attending the NSNA convention changed the way I feel about going through nursing school. Seeing other students be active and working to make changes in the field of nursing inspired me to do more. I no longer want to go through nursing school with my head ‘buried,’ unaware of what is going on around me with my school and classmates. I want to make connections and be active in my community!”

**Brandyn Filerman** summed up his experience, “The Convention experience was breathtaking. I’ve been so excited to tell people what it was like, and how much of a voice we all have as students. I’m so happy to be a part of CASN and could represent Charity and Louisiana at the Convention. I’m glad I’m involved and participating in these incredible opportunities.”

As our trip came to an end, we held fond memories, talked about what we learned, and shared our passion for nursing. We were inspired to be the best nurses for our patients and to rise up to the challenges we may face. We learned that we are empowered by advocating for ourselves, our patients, and healthcare as a whole. We learned that we are not just a nursing student, but we are one of several thousands of nursing students who have a voice, can create change, and have a positive impact within our future nursing profession. We learned that we are supported and empowered by fellow nursing students, Registered Nurses, student nursing associations, and professional associations.

To the Charity Alumni Association, we thank you for your generosity and support for us to attend convention. We work hard all year, selling t-shirts and working events, to raise money to attend national convention, but your

contributions make it possible for so many of us to attend!

I have no doubt that these CASN members will become amazing leaders and productive nurses within our community. We look forward to graduating from the Charity School of Nursing, becoming part of the Alumni Association, and setting great examples for our future nursing students. You have paved the way for us and we will continue that path for future nursing students. Thank you for being positive role models and letting us explore this journey outside of nursing school. ❖



## Creating Dreams and Memories

By Brandyn Filerman, May 2019

Only a few years ago did I decide to go to Nursing School, and here I am writing to you all as a graduate. For the fellow alumni, first of all, a huge thank you for your continued support and encouragement to us students. It fills our world with gratitude and determination. To the students that may be reading this, I urge you to please consider joining an organization at your school immediately. I joined CASN in my final semester at Charity School of Nursing, and got to go on one of the greatest learning adventures of my lifetime.

I was invited to attend the National Student Nurses Association convention in Salt Lake City, Utah this year, and went with nine of my fellow students, some freshmen, some juniors, and half of us representing as seniors. Not only was I encouraged to attend from my instructors and peers, the Alumni Association also made a generous grant to CASN that paid for some of our travel expenses.

The NSNA convention was nothing shy of surprising, beautiful, and inspiring. I cannot express how much appreciation and gratitude I have for my fellow students both at Charity as well as all over the country, and for the opportunity to explore a new place with new people.

I got to meet literally thousands of fellow nursing students and faculty nationwide. We attended speeches and got inspiration and lessons from educators, staff, and universities from around the world. Part of this convention involved being a participant in the House of Delegates to present our opinions in what we believe matters in the field of Nursing. We represented Charity, and the state of Louisiana, in both supporting and challenging agendas which we felt was necessary to be addressed at a federal level.

To explore a brand new city in a state I have never been to before in my life was so exciting. I was able to walk around town, see the great pipe organ played with the Tabernacle Choir, and went skiing for the first time! →



I would not trade my experiences with CASN for the world. To be a part of such an incredible convention, as well as helping to volunteer at school events and in the school store throughout the semester, was an honor. I never thought I had the time available to give back to my school, my fellow students, and to myself in previous semesters which delayed my joining until Level IV.

If I can say anything to any students reading this, it would be this: Join an organization in your school now. Whether it be CASN, SGA, Spectrum, wherever you find a good fit, join them today. You will have time, and it will not take away from your studies. While operating the school store, I was able to study in my free time. I was going to attend those school events anyways, but I was just on the other side of the tables. You have time to give, and you get so much out of it in doing so.

I wish I would have joined in Level I, but am so grateful that I got to be a part of an organization at my school that allowed me to be so active and involved in the student body as well as the Nursing world. The experiences, the support, and the family I have made in this journey will carry into the rest of my life.

Again, special thanks to the alumni, who help us create the dreams we have had for so long. I will pay it forward and treasure these memories always.

To all of the dear friends and adventures we have shared and made along the way. To the inside jokes, to our mutual victories and setbacks. To what has pushed us forward, and what has tried to knock us back. To when we would all pick each other up when we would fall, and that strength, compassion, and perseverance we built and gave to ourselves and to each other. ❖

## From the Executive Director

By Lista Hank '97

Summer is going so fast - it will be September before we know it! So don't delay on ordering your tickets for the Fall Breakfast on September 28! This is the last alumni get-together we will have before Homecoming in October 2020, so don't miss this chance to see your classmates and friends!

### Contact Your Class

Speaking of Homecoming, you should probably be starting now to contact all your classmates! The Alumni Office can provide a class list with all the addresses, phone numbers and email information we have. We can also provide mailing labels if you want to send a letter. Many people have had luck finding "lost" classmates on the web, but it takes a little time, so don't leave it until the last minute! You don't have to wait until some special



anniversary to get your class together, and Homecoming offers plenty of fun! And it's always more fun when a bunch of your classmates are there!

There will be a lot more details about Homecoming in the *Alumni News* this fall, and in the 2020 *White Cap* next spring. For now, just mark your calendar: October 17 & 18, 2020.

### Cadet Nurse Exhibit

This spring and summer, we had the opportunity to display an exhibit about the Cadet Nurse Corps in all six Delgado libraries throughout the metropolitan area. It has been exciting to be able to share this chapter in the School of Nursing's history and some biographies of Charity's own cadets with so many campuses and students. You can see excerpts from the exhibit on our website. Go to [CharityAlumni.org](http://CharityAlumni.org) and click on "Cool Stuff."

### Newsy Notes

Send in your career news or just a note to say how you're doing! We love including all that in the newsletters! You can email or just write!

Finally, thank you to everyone for sending in your membership dues and donations! Your gifts are how we do everything that we do, from the newsletters to scholarships, from preserving our archives (like scanning those yearbooks!) to assisting students in emergencies, running our office and website, and so much more! YOU make it all happen! YOU are OUR Super Power! ❖

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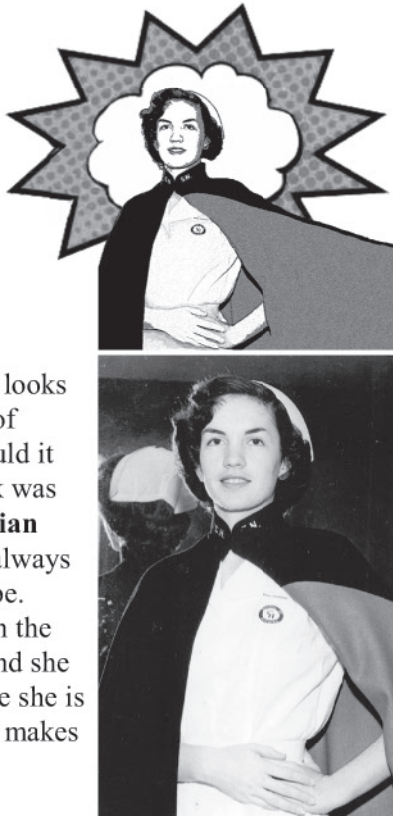




# Alumni Notes

**Dorothy Sumrall Livingston '50** (*Arkadelphia, AR*) sent us her Charity Pin and ordered a brick for her classmate **Dixie Poole Keyes '50** who passed in 2012. "I hope the nurse that wears this pin will wear it with as much pride as I did. I will always be grateful to the nursing school. It was a wonderful place to grow up, mature, learn responsibility and countless other things that help one to build a better life for yourself and others. The nuns did a wonderful job!"

**Mona Robicheaux Rojas '57** (*Las Vegas, NV*): Mona was unable to attend the Spring Luncheon, but had a question about the depiction of a nurse, in a wonderful superhero stance, in the email reminder and on the centerpieces. "The nurse looks exactly like a classmate of mine, Mitzi Taggart! Could it be?" Indeed that artwork was based on a photo of **Marian Taggart Jacobsen '57**, always called "Mitzi," in her cape. Says Mona, "We lived on the same floor in the dorm and she was a good friend. I hope she is well and that this picture makes her as proud, as a CHSN graduate, as I am."



*Mitzi Taggart '57*

**Rosalind Goodbread Baldwin '57** (*Baton Rouge, LA*): "I am enclosing a check for the Luncheon and also a donation for the Student Emergency Fund. Looking forward to seeing everyone and sharing memories of the best days of my life. I love Charity!"

**Rosemary Myers Breau '58** (*Clinton, LA*): "I look forward to receiving the news about school so much. Big Charity was a big part of my life. I met my husband through my classmates – he was their first cousin. Sadly he passed in 2017. I will always cherish my time at Charity. I will never forget my classmates. I wish I could attend a reunion, but my health won't permit a trip. I have a bad shoulder and knees. Age! But I'm thankful I'm still here – I'm 82. I'm including a donation in memory of my classmate **Rose Ella Chenevert Miller**. God bless

everyone – and please keep me in your prayers. Remember to live each day like it may be your last!"

**Lorre Lei Jackson '58** (*River Ridge, LA*): "I enjoyed attending the Spring Luncheon and seeing **Ann Matthiesen Daigle '58** and **Cecile Ginger Andry '58**. Ginger's children went to school with my children. Ann and I were roommates and **Evelyn Schroeder '58** and I have remained close since graduation. She was my only wedding attendant as we planned a small event since my husband's mother had suffered a bleed from an aneurysm and expired four days before the wedding. Evelyn is also the godmother of my youngest daughter and 'Aunt Evie' to all my children. Experiences shared in those three years at Charity had a way of causing a bonding. First of all, who else could relate to what you had seen, what you had learned in those years? Within those years I saw more life and death than most individuals, except those in the military, see in a lifetime. I learned to improvise and I know I can function in any third world country and did when my husband and I went to Larry Mellon's Albert Schweitzer hospital in Haiti for a week to operate on neurosurgical patients and again in New Orleans after Katrina."

**Maxine Blackmon Jones '59** (*Pelham, AL*): "Thank you for the new pocket calendar with the picture of **Sally Cooper '59**. I always thought Sally had a firm concept of who she was and I think the picture on the calendar depicts her confidence. It helped me to recall some early school incidents that we shared. On my first day at the school my parents had dropped



*Sally Cooper '59*

me off for them to drive back to Alabama. I had just settled things in my new room in the dorm. Sally and **Ruth Wallace '59** were already settled in their room just around the hall from me. Sally stuck her head in my door and invited me to go to whatever meal (lunch or dinner) that was being served in the dorm. That helped me to overcome my immediate home-sickness and helped me to find my way in the dorm. On another occasion, Sally and I were attending some sort of social event in the dorm. We both happened to be standing near each other close to the door and Sally leaned over to me and said, "Let's blow this joint." Her terminology tickled me, and it helped both of us to gracefully exit.

It was great to visit with some of my '59 classmates at the Spring Luncheon! I always enjoyed being around →



**Suzu Andry '59.** It was an honor for me to recognize her accomplishments with a scholarship. I am enclosing a check to create a scholarship in honor of **Doris Burvant '60.** It will be nice for Doris to receive recognition next year when her class celebrates their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary!"

**Ethel Faciane Friend '60** (*New Iberia, LA*) stopped by the school to donate her 1958, 1959 and 1960 yearbooks, and a microbiology textbook. We only had one copy each of the '58 and '59 yearbooks, so we are really grateful for her gift! **Anne Langston Lind '51** (*Irving, TX*) mailed us a box of several yearbooks, too, from 1956, 1960, 1962, 1965 and 1968 – all of which are in short supply and we really appreciate her sending!

**Rosemary Hathorn Holmes '62** (*Zephyr, TX*): "The spirit of Charity is still with me! I pray every night that I was able to graduate from there and always had a good job and was able to go into the U.S. Air Force Nurse Corps (retired at 70)!! I love the picture on the note pad! I loved our uniform. Darn, I wish I was still there, but so much has changed since then! We need more schools like Charity! Keep up the good work!"

**Martha Meaux Genin '65** (*New Orleans, LA*): "I am very humbled by the honor of the Charity Pin being awarded in my name. I feel I don't deserve this as I simply took what Charity taught me to care for my patients. My hope is to give aspiring nurses lacking finances, as I was, the opportunity to receive the BEST nursing school education and have the confidence and rewarding experiences I've had in nursing. Even though we have sadly lost our Big Charity, the source of unlimited educational opportunities, and our Sister Stanislaus dorm which created abiding friendships that still exist 50+ years later, Charity Nurses must continue!"

**Elaine Ledoux Phares '66** (*Clinton, LA*): "Thanks for the newsletter! Just read it from cover to cover. Always wonderful to read about fellow nurses and their activities. I have been officially retired from the State of Louisiana since 2004 and Army Reserves since 2005. I have continued to do Continuing Education to maintain my license. Wishing everyone all the best!"

**Rhonda Henry McClain '90** (*Gretna, LA*): "I am a diploma graduate of Charity – under the name Rhonda McCaskill. I returned to school and recently graduated with my BS in Health Informatics and Information Management. I am also a Certified RHIA (Registered Health Information Administrator). Since then I have been promoted to the RN Clinical Documentation Improvement Specialist. I just wanted to say that I am proud to be a graduate of Charity and let the Alumni

Association know how Charity graduates continue to prosper."

**Judy Sherville Breaux '97** (*Lafayette, LA*) called to say "I love the fact that I still get the *Alumni News!*"

**Deborah Meis** (*Tipp City, OH*), retired counselor for Charity School of Nursing: "Ever since the Winter 2018 *Alumni News* arrived, I have wanted to let you know what a great newsletter it was! Congratulations are surely in order! It was huge, 24 pages filled with interesting topics and so much news. For me, it is like getting news from home... from Charity!" ❖

## Excerpted from the Capping Address Delivered May 18, 1956

By Mary Ellyn Chadwick '53

Honored Students, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Tonight these 107 students receive the official cap of their school. Receiving the cap is important. Important because it is a symbol of nursing. Each time you put on your cap you will once again be pledging yourself to the profession you have chosen.

In receiving your cap you accept a great obligation – an obligation to the patient, the community, your school and yourself. Receiving the cap does not mean the hard work is over. In reality, it has just begun. Much more will be expected of you than ever before.

I want you to think tonight about your obligation to the patient. This obligation is to be a good nurse. As a nurse, you need to be much like an artist: have a general idea of what you expect to accomplish, then start putting the idea into effect, standing back occasionally to look over your work and to see where you can improve it, perhaps to erase or add. In other words, once knowing what you wish to do, you must occasionally recollect, contemplate and evaluate.

All that you do must be weighed in the light of standards of good nursing and ultimately the standards of good living. Some of us are oftentimes too prone to measure our nursing care in terms of activity – how *much* we do in one day, how *many* things we accomplish. We should take time out once in a while to think about what we believe nursing is – or ought to be. You should ask yourself this question: What should I as a good nurse, citizen, and fine person be?

In thinking about this question, we should realize that what we call nursing is far less important than what we make it. Without question this essential service to society should be governed by the highest motives and ideals. In the minds of those who are in the hospital, you will be a part of their total experience – inseparable from what they



think of when the word *hospital* is used. You can make a beautiful room ugly or make an ugly room beautiful. What you do becomes an indefinable part of the lives of those for whom you care. Your own personal conduct will be written in everything you do. Your own personal ideals will be visible to every eye.

What patients think of you is important. You may have much to do with influencing good thoughts, attitudes and actions. Not only will you have the opportunity to teach patients, but you will be in a position to guide their families and friends. With this in mind, you must watch carefully your own attitudes and actions.

Think of all the little things you can do for the patient in the length of time it takes to say, "Wait just a minute," or "I'm too busy right now." Remember that *how* you say things to the patient influences him and reflects your feelings as much, if not more than, *what* you say.

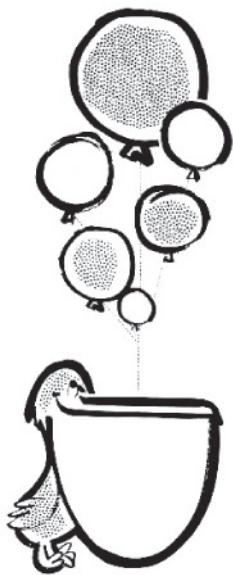
The way your hands touch a patient also reflect your feelings. If they press too hard they will hurt. If they touch too lightly they will not provide the reassurance he needs. If you place them gently, yet firmly, the patient will feel secure.

I want to tell you something about your hands. Once they were just hands. They smoothed your hair, held the hand of someone you love, may one day clasp your baby close – they serve you because they are your hands.

Now you and others have trained them to be the hands of a nurse. Your hands may touch sordid wounds and injured flesh, fevered brows and fretful limbs. As you touch the bodies, your ministry touches hearts and souls. God will move through your fingertips.

May you never lose your love for nursing, and may God go with you all the way. ❖

*Mary Ellyn Chadwick '53 passed away in 1995.*



## Reunion Plans

### Class of 1969: Fifty Year Reunion this fall!

We are planning to hold our **50-Year Reunion** at the Alumni Breakfast on **Sept. 28, 2019**. We are also planning to meet at Andrea's Restaurant the night before (Friday, September 27) for an informal get-together. If you are a member of the Class of 1969, please

contact me so I can keep you informed of all the plans.

**Juanita Gauthier Deshotel** 318-729-6989

juanitagauthier@bellsouth.net

I have been unable to get in touch with a number of 1969 graduates, so if you haven't heard from me, please call! ❖

### Class of 1964: Fifty-Five Year Reunion this fall!

We are planning a 55-Year Reunion at the September 28 Alumni Breakfast. Please join us!

**Judith Wellman Quigley '64**

949-854-5545 traumamom@aol.com ❖

### Class of 1960: Sixty Year Reunion in 2020

We are planning our 60-Year Anniversary reunion for Homecoming in October 2020. If you haven't heard from me, please contact me!

**Doris Tucker Burvant '60**

985-641-8815 (h) or 504-430-4741 (c)

flossyb3@hotmail.com ❖

### Class of 1970: Fifty Year Reunion in 2020

2020 will be a banner year for the Class of 1970! Fifty years ago we graduated and bid each other goodbye. Wouldn't it be fabulous to see each other again? Let's really make this a true celebration as part of Homecoming 2020. More details to follow!

Start getting out your old photos from our glory days at CHSN! It will be fun to share with everyone! Please help us by reaching out to our fellow classmates! If you are in touch with anyone, please make sure they know!

Please contact one of us to let us know you plan to attend:

**Patti Rouchon Burcham** sandpburcham@gmail.com

**Darwin Schaubhut Martin** queendarwin@gmail.com

**Francine Taaffe Dyer** ftdyer@comcast.net ❖

### How about YOUR class?

Why wait for 50 years to go by? You can organize a reunion for your class now! It's easy to schedule one to coincide with an alumni event – just contact your classmates and encourage them to attend!

The Alumni Office can provide a class list with addresses, phone numbers and emails, and we can provide mailing labels. Contact us at **chsnaaoffice@gmail.com**.

**Judith Wellman Quigley '64** is a whiz at finding folks on the internet. She has graciously offered to help you find your classmates. Contact her at 949-854-5545, or at traumamom@aol.com ❖



# Ila Whitton, Class of 1933

By Christye Hatfield

Christye wrote us earlier this year to ask if we would be interested in her aunt's nursing school photos, diploma and other items. "I hate to just throw them out and there is no family to pass them on to." Of course, we were delighted to accept the items and give them a home in our archives. Christye included this lovely biography of her aunt with the mementos.

Thank you so much for your interest in my Great Aunt Ila's nursing school memorabilia. She graduated from Charity Hospital School of Nursing on February 26, 1933, part of the Golden Jubilee class. There were 40 graduates as she noted on her class photo. She also put a checkmark next to her picture.

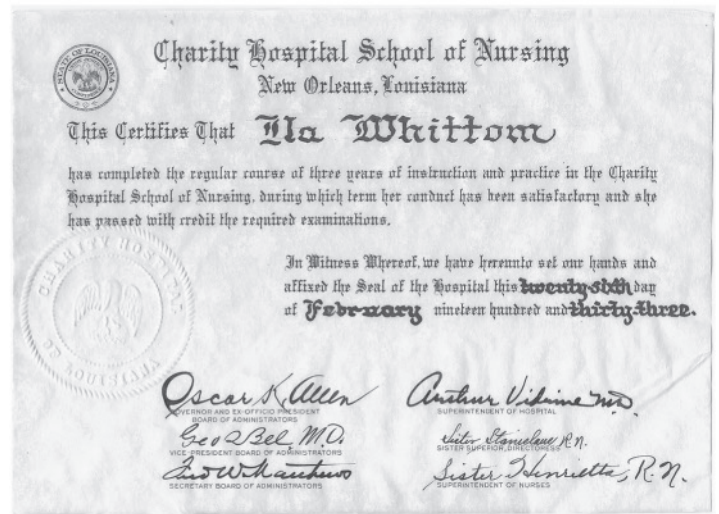
Ila Bertie Whitton was born in Foxworth, MS, in 1907. She was one of the older children in a family of six who survived to adulthood. Upon graduating from high school in 1926, she worked on the family farm and sought scarce employment in rural Mississippi during the Great Depression. Always independent and with a mind of her own, she moved to New Orleans and enrolled in nursing school. Her family was scandalized by both the move and her choice of professions!

A few months after graduating, she married Etienne Paul Breaux of New Orleans who was a cable car motorman. They had a blissful marriage and she always said that "Toots" was the love of her life. Sadly, after only one and a half years of marriage, he died of dehydration from influenza.

With World War II looming on the horizon, and to escape her sorrows, Ila took a train to Oakland, California, and was employed in the shipyards of Richmond, CA, as a RN for Henry J. Kaiser. Kaiser established the clinic for the ship workers under his employment, which eventually became Kaiser Hospitals.

Being a registered nurse defined Ila's very existence. She worked in nursing throughout her adult life, remarried and had her only child, Bruce in 1947 – at the then advanced age of 40! She was the go to person in our family for anything medical, often nursing us back to health in her home. I well remember coming down with mumps the day after my tonsillectomy at age 5 and being under her loving, but no-nonsense, care.

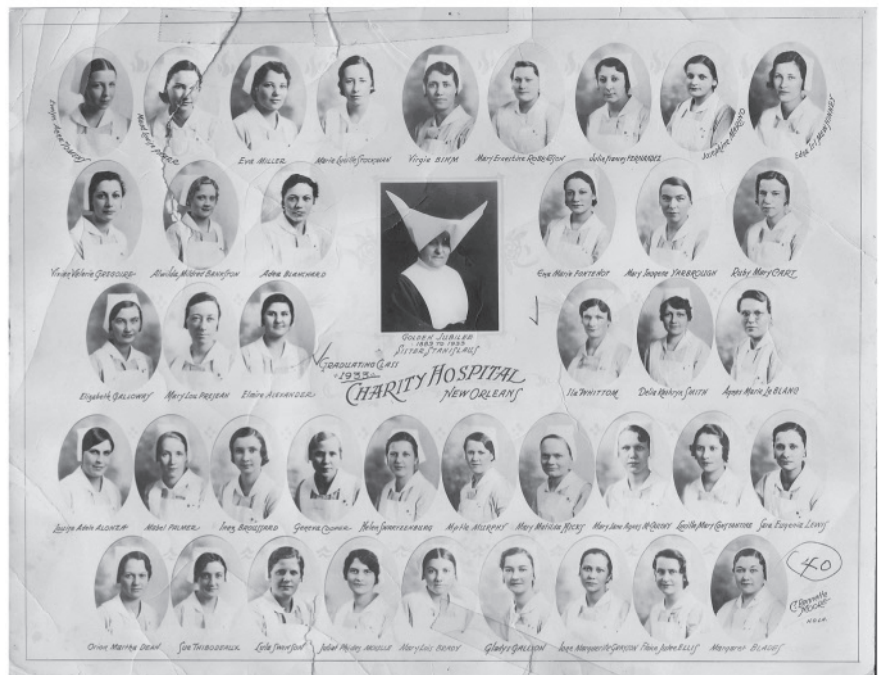
Ila developed dementia in the late 1980s and came to live with her younger sister Willa (known as Aunt Bill). Aunt Bill's dying request to me was that I take care of Aunt Ila – which I did until Ila's death on May, 19, 1995.



She deserved to have her many decades of love and care to so many reciprocated in kind.

For the nearly 25 years since her death, I have held on to many of her cherished items and paperwork. I am glad to find a home for them. I have enclosed: her diploma in the original leather holder; her 1933 graduation picture; a picture dated July 1931 of the Charity Hospital Nursing Group; her Louisiana Board of Nurses certification as a registered nurse, dated June 14, 1933; her original California nursing license, dated September 1939; copies of pictures of her first husband, Etienne Paul Breaux, of her son Bruce taken in 1953, of Ila with her cherished sister Bill, and of Ila at Christmas in 1994 before her death the following May.

I hope you enjoy this story and can share it with whoever might be interested. And, on the off chance that anyone knows of a Breaux family who may be related to Etienne Paul Breaux, I have a number of documents they might be interested in. ❖





# Scholarships & Awards

At the Promotion and Awards Ceremony on February 11, the Alumni Association presented \$8,800 in scholarships and awards to Charity students. Congratulations to these outstanding students.

*(Pictured left to right, top to bottom):*



## LEVEL 2

**Tara Brown**, Nancy Carol Rodgers '83 Scholarship \$500

**John Spooner**, Sister Blanche McDonnell Scholarship \$500

**Zachary Pichon**, Sister Laurentia Walsh Scholarship \$500

*(Not pictured):*

**Trevor Williams**, Margaret Robichaux Elliott '49 Scholarship \$500

## LEVEL 3

**Maggie LeBlanc**, Hugh and Maria Garcia Roach '38 Scholarship \$1,000

**Allison Solino**, Leona Kruebbe Hilbert '46 Scholarship \$500

**Laurie Siekkinen**, Sister Camilla Gaudin Scholarship \$500



## LEVEL 4

**Mira Bull**, Newell Suzy Andry '59 Scholarship \$500

**William Pellegrin**, Sally Cooper '59 Scholarship \$1,000

**Kasey Hall**, Mary Ann Signorelli Whynot '46 Scholarship \$500

**Brandi Borden**, Marcelle Jacobs Wright '41 Scholarship \$500

**Amanda Weinberger**, Joycelyn Jeansonne '78 Scholarship \$500

**Ahoefa Agbobi**, Althea Betty Swanson Scholarship \$500

## PIN AWARDS

*(up to \$100 toward graduation pin)*

**Brandyn Filerman**, Marie Gaudet Beaulieu '46 Pin Award

*(Not pictured):*

**Casey Chance**, Kirk LaVasseur '79 Pin Award

**Heather Ney**, Carolyn Schwarz Myers Pin Award ❖



The Charity Federation of Nurses Awards are chosen by random drawing at the Promotion Ceremony among current Charity students. The spring semester recipients *(not pictured)* were:

**Sang Ho** - RN program \$500

**Carol Barber** - PN program \$500





## Goodbyes

**Doris Estelle '42** was born in Franklin, LA, and grew up on a sugar plantation where her father ran the dairy. She followed her sister Daisy to Charity Hospital School of Nursing, graduating in 1942.



Working at Charity Hospital, Doris specialized in communicable diseases. She joined the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, and served during World War II in Italy and North Africa - where, in Tunisia, she worked in a mobile hospital immediately behind the front lines, treating polio patients as well as

wounded soldiers. At one point she was on a ship in the Strait of Gibraltar with a course set for Japan, when the captain suddenly announced that the war was over. Doris' ship was the first troop ship to return to the US at the war's end. Because of her wartime experience, Doris decided to attend the Medical College of Virginia for specialized training in physical therapy for the rehabilitation of wounded soldiers. She completed her certification in 1947 and returned to New Orleans to work as the assistant chief therapist at the Veterans Center. She treated veterans with brain injuries, amputations and tuberculosis. She then moved to Southern Baptist Hospital as the chief therapist where she helped design and run the acute care department. While in the National Guard from 1946-62, she was one of only three women, the only one from New Orleans, to complete the Command General Staff Course during 1954 to 1962. She retired from the Army with the rank of Major in 1962. After a brief retirement at age 66, she returned to work in Home Health, providing direct patient care as well as staff supervision and therapist training. She finally retired in 2011 at age 91, quite possibly the world's most senior physical therapist! Doris passed quietly in her sleep in February 2019.

"I've been meaning to write to you about my Mother, **Marie Louise Breaux Burke Turner**. Mom was a student at Charity back in the early 1940's and graduated in 1943. It always comes to mind when the newsletter that you send out comes to my home addressed to her. Mom was always so proud to tell people that Charity is where she went to school. She always had that wonderful faraway but proud look in her eyes when she spoke about her days there. And she could keep a crowd so entertained when she



talked about how the nursing was then and how it is now. *So many things have changed!* she would say! Her stories about treating polio victims were so vivid in her mind and when she spoke about those days, you felt like you were there. I took Mom to New Orleans one day and we stopped by Charity. Oh how she loved that day!! She proudly showed me her room (from the outside) and we walked around inside. It was such a special day and she cried when we left.

Mom married my Daddy, Dr. Daniel W Burke, a Pediatrician, shortly after her graduation. They went on to have 7 children. Needless to say, with a RN for a Mom and a Pediatrician for a Dad, you could never get by with 'faking it' when you didn't want to go to school!

Mom was always a RN, but stayed home with all the children as we grew. When Daddy died unexpectedly in 1971, she went back to work at the Mobile Infirmary. She remarried several years later and after several moves, she and my stepfather moved to Dauphin Island, AL, where there were quite a few older couples. Mom was instantly the RN for the Island. And loved every minute!!

Mom passed away in January 2017 at the young age of 94. She was in great health other than a badly broken hip. Her mind was so sharp even up to the minute she left us for 'Home.' I truly believe that her nursing and staying involved with the practice for so long, kept her mind sharp and...then, of course, keeping up with all her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. We were so very blessed that she was our Mother - the best!!

Mom is so missed by all of us, as is our Dad. I know they are in Heaven dancing the night away! Mom said that Daddy was at the front door with an outstretched hand the day she died. She actually spoke to me just minutes before she died. I have so many loving memories of both of them, and for that I am grateful. Mom is teaching Jesus a little bit about Cajun cooking too!

I have so loved reading the newsletter and thank you for this kind gesture! Yes, please keep me on the mailing list. It really does make me feel closer to her and keeps her wonderful memory very warm!"

- Barbara B. Sullivan

**Elphie M. Babineaux '44** was born in Mere, LA, and lived in Lake Charles most of her life. After graduation from Charity Hospital School of Nursing, Elphie enlisted in the United States Army and served as a Second Lieutenant and a registered nurse in the Women's Army Corp during World War II. After her discharge from the Army, Elphie returned to Lake Charles to become the first plant





nurse at PPG Industries where she worked for twenty-eight years. She also worked as a part-time operating room nurse at St. Patrick Hospital.

“I’m writing on behalf of my mother, **Julie Marie Sere Olivier**, who graduated from Charity in **1950**. She passed away in February 2018 at the age of 92. She was a native of Lafayette, LA, and resided there most of her life. After high school, she attended Loyola University of the South and SLI in Lafayette, but her compassion and dedication to helping others led her to Charity’s School of Nursing. She worked as a registered nurse for many years at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, and taught at the Gulf Area Vo-Tech School as an instructor in the LPN program. She was always proud to proclaim that she was a graduate of Charity, and as a teacher she passed on the valuable lessons and experiences that she had acquired from Charity to future nurses. Thank you for sending the newsletters and keeping her informed of the many blessings that Charity Nurses continue to bestow on our communities.” – *Patricia Olivier Begnaud*

“I’m writing to advise you of the passing of my beloved mom **Dorothy Newman Hunt**, a CHSN graduate of **1953**, in August of 2017. Mom had the gentle soul of a kind caregiver and the passion for service to others. CHSN helped make her the servant of Christ that she was.”

– *Paula Hunt*

“My mother **Mary Arnold Gardner**, a **1961** graduate, passed away unexpectedly in January at home. She was very proud of being a CHSN graduate as well as her decades of service at Charity Hospital.” – *Huey Gardner*

**Phyllis Bourgeois Beeching ‘63** worked in health care for 50 plus years, and served her country in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. She passed away in February.

**Patricia Ferguson Lawless ‘64** was the RN Supervisor on the psychiatric ward at Charity Hospital for years, before relocating to Mississippi. She became a dialysis nurse in order to care for her ailing husband at home until his death. At 57, became a nurse for Dunbar Village Nursing Home until Hurricane Katrina destroyed it. At the age of 65, she became a Hospice Nurse with Odyssey Hospice. At 73, she returned to work at the rebuilt Dunbar Village Nursing Home. She raised money to buy bicycles for needy families in Vietnam, delivered meals to homebound and hospice patients. Patricia had been planning a trip to London this October with her friend **Judith Quigley ‘64**, but died suddenly in June.

After graduating from Charity School of Nursing, **Karen Cooney (Guillot) Duncan ‘79** earned her BS in nursing from Regent’s College in New York. After starting in

Charity Hospital’s emergency department and recovery room, where she was night charge nurse, she became nursing director of Southern Surgery Center, an outpatient surgery center; head nurse at Touro Infirmary; and the nurse in charge of insurance and Medicare management at Mercy and Southern Baptist hospitals. She was also Mercy’s risk manager. After 15 years of clinical and management experience, she enrolled in Loyola’s College of Law, graduating in 1995. “It was a natural transition from medicine to law, says Maria Hamilton, a friend and lawyer. “She could go straight to the heart of the matter, and she had a way of synthesizing and reaching practical, common-sense solutions.”

Karen was in private practice with a specialty in medical malpractice until 2013, when she joined a medical malpractice insurance company. She died in December 2018 of complications of breast cancer. ❖

## In Memorium

*We publish the names of those alumni who have passed away as we learn of them, with their graduation year and date of death. Farewell to these friends:*

- Doris Rita Estelle ‘42 (2/13/19)  
 Marie Louise Breaux Burke Turner ‘43 (1/18/17)  
 Elphie M. Babineaux ‘44 (1/2/12)  
 Beverly Eckhardt Keene ‘45 (4/21/19)  
 Mona Hagan Martinez ‘46 (2/23/19)  
 Patricia Haggerty Horn ‘50 (10/5/18)  
 Julie Sere Olivier ‘50 (2/27/18)  
 Evelyn Valentine Poupert ‘52 (4/23/19)  
 Dorothy Newman Hunt ‘53 (8/5/17)  
 Margaret Stulb Ruli ‘54 (2/21/19)  
 Marilyn Kinsey Bishop ‘59 (1/9/15)  
 Wenonah Shipman Cosmas ‘59 (12/15/18)  
 Vivian Thames Frensilli ‘59 (10/31/10)  
 Norma Autry Ostler ‘59 (1/24/10)  
 Eleanor Crowder Spence ‘59 (6/8/16)  
 Mary Constance Zimmer ‘59 (7/19/17)  
 Mary Arnold Gardner ‘61 (1/30/19)  
 Charlotte Eiserloh Woessner ‘61 (5/26/19)  
 Phyllis Bourgeois Beeching ‘63 (2/16/19)  
 Judith Drawdy DeHays ‘64 (10/16/17)  
 Earline Christensen Kuhlman ‘64 (5/12/17)  
 Patsy Ferguson Lawless ‘64 (6/23/19)  
 Judy Ann Macias ‘64 (1/21/19)  
 Frances “Pat” Giddings Mullens ‘64 (4/25/19)  
 Jeanette Dooley Pacas Brendler ‘68 (4/17/19)  
 Fabian Thibodeaux Whitney ‘71 (11/27/18)  
 Geralyn Breaux Cavalier Faciane ‘74 (9/24/18)  
 Karen Cooney (Guillot) Duncan ‘79 (12/7/18)  
 Rachael Estopinal Calamari ‘92 (1/14/19)  
 Mary Jane Talbot LeRouge ‘93 (5/26/19) ❖



# Members of Note

## SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Gloria Redmond Ashman '48  
Margaret Robichaux Elliott '49  
Rowena Smith Christensen '51  
Celina Machin Haynie '51  
Betty Ogea Moore '51  
Hazel MacKilligan Wilson '52  
Martha Phillips Gentry '53  
Marijean Martin Pruett '54  
Rita Jo Neary Ellsworth '55  
Jean Altice Blake '58  
Anna Martino Meinert '59  
Esther Ogea Doucet '60  
Joan Arceneaux Levasseur '60  
Frances Petho Aponte '61  
Joan Bero '63  
Barbara Johnson Roger '63  
Dorothy Russell Stagg '63  
Penny Kistler Tolchin '63  
Ethel Marie Vidrine '63  
Janette Foy Brown '64  
Geraldine Bourgeois Daigle '64  
Judith Wellman Quigley '64  
Estelle LeBlanc Rome '64  
Linda Sue Grimme Fontenet '65  
Roberta Purvis Barteo '66  
Susan Nebel Nielsen '66  
Beverly Poche Chapoton '67  
Jean Hageney Houin '67  
Karen Moulliet '67  
Peggy Portie Parigi '67  
Betty Schweitzer Toups '67  
Louanna Cardinale Whiddon '67  
Dr. Marelle Yongue '67  
Mary Wood '67  
Barbara "Bobbi" Bonner Folse '68  
Patti Rouchon Burcham '70  
Janie "Trudy" Carrier Lefort '70  
Lucille LeBlanc O'Regan '70  
Charlotte Arras '71  
Sarah Percy LeBlanc '71  
Marian Foret Offner '71  
Jo Ann Rizzutto '71  
Kathy Garrard Rolston '71  
D. Paxson Barker '72  
Rosalie Parenton Vincent '72  
Dennis and Lynel Pinkozie '73  
Wilda Taylor '73  
Mary Iannazzo Trosclair '73  
Susan Duhon '74  
Nancy O'Pry Gentry '74  
Charlene White Persich '74  
Mary Susan Le Compte Farrar '75  
Jamie Walker Jensen '75  
Julie M. Joyce '75  
Vicky P. Kent '75  
Donna Blanchard Landry '75  
Maureen Connelly Mayeux '75

Barbara McClees '75  
Joseph Nigliazzo, Jr. '75  
Graciela Pinto-Leyva '75  
Jeannette Milligan Saal '75  
Jan Carrio '76  
Bryanne Murray Hamill '76  
Lane E. McAlister '76  
Myra Lee DiGange '77  
Sheila Perrault Dahlgren '78  
Marilyn Nola Hammett Gentry '78  
Joycelyn Gondolfo Jeansonne '78  
Sandra Tracy Bailey '79  
Cindy Tschrin Nuesslein '79  
Vickie Morrow Gibert '79  
Karen DelValle Tampira '79  
Claudette Boudreaux '80  
Belinda Hutchinson Janeski '80  
Cydney Trahans Begnaud '81  
Gloria Hallal Jarreau '81  
Elizabeth Kelly Carlini '82  
Renee Rago Schuller '83  
Patricia Dufrene '85  
Elaine Riecke Bergeron '86  
Gina West Ragland '86  
Kevin Besse '91  
Michael Harrison '92  
Betty Trosclair Loumiet '92  
Craig A. Cedotal '94  
Mitzi Ridgdell Arnold '93  
Penny Authement Schuler '94  
Margaret Johnson Jackson '96  
Brenda Shields Simmons '96  
Elizabeth Scanlan Bowen '97  
Lista Hank '97  
Roxanne LeBlanc McNally '97  
Cynthia Fernandez '10  
Elaine Lauga '12  
Danielle Chambers '14

## SISTER STANISLAUS 2019

Rita Thornberry Sharpe '53  
Rita Fay Borne Broussard '66  
Brenda Crump Trosclair '68  
Patricia Darcy Weed '68  
Paula Favre Brewington '69  
Ginny Graves Clark '69  
Carolyn M. Bartsch '70  
Gayle Guerin Fertitta '70  
Maria Compagno Roth '71  
Connie Bousquet '77  
Debra Dumas-Hicks '77  
Renee Bridget Guidry '87

## SILVER STAR 2019

Janet Talbot Nuzum Green '50  
Dolores Marsh Alford '51  
Marion Thibodaux Gatti '54  
Nancy Mynihan Comish '57  
Camilla Michael Lusco '59  
Glenda Moak Mckean '59  
Janice Hebert Scott '59  
Catherine Lafleur St. Cyr '59  
Ethel Faciane Friend '60  
Joyce Allen Urode '60  
Pamela Maycock Coulter '62  
Rosemary Hathorn Holmes '62

Madeleine Moreau Crawford '63  
Leona Lipari Lee '63  
Martha Meaux Genin '65  
Susan Thibodeaux Grace '65  
Constance Kennedy Proctor '65  
Joyce Joy Champagne '66  
Jo Ann Pierce Ligon '66  
Elaine Ledoux Phares '66  
Sandra Cazenave Graugnard '67  
Mary Katherine Landry Bocz '69  
Francine Taaffe Dyer '70  
Camille Bourgeois Whittaker '70  
Deborah Edwards Bolotte '72  
Rosemary Lamia Hemelt '72  
Helen Roubion '76  
Suzanne Delhomme Lemoine '77  
Jacqueline Jenkins '79  
Patricia Lane '79  
Robin Napoli Bowman '83  
Veronica Gautreaux Theriot '85  
April Bourg Evans '90  
Bonnie Wilbur '92  
Anne McCutchen Silverstein '98  
Bryan J. Camus '12  
Brooke Troxclair '17

## BLUE RIBBON 2019

Billie Hilton Robertson '48  
Ramona Moorefield Updegraff '50  
Mary Katherine Brune Mollere '52  
Vivian Cherie DeFelice '53  
Nancy Rooker Dorsa '53  
M. Delores Carter '56  
Rosemary Myers Breau '58  
Lorrie Lei Laang Jackson '58  
Pat Aulenbrock Crowell '59  
Catherine LaFleur St. Cyr '59  
Judith Lohr Dauterive '60  
Antoinette Keating Sykes '61  
Meralee Marquet Clement '62  
Karen Krpata Bradley '63  
Lynne Gordon Cook '63  
Yvonne Gauthier McGaha '63  
Bettie Unsworth Nolin '63  
Brenda Rabren Putman '63  
Alice Faye Chambers Brady '64  
Charlotte Voinche Guinn '64  
Yvonne White Hollingsworth '64  
Patricia Ferguson Lawless '64  
Susan Regner Noll '64  
Marilee Keating Phillips '64  
Joan Cotter Fleitas '65  
Kathleen Hynes Hug '65  
Ann Tomsu Zielinski '65  
Barbara Mahoney Helm '66  
Janet Kelly Hiss '66  
Lorraine Andry Penrod '66  
Lynn Burton Rosenblatt '66  
Virginia Faris Angle '67  
Susan Theriot Gosnell '67  
Mary Ellen Potier Hebert '67  
Cassandra Stokes Hite '67  
F. Dianne Perdue Weber '67  
Bonnie Glover Williams '67  
Lana Collins Craigo '68  
Cynthia Hebert Liebel '68  
Judith Webb McNeil '68  
Lorraine Babin Fearheiley '69  
Linda Boudreaux Guedry '70  
Katherine Manuel Landreneau '71  
Patricia LaFleur Lewis '71  
Elaine Schiller Maguire '71  
Darilyn Ziifle Schieffler '71  
Mary Doucet Hains '71  
Cynthia Steinkamp Michel '72  
Madeline Cerniglia Totten '72  
Bonnie Arton '73  
Barbara Bordelon Glover '73  
Stephanie Laws '73  
Sherry Smith Simmons '73  
Ginger O'Fleurty Broussard '74  
Donna Vidrine Brown '74  
Kathy Granier Herman '74  
T. Roxanne Fuselier Cali '75  
Anita Barras Landry '75  
Lynn Battaglia O'Niell '75  
Janice Breaux Samson '75  
Genie LeBlanc Woodring '75  
Rebecca Carter Fisher '76  
Guiomar Goransson '76  
Marion Sams Johnson '76  
Kay Beaulieu Kenney '76  
Perry Meche '77  
Rosalie Croft Gonzales '78  
Kimberley Hoppe Keim '78  
Susan Robbins Kocke '78  
Linda Grant MacLachlan '78  
Elaine Schulz Navaille '78  
Charlene Robbins Berger '79  
Marleen Cannon Bergeron '79  
Robert J. Martinez '79  
Bonny McDonald McGee '79  
Jeanette Davis Robinson '80  
John Bertucci '81  
Nancy Allebone Capponi '81  
Melissa Manuel Deshotels '81  
Janet Smith '81  
Karen Freitag Craig '83  
Cynthia Larmeu Edwards '83  
Karen Friley '83  
Ellen Gautreaux '83  
Cynthia Shaw Hallam '83  
Betty Jo Mitchell '83  
Linda G. Brown '85  
Mary Sue Williams Sargo '85  
Estelle Collins Vincent '85  
Joni Barrett Waggenpack '87  
Karen Medina D'Antonio '89  
Mary Kelly '91  
Margaret Yochum Caruso '92  
Kim Keith-Chatman '92  
Carol Dixon Leefe '92  
Frances C. Loeske '92  
Mary Terrebbonne Parent '93  
Lauren M. Terrio '96  
Regina Foster Danner '97  
Susan M. Rowell '98  
Beverly Rainey '05  
Susan Wentz '11  
Mary Elaine Ponce-Gaudin '16



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Continued

*The following were received after The White Cap 2018:*

### **SISTER STANISLAUS 2018**

Charlotte Voinche Guinn '64  
Renee Bridget Guidry '87

### **SILVER STAR 2018**

Marilyn Landry Roccaforte '46  
Rosemary Schnell '56  
Lynda Vance Montagne '58  
Kay Kirking Schmuelgen '64  
Joan Musacchia Taylor '66  
Bonnie Hensley Mowe '70  
Jacqueline Porth Owen '73  
Elaine Schexnayder Launey '76  
Catherine Berns '14

### **BLUE RIBBON 2018**

Elaine Bodin Bond '58  
Marie Boyle Segrave '58  
Ethel Faciane Friend '60  
Elva Keller Kimbrough '60  
Beryl Ann Forgey Olhasso '60  
Barbara Harmon Murray '63  
Susan Theriot Gosnell '67  
Peggy Kozak Jackson '67  
Judith Watson Lastrapes '67  
Susan Hebert Convenuto '68  
Susan Edwards Berry '69  
Cynthia Castagnetta Burke '70  
Katherine Manuel Landreneau '71  
Elaine Schiller Maguire '71  
Virginia McNeely McCall '72  
Donna Vidrine Brown '74  
Patti Millet Elish '74  
Claudia Launey Ortego '75  
Marion Sams Johnson '76  
Deborah Madison Leister '78  
Carolyn Way Gonzales '80  
Michelle Bily Cousans '81  
Karen Six Rabalais '81  
Betty Jo Mitchell '83  
Terry Dalmas Praylo '83  
Sharon Zitzmann Zambito '84  
Gina Dominguez Brothers '85  
Nancy Coleman Coffey '85  
Cynthia Dailey Moran '85  
Estelle Collins Vincent '85  
Karen Bulanowski Rice '01



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Sydney Wood Womack '57  
Peggy Begnaud Johns '63  
Roberta Purvis Bartee '66  
Barbara Bonner Folse '68  
Margaret "Peggy" Nicaud Prosser '73  
Jan Carrio '76

### Art & Archives Fund

Madeline Tolson Markwood '52

### CASN Convention Travel Fund

Rebecca Rodrigue Bennink '68  
Jan Carrio '76

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In Memory of Marie Gaudet Beaulieu '49  
Roberta Bartee '66  
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Jan Carrio '76

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Margaret Robichaux Elliott '49  
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Rosemary Myers Breau '58  
Joan Arceneaux Levasseur '60  
Joan Bero '63  
Geraldine Bourgeois Daigle '64  
Rebecca Rodrigue Bennink '68



*Charity Hospital director Dr. Charles Mary (center) recognizes graduates Sarah Percy LeBlanc and Michael Lloyd Eastin at the July 1971 graduation ceremony. Sarah was the 4,000<sup>th</sup> graduate of the School of Nursing and Michael was the first male graduate. Michael passed away in 2017. Last fall Sarah became our 95th Sustaining Member.*

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Linda Grant MacLachlan '78 Scholarship

Joycelyn Gondolfo Jeansonne '78  
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Mary Smith Singletary '49  
Saundra Owens Robert '56 ❖

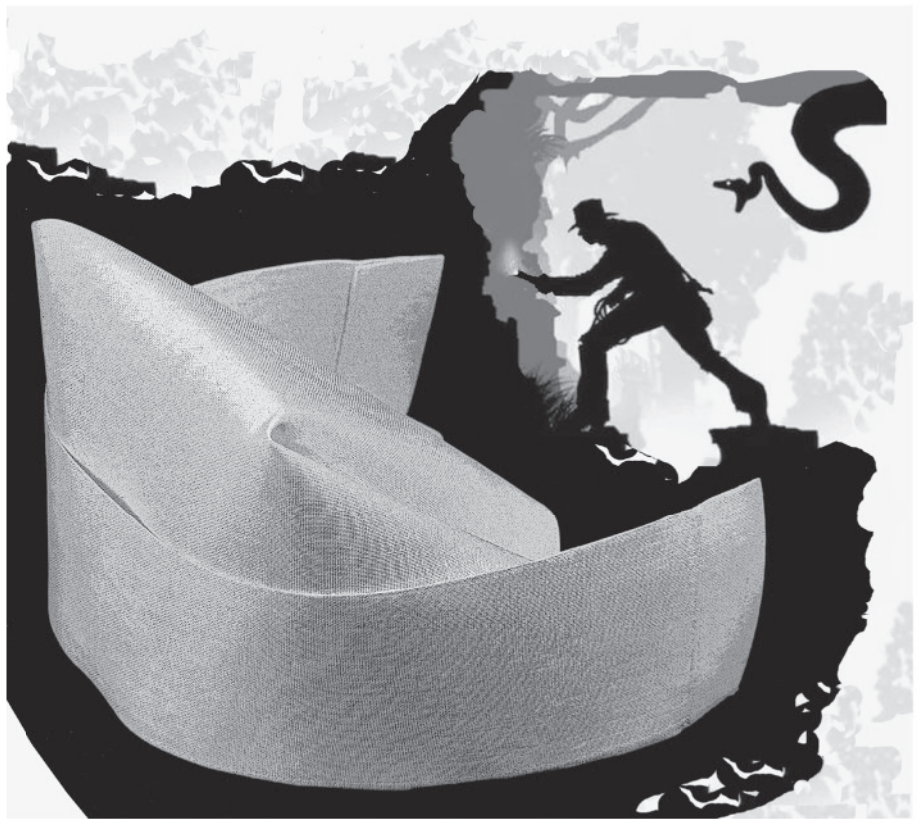


# 2019 Charity Alumni Fall Breakfast

presents

*Indiana Jones  
and the*

*Mystery  
of the*



## *Lost Nurse's Cap*

**Saturday, Sept. 28**

**At The Ridgeway, 2431 Metairie Road**

Metairie Road at Ridgeway Drive, between Bonnabel and Causeway  
(Plenty of free parking around the building and directly across Ridgeway Drive)

*In Indiana Jones' latest adventure,  
he is searching forbidden jungles  
for that most elusive of artifacts:  
The Nurse's Cap!*

*Great food, great friends &  
great memories, plus souvenirs, door prizes,  
amazing raffles (Could there be a nurse's cap  
among those treasures???)...and much more!*

*Join us as we ponder the mystery of where  
those caps went! Wear your fedora or  
your safari gear - or come as you are!*

Menu: Eggs Benedict, Fruit Salad,  
Breakfast Pastries, Coffee, Tea and Juice

**Registration and cash bar open at 9:30am,  
Breakfast served at 10:30am.**

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Use the form on page 23 and mail your check for  
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Reserve for me: How many? \_\_\_\_\_ Breakfast(s) @\$40 each...\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE make your reservation by September 20 to guarantee seating!**

*Please reserve by the deadline! We need to know how many people to expect because we have to pay in advance for the correct number of attendees.*

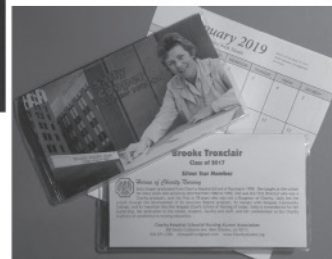
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**Fall Alumni Breakfast**  
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