

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

60TH ANNIVERSARY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship was created to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of Michigan State University College of Nursing. The goal of this scholarship program was to support deserving students in need, helping them realize their dreams of receiving a nursing degree from Michigan State University.

ANGELA AND RICHARD STRAWN NURSING ENDOWED FELLOWSHIP

Angela and Richard Strawn are longtime supporters of our nursing programs through philanthropy and advocacy. Angela (BSN '65) is a graduate of the MSU College of Nursing. Her career in nursing spanned over 50 years, spent mostly in nursing higher education and administration of nursing education programs. When deciding how to leave a lasting impact on the College of Nursing, Angela decided to provide fellowship assistance at the graduate level to nurses who desired to become future nursing faculty out of concern for the nursing faculty shortage.

This fellowship will be awarded to prospective or matriculating graduate students planning a career in nursing education. Preference is given to highly motivated students who demonstrate financial need and possess a minimum 3.5 GPA.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NP SCHOLARSHIP

Recipients of the Behavioral Health NP Scholarship must be enrolled in the Nursing Practice or Doctor of Nursing Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Program and have a minimum 3.5 GPA.

C. RICHARD AND SUSAN M. HERROLD SCHOLARSHIP

The C. Richard and Susan M. Herrold Scholarship was established to honor and encourage all those nurses who have improved our lives, and future nurses now studying at Michigan State University.

CAPTAIN SEAN GRIMES NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

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

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

CAROL J. LARSON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kathy Bobay, College of Nursing MSN alum '94, established the Carol J. Larson Endowed Scholarship Fund after her mother, who taught her the importance of lifelong learning.

This fund is meant to assist PhD nursing students in lessening their financial burden.

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 GPA. 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.

CHARLES E. AND HARRIET L. BADER ENDOWED NURSING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Charles E. and Harriet L. Bader Endowed Nursing Scholarship Fund was established by Shirley Bader Weis, a 1975 graduate of the MSU College of Nursing. She created this fund in honor of her parents. Shirley's goal for this fund was to assist Nursing students in their difficulties with the cost of attending College.

COLLEGE OF NURSING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

The Alumni Association provides opportunities for alumni to maintain lifelong engagement with the College. This scholarship was established to demonstrate the College of Nursing Alumni Association's commitment to the support and encouragement of future nurses in their pursuit of academic excellence.

Students considered for this award must be pursuing a degree with the College of Nursing and be in good academic standing. Applications must include evidence of the candidate's involvement in community activities and demonstrated leadership abilities. Students who demonstrate financial need will be given preference.

COLLEGE OF NURSING RETIRED FACULTY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Originally named the Irene Lynch Scholarship, the Retired Faculty Endowed Scholarship was created in 1993 by Irene Lynch, Louise Brouillette, JoAnn Westrick and Gabriele Kende - all retired College of Nursing faculty. This scholarship was established to honor retired faculty who dedicated their lives to the education of nursing students.

Recipients shall be enrolled in the College of Nursing when the scholarship is activated and be in good academic standing. Financial need may be considered. This award is intended to support 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.

CONLON WEHRWEIN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

Paul (SS BS '70) and Teresa (CON BSN '72) Conlon Wehrwein are graduates of Michigan State University as is their son Eric (BUS BA '01, AL BA '01) Conlon Wehrwein. In 2001, Teresa returned to Michigan State University as a faculty and member of core administration at the College. 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 GPA.

DEAN CARPENTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dean Carpenter received his Nurse Practitioner degree through the College of Nursing, after time in the Navy and extensive experience in the St. Joseph Hospital Emergency Department. In the midst of raising two children with one on the way, and going to school full-time, Carpenter struggled with the heavy tuition costs of the NP program and

sought council from an academic advisor. From there, he received a scholarship that allowed him to finish the program in 2002.

Carpenter then began his work as a nurse practitioner at the University of Michigan Health System, and with the NSO Tumaini Center (NSO). Through a series of community programs, NSO provides critical service, medical outreach and housing assistance to adults in the city of Detroit. His work at NSO consisted of providing acute medical care to the homeless, but Carpenter also provided and facilitated donations such as clothing, shoes, and socks to the less advantaged.

Sadly, Carpenter passed away on August 17, 2019. In honor of his lifelong commitment to serving the less-advantaged, Rhonda Carpenter and the family established the Dean Carpenter Memorial Scholarship at the College of Nursing at MSU to preserve his legacy. The recipient of this scholarship will be a nurse practitioner student with a preference in serving economically vulnerable populations. Through his community advocacy and impact on patient lives, Dean Carpenter serves as a model for Spartan Nurses.

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. Diana worked to make contact with clinical agencies, and always made it a priority to act 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 GPA.

DOROTHY AND EDWARD HERTEL SCHOLARSHIP

Dorothy and Edward Hertel were Michigan State University alumni and long-term supporters of the University. Their daughter, Dr. Patty Peek, is a nurse practitioner and former full-time faculty member in the College of Nursing for forty years. Patty and her husband Bill have established this scholarship to honor her parents and to acknowledge their lifetime commitment to Michigan State.

This scholarship will be awarded to a nurse practitioner (student) pursuing a doctorate in nursing practice who aspires to improve quality of care for underserved populations.

DR. CHARLES AND MARJORIE A. GLIOZZO ENDOWMENT FUND FOR NURSES AND CAREGIVERS

Dr. Charles A. Gliozzo gained experience as a prime observer of the importance of nursing after his wife Marjorie suffered a stroke in 2012. He was impressed with the loving care conveyed to her during treatment and recovery. According to Dr. Charles A. Gliozzo, nurses and caregivers are the "backbone" to the medical profession.

The purpose of this fund is to provide support for students who are, or are dependents of, current or previous care providers with an expressed interest in a career at a nursing home, skilled nursing center or assisted living facility. Priority is given to applicants who have at least one year of experience in a care facility and have an expressed interest in a career focused on gerontology.

ELIZABETH BLAY MAISON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

In 1962 Lorelei F. Rockwell graduated with a Bachelor's 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.

EMELINE HAMILTON PH.D. DISSERTATION AWARD

Dr. Gwen Wyatt, accomplished researcher and Professor Emeritus at the College of Nursing, created the Emeline Hamilton PhD Dissertation Award Endowment to honor her mother, and her mother's commitment to higher education for her children and herself. This fund is meant to go to those focusing on cancer or any other area of nursing. Recipients must be within one year of having successfully completed their dissertation.

FLORENCE C. KEMPF NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established to honor the legacy of Florence C. Kempf, who was the first director of 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. Created by Michigan State University nursing alumni and friends, this scholarship provides financial assistance to students who are in good academic standing.

FLORENCE NOTHSTINE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR NURSING

This scholarship was established by Leo Nothstine to honor his late wife, Florence Nothstine, and to encourage undergraduate and graduate students at the College of Nursing. Recipients should be a resident of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, or Kansas. This scholarship is intended to help students who have demonstrated the initiative to help themselves by working at least part-time while attending school and who have demonstrated financial need.

GEORGE AND MARGARET LORIMER PARSONS NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Margaret Parsons (MSU Education alum) and her husband George 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.

Funded 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.

GILBERT AND LEONA SCHUMANN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by Dr. Barbara Given, Michigan State University College of Nursing University Distinguished Professor, to honor the lives of her parents, Gilbert and Leona Schumann. It was Gilbert Schumann, who passed on April 18, 1993, who inspired the creation of this scholarship. Gilbert was a farmer, husband, loving father and grandfather. Leona Schumann left this life on September 23, 2007, after several years of declining mobility. She had a long life as a mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

Gilbert's long battle with ill health raised concerns with Leona and their children about the adequacy of care that the elderly receive. It is for this reason that the Gilbert and Leona Schumann Scholarship will always be awarded to nursing students who exhibit a commitment to the care of elderly. This scholarship provides financial assistance to second or third year students within an advanced degree program with a focus on gerontology. Students shall be selected on a basis of academic merit with a minimum 3.5 GPA.

GLENN R. DEAN AND ANITA C. DEAN ENDOWED FELLOWSHIP FOR THE COLLEGE OF NURSING

Anita C. Dean received her Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics, Foods and Nutrition, and her Masters of Science

degree in Institutional Administration from Michigan State University. Ms. Dean served as a First Lieutenant in the Woman's Medical Specialist Corps during World War II. She taught at MSU from 1953-1981 in the College of Human Ecology.

This fellowship is established by Anita to honor her husband, Captain Glenn R. Dean, passed on October 9, 1950 in the military operations in Korea. Applicants for this fellowship must be enrolled in a Michigan State University College of Nursing graduate program and be in good academic standing. Recipients shall be selected with consideration for a high level of skill in health outcomes research related to individuals with families within the context of community-based primary care, faculty recommendations and documented scholarship activities such as presentations and publications.

HAYES-TALLEY NURSE ANESTHESIA ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Drs. Henry and Costellia Talley created this scholarship in honor of their respective mothers; Annie D. Talley and Sallie Lou Hayes. Henry and Costellia were both raised by single moms who supported their educational endeavors, while compromising their own dreams. Realizing the importance of education and the sacrifice their mothers made they created this scholarship to assist future generations in their educational endeavors.

This scholarship will support student(s) in good academic standing in the Nurse Anesthesia Program.

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.

This fund provides financial assistance to students whose permanent residence is in the state of Michigan and who have maintained a minimum 3.0 GPA.

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.

The Helen M. Kelley Endowed Scholarship provides financial assistance to students enrolled in the College of Nursing and are in good academic standing.

HELENE FULD HEALTH TRUST ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR BACCALAUREATE NURSING STUDENTS

This award is intended to encourage College of Nursing students that are enrolled in the Accelerated Second Degree Option Baccalaureate Program.

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 GPA of 2.75 and who have the professional objective of becoming a registered nurse.

JANET M. WENDORF ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Janet “Jan” May Wendorf passed away at 78 years of age on January 24th, 2017. Words can never fully describe Jan’s zest for life, country, friends, God and especially her family. On several occasions, Jan played the role of hospice nurse for family members. Because she was not a nurse by trade, she had to research and educate herself on basic medical care, pain management and other skills that would help her loved ones live out their lives comfortably. Her actions, care, and compassion earned her the title of “honorary nurse.”

Over the 78 years of her life, Jan created a legacy of friends, gifts, and love, with her family as her greatest pride and joy. Committed to carrying on her work, Jan’s family created the Janet Wendorf Endowed Scholarship.

Scholarship recipients will be selected according to the MSU College of Nursing practices and procedures with preference given to students who have demonstrated an interest in a nursing career in the area of caregiving.

JANICE AND ALTON GRANGER NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Janice Granger (CON BSN ’80) was a valued member of the College’s alumni family and had extensive ties to the community and to the state of Michigan. She was a former member of the College’s Alumni Board and served on the Dean’s Advisory Council, Board of Visitors. Janice’s dedication to Michigan State University earned her several awards, including the MSU Alumni Association Outstanding Philanthropist Award in 2001, the MSU Alumni Service Award in 2004, and the College of Nursing Distinguished Alumni Award in 2013. A champion of compassion, education and nursing excellence, Janice passed away at the age of 90 in 2024.

Janice and her husband, Alton (ENG BS ’54), have long been supporters of Michigan State University and the College of Nursing. Their scholarship provides financial assistance to graduate students with a track in gerontology preferred. Recipients must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA.

JOHN A. SANDIN, II AND DR. JOHN A. SANDIN, III ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Marguerite (Sandy) DeWitt and her husband Richard DeWitt worked at Michigan State University for most of their careers. Sandy spent her time on campus tending to sick students as a nurse in Olin Health Center. John worked in facilities and was an avid Spartan.

Sandy established the John A. Sandin, II and Dr. John A. Sandin, III Endowed Scholarship in the College of Nursing in loving memory of her brother and his son. As a former nurse, nursing students hold a special place in Sandy’s heart. She hopes that any student receiving this scholarship will practice their profession with compassion, excellence, and integrity. Recipients shall be students enrolled in the College of Nursing.

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 GPA.

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.

JULIE RAINES DINGERSON NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

The Julie Raines Dingserson Nursing Endowed Scholarship was established by her family in recognition of Julie's nursing career. She spent 30 of her 41 year nursing career in the field of Public Health Nursing, where she enjoyed working with MSU students in their Community Health rotation. Julie and her family wish to remove financial barriers for academically talented students in the ACCESS program, with a preference to students from Benton Harbor where Julie grew up.

KATHLEEN NOWICKI SCHWARTZ AND MICHAEL SCHWARTZ ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Kathleen Nowicki Schwartz is a member of the College of Nursing BSN class of 1971, as well as the MSU College of Business Executive MBA class of 1985 and has held various management positions in nursing and hospital administration since graduation Michigan State University. Her husband, Michael Schwartz, served in the U.S. Army from 1964 to 1966 and has held faculty appointments at various Universities as well leadership roles in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Members of the Jonathan L. Snyder Society, Kathy and Mike established an endowed fund in the College of Nursing to enhance the excellence of the College, and have funded a student commons in the Bott Building for Nursing Education and Research. In addition to their financial support, Kathy and Mike are very passionate about giving back through volunteerism. Kathy has remained heavily involved in MSU alumni engagement efforts as well as other community activities, while Mike has served on many local and state health agency boards.

The recipient of this scholarship shall be enrolled in the PhD program with a desired interest in becoming a nurse educator.

KRYSTAL K. OWENS "YOU'RE NOT ALONE" SCHOLARSHIP

Krystal Owens grew up in Detroit, Michigan. As a young child, her goal was to be the first person in her family to earn a college degree. However, life experiences beginning in high school significantly altered her living out her college experience dreams. Krystal did end up attending Bowling Green State University, where she identified a strong interest in working with college students and the field of student affairs. Realizing that she wanted to assist other students in navigating college, she earned her Bachelor's of Science in Social Work, then went on to Michigan State University to earn a Masters of Arts in Student Affairs Administration. Krystal began her career at Southern Methodist University, then transitioning to the Michigan State University College of Nursing where she now services as the Director of Student Affairs.

Supporting underrepresented populations is personal for Krystal, and she fervently expresses to all her students, "You're not alone". Therefore, recipients must be pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees in nursing with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. They must be a first-generation college student, demonstrate financial need, or be an individual who exhibits leadership skills in the face of adversity or who have overcome significant obstacles as indicated in a personal statement, an active participant of the ACCESS program or future successor program, or a student who had demonstrated a commitment to enhancing diversity in the nursing workforce.

LEHTO-MILLER FAMILY PHD STUDENT AWARD

This PhD fund was established by Drs. Rebecca Lehto and James Miller. Dr. Lehto completed her undergraduate nursing education at Oregon Health Sciences University, Portland OR, and graduate/postdoctoral students at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor prior to coming to Michigan State University. Dr. Lehto's clinical experiences as an

oncology nurse sensitized her to the multifaceted challenges that patients with cancer face, problems that contributed to later research direction that focuses on cancer adaptation. Together with her husband, Dr. James Miller (Engineering Professor Emeritus at University of Michigan), they wish to promote the enrollment and continuing support of nurses pursuing their PhD at the MSU College of Nursing, with the hope that such students would build a program of nursing research and a career that would contribute to nursing science in a research-intensive academic program.

PhD students in the College of Nursing who have indicated an interest in research that relates to oncology or chronic illness adaptation including but not limited to mental health, end of life, and palliative care issues will be eligible for this award.

LINDA J. SPENCE ENDOWED FELLOWSHIP

This fellowship was established by the late Linda J. Spence PhD, RN, whose career at the College of Nursing on the faculty spanned more than 40 years. She served on the committee that developed the initial Master's degree program as well as the committee that developed the PhD program. She participated in the implementation of the PhD program and remained committed to the need for more well-prepared nurse researchers.

In support of Linda's commitment to the need for more well-prepared nurse researchers, this scholarship will provide assistance to a Traditional PhD student who has completed their first year or a fast track student who has completed their second year of PhD coursework. Fellowship recipients must be in good academic standing.

MARJORIE A. HOLMES GRADUATE NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Marjorie Holmes is a graduate of the College of Nursing (CON BSN '60). Her intent was to establish a fund for graduate students to relieve the financial anxiety created by the increased expense of pursuing an advanced degree.

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 GPA and demonstrate financial need.

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 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.

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, and 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 standings and have 3rd year status as an undergraduate student or entering into or matriculating through an accelerated nursing program.

NANCY ANN MULRENAN AGENTS NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

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

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 and are in good academic standing. Preference is given to students who are from ethnically underrepresented populations in the profession.

ROBERT AND ANNETTE KONUPEK COLLEGE OF NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

The education Robert Konupek received at MSU was fulfilling and played a major role in his personal and professional development. His wife, Annette, is an Indiana University College of Nursing graduate who spent her career as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. Over their marriage, Annette came to love MSU as much as Robert. Due to Annette's career and the couple's passion for First Responders, the fact their company supplies frontline fire response equipment, and especially in the wake of the recent pandemic, Robert and Annette wish to support the education of future nurses by establishing the Robert and Annette Konupek College of Nursing Scholarship Endowment.

This endowment fund will allow deserving College of Nursing students the opportunity to share and experience the magic of MSU. Preference for students who plan to work in Pediatrics, Public Health, or are enrolled in the Nurse Practitioner Degree program. Priority may be given to other College of Nursing students if needs are met in the preferred areas. Michigan state residency required.

SERGEANT LEONARD BERNARD GRAHAM III NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Established by his beloved parents, this scholarship honors USMC Sergeant Leonard Bernard Graham III whose goal was to attend Michigan State University College of Nursing. Leonard enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 2008 to make a difference in the world. He served in Afghanistan and received many citations for his bravery. Leonard always cared about the needs of others before his own. His life ended tragically on September 20, 2013.

To help keep Leonard's dream alive, this scholarship will provide financial assistance to a Michigan State University College of Nursing student. Priority will be given to a student who is an active Marine, reservist, or honorably discharged veteran of any armed branch.

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.

VERMEESCH REGNIER NURSING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by Joe and Carol Vermeesch in honor of their parents (Joseph and Esther Vermeesch, and Earl and Angeline Regnier). It was through the encouragement of their parents that Joe and Carol were able to pursue their goal of a college education. Carol is passionate about nursing education and has inspired students in the undergraduate nursing program at Michigan State University College of Nursing since 1996.

This scholarship intends to provide financial assistance to undergraduate students in the College of Nursing who demonstrate financial need, have maintained a 3.3 or higher GPA and have demonstrated leadership involvement while at MSU.

WILLIAM AND ANGELINE KEEHNER SCHOLARSHIP

William and Angeline Keehner valued education and saw it as the key to a rewarding life even though they did not have the opportunity to pursue higher education. Bill worked for Ford Motor Company and Angie was a homemaker. They loved to travel, spend time with their family and friends, and they contributed to their church and community. Through their sacrifice, all three of their children received graduate degrees; two of them are nurses. Their children established this award to honor their memory and thank them for their love and support.

The scholarship is awarded to a nursing student who aspires to be an excellent clinician, leader, educator, or researcher.

WILLIAM AND MARGARET ALBRETS ENDOWED NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by Bill and Margaret Albrets 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 undergraduate students in the MSU College of Nursing who demonstrate financial need and who have maintained a 3.0 or GPA.

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.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

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.

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.

CVS FOUNDATION MSN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This scholarship fund is presented by the CVS Health Foundation in an effort to reduce the nationwide shortage of Family Nurse Practitioners, provides support for four College of Nursing students in pursuit of their master's-level education.

Students eligible for this award must be in good academic standing, be interested in a career as a Family Nurse Practitioner, and intern/volunteer his or her time with an organization that supports underserved populations. Twenty-five percent of scholarship dollars are to be awarded to fluent speaking bilingual students.

DR. BARBARA PIEPER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Drs. David and Barbara Pieper established this scholarship in recognition of Barbara (Datres) Pieper's BSN education at MSU (1970) that began a nursing career that she cherished. Besides excellence in course experiences, she had the opportunity as an undergraduate student to participate on Dr. Barbara Given's nursing research. She pursued an MSN (1971) and PhD (1980) in nursing from Wayne State University, Detroit.

Dr. Pieper integrated scholarship, teaching, and clinical practice by having a university-clinical appointment. Her research, publications, and clinical practice focused on chronic wounds and their care in persons who inject drugs. Like many students, Dr. Pieper was first generation to graduate from college. She received a tuition scholarship to attend MSU and understands how critical scholarship money is.

The scholarship is awarded to a recipient based on satisfactory progression towards completion of a BSN degree in the College of Nursing, enrolled in the ACCESS program, entering the senior year of college and has a minimum of a 3.0 GPA.

JAMES E. AND PATRICIA A. OESTERREICHER SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXCELLENCE IN NURSING

James Oesterreicher established this scholarship for worthy and capable students enrolled in the College of Nursing. Mr. Oesterreicher aimed to make a financial impact with one student per year, preference being given to those who reside in the state of Michigan and demonstrate financial need.

KNOWING DIVERSITY'S ESSENTIAL (KDE) SCHOLARSHIP

Kendra Elam (BSN '04) established this fund in an effort to support worthy and capable students who are enrolled in the College of Nursing's ACCESS to education program. In 2010, the College began expanding opportunities for diversity and inclusion initiatives, resulting in the need for a new academic specialist. Over her years as a nurse, Kendra has engaged in a great deal of research regarding underserved and disadvantaged populations. She has guided and mentored dozens of students from underserved populations within the College of Nursing.

The ACCESS program provides assistance to students through educational and financial resources, with the ultimate goal of obtaining a BSN degree and registered-nurse licensure. It is Kendra's hope that the presence of KDE scholarship recipients will serve as a reminder of how essential diverse voices are in the healthcare community.

SUSAN VARBEDIAN LUCKEN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by Susan Varbedian Lucken, a 1983 BSN graduate of the MSU College of Nursing, who enjoyed a successful and rewarding 30 year nursing career at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, MI.

Established to help deserving students realize their dreams, this annual scholarship will be awarded to two upper level BSN students in their last two years of college, who are Michigan resident and who have a minimum of a 3.4 GPA. The scholarship can be renewed for one additional year as long as the student remains in the BSN program and meets the academic qualifications.

VISITING NURSES SCHOLARSHIP

The Visiting Nurses Scholarship, managed by the Capital Region Community Foundation, was established to help defray the costs of education and certification of nursing students, especially in the field of homecare.