SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS CEREMONY

Friday, October 7, 2011

KELLOGG HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER
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Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan
“Never lose an opportunity of urging a practical beginning, however small, for it is wonderful how often in such matters the mustard-seed germinates and roots itself.”

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE
Order of Ceremony

Welcome and Introductions
KATHLEEN SCHWARTZ, CON BSN ’71
Mistress of Ceremony
Chair, College of Nursing Board of Visitors

Welcome and Remarks
MARY MUNDT, PhD, RN
Dean and Professor

Dinner and Soft Music
THE GRAD TRIO

Presentation of Faculty and Staff Awards
BARRA GIVEN, PhD, RN, FAAN
Associate Dean for Research
Director of the Doctoral Program
University Distinguished Professor

Presentation of Student Scholarships
TERRY BRENNAN VIAU, PhD
Associate Dean for Support Services

Closing Remarks
MARY MUNDT, PhD, RN
Dean and Professor

Adjournment
Faculty Awards

Carol Barthel Spirit Award

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

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

CATHERINE (KATE) LEIN, MSN, RN
Assistant Professor

Marjorie A. Holmes College of Nursing Faculty Enrichment Endowed Award

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

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

MEI-WEI CHANG, PhD, RN
Associate Professor
**Endowed Student Scholarships**

**Nancy Ann Mulrenan Agents Nursing Endowed Scholarship**

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

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

**Julia Barhoumeh, BSN Class of 2013**

**Carol Robinson Beals Nursing Endowed Scholarship**

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

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

**Brandon Krol, BSN Class of 2013**  
**Amanda McConomy, BSN Class of 2012**

**Helen Calder Endowed Nursing Scholarship**

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

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

**Laura Devore, BSN Class of 2012**  
**Thomas Gatza, BSN Class of 2011**  
**Kristi Harworth, BSN Class of 2012**  
**Elizabeth Herrick, BSN Class of 2012**  
**Mallory Miller, BSN Class of 2013**
John F. Dunkel Memorial Endowed Scholarship

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

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

TERI HOLWERDA, PhD Class of 2012

Janice and Alton Granger Nursing Endowed Scholarship

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

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

JOSEPH KALEJAYE, MSN Class of 2013
Captain Sean Grimes Nursing Endowed Scholarship

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

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

Teresa Kuyers, BSN Class of 2013

Inez and Gladys Harmon Endowed Scholarship

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

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

Lisa Pierce, BSN Class of 2013
Ellen Schaefer, BSN Class of 2013

Marjorie A. Holmes Graduate Nursing Endowed Scholarship

One of three endowments established by Marjorie A. Holmes (CON BSN ’60), this scholarship provides financial assistance to graduate students who have demonstrated the capacity to achieve educational and professional goals, and the initiative to seek opportunities to further their progress. Recipients must maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

Claire McDowell, MSN Class of 2013
Rao and Joyce Kareti Nursing Endowed Scholarship

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

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

DAHN HONG, BSN Class of 2013
FRANCESCA QUALLS, BSN Class of 2013

Helen M. Kelley Endowed Scholarship

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

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

BROOKE SILER, BSN Class of 2012
KELSEY SORONEN, BSN Class of 2012

Florence C. Kempf Nursing Endowed Scholarship

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

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

BRITTANI BRENNER, BSN Class of 2012
**Elizabeth Blay Maison Endowed Scholarship**

In 1962 Lorelei F. Rockwell graduated with a bachelor's degree in business administration from Michigan State University. Lorelei and her husband Wayne established this scholarship to honor the memory of her mother, Elizabeth Blay Maison, who was a devoted nurse that dedicated herself to the profession before transitioning from this life at the age of 53.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students of the College with preference to undergraduate students that have demonstrated financial need and are in good academic standing.

**Valerie Wilson, BSN Class of 2012**

**Judge Paula Manderfield Endowed Scholarship**

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

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

**Julia Barhoumeh, BSN Class of 2013**

**Mary B. McCartney Endowed Scholarship for Study Abroad**

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

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

**Marissa Meli, BSN Class of 2011**

**Christine Pasko, BSN Class of 2011**
Mary Milner-Estes Endowed Nursing Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the late Mary J. Milner-Estes (CON BSN ’64) whose career in nursing spanned more than 30 years. She began her career as head nurse at Pontiac State Hospital. In 1969, she graduated from Wayne State with a master’s in teaching and went on to work at the Veterans Administration Hospital where she served in the capacities of Assistant Chief Nurse and Chief of the Nursing Services throughout the country. She also served on faculty at both Wayne State and Michigan State Universities. In retirement, Mary married her childhood friend, David Estes, loved to travel, remained active with the MSU Alumni Association, the College’s Alumni Association and her church.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students enrolled in the College of Nursing, who are in good academic standing and have 3rd year status as an undergraduate student or entering into or matriculating through a graduate or accelerated nursing program.

MARY NOFFKE, BSN Class of 2012

George and Margaret Lorimer Parsons Nursing Endowed Scholarship

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

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

KELLY ADAMS, PhD Class of 2014
EMILIE DYKSTRA GORIS, PhD Class of 2014
ASHLEY FOSTER, MSN Class of 2013
MEGHAN GALLAGHER, BSN Class of 2013
SHANNON INMAN, BSN Class of 2013
ALYSSA LYNN JOHNSON, BSN Class of 2013
ANA KELLY, PhD Class of 2014
ANDREA KOZIKOWSKI, BSN Class of 2012
BRITTANY LEWIS, BSN Class of 2013
CHRISTINA LIRETTE, MSN Class of 2012
KELLY O’DONNOGHUE, BSN Class of 2012
MEGAN ROSS, BSN Class of 2013
LINDSEY ROTH, MSN Class of 2012
MARGUERITE SELLERS, MSN Class of 2013
LISA SINGLETERRY, PhD Class of 2011
NICOLE SYTSMA, BSN Class of 2013
Retired Faculty Endowed Scholarship

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

MEGAN VANDYKE, BSN Class of 2012

Diana Roush Memorial Nursing Endowed Scholarship

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

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

AMY UHLIANUK, MSN Class of 2012

Tammi Therese Strohmaier Memorial Endowed Scholarship

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

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

BRENDA HALLORAN, BSN Class of 2013

William G. and Marion E. Stuckle Endowed Scholarship

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

ANDREA DIEMERT, BSN Class of 2013
KELLY DOHERTY, BSN Class of 2013
BRANDY HURL, BSN Class of 2012
LAUREN LAMPMAN, BSN Class of 2013
KARA LOUSH, BSN Class of 2013
ASHLEY PRZYBYL, BSN Class of 2013
ANN SUBDA, BSN Class of 2013
LAUREN TAYLOR, BSN Class of 2011
VICTORIA ZOLKEWSKY, BSN Class of 2012
Paul (SS BS ’70) and Teresa (CON BSN ’72) Conlon Wehrwein are graduates of Michigan State University as is their son Eric (BUS BA ’01, AL BA ’01) Conlon Wehrwein. In 2001, Teresa returned to Michigan State University as a faculty member and currently serves as Associate Dean for Academic and Clinical Affairs. When determining how to make this lasting gift to Michigan State University, the couple was significantly concerned about the growing nursing faculty shortage in Michigan and the nation.

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

CHERYL HOUSEMAN, MSN Class of 2012
Annual Student Scholarships

William and Margaret Albrets Nursing Scholarship

This award is intended to encourage students who have demonstrated the capacity to achieve educational and professional goals, the motivation to achieve these goals and the initiative to seek opportunities to further their progress.

Recipients shall be undergraduate students in the College of Nursing and will be selected on the basis of financial need and a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

ASHLEY SHAFFER, BSN Class of 2012

Harold C. and Helen E. Buckler Memorial Nursing Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the grandparents of Kristin B. and Gilbert D. Padula. It was Helen E. Buckler who inspired this scholarship through her long nursing career in Southeast Michigan. Kristin has fond memories of her grandmother who was at her mother's side when she was born and was there throughout her life.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to a student from Southeast Michigan (Macomb, Oakland or Wayne County) who is enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program.

LAUREN BROWN, BSN Class of 2012

College of Nursing Scholarship

The mission of the College of Nursing at Michigan State University is to enhance the health of the community by providing excellence in nursing education, research and practice that will advance the profession of nursing and serve as an advocate for optimal healthcare for all people. The College currently enrolls more than 500 undergraduate and graduate students. Its more than 80 faculty members represent a diverse blend of leading scholars and distinguished healthcare professionals who bring real world experience to the classroom.

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

SARA BOYLAN, PhD Class of 2016
JONATHAN GARRETT DECK, BSN Class of 2012
HEATHER POPOFF, BSN Class of 2012
RACHEL SPORTEL, MSN Class of 2013
Helene Fuld Health Trust Scholarship for Baccalaureate Nursing Students

This award is intended to encourage students who have demonstrated the capacity to achieve educational and professional goals, the motivation to achieve these goals and the initiative to seek opportunities to further their progress.

Recipients shall be undergraduate students in the College of Nursing and will be selected on the basis of financial need and a minimum 3.0 grade point average.

GREGORY GAGNON, BSN Class of 2012

Terry Brennan Viau and Robert Viau Undergraduate Student Scholarship

Dr. Terry Viau is the Associate Dean for Support Services of the College. She is dedicated to eliminating the barriers that prevent students from participating in higher education and has established, with her husband, the Terry Brennan and Robert Viau Endowed Student Scholarship. This award is intended to encourage students who have demonstrated the capacity to achieve educational and professional goals, the motivation to achieve these goals and the initiative to seek opportunities to further their progress.

This scholarship provides financial assistance to deserving baccalaureate students who have demonstrated financial need.

SARA CANTIN, BSN Class of 2011
ANDREA NAPOLILLO, BSN Class of 2012
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