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Josephine A. Dolan, Professor Emerita (right)  
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*"The School of Nursing is a primary player in Connecticut health care."*

— Laura Cox Dzurec

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study. Then they can pursue an accelerated program of master's study.

■ **WE ARE INCREASING AVAILABILITY OF OUR RN/MS PROGRAM** to nurses with associate degrees. The School has been represented on two statewide legislatively - mandated committees to enable associate degree students to easily transfer to four-year programs. UConn's great success has put us on the forefront of placing highly qualified students into the marketplace with advanced degrees.

■ **WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY PARTICIPATE IN UCONN'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN.** Last spring we held our own Nursing Campaign Kick-Off, **UCONNECT TO NURSING**. We would greatly appreciate your taking part in any of our development programs. Join us. You'll be glad you did!

■ **WE WORK TOGETHER WITH THE SCHOOLS OF ALLIED HEALTH, FAMILY STUDIES, AND PHARMACY** in the Division of Health and Human Development. This strategic alliance enables us to support interdisciplinary research and entrepreneurial efforts, while each School maintains its own autonomy and administrative structure.

Our students and faculty continue to advance health care and patient well-being. Our researchers are putting evidence into practice. We are indisputably a primary player in health care in the State. Please feel free to contact us at any time to learn more about the School. ■

**D**uring this time of change and nursing shortage, the School has assumed a new growth model. No more "business as usual." We plan to make our way to the top 25 Schools of Nursing by 2010.

Our strategy will emphasize developing resources to make us a dynamic force in facing the constant changes in health care; and providing the best possible education, research, and service for our State.

**WE ARE ALREADY IMPLEMENTING OUR PLANS:**

■ **THE MASTERS ENTRY INTO NURSING (MEIN) PROGRAM** has been fully approved and will begin in January, 2003, allowing students with non-nursing bachelor's degrees to sit for the nursing board exams after one year of intensive





# **Research: Postpartum Mood Disorders**

**An Up-Close Look at  
Postpartum Depression  
by an Outstanding  
Researcher:  
Cheryl Beck**

PHOTOGRAPHY BY CHANIEWSKI,  
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## ***Grabbing The Nation's Attention:***

**D**r. Cheryl Beck's *Postpartum Depression Screening Scale (PDSS)* has rolled off the presses into the hands of many health care professionals who have long awaited the survey. Beck and Robert Gable, EdD, emeritus professor of educational psychology and co-creator of the *PDSS*, have found tremendous national and international interest in the *PDSS*. For some time, but especially since the verdict of the Andrea Yates trial in Texas, Beck's frequent media appearances have focused on her reaction to the Yates case, and her determination to educate the public about postpartum mood disorders.

Although postpartum depression is experienced by 10-15% of new mothers in the United States each year, it has been difficult to detect, and is not regularly checked for in postpartum visits. Beck received a big boost when Governor John Rowland's administration recommended that the *PDSS* be distributed to all appropriate health care personnel in the state. It was after several



# The PDSS

consists of 35 questions, written at third-grade level, that can be answered in 5 to 10 minutes. To target existing symptoms and risk factors, the questionnaire is broken into seven categories associated specifically with postpartum depression: sleeping and eating disorders, anxiety and insecurity, lack of control over emotions, cognitive impairment, loss of self, guilt and shame, and contemplating harming oneself.

For more information on the PDSS, contact Western Psychological Services website at <http://www.wpspublish.com/wpsfo6.htm>

For information about help with postpartum depression, call Postpartum Support International, Connecticut Chapter, at 860-675-7763

tragedies involving women with perinatal mood disorders and their children that the Governor asked Jodi Rell, Lieutenant Governor, to create the Maternal Depression Working Group. The group hopes to see special attention given to maternal depression in a major public education campaign launched to de-stigmatize mental illness. In her report to the Governor, Rell suggested that the Beck and Gable survey "may become the most important tool in assessing and treating the mood disorder." Currently, the PDSS is being translated into Spanish and German, and Connecticut and Indiana are two states seriously discussing a strategic widespread implementation of the scale.

Beck's research program focusing on postpartum mood disorders is incredibly multifaceted. She is now into her third year of a three year Donaghue Medical Research Foundation grant entitled *Screening Hispanic Mothers for Postpartum Depression*. Along with Henrietta Bernal, PhD, and Robin Froman, PhD, she has been involved for the last two years in translating the English version of the PDSS into a standard Spanish version. Beck has been using two clinical sites to assess the psychometrics of this Spanish version. One site is in the Hartford area and the second is in Galveston, Texas.

Currently, with the statistical help of Gable and Joseph Sheehan, PhD, the data from year two of the grant are being analyzed. In this third and final year of the grant, Beck will recruit 150 Hispanic mothers to complete the *PDSS-Spanish Version* and to undergo diagnostic psychiatric interviews to determine whether they are experiencing postpartum depression. The sensitivity and specificity of the *PDSS-Spanish Version* will be assessed and appropriate cutoff scores for major and minor postpartum depression will be determined for the *PDSS-Spanish Version*.

Beck is also conducting a phenomenological study of women's posttraumatic stress disorder after childbirth. Beck's sample of mothers suffering from this disorder comes from New Zealand. This research is a result of partnerships Beck formed when delivering keynote presentations in New Zealand and Australia last year. Beck's research program has taken her around the world helping to educate the public and health practitioners about postpartum depression and other postpartum mood disorders.

It is apparent that our nation and the world are more seriously investigating the biochemical and psychosocial aspects of the illnesses, as well as the potentially tragic effects postpartum mood disorders can have on families. Undoubtedly, individual sufferers, the media, and fellow researchers will now reference Beck's *Postpartum Depression Screening Scale*. Beck continues to seek funding for further research to help reduce risks, save lives, and address the complexity of perinatal mood disorders affecting so many women and their families. ■

## It's all about Relationship

Regina Cusson, PhD, RNC, NNP, is the UConn site director for the Program for Health Care Relationships (HCR), a \$2.8 million initiative funded by the Donaghue Foundation and based at Yale University School of Nursing. HCR aims to understand how clinician/patient relationships affect patient adherence, and how well patients follow instructions about such matters as taking medication and making lifestyle changes.

Eleven Connecticut researchers, two from the UConn School of Nursing (Anderson and McDonald), have been named to receive a total of \$750,000 as part of the HCR. "The Donaghue Foundation is focused on promoting practical benefit to human life. The best science is of no use in promoting health if human relationship problems impede its effective delivery to patients. The health care relationships program is a great opportunity to understand and eliminate barriers to care and benefit patients," said Ray Andrews, Donaghue Foundation Trustee.

During the 42-month long project, the team of researchers hopes to develop a science of healthcare relationships. They see the potential for improving health care through understanding of its relational aspects as expansive. "We're excited to further our understanding of collaborative relationships and to contribute to Connecticut's health by working together to make patient care everything it can be," said Dean Dzurec of the UConn School of Nursing.

Cusson, a co-investigator on the National Institute of Child Health and Human



Regina Cusson, PhD, RNC, NNP

Development grant *Adult Attachment & Intervention Efficacy with Preterms*, will also evaluate the effectiveness of a videotape she developed called "Premie Talk: Understanding Premature Baby's Behavior". Because premature birth is a major cause of developmental delay for children in the U.S., this randomized clinical trial aims to help understand why early intervention does not affect all parents and preterms in the same way and to the same degree. Cusson's video is key to the intervention since the need remains for cost-effective, replicable methods to promote development in preterm children.

Cusson is one of five investigators working on this \$2.2 million grant funded by the NICHD through June of 2006. Based at the University of Maryland, this study will evaluate the effectiveness of facilitating parent-child interaction, infant physical development, mental and motor development, and socio-emotional development. Additional factors being investigated are mothers' and fathers' parental adjustment and sensitivity to the infant during the first two years postpartum. ■



Arthur J. Engler, DNSc, RNC, CRNP

## Enhancing Kangaroo Care Education

How can we better educate undergraduate nursing students about Kangaroo Care (KC), a beneficial nursing intervention that brings parents and their preterm, diaper-clad babies skin-to-skin, and chest-to-chest?

Through a nationwide web-based survey, Art Engler, DNSc, RNC, CRNP and Karalyn Jacobs '02, honors graduate are assessing nursing students' level of knowledge about KC. Engler and Jacobs seek to improve KC nursing education and enhance KC use in the care of preterm infants and their families.

KC's benefits for preterm infants include improved weight gain, earlier weaning from oxygen, and shorter hospital lengths of stay. Benefits exist for the parents, too. Engler's quantitative study *Kangaroo Care and Maternal Stress: Physiological and Psychological Effects* suggests potentially lower levels of maternal stress in mothers who deliver KC to their babies. ■



Patricia Neafsey, PhD

## Pharmacology Research: Ongoing, Online CEU, and On-A-Roll

Patricia Neafsey's current research program, *Preventing Drug Interactions in Active Older Adults*, continues to win accolades as it innovatively informs older adults about drug interactions. Through interactive multimedia, the Personal Education Program (PEP) uses touchscreen-equipped laptops to increase older adults' knowledge of potential drug interactions, to increase their ability to avoid drug interactions, and to reduce their adverse self-medication behaviors. In this final year of funding by the Patrick and Catherine Weldon Donaghue Medical Research Foundation, Neafsey plans to complete data collection from sites where the PEP has been in use.

Neafsey and visual communications designer Zoe Strickler's newly revised PEP software, *Avoiding Medicine Conflicts*, builds upon the success of the first software program created specifically to accommodate the learning styles and psychomotor skills of older adults. In fall 2001, Carolyn Pennington, Health Reporter for NBC30

News, featured Neafsey, Di Raymond '02, and clients at the Windsor Senior Center who participated in the program. PEP is now available in senior centers across CT. It contains 80 minutes of animation and interactive questions about blood pressure medicines, blood thinners, antacids and acid reducers, and pain relievers. It has even been called "Infotainment" due to its user-friendly, informational and enlightening qualities.

Neafsey and Strickler have founded the UConn Center for Health Communication Research and Design at the School of Nursing. Collaborating with faculty in Communication Sciences and Computer Science at both UConn and Eastern Connecticut State University, they aim to design and test a computer interface by which older adults can enter data concerning their self-medication practices. Software will be housed on the next generation touchscreen integrated wireless computers called "tablet PCs". Less than 3 pounds in weight and about the size of a sheet of paper, they are very easy for older adults to use.

Building on the success of her previous online continuing education programs, Neafsey is now offering *Pharmacokinetics Primer Online 2002*. This interactive multimedia ten hour program journeys through the human body to examine how the body interacts with medicines taken orally. For more information, please visit <http://www.sp.uconn.edu/~nursalum/CEUflyer.htm>, or to speak to a registration specialist, call 877-892-6264. Watch for additional online continuing education offerings and multimedia PEP advancements Neafsey will present in the near future. ■



Donna Clemmens, PhD, RN

### New Faculty

It is with great pleasure that I come to the University of Connecticut and join the many world-renowned scholars at the School of Nursing. Interestingly, my dissertation, *Adolescent Mothers' Experience of Feeling Depressed After the Birth of Their Babies*, received one of 12 National Sigma Theta Tau research grants and was built upon the work of Cheryl Beck, DNSc, in postpartum depression. My background includes twenty-five years in practice, educational, and administrative roles both here and in Canada, as well as working for the World Health Organization. I received my BA from Laurentian University in Ontario; MA from the University of Toronto; and my PhD in Nursing from UConn. I completed a post-doctoral research training fellowship from Yale University where I received a \$20,000 Oncology Nursing Foundation grant. My work focuses on the concerns of mothers and women throughout their childbearing years, and special interests lie in the fields of adolescent health, community health interventions, psychosocial oncology, and parent-child health care. ■

*Welcome New Faculty Fall 2003:  
Juliete Shelman and Sherry Bassi*



Debera Thomas, DNS, ANP/FNP-CS

### New Faculty

I joined the faculty at the University of Connecticut in August 2001, coming from Florida Atlantic University. I temporarily assumed the Graduate Program Coordinator position for the spring semester. (I enjoyed the mild winter!) I earned a BS in nursing from Northern Illinois University in 1974 and worked in Neonatal Intensive Care following graduation. But in 1978 when I took a teaching position in Chicago at a diploma school of nursing, I truly found my niche. I earned my MS from Northern Illinois University in 1981; and a doctorate from SUNY Buffalo examining the lived experience of having a liver transplant.

Next, I took an Assistant Professor position at Case Western Reserve University, Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing in Cleveland where I taught and completed my Adult Nurse Practitioner and Family Nurse Practitioner certificates. My research focuses on life transitions and lifestyle changes including the experience of menopause in women ages 45-100. My work on experience with menopause contrasts knowledge from lay and medical literature.



In 2001, Elizabeth Anderson, PhD, APRN, (above) and Deb McDonald (below) were both funded by grants from The Program for Health Care Relationship (Patrick and Catherine Weldon Donaghue Medical Research Foundation, Yale University & University of Connecticut Schools of Nursing). Anderson's study, *Exploration of the effect of nausea, self-efficacy, and health care relationships on medication adherence in AIDS patients*, seeks to reduce nausea, enhance quality of life, and improve medication adherence for persons with AIDS.



Deb McDonald, PhD, RN's study, *Assisting elders to communicate their pain after surgery*, uses a 15-minute video to teach techniques for dealing with pain and pain medication. The video shows actual patients and healthcare providers in the hospital setting. If using the video significantly decreases pain for elders, it will be made available to hospitals, nurse practitioners, physicians and others.

## Center for Nursing Research: "Thinking Allowed..."

Research stays a top priority and a foundational experience at the School and at the Center for Nursing Research (CNR). The Center supports, sustains, and encourages nurse investigators as they encounter the challenges of research. Thanks to Pat Neafsey, PhD, who acted as Interim Director of the CNR in fall 2001 when I was on sabbatical.

Our PhD students historically participate in the Eastern Nursing Research Society, headquartered at UConn; and annual conferences, such as the 14th Scientific Sessions of ENRS. Overall, our students provide an outstanding example for the nursing profession, the University, and our School. Now our PhD students want a bumper sticker saying, **"IF IT ISN'T FUN, WHY DO IT? – UCONN NURSING DOCTORAL STUDY"**.

KARYL BURNS '74, '80, PhD, RN, DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR NURSING RESEARCH



# Where the Past is Present

## An Ongoing Legacy

Would you know how to make a flaxseed poultice, or even know what it is or why a nurse would prepare one? Did you know that, until the late 18th century, babies were often fed from pewter nursing bottles? The deadly effect of the lead in the pewter was unknown then and no doubt added to the already high infant mortality rate of the era.

If you don't know the answers to those questions, or the definitions of historical terms like minim, drachm, and scultetus binder, why not treat yourself to the wonders of past nursing practice by visiting the Josephine A. Dolan Collection at the University of Connecticut School of Nursing?

**From a gallery of artwork that surrounds the room,** to mannequins dressed in nursing school and military uniforms, and permanent and rotating exhibits of nursing artifacts, the unprecedented collection transports viewers back in time, placing them at their professional ancestors' sides. The multitude of caregiving skills, as well as the nurses' knowledge and ingenuity to carry them out, are revealed. The collection stands as silent, provocative evidence of nurses' continuing contributions to human welfare. Simultaneously, one becomes aware of the enormous impact that science, technology, societal norms and education have had on the changing art of nursing practice.

The exhibition is anchored by two permanent displays. One focuses on the Nightingale era and features an adjustable Crosby bed (circa 1877) specially designed with underlying movable canvas straps to provide the greatest comfort possible for long-term bedridden patients. Nearby is a late 1800s wicker wheelchair that could be self-propelled or pushed, and a wooden walker that quite possibly was the prototype for current models. Also included in the display is an 1800s wooden "baby-tender" that confined a curious toddler in a stationary cage-like frame. Burning fireplaces, open water wells and stray animals were always potential hazards for untended young children of the time period. Other devices affecting mobility may evoke more private thoughts and feelings. A single crutch from the Civil War period once carried an amputated leg stump on a small leather platform. A pair of 36-inch axillary crutches with shoulder rests padded in red velvet once gave support to a Connecticut child with Potts disease (tuberculosis of the spine). And there is a pair of adult crutches made of tree branches presumably because commercial ones were either not available or too costly.

**The second permanent display** portrays nursing in the early 1940s, when the University of Connecticut School of Nursing became the first baccalaureate nursing program in a public Connecticut university. "Mrs. Chase," the famous

mannequin on which students practiced the fundamental skills of nursing, lies in an iron bedstead awaiting a treatment that required the use of the adjacent fully equipped dressing carriage. "Baby Chase" is not far away in a typical hospital bassinet of the era. In the background the pendulum of a ticking wall clock gently reminds one of movements in time.



**Rotating exhibits** of artifacts drawn from the extensive collection are periodically presented in thematic displays with accompanying textual data. Among those featured have been medication devices (e.g., syringes, chests, advertisements, containers), feeding apparatus (e.g., pap boats, invalid feeders, baby bottles), World War I and II memorabilia (e.g., nurses' medals, Red Cross paraphernalia, recruitment posters), and Connecticut nurses' caps and pins. Other displays have paid tribute to nurse leaders such as Florence Nightingale, Virginia Henderson, and Josephine Dolan.

Collectively, the exhibits imprint the viewer with the truth that nursing history is not simply incidental to current nursing practice. It is the basis upon which present-day practice was built and is the foundation for the profession's future growth and development.

The major portion of the collection, which was assembled over a 50-year period, was donated by Dr. Josephine A. Dolan, a professor of nursing at UConn for more than 35 years. She had the wisdom to preserve the history of the profession for the

enlightenment of the present and the future.

**The collection is located in Storrs Hall, at the University of Connecticut in Storrs.** Arrangements to view the collection can be made by contacting Kathe Gable, Director of Public Affairs at the School of Nursing; email: [Kathe.Gable@uconn.edu](mailto:Kathe.Gable@uconn.edu) or at (860) 486-0613. The papers of Josephine Dolan, as well as records of other leaders and organizations, and records that document major activities and events in nursing history are located in the Archives of Nursing Leadership at the Thomas J. Dodd Research Center on the Storrs campus. Both the archives and the artifact collection are available for research purposes. ■

ELEANOR KROHN HERRMANN, NURSE HISTORIAN AND PROFESSOR EMERITA, UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

**Pictured Left: Assistant Curator Mary Ann Cordeau and Curator (right) Eleanor Herrmann**

Josephine A. Dolan was the School's first instructor of nursing. Her history of nursing books are among the classics in the profession. (One was translated into Japanese.) She lectured extensively and did a TV program in Minnesota that resulted in a series of video tapes that were used in many schools of nursing in the US, Canada, and other countries.

Dolan was a member of the committee on *Historic Source Materials in Nursing* for the National League for Nursing for many years. Two universities have awarded her honorary doctoral degrees. The University of Connecticut School of Nursing is proud to honor Josephine A. Dolan through the Dolan Room.

An octogenarian, Jo Dolan remains a powerful force and defining spirit in the world of nursing. Her former students have been forever touched by her words, teachings, and most of all, her example.

We are eternally grateful to you, Jo.

The Josephine A. Dolan Fund has been established to provide support for the ongoing preservation of the Dolan Room. Contributions are welcome.



# Have You Heard How Much We Need You?

**U**Conn and the School of Nursing are in the midst of a major and exciting transition. This is evident in the steady rise in the academic achievements of each new freshman class and the bricks-and-mortar changes on all of UConn's campuses. In its seventh year, the visionary building program, UConn 2000, has enabled our University to become one of the most dynamic institutions in higher education in the nation.

## UCONNECT to Nursing: Always There to Care

SUMMER 2002 MARKS THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING'S UCONN 2000 RENOVATION. While Storrs Hall, one of the oldest buildings on campus, undergoes its transformation into a more state-of-the-art building with air conditioning and modern hi-tech classrooms, faculty and staff will be housed either in the Storrs Hall Annex or in the old School of Business building. The School stands to benefit even further from Governor Rowland's proposed

21st Century UConn that would fund the Storrs Hall addition and consequently make room for much needed simulated laboratory space for our students.

RANKED AS THE #1 PUBLIC RESEARCH UNIVERSITY IN NEW ENGLAND, UConn now sets its sights on a more ambitious goal: to be among the top 25 public research universities in the country. To join such schools as the University of California at Berkeley, Michigan, Virginia, and

Wisconsin, the School of Nursing is aligned with UConn in making hard decisions, setting priorities, and working to fund target programs essential for meeting this goal.

EACH YEAR MORE AND MORE SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNI AND FRIENDS SUPPORT THE SCHOOL FINANCIALLY AND AS VOLUNTEERS. The support we have received is tremendously appreciated. Our donors' generosity not only benefits our students and faculty, but it positively influences Connecticut and its residents. While private support cannot replace public funding, it will make a crucial difference in developing the "margin of excellence" that enables UConn and the School of Nursing to enter the top ranks of American higher education.

As part of Campaign UConn, the School of Nursing has already reached 45% of its \$3 million dollar goal. The priorities for fiscal year 2003 are to obtain funding for an endowed chair, Centers for Health Education and for Health Communications Design Research, and the Endowment for Excellence to fund doctoral education.

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GIVING OPPORTUNITIES YOU MAY CONTACT BRIAN LACHAPPELLE, DIRECTOR OF**

**DEVELOPMENT FOR MAJOR GIFTS, AT (860) 486-6945 OR BY EMAIL AT BLACHAPPELLE@FOUNDATION.UCONN.EDU.**

For more than 50 years, Connecticut has benefited from the School's contribution of well-educated nurses to CT's work force. Nursing research and community outreach characterizes the work of our faculty. For example, senior nursing students from UConn have provided our state with over \$.3 million dollars of service through the CareLink partnership at the Central Connecticut Visiting Nurses Association. The School of Nursing has been a leader in providing broad educational opportunities, and private investment will help to enhance, strengthen and expand those efforts. Private investment is the difference between a good School of Nursing and a great School of Nursing – partner with us, we are a great investment. ■

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19 PS. Come and see what's new. If you haven't visited lately, you'll be impressed! On Homecoming Day 2001, the Centennial Alumni House at the UConn Alumni Center was dedicated. This event followed the \$3.5M renovation of the Alumni House, the creation of an Alumni Hall of Excellence, a newly developed Sports Museum, Alumni Library, Resource Room and state-of-the-art alumni staff offices. ■

## SON Successes Highlight Fifth Annual Alumni Awards Banquet

As the region and nation focus on the pervasive and deepening nursing shortage, we are pleased to report on nurse leaders whose successes honor the profession of nursing. On October 26, 2001, the School of Nursing presented four Outstanding Alumni Awards and one Distinguished Service Award at the Fifth Annual Distinguished Alumni Awards Banquet held at the Pond House at Elizabeth Park in Hartford, Connecticut. Distinguished award recipients, guest presenters, faculty, alumni celebrating reunions, retired faculty, and other special guests were present. Alumni awards were established in 1997 to recognize our most talented alumni and to honor past Deans.



**Henrietta Bernal '68, PhD, RN, Professor Emerita**

Henrietta Bernal, former coordinator of the community

health nursing track at the UConn School of Nursing, received the Beverly Koerner Outstanding Alumni Award for Education in Nursing. Bernal has had joint appointments with the Departments of Anthropology and Community Medicine for more than a decade, and has served as a resident faculty member for the Center for International Community Health Studies.

Bernal's scholarly work includes numerous publications, presentations, and consultancies largely focused on diabetes in the Hispanic population, and health/illness behavior among ethnic populations. She serves on the editorial board of the Public Health Nursing Journal. Her research has been funded by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, Soros Foundation, the State of CT Department of Health Services, and the Center for International Community Medicine. Her recent work supports publication of the *Cultural Self – Efficacy Scale*.

Bernal is distinguished for the award-winning CareLink program, co-initiated with Elizabeth Fumiatti, a UConn alumna and former Director of the VNA of Central Connecticut. CareLink, a partnership between UConn and the VNA of Central CT, is based on the Anderson and McFarland model, *Community as Partner*. Community links have been developed with churches, senior centers, high schools,

family service agencies, and assisted living facilities. The Connecticut Association for Home Care, Inc. recognized CareLink with the Outstanding Leadership and Creative Community Program Award in 1999. Since 1997, CareLink has provided over .3 million dollars of free care to more than 300 elderly in New Britain, CT.

*"Henrietta's inspirational leadership encourages all students – baccalaureate, masters and doctoral students alike – to work to their best potential. She is an exceptional mentor and advisor to all students.... I am proud to have learned from Henrietta and to have seen her so selflessly share her many skills and attributes with many students". Juliette Shellman, Nominator* ■



**Pauline M. Fahey '51, RN, MSN**, received the Carolyn Ladd Widmer Outstanding Alumni Award for Leadership in Nursing. Fahey was elected one of the Charter Members of UConn's Mu Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the international honor society for nursing. After graduating with

honors in 1951, Fahey worked as a Staff Nurse and Head Nurse at Greenwich Hospital in Greenwich, CT. While there, she was awarded a Kellogg Fellowship to pursue a master's degree in nursing administration at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. Upon completing her graduate degree, Fahey returned to Connecticut and was appointed Associate Director of Nursing at Stamford Hospital. While working in Connecticut, she was active in the American Nurses Association at the national, state, and local levels.

In 1965, Fahey joined the National Headquarters staff of the American Nurses Association as Director of the Nursing Services Department. She worked with the ANA's National Commission, which published the Standards for Organized Nursing Services, and collaborated with the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals to incorporate these standards into their accreditation criteria.

In 1970, Fahey was appointed Associate Director of Nursing at Maine Medical Center in Portland, Maine. While in Maine, she was active in the Maine State Nurses Association and served as its president for a full term. In 1976, Fahey was appointed Director of Nursing at Emerson Hospital in Concord, Massachusetts. While in Massachusetts, she was a leader in the formation of

the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Association of Nurse Executives and served as their first President.

Fahey returned to Norwalk, Connecticut in 1986 and served as a Case Manager and National Consultant for several local healthcare organizations. After 50 years of exemplary service as an RN, Fahey recently retired from Nursing & Home Care, Inc. in Wilton, CT, where she was a Community Health Nurse providing a variety of healthcare programs for the area's senior citizens. ■



**Rosemary Hathaway '75, PhD, RN**, was presented with the Eleanor K. Gill Outstanding Alumni Award for Clinical Excellence in Nursing. Hathaway was graduated Cum Laude in nursing from Boston College, where she was a Charter Member of the Alpha Chi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. She received her master's degree in nursing from the University of Connecticut

in 1975, and her doctorate in education with a focus in curriculum and supervision in 1981. Hathaway has been employed by Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center since 1991, and is currently responsible for The Center For Clinical Excellence and Professional Development, Ambulatory Services, and Women and Children's Health Services. She is an adjunct Assistant Professor in the UConn Graduate School and an adjunct clinical faculty member with the UConn School of Nursing. She is also a special lecturer for the Columbia U. School of Nursing, and has served as a nursing instructor for UConn, the U. of Hartford and the Sisters of St. Francis School of Nursing in Minot, North Dakota.

Hathaway serves on the Connecticut State Board of Examiners for Nursing and has been influential in her service on many boards and committees at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center and in the Greater Hartford area. Over the years, Hathaway's clinical expertise has been invaluable to the many students and faculty members who are involved with Saint Francis Hospital through their clinical experiences and research programs.

*"Rosemary's diehard support of Clinical Nursing Research has enormously aided in the advancement of the clinical*



science of nursing. Rosemary has worked hard to remove barriers to clinical research and has bent over backwards in support of her staff and researchers at St. Francis. Rosemary has made St. Francis a most desirable location for clinical practice and research".  
Cheryl Beck, Nominator ■



**Barbara Resnick '78, PhD, CRNP, FAAN,**

received the Marlene Kramer Outstanding Alumni Award for Research in Nursing. Only two years after completing her baccalaureate degree she earned commendations for contributions to nursing practice and Nurse of the Year Award (1980) from the National Institutes of Health. Resnick is a prolific writer, researcher and educator who maintains a clinical practice as a geriatric nurse practitioner and is principal investigator for a 1.9 million dollar grant from the National Institute of Aging entitled, *Testing the Effectiveness of the Exercise Plus Program Following Hip Fracture*. She is also principle investigator on a variety of projects focusing on

health promotion activities of older adults living in continuing care retirement communities, on outcomes of restorative care programs, and on care of older adults in long-term care facilities. Currently, Resnick has over 50 articles published in nursing and/or medical journals, and numerous chapters in nursing textbooks related to care of the older adult.

Currently an Associate Professor at U. of Maryland School of Nursing, Department of Adult Health, Resnick has been instrumental in changing the paradigm of care of older adults from a focus on providing total care to a focus on motivating older adults to obtain and maintain their highest level of health and function. The model of motivation she developed, measurement tools associated with it, and interventions have been widely published and presented nationally at conferences and workshops.

Resnick is also a recognized leader in advanced practice nursing through her work as a member of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, chair of the AANP education committee, editor of the AANP Newsletter, and as the nurse practitioner on the Advisory Board of Nurses Service Organization. Resnick is involved in countless professional organizations, activities and services. Resnick was invited to

become a fellow of the American Academy of Nurses and the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners in the year 2000 she was inducted into both. "I have a feeling she has many more honors forthcoming."  
Dean Laura Durzec ■



**Jane Murdock, EdD, MS, RN, Associate Professor Emerita,**

received the University of Connecticut School of Nursing Distinguished Service Award. Since the early 1970s, Murdock has been recognized as a leader in nursing education in Connecticut. Her research and scholarly work have been dedicated to developing knowledge and understanding the characteristics of adult and RN students, and to studying ways to enhance the educational environment to support their learning. In this time of severe nursing shortage, Murdock's groundwork will contribute significantly to the quality of ongoing efforts to stem the nursing shortage.

Currently, Murdock is Vice President of the Connecticut League for Nursing and President of the Nursing Career Center of Connecticut (NCCC). Murdock wrote the Helene Fuld Health Trust Grant that provided initial funding of NCCC, and, as one of the incorporators of the Center, she promotes its three major goals: recruitment of new nurses, enhancing career satisfaction and retention of practicing nurses, and facilitating career advancement for nurses. The Center has already made significant contributions to the State and UConn's efforts to recruit nursing students.

Without doubt, Murdock's public and behind the scenes efforts have helped create a framework for statewide nursing education that fosters and inspires nurses to seek advanced education. Continuing education for nurses and the contribution of that education to stemming the nursing shortage is well-documented. Through Murdock's efforts, a strong foundation has been laid here to support the recruitment and retention of Registered Nurses in Connecticut.

The University of Connecticut, is tremendously appreciative for all that Murdock has done for the nursing community and our School. ■

**Accepting Award Nominations**

We are currently accepting nominations for the following awards to be given at the Sixth Annual Alumni Awards Banquet:

- The Carolyn Ladd Widmer Outstanding Alumni Award for Leadership in Nursing
- The Eleanor K. Gill Outstanding Alumni Award for Clinical Excellence in Nursing
- The Marlene Kramer Outstanding Alumni Award for Research in Nursing
- The Beverly Koerner Outstanding Alumni Award for Education in Nursing

Award criteria are outstanding contributions in leadership, clinical excellence, research, or education, as specified in each award. Individual alumni or a group may be nominated. At least one group member must be an alumnus of a SON degree program. Nominees may be living or deceased.

Please submit a nomination letter with criteria. Include nominee's curriculum vitae if possible. A faculty committee with Alumni Board representation will make the selection. Send to:

School of Nursing, Attn: Kathe Gable, 231 Glenbrook Road, U-2026 Storrs, CT 06269-2026. Tel: 860 486-0613 Fax:860 486-0001. Email: Kathe.Gable@UConn.edu

**IN MEMORIAM**

**DOROTHY COOLEY COBURN**

Dorothy Cooley Coburn, of Phoenix, AZ, formerly of Kensington, CT, passed away after a valiant fight with cancer on January 6, 2002 at her home in Phoenix, AZ. Dorothy, an associate professor in Psych Nursing at UCONN, retired after 20 years of service. For more than ten years she had a private practice in psychiatry at Grove Hill Medical Center until leaving for Arizona. Dorothy lived for her family, her church and her friends. She volunteered for more than five years in Boston, MA with Aids Action, where she taught and counseled those living with the HIV/AIDS Virus.



**CLASS OF '51 FIFTIETH REUNION** - Storrs, CT May, 2001.  
From left to right, top row: Shirley Wagner, Callie Capellaro, Adoree Meenan, Barbara Hogan. Bottom row: Virginia Blocker, Barbara O'Neal, Jean D'Orio, Mary Dikes, Pauline Fahey



**CLASS OF '54 REUNION** - Sturbridge, MA. September, 2001.  
Back Row from left to right: JoAnn Griswold, Margaret (Peggy) Olson, Elizabeth (Betsy) Wood, Sue Kusserow, Alice Eschholz, Patricia Van Karpe, Phyllis Brackett. Front Row from left to right: Delores Cook, Patricia Fleckner, Shirley Smigel



**CLASS OF 1961** - October, 2001.  
Top Row from left to right: Judith Roberts Skidd, Sharna Chernoff Schofield, Edythe Sodoski E. Hough, Susan Juster Viner, Marcia Neville Doothen, Lois Kiss Walston, Linda Cheney Knudsen, Janet Bell Koonce, Susan Daly Freeman, Mary Lyons Auger. Bottom Row: Marie Aquino McBennett, Susan Koenig Freed, Louise Holsapple Westover, Eva Riley Overchuck, Jeanne Williamson/Guglielmino Davison, Roberta Goodwin Willenken, Barbara Irene Smith, Margaret Roberts Tusla

**'50s**

**Virginia Wakeman Blocker '51,** Bethlehem, PA. Blocker@enter.net I received my MSN in 1976 from the University of Pennsylvania. I taught medical surgical nursing at Helene Fuld, SON in Trenton, NJ, where I became Assistant Director. I have also worked in consultation and education for a mental health agency. As a volunteer continued life-long interest in patient/client education for various agencies in my community. I retired in 1991 from Director of Staff Development, Bethesda Hospitals, Cincinnati, OH.

**Phyllis Walford Brackett '54** Shrewsbury, MA Currently retired, I have worked as a staff nurse at VNA's in New Haven, Hartford and Wallingford. I also worked at Communicable Disease Clinic, Hartford Health Department, and for more than 20 years have been a piano teacher.

**Dolores Franzoso Cooke '54,** Wallingford, CT Currently working for Government Television in Wallingford as a Producer/Host. Worked as a Faculty member, Southern Connecticut State University, School of Nursing; Marketing Liaison, Gaylord Hospital's Chemical Dependency Program; Director of Health Care Services, Med. Personnel Pool in New Haven. I was the Producer/Host of TIP (The Information Program) from 1985-1994. Health topics were generally addressed - prevention, community awareness of services, behavioral health issues, etc.

**Jean Forbes D'Orio '51** Middletown, CT. I worked nights for 33 years at Middlesex Hospital most of them in OB/GYN. I also worked several years in ICU and the Hospice Unit. I have been fortunate to have enjoyed a career while rearing a large family of two sons and two daughters. I now have eight teenage grandchildren who fill my life with joy and activities. Being able to work 3rd shift as an RN enabled me to participate more fully in family and social events. I just didn't get much sleep for many years. Currently I am retired.

**Alice Sutton Eschholz '54** Ashford, CT. ueschholz@juno.com My last jobs were at Community Health and Home Care in Pomfret, and Patient Care of CT. Then I took care of my mother for two years. Since 1994, I have not worked in nursing, but do volunteer work for Literacy Volunteer of America, babysit for three grandchildren, do church and historical society work. My hobbies include gardening, painting, quilting, reading, and hiking.



A PAINTING OF  
WIDMER COTTAGE  
BY ALICE ESCHHOLZ '54  
HAS BEEN USED AS  
THE BACKGROUND IMAGE  
FOR THIS PAGE.  
ALICE HAS DONATED  
HER ORIGINAL ART  
TO THE SCHOOL.  
PRINTS WILL SOON BE  
AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE THROUGH THE  
ALUMNI SOCIETY.

#### Pauline M. Fahey '51

Class Agent & Distinguished Alumni Award (see p. 17). Norwalk, CT. paulinefahey@aol.com

#### Patricia Clawson Fleckner '54

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I have worked in various nursing positions, including med-surg and psych until 1985. Then I became a real estate agent and am currently affiliated with Prudential CT Realty in New Canaan. My husband Dick and I have three children and five grandchildren. We enjoy our family. My hobbies include traveling, tennis, and community activities.

#### Joann Matheson Griswold '54

Amherst, MA. baddoggi@mediaone.net  
Currently retired, I work part time as a Clinical Assistant Professor of psychiatric nursing for UMass School of Nursing. I have served in a variety of nursing positions at agencies/facilities including Mass Gen. Hospital, Yale New Haven Hospital, UConn School of Nursing, St. Luke's Hospital (PA), Mass. MDH, Mass Migrant Program, Baystate Health Systems/ Franklin Medical Center, and UMass School of Nursing and Education. A project completed while completing a MS at UMass, '79 has been included in several editions of Counseling and Psychotherapy by A.E. Ivey. My husband Peter and I have two sons, two daughters and seven grandchildren. We try to keep tomatoes and a few flowers alive in our yard, read voraciously, see plays, explore the Maine Coast and other places tickle our fancy.

#### Barbara Walker Hogan '51

Hamden, CT.jhhogan@ibmglobal.net  
I retired as an elementary school nurse in 1989 from the Town of Hamden Schools.

#### Patricia Van Wormer Karpe '54

Avon, CT  
Currently retired, I work for Hartford VNA, the Town of Simsbury as a

school nurse, and at the UConn Health Center.

#### Suzanne Kienholz Kusserow '54

Underhill Center, VT. lewkuss@together.net  
Currently retired. I received a MSN from Yale '59, and an EdD in Higher Ed from UVM in '92. I have taught in Vermont, West Virginia, Oregon, Washington, and Georgia. I was a Fulbright scholar in 1994-95 in Zimbabwe. I taught Community Health Nursing and Psych. Recently I have been more active in art/music, serve on VNA Boards and Town Conservation Committees and am a volunteer naturalist every summer at Yellowstone.

#### Margaret Watson Olson '54

Littleton, CO.  
Currently retired. I worked in medical-surgical nursing in the '50s; recovery room, some office and private nursing '59; clinical instructor to first year students at Holy Cross Hospital, Salt Lake City, Utah, coordinator medical setups '56 and '57, and taught classes for statewide Health Force for six years. Currently, I work part-time at a Recreation Center in public relations, am a Theva-ball Instructor, and aqua-toning instructor. I was divorced in 1999. I have four children and two grandchildren ages five and two.

#### Shirley Post Smigel '54

New Britain, CT. Shirlips@aol.com  
Currently retired. I have worked at the VNA in Hartford, CT and Pawtucket, RI; Newborn ICU in Providence Lying-In Hospital; and Long Term Care in Berlin, CT. I'm an avid birder, UConn Men's and Women's Basketball fan, and NY Yankee's fan.

#### Shirley Tasker Wagner '51

Sheffield, VT. pfwsaw@kingcon.com  
I worked approximately one year at St. Luke's Hospital in Milwaukee, WI. I moved back to Connecticut and worked at the Old MC Cook Hospital in Hartford until the UConn Health Center was built, and worked there until 1979. I then moved to Vermont and worked at Founders Hall, Drug Rehab at NVRH Hospital in St. Johnsbury, VT. until it closed.

#### '60s

#### Mary Lyons Auger '61

Westerly, RI. nauger15@aol.com  
Currently retired. I received MEd in Health Education, RI College in 1980, and completed 24 years as a certified School Nurse/Teacher at the East Providence (RI) High School in June of 2001. I now look forward to travel, reading, tennis and spending time with my husband and grandchildren.

#### Marcia Neville Doohen '61

Clearwater, FL  
Entered the Navy Corps with Margo Roberts Tulsa, Lois Kiss Walson, and Jeanne Williamson/Guglielmino Davison and served two years at St. Albans Naval Hospital in NY. Recently we all got together at my son's wedding. After discharge from Navy, I remained active in various nursing careers, married, and raised a family.

#### Susan Daly Freeman '61

Diablo CA & Danville, CA. smdfreeman@webtv.net  
I received a MSN from University of California San Francisco 1995, Gerontology; in 1996, the Clyde Shield Distinguished Service Award, Northwest Kidney Foundation, Seattle. Currently I am not employed. 1961-1962 New Haven VNA; 1962-1963 Liberty Mutual Rehabilitation Nurse in Chicago; 1963-1970 at the U. of Washington developed Home Hemodialysis Program with Drs. Belding Schriber, Joseph Eschbach; 1970-1983 fulltime mother of five children; 1983-1995 community based hospice work in Northern California.

#### Edythe Sodoski E. Hough '61

Fairfax, VA. ehough@mgfairfax.rr.com  
I received an MS from Yale University 1963; EdD from UCLA in 1979. In 1997 I received the School of Nursing Distinguished Alumni Award for Nursing Education. I am currently working at Wayne State U. as professor and principal investigator on a federally funded research project concerning coping and adjustment in HIV and mothers and their children. I have held academic positions at U. of Washington, U. of Illinois, and Rush Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. Before moving to Virginia for my husband's career move, I was Dean of College of Nursing at Wayne State. I have two children and one granddaughter.

#### Barbara Irene Smith '61

Branford, CT. I worked at Yale New Haven Hospital in pediatric since 1962; NASCU since 1969, Head Nurse, AHN, now Staff Nurse.

#### Margaret Roberts Tusla '61

Trumbull, CT. I retired in '99 Having spent 16 years as staff nurse for the State of CT Dept. of Mental Health and Dept. of Mental Retardation. I retired from that in '97. I am now a home hospice volunteer, a shelter assistant, and worker with single mothers and their children as part of an inner city project to assist the mother in making the transition from welfare to work.

#### Susan Juster Viner '61

Windsor, CT. In '87 I received an MS in Health Care Management from the Hartford Graduate Center. Presently I work at the State of Connecticut Department of Social

Services with Protective Services for the Elderly as an investigator of elderly abuse, neglect and exploitation. I also worked ten years in ER at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Hartford, CT

#### '70s

#### Sharon Bloom Ensslen '76

Bellingham, WA. senssl@aol.com  
Currently employed at St. Joseph Hospital, Bellingham, WA. I received an MSN in Perinatal Nursing from Houston Baptist University. After 15 years as a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner, I've returned to hospital nursing in labor and delivery. I met my husband, also a UConn grad, in Houston, TX five years after I graduated. We have two teenage sons; I have become a runner and even completed a marathon.

#### Jean Alexander Horan '71

Naugatuck, CT. jhoran@wtbyhosp.chime.org  
Currently I am employed at Waterbury Hospital as a Clinical Education Consultant for Behavioral Health. I received an MSN at UConn in 2000. I have experience at WHHC in in-patient psych, ER psych, and outpatient psych, and am putting that experience to good use with this new MS as Behavioral Educator. Sadly, widowed while in graduate school, I have three adult children. I am resuming hobbies and past times that have taken a very long back seat.

#### Judith Neiderwerfer Kelly '73

Alumni Board Member, Fultonville, NY. Keloginn@superior.net  
Currently, I am a Family Nurse Practitioner at St. Johnsville Family Health Center. My husband Russ and I were quite surprised when we received a call from our State Assemblyman Paul Tonko asking us to consider opening our home as a site for Montgomery County farmers to visit with former First Lady and Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton. On Tuesday, January 15, 2002, Senator Clinton came to our home to discuss the New York State Farm Bill, the Dairy Compact and the impact of the implementation of the new environmental regulations that are going to affect our farms. Clinton talked to the press on our front porch, thanked us for our hospitality, and agreed to a personal photo.

#### '80s

#### Annette Briere Galipeau '81

Willimantic, CT. agalipeau2@earthlink.net. Currently employed at Mansfield OB/GYN as a Triage Nurse for five physicians and two midwives.



From left to right: Paul Tonka, Judy Kelly, US Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton, Russ Kelly

For additional information see ALUMNI NOTE for Judith Neiderwerfer Kelly '73 on previous page.

#### Ruth E. Schwenzfeier George '81

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After nursing school, I worked briefly at Hartford Hospital, then moved to NYC and attended Columbia U. School of General Studies Pre-med Post Baccalaureate Program while working as a nurse at NY Hospital and a research assistant at Rockefeller U. in Manhattan. I then went on to Medical School at George Washington U. in DC, and did five years of general surgery residency training at St. Vincent's Hospital in Manhattan. Now I am in a solo practice as a general surgeon in Bethlehem, PA and have two children.

#### Mark Poulin '81

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I received a MSN in '98 from St. Joseph College, West Hartford, CT. Currently I am working at the Arizona State Hospital as a Clinical Nurse Specialist, Forensic Program, while finishing a postmasters Nurse Practitioner Certificate at ASU.

#### Judith Bloom Rabinek '81

Herdon, VA. jrabinck@aol.com  
I have worked primarily in ambulatory care/HMO setting: urgent care, ENT, and family practice both clinical and management. Currently I work for Keiser Permanente Mid Atlantic States Region as Manager of Environmental Health and Safety, Infection Control and Employee Health. I have been living in the Washington, DC area since 1981. I married in 1989 and have two children.

#### Erica Penley Siddell '81

Manchester, CT. epsiddell@snet.net  
I am currently working at Conn. Children's Medical Center as a Quality Improvement Consultant. I

received a PhD in '98 from the U. of Texas in Austin. From 1981-1988 I was Staff RN (NICU, PICU); 1988-2000, Nurse Manager, Director; 2000 to the present QI Consultant.

#### Linda Worthen Taelz '81

Stevenson Ranch, CA.  
I am currently employed at Beverly Healthcare as Manager of Clinical Services. I received an MSN from the U. of Phoenix in '98. I was awarded the California Association of Health Care Facilities Nurse of the Year in 1999.

#### 90s

#### Christine Chordas '91

Cambridge, MA. tanaw@mediaone.net  
Currently I am employed at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute as Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. I received an MS in '97 from Yale University School of Nursing, and worked at Texas Children's Cancer Center in Houston, TX as a PNP for three and a half years before relocating to MA. I married Travis Wanat in 2000 in Old Saybrook, CT.

#### Deborah Sticco Kraft '91

Perry Hill, MD. Currently I am working at Johns Hopkins Hospital as a CCU RN. and have been at Johns Hopkins for ten years. I married Donald Kraft in 1999 and have two daughters.

#### Jennifer Marcucci Mingione '91

East Haven, CT. mrsrjm9895@aol.com  
I am currently employed at Hospital of St. Raphael in Surgical ICU. I have been a certified RN since 1995 (RNC) with five years experience in med/surg experience and ICU.

Please keep your updates coming. We greatly look forward to hearing from you.

## SON Publications Reach Far and Wide – Improving Well Being for All People – Beginning in Connecticut

#### Allchin, Lynn

Allchin, L. (2001, Fall Series). *Living with end-of-life care: The role of the nurse when the patient asks "Am I going to make it?"* Presentation at Capital Alliance for Nursing Research and Research Utilization: Nursing Research Roundtable. Hartford, CT.

Allchin, L., & Engler, A. J. (2002, March). *Responding to the loss of ones we care for: How we cope.* Presentation at the Connecticut Student Nurses' Association Convention, Southington, CT.

McNulty, J., Allchin, L., & Polifroni, E. C. (2001, May). *How math competency skills of nursing students and new graduates in educational and service settings are validated.* Poster presented at Ninth Annual Conference for Nurse Educators in Practice Settings and Schools of Nursing. Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and Saint Anselm College, Kennebunkport, ME.

McNulty, J., Allchin, L., & Polifroni, E. C. (2001, October). *Validating math competency skills of nursing students & new graduates in educational & service settings.* Presentation at 5th Annual Research and Research Utilization Conference: Entrusted Care: Applying Nursing Research to Optimize Safe Patient Outcome, Hartford, CT.

McNulty, J., Allchin, L., & Polifroni, E. C. (2002, April). *Validating math competency for medication administration in schools of nursing in the United States.* Poster presented at 11th Annual Research Day, CT Chapters of Sigma Theta Tau, Meriden, CT.

#### Anderson, Elizabeth

Anderson, E. (2002). Re-appointment, Editorial Board, Nursing Research.

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Anderson, E., & Spencer, M. (2001, October). *Lived experience of AIDS: Patients' cognitive representations.* Paper presented at 5th Annual

Research and Research Utilization Conference: Entrusted Care: Applying Nursing Research to Optimize Safe Patient Outcomes, Hartford, CT.

Anderson, E., & Spencer, M. (2001, November). *How do persons with AIDS image their disease?* Presentation at 14th Annual Conference of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care, Minneapolis, MN.

Anderson, E., & Spencer, M. (2002, March). *Cognitive representations of AIDS – A phenomenological study.* Paper presented at 14th Annual Scientific Sessions of ENRS, State College, PA.

Anderson, E., & Spencer, M. (2002, April 6). *AIDS patients' cognitive representations.* Poster presentation at Society of Behavioral Medicine, 23rd Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions, Washington, D.C.

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Beck, C. T. (2001, September). *Workshop: Postpartum depression screening.* Presentation at Australasian Marce Society Biennial Scientific Meeting: Mothers, Fathers and Infants – Their Mental Health, Christchurch, New Zealand.

Beck, C. T. (2001, September). *Teetering on the edge: Surviving postpartum depression.* Keynote Address at Karitane National Conference: Attachment Matters, Sydney Australia.

Beck, C. T. (2001, September). *Workshop: Postpartum depression screening.* Karitane National Conference: Attachment Matters, Sydney Australia.

Beck, C. T. (2001, November). *Postpartum depression: The black*



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Laura Scarpa, *What It Would Mean to Owners to Have Their Pet(s) Visit in the Hospital: A Qualitative Study*

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Tara Bernen, University Scholar, *Using the Internet to Teach Dialysis Patients*



Geraldine Pearson, (above) PhD, MSN, CS, RN, *Growing up in Pieces: Adolescents with Pervasive Developmental Disorder Transitioning Into Adulthood*

**RESEARCH SESSION III**

Presentations Moderator: Lynn Allchin, PhD, RN, Assistant Professor

Alison Finch, Honors Scholar, *Neonatal Nurses' Perceptions of Adolescent Mothering of Preterm Infants*

Karalyn Jacobs, Honors Scholar, Kangaroo Care and Baccalaureate Nursing Education



Olga Jarrin, (above) Graduation with Distinction, *National Survey of Hospital Discharge Instructions for Mothers and Infants*

**STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARDS**

Moderators: Art Engler, DNSC, RNC, CRNP, Assistant Professor  
Laura Cox Dzurec, PhD, RN, CS, Dean and Professor



**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARDEES:** Allison Finch (above left) and Laura Scarpa (above right)



**GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLAR AWARDEE:** Mikki Meadows, (above) MSN, MPH, RN, CPNP, *Homeless Women and Children Living in Shelters: A Meta-Synthesis*



**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:** Eileen Sullivan-Marx, (above) PhD, RN, CRNP, FAAN, *Enhancing Outcomes of Care for Vulnerable Older Adults*

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Dr. Sullivan-Marx introduced her research documenting the need for research to address gerontology issues globally. She reported on current outcomes and health service research related to organiza-

tional and clinical issues affecting frail elderly. Sullivan-Marx is Associate Professor at the U. of Pennsylvania School of Nursing and Program Director of the Adult Health and Gerontological Nurse Practitioner Programs. Her current research focuses on care of frail older adults with specific emphasis on delirium and restraint-free care in hospitals and nursing homes. Additional research projects include utilization and payment issues for advanced practice nurses. ■

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Carrie Klima, PhD: "We Are Strong Women" – A Focused Ethnography of Reproductive Lives of Women in Belize

Maureen O'Reilly, PhD: The Experience of Maternal Transition to Second-time Parenthood

Geraldine Pearson, PhD: See far left.

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*Thank you!*

*We look forward to hearing from each and every one of you.*

**Calendar of Events**

Date	Event	Time	Location
Aug. 23	Convocation - Welcome to UConn	4pm	Gampel Pavilion
Aug. 26	Dean's Meeting with Incoming Freshman	10am - 11am	CLAS110
Aug. 27	Dean's Meeting with entire SON student body	10:30 - 11:30 am	CLAS 108
Aug. 28	Fall Semester Begins - First Day of Classes		
Sept. 28	Scholarship Recognition Brunch	11:30am - 1:00pm	UConn Foundation
Oct. 10	Women's Health Update: Women's Moods	3:30 - 7:30pm	La Renaissance East Windsor, CT

**Brought to you by a new partnership between the UConn School of Nursing and Women's Center for promotion of women's health. Event supported by CIGNA HealthCare.**

**The Honorable Lt. Gov. Jodi Rell will kick-off the event that includes the following speakers: Jeanne Watson Driscoll, Cheryl Beck, Regina Barecca, Nancy Valentine**

Oct. 17	Fall Distinguished Scholar Day		Lewis B. Rome Hall
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- Networking Luncheon 12:30pm
- Patients' Rights: *From Education to End of Life Issues* (All 30 minute sessions) 1:30pm
- Patients' Rights: Respecting End of Life Care presented by Lynn Allchin, PhD, RN, Assistant Professor, UConn
- Patients' Rights: Who speaks for the Children and Adolescents with Mental Illness? presented by Geraldine Pearson, RN, CS, PhD, Nurse Clinical Specialist, Riverview Hospital: Clinical Instructor, UConn
- Patients' Rights: The Right to Effective Pain Treatment presented by Deborah McDonald, RN, PhD, Associate Professor, UConn
- Distinguished Scholar Awards 3:15 pm
- Laura Govoni, PhD, RN, School of Nursing, Retired Faculty Member
- Janice Hayes, PhD, RN, School of Nursing, Professor Emerita
- Ruth McCorkle, PhD, RN, FAAN, Director of the Center for Excellence in Chronic Illness and Care and Professor of Nursing at Yale University
- Keynote Presentation & Reception 4:pm
- Dr. Ruth McCorkle, RN, PhD, FAAN, Professor Yale University will deliver a synopsis of her landmark research on the psychosocial ramifications of cancer.

Oct. 18	6th Annual Alumni Awards Banquet	6:30pm 7:30pm	Social Hour Dinner/Awards The Hartford Club
Oct. 19	Homecoming - Sponsored by UConn Alumni Assoc. School of Nursing Alumni & Friends Society General Membership Meeting	9:30-10:30am	Alumni House Storrs Hall

Oct. 25 - 26	Connecticut Nurses' Association Annual Convention		Hastings Hotel, Hartford
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Dec. 10 Last Day of Classes

Dec.13 - 20 Final Exams

**2003**

Jan. 22	Spring Semester Begins - First Day of Classes		
Mar. 17 - 21	Spring Break		
Mar. 2 - 29	ENRS 15th Annual Scientific Sessions "Clinical Interventions: Bridging Research and Practice"		The Omni Hotel Yale New Haven
May 6	Last Day of Classes		
May 9 - 16	Final Exams		
May 17	Undergraduate Commencement Convocation Ceremony to follow		Gampel Pavilion TBA
May 18	Graduate Commencement Ceremony Reception MS/AGS/PhD		Gampel Pavilion TBA

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