

Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association I

Dear Members,

April, 2004

Our annual Spring Banquet & Alumnae meeting has been arranged for Tuesday , April, 13, 2004@ Rose's Restaurant, 595 Main St., Stratford, next to Sikorsky Airport-parking in the rear. The time is 6P.M. with dinner at 6:30 P.M. Dinner choices: Scrod Provencale, Chicken Cordon Blue, or NY Strip Pizzaiolo.

Also served: Escarole and Bean Soup, Fried Mozzarella Sticks, Pasta , Salad, and Tiramissu for dessert, coffee and tea, with tax and tip are included. The price is \$27.00 per person. Please send meal choice and \$27 made out to BHSN AAI and send to Cathy Nucera, VP, 153 Governor Trumbull Way, Trumbull, Ct 06611 by 4/9/04.

Our speaker for the evening will be Dr. Mary Pronovost, F.A.C.S., specialist in breast surgery, affiliated with the Norma F. Pfriem Breast Care Center, Fairfield, Ct, and the Breast Care Center @ Bpt. Hospital.

We would like to welcome 6 "young" AAI members to our Life Members group, Lillian Anderson, cl '53, Joyce Bruno, cl'52, Shirley Lee, cl'47, Evelyn Nyberg, cl '53, Florence Petrocelli, cl'53, and Isabelle Vince, cl '50. Congratulations to our 6 AAI members who have faithfully paid their dues for 50 consecutive years!!! This is a great accomplishment to belong to an organization for 50 years and to partake and experience in the vast changes in our Nursing careers. The BHSN SSI Board and all of its members wish to congratulate you.

There has been some major changes in the BHSN and one of them being an accelerated Nursing program that finishes and graduates in December while the rest of the students will complete their studies and practicums by May of the following year. We are pleased to acknowledge the Graduating class of December 19, 2003 who had 28 students attending the ceremony in the Elizabeth Oliver Auditorium. The graduates wore traditional graduating white caps and gowns. The Magnum Cum Laude pin was presented to Alejandro Amedo and Suma Cum Laude pin was presented to Bozena Rydzewski by Mary Toohey-Repko, BHSNAAI President.

The National Student Nurses Association , NSNA, will again hold an Alumnae Tea in the formal living room @ the School of Nursing, on April 26, 2004 @1 to 3 P.M. RSVP appreciated to Charlotte Boemmels @ 203-384-3212. Parking in the Hosp. garage- bring ticket to the Tea to be validated.

Election of AAI officers will take place Tuesday, April 13, 2004 at the Banquet.

Continuing Education Scholarship applications have been received and Caren Silhavey will announce the recipients at the Banquet.

We would like to acknowledge Dottie Connolly's completion of BS in Nursing @ Sacred Heart University, Fairfield. Congratulations and our best wishes in your success!!!

We are pleased to announce our support and congratulations to Linda Pololak for her nomination and acceptance to attend an extensive teaching/learning experience in Africa this summer. We hope to have Linda share her experiences with us at a future AAI meeting. Good luck in your adventure!!!

We are moving along with our plans for our 100th year Celebration in 2006. Anyone with articles from the past or suggestions-please contact one of the Board members.

We have several deceased AAI members this past year: Elizabeth Gorman, cl'45, 10/03, Wilma Simes, cl'37,9/03, and Barbara Hall, cl'56, 8/03. They will be sadly missed!

From the class of '56, Mary(Koziatek) Reusch is interested in attending her 50th reunion. Since she lives in California, she will need info in advance- If anyone has heard of plans-please let Debi-treasurer know. Class of '65 Elizabeth Skelding, 9249 Village Glen Dr #102, SanDiego, Ca 92123-2479, eskeldi1@san.rr.com- would love to hear from other classmates.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of Billy Lee Anges, cl'late 70's, and Barbara (Bunnell) Major, cl'85 is interested in attending her 20th reunion- please give Debi, treasurer, a call.

Officers of AAI: President: Mary Toohey-Repko- 203-378-9783

Secretary: Joyce Bruno- 203-378-0843

V.President: Cathy Nucera- 203-268-5812

Treasurer: Debi Petrushonis- 203-924-9175

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