

Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association I

September, 2001

Dear Members:

We hope everyone is having an enjoyable and relaxing Summer! It is time to meet again with our fellow Alumnae at our annual Fall Meeting and Banquet. Tuesday, September 11, 2001, our AAI meeting will take place at the Bridgeport Hospital Cafeteria Meeting Room, Café-267, at the rear of the cafeteria. Parking is available in the Hospital garage, take the escalator to the second floor cafeteria and bring your parking ticket to the meeting for validation of free parking

The AAI business meeting for all members will start at 5:15 P.M. The order of business this evening will be to vote on a slate of officers for the 2001-2003 AAI Board. The existing board members will run again for the 2 year term. If anyone would like to be nominated to run for an AAI Board position, please contact Caren Silhavy @ 203-384-3963.

Following the Board meeting a buffet dinner is available with Chicken Florentine, Prime Rib, pasta, salad, a vegetable, potato, beverages, and wonderful desserts. The cost will be \$19.00 per person. Send your payment to Kathy Nucera, VP, 515 Whitney Ave., Trumbull, Ct. 06611 - make check out to: BHSN AAI- Thanks

Our program for the evening will be presented by Laurie DeZinno, MS, RD. Laurie is a Registered Dietician who will speak on Nutrition, Diabetes, Insulin, and Insulin pumps.

Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing graduation was held May 10th with a graduating class of 44. Congratulations to All!!!! 32 new graduates have returned applications to join AAI. The top honor students were awarded Nursing pins Summa Cum Laude to Kathleen Schomburg and Magna Cum Laude to Katarzyna Cieplinska. Congratulations on your "outstanding" achievements!!!!

BHSN AAI Continuing Education Scholarship recipients for 2001 were Jean Garrison, Anne Cicale, and Karen Nefores. Congratulations on your perseverance!!!!

If any AAI member of at least 2 years membership and in good standing, who is continuing their education in the health field, & would like an application for a scholarship, please contact Caren Silhavy, 25 Morning Glory Terr., Stratford, Ct. 06614.

We would like to extend our "Heartfelt Congratulations" to those BHSN AAI members who have paid their membership dues for 50 consecutive years faithfully and without any breaks and are now indoctrinated into the BHSN AAI Life Membership Group: Ruth O'Brien Bodine,cl'45, Janet Berg Botten,cl'49, Margarete Cames Disbrow, cl'49, Margaret Pacucci Holcomb,cl'49, Hilma Sterbinsky Kovlak,cl'49, Eileen Ahern Lengel,cl'47, Shirley Lockhart Mead,cl'49, Helen Simanis,cl'49, Ruth Leach Throp, cl'49. Joyce Liptak Totte,cl'49.

Mary, our President, met with Don Patterson, Saltmeadow.com recently with plans and expectations for an online alumni resource. The plan would be to have an AAI section on the BHSN web site. We would be able to share with members, officer information, meeting announcements, newsletters, scholarship info for graduate nurses, e-mail, reunion announcements, membership info, the Bylaws, along with a membership application for each new student graduating. The site can be personalized and articles can be posted by members. Cost estimate is \$1000 -\$2000 for 6 pages on the site, a home page with our logo, password protection is another \$1000. A \$15- \$35 reg. Fee and probably monthly fees of \$10 -\$30 to rent non-existing office space on the web. This would be an important link to the School of Nursing to let students know that we are a viable organization- in existence for many years. A proposal will be submitted to AAI and Don will be available to attend a meeting to

discuss further and answer questions. Please contact Mary if you have any comments or suggestions. Any further info will be discussed at the Fall meeting, Thanks.

Our recent deceased members were Claire Bachard, cl'45, Emile Stone, cl'37, Marion Zmijewski, cl'43. They will be sadly missed!

The class of '76 would like to hold their 25th Reunion on Oct. 6, 2001 @ the BHSN Elizabeth Oliver Hall. They have quite an agenda scheduled. 50 out of the 65 class members have been located. If anyone knows of the where about of Francis Atkins, Laura Baily, Sheryll Beaty, Mary Carlson, Maria Delgado, Cathy Jarose, Zageria Katoudis, Lynn Lahrmann, Laura McDonald, Sherri Maguire, Susan Muller, Millie Narzario, Debbie Nemergut, Patty O'Brien, Barbara Tiernan, and Rachel Rizzo, cl advisor Please contact Audrey Costantini Seigle @ 203-723-4250 Email judges@msn.com or Fran Winckler @ 203-729-0370 for further information, info on the where about of class members and even the former faculty, they would also like to invite them. Thanks.

AAI member Nancy London, cl'53, is seeking address/phone # on Leah Redino Esposito. If anyone has info please contact Debi, Treasurer, Thanks.

HAVE AN ENJOYABLE END OF SUMMER.

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