

BRIDGEPORT HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOC. I

Dear Members, September, 2008

Our Fall Brunch/AAI meeting will be held at Stella's Restaurant, 7365 Main St, Stratford, in the Oronoque Plaza, across from Sikorsky's, on Sunday, Sept. 7th @ 12 Noon. The brunch will be in the greenhouse/ atrium and will include: salad, pasta, chicken, potatoes, vegetables, coffee, tea, and dessert. The cost is \$18.80 per person which includes tip. Please send your check to Cathy Nucera by Sept. 4th. Come, ask your classmates to join us for a delightful brunch and have a small reunion of your own. If anyone needs a ride, give one of our board members a call.

The BHSN Graduation commencement was held on Thursday, May 1, 2008, @ Fairfield University. The 36 members of the accelerated class, who completed their nursing courses in December, 2007, joined the 57 members of the graduating class of May, 2008 for the graduation ceremony. Our President, Mary Toohey-Repko presented the Suma Cum Laude pins to Virginie Cohen, cl'12/07 and Patricia Brennan, cl'5/08. The Magma Cum Laude pins were presented to Dana Alpert, cl'12/07 and Laurie Troy, cl'5/08. In the class of December, 2007, 31 nurses joined AAI and 40 nurses joined from the class of May, 2008. Congratulations to all the graduates!!!

Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing was awarded a 5 year certification licensure to continue with the School of Nursing. This will help BHSN to continue to train students as they have in the past for the nursing profession. The accelerated nursing program has become very popular and will continue at the School of Nursing with the class finishing their courses in December. They will be invited to attend the May graduation ceremonies with the regular graduating class.

Continuing Education Scholarships for 2008 were awarded to Marzena Gryozewski, cl'12/05 and Linda Podolak, cl'70. Congratulations to you both for your dedication and achievements to further your nursing careers!

Continuing Education Scholarship applications can be obtained from our web page www.BHSNAA1.org or by contacting Caren Silhavey @ 203-384-3963 or email Deb Petrushonis, Treasurer @ debptreas@juno.com Applicants must be a member of AAI in good standing for at least 2 years before applying for a scholarship. For further information you can call Caren.

At our April Banquet, we voted to have our current board members continue with their present positions for 2 more years.

There have been a few deceased members of AAI: Muriel Burke, cl'51 and Mildred George Prentice, cl'43. They will be sadly missed! A \$25.00 donation for each from AAI will be added to the AAI Continuing Education Fund in memory of Muriel and Mildred.

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

Vice Pres: Cathy Nucera: 203-268-5812

Secretary: Joyce Bruno: 203-373-0843

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

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TO: CATHY NUCERA,VP, 153 GOVERNOR TRUMBULL WAY, TRUMBULL, CT 06611

Your Name: _____