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• Ann Ameling Retires

• Associate Dean Paula Milone-Nuzzo Named New Dean of Penn State University School of Nursing

• Community Health Rotation: Mexico
That nursing matters to patients and their families was the subject of a New York Times Sunday Magazine article ("The Last Shift" by Sara Corbett, March 16, 2003) and confirmed by the letters to the editor that followed. We are told that over 80% of the public is aware of a severe shortage of nurses, yet the level of public awareness of the content of our work remains low. We are invisible and, our work is often misunderstood. The public perception that nursing is an act of caring, supports the companion assumption that to be a good nurse the need for a good heart supercedes the need for a good mind. How often our students are told: "You are too smart to be a nurse."

As you read this issue of the Yale Nurse, reflect on the nature of our work, its significance and visibility. For instance, consider the work of Allison Squires (DNSc, '07) summer GEPN preceptor for community health. Allison will take a group of our students with her to Mexico to facilitate student learning and advance the development of our global relations and impact.

The career of faculty member Ann T. Ameling (MSN, '67), who retires this June, has advanced the field of psychiatric mental health nursing. And as the first director of YSN's GEPN program, Ann has contributed to the development of the programs of study for college prepared students entering nursing. She and her husband, Jim, served Yale College as Masters of Saybrook College, extending the visibility of YSN on the campus and into the lives of Yale College students.

Our Distinguished Alumna, Dr. Angela Barron McBride (MSN, '64), will transition from the Deanship of Indiana University's School of Nursing to a faculty appointment after a decade of superb leadership of the nation's largest nursing education program. We are especially pleased to report that she is a candidate for a seat on the Yale University Corporation. No YSN graduate has ever served on Yale's Corporation, a position that would add visibility to YSN and to nursing. I hope you will participate in this election; ballots will be distributed shortly.

Our Alumnae/i Board has organized a Task Force to advise them and the school on how to give greater visibility to the many alumni throughout the nation and the world. The report of this group will be presented on campus on April 30th and shared with the alumni at the June 7th Business Meeting. Their recommendations add contemporaneous dimensions to our alumni activities and direct us toward better connections with the Association of Yale Alumni and the campus.

Finally, the privileged and intimate nature of our work took center stage last month as we inaugurated the annual Creative Writing Awards Dinner. Under the aegis of faculty member Linda Pellico, the dinner featured readings of four students. Their words reminded us of why we entered nursing and interpreted that magic to the others in attendance. We have raised over $6,000 for a fund to support the annual awards.

Our work continues, but we must make it visible in these and other ways. The visibility opens doors for more opportunity to improve the health of all people.

Catherine Lynch Gilliss, DNSc, RN, FAAN
Dean and Professor
YUSN ALUMNAE/ I ASSOCIATION

Letter from the President

There is so much to report to you since our last issue of Yale Nurse. Your Alumnae/i Association is alive and vibrant with activity. Did you know that we represent 2,940 alumni living in 47 states and 8 countries worldwide? In this issue we have included a snapshot of our alumnae/i demographics. This issue as always, samples some of the outstanding work and contributions of alumnae/i and “soon-to-be alumae/i.” We are a formidable group of practitioners making a difference in health care.

In January, the Alumnae/i Association hosted the annual “Launching Your Career Day” for graduating students. More than 50 students and alumnae/i participated in the day-long series of workshops which focused on interviewing skills, resume writing, contract negotiations, networking and job placement resources. I want to thank the alumnae/i and YSN staff who assisted in making this such a successful annual event. I especially would like to thank the alumnae/i who have welcomed contacts with YSN students throughout the country to speak with them about job opportunities in their respective geographic locations. We look forward to working with Sharon Sanderson, YSN’s Director of Recruitment and Placement in expanding this service.

Also in January, I participated with Lisa Hottin, YSN’s Director of Development and Alumnae/i Affairs and with Maureen O’Keefe Doran ’71, former AYA Chairperson, in a panel discussion with AYA’s Committee on Graduate and Professional Schools. The Committee is surveying Yale’s G&P Schools to determine ways in which we could increase alumnae/i involvement. You should know that our reputation proceeds us at the University, having the most committed and involved alumnae/i constituency as demonstrated through the success of our annual Alumnae/i Fund. We are also proud to have a reputation of active alumnae/i involvement at the University level through participation at AYA. We boast two past Chairpersons of AYA in Sandy Bialos ’71 and Maureen O’Keefe Doran ’71.

The Alumnae/i Association Task Force, whose purpose was detailed in the December 2002 issue of Yale Nurse, continues to meet monthly to formulate its recommendations to the Alumnae/i Association Board. An update on the Task Force’s progress is included in this issue.

Last, but certainly not least is the on-going plans for our annual Reunion Weekend planned for June 5-7, 2003. The theme of the weekend is “Nursing Strength in an Uncertain World” and, in part, will present panels on YSN’s involvement in international affairs, war time nursing and emergency preparedness. It promises to be one of the most timely and exciting presentations ever. Please plan to attend. The registration packets will be mailed in April.

Lastly, I wish to thank everyone who has served this year on the Board of the Alumnae/i Association. I have listed their names below. Each one has contributed their time and experience to ensure that your Alumnae/i Association continues to be alive and vibrant for all our alumnae/i. Thank you.

Elaine Gustafson ’86
Donna Boehm ’95
Jean O’Brien-Butler ’50
Anne Cooper ’04
Beth Ann Collins ’93
Linda Pellico ’89
Per-Erik Johansson ’99
Anne Aquila ’89
Deirdre Murty Marcus ’94
Sue Langerman ’99
Alyson Cohen ’92
Jan Davey ’76
Mary Bartlett ’00
Sally Richards ’98
Michael Corjulo ’98
Kate Stephenson ’94
Angela McBride Nominated to Yale Corporation

Angela Barron McBride, '64 has been nominated as alumnae/i representative to the Yale University Corporation. This is the first time a YSN graduate has been considered for this position. A seat on the Corporation is an honor and tribute to those nominated. All alumnae/i are eligible to participate in the upcoming election. Ballots will be mailed shortly and we encourage all of our graduates and their fellow Yale graduates to consider electing a nurse!

Angela will be transitioning from the Deanship of Indiana University's School of Nursing after serving for 13 years, crowning a career of leadership and scholarship in nursing. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Georgetown University, her master's degree in psychiatric-mental health nursing from YSN, and her PhD in developmental psychology from Purdue University. Dean McBride served as president of Sigma Theta Tau International (1987-1989), nursing's honor society, during the building of the International Center for Nursing Scholarship in Indianapolis. She has served on the National Advisory Mental Health Council of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration (1987-1991), on the advisory committee of NIH's Office of Research on Women's Health (1997-2001), and as president of the American Academy of Nursing (1993-1995).

Among her numerous recognitions, Angela received the YSN Distinguished Alumna Award in 1978.

Our Thanks...

Kate Stephenson, '94 has stepped down as Co-Editor of YSN's alumnae/i publication Yale Nurse. Kate co-edited the publication with Barbara Reif since August 1995 following Linda Demas', '89 tenure as co-editor. With the arrival of her son Tyler in June of 2002, Kate has been balancing an increasingly full plate. She works as a APRN in the Emergency Room of the William W. Backus Hospital in Norwich, CT. In addition, Kate has been an active member of the Connecticut Nurse Practitioner Group, Inc. We are very grateful to Kate for the many years she has devoted to writing and editing this publication and for “giving back” to YSN in such an important way. Thank you, Kate!

Let's Make a Date!

Reunion Weekend
June 5-7, 2003
Yale School of Nursing

"Nursing Strength in an Uncertain World"

Reunion is a time to renew old acquaintances, visit with friends, faculty and students. It's a time to celebrate Yale Nurses, to remember the past, understand the present, and envision the future! Come and join us in New Haven this year!!
Launching
Your Career
Workshop 2003

The annual “Launching Your Career Workshop” sponsored by the YUS-NAA was held in January 2003. Alumnae/i gave presentations on resume writing, interview skills, job search, and contract negotiations. This year Sharon Sanderson, from YSN’s Office of Recruitment and Placement described the placement opportunities available for graduating students and alumnae/i through her office.

Sue Langerman ’99 (second from left) works with students on their resumes.

HERO'S Clinic opens for survivors of childhood cancer

February 3, 2003 marked the opening of the Health Education Research Outcomes for Survivors of Childhood Cancer (HERO'S) Clinic, the first facility in Connecticut to offer comprehensive health care services to survivors of childhood cancer.

Rachel Goldberg-Gell, '98 proposed the concept of a clinic for survivors of childhood cancer while a student at YSN in a paper in 1998. Her idea was based on her undergraduate experience with the original clinic of this type, located at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. Rachel is currently an Advanced Practice Nurse in the Acute Pediatric Oncology clinic at Yale-New Haven Hospital, and will serve as the Clinical Nurse Coordinator for HERO'S Clinic. YSN Professor Sheila Santacroce will serve as Nursing Research and Education Director for HERO'S.

HERO'S Clinic will provide comprehensive care for childhood cancer survivors, as well as education for survivors and their families. The Clinic will also provide education for health care professionals about the full range of issues that face childhood cancer survivors, and potential research opportunities with the possibility of opening research trials focused on survival rates, complications from treatment exposure, and ways of managing those complications.

For more information about HERO'S Clinic, visit the YSN website at: http://info.med.yale.edu/nursing/news/erosclinic.html

AJN Editor
Discusses Public Image of Nursing

Dr. Diana Mason

Dr. Diana Mason, Editor-in-Chief of the American Journal of Nursing, spoke to YSN students and faculty about “The Politics of Public Image.” Dr. Mason led a lively discussion of the visibility of the nurse in society, stereotypes, and the latest depiction of nursing in the media.
Frank Grosso joined the staff at YSN in December 2002 as the School’s new Assistant Dean for Student Affairs & Registrar. Frank comes to YSN from Albertus Magnus College in New Haven where he was Assistant Vice President for Development. Prior to moving back to his home state of Connecticut, Frank lived in Washington, D.C. where he earned a Masters of Arts in Higher Education Administration from George Washington University. He began his career in education as the Annual Fund Coordinator for the Columbia School of Law at Catholic University. He was quickly promoted to Director of the Annual Fund for the University and then served as Assistant Dean for Student and External Affairs at the law school.

Though his career in higher education began in development, Frank recognized that his true calling was working directly in student affairs. “It is the daily interaction with students that energizes me. I truly enjoy assisting them while they are students and then watching them become leaders in their respective fields. It is the reason I chose to work in higher education.”

The position of Assistant Dean for Student Affairs & Registrar is a newly restructured position. With Barb Reif’s retirement as Director of Student and Alumnae/i Affairs in December 2002, the administration took the opportunity to reevaluate the position responsibilities and the growing needs of the students and the School. As a result, Alumnae/i Affairs activities is now incorporated in the newly renamed Office of Development & Alumnae/i Affairs. The new position of Assistant Dean for Student Affairs & Registrar reflects the growing needs of our students. As Assistant Dean, Frank is responsible for overseeing Recruitment & Placement, Admissions, Student Life activities, Financial Aid, Registrar functions and Commencement.

“My goal is to assist our students by breaking down any barriers that may arise so they can concentrate on their studies. In doing so, I hope to foster a continuity of activities and services throughout the entire ‘life span’ of the student while she or he is here at YSN. This coordination will ultimately enhance an already strong sense of community. I have been struck by the very caring environment that already exists, and I feel privileged to be working with such outstanding faculty, committed staff, and amazing students here at YSN.”

Frank and his wife Stacia live in Middletown with their daughters Katie (3 1/2 years) and Allie (1 1/2 years) and their 7 year old Newfoundland named Abigail.
Dr. Paula Milone-Nuzzo, Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for the Yale School of Nursing, has been named Associate Dean of the Penn State College of Health and Human Development and Director of the School of Nursing effective October 1, 2003.

"Those of us who have worked with Paula Milone-Nuzzo know that she is an exceptional manager and mentor with a special talent for bringing out the best in students and colleagues and in fostering a greater sense of community for graduate students and faculty alike. I am confident that she will distinguish herself at Penn State, just as she has in every aspect of her work throughout her career at Yale. But we will miss her," said Yale School of Nursing Dean Catherine L. Gilliss.

"I am delighted that Dr. Milone-Nuzzo has accepted the challenge to lead the School of Nursing," said Dr. Raymond T. Coward, Schultz Professor and Dean of the College of Health and Human Development. "She is an extremely talented and experienced leader who has the vision and skills needed to guide the School to new heights of achievement and recognition. We are very fortunate to have attracted a person of her academic standing and perspective to lead our program."

"I am very excited to join the team at Penn State School of Nursing. It is a wonderful opportunity and I look forward to working with the faculty, staff and students. I will miss the students and my colleagues at Yale, but look forward to staying connected."

Milone-Nuzzo, a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and of Hospice and Home Care, has been a member of the Yale faculty since 1989. At Yale, she began the nation's first home care master's program and devised a curriculum that was the first to layer an understanding of home care over a full clinical specialization such as nurse practitioner. She has served as director or chair of several programs within the School of Nursing. She became chair of the master's program in 1998 and was named Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in 1999.

Milone-Nuzzo's professional and research interests include home health care, exercise and health promotion, emergency room recidivism in the elderly and workforce issues. She has written or co-writ-ten numerous articles in scientific journals and has received funding from the National Institute of Aging, the National Center for Nursing Research, the U.S. Department of Labor and other sources in support of her research. She also has been invited to present her research findings and provide her expertise at more than 80 presentations throughout the world. In addition to her academic background, Dr. Milone-Nuzzo also has more than 15 years of clinical nursing experience in home health and hospital settings.

Currently, Milone-Nuzzo serves as vice president of the Connecticut Association for Home Care and chair of that organization's ad hoc committee on nursing workforce. She also sits on the boards of Care Source and VNA Health Systems and is a member of the Healthy People 2010 Microgrant Advisory Board. She has received several awards during her career, including the Outstanding Achievement Award from the Connecticut Association for Home Care, volunteer service awards from the American Red Cross and the Book of the Year Award from the American Journal of Nursing. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau, an international nursing honor society.

Milone-Nuzzo graduated magna cum laude from Boston College with a bachelor's degree in nursing and earned her master's degree in community health nursing from the University of Connecticut. She also earned a doctorate in higher education administration from the University of Connecticut and has completed postdoctoral studies with the Hartford Institute Seminar on Gerontological Research.
Ann Ameling Retires from YSN

By Donna Diers, ‘64

The lure of retirement has claimed another YSN Professor. Ann Ameling (Slavinsky) will clasp the golden handshake at the end of June, 2003, though she will remain an Emeritus Professor.

Ann has had essentially three separate and distinct careers at Yale, achieving honor in all of them.

She came to YSN as a graduate student in psychiatric/mental health nursing and graduated with the class of 1967. She joined the faculty as a Research Assistant to Jean Johnson and spent several years collecting and massaging data on the effects of preoperative preparation. That work morphed into teaching research and psychiatric nursing.

The chronically mentally ill were not a popular topic for research (they still aren't) but Ann wrote and conducted two federally funded projects on nursing with chronically ill psychiatric outpatients. Her research partner was Judy Krauss, later to become Dean at YSN and Saundra Bialos (YSN ‘71). Their research formed the basis for their definitive book, The Chronically Ill Psychiatric Patient in the Community which won the AJN Book of the Year award in 1982. Ann’s work was particularly characterized by the integration of social contexts into clinical work. She wrote about homeless women, return to the community and risk in a chronic psychiatric outpatient population.

When we began to create what has become the GEPN program – then simply the “three year program” for non-nurse college graduates,

Dean Margaret Arnstein turned to Ann to remember and build on her own history. Ann was a second degree nursing student, having completed her bachelor’s in psychology at Smith College (Dean Arnstein’s alma mater as well) and her BSN at Columbia University in their accelerated program.

Ann was the only person on the faculty apart from Kit Nuckolls (YSN ‘41) who had come to nursing the long way around. It fell to her to explain to the rest of us what college graduates who weren’t nurses were all about, how to begin to think about teaching them, and what we could afford not to teach them which was critical in designing the entry year. She was the one who crafted a number of the policy and political approaches we had to develop when this controversial program was being launched, and she was the first Coordinator.

Ann’s wisdom guided us through the trials of absorbing and integrating this effort into YSN’s mainstream, and her work made it obvious that we had to create a Chair level position for the leadership of the program. Ann was the first Chair – for ten years. Her article, “College Graduates: The Hidden Nursing Population” won First Prize in the contest for Excellence in Writing sponsored by Humana, Inc. and the NLN. It is a contemporary reference for the new enthusiasm of revisiting the notion of college graduation as the entry into nursing.

One of the first YSN faculty to become a Fellow of one of Yale’s undergraduate Colleges, Ann threw herself into activities of Berkeley College. Her excitement at the entrance that the fellowship offered tapped her experience at Smith as well. She easily slid into the social and professional atmosphere of Yale College and began to spend more and more of her energy on issues such as the experiences of undergraduate women and town gown relationships and the interrelationships of Yale’s professional schools and the College. She served as Acting Master of Berkeley College for a semester and then was tapped by President Bart Giamatti to be Master of Saybrook for five years, 1985-1990. The Master’s job description is vast and open for sculpting by the incumbent. Ann particularly sought opportunities to mentor undergraduate women and introduce Yale undergraduates to nursing.

The University, knowing they had a winner, seduced her to be an Associate Provost while she was still a Master. Her portfolio included the Divinity School, Forestry and Environmental Studies, Music and their related departments in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, as well as the British Art Center and the Yale Art Gallery. She dealt with faculty appointments, budgets, policy issues and ceremonial events with grace and an administrative style that invited participation.

During her years as Provost, when the School of Nursing was also her responsibility, she helped us understand the point of view of the central administration, and advised political strategies when times turned hard. Women’s Health Services honored her with their Community Service Award in 1995.

The years at Saybrook and in the Provost’s office did not take Ann away from interests close to her heart. After a period of her own
physical illnesses and recovery from breast cancer, Ann sought new ways to think about healing. And her third career began with her return to the faculty in 1997. Along with others including Rev. Margaret Lewis, the Director of Religious Ministries at Yale-New Haven Hospital and Leslie Neild-Anderson, of the YSN faculty she began to pull together a systematic course of study about spirituality and health which included alternative and complementary nursing innovations, with a particular concentration in Reiki, an ancient method of using touch to center body energy for healing. Knowing the University as she did, she developed cross-disciplinary course work with the Divinity School, tapping into spirituality as healing as well. The Templeton and Teagle Foundations supported the initial continuing education offerings in “Spirituality and Health Care” Her work brought YSN to the forefront of a serious attention in the University to different forms of healing. She is now certified as a Reiki Master and has supported the efforts of YSN’s doctoral student, Pamela Potter, to study the effects of Reiki in relieving stress in women facing breast cancer treatment.

One of the joys of Yale is that it is possible to move across boundaries of discipline, interest, enthusiasm; teaching, administration, policy making; ends of the campus from Church Street South to Wall Street where the Provost’s Office lives, and up the hill to the Div School and back down. Ann stretched those boundaries and in the process gave the University yet another way to think about the talents and gifts of nurses.
Community Health Beyond Borders: How One Group of YSN Students Will Spend Their Summer

Allison Squires, MSN, RN
Doctoral Student, YSN

Community health is a concept in nursing education that is often taught from the visiting nurse service or community health center perspective. However, at YSN, the concept of community health has been expanded to include opportunities for an international education. As part of the school’s growing commitment to international health issues and education, first year GEPN students willing to make the trip will be allowed to go abroad for their community health clinical rotation.

Increasingly at YSN, students have been requesting that opportunities be made available to learn Spanish. With the growing number of Hispanics in the United States (now the largest minority group in the country), providers who not only speak Spanish but who also have a sense of culturally appropriate approaches to care will be in high demand as graduates. So imagine it: What better way to learn about culture, language, and health beliefs than to be immersed for a month in an international community, learning those things first hand?

One of this year’s rotations will be in Oaxaca (woh-hah-ka), Mexico. Oaxaca is located in southern Mexico and is one of the poorest states in the country. It has a rich cultural heritage which extends back several thousand years. Today, that heritage is reflected among the 16 indigenous groups that live in the state of Oaxaca, each with their own language and culture uniquely blended into the overall mestizo (mixed European & indigenous blood) population.

Students will learn about community health from the macro to the micro perspective. They will start from a broad perspective by examining how health services are delivered to the community at large. They will have the opportunity to tour hospitals, community clinics, and a traditional medicine clinic. The GEPNs will also get to join a vaccination team, part of Mexico’s very effective national vaccination program for children. Expert lecturers in nursing and medicine will supplement the student’s learning.

Mexico’s health system is a combination of state funded health care and private pay services. There is also a strong traditional medicine system used by the public at large. This includes the use of herbal medicine and for those who cannot pay for modern western healthcare, the services of curanderos (traditional healers) and parteras (lay midwives). Medical service delivery in Mexico ranges from state of the art in the larger cities, to resource stretched in many remote, rural areas. Doctors Without Borders frequently runs medical missions in the remote mountainous areas of Oaxaca.

Map courtesy of oaxacastreetchildren.org (2002)
experiences during their clinical rotation. Opportunities to meet with health care providers, both traditional and formal, are going to be arranged to meet each student’s specific clinical interests. Spanish language lessons will take place on a daily basis and tailored to meet each student’s individual needs.

For the full cultural experience, students will be living with Mexican families for their month long stay. During that time, they will perform family health assessments and take the community health perspective to the micro level. The family homestay experience is unmatched as a way to learn about the culture of a people—not to mention for practicing the language!

Of course, all work and no play makes for dull, unimaginative nurses! No experience in Mexico would be complete without a visit to archaeological sites, mercados (markets), and traditional artesan pueblos. The international folk festival of the Guelaguetza (gell-ah-getz-ah) will also be taking place at that time. This thousand year old harvest festival draws international crowds from around the world to revel in the dancing, savor the food, and admire the artesan work produced by craftspeople from all over Mexico. Naturally, the festival presents many opportunities to practice health care for an international community and while not yet confirmed, we are hoping the students will be able to volunteer in the health tents, treating or translating for international tourists.

The Oaxaca experience is being coordinated in Mexico through the Instituto Cultural de Oaxaca (ICO) (The Cultural Institute of Oaxaca). For nearly 20 years, the ICO has served university study abroad programs from all over the US and Europe, including the Universities of Pennsylvania and Michigan. Two weeks of Spanish language courses at the ICO qualifies at many universities as one semester worth of university level Spanish. Within the last ten years, services have expanded to include clinical practice opportunities for nursing programs and opportunities to study medical Spanish. YSN Alumni interested in visiting Oaxaca for language courses, medical exchanges, or simply vacation are encouraged to visit the ICO’s website at http://www.institucultural-loax.com.mx/. Those interested in learning more about Oaxaca should visit Oaxaca Live! at http://oaxacalive.com/, or the US State Department Country Fact Sheet.
Creative Writing Award Dinner

On Wednesday, April 9, YSN’s Creative Writing Award Dinner was held at the New Haven Country Club. The evening kicked off a fundraising effort to raise support to establish the Creative Writing Award for student nurses. Inspired by the outstanding journal entries written by YSN’s GEPN students during their required journaling assignment, the Creative Writing Award will recognize outstanding creative effort and raise the visibility of nurses in our society.

Best selling author and surgeon, Dr. Richard Selzer was the Guest Speaker for the evening. But it was the students reading from their works who stole the show! Students Claire Cassidy ‘03, Leslie E. Rae Larsen ‘04, Catherine E. Viortsko ‘05, and Laura M. Thompson ‘03 shared their expressions of what it is like to be a student nurse administering to a patient.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Medical Imaging, Carol Ann Wetmore ‘94, and Dean Catherine L. Gilliss made Founding Gifts to establish the Award. Yale School of Nursing is grateful to them for their important contributions to establish this Award. We are also thankful for the following individuals and organizations who have made a gift in support of the new Creative Writing Award for Students Nurses:

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Special guest, Richard Selzer, M.D.

Lesley Mills, Sally Dalton and Linda Honan Pellico ‘89
From a guest that evening comes this email...

"Thank you for all that you did to make last evening a success. Nyle and I had a very enjoyable evening by reconnecting with people and meeting new ones. The club ambience and the dinner fare added beautifully to the purpose of the event.

For those of us who are nurses, we had the opportunity to remember, relate and reemphasize all the reasons that we had, and still have, for choosing our profession of nursing. The depth of feeling for the humanness of life sets nurses apart from several other professions.

It is my hope that the message of what nurses do and how they do it will finally begin its journey to the wider world through this writing medium by which students express their visions and intellectualizations of their experiences. It is also my hope that we will garner more support to achieve the final goal(s)."

Jan Davey '76
Thank you to the many alumnae/i, faculty, staff and friends who contributed more than $10,000 to the Reif Student Emergency Fund! The Fund will be used to assist students with unplanned emergencies. It will be distributed as a loan to students. Oversight and administration will be shared by YSN’s Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs and the Business Manager.

The Barbara Reif Student Emergency Fund was established in December 2002 in honor of Barbara Reif who devoted thirty years of service to Yale School of Nursing, her last 10 as Director of Student and Alumnae/i Affairs.

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Barbara E. Larkin
Deborah Leslie
Donald S. Leslie, Jr.
Samuel H. Levy
Maryann Lisak ’87
Dorothy J. MacLennan ’52
Lucille Madri
Elizabeth Marlow ’96
Mr. & Mrs. Charles H. Marsh
Barbara E. Mathews ’46
Maria Mauldon ’87
Barbara A. McCloskey ’00
James W. McKay, Jr.
Sharon McManus
Joan E. Mennie ’46
Karen E. Mera ’01
Heide S. Miller
Susan L. Miller
Pamela Minarik
Sue Mauer Morningstar ’89
Jane S. Mulai ’51
Frederica C. Mullen
Elinor B. Muller ’00
Janet Louise Murphy ’88
Martha M. Nagata
Paula K. Nash ’98
Jeanne S. Neideck ’61
Barb is enjoying her retirement and continues to be surrounded by nursing. On a recent trip to London, Barb poses beside the inscription on a Harley Street building which reads “Florence Nightingale left her hospital on this site for the Crimea - October 21, 1854.”
Alumnae/i Task Force Will Present Final Report

After seven months of deliberation, the YSN Alumnae/i Association Task Force will be presenting their final recommendations at a meeting of the Board of the Alumnae/i Association and guests on April 30, 2003.

Consistent with ongoing planning at the Yale, YSN has just completed the development of a planning document entitled “As YSN Enters the 4th Century, A Plan to Build and Sustain Excellence.” The School and the University are expanding their programs to include the globe, rather than the nation. Each of the professional schools has recently considered its relationship with its alumni throughout the US and its impact on the world. Given the Alumnae/i Association’s role in supporting these new directions and the particular emphasis on extending our sight beyond New Haven, and the region, it is timely to consider how the YSN Alumnae/i Association, acting through its Board, can best serve the School.

In September 2002, the Task Force was charged by the Board to consider ways in which the Alumnae/i Association can most effectively support the mission of YSN. In formulating their recommendations, the Task Force discussed such issues as alumnae/i representation on the Board, the structure and activities of the Board and its operation, the relationships between YSN alumnae/i and the School and the greater Yale University community, the relationship with the Association of Yale Alumni (AYA), and the needs of our alumnae/i constituency.

The seven members of the Task Force brought to this assignment their considerable expertise in strategic planning, Board development, higher education, marketing, communications and management. The Task Force includes: Maureen O’Keefe Doran ’71 (Chairperson), Nina Relin Adams ’77, Bonnie Baloga-Altiieri ’82, Angela Barron McBride ’64, Margretta Madden Styles ’54, Deborah Huntington Ward ’77 and Carol Ann Wetmore ’94.
Giving Back

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I find myself distracted by the suffering inflicted by this war and my concerns about the future. So many issues feel secondary. However, I also realize that YSN is a critical source of my ideas and my caring.

We live in a world in which personal insecurity increases and funds get diverted from education and human needs. But we cannot let institutions like YSN, which produces resources and leadership for building a better world, suffer. I believe that this is a time to focus on increasing YSN's strength and guaranteeing its future.

I know that I am not alone. There are dedicated students, faculty, staff and several thousand alumnae/i in the YSN community. Many alumnae/i are very active in the everyday life of the School...serving on the school's advisory boards, serving as class agents, providing mentoring opportunities for current students. Many more remain active participants by returning for reunion weekend, by sending information and comments to Yale Nurse or to their own class agents, or by contributing to the Annual Fund.

I write to all of you with deep appreciation for your involvement and support, and I want to speak particularly to the classes of the last ten years. We know that this is the time for building your own careers and support systems, tasks made increasingly difficult now. But I hope that you are aware of, and are benefiting from, your YSN education. The YSN shield in stained glass (a 2002 Class Gift) which now hangs at the School reminds us daily of the vibrancy and permanent connection to its graduates.

Won't you try to stay connected to YSN? Perhaps you want an alumni organization that provides different supports, serves different purposes, is organized in different ways. Let us know. As an alum, your ideas and spirit are critical in maintaining, and changing YSN.

Staying involved with YSN doesn't have to be costly in either time or money... but we need your commitment to help us continue. I ask you all to stay in touch.

Peace,

Nina Relin Adams '77
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FEBRUARY

The New Haven Register ran a story titled "It's All in the Delivery." The article discusses HypnoBirthing. Part of the article (Empowering Women section) featured Gail Phillips, a CNM at Yale School of Nursing Women's Health & Midwifery in Derby, Connecticut, who has been teaching HypnoBirthing for the past four years.

MARCH

A feature article in the Hartford Courant, March 9, 2003, entitled "The Nurses of 7-7" by Hilary Waldman features YSN's Linda Pellico and some YSN students.

Dr. Margaret Grey was interviewed by WYBC AM 1340, the radio station of Yale University about her research in childhood obesity/diabetes. The interview was aired on WYBC at 8 a.m. on Saturday, March 15.

Linda Honan Pellico '89 participated in a panel discussion about the nursing shortage that was televised on Comcast TV (Channel 28 in Greater New Haven) on March 23 and 25. She was also interviewed for the article, "The Nurses of 7-7" in the March 9, 2003 edition of the Sunday Hartford Courant.

Jeannie Pasacreta's editorial, titled "Watching the War And Worrying" was featured in the Hartford Courant, March 25, 2003. Professor Pasacreta discusses the impact of the war in Iraq on mental health services. It was also featured in the March 30 issue of the Danbury News Times (titled "War Fears Raise Need for Mental Health Services") and the New Haven Register (titled "Exposure to War Stress Does Damage Here Too").

APRIL


A paper by Larry Schahill, MSN, PhD and his colleagues at the Yale Child Study Center, titled "A placebo-controlled trial of risperidone in Tourette syndrome," is featured in the current issue of Neurology. The results of the study indicate that the atypical antipsychotic drug, risperidone, is effective in reducing tic symptoms in children and adults with Tourette syndrome. As options for treatment of moderate or greater tic severity remain few in number, the findings are particularly significant. Until recently, few new medications were available for the treatment of tics. Risperidone, which was developed for the treatment of adults with schizophrenia, was introduced in 1994. This was only the second study in which risperidone and placebo were compared in a randomized clinical trial.
Ann Williams ’81, Heather Reynolds ’80, Margaret Grey ’76, Lois Sadler ’79 and Karina Danvers received the Ruth Steinke-A-Cohen Memorial Outstanding Women of Connecticut Award for their outstanding achievements and dedication to public service. The award was given on March 4.

Tish Knobf ’82, Professor of Nursing, had her article, “Coping With Early Menopause,” published in the December, 2002 issue of HealthLink.

Paula Milone-Nuzzo, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, was interviewed in the January 27 issue of Nursing Spectrum. She has also been featured in the December, 2002 issue of NurseWeek magazine in the article, “House Calls.” To read the interview, see http://www.nurseweek.com/news/features/02-12/homehealth_4.asp.

Alycia Clune, Clinical Site Coordinator, was awarded the 2003 Mariel C. Furlong Award for Making a Difference, from the Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network (FAAN). This award recognizes individuals for their outstanding effort in food allergy awareness and education. The ceremony will take place on May 31 during the FAAN Annual Conference.

Gail Melkus, Associate Professor, was a featured speaker at the program, “Women, Race, Health and Public Policy” on February 25.

Lynette Ament, Nurse-Midwifery Specialty Director, has been selected as the ACNM representative of the Class of 2003 Primary Health Care Policy Fellowship, which is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. During the six-month fellowship, Dr. Ament and other participants will study primary care policy, education and research to become more effective advocates for improving primary health care at all levels of government and the private sector. Her first fellowship session in Washington, DC took place from March 2-7.

Angela Crowley, Associate Professor, was a presenter on a panel entitled, “Child Care Health Consultation: Improving the Quality of Child Care,” at the National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference on November 20, 2002. Joining her on the panel were Abbey Akon, PhD, RN, PNP and Sharon Ware, MSN of the University of California, San Francisco School of Nursing. Dr. Crowley also moderated a panel, “Child Care Health Consultation Across the Map: Systems That Work” and presented on “Program Planning: Communicating Health and Safety to Child Providers and Parents” at the Regions II and II, USDHHS, Maternal Child Health Bureau Conference, “Putting Child Care Health Consultation on the Map” on December 9, 2002. She was also a featured participant in an interactive telecast conference titled, “The Role of the Child Care Health Consultant: Opportunities, Challenges, Skills, and Resources.” The conference, held on February 28 here at Yale, was presented by Healthy Child Care New England: a Collaboration of Healthy Child Care programs from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and New England RAP at Education Development Center, Inc. In addition, she leads the discussion, “The Heart and Soul of Child Care Health Consultation: Developing Effective Relationships,” which was telecast to nurse consultants in all of New England States.

Anyone interested in seeing the video of this telecast should contact her at angela.crowley@yale.edu.

Ivy Alexander, Assistant Professor and Mary Ellen Rousseau, Associate Professor and their colleagues at Yale and Howard Universities will be presenting their abstract, “Menopause Symptoms in Black Women” as a paper at the Howard University Division of Nursing (HUDON) Annual Mary Elizabeth Carnegie Research Day Conference. Their work is sponsored by the Yale-Howard Partnership Center for the Elimination of Health Disparities. The conference will take place on March 26 at Howard University in Washington, DC. Dr. Alexander will be presenting the afternoon session.

Sheila Judge Santacroce, Assistant Professor, has her article, “Parental Uncertainty and Posttraumatic Stress in Serious Childhood Illness” featured in the current issue of the Journal of Nursing Scholarship.

Pat Jackson-Allen, who recently joined YSN as a Lecturer working with the pediatric specialty, has been awarded the 2003 Outstanding Nurse Practitioner Educator Award from the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF). This award recognizes demonstrated contributions to the advancement of nurse practitioner education.

Mikki Meadows ’98 and Alison Moriarty-Daley ’94 teamed up with students Vanessa Reid, Lisa Cederblom and Laura Sundstrom to volunteer at Hill Regional Career High School on March 11, teaching Career seniors about blood pressure and improving blood pressure screening skills.

Andrea Schetter, who is the Social Chair, sent us this amusing and entertaining report on the Annie Goodrich Nursing Gala (AKA Getdown Gala) which took place on January 30 at the New Haven Lawn Club: “Silvery ticket in hand, I tap my slightly-too-tall, barely-can-walk, but sure-can-dance shoes up the front walk to the New Haven Lawn Club. The frosty air threatens to nip off freshly painted toes, which due to their exposure suffer the consequence of fashion. “Tippedy-tap, tippedy-tap,” phew that was a good 25 yard journey, but all the worthwhile. Warmth takes off my coat and the 35 minutes left of open bar warms the toes.

‘Smiles, laughter, a roaring fire, cheese, fruits, and feather boas, the room is amidst of nurses and non-nurses, from the meek who take a table seat to the bold who roll on the floor with a chair in a dance that would make Ms. Spears’s choreographer blush. But then again, another half an hour and the “whoop-da” of cheering for break dancers, grinders, bumpers, shakers, and twirlers would get going, and suddenly it would not seem so strange.

‘Not since “General Hospital” have nurses looked so good (pause for reflection... 1,2,3, and sigh) and not until George W. Bush passes the Reimbursement of Federal Loans Act for nurses will they again look so relaxed.

‘For those of you who checked your stethoscope and jump-started your groove thing, YSN salutes you!”
Janet Parkosewich '85, a doctoral student here at YSN has received the Outstanding Student Presentation Award for her presentation, "Predictors of Timely Reperfusion with Primary PTCA" at The Fifteenth Annual Scientific Sessions of the Eastern Nursing Research Society (ENRS), held on March 27-29.

Lisa Cederblom '05, Vanessa Reid '05, and Laura Sundstrom '05 joined YSN faculty Mikki Meadows '98 and Alison Moriarty-Daley in volunteering at Hill Regional Career High School on March 11. They taught Career seniors about blood pressure and helped them to improve their blood pressure screening skills.

Kelley Newlin '05, Vanessa Jefferson, Dr. Gail Melkus and Dr. Deborah Chyun '82 had their article, "The Relationship of Spirituality and Health Outcomes in Black Women with Type 2 Diabetes" printed in the Winter, 2003 issue of Ethnicity & Disease.
Visit our Alumnae/i Website for current info of interest to our alums...

http://www.nursing.yale.edu/alumnae/index.html

Virtual Dean’s Office
Dean Catherine Gilliss wants to hear your reflections on YSN, past and present, learn how your Yale education continues to shape your career and respond to questions about the school. Just click on the Virtual Dean’s Office to send an email.

Reunion Information
For up to date information on this year’s Class Reunions.

Class News - Click here to send us news about where you are and what you are doing. Class News appears in our newsletter, *Yale Nurse*.

AYA - Which includes useful features such as access to a lifetime Yale email address, career networking, and information on giving.

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Life-Long Yale Email

Be a participant in a poster presentation at the Alumnae/i Weekend 2003
Natale Linton Brown '41 and her husband J. Willcox were given the Granite State Award at the University of New Hampshire Commencement Ceremonies last May. Natale and Will are conservationists and long-time public servants to the state of New Hampshire. Natale served as director of the New Hampshire Council on World Affairs for 12 years as chairperson of the Foreign Visitor Hospitality Program. Will attended Dartmouth and worked extensively in New Hampshire's outdoor parks as well as a selectman and town moderator for Dunbarton. He served as assistant forester for the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests and as the governor's representative to the National Commission on Public Land Review.

Margaret Leach Schleske '45 writes “As of December 12, 2002, I became ninety years of age. I now live alone but am only a mile from my daughter. My sister and I lived together until her death Sept. 1, 2002, at age ninety-two. Thus far I still drive to the grocery store etc., and am given a reduction in my car insurance for a safe driving record. Would love to visit, but think it unwise. I still have no arthritis or any other aches or pains. With fond memories,...”

Erica Brown Miller '46 has provided us with moving reflections on her experiences at YSN and her career in nursing. In “Searching and Finding,” she writes:

“Entering nursing school in 1943 began, for me, a lifelong commitment. World War II was in full swing, my family had left our native country, we had lost friends and relatives, and our home had been destroyed.

I had also lost every bit of faith I had ever had. Obviously God did not care about anything, but I, on the other hand, was determined to lose myself in service and love for my fellow human beings. At 22, I was full of ideals, enthusiasm, and an energy that knew no bounds.

In school we learned math, anatomy, biology, chemistry, and struggled with the dreaded, “Drugs and Solutions.” Then came “Nursing Arts” where we learned to make beds, give baths, and injections. We went on to Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics, emergencies, isolation techniques, disease and pain. And one night I finally had to face the death of a favorite patient. Sorrow and compassion washed over me, like a tidal wave, a deep sense of overwhelming futility. What on earth was I doing there, washing and feeding, trying to comfort and ease the pain of a few people, when there were so many that I could not possibly reach? The thought was awesome, and I cried for a long time. Many years have passed since that night. I’ve had more than my share of love and happiness, but I still feel the same way about nursing. Only now the feeling is tempered with maturity and has mellowed into acceptance of my limitations as well as my capabilities.

At first I worked in hospitals, where team spirit gave each of us a sense of belonging, of being part of a proud group, “The Nursing Profession.” We gained confidence and strength, but too often, the tragedies became more than I could bear, especially when children were involved. I tried being a lab technician, but I hated the impersonal environment. Then came doctors’ offices with many different experiences. But here again, these experiences became too personal. I spent a year in “Home Nursing.” Even though I acquired a husband, six children and three grandchildren along the way, I was still restless. I also began to doubt my “standing-power” in the professional world!

And then one day, many years ago, I visited a nursing home and discovered the field of Geriatrics. My life took a different direction.

I can still touch only a few lives at a time, but these frail elderly people at the end of life, need a special kind of loving care. In return they have so much to offer. They are sometimes delightfully confused, sometimes sad and lonely, and often cantankerous. But they trust and accept friendship, they appreciate almost anything that is done for them, and they enjoy sharing their reminiscences and their laughter.
When death comes to the elderly, it is not a tragedy, it is more often a blessing, and it brings with it “The Peace that Passeth all Understanding—” their peace and mine too. I am left with gratitude for having known them, and with a deep sense of having done what I could to make their last few years a little better than they might have otherwise been.” 3-21-88.

Emily Tarver Bartels ’51 recently moved to Bellevue, Washington to be closer to her family.

Rhoda Martel ’54 who passed away in May, 2001 has been honored by the University of Michigan Medical School, with the Rhoda Martel Annual Lectureship. The inaugural lecture was held last March and was entitled, “Excellence in Oncologic Care: Passion, Priority and Performance.”

Rhetaugh Graves Dumas ’61 was recognized as a “Living Legend” of the American Academy of Nursing at their annual meeting in Washington, D.C. in November 2002.

Angela McBride ’64 will appear on this year’s slate as Alumni Representative to the Yale Corporation. See separate article in this issue.

Marvel King Davis ’70 is the featured profile for May in the Aetna calendar honoring African Americans. Marvel, who is a Clinical Nurse Specialist for Psychiatric Services, was chosen for May because it is National Mental Health Month.

Virginia Nehring ’72 has received a Fulbright to teach at the University of Qatar in the Middle East, which began in the Fall, 2002 semester. In addition to teaching, she is assisting the faculty in major curriculum revision, self-study and evaluation, and a review of teaching strategies to focus on student learning outcomes.

Sally I. Cohn ’73 writes: “I am presently as you can see by the address working in the arts but do like to keep up with YSN news. I do maintain my license but haven’t actively worked in the field for thirty years. I am property manager, set dresser and staff photographer at the Vineyard Playhouse – professional theatre on Martha’s Vineyard. I am also a choreographer and dancer and dance photographer – am working harder than when I held a full time job in nursing. I miss my days at YSN – very fond memories and I had an excellent education -- hope things are going well in the school.”

Margaret J. Cushman ’76 was inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing. Peg is currently a graduate student in the Botanical Healing Program at the Tai Sophia Institute in Columbia, MD.

Deborah Huntington Ward ’77 was also inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing. Debbie is currently on faculty at the University of Washington School of Nursing.

Ramon Lavandero ’79 was inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing. He has also been appointed to a three-year term on the Board of Advisors of Indiana University School of Nursing. This board advises the Dean on long range direction, program quality, resource development and external image.

Betty Yang ’85 has written with an update on all of her activities since graduation: “Since moving to Salem, Oregon in 1990, I entered a doctoral program in nursing at Oregon Health Sciences University in 1991. I married Rex Haley on January 4, 1994. I worked full-time as a psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse specialist at Oregon State Hospital during my doctoral program and completed my dissertation, “Mothers Labeled Overinvolved: How They Care For Children and Adolescents With Mental Disorders” in August, 2000. Rex was extraordinarily supportive and understanding as he endured my nine years of enormous stress. We were looking forward to the graduation ceremony in June, 2001, where I would be robed at the ritual recognition of the completion of the Ph.D. Very sadly, Rex died suddenly on May 14, 2001 of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. In February, 2001, I started working for the Portland VA Medical Center as a psychiatric nurse practitioner at the Salem VA Outpatient Clinic. In April, 2001, I presented my research at the Western Institute of Nursing Conference in Seattle, Washington, and in May, 2002 at the “Building on Family Strengths” Conference sponsored by the Regional Research Institute for Human Services at Portland State University.”

Martha A. Q. Curley ’87 is the lead author of a journal article entitled, “Predicting Pressure Ulcer Risk in Pediatric Patients,” which is in the January, 2003 issue of Nursing Research.

Cora Zembrzuski ’89 was quoted in a recent issue of the New Haven Register in an article titled “Connecticut VNA & Connecticut VNS, SE: Making a Difference – One Patient at a Time.” Remarkingly, on the agency’s Wound Care Program, she notes “In just a few short years, using digital imaging and a multidisciplinary team to produce positive results for our patients, the program has proven to be a great success.” Cora is Education & Program Development Specialist for Connecticut VNA.
Betsy Butler Danes ‘95 tells us that she and her husband Stratton had their second baby, George Stratton Danes, on November 27, 2002. Little George joins big sister Emma, 18 months. Betsy is taking a leave of absence from being a PNP for a few years, and she and her family are planning to move from New York City to Hartford in July of 2003.

Cynthia Flynn ‘96 reports that her birth center, Columbia Women’s Clinic in Kennewick, WA is doing very well. They were featured in the December/January issue of Fit Pregnancy as one of Five Fabulous Birth Centers in the country. Cynthia is also very active on the internet, as the “Ask The Expert” midwife on storknet.com and giving a live chat every second Tuesday of the month at 6PM Standard Time on pregnancy.org.

Emily Barr ‘97 emails from Denver with the following update: “I have three kids. Madeline age nine, Caelan (boy) age six—he is the one who was born while I was there, and Pheobe age three born while I was in Syracuse. I also graduated from SUNY Stony Brook with a post masters certificate in Midwifery.”

Brooke Karlsen ‘97 is one of the recipients of the “I Have a Dream” award from her peers at Yale New Haven Hospital. She received the award on January 17 for “exemplifying unity, community, and respect for the uniqueness of others.” In addition to her job at Yale New Haven as Nursing Director of Perioperative Services, Brooke serves on the Lay Ministry Team for the Humanitarian Society of New Haven, and is a member of AORN and Sigma Theta Tau.

Elizabeth Steinmiller ‘98 writes that she is employed as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in Mental Health at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. She provides teaching, education and consultation about mental health and wellness to employees. She recently co-authored an article in the Greater Philadelphia Nursing Spectrum Magazine entitled, “That Family is Crazy—Avoid the Dangers of Labeling with Family-Centered Care.” She also co-presented “An Adventure in Teambuilding: The Use of MBTI by the PCLN” at the International Society of Psychiatric Nurses Conference in April, 2002 and “Rx for Success: The New Secret to Recruitment” to the Health Care Educators Association in October, 2002.

Save the Date!
Saturday, June 7
11:30am-3:30pm
Yale School of Nursing
Retirement Celebration
in honor of
Ann Ameling, MSN ’67

Since receiving her degree from YSN in 1967, Ann has devoted 36 years in service to Yale. Beginning as research assistant, then as faculty... serving as the first director of the new Program for Non-Nurse College Graduates (now known as GEPN) in 1976. Ann served as Associate Provost and later as Master at Saybrook College. This year, Ann is retiring, and to celebrate, YSN extends an invitation to join Ann’s friends, colleagues and students for the festivities!

Invitations to the event can be found in the Reunion Registration mailing. For more information, please contact Lisa Hottin at 203-785-7920 or by email lisa.hottin@yale.edu

Ann Ameling
Obituaries

Jewel Quimby Patton '47 passed away at home in Santa Rosa, CA on October 20, 2002. Class Agent Georgiana Booth shared with us the following obituary from Press Democrat, October 23, 2002):

Loving wife of the late Dr. Carl Patton, Jr. and beloved mother of Carl M. Patton, Paso Robles, CA; Dave Patton, Novato, CA; Marty Patton-Volz, Santa Rosa, CA; Bob Patton, Eureka, CA; and Wesley Patton, San Francisco. Loving grandmother of Danielle Patton, Irvine, CA; Jeremy Patton, Salem, WI; Christopher Patton, Nampa, ID; Tim Patton, Tempe, AZ; and Shauna Patton, Eureka, CA; and

great granddaughter of Paige Ann Patton, Salem, WI. Beloved sister of Robert F. Quimby of Sarasota, FL, she is also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Born in Boston, MA, Jewel moved to Santa Rosa three years ago from her long-time home in Salinas, CA, where she raised her children, worked as a hospital nurse, taught nursing at Hartnell Jr. College, established a Visiting Nurse Association, worked with hospice, Meals on Wheels, American Cancer Society, Zonta, American Association of University Women, and served in many leadership positions, including president of the United Methodist Women, at First United Methodist Church of Salinas, her church home for 40 years. Jewel was named 1995 Monterey County Woman of the Year in honor of her extensive volunteer work and received citations for her years of distinguished community service from the United States Congress and the California State Legislature.

She remained active with the alumnae associations of Mount Holyoke College in So. Hadley, MA and Yale School of Nursing, maintaining correspondence and regularly attending reunions with a large circle of friends over the course of nearly six decades. She enjoyed extensive travels around the world with her family and friends, including a concert tour to Europe with the choir of First United Methodist Church of Santa Rosa in 2001.
You are Invited to participate in a
Poster Presentation
at Yale University School of Nursing
Alumnae/i Weekend 2003

Place: Yale School of Nursing
Date: Friday, June 6, 2003
Time: 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM

This is a great opportunity to showcase your project, practice or research and network with fellow YSN alumnae/i and Yale colleagues!

Please complete the Poster Abstract below and submit it for consideration to Alumnae/i Weekend Poster Session, c/o YSN Office of Alumnae/i Affairs, 100 Church St. South, P.O. Box 9740, New Haven, CT. 06536-0740 or fax it to 203-785-3554. Deadline for submissions is May 1, 2003.

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