



RIVERSIDE – WHITE CROSS ALUMNI

April 2008 Newsletter

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2008 ANNUAL SPRING REUNION LUNCHEON

Saturday, May 3 rd	Riverside Methodist Hospital
10:30 am Social Hour	3535 Olentangy River Rd.
11:30 am Luncheon	Columbus, OH 43214
Cost: \$ 20 / person	(614) 566-5000

Reservation deadline is **Monday April 28th**.
Your reservation slip is elsewhere in this newsletter.

MENU

Fruit Cup
Grilled Asparagus
Scalloped Potatoes
Chicken Dijonaise
Baskets of Rolls and Butter
Pitchers of Iced Tea and Water
Silver Platter of Mini Desserts
Coffee Service



We will celebrate in the same place as last year (the employee cafeteria on the second floor). There will be free parking in the RED garage and free Valet parking will be available in the circular drive at the main entrance to the hospital. Using the Valet parking will mean fewer steps for those of you who find long walks difficult.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1958



Our class of **1958** will be celebrating our **50th** reunion in May. We would like to find and contact classmates that may be interested in getting together for the week-end as well as the banquet. Our last attempt to locate all our classmates was for our 45th and Ann McCarley

Wetherbee has kept a list of both addresses and e-mail addresses, but has found that some of the e-mail addresses have changed. Please place a note in the upcoming newsletter to contact Ann or myself with current mailing address and updated e-mail addresses. We are hoping for a large turnout of classmates. Thanks for your help.

Contact persons:

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Columbus, Ohio 43224, (614) 267-7653
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Ann McCarley Wetherbee, 4212 Arlington Place,
Portsmouth, Virginia 23707, (757) 393-4639
email: mommabee1@verizon.net

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Greetings!! And will spring ever come? We have had a long, long winter in Ohio. Those of us Riverside White Cross Alumni members working at Riverside are busy planning for the May 3, 2008 luncheon. We will review the plans at the March 25, 2008 Alumni Officers Meeting. Free parking will be available in the Riverside Methodist Hospital Red Garage on May 3, 2008 for the Riverside White Cross Alumni Luncheon. If you should need to valet park, be sure and let me know sometime during the luncheon event. The guest speaker for the Riverside White Cross Alumni luncheon is our very own **Linda Quinn Everett (RWC Class of 1969)**. Linda is the current President of the American Organization of Nurse Executives (A.O.N.E.). She will share stories from nursing school, her career, and what is going on in (A.O.N.E.). She has many responsibilities with the Clarian Health System in Indianapolis, Indiana, and is Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs, Indiana University School of Nursing. I know we will all enjoy her presentation, and how proud we are to have her as our alumni nurse. We are hoping to see many of you at the luncheon, so call you former classmates and join us at Riverside Methodist Hospital on Saturday, May 3, 2008. I will share more nursing news at the luncheon, and until then... Be Healthy and Safe. Sincerely, **Rita Smith (1966)**

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1963

Your **45th** reunion is just around the corner. Please send in your current address and your ideas for celebrations!

Contact persons:

Carolyn Glover Sweeney
9337 Robinhood Circle
Westerville, Ohio 43082
614-891-9855
fcsweeney@sbcglobal.net

Doris Nelms Ossman
2469 Oakview Lane
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
740-687-0507
patriot@columbus.rr.com

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1948

Marilyn Flor Smith – 1948. Please mention the Class of 1948 is working hard to raise 1948 dollars for the Spirit of Nursing campaign. We have contacted all class members with the exception of Doris Cartee Grey ~ have never found her ~ and another letter will be coming out about how much we will need from each person. Our class number is down to 30. Thanks dear, this donation is in memory of our departed members. We are celebrating our **60th** anniversary this year! Contact Marilyn by email at: mas2630@wowway.com

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1973

It's time to start planning for our 35th reunion! Please contact me with any ideas you might have. My e-mail is: rwcalumni@aol.com

Pamela Ann Martin (1973), Newsletter / Website Editor

LUNCHEON RAFFLE

Once again we will have a raffle at the Spring Luncheon. If you have items to donate, please contact our Recording Secretary, **Cherrie A. Cherrington (1965)**, 1029 Hidden Acres Court, Columbus, Ohio, 43224, 614-261-8662 or e-mail Cherrie at: cherrie1029@aol.com



 Thank you so much to all of you who have made donations to our **Postage Fund**. We are no longer permitted to mail out our newsletter, free of charge, through the hospital. That means we now have to buy postage stamps, at nearly \$400 / quarter, to mail out each edition of our newsletter to 900 active members! All donations are truly appreciated!

NEW New to our website... check the "Reunions" page for current information on the activities of YOUR class at the Annual Reunion Luncheon this year!

OBITUARY NEEDED...

Sylvia Curry Broadhurst (1952)



Vivian Lucille Drake Stillings (Class of 1947)

Brighton, Michigan. Age 81. Passed away April 21, 2006 of Alzheimer's Disease. Vivian was born April 3, 1925 in New Bloomington, Ohio.

She leaves her husband C. Graham and two daughters, Connie (Eric) Pomeroy and Beth Stillings.



Gloria Saffield Gage, class of 1945. Passed

away May 29, 2007 after a long illness in Fremont CA. She served in the U.S.A.F. Nursing Corps overseas during W.W.I! She left behind 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 4 Great-

grandchildren. Her obituary was published in San Jose, CA in the San Jose Mercury News. Donations may be made to Michael J Fox Foundation for Parkinson Research.



Lois E. Fisher McWhirter, 81, of Scott Depot, W.Va., originally of Crestline, died Saturday, May 12, 2007, at CAMC Teays Valley Hospital, Winfield, W.Va. Born in Crestline on February 28, 1926, to the late Earl and Frances (Dapper)

Fisher. Retired as an R.N. (WCH Class of 1947), having been the assistant head nurse at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus. Survived by husband, Richard C. McWhirter, Scott Depot, W.Va.; daughter, Kathleen A. (Romie) Edens, Sissonville, W.Va.; son, Richard C. McWhirter, Jr.; grandchildren, Crystal M. and Jacob McWhirter; great-grandchild, Emily, all of Columbus.



Your RWC Alumni Association is sponsoring **Nursing Grand Rounds** at Riverside Methodist Hospital on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 12:00 noon in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium.

Pizza, salad, and soft drinks are provided. CE credits are available. Everyone is invited to attend and no reservations are required. The tentative schedule is posted elsewhere in this newsletter.

The next newsletter will be mailed in early September. Deadline for news items is **Friday August 22nd**. Make sure you notify us of address changes, as the US Post Office does **NOT** forward our newsletter.

Available at the Annual 2008 Reunion Luncheon:

- WCH / RMH Events & Memories DVD
- Shepherds Heart wood replica of WCH
- Shepherds Heart wood replica of RMH

These items sell for \$20.00 each.

CELEBRATING A REUNION IN 2008?

START PLANNING NOW!

Our Membership Secretary, **Patty Persinger Reed (1977)**, has a large database file of active Alumni members (over 900 names) and may be able to help you find that long lost classmate. Contact Patty at 1839 Ramblewood Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43235 or by e-mail at preciouspatty@columbus.rr.com

Our Newsletter / Website Editor, **Pamela Ann Martin (1973)**, can post your messages here in the newsletter and on our Internet Website to help you locate everyone on your list. Items of interest can be sent to Pam at 392 Yarmouth Lane, Columbus, Ohio, 43228 or sent by e-mail to: rwcalumni@aol.com

WE'RE LOOKING FOR NEW ALUMNI OFFICERS

We are looking for nominees for Alumni Officers to serve a new 2-year term. If you would like to nominate (with their permission, of course) a classmate, coworker, friend, or even yourself, please contact our Recording Secretary, **Cherrie A. Cherrington (1965)**, 1029 Hidden Acres Court, Columbus, Ohio, 43224, 614-261-8662 or e-mail Cherrie at: cherrie1029@aol.com
Deadline for submissions is Friday, April 11th.

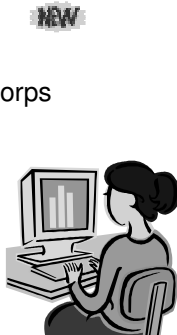
ATTENTION: Class of 1968

Class of 1968.... Let's get together to celebrate our 40th reunion May 3rd! **Cindy Pierpont Wagner**, 163 W Union Street. Circleville Ohio 43113, (740) 474-1865
E-mail: ccmwagner@verizon.net

OUR INTERNET WEBSITE
www.rwcalumni.com

Have you visited our Internet website lately?
Here's what you will find:

- Luncheon Reservation Slips
- Class Reunion Information
- Membership Application Forms
- Information on the Cadet Nurse Corps
- Association By-Laws
- Upcoming Events
- Association Funds
- School of Nursing History
- Member Deaths & Obituaries
- Member E-mail Addresses
- Past Newsletters
- Scholarship Information
- The Spirit of Nursing Sculpture
- Shepherd's Heart Wood Carvings Order Forms
- WCH / RMH Events & Memories DVD Order Forms
- Links to Sign & Read our Alumni Guestbook
- Links to the Riverside & Ohio Health Websites



ARE YOUR DUES CURRENT?

Check your mailing label. It is now showing the year through which your dues are paid. Dues are \$15 / year with \$5 for educational fund, \$1 for scholarship fund and \$9 for general fund. Keep your dues current so that you don't miss out on any newsletters! Any alumnus who has graduated more than 50 years ago is entitled to Lifetime Membership status that allows them FREE membership and newsletters. "LT" on your mailing label indicates you are a Lifetime Member.

The RWC Alumni Association provides Nursing scholarships for deserving active members of the Association and their family members. RWC Alumni members must be active, in good standing, with yearly dues kept current throughout the tuition reimbursement process. Total lifetime tuition reimbursement is limited to \$1500 / person. Restrictions may apply. Questions / concerns should be directed to **Doris Rarick Greene Weate (1948)**, 4266 Maize Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43224 or by phone at 614-267-2888.

I tried to email you an obituary of **Judith Menear Ebbitt-Glover**, class of RWC 1963. She passed away March 19, 2008 at her home after a one year illness. She was a good nurse & wonderful friend for so many years. Our beloved RWC classmate (1963) will always be remembered by many who will miss her very much. How are the reservations for the luncheon coming? I just sent out a reminder to 1963 classmates to get their reservations to you. Sure hope that we have a good turnout. **Carolyn Glover Sweeney (1963)**

Dear Pam, Enclosed is a check to be added to the Postage Fund for the newsletters. This donation is in memory of **Ilene Shade Hand** and **Jeannine Bowman Sponsler** who were my former classmates in the class of 1953. We will be having our 55th year reunion in May and I am enclosing the names, address, and phone numbers of our classmates. We have the list current with the exception of 2 members with whom we have lost contact. I am the contact person if there are questions about our reunion. Thanks so much for all the time and effort you give to our newsletter – what a huge job! I look forward to seeing you at our March 25th meeting at the new Dublin Hospital. Sincerely **Wilma Johnson Hagely (1953)**. My email address is: jrhagely@aol.com

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1953

The contact person for your 55th reunion is:

Wilma Johnson Hagely
4100 Woodbridge Road
Columbus, Ohio 43220-4681
614-451-2169
Email: jrhagely@aol.com

The RWC Alumni Officers & Board of Directors meeting has been rescheduled for Monday April 14, 2008 at 4:30 pm in the Chester Boardroom at Riverside Hospital

The Chester Boardroom is located on the first floor of the main hospital next door to Medical Education

ALUMNI OF THE YEAR

We are looking for nominees for the **ALUMNI OF THE YEAR** for 2008. If you would like to nominate a classmate, coworker, or friend please contact our Recording Secretary, **Cherrie A. Cherrington (1965)**, 1029 Hidden Acres Court, Columbus, Ohio, 43224, 614-261-8662 or e-mail Cherrie at: cherrie1029@aol.com Deadline for submissions is Friday, April 11th.

I ran into **Colleen Russell Modlich (1973)** a few weeks ago and she wants everyone to reach out to other classmates and hopefully a large group will attend the annual spring luncheon which will be our 35th anniversary. So if you have kept in contact with any of our classmates, please encourage them to plan to come to the luncheon. It's Saturday, May 3rd @ RMH starting @ 11a.m. All the information including a reservation slip can found on the website: www.rwcalumni.com. Would love to hear from all of you! **Vicki Whitt Pelfrey (1973)** Email: scarletanngray@columbus.rr.com

My husband for 60 years (Larry) passed away January 19, 2008. **Jeanne Ballinger Colflesh (1947)**

NEW NOTE: A "virtual tour" of the NEW Dublin Methodist Hospital is available online at: www.ohiohealth.com/Flash/Dublin_Tour/index.html



Judith Ann Menear Ebbitt-Glover, 66 of N. Olmsted passed away March 19, 2008, in her home after a year long illness. Born in Steubenville, moving to Lorain, in 1978, until 1995, and then moving to N. Olmsted. Member of Westlake United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school. Graduate of Riverside White Cross School of Nursing (1963) and Heidelberg College, and was a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner from Cleveland Metro in 1981. Formerly employed by the Lorain County Health Dept. Enjoyed traveling, spending time with her grandchildren, and was an avid gardener. Volunteered at Play House Sq. in Cleveland, Botanical Gardens and Cleveland Metro Parks. Beloved mother of Karen Ebbitt-Parker and Stephen Ebbitt. Loving grandmother of three with another on the way. Loving sister of Roger Menear and Cindy Myers. Preceded in death by first husband Harold Ebbitt, second beloved husband Bob Glover, parents Bob and Virginia Menear, and brother Richard. Private family services will be held in Union Cemetery in Steubenville, Ohio Monday, March 24, 2008. A celebration of her life will be held this spring. Arrangements were handled by Blackburn-Duke Funeral Home, 1021 Main St., Grafton, Ohio.

I don't suppose you would have any copies of the White Cross Record, 1946-1948? I found a folder of them but I'm missing at least a couple. I have enjoyed reading about the Booth Festivals and coping with food and soap shortages. It really does seem like a whole different world. The library archive is missing several class composite pictures. We do have a few before 1915 that are not dated. If you could bring any of those needed to the luncheon, it would be great. We will make a copy of them to have on file in the library archives and return the original to you. Please remove the picture from the frame for us, thus the picture can be mailed back to you more easily. We need the following years: **1915, 1916, 1918, 1920, 1926, 1934, 1936, 1950, 1958, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1974, 1975, and 1976.** Lynn Cooper, Librarian, Riverside Methodist Hospital, 3535 Olentangy River Road, Columbus OH 43214. 614/566-5230, fax 614/566-6949, email: cooperl@ohiohealth.com



The family of **Doris Burson** wanted us to inform you that their beloved aunt, Doris Burson, has passed away. She died here at RMH in the CICU at 4.26 pm last evening, 02/25/2008. Her niece, Ann Burson, an employee at RMH spoke of Doris' history as a White Cross RN, as well as a Navy RN who served in Vietnam. The family shared stories of Doris that indicated her dedication and service to hundreds, family, friends, patients and soldiers in the field, over the years of her career. Her death came somewhat suddenly, although not completely unexpected, as her medical struggles had increased in the past few years. Doris Burson's White Cross alumni year is **1947**. If we can be of any further assistance to the family, please let us know. We will keep them in our prayers. **Marilyn Morris, RMH Staff Chaplain.**



Margaret Leone Metcalf Mantz, 103, Barnesville, died Wednesday, August 1, 2007 at Barnesville Hospital. She was born March 24, 1904 in Nelsonville, Ohio to the late Harry and Mary (Walters) Metcalf. A member of the First United Methodist Church, Kiwanis, O.E.S. No. 206, she was a **1928** graduate of the White Cross Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, Columbus. She retired from Barnesville Hospital in 1985 but continued to volunteer from 1985 to 2003. She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard W. Mantz (Jan. 11, 1985); son, Jack Howard Mantz; infant brother; two sisters, Irma Smith and Marguerite Timm. She is survived by granddaughter, Diana (Brian) Dickson of Desoto, Texas. Memorials may be made to Barnesville Hospital, 639 W Main St, Barnesville, Ohio 43713.

Pam, Good to hear from you! Is Lori back in Ohio? I think of her often. Well - as to what I am doing. Bob and I have become travelholics. We really do enjoy planning and going. Our most recent trips have been to Australia and New Zealand. We were there a year ago Dec. and again in October. I know we would go again at the drop of a hat. It is so beautiful there and the people are just wonderful. Still lots we haven't seen--maybe again in a year or two! We have done several cruises to Italy and Greece and enjoyed them very much. It is just fun to go new places. I have been doing some volunteer work at our church--mainly with kids. It is great. Here is one for you both--our grandson Dan was married the Sat. after Christmas down in Austin. That one still gets me--We aren't old enough to have that happen. He graduated from Wheaton College last May and is at the University of Texas doing graduate work in chemistry. His wife, Brooke, also graduated from Wheaton and is teaching 3rd grade in Austin--her home town. She is just so great--we really love her. Our granddaughter Gwen is a Jr. in high school and is looking at colleges already! Tom is in 9th grade--and into sports! He is over 6 feet already and still growing. So--aren't you sorry you asked! Would love to see you both! **Jane Kraseman Cotsamire (1959)**

Condolences are extended to **Barbara Braddock McKee (1961)** on the very sudden and untimely death of her son-in-law. Barbara writes: I would like to inform my nurse friends of our tragic loss of my son in law-Robin E. Drumm on January 4th, 2008. Robin was 44 and a Heath wrestling coach. He died after watching his 15 yr old son, Travis, wrestle in Coshocton, Ohio. He walked out to get some air and collapsed and had a fatal heart attack. Our family is in a state of shock so we ask for your prayers for our strength and support in the days ahead. He leaves a stay at home Mom, his high school sweetheart, a 15 year old son and 19 year old daughter. He was so involved in too many sports to mention and the starter of the biddy wrestling at Heath just to name one. He touched so many lives of the youth and people in our community of Heath, Ohio and other sporting communities statewide; they showed such wonderful support and love. We are so proud of his accomplishments in such a short lifetime. He will be sorely missed by all of us. Thank you **Barbara Braddock McKee (1961)** Email: bamckee@alltel.net



Sharon Lynn Graves Hartman, 60, of Chillicothe, passed from her earthly life on February 16, 2008 at 12:35 p.m. at her home near Kingston with her son and mother by her side. Adena Hospice has provided medical care and mental support for her since December 10, 2007. Sharon showed great strength and dignity throughout her six year hard fought battle against sarcoma cancer. Sharon was born on December 18, 1947, in Pickaway Twp., Pickaway County, the daughter of Barbara (Juenger) and Wesley Graves Jr. Sharon is survived by her son, Wesley Tyler, at home and his special friend, Tiffany Weaver of Portsmouth; her mother, Barbara Graves, at home; two brothers, Donald Graves and Greg Graves, both of Chillicothe; a very close and dear friend, Debbie Shields; and several special friends from Doctors' West Hospital. She was predeceased by her father Wesley Graves Jr., and her former husband William Chris Hartman of Canal Winchester whom she married on August 21, 1972. Sharon graduated from Logan Elm High School in 1965. She earned her Registered Nurse degree from Riverside White Cross School of Nursing in **1968**. In 1979 she graduated Summa Cum Laude from Ohio University with a BSN degree. Sharon was a staff nurse on the Neurology Unit at OSU University Hospital serving as a Charge Nurse. While at OSU, she designed and opened the Pulmonary-Neurological ICU serving as the Nurse Manager. She was the Staff Nurse and Preceptor for newly employed nurses and student nurses in the Medical ICU at Doctors' North. Her most recent position at Doctors' West was as the Registered Nurse Case Manager for Appeals and Denials. Sharon was a founding member of the Sarcoma Support Group at The James Cancer Hospital. She was a member of several committees: Doctors' Hospital-Ohio Health Research Committee, Clinical Documentation Committee at Doctors' West Hospital, and served on the Utilization Management Committee from 1999-2007. She was a past member of the Chillicothe Track and Field Association and served as a Judge at local and district Science Fairs. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Sarcoma Cancer Account #312132, The Ohio State University Medical Center, Orthopedic Oncology Research Fund, N-1043 Doan Hall, 410 West 10th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210, to the Attention of Mrs. Brenda Hammond.

I have a question about the agenda for the annual Luncheon for RWC. As a part of the planned agenda will there be a tour of the NEW hospital? This would be a very interesting activity for alums and also perhaps there would be planned transportation between the two hospitals. I am sorry to say this, but the years are creeping up on some of us. If you could let me know I will share this with some of my classmates / friends. Thanks! **Julianne Gotshall Rausch (1954)** E-mail: jrr@cgate.net

Condolences are extended to classmate **Sheila Maloney Bracken (1973)** on the recent death of her husband, Dr. Richard Harold Bracken, D.O. from Multiple Myeloma. Sheila can be contacted at 1711 Strathshire Hall Place, Powell, Ohio 43065.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

Ann McCarley Wetherbee - 1958
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Carolyn Glover Sweeney - 1963
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Emily Ray Wilson - 1971
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Jane Kraseman Cotsamire - 1959
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Cindy Pierpont Wagner - 1968
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Vicki Whitt Pelfrey - 1973
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Barbara Braddock McKee - 1961
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Lynn Alexander Kosanovic - 1973
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Julianne Gotshall Rausch - 1954
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Mary Rebecca Sherman Earley - 1947
mnearley@insightbb.com

Jean Denney Monk - 1975
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Margaret Ann Massie Lloyd - 1970
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Amy Heffernan Bruggeman - 1977
jlbrugg@bellsouth.net

Margaret West Kuebler - 1969
margiekuebler@sbsglobal.net

Joan Cummins - 1964
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Carol Ann Davis Samples - 1967
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Cheryl Ann Rectanus Steen - 1964
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Nancy Joyce Cannon Fodi - 1965
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Molly McCoy Harris - 1970
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Joyce Gifford Stoner - 1963
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Have you changed your email address, even in the last few months? Please send us an updated address for our list! Email your updates / changes to: RWCAumni@aol.com

Thanks to all of the Alumni Officers and staff for the Newsletter and all the other good things you do! Four Riverside classmates have got together this winter in Florida: **Susie Thomas Hilty, Bobbie Redman Donley, Eleanor Root Schmidt**, and myself. We are so fortunate. Another classmate, **Ruth Esquivel Olsen**, is still hospitalized in Houston, Texas with end stage renal disease, and needs your prayers. **Barb Weidner Ike (1962)**



Ruth Esquivel Olson died Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008 at St. Luke's Hospital, Houston, Texas. Born June 9, 1941 in Marion, she was the daughter of the late Jesse and Kathryn Esquivel. She was raised in Galion. She obtained both a bachelor's and master's degree from Ohio State University. In 1967 she accepted a teaching position at Texas Woman's University in Houston and remained there until her retirement. While employed, she earned a doctorate of education at the University of Houston. She married Earl W. Olson in 1972. Being a single child, she especially enjoyed being part of the large Olson family. They retired in 1996 to a home on Lake Sam Rayburn where she enjoyed being a member of the Rayburn Bloomers Garden Club, the Rayburn country club auxiliary and the Jasper County Historical Association. Mrs. Olson had numerous medical problems in her retirement, one of which necessitated a kidney transplant in 2006. Unfortunately, her body rejected that transplant in September 2007. After a lengthy and valiant effort, she passed away on Valentine's Day with her husband by her side. She was a lifelong Lutheran and was last a member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Jasper until her conversion to Catholicism in 2007. She is survived by her husband and several cousins. In lieu of flowers, the family requests and donations be made to the American Kidney Fund, The SPCA, or to either St. Raymond Catholic Church or New Sweden Lutheran Church. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.stringrandgriffin.com

Hi Pam, I'm a 1952 graduate of WCH and responding to the recent newsletter. I have a friend who is now 70 but was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma at age 67. At that time she underwent chemo (but no radiation) and had the stem cell transplant. This was a very difficult time but it gave her 3 yrs of remission which she has been fully enjoying. Recently the cancer cells have shown up again so she is taking an oral chemo which is much better than the original IV as very few side effects. They are following her very closely but are happy with the results. She gets her treatments in Pittsburgh. I hope this will give you some positive thoughts about your brother and his illness. I enjoy the newsletter and know you put many hours in providing this service to all us grads. Thanks so much. **Carol Schulze Hallett (1952)**

Pam, I hope your brother is doing well. I'll keep him in my prayers. **Norma Datkuliak Conrad (1952)**

RECENT DONATIONS TO FUNDS

- Darlene M. Matthews – 1962 Postage Fund in memory of classmate **Lynn Lawrence Geyer**
- Melynda Rockey Holtsberry – 1963 Postage Fund
- Mary Rebecca Sherman Earley – 1947 Postage Fund
- Ruth Ann Blum Davidson – 1959 Postage Fund
- Peggy Lane Wisor Hanson – 1963 General Fund
- Cindy Pierpoint Wagner – 1968 General Fund
- Margaret Ann Massie Lloyd – 1970 General Fund
- Amy Heffernan Bruggeman – 1977 General Fund
- Betty Evelyn Guthrie George – 1963 Postage Fund
- Catherine Krichbaum Paynter – 1959 Postage Fund
- Bonnie Louise Mattey Joseph – 1970 General Fund and Scholarship Fund
- Betty Ann Rehm Fawcett – 1964 Postage Fund
- Nancy Dawkins Butchers – 1974 General Fund
- Sandra K. Matheny Keeny – 1963 Postage Fund
- Margaret West Kuebler – 1969 Postage Fund
- Joan Cummins – 1964 Postage, Education, and Scholarship Funds
- Carol Ann Davis Samples – 1967 Postage Fund
- Janis M. Rife Almendinger – 1964 Postage Fund
- Carole L. Pentecost Stevens – 1965 General Fund
- Clare R. Lehner Callender – 1945 General Fund
- Barb Weidner Ike – 1962 General Fund
- Martha Augenstein Dasher – 1947 Postage Fund
- Betty M. Roe – 1946 General Fund
- Lois J. Coulson Smith – 1947 Postage Fund in memory of classmate **Lois Ramona Cox Veley**
- Jacqueline Severns Wooten – 1947 Postage Fund in memory of classmate **Lois Ramona Cox Veley**
- Jeanne Ballinger Colflesh – 1947 Postage Fund in memory of classmate **Lois Ramona Cox Veley**
- Colleen Russell Modlich – 1973 Postage Fund
- Betty Jean Bird Bryant – 1946 Postage Fund
- Alice Louise Jones Brown – 1945 Postage Fund
- Fairy Dell Arnold Kemper – 1963 Postage Fund
- Mary Eileen Edmondson Gorton – 1942 Postage Fund
- Wilma Johnson Hagely – 1953 Postage Fund in memory of classmates **Ilene Shade Hand** and **Jeannine Bowman Sponsler**
- Barbara Dunlevy Burrus – 1950 Postage Fund
- Anna Virginia Sellers Gerken – 1947 Postage Fund
- Barbara Braddock McKee – 1961 Postage Fund

I just wanted to let you know of the passing of **Ruth Esquivel Olson**. She was from Galion Ohio and her obit appeared in the paper last night. She was a grad from RWC with the class of **1962** although this did not appear in the obit. I haven't seen Ruth since she was a student and she rode home with me on several occasions. Her mother was a nurse's aide at Galion Community Hospital and we worked together for many years. I am sorry I am going to miss our class reunion this year. The date conflicts with previous plans that I have for a group of high school friends that get together every 2 years and this is the year we go to Key West. Our reservations were booked a year ago. I will be at the 50th for sure. **Nancy Fair Francisco (1963)**

Riverside White Cross Alumni Meeting December 8, 2007

Social Time from 11:30am to 12noon. At noon, Rita Smith, President, welcomed everyone to the December Luncheon. Rita introduced our special guest, Lynn Cooper who is the archivist/librarian at the D.J. Vincent Library in Riverside Methodist Hospital. Also, Rita reported that the "Spirit of Nursing" sculptor will probably be moved to the same area of the White Cross stain glass window in the lobby. Rita also mentioned that Rae Arnold is retiring December 31, 2007 after over 42 years of nursing. We continue to pay postage for all member mailings. We then had our lunch after a prayer given by Doris Nelms Ossman. Lunch was delicious. We all visited as we ate. 34 were present. Treasurer's report-Doris Green Weate, Treasurer, reported \$5365.56 in the General Fund with \$578.71 of that belonging to the Historical Fund. \$3630.99 in the Savannah Huffman Scholarship Fund. \$1052.83 in the Hazel Hurlbert Oncology Fund. We received \$155 in memory of Eleanor Powers for the scholarship fund. \$3992 was given to the Spirit of Nursing Foundation. Rita will report on the Spirit of Nursing Foundation Fund after January. She also reported that Riverside is now on track financially. 27 nurses transferred from Riverside to the Dublin Methodist Hospital. Jan Marks is the new CNO at Riverside and has been invited to speak at the May Luncheon. Lynn Cooper the library archivist is still looking for information on the school of nursing (yearbooks, capes, uniforms, etc.). We then used raffle tickets to give away gifts brought by everyone. Also gifts were given to the oldest member and youngest member present as well as the person who came the farthest. Everyone continued to visit after the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted, **Cherrie Cherrington, Recording Secretary**



Helen J. Morrow Turner, age 82, died February 7, 2008, after a brief illness. Born August 20, 1925, in Portsmouth, OH. Mrs. Turner moved to Columbus in 1943 to attend what was then White Cross Hospital School of Nursing (**Class of 1946**) and to join the Cadet Nurse Corp. She became a registered nurse and practiced pediatric nursing for 46 years, primarily at Columbus Children's Hospital. The daughter of Oliver H. Morrow and Bernice Hunt, Mrs. Turner is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Steven and Brandy Turner of Waxhaw, NC; her son and daughter-in-law, Douglas and Jan Turner of Atlanta, GA; and her daughter and son-in-law, Terry and Bill Butler of Seattle, WA. She will also be remembered by her grandchildren, Will and Christy Turner, Josh and Stephanie Flannigan, Jacob Turner, James, Turner, Drew Turner, J.P. and Kelly Price, Kathryn and Kyle Reed, John (Jack Butler); and her great grandchildren, Harrison and Avery Turner, and Sophia and Amelia Flannigan. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Union County at: www.houc.org/memorial.html

It was so good to find Judi Robison Kiek, Jan Dorsey, and others thru newsletter. Thanks for all the hard work.
Peggy M. Law McGovern (1965)

Riverside White Cross Alumni Meeting March 25, 2008

21 members presented themselves at the new Dublin Methodist Hospital at 6:50pm to be met by the President of the hospital, Cheryl Herbert. Cheryl was kind enough to give us a tour of the new facility. Quite a bit of thought went into the construction. We then went to Classroom 2 to hold our meeting. Rita Smith, President, announced that there would be an Executive Board meeting on April 14th at 4:30pm in the Chester Board Room at Riverside. Rita discussed some of the highlights of the upcoming banquet. She has enlarged photos of White Cross and Riverside student nurses that will be on display. Secretary's report for last meeting will be in the upcoming newsletter. Treasurer's report given by Doris Greene Weate reports General Fund monies of \$8270.64 with \$578.71 of that belonging to the Historical Fund. In the Scholarship Fund \$3987.89 and the Oncology Fund has \$1053.32. She also reported that our accounts have been changed slightly due to Chase Bank taking over the previous bank. She also read correspondence she had received from the family of Jacqueline Baucus and from Molly Mays, one of our scholarship students. Old Business-None. New Business-The luncheon will be May 3rd at 11:30am at Riverside's cafeteria. The menu was in the last newsletter and the cost is \$20. The President of AONE, Linda Quinn Everett, class of 1969, will be the keynote speaker. Bruce Hagen, President of Riverside will present the 10 year vision for Riverside. Jan Marks, the new CNO, will also say a few words. Rita has also invited 12 Doctors to attend. Rev. Oren Newberry will do the invocation and candle lighting ceremony to honor those who have past away in the last year. Suggestions for Alumni of the Year are to be sent to Cherrie Cherrington by April 11th. Rita has a company to engrave the plate. People who wish to bring gifts can either contact Cherrie or just bring them to luncheon. Dori Nelms-Ossman will also help with raffle. There will be no tours of Dublin Hospital available on that day. The parking will again be free for the banquet. Rita also mentioned that there will be two big surprises that day. So, we all need to come to find out what they are. Rita is also looking for group class photos for the archives. Those missing years will be listed in newsletter. It was decided to make a few books of groups photos to be kept in the archives of the Library at Riverside. If you have group photos bring to banquet and they will be returned after having been scanned. Rita also asked if anyone wanted to volunteer to be an officer for the upcoming year. If so, let her know. Will discuss the slate at the board meeting. Rita mentioned 2 endowments that have been given to the Riverside Foundation. One by Cherrie Cherrington and one in honor of Susie Hilty. More information will be in the newsletter and at the banquet. Rita mentioned that the Foundation has a new attorney who may be able to help with our postage problem. Monies are coming in to help pay for postage. September 23, 2008 will be next meeting. Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, **Cherrie Cherrington, Recording Secretary**



Leona Ilene Shade Hand, 75, of Cardington, died peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday, February 23, 2008. She was a registered nurse for 34 years at Riverside Hospital. Leona graduated from Attica High School in 1950, White Cross Hospital School of Nursing in **1953**, and earned her BSPA from St. Joseph's College in 1983. Preceded in death by husband Fred, brother Frank Shade. Survived by son Steven (Kristy) Hand, grandchildren, Brandon, Caitlin, Christian, Austin, Logan, and Colton; niece, Karen Shade, and nephew, Robert Shade. Contributions may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation and American Lung Association.



Jeannine M. Bowman Sponsler, 75, of Kenton, died at 4:45 a.m. Sunday, March 2, 2008, in Hardin Memorial Hospital, Kenton. She was born in Bellefontaine on March 26, 1932, a daughter of the late Hugh and Josephine Oates Bowman. On May 29, 1955, she married Richard Sponsler and he survives, along with her sisters, Marilyn Heilman of Jacksonville, Fla., and Yvonne Cade of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; eight nieces and nephews; and a sister-in-law, Janice (Scotty) Methven of Murrieta, Calif. A 1950 graduate of Dunkirk High School, she graduated from White Cross School of Nursing in Columbus in **1953**. She worked at Kenton Care Center in Kenton, Lima Memorial Hospital and St. Rita's Medical Center, both in Lima, and retired as a school nurse from Kenton City Schools. She was a member of the Belle Center United Presbyterian Church and the Order of Eastern Star, Bellefontaine. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kenton Nursing and Rehabilitation Center activities fund.



Rosalie Nadine Smith Stauffer, 71, of Portsmouth, Ohio, formerly of Lima, died 11:20 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, 2007, at Southern Ohio Medical Center in Portsmouth. She was born on June 1, 1936, in Lima, to Sanford and Margaret Wallace Smith, and they preceded her in death. She also was preceded in death by a sister, Sharon Elizabeth Neuman. Rosalie is survived by her children, Matthew Eric (Karen Jean) Stauffer of Delaware, Ohio, and Michelle Elizabeth (Larry) Keller of Lucasville, Ohio; her grandchildren, Amy Michelle Keller, Angela Marie Keller, Ashley Margaret Keller, Shawn Matthew Stauffer, Stephen Eric Stauffer, Mitchell Don Stauffer, Alicia Teresa Stauffer, Mark Wayne Stauffer, Tessa L.A. Henry, Jeanne E. Henry and Zoey E.N. Hunter; and her great-grandchildren, Hunter Eric Stauffer and Conner James Patton. Mrs. Stauffer was a registered nurse. She was a 1954 graduate of Central High School in Lima, and a **1958** nursing graduate of White Cross Hospital in Columbus. She was a volunteer at Southern Ohio Medical Center and had been a former member of Christ Church Episcopal in Lima, Ohio.

Really enjoy the newsletters. Thanks for the effort to keep us connected! **Amy Heffernan Bruggeman (1977)**

Appreciate the newsletters and your hard work!
Nancy Joyce Cannon Fodi (1965)

OUR SPEAKER FOR THE 2008 LUNCHEON

Dr. **Linda Quinn Everett** is the 2007 president of the American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE) and executive vice resident and chief nursing executive at Clarian Health In Indianapolis, Indiana. She is also the associate dean for clinical affairs at the Indiana University School of Nursing. As AONE president, Dr. Everett leads 5,000 nursing executives throughout the country in collaborative efforts to improve health care. She works ardently to fulfill the organization's mission, which is to shape the future of health care through innovative nursing leadership and to represent nurse leaders who improve health care. Her focus is on patient safety and high-quality care. Prior to her current positions, she was senior associate director and director of nursing services and patient care/chief nursing officer at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, while also serving as associate dean for clinical practice at the University of Iowa School of Nursing. At the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics, from 1999 through February 2007, Dr. Everett has supervised more than 4,000 employees who provided healthcare services in both ambulatory and inpatient care departments. At Clarian Health, a system of hospitals in and around Indianapolis, she is responsible for staff from many disciplines in various roles and special areas of care delivery. Additionally, she leads strategic planning and workforce development support to the Clarian executive team. Dr. Everett earned her nursing diploma from **Riverside White Cross School of Nursing (1969)**, her BSN from Kent State University, her MSN at FPB, and her PhD in nursing administration/nursing systems from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Dr. Everett began her career as a staff nurse in the operating room and the psychiatric/medical at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. She later became an associate administrator of nursing at Sinai Hospital of Detroit and a director of nursing and vice president of patient services at Detroit Medical Center, Grace Hospital, in Michigan. When she took her position at the University of Iowa system in Iowa City, she also began teaching in the College of Nursing. Dr. Everett is a researcher, teacher and speaker who has also published widely on nursing management and patient care topics. Her many honors include: recognition as a Woman of influence in 2006 by an Iowa business journal; induction as a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing in 2005; and completion of the Johnson & Johnson Wharton Fellows Program in Management for Nurse Executives at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. Dr. Everett's professional activities also include serving as a Magnet hospital appraiser for the American Nurses Credentialing Center from 2003 to 2006. In addition, she has served in leadership roles in Sigma Theta Tau International as international treasurer and foundation board member, and as international chair for the Pillar of Leadership Award judging committee and the international policy task force.

ENTRIES FROM OUR ONLINE WEBSITE GUESTBOOK

Name: Anna M Banbury
Email: sabanbury@embarqmail.com
Year of Graduation: 1969
Current Location: 6201 Mink Street
Nursing Specialty: Labor and Delivery

Comments:

Was looking for an email address for Christine Henderson Coupland, class of 1969. Also wanted to include my current email address for your files.

Name: Marguerite (Kay) Johnson Merchant
Email: marguerite@ncweb.com
Year of Graduation: 1967
Current Location: Perry, Ohio
Nursing Specialty: Long Term Care

Comments:

I have looked for the web site before and just found it - It is wonderful! Nice job. Keep up the good work. I thought I paid my dues but the last newsletter said 2004??

Name: Cindy Pierpont Wagner
Email: ccmwagner@verizon.net
Year of Graduation: 1968
Current Location: Doctors Hospital, Cols
Nursing Specialty: CNS

Comments:

Hello 1968 grads! 2008 is our 40th anniversary year. Who's ready to plan a reunion? Please contact me....

Name: Sheila Proctor Thomas
Email: rn141@frontiernet.net
Year of Graduation: 1965
Current Location: PA
Nursing Specialty: Med-Surg

Comments:

I have lost contact with my old room mate and wonder if anyone knows the location of Barb Van Deventer. I'm still working and still love it.

Name: Connie Vaughn Roush
Email: croush@unf.edu
Year of Graduation: 1975
Current Location: Jacksonville, FL
Nursing Specialty: Community Health - Faculty at UNF

Comments:

I was so glad to find this site! Didn't know if anyone was still out there. Unfortunately, I don't see any 1975 alumni members. This is too bad since I have lost track. Thanks to all for keeping this site - and the memories - alive.

Name: Louise Copley Good
Email: syonon05@tampabay.rr.com
Year of Graduation: 1963
Current Location: Largo, FL
Nursing Specialty: Psych/retired

Comments:

Wow! I stumbled onto this site. I have been having a lot of dreams lately about my days at RMH. Seems a long time ago and yet, remember so many things as if yesterday. Anyone may contact me if you are inclined to do so. I wish there were more pics of White Cross and of Riverside. I feel that the nurses that graduated from the 3 year class are way ahead of today's nurses. Sorry if that offends anyone. Namaste, Louise

Name: Shirley Browning Kennedy
Email: joy4skennedy1@juno.com
Year of Graduation: 1944
Current Location: Hollister, CA
Nursing Specialty: retired -- Parkinson Disease Support Group I

Comments:

Are there any nurses from 1944 to get in contact with through the computer?

Name: Shirley Browning Kennedy
Email: joy4skennedy1@juno.com
Year of Graduation: 1944
Current Location: Hollister, CA
Nursing Specialty: retired

Comments:

Wanted to add my E mail Address to your list. My husband "Bud" died Aug. 2003 after 27 years of Parkinson and a fantastic life, loved by all. I met him when I was a Cadet Nurse (side benefit). We took in Foster children for a time, did some Red Cross nursing, office nursing, private duty & hospital nursing. Have kept my RN license current with home study CE classes. Also have been teaching a Parkinson Support Group for several years. Have 2 children, 8 grandchildren, 5 Great-grandchildren - what a Blessing!! Anyone from 1944 out there?

Name: Lois Hart Obrock
Email: lmoefo@comcast.net
Year of Graduation: 1974
Current Location: Boalsburg, PA
Nursing Specialty: Nursing Education

Comments:

It was so nice to see some names I recognized in the newsletter that arrived this past week. Hoping to finally get to a luncheon and reconnect. Hope to hear from other 1974 alumni.

ENTRIES FROM OUR ONLINE WEBSITE GUESTBOOK

Name: Kelly Smith Mallory
Email: kellymallory100@yahoo.com
Year of Graduation: 1963
Current Location: Naples, Florida
Nursing Specialty: Semi retired

Comments:

Tom and I will celebrate our 45th wedding anniversary this year and are blessed with seven beautiful grandchildren. We reside in Florida most of the year but still visit Ohio in the summer and holidays since our children are all in and around the Columbus area. I still use my nursing skills as Tom was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease six years ago. The diagnosis is life changing but our quality of life is very good and we are thankful for the time together after many busy years in the medical profession. Our faith in God's love for us gives us hope and a future. Thank you for keeping this website going, it is very nice. Kelly

Name: Linda Brumfield Welch
Email: lindawelch@columbus.rr.com
Year of Graduation: 1969
Current Location: Columbus, Ohio
Nursing Specialty: Orthopedic Surgery

Comments:

After many years in surgical specialty sales and consulting, I have returned to surgery at Grant Medical Center at The Bone and Joint Surgery Center. I am contingent, but that usually means 3 10 hour shifts a week. I scrub which is a missing art for today's perioperative nurses. Ron and I have been married 28 years and we live in Schumacher Place where I am President of the Civic Association. I am very active in community work with The Council of Historic Neighborhoods, Southside Plan, and Neighborhood Advisory Council to Children's Hospital. I have 2 horses and 2 Jack Russell's. We continue to snow ski and enjoy the mountains.

Name: Debra Steven Ranker
Email: dranker@woh.rr.com
Year of Graduation: 1976
Current Location: Tiffin, Ohio
Nursing Specialty: labor and delivery

Comments:

Just happened by this website. Have two children in Columbus. Lindsay married and teaching in Reynoldsburg and Chase a senior at OSU. Would love to hear from my fellow classmates in the Columbus area as I am in Columbus quite often.



Name: Pam Butt Newsome
Email: psnew@comcast.net
Year of Graduation: 1977
Current Location: Mukilteo, Washington
Nursing Specialty: Bone Marrow/Stem Cell Transplant

Comments:

Hard to believe it has been 30 years since I graduated from RMH! I stay in touch with several of my classmates: Patty, Barb, Maureen and Ski. I try to come back to Ohio at least twice a year to visit my family. If time allows I get together with Patty and Barb. Our last get together was tailgating at the Ohio State-Michigan game. My family: husband Mike, children, Matt, Katie, and Matt's girlfriend all flew back and we went to the game. Hopefully Barb and Patty will be tailgating with us on Sept. 15th when the Buckeyes play the University of Washington in Seattle. A big thank-you to all of the alumni who keep our association up and running! Great job!

Name: Linda Deaver Reister
Email: lreister@columbus.rr.com
Year of Graduation: 1968
Current Location: Columbus, Ohio
Nursing Specialty: ED RN CCM; Hospitalist RN CCM

Comments:

Hello to all my '68 classmates! Such great memories at RMH on Olentangy River Rd in the "old days". We had a great education-both clinically and in theory! Still proud of my pin. Working past 5 yrs at Mt Carmel East in the ED and as Hospitalist RN CCM. Fred and I have been married over 25 yrs with 7 grandchildren; including identical twin granddaughters 1 yr old today! Their daddy is an anesthesiologist at RMH! Imagine... Love and blessings to all. Linda Deaver Reister

Name: Patricia (Wooddell) Blake
Email: pblake74@aol.com
Year of Graduation: 1977
Current Location: West Jefferson, Ohio
Nursing Specialty: Lead Cardiac Quality Project Manager

Comments:

Hello to all. What a great way for us to keep in touch. Thank you to all who are involved in the newsletter as well as this website. I still keep in touch with many of my classmates and this is a good way to keep in touch with those who were in classes before me too. Take care and thanks again.

Name: Carletta Jenkins Banks
Year of Graduation: 1962
Current Location: Tucson, Arizona
Nursing Specialty: Occupational Health

Comments:

How wonderful to have been connected with this site by friend and former roommate, Sallie Pride. I plan to be @ our 45th class reunion.



Lois Ramona Cox Veley, age 82, of Caledonia, passed away at 5:03 p.m. Friday February 15, 2008 at Marion General Hospital. She had been in failing health for several years. Ramona was born in Lebanon, Ohio, February 1, 1926, the daughter of the late Gale W. and Bertha (Paul) Cox. On February 18, 1950, she married Paul B. Veley. He preceded her in death on December 26, 1956. Ramona was a 1944 graduate of Caledonia High School and the White Cross College of Nursing in Columbus as a registered nurse. **(Class of 1947)**. She spent the majority of her nursing career in obstetrics at Marian General Hospital. She was a member of the Caledonia Memorial United Methodist Church. Ramona is survived by her daughter, Paula Dunn of Caledonia, and her son, Mark Veley of Marion; three grandchildren, Audrey Dunn of St. Petersburg, Florida, Rachel Martin of Altus, Oklahoma, and Noah Dunn of Marion; one great grandson, Brenden Martin. She was preceded in death by her brother, Ramon Cox. Memorial contributions may be made to the Marion Humane Society. Daughter, Paula, may be contacted at 3142 Martel Road, Caledonia, Ohio 43314.

We're looking forward to our big 45th! **Joyce Ann Dunaway Warner (1963)**

Dear Pam, This obit (for **Doris Burson**) was in the Athens Messenger. As you can see she died at Riverside. My husband informed me as I read her obit to him, the he worked with her at NNMC, Bethesda, Maryland. He also served in the Navy, retiring in 1969. Small world. God Bless, **Betty Jane Wolfe Devol (1950)**.



Doris Ann Burson, 82, of Athens, passed away Monday February 25, 2008 at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Born March 9, 1925, in Athens, she was the daughter of the late Lucius C. Burson, Sr. and Mildred Shields Burson. Doris attended schools in Glouster and Athens and graduated from Beverly High School near Belpre. She was a **1947** graduate of White Cross Hospital School of Nursing. In her professional career as a registered nurse in the U.S. Navy Corps, she served in 25 states in numerous stateside naval hospitals and several foreign countries, including overseas duty in Da Nang, Vietnam and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. She retired with the rank of lieutenant commander in 1978. Following her retirement, she compiled an extensive genealogy of the Burson family of Athens County, which was published in 2000. Doris is survived by her brothers, Herbert (Pauline) Burson of McArther and Sun City, Florida and Robert (Linda) Burson of Athens; and several cousins, nieces and nephews. Besides her parents, Doris was preceded in death by brother, Lucius "Duke" (Juan) Burson Jr.

Thank you to ALL of you who have offered words of support for my brother's fight against Multiple Myeloma. Chuck travels to San Francisco on April 18th for evaluation of a possible stem cell transplant. I will keep you posted. **Pam Martin (1973)**



Jo Ann Pope Lucas, 80, of Washington C.H. died suddenly and unexpectedly Thursday February 14, 2008 in Groveland, Florida, while on vacation. Mrs. Lucas was born October 2, 1927 at Yatesville in Fayette County, Ohio to Ralph E. and Mary Mildred Badger Pope. She lived most of her life in Fayette County. She was a graduate of the White Cross Hospital School of Nursing **(Class of 1948)** and was a registered nurse for 20 years at the Chillicothe Veterans Administration Medical Center and the Ross County Department of Health. Mrs. Lucas was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church; a charter member of the Fayette County Professional Nurses Association; was a member of the Fayette County Commission on Aging and had served as a regional director for the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Janine Lucas in 1951; a great grandson, Cayden Thomas Noel in 2007; her parents and two brothers, Jack and James Pope. Mrs. Lucas is survived by her husband, William Lucas, Jr. whom she married October 10, 1948; two sons, Mark (Donna) Lucas of Washington C.H. and Kent (Lisa) Lucas of Chillicothe; three granddaughters, Jill Lucas and Jodi (Mark) Noel, all of Washington C.H. and Julie (Dustin) Payne of Orland, California; a brother, Roger (Shirley) Pope of Washington C.H. and a special nephew, Bruce Allen of Dallas, Texas.

Hi Pam, Just a note for the next newsletter – Please remind everyone to send an address for a member of the family of a deceased Alumnus so that the Ohio Health Foundation can send a note of acknowledgement for our donation to the Riverside Spirit of Nursing. Happy New Year! **Doris Rarick Greene Weate (1948) RWC Alumni, Treasurer**

Dear Pam, This thank you is long overdue. About a year ago you contacted me about a grade-school friend who was trying to find me. I was thrilled. I found that she and her husband had recently moved to the Villages around Orlando. Although we talked on the phone and e-mailed it wasn't until the last of September that we were able to meet – it had been 40+ years. Carole joined a group of school friends who meet every year at Cherry Valley in Denniston, for a dinner. We then go back to our rooms, change into pj's and talk to the wee hours. It seems like just yesterday that we were teens and shared each others secrets. Thank you so much for allowing Carole to join us last year. God Bless, **Betty Guthrie George (1963)**

I am writing on behalf of my mother, **Jeanne Ballinger Colflesh (1947)**... please include the below in your next newsletter at her request. **Jacque Colflesh-Altomare (1979, OWU-Riverside)**.

Just wanted to share with fellow alumni of my husband, Larry, of 60 years, passing on January 19. My family is in Ohio, Michigan, and Florida with son Ted tending the family farm in Delaware, Ohio, but I am now living "In town". My new address is: **Jeanne Ballinger Colflesh**, Sara Moore Home #107, 47 East William Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

Donald J. Vincent, MD Honored for Compassion in Medicine

Retired Riverside Methodist physician and philanthropist Donald J. (DJ) Vincent, MD received the 2007 Compassion in Medicine Award from Riverside Methodist Hospital in November. Dr. Vincent was recognized for consistently demonstrating compassion in the care of patients and in dealing with the community, learners and peers at the ninth annual Compassionate Care Grand Rounds for members of Riverside's medical staff.

The Grand Rounds also features an annual lecture. The 2007 Compassion in Medicine Lecture was presented by Carlyle Chan, vice chair for professional development and educational outreach for the Medical College of Wisconsin.



Pictured are Pamela J. Boyers, PhD, DJ Vincent, MD and James Lewis, MD

Chan's lecture addressed the obstacles that affect compassion in medicine. Both the lecture and the award are supported by the Erie D. Chapman, III Compassionate Care Fund held at the OhioHealth Foundation for Riverside.

Riverside Nurse takes Caring for Patients to a New Level

Winter 2008

Cherrie Cherrington knows what its like to help others – she has been doing just that for more than forty years as a nurse at Riverside Methodist Hospital and as a diabetes educator at the McConnell Heart Health Center. Recently, Cherrie enhanced her ability to help others by establishing The Cherrington Family Endowment for Diabetes Education at Riverside in honor of her entire family.



For Cherrie, this financial commitment was a big step, but an important one. "It felt good to be able to do it," says Cherrie. Working with Riverside Development Officer Lynn Weita, Cherrie was able to ensure that her wishes were met in establishing a fund at the OhioHealth Foundation. The fund will benefit diabetes patients and diabetes educators at Riverside Methodist and the McConnell Heart Health Center by underwriting the costs associated with the annual McConnell Heart Health Center Diabetes Forum.

Held for the past seven years, the educational event is always a sell-out. Now, thanks to the caring generosity of Cherrie Cherrington, RN, CDE, diabetes patients will continue to have an important source of information to manage their disease now and in the future.

RWC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Please PRINT all information)

First / Middle _____ Maiden _____ Last _____

Street Address _____ Year of Graduation _____

City / State / Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail Address _____

Notes _____

This is a change of address. YES / NO (Circle one) This is a NEW / RENEWAL membership. (Circle one)
 Make check payable to **RWC Alumni Association**. Dues are **\$15.00** per year. Donations to funds accepted.
 Mail check & form to **Patty Reed, Membership Secretary, 1839 Ramblewood Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43235**
 Please do NOT send Luncheon Reservations with Membership Dues.

YOUR ALUMNI OFFICERS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	E-MAIL LINK
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Vice-President	Doris Nelms Ossman	1963	patriot@columbus.rr.com
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Recording Secretary	Cherrie Cherrington	1965	cherric@ohiohealth.com
Newsletter & Website	Pamela Ann Martin	1973	rwcalumni@aol.com
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Board of Directors	W. Rae Lynch Arnold	1963	wra119@insight.rr.com

ANNUAL MAY 2008 REUNION LUNCHEON RESERVATION SLIP

(Please PRINT all information)

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Street Address _____ Year of Graduation _____

City / State / Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail Address _____

Comments / Requests _____



Deadline for Reservations is **Monday April 28th**
 Make checks payable to **RWC Alumni Association**
 Mail your reservation slip with **\$ 20 check** to:
 Pamela Ann Martin, 392 Yarmouth Lane, Columbus, Ohio 43228
 Please do NOT send Membership Dues with Luncheon Reservations.



IMPORTANT 2008 DATES TO REMEMBER

(Subject to change without notice)

Visit our website for details: www.rwcalumni.com

Friday April 11	5:00 pm	Deadline for submission of nominations for new Officers and Alumni of the Year
Wednesday April 16	12:00 pm	Nursing Grand Rounds in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium at Riverside Hospital. Topic: Organ Donation
Monday April 28	5:00 pm	Deadline for reservations for Annual Reunion Luncheon.
Saturday May 3	11:00 am	Annual Reunion Luncheon at Riverside Hospital, 3535 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio 43214, (614) 566-5000. Your reservation slip is elsewhere in this Newsletter.
Wednesday May 21	12:00 pm	Nursing Grand Rounds in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium at Riverside Hospital. Topic: TBA
Wednesday June 18	12:00 pm	Nursing Grand Rounds in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium at Riverside Hospital. Topic: TBA
Wednesday July 16	12:00 pm	Nursing Grand Rounds in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium at Riverside Hospital. Topic: TBA
Wednesday August 20	12:00 pm	Nursing Grand Rounds in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium at Riverside Hospital, sponsored by your RWC Alumni Association. Topic: TBA
Friday August 22	5:00 pm	Deadline for news / notes for September Newsletter
Wednesday September 17	12:00 pm	Nursing Grand Rounds in the Susan H. Edwards Auditorium at Riverside Hospital, sponsored by your RWC Alumni Association. Topic: TBA
Tuesday September 23	7:00 pm	General Membership Meeting in the Riverside Health Center, 500 Thomas Lane (Behind the hospital) Atrium Level Classrooms Topic: TBA

Mailed By:
Riverside Methodist Hospitals
3535 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, Ohio 43214

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