BRIDGEPORT HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOC. I

Dear AAI Members, March, 2021

We have exciting news! With the continuation of Covid restrictions and indecisive restaurant bookings, we have decided to have Zoom conferencing for our annual April Alumnae meeting. The date is Tuesday, April 13, 2021. We will start our log on meeting time at 6 PM so everyone has time to log on or get assistance if you need it. Our meeting will officially start at 6:15 PM. You can bring your own dinner, snacks and drinks as you prefer and relax from the comfort of your favorite chair!

If you would like to attend the April 13th Zoom meeting, please include your name and email Deb Petrushonis @ debptreas@juno.com, or text or call at 203-231-3306. A reminder and zoom link will be sent out to you a few days before the meeting. You will need to go to the website zoom.us and set up the zoom apt on the phone, computer or other devise that you wish to join the meeting. There will also be a phone number that you can call in, if you do not have computer access.

<u>Our speaker for the April meeting</u>—will be Cheryl Green, PhD, DNP,RN, LCSW,CNE,ACUE, MAC, FAPA, an Associate Professor at Southern Connecticut State University within the Dept of Nursing and an off-shift Nurse Leader at Yale-New Haven Hospital, New Haven, Ct. Dr. Green has been a registered nurse for over 31 years and a licensed clinical social worker for over 27 yrs. Her talk will begin at 6:30PM for about 30 minutes and will be on caring for the nurse.

<u>Our Financial Advisor, Fran Carson,</u> will update members at our April meeting on the Alumnae's finances with Ameritrade.

<u>We will be having a vote</u> by AAI members for AAI Board officer positions at our April meeting as we do every 2 years. If anyone is interested in an Officer position, contact one of the Board members. Our current slate of officers are: Mary Toohey-Repko, President, Cathy Nucera, Vice President, Dorothy Connolly, Secretary, and Deb Petrushonis, Treasurer.

<u>BHSN Historical items-</u> there are still some items remaining in our storage unit, such as clear glass dessert plates and cups and the blue Danube plates and cups that are available if anyone is interested in these items. A donation will be accepted and will be used for our scholarship fund. Please contact one of the AAI officers.





<u>Continuing Education Scholarship information</u>-we are continuing to accept applications for a scholarship until March 15, 2021. The application and guidelines are on the AA1website, <u>www.BHSNAA1.org</u>. For any AAI member who would like to apply for a scholarship, being in good standing for at least one year and in good standing. You can contact Caren Silhavey for any further information @ 203-375-4553 or email at <u>Silhavey@att.net</u>. Scholarships will be awarded after all information required has been reviewed and a Board decision is made.

<u>You may preview the new AAI Pamphlet – on our website, BHSNAA1.org.</u> We will distribute these pamphlets, about the Alumnae organization membership drive, for BHSN nurses to review at the Bridgeport and Milford Hospital campuses, in the near future.

<u>Life Members</u> A New Life Member for 2021 is Theresa Maklari, cl 70. Congratulations and may you enjoy another 50 yrs. and more as a Life Member!

Deceased Members: There has been one recent AAI member who has passed on, Anita Mullins McGrath, cl 46. She will be sadly missed! Often, the Alumnae sends a delegation to attend the funeral of our deceased members in the local area. If we are unable to send a delegation because of distance or other circumstances, the Alumnae will donate, in their memory, to our Continuing Education Fund or to the family's request. If anyone is available to attend funerals, if only occasionally, please contact Cathy Nucera, VP, at 203-449-6944

If anyone knows of AAI members who are in nursing homes or in the hospital, or whom has passed away, please let Dottie Connolly, AAI Secretary, know. 203-922-8022 or Dotconn0119@gmail.com

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