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DEAN Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, is spearheading an effort to restore and display a rare collection of letters and other Florence Nightingale items that have been housed in UAB's Reynolds Historical Library since 1958. "We have an obligation to showcase these letters and help people understand the importance of Florence Nightingale, who created the foundation and groundwork for the core values we still use today in the nursing profession," Harper emphasizes.

The School of Nursing is seeking people who have an interest in historical preservation and would like to help fund a project to showcase the 51 letters, all except one of them written by Nightingale between 1853 and 1893, plus two images of her. For more information about the Nightingale Collection or making a contribution to the project, please contact Beth A. Franklin, senior director of development, at (205) 975-2443 or [bafrank@uab.edu](mailto:bafrank@uab.edu).

*Leading*  
WITH A VISION  
BUILDING ON 60 YEARS  
OF NURSING EXCELLENCE



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## ABOUT THE COVER

Birmingham artist Thomas Andrew found inspiration for this painting in a photograph of Florence Nightingale. The image honors the founder of modern nursing and commemorates 2010, the centennial of Nightingale's death, as the International Year of the Nurse. This image also appropriately represents the UAB School of Nursing's 60th anniversary. From the founding dean and first faculty member, Dr. Florence A. Hixson, to the current dean, Dr. Doreen C. Harper, the school's leaders have instilled students with Nightingale's pioneering principles of nursing. UAB's archival collection preserves numerous rare Nightingale memorabilia, and the School of Nursing is spearheading efforts to restore and display the Nightingale Collection. (For more information, please see back cover.)

As the UAB School of Nursing marks its 60th anniversary, we are celebrating the school's distinguished alumni and history as we also prepare for our progressive future. UAB's nursing legacy is found in more than 11,000 alumni who live and work around the world. Our graduates impact health care as expert clinicians, deans and directors of nursing programs, executives and presidents of universities and companies, scientists, advanced-practice registered nurses, and other professional leaders. In the same pioneering spirit, the school is educating today's nurses for tomorrow's health-care needs with innovative programs set in one of America's premier academic health science centers.

In celebration of the school's 60 years of nursing excellence, we are honoring 60 of our alumni as "Visionary Leaders" for their distinctive leadership, innovation, and service in the field of nursing and health care. This prestigious award recognizes their visionary leadership and the contributions they have made and continue to make to improve quality care across the nation and the world.

The UAB School of Nursing was honored to have 200 outstanding alumni nominations for the Visionary Leader Award. A distinguished panel of external reviewers selected the Visionary Leaders based on nomination criteria. While we could only

name 60 "Visionary Leaders," all of the nominees are leaders and should be acknowledged as such.

As dean, I am so proud of the school's rich history and the contributions all our award winners and alumni have provided to health care and the nursing profession.

Congratulations and thank you for being a part of the success and future development of the school! Through its sustained leadership, the UAB School of Nursing will continue to make an impact throughout the world.

My best,



Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN



Dean Emeritus Dr. Rachel Z. Booth;  
current dean Dr. Doreen C. Harper;  
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## 60 Visionary Leaders

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# Leading with a Vision:

Building on a Legacy of Excellence in Research, Global Health, Education, and Service *By Anita Smith*



Dr. Gwen Childs, Dr. Linda Moneyham, and Dr. David Vance

**T**he strategy for the UAB School of Nursing (SON) is solidly focused on nursing for the future, with the belief that people are key to the school's continued success. "As we look forward to the school's future and celebrate the school's 60th anniversary, we are celebrating alumni, faculty, and students—their impact yesterday, today, and tomorrow on the nursing profession and health care," says the school's dean, Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN.

"I believe that high-quality academic nursing education has no choice except to be futuristic as we prepare our students for tomorrow while also generating progressive research, knowledge, and service," she says. "In today's dynamic global environment, with the support of the people who represent our most valuable asset, our school is leading on local,

regional, and national stages, and, through our far-reaching programs of international collaboration, on a worldwide stage as well."

The core ingredients of the school's visionary leadership start with recruiting the very best students and faculty with an eye toward turning out the most progressive and productive of alumni,

explains Harper, who has served as the SON's dean for five years.

"We have a student body and alumni that are exceptionally talented," she says. "And when I look at our faculty, I see three characteristics that stand out: I see intelligence, including emotional intelligence; I see tenacity; and I see our faculty's ability to be scholarly in everything they do."

Harper points out that interprofessional collaboration and high-intensity research are central to the cornerstone on which the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) has developed, and she says the SON thrives on interactions with other UAB disciplines. "Our school contributes to and benefits from UAB interprofessional collaboration in virtually everything we do," she notes. "I marvel in seeing the products of our nursing research teams' interactions with scientists in UAB's well-known universitywide interdisciplinary research centers, such as the Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Center for AIDS Research, and the Center for Clinical and Translational Science. We embrace interaction with other UAB disciplines as we forge educational and service-related programs, such as the Clinical Nurse Leader role, and in locations such as Honduras and Zambia, where our school's faculty-and-student nursing teams link with other UAB teams in life-changing work."

The dean predicts that there is much more to come. "Our school will continue to pioneer in major frontiers of the future—creating new models in interprofessional education, research, and service. I look forward to our faculty, students, and alumni developing these new models in partnership with other UAB schools, health systems, and partners, as well as with other nations."

As the SON celebrates its 60th anniversary in the year 2010, Harper notes that the school has benefited since its beginning from a continuity and stability of leadership in the dean's position. The



(Above) Dean Doreen C. Harper and School of Nursing students. (Right) Dr. Anne Alexandrov and her team in the UAB Comprehensive Center for Stroke Research test innovative new therapies. (Below) School of Nursing faculty and students have played a key role in UAB's new Women & Infants Center.



school's founding dean served in the post for 20 years, followed by two successors who served as dean for 17 years and 18 years respectively. Harper observes that such longevity of top leadership is rare in nursing-education circles and that this continuity has served the school well.

In addition to the stability and continuity of leadership, Harper says the school has benefited from a consistent faculty emphasis on meeting tomorrow's needs in nursing. "Our school's three former deans and the faculty had an eye to the future as they were developing the school's programming, and this is the strategy to which we continue to subscribe today," she observes. "I am proud to say that the outstanding alumni of this school through the decades have reflected and continue to reflect that futuristic approach."

As a tribute to the school's outstanding alumni around the world, the SON honored 60 "Visionary Leaders" as a part of its 60th anniversary celebration finale event on October 22. Each of the nursing leaders honored as a visionary leader is a

graduate of UAB's School of Nursing who has achieved and contributed at an exceptional level. "We honor the 60 Visionary Leaders with an awareness that we have numerous additional alumni who also have excelled," says Harper. "It is with pride that we recognize all our alumni who have served, are currently serving, or will one day serve as visionary leaders at the highest levels in nursing schools, clinical systems, research enterprises, universities, corporations, and other arenas around the world."

# Research

## RESEARCH

**The broad-based research program at the UAB School of Nursing is in the midst of a period of phenomenal growth, as demonstrated by five major areas of productivity:**

- An escalating percentage of federal funding applications approved.
- A growing collaboration with research centers within the university.
- An increasingly diverse research portfolio to address leading health problems.
- A strengthened base of research and training support for graduate students.
- New curricula to educate future leaders in clinical nursing research.

This journey in nursing-research success is being coordinated out of the school's research headquarters, the Center for Nursing Research (CNR), where new



Dr. Karen Meneses and School of Nursing student Austin Bowen



Dr. Gwen Childs, Dr. Patricia Patrician, Dr. Patrick McNees, and Dr. June Cho

strategies are being implemented with the help of an increased number of senior and junior researchers coupled with a model mentoring program.

### Escalating Percentage of Federal Funding Applications Approved

Dean Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, extended congratulations to nurse scientists in the school for their current success in attracting funding for research and education and training projects.

New extramural funding for 2009-10 exceeds \$9.3 million, with funding for new research projects more than \$3.5 million and funding for new education and training projects more than \$5.8 million.

In terms of federal research grants alone that were awarded to the SON, the school has experienced a 34 percent increase in annual funding since last year and an 81 percent increase over the previous year.

"I view this success as a return on this school's investment," says the dean. "Our investment in our investigators, in terms of research training and mentorship programs, has really begun to pay off."

Harper praises the leadership of Karen M. Meneses, PhD, RN, FAAN, the school's associate dean for research and scholarship who leads the CNR. "I congratulate Dr. Meneses and our CNR for leading the development of strong mentoring research teams needed to provide the requisite peer review and statistical support, coupled with an outstanding internal grant and contract administrative oversight led by Frank Wisner, MPA. These critical elements have led to strong competitive proposals that in turn have led to our investigators being successful," says Harper. "Our CNR has done exceptional work in developing an infrastructure to support both senior and junior investigators."

### Growing Collaboration with Research Centers within the University

The SON is greatly increasing its research capacity through collaborative research endeavors with scientists in other UAB disciplines in addition to nursing. To continue to build research capacity at the School of Nursing, the strategy has focused

on partnerships to align extensively with UAB's universitywide interdisciplinary research centers in various areas of the UAB campus such as: the Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Center for AIDS Research, the Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center, the Center for Aging, the Center for Palliative Care, the Gregory Fleming James Cystic Fibrosis Research Center, and the Center for Clinical and Translational Science. Through these partnerships, the school's nurse scientists have the opportunity to work with scientists in other disciplines at UAB. These partnerships yield much more success and opportunity for seed monies that have led to successful external research applications such as the K-Awards (career development awards issued by the National Institutes of Health) that thrive through mentorships and collaborative science.

Harper notes that the collaboration with other research centers within UAB gives SON scientists a chance to be the voice of nursing as they interact with scientists in other disciplines to design and conduct research projects.



Dr. Linda Moneyham, 2010 Charles Barkley Excellence in Mentoring Award winner, and Dr. Comfort Enah, 2010 Charles Barkley Health Research Award winner

From her view as the SON associate dean for research and scholarship, Karen Meneses sees many values in the school's nurse scientists collaborating with other UAB disciplines. "It's like a symphony; the musicians take turns playing the key parts, but they all contribute to the piece as a whole," she says. "A faculty member in the SON can be the lead investigator on one study and a contributor on other studies at the same time."

Among SON scientists with strong linkages with the universitywide interdisciplinary research centers is Linda Moneyham, DNS, RN, FAAN. She is a senior scientist in the UAB Center for AIDS Research, UAB Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center (MHRC), and the UAB Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research and Education (COERE), and a senior scientist and co-director of the Behavioral Core for the 1917 Clinic Data Cohort Team. She serves in key executive leadership position in the Health Disparities Training Program of the MHRC and COERE. She is mentor to junior faculty in the schools of

Nursing, Medicine, Public Health, and Health Professions. Moreover, she brings a wealth of nursing intervention research and interdisciplinary research team experience to the table.

Another SON researcher involved in UAB's collaborative work is Carol Dashiff, PhD, RN. Dashiff

currently serves as a senior scientist with the UAB Center for Health Promotion, the Center for Advancement of Youth Health, the Gregory Fleming James Cystic Fibrosis Research Center, and the Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center, and the Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization Collaborating Center on International Nursing. In collaboration with UAB medical faculty in the School of Medicine's Department of Pediatrics, she is working on her recently awarded NIH R21 grant to study "Multifamily Group Autonomy Support Psychoeducation for Parents and Middle Adolescent with Type 1 Diabetes."

The SON is emerging as a "central partner and player" in interdisciplinary efforts on UAB's campus, notes Patrick McNees, PhD, FAAN, who holds a dual appointment as a professor at the SON and associate dean for research in UAB's School of Health Professions. "The School of Nursing has a 'presence at the table' in many of the research centers on campus. I increasingly hear my colleagues in other schools within UAB refer to our nursing school as a 'repository of expertise,' especially in interventional research and distance education."

### Increasingly Diverse Research Portfolio to Address Leading Health Problems

Karen Meneses points with pride to the diversity and relevance of the School of Nursing's research projects.

"Just to give a few examples, we have research programs under way in HIV/AIDS prevention and care, in major health problems such as diabetes and cancer, and in areas related to low-birthweight infants and to cystic fibrosis," she says.

She says the school has significant research in progress that involves work in low-resource nations, with far-reaching implications for improving global health. (See more about global research projects at the School of Nursing on page 8.)

*"Our investment in our investigators, in terms of research training and mentorship programs, has really begun to pay off."*

—Dean Doreen C. Harper

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In addition to research regarding health conditions, Meneses notes that emerging and exciting SON research focuses on health-care issues and health-care delivery: “For example, we have research scientists whose work involves better understanding how to improve the work environment for nurses, and research on cost-effective approaches to health care.”

Dean Harper describes the SON research portfolio as being both relevant and cutting-edge. “Our SON researchers are involved in research to produce significant evidence that will improve patient care,” she says.

#### Strengthened Base of Research and Training Support for Graduate Students

UAB’s School of Nursing currently is using robust support from a variety of sources to educate and train graduate students to be nurse scientists for the future.

Research and training dollars for students in SON graduate programs have grown considerably and currently exceed \$1.1 million annually—representing support that has a significant impact on the future of nursing. This support includes



Dr. Doreen C. Harper and PhD student Luz Huntington-Moskos, the 2010 recipient of the Avanzamos con Ayuda de United Health Foundation Scholarship awarded by the National Association of Hispanic Nurses

*“A significant part of our research success at the UAB School of Nursing lies in the fact that we value interdisciplinary research among scientists who enjoy working with one another.” —Karen Meneses, PhD, RN, FAAN*

endowed scholarships, foundation dollars, and federal training grants in areas such as grants for students in areas of specific need; Leadership-in-Education for Child Health Nursing under the leadership of Anne Turner-Henson, DSN, RN, and Marti Rice, PhD, RN; Nurse Faculty Loans; and through such supporters as the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health led by Kathleen Brown, PhD, RN, and Karen Heaton, PhD, RN, CEN, FNP-BC.

This support, says Dean Harper, facilitates an environment in which SON graduate students learn and work together as researchers and practitioners. “I cannot emphasize enough the importance of this support to the development of nursing science and the faculty of the future,” she says. “Funders recognize that, by investing in research training of our graduate students, they are investing in the future of nursing and health care.”

Karen Meneses views this support for the area of research and training for graduate students as being support for “our next logical step.” She says that “by building on the research of our faculty, we can identify additional support for pre-doctoral and post-doctoral students. We can feel a level of confidence that in years to come we will continue to have a cadre of nurse scientists improving

care delivery for patients, families, and populations.”

Harper gives much credit for the SON’s current graduate student research and training support to the school’s associate dean for graduate studies, Elizabeth Stullenbarger, DSN, RN. Stullenbarger was mentored by Professor Emeritus Jean A. Kelley, EdD, a longstanding champion for graduate nursing education who built on Dean Emeritus Marie O’Koren’s vision to build academic nursing at UAB. Harper says that Stullenbarger has led the way in applying for and securing crucial research and training funding to support students. The SON has received more than \$5.8 million in new extramural education and traineeship funding used toward the development of a Global Health Fellowship Program, the Veterans Affairs Nursing Academy, a Clinical Nurse Leader Track, and Nursing Workforce programs. (See more about Stullenbarger’s leadership on page 11.)

#### New Curricula to Educate Future Leaders in Clinical Nursing Research

Meneses notes that CNR scientists strongly benefit from, and significantly contribute to, an ongoing exchange of information and ideas with researchers outside the SON. Moreover, SON researchers assume leading roles in professional organizations related to research. Harper says this interaction with various segments of the research world is vital, and that through such exchanges, SON researchers share, teach, and learn. For example, she points to the fact that the current president of the Southern Nursing Research Society is SON faculty member



Dr. Marti Rice, president of the Southern Nursing Research Society

and researcher Marti Rice. Describing her own passion of research, which includes work on the global-health front, Rice says, “I like to find answers!”

Not only does Rice like to find answers; she develops them. She has led the SON in adding new curricula to educate future clinical research managers. This new program of study offers nurses and other health-care professionals the opportunity to develop knowledge, skills, and competencies as clinical research managers who support, maintain, and grow the clinical research enterprise in response to changing scientific and regulatory processes. In conjunction with some of these curricula, a Graduate Certificate in Clinical Research was approved in February 2010 by the University of Alabama System Board of Trustees. Nurses who take the coursework leading to this certification will be taking training that will help them manage research to improve the quality and efficiency of clinical trials, Rice explains.

#### Keys to Success in the SON’s Center for Nursing Research

In the views of faculty who work closely with the SON’s Center for Nursing Research, there is no one single factor that stands out as to why the CNR is generating so much productivity. Rather, the success is part of a multi-faceted, comprehen-

sive approach, Dean Harper explains.

Several researchers point to the fact that the CNR’s capacity has been boosted in the past few years by the recruitment of several senior investigators and also by the recruitment of junior investigators with both pre-doctoral and post-doctoral research preparation.

Meneses says the CNR focuses heavily on supporting its researchers on critical fronts—including mentoring, peer review and consultation, and training in grant preparation and management.

As a veteran SON faculty member and researcher, Carol Dashiff says that the results of that support are positively felt by SON researchers. “Enormous resources have been put into developing the research enterprise in our school beginning with the leadership of Dean Emeritus Rachel Booth and built upon by Dean Harper,” says Dashiff. “I believe we now have several junior faculty members who are well on their way to research careers because of the investment that is being made in the individual faculty member as well as the research mission. I have personally benefited from the investments made in me through release time and tangible support that has allowed me to conduct preliminary work necessary to be competitive for extramural funding.”

Meneses also adds that the CNR could not be where it is today without its exceptionally strong infrastructure of grants and contract management, mentoring, release time for tenure track faculty, valuable statistical consultation, and up-to-date information on funding opportunities.

Funding from a variety of sources has been crucial in recruiting and developing a talented pool of senior and junior researchers, says Harper. “For example, the funding we have received through Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 has allowed us to recruit five minority faculty with significant support to develop their programs for research in the past three years. The resources for our minority faculty are unparalleled!” says the dean.

Of all the CNR approaches to which Meneses points with pride, none is more frequently mentioned than the CNR’s success with intradisciplinary and interdisciplinary teamwork.

Meneses says that teamwork among SON researchers is put into action in the CNR’s carefully structured and strongly nurtured mentoring program, in which young scientists are paired with senior scientists who provide a carefully structured timeline for professional development and research guidance. She gives the example of promising young SON researcher and Assistant Professor Gwendolyn Childs, PhD, RN, who was recently awarded a career-development K-Award from the National Institute of Nursing Research and who has been accepted into UAB’s Clinical Research Training Program. Childs was recruited to the SON by a former professor—Linda Moneyham, an established senior nurse scientist—and now is receiving mentoring in her SON research that involves both Moneyham and Dashiff. This combination of the various areas of expertise of these three researchers has enhanced the relationships among these scientists’ respective programs of research. For example, Childs’s research focuses on reducing HIV/AIDS risks among adolescent girls, Moneyham studies HIV/AIDS in African-American women, and Dashiff has a long history of research related to health issues in adolescents.

The teamwork among SON researchers extends beyond the mentoring process to include close collaboration with other research scientists, Meneses notes. “A significant part of our research success at the UAB School of Nursing lies in the fact that we value interdisciplinary research among scientists who enjoy working with one another,” she explains. “At UAB, our nurse scientists are working together to contribute their various areas of expertise to improve the quality of life of our patients and families and test tailored clinical interventions for at-risk populations.”

## GLOBAL HEALTH

**The UAB School of Nursing is expanding its global-health initiatives in developing nations such as Honduras and Zambia, as the school continues to deepen its longstanding partnership with the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO).**

Building on the school's 17 years of experience as a PAHO/WHO Collaborating Center for International Nursing, SON faculty continue to forge new programs in various parts of the world. This is going forward under the leadership of the Collaborating Center's director, Dean Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, and its deputy director, Lynda Law Wilson, PhD, RN, FAAN, who also is the SON's assistant dean for international affairs and associate director of nursing at UAB's Sparkman Center for Global Health.

In conjunction with its groundbreaking global-health missions, the School of Nursing is partnering with the Sparkman Center, based in UAB's School of Public Health. This includes interaction with an entity known as CIDRZ (Centre for Infectious Disease Research in Zambia), established in 1999 by the government of Zambia and UAB and directed toward life-saving research work that includes broad initiatives to combat HIV/AIDS.

The overall international exchange in which the SON is involved is a busy two-way street. On the one hand, SON faculty travel to faraway developing nations to share expertise. In addition, nursing leaders from around the world are travel-



Dean Doreen C. Harper and Dr. Lynda Wilson with nursing faculty at the University of Zambia

ing to Birmingham to share ideas in key meetings. As the world becomes smaller and more interconnected, these exchanges impact and broaden UAB faculty and student education, practice, and research related to global issues and trends. Serving as a recent example was the Third International Nursing Leadership Institute, hosted in July by the SON at its building on the UAB campus.

Along the way, the SON's global health work is striking chords of enthusiasm within a broad spectrum of participants—ranging from increasing international outreach by SON faculty all the way to new educational endeavors for returning Peace Corps volunteers to become professional nurses (including the Peace Corps Fellows program).

"Our global involvement has been very focused as we have been working to build nursing capacity in the nations where our school has a presence," says Wilson. "As examples, we have focused our efforts on the development of clinical education as well as educational consultation in Honduras and Zambia—to build nursing capacity in places that have tremendous needs."

#### Investing in the Missions of Dr. Lynda Wilson and Her SON Colleagues

As the SON's dean, Harper is keenly aware that life-changing, life-saving nursing work in low-resource nations abroad cannot take place without the support of extramural funding.

In order to attract such crucial funding, the dean notes, nursing faculty members must generate globally relevant ideas, goals, and plans for programs that enable them to compete successfully to meet the standards of funders' criteria. Too, she explains, faculty must demonstrate that they have the background and experience to implement and sustain these programs.

Harper says that Wilson is an example of someone who has been able to design pioneering international projects that attract funding. In fact, several global-health projects headed by Wilson have attracted recent funding:

- In September 2009, the Fogarty Center of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded a \$1-million NIH Challenge Grant for which Wilson is the principal investigator. This grant is providing funds for the training of international study coordinators—nurses and other health professionals in developing nations

will learn how to become coordinators in clinical research projects. The training utilizes the SON's progressive distance-based education programs. This grant was one of only some 200 such challenge grants awarded nationwide, and the only one awarded within UAB during that funding cycle. Once this project was launched, it was so popular that it attracted 671 applications from various countries for 150 initial slots. When the first class graduated, its members represented 29 countries.

- Fulbright Senior Specialist support recently went to Wilson to support her work with faculty in the Department of Nursing Sciences at the University of Zambia.

- The U.S. Department of State recently awarded Wilson a Professional Global Health Fulbright Fellowship to promote collaboration in education for health professionals.

- Wilson also has partnered with the Sparkman Center for Global Health and other Zambian partners to receive funding commitments from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) office in Zambia and the Johnson & Johnson Foundation for SON faculty to help create what is the very first HIV nurse practitioner program in Zambia. Through this program, Zambian nurses take training leading to a certification, enabling them to provide comprehensive care for patients with HIV, including the prescribing of antiretroviral drugs to combat HIV.

"Dr. Wilson has a very strategic, well-laid-out plan for her global-health work that has been recognized nationally and internationally by agencies of funding. They are investing in her work and that of her colleagues," says Harper.

When Wilson herself speaks about her current global work, she says that work is very significant in what currently is a very gratifying period in her career. She notes that she has been a nurse for 40 years and that she has always been interested in working with nurses and

*"Our global involvement has been very focused as we have been working to build nursing capacity in the nations where our school has a presence."* —Lynda Wilson, PhD, RN, FAAN

patients in other countries. "Nurses can do so much, and educating nurses can not only help provide health care but can also help build infrastructure in countries with limited resources," she says. "Our SON expertise is really opening doors around the world so that we can help educate nurses at home and abroad."

#### A Visit to Zambia by Dean Harper

In May 2010, Harper made a two-week trip with Wilson to Zambia, the country deep within the interior of southern Africa that is the object of much SON activity.

"I found it extremely rewarding to see what UAB is accomplishing in addressing some of the very extensive health problems in Zambia, in partnership with UAB's Sparkman Center for Global Health," says Harper. "Before I traveled to Zambia, I already knew that our School of Nursing's presence there was having tremendous impact. By the end of my trip to Lusaka, the capital and largest city in Zambia, I knew that my understanding of and my appreciation for our school's impact had been enhanced many times over. Likewise, the collaborative relationships with the Zambian Nursing Council, the University of Zambia nursing faculty, CIDRZ, and the University Teaching Hospital Diploma Nursing Program have taught us the power of partnerships as we learn together how to help people meet a variety of health-care needs. It was very moving, to actually see with my own eyes the life-saving work that UAB is doing in collaboration with Zambia and the impact it is having on our school. I personally saw the two-way street in action—how our school is positively impacting Zambia and

how Zambia is positively impacting our school. I'm so proud that our School of Nursing is a part of the teams involved in this important work.

"There were people coming up to me thanking our school for sending Dr. Wilson and other SON faculty to help them," Harper continues. "My own learning was broadened as I listened to Zambian nurses who are being educated and mentored by faculty in our nursing school, with the support of the Fogarty and several other grants. These nurses will get an opportunity to make a difference through their own involvement in research and practice."

Through Wilson's leadership, the SON has been instrumental in helping to develop the very first HIV nurse practitioner program in Zambia, with support and commitment from the CDC and the Johnson & Johnson Foundation. Through a collaboration with the Zambian Nursing Council, the Ministry of Health, CIDRZ, the University of Maryland School of Nursing, the University Teaching Hospital in Lusaka, and many other Zambian partners, this new program was established in 2009-10. Thirty-one Zambian nurses, representing nine provinces, became that program's first graduating class in June. Another class of 30 nurses began this program in July. (Wilson emphasizes that many more nurse practitioners are desperately needed there to save lives.)

Shortly after Harper arrived back home, she was sitting down meeting with two SON faculty members, both nurse practitioners, who were about to leave for Zambia. They are Karen Saenz, PhD, CRNP-BC, MPH, and Gail Hill, PhD, APRN-BC. A Doris Duke Foundation

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Award is supporting Saenz and Hill to work in Zambia through the SON's partnership with the CIDRZ initiatives within the Sparkman Center for Global Health.

"At the time the grant was written, about half of the children in Zambia were dying before their fifth birthdays," says Saenz. "The grant will help educate Zambian health-care providers to provide the care that is needed to reduce that rate of mortality by 30 percent. This work will affect generations of children and their families throughout the entire country. It starts at the community and primary care level."

#### Impact in Latin American Countries

Even though Zambia stands as an outstanding example of a country being impacted by the SON, Harper notes that the work of the school's PAHO/WHO Collaborating Center for International Nursing also is being felt in many additional locations around the globe.

The center's deputy director, Lynda Wilson, continues to serve as vice-coordinator of the Network for Child Health Nursing that now includes representatives from all Latin American countries.

By virtue of the UAB School of Nursing's relationship with the Pan American Health Organization, and assisted by the school's partnership with the Sparkman Center for Global Health, the school is forging projects of considerable impact.

Some of this exciting work is taking place in Honduras:

- A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between UAB and the Central America Medical Outreach (CAMO) to make possible ongoing partnerships in which the SON will participate. Among the projects is a program based in Santa Rosa de Copan to combat family violence.

- The SON is offering a study-abroad



Dr. Lynda Wilson (center) and Dr. Jill Ross (second from left) with International Leadership participants from Honduras

course in Honduras for SON baccalaureate, master's, and doctor-in-nursing-practice (DNP) students. This course is taught by Lygia Holcomb, DSN, CRNP, and Jill Allard Ross, PhD, RN.

- The SON also is consulting with University of Honduras faculty on the development of a master's program.

- Through relationships with donors, the SON also is creating special support for international work in both Honduras and in Zambia.

#### More International Opportunities, Participants, and Exchanges

The SON's growing presence on the international scene is lighting fires of enthusiasm that continue to create more opportunities, generate increased participation, and facilitate a constructive exchange of ideas, says Wilson.

On the opportunity side, she says she is pleased that the school's Peace Corps Fellows program is moving forward and the first student was admitted in May 2010. The SON was approved by the Peace Corps for this program in 2008—placing UAB among more than 40 universities (including two nursing schools nationwide) to participate. Open to returned Peace Corps volunteers, this program offers an opportu-

nity for pre-licensure nursing education and graduate study.

In terms of participation in the SON's international work, Wilson is particularly pleased with the ever-increasing participation of SON faculty. In the past year, 39 percent of the faculty (38 faculty members) have participated in some type of activity of the school's PAHO/WHO Collaborating Center for International Nursing.

And, regarding the international sharing of ideas, Wilson says there could be no better example than the highly successful Third International Nursing Leadership Institute held at the SON's building on the UAB campus in July. The institute drew 27 nurses from Zambia, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Peru. "Dr. Wilson's energetic and strategic leadership of our international affairs programs has opened doors and unprecedented opportunity for faculty and students," says Dean Harper. "I cannot say enough about the success of that International Nursing Leadership Institute in facilitating mutual respect and understanding for people worldwide. Out of that institute hosted by our school will come many meaningful opportunities for nurses around the world to make inroads in improving the status of global health."

# Education and Diversity

## EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DIVERSITY



**Several years ago, two national reports deeply touched a leading SON faculty member. Out of her reaction, the SON launched major initiatives to promote diversity. The faculty member is Elizabeth (Beth) Stullenbarger, DSN, RN. When she saw these reports, she was SON associate dean for graduate studies. Today she is associate dean for academic affairs.**

Stullenbarger was moved by a report from the U.S. surgeon general on the lack of health-care providers with diverse backgrounds. Then came an Institute of Medicine report about the unequal access to health care often encountered by minorities.

"I thought, 'Our school can help do something in this area!'" says Stullenbarger. Her idea to address diversity in the nurs-

ing workforce is supported by the school's strategic plan. "I believed that in my position I could promote diversity and cultural competency through grants."

Her goal was to increase the numbers of SON diverse-background students by obtaining grants to fund mechanisms to support such students and result in a diverse nursing workforce.

During her career, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Elizabeth Stullenbarger, DSN, RN, has secured more than \$12 million in extramural funding. Heavily represented in those funds in recent years have been grants to support diversity initiatives that Stullenbarger has championed.

Stullenbarger led the way in applying for competitive grants. Approvals came. The SON now is graduating many diverse-background students who received support from these grants, particularly at the doctoral level.

There's the GAANN (Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need) grant, resulting from grant-writing that began in 2005 by Stullenbarger and Carol Dashiff, PhD, RN. (See accompanying article on graduate C. Ann Gakumo on page 13.) There's the EANS (Enrichment for Academic Nursing Success) grant. (See accompanying article on page 12 about EANS beneficiary Dibe Djonret.) There are 13 scholarships, at \$10,000 each, received last year from the Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) Foundation, for male and minority accelerated-master's students. And, predicts Stullenbarger, the SON's Veterans Affairs (VA) Academy and Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) master's curriculum will broaden opportunities to continue to expand diversity in the nursing workforce.

Stullenbarger explains her commitment: "Patients come from diverse backgrounds, and health-care providers

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should come from diverse backgrounds. Even when health-care providers function as well-intentioned people, there can be instances of patients receiving unequal treatment. This often is due to misunderstandings between providers and patients that result from their different views of the world.”

As she worked to broaden the SON’s diversity base, Stullenbarger was fueled by her own nursing-leadership experiences. A nursing school she headed as director—the University of Central Florida School of Nursing—was involved in meaningful health-care projects in high-poverty areas in and near Orlando. She also saw a far-reaching overview of diversity-related needs during her tenure as president of the Alabama Board of Nursing, which governs the state’s nursing practice and nursing-education programs.

In addition, Stullenbarger has been driven by her longstanding connection to and her love for the SON, by her desire to see “her school” excel in directions she considers crucial. A woman from West Virginia roots, Stullenbarger had a baccalaureate in nursing and a master’s in educational administration when she came to Alabama to enroll in the SON to earn her doctorate (DSN). Along her DSN path, she also earned a master’s in nursing. (Through her SON studies, she also earned a post-master’s certificate as a pediatric nurse practitioner.) “I’ve been on this school’s faculty for 23 years,” she notes.

It pleases her that the SON’s workforce-diversity journey is touching students at various stages of educational development. Through GAANN, the SON is attracting more diverse doctoral students. Through EANS, the SON is working with diverse-background individuals who are (1) SON undergraduates, (2) UAB pre-nursing students, (3) potential RN-to-BSN students who graduated from a community-college associate-degree program, and (4) Hispanic and African-American high-

school students with expressed interest in nursing. “Through EANS, our school is sponsoring an annual institute to educate nursing-school faculty about cultural competency and diversity, we’ve developed an undergraduate-level course on health disparities, and we’re hosting a summer camp for high-school students,” says Stullenbarger.

She emphasizes that, through both SON-based instruction and the SON’s extensive online offerings, “we are teaching *all* our students how to assess and interact with patients from diverse backgrounds.”

As she nears the end of this interview, Stullenbarger smiles and mentions two SON faculty members—Erica R. Pryor,

PhD, RN, and Martha A. Dawson, PhD, DNP, RN, FACHE. Pryor worked with Stullenbarger to write a GAANN grant that last year resulted in a three-year refunding. Dawson will work with Stullenbarger in writing the next EANS grant.

Stullenbarger’s message is clear. She values the SON’s success in promoting diversity in the nursing workforce. And she is working to ensure that—through perpetual leadership by SON faculty—the school’s workforce-diversity initiatives will continue to grow and thrive.



Dibe Djonret with his mother, Lynnette Djonret-Hall

### Student Profile: Dibe Djonret

For Dibe Djonret, receiving support from a diversity workforce grant at the SON has been life-changing.

His financial load was lightened by a stipend funded by a federal EANS (Enrichment for Academic Nursing Success) grant.

“Also, through EANS-funded academic counseling at the School of Nursing, I have learned to be a better student. And I have benefited from the camaraderie of being around other EANS-supported minority students,” says Djonret. He notes that, being male and African-American, he brings two diverse perspectives to nursing.

Djonret graduated in August 2010 with a BSN from the nursing school and was commissioned as a U.S. Army 2nd lieutenant.

Becoming a nurse seemed natural for Djonret. He trained as a medic in the Army Reserves and since has worked as an ambulance EMT. Too, his mother is a nurse at the Tuskegee, Alabama, VA Hospital.

An advocate for the SON and the EANS grant, Djonret has encouraged two minority students in his ROTC unit who recently entered the school.

### Faculty Profile: C. Ann Gakumo

Standing in front of a class at the SON is recent faculty addition C. Ann Gakumo, PhD, RN.

In 2009, just weeks after receiving her PhD, she became an assistant professor of nursing at the SON and the school’s first doctoral graduate to have received support from the school’s Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) grant.

“I feel blessed to be among the first African-Americans to receive a PhD in nursing from UAB,” says Gakumo. “A core value now exists at UAB’s School of Nursing to value and embrace diversity. This is important—to equip nurses who are representative of our diverse population with tools to serve our multicultural society.”

Gakumo received federal GAANN support as a result of the widespread nursing-faculty shortage being declared an area of

national need, followed by support through the Title VI Black Faculty Initiative Minority Research Faculty Program to develop her program of research.

A Tuskegee University BSN graduate, Gakumo was a travel nurse who, in 2005, explored career-mobility options at the National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurses Association (NCEMNA) conference and the same year enrolled in PhD studies at the SON. “I haven’t looked back since!” she says.

Embracing academic nursing’s tripartite roles, she teaches in classroom and hospital settings, is supported in her SON research program in HIV/AIDS prevention, and is an elected officer for Birmingham AIDS Outreach, serving as secretary.

Gakumo, who is the former C. Ann Long, recently wed Charles Gakumo, a native of Nairobi, Kenya. “He’s wonderful!” she beams.



## Service SERVICE

**This summer marked the graduation of the first students to complete the SON’s Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) master’s-level curriculum, which faculty believe can become a national model to experience clinical nursing care.**

Key to this program’s strength is access to a rich supply of student clinical experiences in health facilities operated by SON’s clinical partners and within UAB’s expansive academic health science center.

“This is very exciting! We have some phenomenal students graduating from our CNL program,” says Angela M. Jukkala, PhD, RN, CNL. (See accompanying article about Rachel Duncan Wells, one of the program’s first graduates on page 15.)

Jukkala says that rapidly increasing CNL-curriculum enrollment at the SON matches faculty predictions that the school

will impact clinical nursing care through its graduates from the CNL program. Jukkala was in San Diego, California, in January to share SON experiences at a national CNL Summit, along with two CNL students and a SON faculty leader with strong roles in the program’s clinical side.

That clinically oriented faculty leader is Velinda J. Block, DNP(c), MSN, RN, NEA-BC. Block is immersed in the CNL program from several perspectives. She helps structure clinical experiences for students, in her roles as senior associate vice president



Dr. Angela Jukkala, Shannon Polson, Francis Halloran, and Dr. Beth Stullenbarger

and chief nursing officer for UAB Hospital/UAB Highlands and chief nursing officer for the UAB Health System. She knows the clinical experiences CNL students need because she is SON assistant dean for clinical affairs. Too, she has insights from her own research as a current doctoral student.

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On track to graduate in December from the SON's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program, she is working on a project to measure the effectiveness of the CNL role.

Block is convinced that CNL students benefit tremendously from having clinical experiences in an academic health science center such as UAB. "An environment such as ours makes it easier to try new roles such as the CNL," she says. "We are accustomed to trying new roles

and to providing information to various organizations. We've already created an organizational environment that invites innovation and that is open to creativity and to trying new things."

The CNL program is producing cutting-edge work in microsystem assessment, or unit-based assessments, explains Elizabeth Stullenbarger, DSN, RN, the SON's associate dean for academic affairs. Unit-based assessments play a vital role in strategies used by CNLs since the core of

their leadership function rests at the "unit level," where patient care actually takes place.

"The Clinical Nurse Leader nursing role was developed in response to concerns about the quality and safety of nursing care in the complex, technologically advanced, ever-changing health-care system," says Rebecca Greenwood, PhD, RN, SON faculty member. "The CNL is prepared to lead quality-improvement initiatives and design evidence-based interventions that reduce error, increase patient safety, and streamline health-care delivery processes. As the largest group of health-care professionals, nurses are in a unique position to lead the way in finding solutions to some of the significant problems in our health-care system."

In the past few years, the CNL role has become reality via a much-welcomed new graduate curriculum championed by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), in partnership with key clinical partners—with one partner, the Veterans Affairs (VA) Health System, taking a lead. Periodic CNL Summit conferences—including the San Diego summit in which the SON participated—are sponsored by the AACN in partnership with the VA Office of Nursing Services.

The VA's contributions to CNL development have special meaning to the SON; this input has been led by VA official James L. Harris, DSN, APRN-BC, MBA, CNL, FAAN, who is an SON graduate. (See accompanying article on this page.) "We are proud of pioneering contributions made to CNL development by our own graduate, Dr. James Harris," says SON dean Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN. "The pride we feel in Dr. Harris's accomplishments relative to the CNL serves as an inspiration to our school to operate a truly model CNL program."

## Alumni Profile: James L. Harris



He sees the Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) as being the one who can bring it all together for the benefit of patients.

"I believe the CNL can be the air traffic controller on the nursing unit—the person who knows what's going on with patients, who can work with treatment teams, and who can be the contact person to link patients and families to services they need," says James L. Harris, DSN, APRN-BC, MBA, CNL, FAAN. Harris is deputy chief nursing officer in the Office

of Nursing Services, Department of Veterans Affairs, in Washington, D.C.

Harris worked closely with the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) as the AACN developed the CNL role. He was on the AACN's CNL Task Force that authored the "White Paper" to establish and brand CNL programs, was involved in early CNL-outcomes research, and co-wrote the first book on the CNL role. He consults on CNL programs with clinical partnerships and academic health centers and is a CNL advocate with potential employers.

He advocates crucial CNL goals—to produce nursing leaders who apply evidence-based practice to plans that improve patient care and make wise use of resources.

Having earned master's and doctoral degrees from UAB's School of Nursing, he praises the SON. "That school prepared me to look at issues in global terms," he says. A consultant with the SON's CNL program, Harris knows the program and its faculty well. He predicts the SON will turn out CNL graduates who will lead the health-care teams of the future and improve the quality of care provided.

## Student Profile: Rachel Duncan Wells

"I believe UAB is one of the best places to be enrolled in a Clinical Nurse Leader program. There's opportunity to learn from various disciplines, and UAB is accustomed to people asking questions, which is part of the CNL process."

These comments come from Rachel Duncan Wells, RN, a member of the SON's first group of CNL graduates.

Wells had a CNL focus as she went through the SON's Accelerated Master's in Nursing Pathway (AMNP), which allows students with degrees in other fields to pursue a master's in nursing. Wells already had a bachelor's degree, with a triple biology/English/classics major.

Becoming a registered nurse at the end of her first year of master's studies, Wells worked on UAB Hospital's heart-transplant

intensive-care unit as she completed her second year of master's studies. Colleagues on that unit sometimes asked her about evidence-based practice data. "I've learned where to find the data!" she says.

The year 2010 has been exciting for this member of the SON's first CNL graduating class. In January, SON faculty invited her to participate in the CNL Summit in San Diego. June marked her wedding to recent University of South Alabama medical-school graduate Brian Wells. Then she looked toward August, to receiving her master's from the SON and embarking on her CNL career in a position in Mobile—as well as training for the Mercedes Marathon to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.



Rachel Duncan Wells with Dr. Christopher Brown



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## Karen H. Morin

### 2009 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD WINNER

School of Nursing in 1987. "My education at the UAB School of Nursing provided the foundation upon which I have continued to develop my leadership abilities," Morin notes. "I am forever grateful for that foundation and for the incredible honor of receiving the Distinguished Alumni Award."

Morin began her career as a nurse educator teaching undergraduate courses in maternal-child health nursing, research, leadership, and management. She currently teaches graduate courses at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, where she serves as both a professor and director of the PhD program. Additionally, she serves as presi-

dent of Sigma Theta Tau International—a post she has held since 2009. Morin previously served as a director of Sigma Theta Tau International and president-elect.

She has received national recognition for her teaching expertise, including the Excellence in Nursing Education Award from the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric, and Neonatal Nurses in 1999 and the Excellence in Teaching Award from the National League for Nursing in 2003. In addition, she has been inducted into the National League for Nursing's Academy of Nursing Education Fellows (ANEF).

# Let the Celebration Begin

## 60th Anniversary Kick-off

On January 11, the UAB School of Nursing kicked off a year-long celebration of the school's 60th anniversary with a continuing education seminar followed by a reception. UAB President and School of Nursing alumna Carol Z. Garrison, PhD, joined Dean and Professor Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, in welcoming alumni back to "their" school. Dean Harper encouraged everyone to attend all the special anniversary events to honor the school's achievements and celebrate its graduates while sharing memories of the past and looking toward the future.

The continuing education seminar, titled "Complementary Therapy in Health-Care Settings," included four free sessions. Sherri Van Pelt, MPA, OTR/L, presented "Therapeutic Value of the Arts in Health Care"; Libby Stephens, MT-BC, and Sunny Davenport, MT-BC, presented "The Role of Music Therapy at UAB Hospital"; Claire Peel, PhD, PT, FAPTA, and Pet Partner Therapy Teams from Hand-In-Paw presented "Animal-Assisted Therapy in Health-Care Settings"; and Pam Fordham, DSN, CRNP, FAANP, presented "Complementary Therapy in Palliative Care."

The program concluded with a fashion show featuring students wearing nursing attire, starting with a Florence Nightingale-style frock and ending with a hazmat suit. Attendees also viewed displays of the school's distinguished six-decade history.



Martha Bryant (left) and Hand-In-Paw therapy dog Duchess greet Britt Guerrero.



Dr. Carol Z. Garrison



Students modeling nursing attire from a Florence Nightingale-style frock to a modern-day hazmat suit



Dr. Doreen C. Harper



Sunny Davenport



Dr. May L. Wykle, Dr. Doreen C. Harper, Dr. Jean A. Kelley, and Dr. Rachel Z. Booth

## The Jean A. Kelley Endowed Lectureship

### Guiding and Encouraging Future Scholars

On June 10, May L. Wykle, PhD, RN, FAAN, FGSA, presented the 19th Jean A. Kelley Endowed Lecture. Wykle, who is dean of the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing and the Marvin E. and Ruth Durr Denekas Professor of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, spoke on "Age Old Health Disparities." She is currently serving as co-investigator on Dr. Carol Musil's study of grandmothers and grandchildren as well as Dr. Eva Kahana's study of adaptations of elders in the final years of life. She was the principal investigator of both the T32 training grant "Childbearing, Childrearing, and Caregiving" and the National Institutes of Health-funded "Black and White Caregivers Study."

Wykle has received numerous honors throughout her distinguished career, including the 2007 Outstanding Mentorship Award from the Gerontological Society of America's Task Force on Minority Issues, the 2008 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Midwest Nursing Research Society, the 2009 Isabel Hampton Robb Award from the National League for Nursing, the 2009 American Academy of Nursing/Hartford Nurse Leader Award in Aging, and the 2010 Mary Mahoney Award from the American Nurses Association.

The lectureship is named in honor of Dr. Jean A. Kelley, former associate dean for graduate studies. Since the UAB School of Nursing's doctoral program was the first in the Southeast and the 13th in the nation, Kelley wanted to provide the students with the opportunity to have both formal and informal academic exchange with a visiting scholar. Fundraising began in early 1989, and the University of Alabama System Board of Trustees officially established the lectureship on October 27, 1989. The annual event symbolizes Kelley's legacy of mentoring students, graduates, and colleagues while perpetuating her high standards of education and sustaining her belief that established scholars should guide and encourage the scholars of the future.

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# Alumni and Friends *Gathering*

UAB PRESIDENT and School of Nursing alumna Carol Z. Garrison, PhD, RN, and Dean and Professor Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, warmly greeted alumni, Board of Visitors (BOV) members, and friends to the Woodward House on February 18, 2010, to help mark the beginning of the yearlong celebration of the School of Nursing's 60th anniversary.

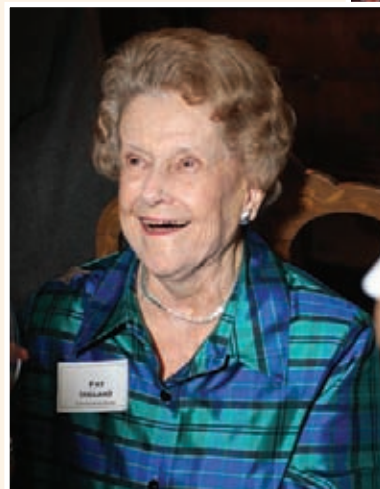
Additional receptions are being hosted to give alumni and friends of the school an opportunity to enjoy getting together in a location close to their homes. Members of the BOV and the School of Nursing Alumni Chapter of the UAB National Alumni Society cordially invite everyone to share memories with former classmates and colleagues, honor the School of Nursing's accomplishments, and be a part of the school's future by attending a Gathering in their area.



(Above) Dr. Doreen C. Harper and Dr. Carol Z. Garrison



(Left) Nancy Worthington, Julian Banton, Al Worthington, and Elizabeth Wallace



Fay Ireland



Barrett Brock MacKay, Patrick Hubbard, Carol Davenport, and Sue Ellen Lucas

For more about the Alumni and Friends Gatherings, call the Development and Alumni Relations Office at (205) 975-8936.

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## BOARD OF VISITORS HOSTS

### “M\*A\*S\*H Without a BASH”

THE UAB SCHOOL OF NURSING'S, Board of Visitors (BOV) is a diverse group of leaders who participate in, support, and promote the school's programs by increasing public awareness and raising funds. Since the Board began in 1991-92, it has generated significant funds for endowed scholarships that support nursing students at all levels.

On March 25, members of the BOV met at Jean Tomlinson's home to sign letters inviting friends and supporters to participate in M\*A\*S\*H Without a Bash. For the past seven years, the BOV has hosted M\*A\*S\*H (Make Another Scholarship Happen) events to raise funds for nurs-

ing scholarships. With 60th anniversary events planned for 2010, the BOV decided to have a letter-writing campaign instead of ticketed event.

In June 2010, the veterans nursing care scholarship was established by the BOV for nursing students who are committed to providing care to veterans and their families. This scholarship, funded by proceeds from the 2009 M\*A\*S\*H event and the 2010 M\*A\*S\*H Without a Bash, now totals \$100,000.

For more information about the BOV, please contact Beth A. Franklin, senior director of development, at (205) 975-8936 or [bafrank@uab.edu](mailto:bafrank@uab.edu).



Donna Reddinger, Jean Tomlinson (standing), and Dr. Juanzetta Flowers signing letters promoting M\*A\*S\*H Without a BASH

## JUNIOR BOARD OF VISITORS HOSTS “NO-SHOW BALL”



Board of Visitors Liaison Jean Tomlinson (left) with the Junior Board of Visitors

THE UAB SCHOOL OF NURSING'S Junior Board of Visitors (JBOV) is a vehicle for a younger generation of leaders to make a contribution to nursing and nursing education. The members hosted the organization's third “No-Show Ball” on November 14, 2010. Instead of getting all dressed up to attend a formal function, those who purchased tickets had a delicious dinner delivered to their doorstep! This event has become very popular because it lets families support a great cause while staying in for the evening. In 2010, the JBOV endowed the Junior Board of Visitors Endowed Award Fund with proceeds from the 2009 and 2010 events. Proceeds from the 2010 event will be used to endow a scholarship that will provide even more financial assistance to nursing students interested in pediatric nursing.

For more information about the JBOV, please contact Devon S. Davidson at (205) 975-9419 or [dsvdavid@uab.edu](mailto:dsvdavid@uab.edu).

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Rachel Mukuha  
Debora Nutt\*  
Morgan Reaves  
Robert Walden  
Justin Wright

*Brock Family Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Kelly Middleton\*  
Rachel Mukuha  
Justin Wright

*Carolyn Farrior Boone Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Meghan Gillott

*Charles E. Flowers Jr. Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Linda Frisina\*  
Morgan Reaves

*Comer Foundation Nursing Scholarship*

Lindsay Cokel  
Sarah Frazier  
Katherine Harbison  
Emily Vining

*Dean's Merit Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

David AliFarhani  
Clifton Gardner

*Dorothy Sterne Nursing Scholarship*

Stephen Cordi

*Dr. Elwynn "Chick" Hale Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Bethany Garner

*Dr. Florence Hixson Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Pamela Carver\*  
Joni Odom\*

*Dr. Marie L. O'Koren/Alumni Association Scholarship*

Mary Davis  
Vivian Hayes\*  
Kasey Lee  
Mary Waters

*Dr. Mary G. Nash Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

William Wood\*

*Eileen Marie Mahan Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Tearsanee Carlisle\*  
Stephanie Pruitt\*

*Elizabeth Jane Harper Memorial Scholarship*

Sheila Simmons\*

*Emmet and Mary Anne O'Neal Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Judith Asika\*

*Ethel M. and Jessie D. Smith Nursing Scholarship*

Ryan Scarbrough

*Fay B. Ireland Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Elena Krendelshchikova

*Francis S. Falkenburg Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Lauren Tidmore

*Gladys F. Colvin Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

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Rose Nabirye\*  
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Stephen Cordi  
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Jason Randazza  
Joshua Ray  
Daniel Ruck  
Landen Wadley  
Geraldine Young\*

*Jean Riley Tomlinson Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Jennifer Harmon  
Adam Kinsaul\*

*Jernigan Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Leah Bouska  
Jessica Harrison  
Jenna Hartley  
Tiffany Stansell Rockwell

*John and Delia Robert Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Jenny Kidd Nickless\*  
Havilah Sciacca

*John Wilson Rodgers Endowed Memorial Scholarship*

Stephanie Pruitt\*

*Lois Drolet Luckie Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Nancy McDonald\*

*Luckie Family Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Margaret Parrish\*  
Tony Reynolds\*

*Mable E. Lamb Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Joshua Ray  
Dixie Tucker  
Haley Vance  
Lijuan Wei  
Emily Whitty\*

*Margaret Parks Kendrick Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Jason Brown  
Caitlin Rogers  
Lori Taylor\*

*Marie Carter Bonner Memorial Scholarship*

Kimberly Scott  
Dixie Tucker

*Marie Ingalls Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Katherine Allen  
Jessica Norman

*Martha F. Tilt Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Kelly LeFleur

*Mary Josephine Harwell Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Amanda Greene  
Joy Hooks\*  
Juliana Jones  
Alexis Mitchell

*Nancy Eastman Harp Endowed Oncology Nursing Scholarship*

Wendy McCreight\*

*Dr. Paul W. Skokol III and Mary Lou Skokol and William A. and Christine R. Honeycutt Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Amy Johnson

*Peggy Spain McDonald Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Brenna Harnish

*Rachel Z. Booth Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Donna Campbell\*

*Reese Phifer Jr. Memorial Foundation Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Sara Kinnison

*Rylee/Casper Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Lue Huntington-Moskos\*  
Amanda Southward

*School of Nursing Dean's Scholarship*

Rachel Braz  
Rebecca Hawkins  
Laura Oliver

*SOS Foundation of Jefferson County*

Laura Chamlee\*  
Justin Simmons

*Terri J. Broach Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Jessica Norman

*Thelma Walker Mitchell Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

David Farr\*  
Clelata Lewis  
Leighann Lovell  
Colleen Martin\*  
Nikisha Williams\*

*Thor-Louck Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Merry Kelley

*UASON at UAB Faculty/Staff Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Anna Bush

*UASON at UAB Student/Alumni Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Christopher Medders

*Violet Terrell Clark Nursing Scholarship*

Katie Rozofsky\*

*William Grace Campbell Endowed Nursing Scholarship*

Julia Behr\*  
James Friday  
Kathryn Rice  
Olesea ScerBinenco

*Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) Fellows*

Dawn Aycok\*  
Marlena Barginere\*  
Christine Feeley\*  
Althea Hill\*  
Cynthia Joiner\*  
Loretta Jones\*  
Tonya Moore\*  
Erin Routh\*  
Tracy Shamburger\*  
Tonya Shropshire\*  
Larry Slater\*  
Patsy Spratling\*  
Mary Surpris\*  
Mark (Jeff) Worrell\*

*Academic Affairs Teaching Fellowship*

Vanessa Gaioso\*  
Britt Guerrero\*  
Erin M. Routh\*

*Graduate School PhD Fellowship*

Maureen Cowan\*  
Caralise Hunt\*  
Emily Jones\*

*Graduate Teaching Fellowships*

Margaret Armstrong\*  
Rachel Duncan\*  
Jacqueline Jones\*

*Federal Professional Nursing Traineeship Award*

Heather Austin\*  
Whitney Bailey\*  
Renee Brown\*  
Pamela Bryant\*  
Lorene Campbell\*  
Jaime Cannon\*  
Kristyn Carter\*  
Donchelle Collins\*

Maureen Cowan\*  
Allison Custred\*  
Robin Farrell\*  
Shanda Haston\*  
Heather Hayes\*  
Joy Hooks\*  
Kelly Hubbard\*

Karen Ivey\*  
Netista Jones\*  
Zackary Jones\*  
Sean Kelly\*  
Geneva Scott King\*  
Erica Lewis\*  
Heather Lindley\*  
Sherry Marbury\*  
Michelle McKenzie\*

*Recipients of the Lettie Pate Whitehead Foundation Scholarship*

Brandi McLain\*  
Aundre Mitchell\*  
Brittney Moore\*  
Ann Norman\*  
Debora Nutt\*  
Norma Porter\*  
Celeste Richardson\*  
Cassandra Ridgel\*  
Amber Shanley\*  
Kathy Sheppard\*  
Scott Strech\*  
Tonya Tucker\*  
Salisia Valentine\*  
Katherine Wagner\*  
Jennifer White\*  
Holly Willoughby\*  
Natalie Wilson\*

*Recipients of the Hill Crest Foundation Scholarship*

Dorothy Anderson\*  
Jessica Ballard\*

Ellen Bevis\*  
Alexandra Blumenthal\*  
Charles Byrd\*  
Melanie Camp\*  
Amanda Cornelius\*  
Crystal Crittenden\*

Lauren Curro\*  
Emily Davis\*  
Lisa Ewing\*  
Christina Gonzalez\*  
Dana Goodwin\*  
Tracy Hain\*  
Frances Halloran\*  
Lisa Heusel\*

Lindsay Howard\*  
Anita Jackson\*  
Laura Kettle\*  
Chaeli Lenger\*  
April Love\*  
Tiffany McMillan\*  
Penne Perry Mills\*  
Brittany Overmyer\*

Kristen Ramsey\*  
Jessica Russell\*  
Shana Rutkowski\*  
Jacqueline Sabella\*  
Beth Schwamberger\*  
Terah Simpson\*  
Jacob Vaughn\*  
Keri Williams\*

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Amber Arbo  
Renee Argersinger  
Heather Beaty  
Larhonda Bester  
Sherri Blackerby  
Ebony Blake  
Tyeshia Bowen  
Rachel Braz  
Erica Brown  
Molly Catchings  
Li Min Chen  
Angie Clemons  
Janeetra Coachman  
Shandryka Cochran  
Le'Shea Coleman  
Laura Cooper  
Courtney Cox  
Ashley Dase  
Simone Durand

Marquittia Ellis  
Kristen Faulk  
Jennifer Ferguson  
LaToya Franklin  
Veneah Hall  
Katherine Harbison

Bethany Harper  
Ayshea Henry  
Casey Hicks  
Kendis Isreal  
Amy Johnson  
Merry Kelley  
Sarah King  
Kendra Laws  
Caitlin Lett  
Clelata Lewis  
Ethel Lobdell  
Treasure Lyons  
Penelope Malone  
Kalynn Mangina  
Alexis Mitchell  
Rachel Mukuha  
Jessica Norman  
Laura Oliver  
Alicia Paul  
Rebecca Pemberton  
Cortney Perrin  
Rosa Perry  
Jasmine Phillips  
Micah Reagan  
Sarah Richardson  
Jessica Saint  
Kari Scarbrough  
Havilah Sciacca  
Margaret Sinkfield  
Shelia Solomon  
Laura Spivey  
Holly Stubblefield  
Brittany Taite  
Megan Tippett  
Channing Turner  
Andrea Tyson  
Kiara Washington  
Amber Watkins  
Kaci Weaver  
Anna Welch  
Belena Whittington  
Jelesa Williams  
Shlonda Wilson  
Holly Worden  
Emily Worthy

\* Graduate Student

# Alumni Night 2010

COMMEMORATES TWO ANNIVERSARIES

The UAB School of Nursing Chapter of the UAB National Alumni Society hosted its eighth annual alumni night at the Matt Jones Art Gallery in Birmingham on May 11 as an opportunity for graduates to reconnect with classmates, colleagues, and faculty and to honor achievements. More than 120 alumni, faculty, and friends of the school attended this special event, which also celebrated the school's 60th anniversary and the alumni chapter's 30th anniversary. During the evening, well-known local artist Thomas Andrew created a special painting inspired by Florence Nightingale's lantern. This painting plus a percentage of his other paintings sold at the event raised \$1,475 for the School of Nursing.

In her welcome remarks, Dean Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, noted that "because of alumni like you, the School of Nursing has continued a rich history of nursing leadership, education, and research worldwide. Thank you for being ambassadors and for mentoring prospective students of our school."

The alumni chapter presented special awards to two students and three alumni. Sarah N. Frazier received the BSN Award for Student Excellence, and Larry Z. Slater was named the Outstanding Doctoral Student of the Year. Debra B. Ragan (BSN 1973, MSN 1997), Deborah J. Laney (BSN 1992, MSN 1993), and Laura C. Young (BSN 1970, MSN 1983) each received the 2010 Jo Ann Barnett Award for Compassionate Nursing Care.



(Above) Terri Scarborough, Kris Cherry, Justin and Lindsay Bryant, and Konie Clark; (below) artist Thomas Andrew creating a painting inspired by Florence Nightingale's lantern



The BSN class of 1965 celebrating its 45th reunion: (front row) Sandra Davis, Martha Jo Holsomback, Rebecca Edwards, Dr. Kathleen Bond, Anna Donaldson, (back row) Suzanne Dickerson, Sara Newport, Sally Lee, Dr. Dorcas Fitzgerald, and Mary Joyce Mason



Patrick Hubbard, Jeremy Erdreich, and Larry Slater



Dr. Kathleen Bond, Sandra Davis, Dr. Juanzetta Flowers, and Dr. Beth Stullenbarger



Carol Davenport

## A Message from the School of Nursing Alumni Board President

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve on the School of Nursing Alumni Chapter Board. The other members of our alumni board and I thank Patrick Hubbard for his excellent leadership over the past years and for our wonderful Alumni Night 2010 celebration.

As we celebrate our chapter's 30th anniversary, we are dedicated to staying connected with you. During the next year, we will work to retain our current members and encourage others to join by reaching out to alumni through various events. We also will be working to become more visible on campus by hosting events for incoming and senior nursing students. We were glad to see many of you at the 60th Anniversary Celebration events and Homecoming, as well as at Alumni and Friends Gatherings. Please join us in the spring for Alumni Night!

We look forward to serving you, and we are always available to speak with you. For more information about our chapter, including our contact information and how to join our chapter and Facebook page, please visit [www.uab.edu/son](http://www.uab.edu/son) and follow the links to Alumni and Development, Alumni Affairs, and the SON Alumni Chapter, or contact Devon S. Davidson at (205) 975-9419 or [dsvdavid@uab.edu](mailto:dsvdavid@uab.edu).

### Alumni Chapter Officers, 2010-2011

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**Austin Bowen**  
Secretary and Treasurer

**Brandon Nye**  
Board Member

### Alumni Awards

In 2010, the UAB School of Nursing Alumni Chapter of the UAB National Alumni Society recognized the following students for their outstanding achievements:

BSN Awards for Student Excellence

**Geraldine Flanagan**  
**Sarah N. Frazier**

Outstanding Doctoral Student of the Year

**Larry Z. Slater**

## Meet Devon S. Davidson

DEVON S. DAVIDSON thoroughly enjoys bringing people together. "It warms my heart to watch alumni reunite and see their faces glow from laughing and smiling while they share memories of being at our school," she says.

As the director of alumni affairs and annual fund for the UAB School of Nursing, Davidson has lots of opportunities to connect people. "One of our goals is to enhance communication networks and provide events that will keep our alumni in touch with each other and their alma mater," she explains.

"Our school is where it is today because of our alumni," she emphasizes. "They share the leadership, high-quality education, and compassionate nursing care they learned here with their patients and colleagues in Alabama, across our nation, and around the world."

In addition to helping alumni stay in touch, Davidson is working on the school's annual fund campaign and also serving as a representative to the alumni chapter board and the Junior Board of Visitors. Away from her office, she enjoys spending time with her husband, Blake, and their yellow Lab, Bauer, at the family lake house on Lake Martin. She and Blake also like looking for new pieces to add to their growing art collection.



## Jo Ann Barnett Award Recipients

In 2002, the School of Nursing Alumni Chapter of the UAB National Alumni Society established the Jo Ann Barnett Award for Compassionate Nursing Care. The award honors the memory of neonatal nurse practitioner Jo Ann Barnett, who championed the highest quality of compassionate care as she attended to the needs of premature and critically ill infants and their families at UAB Hospital's Regional Newborn Intensive Care Unit.

**BARNETT** died at the untimely age of 53 in 2002 after a courageous fight against cancer, but her vibrant legacy lives on through the nurses who receive this award, which is presented during the annual Alumni Night celebration. Each year, the alumni chapter selects nurses who, like Barnett, exemplify the best in nursing care. In 2009, the Jo Ann Barnett Award for Compassionate Nursing Care was presented in three different categories for the first time.

Captain William D. Ahrens, NC, USN (Retired), was surprised and delighted to receive the Jo Ann Barnett Award in Education for his exemplary service in “teaching patients, students, or nursing personnel.” Ahrens, who earned his MSN at the School of Nursing in 1981, is currently a senior instructor at the Brooks College of Health School of Nursing at the University of North Florida.

“My deepest satisfaction as a teacher comes from mentoring my students, and I learned about mentoring from my experiences with Dr. Margie Kinney. She was an incredible role model for me, and she taught me so much outside the classroom when she probably didn't even realize she was teaching!” he recalls. “One of the most important things I learned from her is that teaching is so much more than passing on knowledge—it's caring about your students and being willing to talk with them. That is something I have tried to do throughout my teaching career.”

Margot E. Anderson (BSN 2007) received the award for Acute and Chronic Care for her exemplary service in “providing direct

bedside care.”

Anderson, who is a staff nurse at the Medical Intensive Care Unit at UAB Hospital, says that she was thrilled the day her nurse manager told her she had been nominated for the award.

“When I found out I'd actually received it, I was overwhelmed!” she says. “It is a privilege to provide care and compassion to our patients and families, who we see at their very worst. Although I have not been a nurse for long, I believe my life experiences and losses have uniquely prepared me for a career in nursing. Knowing when to quietly pull up a chair alongside family members and hold hands with their loved one isn't taught from a textbook. Even though most of what we do as nurses is learned on the job, I carry with me the voices of my instructors at the School of Nursing, and I incorporate their lessons into the ongoing classroom of the unit in which I work. It is both an honor and a privilege to have received this award, and I strive to respect the memory of Jo Ann Barnett through my daily nursing practice.”

Syble D. High (BSN 1985) received the award in the Administration category for her exemplary service in “leading others and ensuring the implementation of policies and procedures” that have a positive impact



William Ahrens with student Amanda Egloff



Dr. Mildred Hamner with Syble High



Velma Denson with Margot Anderson

on top-quality patient care. High, who is a clinical coordinator on the oncology floor at Brookwood Medical Center in Birmingham, says that earning her college degree at the UAB School of Nursing was “the best thing I ever did in my life!”

She explains that she started working as a secretary after high school, and when she was in her late 30s, she realized that she wanted—and needed—to get a college degree and a better job. She chose to pursue a second career in nursing, and receiving the Jo Ann Barnett Award confirmed that she had made the right choice. “It is a privilege to take care of patients, and it's such a privilege and an honor to have been selected as a recipient of this award,” she notes. “I feel humbled.”



# *Six Decades*

## OF NURSING EXCELLENCE

UAB's nursing history dates back to 1903 with hospital diploma programs in Birmingham. The current school traces its lineage to the collegiate program legislated in 1949. The school opened in 1950 at the University of Alabama campus in Tuscaloosa and moved to UAB's Academic Health Science Center in 1967.

Over the decades, the school's faculty, students, and staff have been at the forefront of nursing education, research, and clinical care in Alabama and around the world.

On the occasion of the School of Nursing's 60th anniversary, we reflect on this legacy of leadership and look forward to expanding that legacy in the years to come.



# Six Decades

OF NURSING EXCELLENCE



## 1950-1959 The Founding Decade

**1903** Hospital diploma programs lay the foundation for the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) School of Nursing. This century-old legacy inspires the school's chronology.

**1947** State Representative George C. Wallace introduces a bill in the Alabama state legislature to establish a baccalaureate-level nursing school at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. The bill does not pass.



Dean Florence A. Hixson

**1949** State Senators Graham Wright and Albert Boutwell propose a similar bill. It passes, and Alabama Governor James E. Folsom signs it into law.

**1950** The institution known today as the UAB School of Nursing is chartered as the University of Alabama (UA) School of Nursing. Florence A. Hixson, a native of Pennsylvania with 20 years of experience in nursing administration and education, is named the founding dean. (In 1952, she would receive an EdD degree from Columbia University.)

**1950** In September, the school opens with a traditional baccalaureate, the RN to BSN for registered nurses, and a social-and-biological sciences program aimed at students in hospital-based diploma programs. UA in Tuscaloosa is the school's academic headquarters, supplemented by the University Extension Division in Birmingham. Clinical experience is provided in Birmingham and Tuscaloosa and later in tuberculosis sanatoria. Faculty members begin teaching in Gadsden,

Montgomery, and other cities in Alabama.

**1951** In January, the school moves into its first UA home, a small renovated building adjacent to the student health service facility.

**1952** Lyndon McCarroll becomes the school's second faculty member.

**1952** The National Nursing Accrediting Service School temporarily accredits the school for five years.

**1952** Linna Hamilton Denny, who urged the state legislature to establish a baccalaureate nursing program, receives an honorary doctorate from UA. She was Alabama's first Red Cross nurse, first president of the Alabama State Nurses Association (ASNA), and first executive secretary of the Board of Nurses Examiners and Registration (now the Board of Nursing).



Linna Hamilton Denny

**1953** The ASNA donates a portrait of Linna Hamilton Denny to the school. A replacement portrait now hangs in the school's UAB building; the original portrait was stolen from a UAB library.

**1954** Nina Sue Beck, Beverly Causey, and Nora Ruth Freeman (at right) become the first graduates of the school's basic baccalaureate program.

**1954** The school moves into Little Hall, its second UA home.

**1955** The master's program begins.



The first UA School of Nursing building in Tuscaloosa

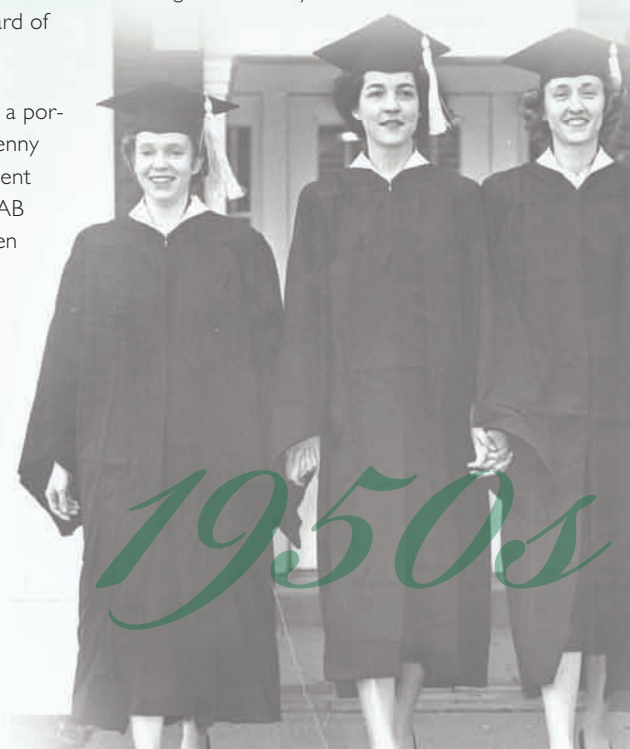
**1956** Laurene Gilmore, Elizabeth Cleino, and Dorothy Hart become the school's first three master's graduates.

**1957** The school receives full National League for Nursing accreditation.

**1957** Dr. Marie L. O'Koren, a Minnesota native who worked as a nurse in California, enrolls in the school's master's program. After graduating in 1958, she joins the faculty, soon heads the graduate program, and later becomes the school's second dean.

**1958** James Bryan becomes the first male baccalaureate graduate.

**1958** On June 21, a charter installs the school's Nu Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, with Dr. Margaret I. Millsap serving as the chapter's first president. It is the 12th chapter of this nursing honor society in the nation.



# 1960s

## 1960-1969 Developing a Progressive Workforce

**1961** The medical/surgical major is added at the school's master's level, the first of several curricula changes that begin at the master's level and expand to the baccalaureate level.

**1963** Marie L. O'Koren is awarded the first Bixler scholarship, which was named in memory of Genevieve Bixler, director of the Southern Regional Education Board's (SREB) 1950s nursing education project in which the UA School of Nursing participated. Marie O'Koren uses the scholarship in her successful pursuit of an EdD from UA, thus becoming one of the nurse educators to benefit from that era's nursing-education support from such entities as the SREB and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

**1964** The school's baccalaureate curriculum is reworked, combining into one program both the basic baccalaureate and the RN to BSN.

**1965** In September, Sarah Louise Fisher becomes the first African-American student to enter the school's baccalaureate program; she would graduate in 1969.

**1966** The University Extension Center in Birmingham is converted into the four-year College of General Studies. This is one of several major growth developments occurring within the University of Alabama's liberal arts and medical center operations in Birmingham, gradually setting the stage for those facilities to form the base for a freestanding university that would be known as the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). The growth in Birmingham soon would play a role in the School of Nursing's history.

**1967** As a result of recommendations of a 10-member committee appointed by UA President Dr. Frank A. Rose, the school



The class of 1967, the last baccalaureate class to graduate from Tuscaloosa before the school moved to Birmingham



Sarah Louise Fisher

of nursing moves from Tuscaloosa to become part of the rapidly growing UA Medical Center in Birmingham. To coordinate that Tuscaloosa-to-Birmingham move, Dean Hixson designates Dr. Marie L. O'Koren, the school's assistant dean. In Birmingham, the school operates out of several buildings within and on the perimeter of the medical center.

**1968** Ground is broken in the heart of the UA Medical Center in Birmingham for a new school of nursing building.

**1969** On March 1, Mary Edna Williams is appointed director of the school's new continuing education program.



Aerial photo of the foundation of the School of Nursing building in Birmingham

**1969** Delois Skipwith (later Delois Skipwith Guy) becomes the school's first African-American faculty member.



Delois Skipwith Guy

**1969** The Birmingham-based UA Medical Center and College of General Studies, which had functioned as part of the University of Alabama, becomes an autonomous university known initially as the University of Alabama in Birmingham and later as the University of Alabama at Birmingham. The timing of the school of nursing's 1967 move to Birmingham becomes pivotal since the school would grow and thrive along with UAB.

## 1970-1979 The Evolution of Nursing as a Caring Science

**1970** In June, Dr. Florence A. Hixson retires as dean and is succeeded by Dr. Marie L. O'Koren.

**1970s** This decade signals a specialization era at the school. Master's-level curricula additions of majors and specialty areas focus on pediatric nursing, adult health nursing, maternal/infant nursing, community health nursing, rehabilitation nursing, cardiovascular nursing, psychiatric nursing, developmental disabilities nursing, and nursing service administration.

**1971** The school's new building opens. (A graduate tower would be added in the late 1970s.) The building includes space for a Learning Resources Center (LRC), established by Fred Horns, with Dr. Kathleen Mikan as first LRC nurse director.

**1971** The school's first class of clinical nurse specialists (CNS) graduates.

**1972** Nurse practitioner education takes root at the school, beginning with a pediatric nurse

practitioner curriculum that leads to a certificate rather than a degree and is administered through the school's department of continuing education. Later nurse practitioner programs would be offered at the master's level.

**1973** Dr. Kathryn "Kitty" Barchard is recruited to head the school's first research program, the Center for Research and Development. By the end of the 1970s, this will evolve into the Center for Nursing Research, the first such center in Alabama and one of the first nationwide.

**1973** The Joint Council on Nursing is created to bring together administrative staffs from the school and UAB's University Hospital to jointly support nursing service and nursing education.

**1974** The school receives a five-year W.K. Kellogg Foundation grant to establish a major in nursing service administration. UAB's schools of Business and Allied Health also are involved in the project. This becomes the first interdisciplinary major on campus.

**1974** Dr. Carl Miller becomes the first male nurse to join the school's faculty.

**1975** The school receives approval for a major revision of faculty bylaws and a faculty reorganization. The school moves from a seven-departmental-chairs system to four undergraduate-level chairs and one graduate chair. An administrative council is formed to aid internal school communications.

**1975** The Doctor of Science in Nursing (DSN) program is approved, the nation's 13th nursing doctorate and the Southeast's first, with assistant dean for graduate studies Dr. Jean A. Kelley leading the proposal.

**1976** The Outreach Project for Master's Nursing Education begins, with the entire master's curriculum offered at sites in Decatur, Gadsden, Mobile, and Montgomery. Faculty members travel to teaching sites in a large motor home.

**1976** A visiting lectureship program for DSN students is established, attracting outstanding nursing scientists. Later it would be named the Jean A. Kelley Endowed Lectureship.

**1979** The first class of DSN students graduates, including Dr. Kathleen G. Andreoli, who later would be named a distinguished alumna of the school.



Pediatric nursing students



Dean Marie L. O'Koren (center) joins her associates for a "coffee cup toast" to celebrate the fact that the school had just occupied its new building on the UAB campus.



The UAB School of Nursing building in Birmingham

1970s



UAB President Scotty McCallum and his wife, Alice, with retiring Dean Marie L. O'Koren and Dr. Durwood Bradley



Dean Rachel Z. Booth



Founding Dean Florence A. Hixson

## 1980-1989 Era of Specialization

**1980** February marks the establishment of the University of Alabama School of Nursing Alumni Association, which would positively impact development, fundraising, and faculty/student recognition. Playing an instrumental role in the association's founding is Gary Warner, the school's first director of public relations and alumni information. A year later, faculty member Dr. Elwynn "Chick" Hale would become the first president.

**1980** A release time quarter (RTQ) plan is developed, allowing faculty release time from heavy teaching loads to engage in practice, research, and other scholarly activities.

**1985** Hixson Hall, a UAB nursing residence hall, is dedicated in honor of Dr. Florence A. Hixson, the school's first dean.

**1986** A summers-only doctoral program is created, in addition to the regular schedule, to accommodate nursing faculty from around the Southeast who wish to enroll.

**1986** Anne Turner-Henson is funded in collaboration with the University of California, San Francisco by the newly established National Center for Nursing Research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for her project titled "Chronically Ill Children's Use of

Time Out of School," the first NIH-funded project at the UAB SON.

**1987** Dr. Marie L. O'Koren retires as the school's second dean. By this time, the number of master's degree tracks has increased to 10 under her leadership, and the doctoral program created during her tenure is thriving. Succeeding Dr. O'Koren to become the school's third dean is Dr. Rachel Z. Booth, who comes to the school from Duke University, where she has been serving as assistant vice president for health affairs and dean and professor of Duke's school of nursing.

**1988** The school adopts its first five-year strategic plan.

**1988** Dean Rachel Z. Booth begins leading initiatives that emphasize fostering research, developing a PhD program, promoting a strong international program, and strengthening interdisciplinary cooperation.

**1988** At the request of Dr. Florence A. Hixson, Dr. Marie L. O'Koren completes a

history of the school, *University of Alabama School of Nursing 1950-1970*, which was begun and almost completed by Dr. Hixson.

**1989** On January 1, the school's founding dean, Dr. Florence A. Hixson, dies at the age of 89 in her home state of Pennsylvania.

**1989** The RN to BSN to MSN program begins.

**1989** Dr. Jean A. Kelley retires as the school's associate dean for graduate studies after a career that spans 31 years. She has been a dynamic force in developing the DSN program, establishing the Outreach Program, and expanding the school's master's programs to include nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists.



Jean A. Kelley

**1989** Dr. Marguerite R. Kinney (later Dr. Marguerite R. Kinney Handlin) becomes the first nursing faculty member to serve on UAB's Institutional Review Board (IRB), the body that reviews proposals involving human subjects.



Marguerite R. Kinney Handlin

# 1990-1999 Building Bridges at Home and Abroad

**1991** A Vision Plan is adopted, with a goal of moving the school into the top 10 nursing schools in the country. The plan would be revised in 1998.

**1991** Graduates of the University Hospital diploma program are invited to become members of the school's alumni association.

**1991** The Board of Visitors, a vision of Dr. Rachel Z. Booth, is established to support the school in public relations, development, and fundraising. Community leader Robert E. Luckie Jr., takes a lead in recruiting founding board members. When the board holds its January 1992 inaugural meeting, it includes 14 initial founding members: Louise Allen, Dr. J. Max Austin, Lella Bromberg, Dr. John Carter, Zoë Cassimus, Minnie Gaston, Joy Harbert, Margaret Kidd, Rita Kimerling, Robert E. Luckie Jr., George Perdue Jr., LaVona Rushton, Robert Weatherly, and Linn Wheelock.

**1992** Dr. Marguerite R. Kinney becomes the school's first faculty member to be appointed to the National Advisory Council for Nursing, National Institutes of Health.

**1992** The Marie L. O'Koren Endowed Chair in Nursing, the school's first endowed chair, is established. Dr. Barbara Smith, from Ohio State University, is recruited to fill the chair.

**1993** The school is designated as the Sixth World Health Organization Collaborating Center for International Nursing in the United States and the 28th worldwide.

**1993** Dr. Rachel Z. Booth becomes the 14th president of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN). She also serves as president of the Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing.

**1994** A construction project is completed to add a west addition to the school's building and renovate the Learning Resources Center and the Center for Nursing Research.

**1996** Faculty member Judy Taylor becomes the school's first recipient of the Ellen Gregg Ingalls/UAB National Alumni Society Award, UAB's top award for excellence in classroom teaching.

**1997** The school joins with UAB's School of Health Professions to jointly purchase the former RTI (Regional Technical Institute) Building, which is renovated for the Learning Resources Center expansion.

**1998** The school's nursing pin is redesigned to reflect a closer association with UAB. The new pin features a green circle with "UAB" at the bottom of the circle.

**1999** A new PhD in nursing program is established as the sole research doctoral program in Alabama, building on the DSN program's success.

**1999** The Honors in Nursing program begins under the leadership of Dr. Ellen B. Buckner.

**1999** The UA SON Alumni Association becomes a chapter in the UAB National Alumni Society.



The Board of Visitors



The first class admitted to the UAB School of Nursing's new PhD in nursing program included (from left) Diane Von Ah, Carol Dashiff, Kultida Panidchakul, Judy Wells, Nadine James, and Mary Ellen Sebring.



The entrance to the new home of the school's Center for Nursing Research, dedicated on September 17, 1999



The UAB School of Nursing is designated as a World Health Organization Collaborating Center for International Nursing.

## 2000-2010 Leaders with a Vision

**2000** To celebrate the school's 50th anniversary, archivist Pat Cleveland and UAB curator Stefanie Rookis create a historical exhibit at the Alabama Museum of the Health Sciences at Lister Hill Library. A new school history book by Anita Smith is introduced, *The First Fifty Years: From Tuscaloosa to Birmingham*.

**2001** The crimson-and-white student uniform patch changes to UAB colors of green, gold, and white to align with UAB traditions.

**2002** Dr. Carol Z. Garrison, a 1976 MSN graduate of the school, becomes the first nurse to be president of UAB.

**2005** The DSN degree program is phased out as the PhD program grows and planning begins for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program.

**2005** Dr. Rachel Z. Booth retires as dean. In November, Dr. Doreen C. Harper succeeds her to become the school's fourth dean. Dr. Harper, who previously served as dean of the Graduate School of Nursing at the University of Massachusetts Worcester, helps usher in a new era of partnerships and collaboration.

**2006** Extensive remodeling begins and continues through 2010 to expand faculty offices, facilities, and clinical simulation labs.



David E. Vance, Linda L. Moneyham, and Gwendolyn Childs

**2006** The school offers the first International Nursing Leadership Institute, with 15 participants from Chile.

**2006** The Junior Board of Visitors is established under the guidance of the school's Board of Visitors as a vehicle for a young generation of community leaders to make a contribution to nursing and nursing education.

**2007** The school is redesignated as a Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization Collaborating Center for International Nursing for a four-year term, April 2007-2011.

**2007** Dr. Linda L. Moneyham becomes the first professor to hold the Rachel Z. Booth Endowed Chair in Nursing.

**2008** The new Joint Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree (DNP) begins in collaboration with the UAB School of Health Professions, the University of Alabama in Huntsville College of Nursing, and the University of Alabama Capstone College of Nursing in Tuscaloosa, with UAB's School of Nursing designated as the coordinating school.

**2008** Dr. Patricia A. Patrician, a retired US Army colonel, becomes the first professor to hold the Donna Brown Banton Endowed Professorship, established in 2005.



Students in the school's clinical simulation lab in the Learning Resources Center

**2008** In partnership with the UAB Health System, the school initiates the Accelerated Master's in Nursing Pathway for individuals who have earned a previous degree in a field other than nursing.

**2008** At its 50th anniversary celebration, the Nu Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau honors the chapter's founding president, the late Dr. Margaret I. Millsap.

**2008** Hixson Hall, the UAB nursing residence hall built in 1962, is demolished.

**2009** The school, in partnership with the Birmingham Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center, is designated as a VA Nursing Academy by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Academic Affiliations.

**2009** The first class of Joint DNP students at UAB graduates. It includes Marie Bolivar-Cano, Summer Langston, Lisa Muirhead, and Cynthia Turner.

**2009** The school begins offering the Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) program, the first new role for nurses in approximately 30 years, in partnership with the Birmingham VA Medical Center, UAB Hospital, Children's Hospital of Alabama, and Cooper Green Mercy Hospital.

**2010** As the decade ends, the school has more than 11,000 graduates who are serving throughout the United States and the world.

**2010** The UAB SON receives the 10-year maximum accreditation for its baccalaureate and master's programs from the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education (CCNE) Board of Commissioners. This extends the school's accreditation through June 2020.

**2010** The 60th-anniversary celebration includes recognizing 60 graduates as Visionary Leaders for their significant impact on nursing and health care in the state, nation, and world.



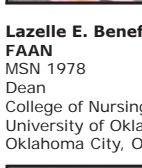
# VISIONARY Leaders

*We salute our 60 Visionary Leaders, our graduates who are making new history around the world.*

In celebration of 60 years of excellence in nursing education, 60 outstanding alumni have been named as Visionary Leaders.



**Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1979  
 Emeritus Kellogg Dean  
 College of Nursing  
 Rush University Medical Center  
 Chicago, IL



**Lazelle E. Benefield, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
 MSN 1978  
 Dean  
 College of Nursing  
 University of Oklahoma  
 Oklahoma City, OK



**Judy L. Bezanson, DSN, CNS-MS, RN, FAHA**  
 DSN 2000  
 Senior Science and Medicine Advisor  
 American Heart Association  
 National Center  
 Dallas, TX



**Deidre M. Blank, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1982  
 Former Chief of the Health  
 Promotion and Disease Prevention  
 Branch, National Center for Nursing  
 Research, NIH  
 Yardley, PA



**Ellen B. Buckner, DSN, RN**  
 BSN 1975, MSN 1983, DSN 1987  
 Professor  
 College of Nursing  
 University of South Alabama  
 Mobile, AL



**Leanne C. Busby, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1999  
 Former Director, Nursing and Allied  
 Health, Tennessee Board of Regents  
 Goddlettsville, TN



**Joyce C. Clifford, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
 MSN 1969  
 President & Chief Executive Officer  
 The Institute for Nursing Healthcare  
 Leadership, Inc.  
 Boston, MA



**Susan M. Cohen, DSN, APRN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1983  
 Associate Professor  
 School of Nursing  
 University of Pittsburgh  
 Pittsburgh, PA



**Debra C. Davis, DSN, RN**  
 BSN 1975, MSN 1978, DSN 1984  
 Dean and Professor  
 College of Nursing  
 University of South Alabama  
 Mobile, AL



**Sharon A. Denham, DSN, RN**  
 DSN 1997  
 Professor  
 School of Nursing  
 Ohio University  
 Athens, OH



**Joanne M. Disch, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
 MSN 1976  
 President-Elect  
 American Academy of Nursing  
 Minneapolis, MN



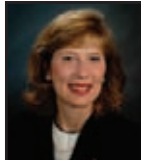
**Sandra B. Dunbar, DSN, RN, FAAN, FAHA**  
 DSN 1982  
 Assoc. Dean of Academic Advancement  
 and Charles H. Candler Professor  
 School of Nursing, Emory University  
 Atlanta, GA



**Lisa W. Eichelberger, DSN, RN**  
 BSN 1975, MSN 1979, DSN 1986  
 Dean and Professor  
 College of Health  
 Clayton State University  
 Morrow, GA



**Melissa S. Faulkner, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1991  
 Gladys E. Sorensen Endowed  
 Professor, College of Nursing  
 The University of Arizona  
 Tucson, AZ



**Ellen Fineout-Overholt, PhD, RN, FNAP, FAAN**  
 MSN 1985  
 Director, Center for Advancement of  
 Evidence-Based Practice  
 College of Nursing  
 Arizona State University  
 Gilbert, AZ



**Carol Z. Garrison, PhD**  
 MSN 1976  
 President  
 University of Alabama at Birmingham  
 Birmingham, AL



**Anna Gawlinski, DnSc, RN, FAAN**  
 MSN 1978  
 Director, Research and Evidence-  
 Based Practice  
 Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center  
 Los Angeles, CA



**Susan Gennaro, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1983  
 Dean and Professor  
 William F. Connell School of Nursing  
 Boston College  
 Chestnut Hill, MA



**Sarah H. Gueldner, DSN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1983  
 Garvin Professor of Nursing  
 Frances Payne Bolton School of  
 Nursing  
 Case Western Reserve University  
 Cleveland, OH



**Delois H. Skipwith Guy, DSN**  
 DSN 1980  
 Professor Emeritus  
 School of Nursing  
 University of Alabama at Birmingham  
 Birmingham, AL



**Marguerite Kinney Handlin, DnSc, RN**  
 BSN 1961, MSN 1967  
 Professor Emeritus  
 School of Nursing  
 University of Alabama at Birmingham  
 Birmingham, AL



**James L. Harris, DSN, APRN-BC, MBA, CNL, FAAN**  
 MSN 1982, DSN 1989  
 Deputy Chief Nursing Officer  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Washington, DC



**Constance S. Hendricks, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
 BSN 1974, MSN 1981  
 Charles W. Barkley Endowed Professor  
 Auburn University  
 Auburn, AL



**Alice S. Hill, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
 MSN 1975  
 John P. McGovern Distinguished Pro-  
 fessorship and Director of the  
 PhD Program in Nursing  
 University of Texas Medical Branch  
 Galveston, TX



**Sister Linda Hill, BSN, RN, RM**  
 BSN 1988  
 Director, Registered Community  
 Nurse Training School  
 Wamba Catholic Hospital  
 Wamba, Kenya



**Mary H. Hill, DSN, RN**  
 DSN 1999  
 Associate Dean and Professor  
 Division of Nursing  
 Howard University  
 Washington, DC



**Marcia M. Holstad, DSN, RN, FNP-BC**  
 DSN 1996  
 Assistant Professor, Nell Hodgson  
 Woodruff School of Nursing  
 Emory University  
 Atlanta, GA



**Phyllis N. Horns, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
 DSN 1980  
 Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences  
 East Carolina University  
 Greenville, NC



**Larry G. Hornsby, CRNA**  
 BSN 1981  
 Senior Executive Vice President  
 AmSol USA, LLC  
 Moody, AL





**Jean A. Kelley, EdD, RN, FAAN**  
BSN 1956  
Professor Emeritus  
School of Nursing  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Birmingham, AL



**Linda D. Norman, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
DSN 2001  
Professor and Senior Associate Dean  
for Academics  
School of Nursing  
Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, TN



**Surpora S. Thomas, MBA, RN, FAAN**  
BSN 1985  
Chief Nurse Executive Emeritus  
Children's Health System of Alabama  
Birmingham, AL

**Wipada Kunaviktikul, DSN, RN**  
DSN 1994  
Professor  
Faculty of Nursing  
Chiang Mai University  
Chiang Mai, Thailand



**Marie L. O'Koren, EdD**  
MSN 1958  
Dean Emeritus  
School of Nursing  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Birmingham, AL



**Patricia E. Thompson, EdD, RN, FAAN**  
MSN 1971  
Chief Executive Officer  
Sigma Theta Tau International  
Indianapolis, IN



**Lora Lacey-Haun, PhD, RN**  
BSN 1977, MSN 1980  
Dean and Professor  
School of Nursing  
University of Missouri-Kansas City  
Lenexa, KS



**James C. Pace, DSN, RN, MDiv, ANP-BC, FAANP**  
DSN 1986  
Professor & Coordinator, Adult Nurse  
Practitioner/Palliative Care Program  
School of Nursing, Vanderbilt  
University, Nashville, TN



**Anne Turner-Henson, DSN, RN**  
DSN 1992  
Professor  
School of Nursing  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Birmingham, AL

**Kathleen A. Ladner, PhD, RN**  
MSN 1974  
Visiting Assistant Professor  
School of Nursing  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Birmingham, AL



**Ann R. Peden, DSN, CNS, RN**  
DSN 1991  
Professor and Department Chair  
School of Nursing  
Capital University  
Columbus, OH



**Sue Ellen Turner, Brigadier General (Ret.), MSN, RN**  
MSN 1981  
Former Director of Nursing Services  
United States Air Force  
San Antonio, TX



**Martha G. Lavender, DSN, RN**  
MSN 1974, DSN 1988  
Assistant to the President  
Gadsden State Community College  
Centre, AL

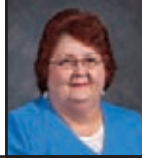


**Bonita A. Pilon, DSN, RN-BC, FAAN**  
DSN 1988  
Professor & Sr. Associate Dean for  
Clinical Practice and Community  
Partnerships, School of Nursing  
Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, TN



**Claudette G. Varricchio, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
DSN 1983  
Former Program Director  
Community Clinical Trials Research Group  
Division of Cancer Prevention  
National Cancer Institute  
Wakefield, RI

**N. Genell Lee, MSN, RN, JD**  
BSN 1975, MSN 1979  
Executive Director  
Alabama Board of Nursing  
Montgomery, AL



**James L. Raper, DSN, CRNP, JD, FAANP**  
DSN 1994  
Director of the HIV Outpatient,  
Research and Dental Clinics  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Birmingham, AL



**Joan M. Vitello-Ciccio, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAHA, FAAN**  
MSN 1982  
Executive Director of Perioperative  
Nursing and Clinical Services  
Brigham & Women's Hospital  
Boston, MA



**Judy W. Lott, DSN, NNP-BC, FAAN**  
DSN 1992  
Dean  
Louise Herrington School of Nursing  
Baylor University  
Dallas, TX



**Nena F. Sanders, DSN, RN**  
BSN 1976, MSN 1979, DSN 1985  
Ralph W. Beeson Dean and  
Professor  
Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing  
Samford University  
Birmingham, AL



**Connie White-Williams, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
MSN 1991, PhD 2009  
Advanced Nursing Coordinator, Center for  
Nursing Excellence, Evidence-Based  
Practice and Nursing Research  
UAB Medical Center  
Birmingham, AL

**Alfred E. Lupien, PhD, CRNA, FAAN**  
MSN 1989  
Professor and Director of Graduate  
Program in Nurse Anesthesia  
Mount Marty College  
Sioux Falls, SD



**Sister Maurita Soukup, RSM, PhD, RN**  
MSN 1975  
Health Trustee, Mercy Medical Center  
Sioux City and Cedar Rapids, IA



**Janet S. Wyatt, PhD, CRNP, FAANP**  
MSN 1974  
Chief Executive Officer  
Pediatric Nursing Certification Board  
Round Hill, VA



**Nancy L. McCain, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
DSN 1983  
Nursing Alumni Endowed Professor  
School of Nursing  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
Richmond, VA



**Karen J. Stanley, MSN, RN, AOCN, FAAN**  
BSN 1983  
Program Manager, Pain and Palliative  
Care Service  
Stamford Hospital  
Stamford, CT



**Sharon B. Wyatt, PhD, RN, CANP, FAAN**  
BSN 1970, MSN 1971  
Harriet Williamson Endowed Chair in  
Nephrology Nursing  
School of Nursing  
University of Mississippi Medical Center  
Jackson, MS

**Norma K. Mobley, EdD**  
MSN 1958  
Dean and Professor Emeritus  
Capstone College of Nursing  
University of Alabama  
Tuscaloosa, AL



**Patricia L. Starck, DSN, RN, FAAN**  
DSN 1979  
Dean and Distinguished Professor  
School of Nursing  
The University of Texas  
Health Science Center  
Houston, TX



**Karen H. Morin, DSN, RN, ANEP**  
DSN 1987  
President  
Sigma Theta Tau International  
Milwaukee, WI



**Elizabeth Stullenbarger, DSN, RN**  
MSN 1982, DSN 1984  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs  
School of Nursing  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
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## Celebrating Scholarship *Donors and Recipients*

EACH FALL, the UAB School of Nursing hosts a reception to honor donors and recognize scholarship recipients. This special event gives donors an opportunity to meet the students they are helping through their generosity and vision for higher nursing education—and for scholarship recipients to personally thank the donors who are providing much-welcome financial support.



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(Above) David AliFarhani, recipient of the Dean's Merit Endowed Nursing Scholarship, with his parents, Sherry and Farhad AliFarhani; (left) Jean Tomlinson with Adam Kinsaul, recipient of the Jean Riley Tomlinson Endowed Nursing Scholarship



(Above) Arlene Henley with Jenny Nickless, recipient of the John and Delia Robert Endowed Nursing Scholarship; (above center) Margaret Parrish, recipient of the Robert Luckie Family Endowed Nursing Scholarship, with Bobby Luckie; (right) Christopher Paige, recipient of the Gladys F. Colvin Endowed Nursing Scholarship, with Dr. Doreen C. Harper



(Left) Amanda Southward, recipient of the Rylee/Casper Endowed Nursing Scholarship, with Captain G. Muriel R. Casper



### Student Awards

The following outstanding School of Nursing students were recognized at the 2010 convocation.

#### Dean's Awards

These awards are given to students in recognition of their scholastic achievements, leadership, and service to the school and community.

Emily J. Jones, Graduate  
Sarah N. Frazier, Undergraduate

#### Departmental Awards

BSN/Nursing	Acute Care Adult	Family Primary Care
Leah F. Bouska	David A. Levy	Crystelle L. Carmack
MSN/Nursing	Acute Care Pediatrics	
Jennifer B. Lacey	Sasha K. Ramini	

#### Nursing and Health Systems Administration

Doctor of Nursing Practice  
Cassi R. Kellett

PhD/Nursing  
Natalie C. Baker  
Emily J. Jones

#### Florence Nightingale Awards

BSN  
Sarah N. Frazier  
Kimberly Scott  
AMNP Phase I Completion  
Emily Davis

## Styslinger Endowed Scholarship *Supporting Nursing and Higher Education*

by Anita Smith

With a smile in his voice, Lee Styslinger Jr. says that two goals stand at the top of his list at this point in his life. One of those goals, he says, is having fun. For Lee, this very much includes traveling with his wife of 50 years, Catherine Smith Styslinger.

His tone turns serious as he describes the second goal. "At this stage of maturity in our lives, Catherine and I also want to do as much as we can for our fellow man." It was with this second goal in mind that Lee and Catherine recently endowed a scholarship at the UAB School of Nursing, where Catherine has been a Board of Visitors member since 1994.

Catherine says this decision is consistent with a priority she and Lee place on contributing to education. She notes that she feels a special connection to education. During her early married life, she taught music and speech to elementary-school students. One of Catherine and Lee's earlier donations was the funding of the Catherine Smith Styslinger Library at the local Highlands School. "Now, in creating a scholarship at UAB's School of Nursing, we can aid higher education while also aiding nursing."

During her years of serving on the Board of Visitors at UAB's School of Nursing, Catherine has seen what nursing scholarships can do. "It's gratifying to see

one of those nursing students receive a scholarship!" she says. She is pleased the Styslinger scholarship will aid students enrolled at UAB's nursing school, and she is touched that the scholarship will help produce nurses who will serve others.

Lee describes why it's significant to him that this scholarship supports a unit of UAB, a university he values. "I think a message we all need to continually emphasize is that the University of Alabama at Birmingham is the cornerstone for the diamond for the entire state of Alabama," he says. He adds that the scholarship also is an opportunity to support a cause that Catherine has long supported.

Catherine has a notable record of community service. She has served as chair of several Alabama Symphony fundraising concerts, the Birmingham Festival of Arts, and the Women's Division of a local United Way campaign. She has also served as a board member of the Birmingham Museum of Art, Alabama Ballet, Alabama Symphony, and the Women's Committee of 100.



Catherine and Lee Styslinger Jr.

Like his wife, Lee has given significant time to a range of causes, including the arts, education, business, and health. His business-success story and community service combined earned him a place in the Alabama Academy of Honor.

In addition to their three sons, Lee and Catherine have 11 grandchildren. They view their gifts to education as investments in the lives of many families. "If we can leave our kids and our community more educated than they were when we came in, Catherine and I view it as an accomplishment," says Lee.

UAB School of Nursing Dean Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, believes that the Styslingers' scholarship matches the lives they have lived. "Lee and Catherine have been longtime philanthropic citizens in this community, supporting areas that really develop people," she says. "They understand how their scholarship will benefit nursing education, nurses, and patients who will be served by nurses. Lee and Catherine understand how scholarships translate and support future nurses and patient care."

*"If we can leave our kids and our community more educated than they were when we came in, Catherine and I view it as an accomplishment."* —Lee Styslinger Jr.

## Honoring a Beloved Wife, Mother, and Grandmother

*They often called her by the nickname "Sweet Alice." To many who knew and loved Alice Lasseter McCallum, it was a fitting name for this outgoing, endearing, down-to-earth, and often very funny woman who brightened their lives.*

In her early 20s, she became a registered nurse, a graduate of the Jefferson-Hillman Hospital School of Nursing—part of the UAB campus's century-old legacy of nursing education shared by the UAB School of Nursing. While still in her 20s, Alice married oral surgery/maxillofacial specialist Scotty McCallum. As he went on to become president of UAB and later mayor of Birmingham suburb Vestavia Hills, Alice became the first lady of UAB and then of Vestavia Hills.

Together the McCallums raised their four sons—Scott, Chip, Phillip, and Chris. Later they happily became the grandparents of four boys (Alex, David, Parker, and Murphy) and four girls (Courtney, Caitlin, Indy Anna, and Savannah). As a grandmother, Alice gained a second nickname—"Meme."

After Alice died in October 2009 at age 80, Scotty McCallum and his sons created the Alice L. McCallum Scholarship at the UAB School of Nursing. "The scholarship will aid students who already are RNs and are studying toward the baccalaureate degree," says this former UAB leader—officially Charles A. "Scotty" McCallum Jr., DMD, MD, who was married to Alice for more than 50 years. "As a diploma-school graduate, Alice had her RN certification and worked as a University Hospital nurse and then as a nurse for oral surgeons, but she never earned her

baccalaureate degree. Our sons and I believe Alice would have approved of this scholarship's focus."

UAB School of Nursing Dean Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN, sees the scholarship as an appropriate memorial. "Alice shared with our school the nursing-education legacy on the UAB campus," says Harper. "She was a woman with deep Alabama roots, a native of Boaz who grew up in Albertville, and she married a young dentist from Massachusetts, and, with him, shared a devotion to UAB." The dean adds, "Scotty McCallum has made tremendous contributions to this university and this entire area. And who knows? After he finished his residency here, he might not have stayed in Alabama had he not fallen in love with and married Alice."

Earlier this year, Scotty McCallum hosted a gathering for his sons at his home, and together the five of them recalled the "Sweet Alice" they had known. They told of Alice using her nursing knowledge and skills long after she stopped working as a nurse. She was, they explained, a competent nurse to her sons and many in the neighborhood. When she needed assistance, she often phoned her husband's UAB base of operations, the oral surgery



by Anita Smith

clinic, and announced, "I'm on my way there with one of the boys. We need stitches on this one!"

"Mama saved the life of one of our black Labrador retriever puppies," recalls son Phillip.

"When the puppy stopped breathing, she beat on him to dislodge whatever he had swallowed and did mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. He survived!"

One son after another told of this unique lady, who to them was not only "Sweet Alice" but also simply "Mom" or "Mama." From firstborn son Scott, a 30-year UAB employee working in the health/safety arena, came a story about Alice the referee: "One day when I was 13 and my brother Chip was 11, he and I were going at it with a fight. When Chip grabbed my leg and pushed me backward, Mom stepped in to keep me from falling. My fist was already on the way toward Chip, but instead it got Mom right in her face. That ended the fight!"

Second-born son Chip, a local attorney, told how Alice dealt with her boys' tears over minor mishaps when they were young. "Instead of wiping our tears, Mom kissed the tears away. She put us on her knee, kissed our tears, and teased with,

'Oh, that tear tastes so good! Give me another tear!' Soon, instead of crying, we were running around belly-laughing as Mom chased us and laughed with us."

The third-born, local attorney Phillip, recalled a night when he, at age 17, borrowed his mom's brand-new car to impress a girl on a date. When he first asked, Alice said, "Phillip, I want you to impress this girl. But this is Sweet Alice's car! No!" She had put fewer than 50 miles on the Buick Skylark that Scotty had bought her—her first sedan, after driving station wagons for years. However, Alice was a

softie when it came to her boys, and she reluctantly loaned Phillip the car. Then things went downhill. Before Phillip reached his date's house, a storm came up, a tree fell onto the road, Phillip plowed the car into the tree, and, although Phillip escaped with minor lacerations, Alice's car was damaged so badly it was a total loss. Aware that her son was going to be okay, Alice felt free to express her dismay—and she did! "The lights had been knocked out by the storm, and there I was suturing up Phillip's lip while Alice held a flashlight for me," husband Scotty recalls. "Then

Alice handed the flashlight to our son Chris, saying, 'You hold this flashlight! I'm too mad at Phillip to look at him!'" Chris, the youngest McCallum son, is a local dentist specializing in endodontics. He recalled an incident from his youth that occurred when he was behind the family home with his brothers. On that day, Chris was in charge of a glass container that held snakes and crawdads the brothers were collecting. Suddenly, he slipped on a rock, the glass container was crushed, and his wrist was severely cut. Taking one look at the badly bleeding wrist, Alice announced they were headed for the emergency room, quickly! Then, putting a light note on the tense situation, she added, "Chris, if you even think of coming into this house with all that blood, I'll kill you!"

From husband Scotty came a story of action-oriented Alice—from their early married life. Although the family budget was still tight, Scotty found what he felt was a reasonable price on a country club membership. "I said, 'Guess what, Alice? We've been accepted as members of the Vestavia Hills Country Club.' She replied, 'Oh, really? Members of a country club, huh? Here we are, living in a two-bedroom apartment—with two sons and expecting a third baby—and YOU join a country club? Well, I'm going shopping for a house!' Alice went house-shopping the next day, and soon we had a house."

The five McCallum men each gave a word they associated with Alice. Phillip's word was "sweet." For Chris, the word was "generous—in terms of giving of herself to everybody else." Chip's word was "easygoing." The word "home" came from Scott—"Mom made everyone feel at home."

And, for husband Scotty, the word was simply "happiness."



Surrounded by sons Chris and Scott (at left) and Phillip and Chip (at right), Dr. Scotty McCallum holds a photo of their "Sweet Alice."



Dr. Scotty McCallum with his grandchildren: (standing) Courtney, Indy Anna, Alex, Savannah, David, (seated) Parker, Murphy, and Caitlin

Grandson Murphy recalls Meme at gatherings at the family house in Navarre Beach, Florida. "She loved sunsets, and she made 'pasta in the pot' for us." To granddaughter Courtney, Meme was "always the life of the party." And for grandson Alex, it all goes back to Sweet Alice: "She was so sweet!"

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## Class Notes and News

**Daniel N. Anderson, BSN, 2004**, and **Kandess R. Johnson, BSN 2004**, were married on May 30, 2009, in Birmingham. The couple currently resides in Huntsville, Alabama.

**Margot E. Andison, BSN 2007**, was honored with the 2010 Excellence in Nursing Award at UAB Hospital.

**Dr. Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN 1979**, was honored with the 2009 GE Healthcare-American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN) Pioneering Spirit Award. Dr. Andreoli was the first nurse co-editor of AACN's journal, *Heart & Lung*, now called the *American Journal of Critical Care*. Dr. Andreoli currently holds the title of Kellogg Emeritus Dean at Rush College of Nursing in Chicago, and she has served on numerous health and cultural boards in Chicago.

**Dr. Pamela S. Autry, BSN 1976, MSN 2004**, administrative director of medical nursing at UAB Hospital, has been elected president of the Alabama Board of Nursing for 2010.

**Kimberly Ann Ayers, BSN 1991**, manages three psychiatric units as a nurse manager at UAB Hospital and is exploring further educational options. She is married to Joe D. Ayers Jr., and they have four children.

**Beverly Barrett, BSN 1993**, has been named vice president of specialty services at Children's Health System in Birmingham.

**Jean Clark Bates, BSN 1980**, currently lives in Ashburn, Virginia, and serves as senior vice president of claims at Professional Risk Management Services, Inc. Jean and her husband, Steve, have committed to annually fund a sponsored scholarship for students at the UAB School of Nursing.

**Karen R. Bolling-Walker, BSN 1991**, was honored with the 2010 Excellence in Nursing Award in Nurse Partner Excellence at UAB Hospital. She also received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Richard D. Brown, BSN 1994, MSN 1997**, was named a fellow in the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

**Sharon Lovoy Caudle, BSN 1985**, lives in Clayton, North Carolina, with her husband, Robert William Caudle Jr., and works at WakeMed Hospital as an asthma educator.

**Laura M. Coleman, BSN 1994, MSN 1996**, is serving as the department director in specialty services at Children's Health System in Birmingham.

**Dr. Jill Cunningham, BSN 1995, MSN 1998**, received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Richard W. Daniel, BSN 1984, MSN 1994**, currently lives in Wedowee, Alabama, where he is the administrator of Wedowee Hospital and a part-time family nurse practitioner at Wedowee Rural Health Clinic. Richard and his wife, Sharon, have four sons: Calan (21), Addison (18), Lance (14), and Braxton (8).

**Joy P. Deupree, BSN 1994, MSN 1997**, received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Dr. Sandra Dunbar, DSN 1982**, received the 2010 Southern Nursing Research Society Distinguished Research Award for her cardiovascular research on psychosocial responses to serious cardiac illness.

**Dr. Lisa Wright Eichelberger, BSN 1975, MSN 1979, DSN 1987**, serves as dean and professor at Clayton State University in Morrow, Georgia. The second edition of Dr. Eichelberger's nursing theory textbook has been released: Sitzman, K. and Eichelberger, L. W. (2011) *Understanding the Work of Nurse Theorists*.

**Dr. Pamela N. Fordham, MSN 1976, DSN 1989**, was named a fellow in the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

**Toni Gaston, BSN 1987**, was honored with the 2010 Excellence in Nursing Award at UAB Hospital.

**Dr. Kelly A. Goudreau, DSN 2000**, was honored by the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists with the 2010 Brenda Lyon Leadership Award.

**Tammy Hardeman, BSN 1996**, was honored with the 2010 Excellence in Nursing Award at UAB Hospital.

**Madeline G. Harris, BSN 1975, MSN 1990**, was inducted into the Alabama Healthcare Hall of Fame Class of 2010. She has recently joined the Rural Breast Cancer Survivors Study at the UAB School of Nursing after retiring from the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center's Multidisciplinary Breast Cancer Clinic.

**Dr. Constance Smith Hendricks, BSN 1974, MSN 1981**, is working to establish the UAB School of Nursing Constance Hendricks Endowed Nursing Scholarship, which will support nursing students at UAB who demonstrate a financial need and are committed to a career in nursing.

**Cathy Ingram, BSN 1982, MSN 1987**, was honored with the 2010 Excellence in Nursing Award at UAB Highlands.

**Paula Midyette, BSN 1977, MSN 1980**, was honored with the 2010 Excellence in Nursing Award in Advanced Practice Nursing at UAB Hospital. She also received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Regina M. Nickelson, MSN 2009**, currently is a family nurse practitioner at Southwest Alabama Medical Center. She and her husband, Daniel, have 13-year-old twins, J'Khandria and J'Kharrias.

**John Mark Parker, BSN 1980**, currently is the assistant director of nursing at Medical West in Bessemer, Alabama, and serves as a part-time clinical instructor at Capstone College of Nursing. He and his wife, Mary S. Parker, have two children, John and Amanda.

**Penny Phillips, BSN 1990**, received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Loretta P. Preston, BSN 1989, MSN 1996**, received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Dr. James L. Raper, DSN 1994**, was named a 2010 fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and 2009 inductee into the Alabama Nursing Hall of Fame.

**Dr. Karen Saenz, BSN 1977**, received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Dr. Linda S. Smith, DSN 1998**, is full-tenured professor and the director of the nursing program at Idaho State University. Smith was named the 2009 Educator of the Year for Southeast Idaho, which recognizes an educator for innovation, response to adversity, customer service, and commitment to the community and students. Smith was credited for helping ISU earn national acclaim for the unique, distance-based nursing education program she developed.

**Deborah S. Thedford, BSN 1986**, received *B-Metro* magazine's Excellence in Nursing Award, which recognizes nursing professionals who have demonstrated exceptional dedication, compassion, and leadership in the nursing profession.

**Dr. Anne Turner-Henson, DSN 1992**, has been named a 2010 fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

**Deborah Wesley, MSN 1986**, is the chief nursing executive of the Children's Health System in Birmingham.

Anne W. Alexandrov, PhD, RN, CCRN, FAAN

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Rita Carty, PhD, MSN, FAAN

Joyce C. Clifford, PhD, MSN 1969, RN, FAAN

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Sheila P. Davis, PhD, MSN 1984, RN, FAAN

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Sandra B. Dunbar, DSN 1982, RN, FAAN, PAHA

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Melissa S. Faulkner, DSN 1991, RN, FAAN

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Pamela N. Fordham, DSN 1989, MSN 1976, CRNP, FAANP



Dr. Teena McGuinness, Dr. Pamela Fordham, Dr. Richard Brown, and Dr. Patricia Patrician

## Congratulations to Our 2009 Fellows

The UAB School of Nursing congratulates Teena M. McGuinness, PhD, RN, APRN-BC, and Patricia A. Patrician, PhD, RN, Col (Ret.), on their 2009 induction as Fellows in the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN), and Richard D. Brown, JD, MSN, CRNP, and Pamela N. Fordham, DSN, CRNP, on their 2009 induction as Fellows in the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (FAANP).

The school is proud to add these names to the honor roll of distinguished alumni and faculty fellows listed below.

Marie L. O'Koren, EdD, MSN 1958

James C. Pace, DSN 1986, FAANP, APRN-BC

Patricia A. Patrician, PhD, RN, Colonel (Ret.), FAAN

Patricia Pearce, PhD, MPH, APRN, FNP-BC

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James L. Raper, DSN 1994, CNRP, JD, FAANP

Shyang-Yun Shiao, PhD, MSN 1988, RN, FAAN

Karen J. Stanley, MSN, BSN 1983, AOCN, FAAN

Patricia L. Starck, DSN 1979, RN, FAAN

Richard H. Steeves, PhD, MSN 1983, FNP, RN, FAAN

Surpora S. Thomas, MBA, BSN 1985, RN, FAAN

Patricia E. Thompson, EdD, MSN 1971, RN, FAAN

Mary Grace Umlauf, PhD, MSN 2003, RN, FAAN

Claudette G. Varricchio, DSN 1983, RN, FAAN

Joan M. Vitello-Ciccio, PhD, MSN 1982, RN, NEA-BC, FAHA, FAAN

Connie White-Williams, PhD 2009, MSN 1991, RN, FAAN

Lynda Harrison Wilson, PhD, RN, FAAN

Janet S. Wyatt, PhD, MSN 1974, RN, CRNP, FAANP

Sharon B. Wyatt, PhD, MSN 1971, BSN 1970, RN, CANP, FAAN

Anna F. Gawlinski, DNS, MSN 1978, CS, ACNP, RN, FAAN

Susan J. Gennaro, DSN 1983, PACCE, FAAN

Sara H. Gueldner, DSN 1983, FAAN

Doreen C. Harper, PhD, RN, FAAN

James L. Harris, DSN 1989, MSN 1982, APRN-BC, MBA, CNL, FAAN

Shelley Y. Hawkins, DSN 1993, MSN 1987, BSN 1982, FAANP

Constance S. Hendricks, PhD, MSN 1981, BSN 1974, RN, FAAN

Alice S. Hill, PhD, MSN 1975, RN, FAAN

Phyllis N. Horns, DSN 1980, RN, FNP, FAAN

Jean A. Kelley, EdD, BSN 1956, RN, FAAN

Judy W. Lott, DSN 1992, FAAN

Alfred E. Lupien, PhD, MSN 1989, RN, CRNA, FAAN

Nancy L. McCain, DSN 1983, RN, FAAN

Teena M. McGuinness, PhD, APRN-BC, FAAN

Patrick McNeese, PhD, FAAN

Sheila Melander, DSN 1990, FAANP

Karen Meneses, PhD, RN, FAAN

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Rita B. Monsen, DSN 1988, RN, FAAN

Linda D. Norman, DSN 2001, RN, FAAN

## Meet Our New Faculty

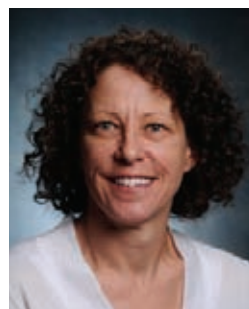


**Becky J. Christian, PhD, RN**

Dr. Becky Christian is a professor in the Department

of Community Health, Systems, and Outcomes and the associate director of the Center for Nursing Research. Prior to joining the UAB School of Nursing faculty, she served as chair of the Division of Health Systems and Community-Based Care at the University of Utah. She received her MSN with a dual specialization in family-child nursing and rehabilitation nursing from the University of Missouri-Columbia and her PhD in nursing from the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Christian has received extensive funding for her research projects, many of which focus on children and adolescents with chronic illnesses as well as their families and caregivers. She serves on a number of review and editorial boards, including the *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*, *Qualitative Health Research*, and *International Advisory Board of the Global Institutes for Research in Humanizing Care Contexts*. Dr. Christian has been the recipient of numerous awards and is also recognized nationally and internationally as an accomplished

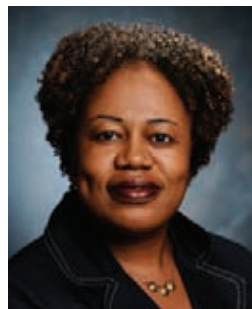
author and presenter.



**Beth Elias, PhD**

Dr. Beth Elias is an assistant professor in

the Department of Community Health, Systems, and Outcomes. She received her undergraduate degree in computer science from the State University of New York Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome and her master's in management information systems and PhD in instructional technology from the University of Virginia. Dr. Elias completed a post-doctoral fellowship at the Epsilon Group in Charlottesville, Virginia, before joining the UAB School of Nursing. Her research focuses on medical informatics, point-of-care testing devices, and the integration of information technology in health care.



**Comfort Enah, PhD, RN**

Dr. Comfort Enah is an assistant professor in

the Department of Community Health, Systems, and Outcomes and holds associate scientist appointments in the Center for AIDS Research and the Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center. Previously, she served as the director of the master's program in community/public health at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. She earned her undergraduate degree in nursing from Berea College in Kentucky and her master's in nursing—with a specialization in community health—and PhD in nursing research from the University of Cincinnati in Ohio. Dr. Enah has extensive experience in clinical nursing as well as teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Her research focuses on pain management and prevention strate-

gies, especially HIV risk avoidance in Cameroonian students.



**C. Ann Gakumo, PhD, RN**

Dr. Gakumo completed her PhD in nursing at the UAB School of

Nursing in 2009 and is an assistant professor in the Department of Adult/Acute Care, Chronic Care, and Foundations. She received her undergraduate degree in nursing from Tuskegee University and previously served as a travel nurse for Fastaff, Bestaff, and World Health agencies as well as a research assistant at UAB. Dr. Gakumo's primary research interests include HIV prevention among young African-American women and men. She is working with community groups on developing a framework for HIV/STD prevention with the goal of decreasing the HIV/STD risk.



**Summer Langston, DNP, ACNP-BC, CRNP**

Dr. Langston graduated from the UAB School

of Nursing's Joint Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program in 2009 and is an assistant professor in the Department of Adult/Acute Care, Chronic Care, and Foundations. She received her undergraduate degree in nursing from the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg before receiving her master's in the acute care nurse practitioner program from the UAB School of Nursing. While she was

working on her doctoral degree, she served in a clinical position at Alabama Cardiovascular Group, PC, in Birmingham. Dr. Langston brings an extensive knowledge of cardiology and intensive care nursing to her teaching position.



**Shannon A. Morrison, PhD, APRN, BC**

Dr. Morrison completed her PhD at the UAB School of Nursing in 2009 and has joined the Department of Family/Child Health and Caregiving as an assistant professor. She earned both her undergraduate and master's degree, with a specialization in community health, at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, Alabama. Dr. Morrison brings several years of teaching experience to her new faculty position. She also has extensive experience as a nurse practitioner as well as an emergency-room nurse.

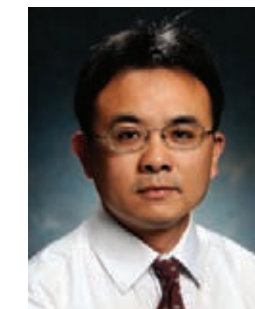


**Patricia Pearce, PhD, MPH, APRN, FNP-BC**

Dr. Pearce is an assistant professor in

the Department of Community Health, Outcomes, and Systems. Previously, she taught graduate-level courses in scholarly inquiry and evidence-based practices at the University of Utah School of Nursing in Salt Lake City. Dr. Pearce received her undergraduate degree in nursing from Loyola University in New Orleans; a master's in nursing with a specialization in family nurse practitioner from the Mississippi University for Women;

a master's in public health from Tulane University in New Orleans; and a PhD in nursing, with a minor in informatics, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dr. Pearce's research interests focus on cardiovascular risk prevention and developing effective and efficient information technology systems for use in both the research and clinical arenas.



**Xiaogang Su, PhD**

Dr. Su is an associate professor in the Department of Adult/Acute Health, Chronic

Health, and Foundations. He received his PhD and master's degrees in statistics from the University of California at Davis and undergraduate degree in mathematics at Beijing Normal University. He previously served as an associate professor at the University of Central Florida in Orlando and a research assistant at the University of California at Davis. He serves on the editorial review board of the *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* and serves as a reviewer for several other journals. In 2008, he received the D. Jean

Wood Award for Nursing Scholarship from the Southern Nursing Research Society and the Quality of Life Award from the Oncology Nursing Society Press.

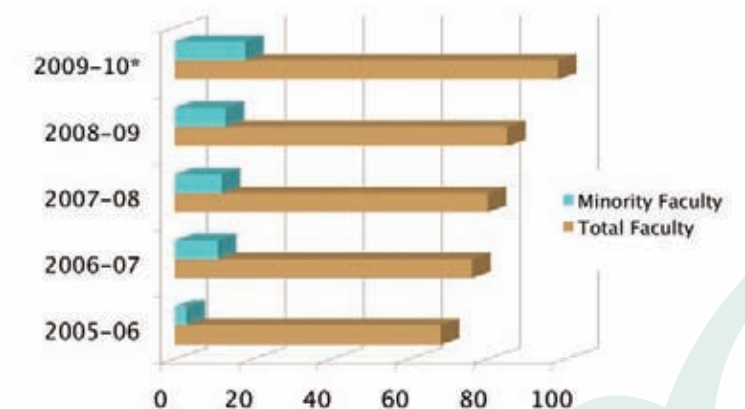


**Deborah Kirk Walker, DNP, RN, FNP-BC, AOCN**

Dr. Walker is an assistant pro-

fessor in the Department of Adult/Acute Health, Chronic Health, and Foundations. She received her DNP degree with a specialization in oncology and hematology at the University of South Alabama in Mobile and master's and undergraduate degrees in nursing at Troy University in Troy, Alabama. Before joining the faculty, Dr. Walker served as a nurse practitioner at The Kirklin Clinic at UAB and the HOPE Medical Group in Foley, Alabama. Walker is president-elect of the local Oncology Nursing Society (ONS), having served previously as president, secretary, program chair, and a member of various committees. She received the 2011 Roberta Scofield Memorial Certification Award from the ONS and serves on national ONS committees.

Faculty Composition, 2005-2006 to 2009-2010 \*(as of May 2010)













**WRIGHT, ANNETTE**

(Principal Investigator) UAB Diabetes Research Training Center, EatRight TruSage ChipRewards Program

(Co-Investigator) American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation, Evaluating Community Health Advisors on Diabetes Outcomes in Rural Alabama (ENCOURAGE)

Safford, Monika (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**WILSON, LYNDA**

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(Co-Investigator) University of Washington/Fogarty International Center (FIC), Peru ICOHRTA Network for AIDS/TB Research Training

Rodriguez, Martin (Project PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

## Education and Training Grants: New and Continuing Funding

**ACRE, GAIL**

(Project Faculty) Veterans Affairs, VA Nurse Scholars Programs

Harper, Doreen (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**ALEXANDROV, ANNE**

(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Nurse Education and Training in Stroke Management and Acute Reperfusion Therapies (NET SMART) Junior

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Vincent, Janice (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**BRITT, SYLVIA**

(Project Director) Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, UABSON New Careers in Nursing Program 3

**BROWN, KATHLEEN**

(Project Faculty) CDC/National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Occupational Health Nursing Program

Heaton, Karen (Project PI), Oostenstad, Kent (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

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Berner, Eta (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

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(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), A Distant Learning, Culturally Competent ANP/GNP Program for the Rural and Underserved Populations

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**LINK, DALE**

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Fordham, Pamela (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

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Greenwood, Rebecca (PD), Jukkala, Angela (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**PATRICIAN, PATRICIA**

(Project Director) University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill/Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN): Embedding New Competencies

(Project Director) Geneva Foundation/ Department of Defense, Building an EBP Mentorship Program to Sustain Bedside Evidence Based Culture

**PEARCE, PATRICIA**

(Project Faculty) Veterans Affairs, VA Nurse Scholars Programs

Harper, Doreen (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**PHILLIPS, JENANN**

(Project Faculty) CDC/National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Occupational Health Nursing Program

Heaton, Karen (Project PI), Oostenstad, Kent (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**PRYOR, ERICA**

(Project Director) Department of Education (DOED), Growing Capacity for Nursing Faculty in Alabama

(Project Faculty) CDC/National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Occupational Health Nursing Program

Heaton, Karen (Project PI), Oostenstad, Kent (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**RICE, MARTI**

(Project Faculty) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Leadership, Education, and Research Nursing

Turner-Henson, Anne (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**SAENZ, KAREN**

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**SMITH, MYRA**

(Project Faculty) Veterans Affairs, VA Nurse Scholars Programs

Harper, Doreen (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**STULLENBARGER, ELIZABETH**

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(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), ARRA – Nurse Faculty Loan Program

(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Nurse Faculty Loan Program

(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Nursing Workforce Diversity (Enrichment for Academic Success in Nursing)

(Project Faculty) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Culturally Competent Alabama Clinical Nurse Leaders Program

Greenwood, Rebecca (PD), Jukkala, Angela (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**TURNER-HENSON, ANNE**

(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Leadership, Education, and Research Nursing

**VINCENT, JANICE**

(Project Director) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), A Culturally Competent Online NNP Program

**WILSON, LYNDA**

(Project Director) U.S. Department of State, Professional Global Health Fellowship to Promote Collaboration in Education for Health Professionals

**WOODS, STEPHANIE**

(Project Faculty) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), A Culturally Competent Online NNP Program

Vincent, Janice (PD), University of Alabama at Birmingham

## Contracts

**BOWEN, PAMELA**

(Project Faculty) City of Birmingham, Occupational Health Services Unit

Brown, Kathleen (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**BROWN, KATHLEEN**

(Principal Investigator) City of Birmingham Good Health Program

(Principal Investigator) City of Birmingham Occupational Health Services Unit

**HALLMAN, MELANIE**

(Project Faculty) City of Birmingham Occupational Health Services Unit

Brown, Kathleen (PI), University of Alabama at Birmingham

**HEATON, KAREN**

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