

BRIDGEPORT HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOC. I

April, 2007

Dear Members,

We will have our Annual Spring Meeting/ Dinner on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, 6:00PM, at TESTO'S Restaurant (formerly Three Doors Restaurant), 1775 Madison Ave, Bridgeport, Ct. Directions are included.

Entrees are (1) Chicken Franchise, (2) Veal Parmesan, or (3) Broiled Salmon.

Included are pasta, salad, potato and vegetable, dessert, tea or coffee, tax and gratuities for \$25.00 per person.

Please send meal choice and check by 4/5/07.

The Speaker for the evening to be announced.

We celebrated our 100th Anniversary of our Alumnae being incorporated in 1906. This gala celebration took place on Saturday, September 23, 2006 at the Holiday Inn, Bridgeport, Ct and was attended by more than 100 alumnae and guests. AAI members traveled from as far as California, Washington State, New Hampshire

and Georgia to attend. One of our youngest of heart Life Members, Irene Firmender, cl'38, also attended. Bob Trefry,

CEO of BH, Carol DeBlois, Director of BHSN, and Steve Jacobs, President of the BH Foundation, also attended. A

tour of Bridgeport Hospital and the School of Nursing with a display of memorabilia followed on Sunday after a gracious brunch in our honor given by the Bridgeport Hospital and School Administration. A program booklet was

compiled with the history of our Alumnae, nostalgic pictures, a synopsis of some of our members and their successes,

our bylaws, and our past presidents. Gold and silver charms were available for order with the 100th Anniversary engraving. We will have a collage of pictures available at the dinner for everyone to view and have extra booklets

for anyone interested. We would like to thank our committees and Committee Chair People- Caren Silhavey, cl'69,

Cathy Nucera, cl'72, Beverly Tamas, cl'52, Elaine Mileski, cl'54, Mary Toohey-Repko, cl'80 and Debi Petrushonis,

cl'77, for their dedication and hard work in putting this successful event together! Check out our Web Page!

The National Student Nurses Association will hold their annual convention in California and the AAI will

pay the entrance fee of \$85 for each of the 7 BHSN board members to attend. Congratulations to the student nurses

for obtaining the NSNA board positions! A Tea for Alumnae will be given on 4/26/07 in the BHSN Lounge.

The Accelerated BHSN program graduated 22 nurses in December, 2006. Twenty-one have joined the

Alumnae. Mary Toohey-Repko presented gold pins to Suma Cum Laude, Nicole Pounds, and Magna Cum Laude,

Teresa Barnes. Congratulations!

We have 13 new Life Members for 2007 who have paid their Alumnae dues for 50 consecutive years! They are

Irene Breault, cl'54, Eleanor Carley, cl'55, Doris Fuller, cl'55, Rose Hynes, cl'47, Barbara Krolikowski, cl'55,

Patricia Miller, cl'47, Joan Murphy, cl'55, Blanche O'Leary, cl'54, Patricia Palumbo, cl'55, Dolores Paulin, cl'55,

Patricia Tanucci, cl'55, Judith Walker, cl'55, and Margaret Wynne, cl'56. Congratulations to all and may

you enjoy another 50 years membership as Life Members!

Linda Podolak, cl'70, recently passed the Nurse Educator Exam through the National League of Nursing! Congratulations!

Laura Tallberg, cl'84, will be awarded our Continuing Education Scholarship for 2007. If anyone is interested in applying for a scholarship, please contact Caren Silhavey @ 203-384-3963.

There have been a few deceased AAI Life Members- Marion Allen, cl', Helen Danyow, cl'35, and Bernadine Pulaski, cl'48, and AAI members, Jacqueline Giannone, cl'58, Dorothy Norris, cl'48, Diane Shirra, cl'60, Lois Tremont, cl'56 and Valerie Sullivan, cl'76. They will be sadly missed.

Judith Ference Hannon of the Class of 1964 would like to get the class together for a reunion. Please contact Caren Silhavey @203-384-3963 for those interested.

Officers of AAI: President: Mary Toohey-Repko- 203-378-9783 AAI Web page: www.BHSNAA1.org

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

Secretary: Joyce Bruno- 203-373-084

Treasurer: Debi Petrushonis- 203-924-9175 debptreas@juno.com

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Please send dinner payment of \$25.00 –made out to BHSN AA1 by 4/5/07 to: Cathy Nucera, VP,

Your 153 Governor Trumbull Way

Name: _____ Trumbull, Ct 06611

Dinner Choices: _____ (1) Chicken Franchise, _____ (2) Veal Parmesan, _____ (3) Broiled Salmon