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An update for Saint Luke's nursing alumni and friends · Fall-Winter 2011

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences is Moving!

Students at Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences will begin the 2012 academic semester in a state-of-the-art facility near Saint Luke's Hospital, the college's primary teaching location.

Renovations are under way at 624 Westport Road in Kansas City, Mo., in a 39,000-square-foot building within short walking distance of the Saint Luke's campus at Wornall Road and 44th Street. Completion is expected by year-end in time for spring semester classes, which begin Jan. 17, 2012.

The college has been housed at 8320 Ward Parkway in Kansas City, Mo., since 2003. The new facility will feature one of the area's most advanced virtual reality simulation centers.

The center includes two skills laboratories with opportunities for practice and demonstration of basic and advanced clinical skills and simulated clinical experiences in three hospital settings—trauma/ICU, labor and delivery/pediatrics/infant, and a multi-use hospital room that provides a variety of care scenarios.

Classrooms, the simulation hospital, and debriefing rooms will be equipped with video technology for interactive and interdisciplinary learning. A learning exchange center will enable teaching via teleconference using live audio and video stream. This video technology accommodates short- and long-term expansion plans that include the development of master's and doctorate level nursing programs.

"The new facility was designed with the future of nursing in mind," said Dean Hubbard, president of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences. "While technically advanced, it will not replace the important hands-on clinical experience available to students."

Enrollment for the 2011-2012 academic year for the College of Health Sciences totals 224 students in the traditional bachelor of science in nursing (B.S.N.) degree program and the R.N. to B.S.N. completion program, which has immediate application for the professional nurse. The new space allows for additional growth. "The facility positions us to accommodate a doubling of our enrollment," said Hubbard. "This is important considering the vast shortage of nurses as baby boomers age and the need for health care grows. The college aspires to reach a combined enrollment of 500 students in multiple disciplines by 2016."

A large portion of the capital required for this project is funded by Saint Luke's Health System. The college is also undertaking a fundraising effort for capital and equipment needs of the simulation center, program development, and student scholarships.

Please join us as we look forward to the future success of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences. Growth and expansion of the college would not be possible without the financial support of our alumni and community.



Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences is moving to 624 Westport Road in Kansas City.

2011 Saint Luke's College Homecoming Reunion

The 2011 Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences Homecoming Reunion was held Oct. 7-8, coinciding with the grand opening of the New Saint Luke's.

The events included an educational seminar presented by author and international speaker Bobbe White. The topic of her presentation was "Try Laughter . . . Just for the Health of It!" The seminar was enjoyed by alumni, faculty, current students, and nurse managers within Saint Luke's Health System. A reception followed at the college, allowing alumni, nurses, and current students to participate in student-led tours and to view architectural drawings of the new simulation and education facility opening in January 2012.



The Class of 1959 checked out the interactive history wall featured in the New Saint Luke's.



College alumni take a tour of one of the operating suites in the new Saint Luke's Mid America Heart Institute.

Alumni had an opportunity to tour the state-of-the-art New Saint Luke's facility on the Plaza, which houses Saint Luke's Mid America Heart Institute. Many alumni also ventured into the older areas of the hospital for a trip down memory lane, dating to their days as "probies," or nurses in training.

The homecoming luncheon took place at the Hampton Inn and Suites near the hospital, with several speakers addressing the group. President Dean Hubbard, Ph.D., spoke of the vision of the college and its future expansion plans, and Academic Dean Dr. Jim Hauschild explained the college's plans for program development. In addition, Director of Development Sarah Higdon unveiled the new building campaign.

The Class of 1961, led by Carol Hite, Judi Korneman, and Barbara Larison, presented many wonderful and humorous stories of their nursing school days and announced their class contribution to a scholarship in honor of the 50th anniversary of their graduation. The afternoon celebration concluded with the Class of 1961 singing two songs they learned while they were nursing students.



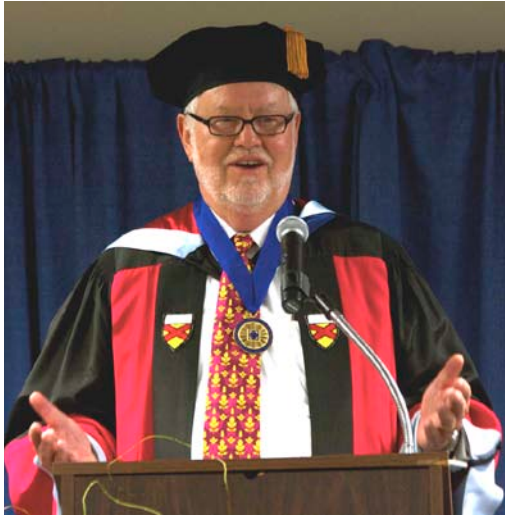
The Class of 1961 celebrated its 50th anniversary.



The Class of 1961 closed out the reunion by singing two songs they learned as nursing students.

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Dean Hubbard Inaugurated as College President



Dean L. Hubbard, Ph.D., was inaugurated as president of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences on Sept. 16.

Dean L. Hubbard, Ph.D., was inaugurated as president of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences at a ceremony held at the college on Sept. 16. The event was attended by the college board of directors, faculty, students, and invited guests.

Debbie White, R.N., Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer of Saint Luke's Hospital, delivered the keynote address. She and Anne Liners Brett, chair of the college board of directors, presented Dr. Hubbard with the Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences medallion. Board member Raymond Courter gave a tribute to Dr. Hubbard, thanking him for his vision and leadership.

Program Expansion Continues Into 2012 and Beyond

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences began program expansion with the Fall 2011 semester. Enrollment in the baccalaureate nursing program was doubled and an R.N.-B.S.N. completion program began, convenient for the professional nurse.

This expansion is driven by the increasing demand for nurses in delivering health care. The critical shortage of nurses, looming retirements within the aging nurse population, and the increasing need for nurse educators has led Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences to develop a master's level nursing program that will position the college as one of five in the nation to offer this specialty nursing degree.

In addition, an educational consortium between Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences, Nebraska Methodist College of Health Sciences (Nebraska), Cox College (Missouri), and Allen College (Iowa) will provide the opportunity to begin a doctoral program in nursing, pending approval by the Missouri State Board of Nursing and the Higher Learning Commission.

An articulation agreement is currently underway for an A.D.N.-B.S.N. completion program. C.N.A. certification classes will begin as early as June 2012.

Saint Luke's College aspires to reach a combined enrollment of 500 students in multiple disciplines by 2016 to meet the increasing demand for nurses in Kansas City and the region. A recent study by the Bureau of Labor Statistics indicated that nearly 600,000 new nursing positions will be needed by 2016.

Saint Luke's Center for Health Enhancement

The Center for Health Enhancement at 4200 Wornall Road, near Saint Luke's Hospital on the Plaza, now offers membership to Saint Luke's College faculty, staff, and students. Initial enrollment fee is \$30 with a monthly fee of \$30.

Center Benefits and Services

- Fitness consultations
- Group and pool fitness classes
- Lockers and towels
- Personal training
- Nutrition coaching
- Massage therapy
- Swim lessons

Facility Hours: Mon-Thurs 5:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday 5:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Save the Date!

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences
624 Westport Road
Kansas City, MO

Grand Opening
February 2012

Watch for your invitation to view our new simulation and education center!

Scholarships Awarded to 59 Students

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences and Saint Luke's Foundation awarded scholarships to 59 students, thanks to the generosity of many donors.

The following students received scholarships for the 2011-12 academic year:

FRANCIS W. AND JULIA BARTLETT NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Gwendolyn Barton
Renae Dupree
Sarah Johnson
Chau Nguyen

ELLA FRANCES BRISLEY AND NORMA BRISLEY PHILLIPS NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Jessica Begley
Molly Clawson
Samantha Nolker

DAVID L. COE NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Daniel Saeger
William Sherrill

DICKINSON NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Brady Strahm

DR. AND MRS. PAUL A. GEMPEL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Danica Strydom

ZETA R. GILLES NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Emily Doran

ESSIE GLASSCOCK MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Lindsay Bartlett
Amy Griffith Brown
Jeni Cui
Ashley Devine
Kylie Helmer
Rebecca Phillips
Brooke Ramer
Rachel Riffe
Nicole Roberson
Alyssa Schrock

GOPPERT FAMILY NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Shayla Nelson

DICK HOWSER MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Katherine Cook
Kimberly Justice

MARGARET JAMES NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Svetlana Akers
Stephanie Deeds
Janessa Endaya
Frannie Gillaspie
Lindsay Lewallen
Anna Morgan
Andra Meissner
Amanda Rosemeier
Carli Williams

BARBARA MEINKE KLEIST ENDOWED NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Luke Beardall
Emily Chrisman
Kelly White

CHARLES LINDSTROM EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Katie Leithauser
Jennifer Porro

MARY-MARGARET MILLER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Kassandra Mack

MICHELLE NEVILLE MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Kory Krahl

ARTHUR S. PECK AND LEONA J. PECK NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Deena Boyd
Traci Cornett
Christina Dill
Summer Fitts
Brittany Ganzer
Kelly Harrison
Jennifer Havelka
Vivian Hemmat
Laresa Meadows
India Spenner
Taylor Welston
Tamar Wolkenfeld
Tiffany Wong

THOMAS M. PIERSON MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Lindsay Lambert
Shelby Rennack

PAUL AND HELEN SHUCK ROSS MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Ethel Elblink-Jablonowski

GEORGE C. AND JOSEPHINE WHITTLE SCHAEFER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Brady Strahm

HELEN AUSTIN AND MARY WOODS NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Jason Criswell

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences

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2011 Professional Induction Ceremony



James Hauschildt, Ed.D., Academic Dean of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences, spoke at the Professional Induction ceremony.

Forty-eight junior class nursing students participated in the Professional Induction ceremony held Aug. 26, 2011, at Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences.

The ceremony marks a student's transition from classroom learning to clinical learning, at which time the student begins caring for patients in hospitals and other health settings.

The invocation was delivered by Reverend John Polk, with music provided by Kory Krahl, senior nursing student at the college. The ceremony included the recitation of the Nightingale Pledge and signing of the Oath, and concluded with the Blessing of the Hands, signifying the care, healing, and comfort extended to others through nurses' hands.



The induction concluded with the Blessing of the Hands.



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2011 PROFESSIONAL INDUCTION STUDENTS

Claire Baeuchle
Megan Barrett
Jessica Begley
Deena Boyd
Molly Clawson
Katherine Cook
Traci Cornett
Jason Criswell
Kelly DeLong
Christina Dill
Emily Doran
Ethel Elblink-Jablonowski
Summer Fitts

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Tamar Wolkenfeld
Tiffany Wong
Emily Woodward

Saint Luke's College Unveils New Building Campaign

We hope that you will join your colleagues, classmates, faculty, staff, and current nursing students as we kick off our new building campaign for Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences! Our new simulation and education center will accommodate the short- and long-term expansion plans for the college. We are hoping for 100 percent participation from our loyal alumni for this campaign.

Campaign Update

- We have received our first lead gift from Robert A. and Barbara Meinke Kleist in the amount of \$100,000 for use in our new simulation center (\$80,000) and for continued scholarship support (\$20,000).
- We are pleased to announce a commitment of \$250,000 toward the completion of the audio-visual technology required for our new Learning Exchange and Simulation Centers.
- The Class of 1961 announced a leadership gift for scholarships at the homecoming reunion, in celebration of their 50th anniversary of graduation from Saint Luke's College.
- A memorial art fund has been established in the name of Janet Hernandez, sister of our president, Dean Hubbard, to support the purchase of art in our new facility.
- Two paintings have recently been donated to us by the estate of Elizabeth Osborne, mother of our faculty member Kathleen Brewer.

Employees of Saint Luke's Health System may designate the **Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences Education and Simulation Center Fund** for contributions made through payroll deduction.

Please consider a personal commitment that can be pledged over four years to support the growth and expansion of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences. Donors at the \$2,500 level and above will be recognized in a prominent location in our new building. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of support for this campaign.

For questions or more information, contact Sarah Higdon, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at 816-932-2977 or shigdon@saint-lukes.org.

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences Alumni Gift Clubs

TRUSTEE'S LEVEL	\$100,000
PRESIDENT'S LEVEL	\$50,000
DEAN'S LEVEL	\$25,000
PROFESSOR'S LEVEL	\$10,000
MASTER'S LEVEL	\$5,000
BACCALAUREATE LEVEL	\$2,500

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences Naming Opportunities

Simulation Hospital Rooms (3): \$100,000

Three hospital rooms equipped with the latest patient care technology dedicated to 1) Trauma/ICU, 2) Labor and Delivery/Infant/Pediatrics, and 3) General use. Simulated patient manikins give students the opportunity to learn basic and complex skills while demonstrating procedures, communication, decision making, and critical thinking.

Student Commons: \$350,000

A student-centered gathering space with lounge seating for studying, computer-charging stations, a small prep kitchen, and tables and chairs for dining.

Learning Exchange Center: \$250,000

A dedicated classroom designed with the technology required to teach students in remote locations via teleconferencing, utilizing live audio and video stream.

Classrooms (8): \$75,000

Classrooms equipped with video technology for interactive and interdisciplinary learning.

B.S.N. Program Fund: \$200,000

Annual funding provides program coordination, curricular development, and release time for faculty research for the baccalaureate degree program.

M.S.N. Program Fund: \$250,000

Annual funding provides program coordination, curricular development, and release time for faculty research for the master's degree program.

Faculty Development Fund: \$100,000

Annual funding provides continuing education for nursing faculty.

Scholarship: \$25,000/year

Annual funding provides tuition assistance for nursing students.

Mission Travel Fund: \$20,000/year

Annual funding covers program and travel expenses as well as medical supplies for 20 nursing students to provide clinical assistance to impoverished communities around the globe.

Dean's Discretionary Fund: \$10,000/year

Annual funding provides a stipend to the academic dean for professional development as well as conference attendance for dean and student nurse association conferences.

Howser Day at the K!

Nancy Howser, wife of the late Dick Howser, congratulated Katherine Cook, recipient of the 2011 Dick Howser Memorial Nursing Scholarship, and Kimberly Justice, the 2010 scholarship winner, in a pregame ceremony prior to a Kansas City Royals' game in July.

Each year, the Foundation selects one outstanding student pursuing a bachelor of science degree in nursing at Saint Luke's College for this two-year scholarship in memory of former Royals manager Dick Howser.

Dick Howser managed the Royals from 1981 to 1986 and led the team to its 1985 World Series championship. The scholarship fund was established following Howser's death from a brain tumor in 1987, in appreciation of the nurses who cared for him during his stay at Saint Luke's Hospital. The scholarships are awarded thanks to generous support from the Kansas City community and the Howser family.



Dick Howser Memorial Nursing Scholarship recipients Katherine Cook, left, and Kimberly Justice with Nancy Howser, wife of the late Dick Howser at a July Kansas City Royals' game.

Saint Luke's College Student Nurse Association Board, 2010-2011

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Students Prepare for Mission Trip to Nicaragua

As part of the global health curriculum, junior and senior students of Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences are preparing for an upcoming medical mission trip to the country of Nicaragua, March 9-16, 2012. The students are busy raising funds to offset a portion of the expenses for travel and lodging and to help furnish medical supplies for the people of Nicaragua. The students will be traveling with the Outreach International organization. Faculty and students will devote eight hours of clinical instruction and 20 hours of coursework in preparation for the medical mission.

Nursing Students Active in Community Service

Nursing students at Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences are not only busy with schoolwork and clinical rotations, but they also find time to use their talents in the Kansas City community. Students participated in the SCTNow Walk (Stop Child Trafficking Now), on September 17 at Ilus Park in Kansas City, Mo. The students walked to raise money for the organization and volunteered in the first aid tent at the event.

On October 1, students enjoyed participating in the Stroke Walk to benefit the American Stroke Foundation at Theis Park in Kansas City. Student volunteers staffed five first aid stations along the walking route.

College Chosen as National Test Site

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences was recently chosen by Hill-Rom as a national test site for the NaviCare Nurse Call system.

Hill-Rom is a major innovator in medical equipment and medical devices. The cutting-edge technology featured in the NaviCare Nurse Call system provides the world's first graphical touch-screen patient station. It enables caregivers to reduce steps in their routine to help improve patient safety, drive efficiency at the point of care, improve patient satisfaction, and enhance communication with staff and patients.

As a nationally recognized test site, our new education and simulation facility will be systematically updated with new equipment and technology in the future. We are grateful for this generous partnership with Hill-Rom.

Nursing Pins

If you would like to order a Saint Luke's School of Nursing or Saint Luke's College pin, please contact Sarah Higdon, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at 816-932-2977 (816-932-6746 after January 1) or shigdon@saint-lukes.org.

Saint Luke's College Alum Wins DAISY Award

Lea Ann Hawthorne, B.S.N., R.N. III, received the September DAISY Award from Saint Luke's Hospital in recognition for her caring and compassionate nursing skills on East 7.

The DAISY Award was established by the DAISY Foundation in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, who died at age 33 of idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura (ITP), an auto-immune disease.

A 2004 graduate of Saint Luke's College, Lea Ann was nominated for the award by a former patient she cared for at Saint Luke's Hospital on the Plaza. Congratulations to Lea Ann, who, like so many Saint Luke's Hospital nurses, deserves our appreciation for the extraordinary and compassionate nursing care provided to our patients.

Fall Picnic

Saint Luke's College held its annual fall picnic on August 19 at Loose Park in Kansas City, Mo. Students, faculty, staff, and families enjoyed Jack Stack barbecue, a beautiful summer evening, and an opportunity to get acquainted with one another.

Tiffany Wong, a junior nursing student, stated, "As an entering junior, it was such a great opportunity for me to meet and talk with fellow juniors, seniors, faculty, staff, and their families. It's not every day that you get to eat Jack Stack, enjoy the beautiful outdoors, and have fun with each other outside of the classroom. It really made me feel welcomed into the big Saint Luke's College family!"

More Awards for Saint Luke's College Alumni

Congratulations to the following Saint Luke's College alumni as finalists for the March of Dimes Future of Nursing Awards. Julie and Michaela are both employed at Saint Luke's Hospital on the Plaza.

JULIE HARRIS – GENERAL MEDICAL/SURGICAL

MICHAELA PARSEL – CRITICAL CARE

The March of Dimes Future of Nursing Awards honor the dedication and commitment of the Kansas City nursing community. The awards recognize nurses from a variety of fields whose strength, courage, and perseverance advances the entire profession.

Saint Luke's College Wish List

Glass display case	\$4,000
Stackable washer/dryer for simulation lab	\$800
Refrigerator for student kitchen	\$800
Outdoor grill for patio	\$400
Small refrigerator for board room	\$300
Commercial coffee maker (2)	\$250 each
Printed book of class composites for college	\$250
Microwave ovens (4)	\$200 each
Two coffee urns for board room	\$25 each

Alumni Updates

In Memory

LUCILLE OBERT PYLE ~ CLASS OF 1938

1944

BARBARA MCGREGOR KURTZ

I am retired from nursing and enjoying the activities of daily living.

1945

JEAN STEVENSON CLARK

My husband was in the Air Force and we moved often. I did mostly volunteer work at different air bases. I have been retired for many years but I am very proud to be a Saint Luke's nurse. I like hearing about the many changes and improvements at Saint Luke's. I doubt I can ever think of the front of the hospital being at the back now because I knew that area as intern quarters and the nursing home.

1950

VERNA ADWELL RHODES

I served as a faculty member at the University of Missouri, Sinclair School of Nursing, for 39 years. Now retired, I was honored as the 2011 Distinguished Friend of the School. We took the last of three grandchildren on an individual international trip. My husband Jim and I celebrated our 61st wedding anniversary with our two great-granddaughters (Reagan and Rhyan) in Dallas, Texas.

1952

ALBERTA WALKER BEUST

Harry, my husband, and I have lived in various communities: Liberty and Independence, Mo., Manhattan and Miller, Kan. And now my daughter and son-in-law are building a "grandparent" house south of Admire, Kan. My latest employment was at the V.A. hospital in Topeka. My daughter and guest to the reunion, Mary, is teaching second grade in Reading, Kan. Reading is recovering from tornado damage but classes have resumed.

PATRICIA TURPIN HESHER

My regards to my classmates. My husband, Wayne Heshner, was a patient on the sixth floor—orthopedic—in 1951 and has many fond memories of life in the eight-bed ward.

1956

BILLIE PRIGEL REPLOGLE

Retired for 10 years and we love it. We have four grandchildren: a 19-year-old in the UMKC pharmacy program, two 16-year-olds, and one 13-year-old. All great kids.

1957

MARIAN WYATT KELTNER

I am still retired. I travel some, mostly to Tennessee to see daughter #1 and her family. Daughter #2 lives in Las Vegas and keeps an eye on me. I am still maintaining my own home, driving, etc.—independent! Hi to the girls of '57!

DOLORES CLOEFFIL PALMER

I am retired from private practice music therapy and piano teaching. (I earned a B.M.E. in music therapy from the University of Kansas.) I also worked in med-surg, E.R., home health, and nursing home care. In addition to nursing and music therapy, I taught piano for over 35 years. I have four children: Jim (deceased), Stan, Jean, and Elaine. I have nine grandchildren, three of whom have graduated from college and two are married. I am a caretaker for my husband, Robert, who has multiple health issues.

1959

LAVONNA (VONNIE) RINDT NIEDERWIMMER

I'm still doing a few massages each week. We babysit our four grandchildren six days a month: age 7, 4-year-old twins, and 2. I also volunteer for hospice.

KAREN HEIDECKER STACY

I retired seven years ago after working at Westport Medical (ENT) for 29 years. My daughter, Robyn, is nurse manager on East 3 at Saint Luke's Hospital on the Plaza.

PATRICIA HULETT WICKE

I have been married 50 years! We have three children and six grandchildren. I have been able to travel to areas I never dreamed of seeing. I was employed by Saint Luke's from 1959 to the fall of 1961. I was head nurse on old North 3 (ortho). I also did office nursing for 20 years.

1960

MONA GATZ HIGGINBOTHAM

I am still PRN at Saint Luke's Internal Medicine. I have six grandchildren—five girls and one boy. One granddaughter became engaged and one granddaughter graduated from O.U. last December. The other four grandchildren are teenagers, with two in high school and two in middle school. Two girls play volleyball, one girl plays soccer and basketball. The grandson plays piano and sings in the boys' choir, the Truetone Ensemble.

JANET LINHARDT KEMPER

I worked mostly at Saint Luke's and in the Kansas City area for 20 years as a med-surg nurse and in inservice education while obtaining my B.S. at that time. I moved to Florida and worked as a director of nursing and chief nurse executive and obtained a master's in hospital administration. I retired in 2007. I have five children, nine grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren.

DONNA WILSON UPP

I worked at Shawnee Mission Medical Center's Ask a Nurse phone triage center for the past 15 years until I retired in 2010. My husband died eight years ago. I am enjoying retirement and keep busy with church activities and friends.

1961

HELEN ROWE CONNORS

I retired two years ago after a 40-year career as a CRNA. I am married to Jim, who is a commander of the St. Joseph, Mo., police department. We have four children, 12 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. I am spending my time with the grandchildren and loving it!

1961, continued

CAROL HENNEKER HITE

After getting my R.N. at Saint Luke's, I later got my B.S.N. at the College of Santa Fe in New Mexico and a master's in health education at the University of New Mexico. I have worked in the O.R., med-surg, and home health care. For the last 29 years, I have been a school nurse. I have four children, six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

JUDITH TIPTON KORNEMAN

I worked in nursing for 45 years. My last job was as director of nursing for Cass Med in Harrisonville, Mo. I am a widow with one son, James, who has not married and lives in Chicago. I have volunteered at the Kansas City Zoo for 11 1/2 years and have traveled over most of the world. I am so happy to see so many classmates.

BARBARA MERRICK LARISON

My class is celebrating our 50th reunion. I have very fond memories of my three years at Saint Luke's. As a result of the educational opportunities offered at Saint Luke's, I was well prepared for my 41-year career in nursing. I spent these 41 years working at Saint Luke's and Truman Medical Center-Lakewood. I am proud to share that the Class of 1961 is establishing a scholarship through the college. My classmates and I are very proud that we are the first class to do this.

ANNA EVANS LEUENBERGER

I married my roommate's brother, so thanks to whoever made room assignments at Saint Luke's. I worked mostly O.R./day surgery, then moved in later years to quality assurance and utilization review. My last seven years working, I was a Medicare hearing officer. We have three children and six grandchildren. I am a cancer survivor.

VETA HAMBLÉN MASSEY

I am officially retired but continue to teach part-time for Brenau University and the University of Phoenix online. We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary and welcomed our first great-grandchild in March. We

continue to travel but have switched to the bus rather than the long international flights.

KAREN BEBEE MILL

I have B.S.N. and Health Care Management degrees. My career: operating room nursing, 1961-1995; quality management, medical affairs, 1996-2000; health care risk management, 2000-11. I am the mother of three sons and grandmother of six grandchildren. I have gone on three short-term mission trips to a Navajo Indian reservation in Chinle, Ariz. My favorite TV shows are Project Runway, Pawn Stars, American Pickers, Fox News, and Dancing with the Stars.

PEGGY NOGER SHAW

I worked for 40 years in nursing—in the O.R., blood services (the Red Cross), minor emergency clinics, and internal medicine offices. I retired back in Kansas City—thank goodness! I have two children and three grandsons.

NANCY HOTT YOUNG

I think we got a great education at Saint Luke's. It was such a fun three years of my life. Nursing was and is still a good profession. I worked in hospital and school nursing and in HMO insurance for many years.

1962

BEVERLY TIEMAN BARGFREDE

Still living in my hometown (Alma, Mo.) with my husband and am close to my two married sons and four grandkids. I have worked in OB and a nursing home. For over 25 years I've been at a doctor's office and continue now working there one day a week. I do a lot of volunteering and spoiling the grandkids.

(BEVERLY) CAROL HYATT BOLIN

Despite "retirement" (from nursing in 1996 and as a corporation president in 2001), I remain busy and active and enjoy a full and rewarding life. Each year I anticipate these alumni association functions as they provide a delightful time for updates with friends from nursing school and a wonderful career span in nursing.

LINDA GREGATH BOLIN

I worked 27 years in the O.R. as staff nurse, private scrub nurse, head nurse, and vice-president of nursing/director of the O.R. I was risk manager at Menorah Medical Center for 10 years. I retired seven years ago and love retirement.

1964

LAVENA LAND FARMER

Saint Luke's training served me well! I enjoyed a varied career: hospital, public health, education and counseling in schools and churches. I was a certified rehab R.N./inpatient for 15 years. Today's joys are Christian faith, dear friends, and precious family, especially my children, grandchildren, parents, brothers, and extended family. I love history and travel.

PATRICIA RAPPARD LINNHOFF

Retired, finally. Worked at Saint Luke's for 26 years then did health insurance case manager for six years. I retired from Saint Luke's and specialty hospitals.

1965

PATRICIA MANGUM LOWE

Jack and I have been married for 46 years and have three wonderful daughters. I spent 45 years in critical care and emergency room nursing (lots of changes). I helped establish an ongoing educational group for EMS in our area. I helped educate and certify EMS personnel in the use of the Heart Start defibrillator.

1966

SAUNDRA PEARSON PARKE

I was a Hurricane Katrina evacuee. I have authored: *Tiny Bites*, 2000; "Helen's Story," *Chicken Soup for the Christian Soul*; and "Nursing in the Eye of the Storm," *RN Magazine*, October 2005. My latest article is "Full Circle" in *TruMed* magazine, regarding my return to the place of my first job. My interests include gardening, piano (church and at home), furniture refinishing, travel, and biking and hiking.

ROSE BOOTH ZWERENZ, M.D.

I attended medical school at UMKC from 1978-82. I completed my residency in family medicine and am currently an assistant dean of medical education and an associate professor at the UMKC School of Medicine. I have enjoyed life with Bruno for 42 years and we share the love of our two children, six grandchildren, and the world of travel. I would love to hear from my classmates.

1967

LEONA LUST BEEZLEY

I taught nursing for 26 years (P.N., associate, B.S., and B.S.N.). Loved teaching. I did nine years in home health and hospice early in my career. Now I'm a home health and hospice nurse part-time.

1968

CAROL WALKER BLAKE

I have been married to my wonderful husband for 42 1/2 years. We live in Angleton, Texas. I am semi-retired now and work very part-time in the nursery at my hospital, and I volunteer one day a week for a local facility for indigent patients. I am grateful for my training at Saint Luke's, for it gave me a great career.

1971

SUE CURRY-HUGHES

I have practiced in rural southwest Missouri since graduation. My husband Bob and I have two children and six grandchildren. All live close by and there is never a dull moment. Looking forward to retirement in the next two to three years. Bob and I enjoy traveling the United States.

NANCY SIMMONS SPARKS

After 13 years of office nursing, 13 years of surgery, and 11 years of the rehab unit, I am now doing school nursing, kindergarten through 4th grade, and love it. I'm going to be a great-grandma in January.

1985

THERESA FRY JULKOWSKI

After graduation, I worked at Menorah Medical Center on the postpartum floor for seven years. In 1992, I went to St. Mary's Medical Center and worked as a labor nurse in the birthing center. I am currently working in the NICU in the birthing center. I have been married for 25 years and have two daughters.

1990

JAN WARREN

I worked in oncology in Longmont, Colo., as a charge nurse/preceptor. I recently moved back to Missouri. I am working in the Cass Regional Medical Center's outpatient oncology specialists unit as charge nurse/preceptor. I am on sabbatical with Graceland University for a B.S.N.

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