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Welcome to ***School of Nursing News***, an electronic newsletter designed to inform, engage, inspire, and connect with faculty, staff, students, alumni, and other constituents of the University of Maryland School of Nursing (UMSON).



Inaugural Visionary Pioneers Announced — Awardees to be Honored at 125th Anniversary Gala

As part of its 125th anniversary celebration, UMSON is honoring 25 outstanding alumni (both living and deceased) as Visionary Pioneers who have become expert clinicians, educators, and leaders in Maryland, the nation, and around the world. Those selected have made a significant impact on and contributions to the nursing profession based on their leadership, innovation, or entrepreneurship. The 25 inaugural Visionary Pioneers will be honored at UMSON's 125th Anniversary Gala being held **Saturday, April 18, 2015**, at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront Hotel. To view a list of the Visionary Pioneers, go to: <http://nursing.umaryland.edu/news-events/news/visionary.html>. For more information about the gala, contact Tiffany Hooper at hooper@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-7640. For information about event sponsorship opportunities, contact Lorette Hankins, associate dean for development and alumni relations, at hankins@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-7640.

UMSON Faculty Members Among UMB Founder's Week Award Winners

Two UMSON faculty members received Founder's Week Awards from the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) at the Founder's Week Gala held October 11 at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore. **Karen Kauffman, PhD, RN, CRNP, FAAN**, associate professor and chair, Department of Family and Community Health, received the Public Servant of the Year Award, and **Robin Newhouse, PhD '00, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN**, professor and chair, Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health, was co-recipient of the Researcher of the Year Award, along with C. Daniel Mullins, PhD, chair, Department of Pharmaceutical Health Services Research at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. Read more at: <http://www.nursing.umaryland.edu/news-events/news/founders>.



UMSON Faculty Members and Students Honored at Maryland Nurses Association Convention

Two UMSON faculty members and two students were honored by the Maryland Nurses Association (MNA) at its annual convention, held October 16-17. **Barbara Dobish, MSN, RN**, assistant professor, and **Mary Fey, PhD '14, MS '01, RN, CHSE**, former assistant professor and director of UMSON's clinical simulation laboratories, received MNA Awards. Clinical Nurse Leader students Emilie Cecil and Sarah Khaver were awarded Nursing Foundation of Maryland Scholarships. Read more at: <http://www.nursing.umaryland.edu/news-events/news/mna-conference.html>.

Inaugural White Coat Ceremonies a Great Success

Incoming Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Clinical Nurse Leader students received their white coats at groundbreaking programs held October 21 at UMSON in Baltimore, and November 4 at UMSON's Shady Grove location. UMSON was one of 100 nursing schools to receive funding support through a collaborative effort between the Arnold P. Gold Foundation and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing to pilot White Coat Ceremonies. The purpose of the program is to instill a commitment to providing compassionate care among future health professionals entering nursing schools.



Franklin Lecture Focuses on Compassionate Care

Compassionate care was the topic of the 2014 Virginia Lee Franklin Lecture, delivered by **Karen A. Daley, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN**, past president, American Nurses Association, on October 23 at UMSON. In her talk, “Compassionate Care: A Fundamental Imperative for Today’s Changing Health Care System,” Daley discussed the challenges surrounding compassionate care and the need for it from the perspective of the caregiver and the health care consumer. The event was co-hosted by UMSON and the Maryland Nurses Association (MNA).



Mark Your Calendar

Annual Career Fair

11 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1 – Southern Management Corporation Campus Center, 621 W. Lombard St., Baltimore, MD 21201. Free admission. To register or for more information, visit: <http://nursing.umaryland.edu/news-events/events/career-fair>. Are you looking for that next step in your career? Take advantage of the opportunity to network with different hospitals, universities, and clinics. Whether you are interested in continuing your education or changing jobs, start your search here. This year, a new service is being offered to employers, students, and alumni — the UMSON Job Board. The Job Board allows employers to advertise open positions and students/alumni to upload résumés. As part of the UMSON Go Green initiative, students and alumni are encouraged to upload their résumés prior to the career fair for employers to view. Visit the Job Board at: <http://nursingjobs.umaryland.edu>.

December Graduation for UMSON Shady Grove Students

1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 – USG Building II Banquet Room. For more information, call 410-706-2799.

December Graduation for UMSON Baltimore Students

1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15 – Hippodrome Theatre, Baltimore, Md. For more information, call 410-706-2799.

Reunion 2015

If your DIN or BSN graduation year ends in a “5” or “10,” or if you earned a degree in the Clinical Nurse Leader master’s option in 2005 or 2010, mark your calendar for the 2015 Alumni Reunion **Saturday, September 19**. Look for your invitation in the mail in early spring. If you would like to volunteer as a Class Representative, contact Cynthia Sikorski, associate director of alumni relations, at sikorski@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-0674. For more information, visit the alumni website at <http://nursing.umaryland.edu/alumni>.

Welcome New Faculty & Staff

Ernest Opoku-Agyemang, MS '12, BSN '10, has joined the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health as a clinical instructor. He comes to UMSON from Concept Plus, LLC in Fairfax, Va., where he worked as a clinical system analyst. Opoku-Agyemang holds an MS and BSN from UMSON; an MA in Developing Area Studies from the University of Hull, England; and a BS in Land Economy from the University of Science and Technology, Ghana.

Katie Hern, BA, has joined the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health as an academic program specialist for the Institute for Educators in Nursing and Health Professions. She previously worked as an office assistant at Towson University; University of Maryland, Baltimore; and University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC). Hern holds a BA in American Studies from UMBC.

Memory Jackson, MA, has joined the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health as a program management specialist. She comes to UMSON from the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, where she worked as an academic program specialist. Prior to that position, Memory worked as an office clerk at the School of Dentistry. She holds an MA in Legal Studies from the University of Baltimore and a BS in Criminal Justice from Coppin State University.

Faculty Kudos

Susan Bindon, DNP '11, RN-BC, CNE, assistant professor, recently passed the National League for Nursing’s Certified Nurse Educator exam. The program recognizes excellence and innovation in the advanced specialty role of the academic nurse educator.

Karen Clark, PhD, RN, assistant professor, co-authored the following article:

Clark, K.M. & May Cserno, I. (2014). Upper-division transfer students: Designing a supplemental instruction program for nursing students within a science-based curriculum. *Community College Journal*, doi:10.1080/10668926.2013.849622

Ann Mech, JD, MS '78, BSN '76, RN, assistant professor and coordinator of legal affairs, received the Richard G. McCauley Leadership Award, presented by the Horizon Foundation of Howard County, on October 2. The award honors community leaders who have had a transformative effect on institutions and organizations in Howard County, Md.

Dawn Muller-Burke, PhD '01, MS '98, CRNP, NNP-BC, assistant professor, co-authored the following article:

Morehouse, D.K., Williams, L., Loyd, C., Miller-Walters, E., Guzzetta, C. E., Baumgart, S., Sill, A., Mueller-Burke D., & Short, B.L. Perioperative hypothermia in NICU infants: Its occurrence and impact on infant outcomes. *Advances in Neonatal Care*. 14(3):154-164, June 2014.

Nancy Munro, MN, RN, CCRN, ACNP-BC, FAANP, adjunct faculty member, was recently inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. Her recent publications include:

Munro, N. (2014). Fever in acute and critical care: a diagnostic approach. *AACN Advanced Critical Care*. 25(3):237-248.

Munro, N. & Ruggiero, M. (2014). Ventilator-associated pneumonia bundle: Reconstruction for best care. *AACN Advanced Critical Care*. 25(2):163-175.

Eun-Shim Nahm, PhD '03, MS '95, BSN '89, RN, FAAN, professor and program director, Nursing Informatics, and **Erika Friedmann, PhD**, professor, co-authored the following article:

Nahm, E.-S., Warren, J., Friedmann, E., Brown, J., Rouse, D., Park, B.-K., & Quigley, K. W. (2014). Implementation of a participant-centered weight management program for older nurses: A feasibility study. *Online Journal of Nursing Informatics*. 9(3).

Mary Regan, PhD, RN, associate professor, has been appointed co-director of UMSON's Center for Health Outcomes Research. She conducts translational research focused on childbirth outcomes and is currently principle

investigator of an ROI grant, “Influence of Modifiable Factors on the Vaginal Microbiota and Preterm Birth,” funded by National Institute of Nursing Research.

Valerie Rogers, PhD '09, MS '98, RN, CPNP, assistant professor, and **Shijun Zhu, PhD**, assistant professor, co-authored the following article:

Rogers, V.E., Zhu, S., Ancoli-Israel, S., & Hinds, P.S. Impairment in circadian activity rhythms occurs during dexamethasone therapy in children with leukemia. *Pediatric Blood & Cancer* 2014;61:1986-1991.

Debra Scrandis, PhD, RN, CRNP, BC, assistant professor, co-authored the following article:

Scrandis, D. A. & Watt, M. (2014). Child sexual abuse in boys: Implications for primary care. *The Journal for Nurse Practitioners*, 10(9), 706-713.

Carla Storr, ScD, MPH, professor, co-presented the following poster:

Storr, C.L. & Green, K.M. Progression from substance use to development of substance use disorders in the older person. Gerontological Society of America 67th Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington D.C., November 2014.

Fran Valle, DNP '10, MS '99, CRNP, assistant professor, co-authored the following articles:

Valle, M. F., Maruthur, N. M., Wilson, L. M., Malas, M., Qazi, U., Haberl, E., Bass, E. B., Zenilman, J. & Lazarus, G. (2014). Comparative effectiveness of advanced wound dressings for patients with chronic venous leg ulcers: A systematic review. *Wound Repair and Regeneration*, 22(2): 193–204. doi: 10.1111/wrr.12151

Lazarus, G., Valle, M.F., Malas, M., Qazi, U., Maruthur, N., Zenilman, J., et al. Chronic venous leg ulcer treatment: Future research needs. Future Research Needs Paper No. 34 (Prepared by the Johns Hopkins University Evidence-Based Practice Center under Contract No. 290-2007-10061-I.) AHRQ Publication No.13-EHC034-EF. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. November 2013. Addendum added January 2014.

Lazarus, G., Valle, M.F., Malas, M., Qazi, U., Maruthur, N., Doggett, D., Fawole, O. Bass, E. & Zenilman, J. (2014). Chronic venous leg ulcer treatment: Future research needs. *Wound Repair and Regeneration*, 22(1), 34-42.

Malas, M., Qazi, U, Lazarus, G., Valle, M.F., Wilson, L., Haberl, E., Bass, E., & Zenilman, J. (2014). Systematic review of the comparative effectiveness of surgical interventions aimed at treating underlying venous pathology in patients with chronic venous ulcer. *Journal of Vascular Surgery Venous and Lymphatic Disorders* 2(2), 212-225.

Zenilman, J., Valle, M.F., Malas, M., Maruthur, N., Qazi, U., Suh, Y., Wilson, L., Haberl, E., Bass, E.B., & Lazarus, G. Chronic venous ulcers: A comparative effectiveness review of treatment modalities. Rockville, MD: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. December 2013. Erratum: January 2014.

Kathryn Von Rueden, MS, RN, CNS-BC, FCCM, associate professor, made the following presentations:

Von Rueden, K.T. (2014). Sepsis, MODS, and survival *and* Pulmonary artery catheter waveform analysis. Trends in Critical Care, October 1-3, sponsored by American Association of Critical Care Nurses, Philadelphia, PA.

Von Rueden, K.T. (2014). Compassion Fatigue: Reclaiming our passion (Keynote) *and* Agitation and delirium in trauma patients. Critical Concepts Exploring Critical Care and Trauma, October 15-16, sponsored by Sentara Healthcare, Norfolk, Va.

Kathryn Von Rueden; Erika Friedmann, PhD, professor; and **Karen McQuillan, MS, '86, BSN '81, RN, CNS-BC, CCRN, CNRN, FAAN**, co-authored the following article:

Hinderer, K.A., Von Rueden, K. T., Friedmann, E., McQuillan, K.A., Gilmore, R., Kramer, B., & Murray, M. (2014). Burnout, compassion fatigue, compassion satisfaction, and secondary traumatic stress in trauma nurses. *Journal of Trauma Nursing*. 21(4), p 160-169.

In the News

Subject: Local Nursing Student Back from Australian Outback

Source: *Presspubs.com* - Oct. 5

Summary: **Audrey Mills, a UMSON student**, was featured in the article, "Local Nursing Student Back from Australian Outback."

http://www.presspubs.com/forest_lake/news/article_ff101470-4b58-11e4-b692-7fcf5724683f.html

Subject: Baltimore Nurse Credits ACA With Rapid Job Growth In Nursing Field

Source: *cbslocal.com* - Oct. 20

Summary: **Bimbola Akintade, PhD '11, MS '05, MBA, BSN '03, ACNP, BC, assistant professor**, was quoted in the article, "Baltimore Nurse Credits ACA With Rapid Job Growth in Nursing Field."

<http://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2014/10/20/baltimore-nurse-credits-aca-with-rapid-job-growth-in-nursing-field/>

Subject: Medical-alert Systems Can Be Helpful, Especially for Older People Living Alone

Source: *Washington Post* - Oct. 27

Summary: **Barbara Resnick, PhD '96, CRNP, FAAN, FAANP, professor**, was quoted in the article, "Medical-alert Systems Can Be Helpful, Especially for Older People Living Alone."

http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/medical-alert-systems-can-be-helpful-especially-for-older-people-living-alone/2014/10/24/70638906-2320-11e4-958c-268a320a60ce_story.html

Subject: Science of Sleep

Source: *Baltimore Magazine* - November 2014

Summary: **Jeanne Geiger-Brown, PhD '01, RN, FAAN, associate professor**, and Steven Scharf, MD, University of Maryland School of Medicine, were featured in the article, "Science of Sleep."

Subject: Nurse CIOs are Taking on Bigger Roles in Healthcare

Source: *Modern Health* – Nov. 1

Summary: **Charlotte Seckman, PhD, RN-BC**, assistant professor, was quoted in the article, "Nurse CIOs are Taking on Bigger Roles."

<http://www.modernhealthcare.com/article/20141101/MAGAZINE/311019980/nurse-cios-are-taking-on-bigger-roles-in-healthcare>

Subject: UMSON Professors Receive Founder's Week Awards

Source: *Nurse.com* - Nov. 5

Summary: **Karen Kauffman, PhD, RN, CRNP, FAAN, associate professor**, and **Robin Newhouse, PhD '00, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, professor**, were featured in the article, "UMSON Professors Receive Founder's Week Awards." <http://news.nurse.com/article/20141105/DC02/141104008#.VFuTwlcyHH0>

Alumni News & Notes

Brenda Afzal, MS '99, BSN '98, RN, a nurse consultant and member of the Children's Environmental Health

Network Board of Directors, organized a successful Wingspread Summit in Racine, Wis., in October. A diverse group of thought leaders attended the meeting and charted a renewed vision and blueprint for protecting children's environmental health.



Mary "Teenie" Bracken, MS '97, RN, NNP, EDAC, has joined EwingCole, one of the nation's leading health care design firms, as Healthcare Designer/Clinical Consultant in its Philadelphia office. Prior to joining EwingCole, Bracken worked as a design consultant adapting medical office buildings and residential sites to ADA standards. She previously worked as an adult nurse in emergency medical trauma units and as a pediatric nurse in neonatal ICUs for hospitals in Maryland, Virginia, and Florida.



Nicole M. Bush, MS '05, has been working at the Mayo Clinic, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, since May 2014. She works full time in Outpatient Gynecology, with special interests in GYN oncology, colposcopy, and pelvic pain.

Nancy E. Glass, PhD '01, received the 2014 Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research Path-Paver Award at the 2014 NightinGala, held Oct. 15 in Washington, D.C. Glass was recognized for her outstanding research and scholarship focused on community-partnered interventions to reduce poor health outcomes and disparities for women and children who are survivors of gender-based violence.



Kathleen Gresia-McElroy, MS '10, BSN '98, a PhD student at UMSON, was awarded a two-year, pre-doctoral F31 NRSA grant from the NICHD/NIH to support her dissertation research. She plans to examine how commonly used intrapartum clinical interventions cause changes in the vaginal micro biota composition in low risk pregnant women over time. Her mentors and co-sponsors for the award are Mary Regan, PhD, RN, associate professor, UMSON, and Jacques Ravel, PhD, professor of medicine and associate director for genomics at the University of Maryland, Baltimore Institute for Genome Sciences.





Karen McQuillan, MS '86, BSN '81, RN, CNS-BC, CCRN, CNRN, FAAN, clinical nurse specialist, R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center, and president-elect, American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACCN), recently participated in an invitation-only dialogue on Ebola with top White House officials, where she conveyed the concerns, lessons learned, and courageous work of nurses who had shared their experiences. AACCN was one of only a few professional nursing organizations that attended this meeting with Ebola Response Coordinator Ron Klain and other officials working on the Ebola response. Following the meeting, McQuillan was invited to a briefing by President Obama, where he thanked U.S. health care workers who are fighting Ebola.



Capt. Alicia Morton, DNP '11, MS '02, has been appointed Director of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology Health IT Certification Program. In her most recent roles, Morton served as Deputy Chief Medical Officer and as a Senior Advisor in OST. She is an adjunct faculty member at UMSON and a member of the advisory board for the master's specialty in Nursing Informatics.

Rosemary Polomano, PhD '95, RN, FAAN, received the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing's (UPSON) Norma M. Lang Distinguished Award for Scholarship, Practice, and Policy, in recognition of her outstanding research and scholarship in outcome measures and advancing the translation of pain science to practice. She is a professor of pain practice at UPSON.





Janet Rowan, MS '63, BSN '61, retired from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) after 20 years of service. Her employment at NIH began with a position on the Inpatient Ophthalmology Unit, followed by extensive service managing the dental clinic in the Oral Surgery Clinic area, where she was actively involved with protocols studying pain in human subjects. Early in her career, Rowan was a faculty member at UMSON, where she taught Maternal Child Nursing.



Sarah L. Szanton, PhD, MS '98, RN, ANP, FAAN, received the 2014 Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research Protégé Award at the 2014 NightinGala, held Oct. 15 in Washington, D.C. The award recognized Szanton's outstanding research and excellent work in the field of aging, health disparities, and innovative models of care.





Seven UMSON alumni were elected as state officers of the Maryland Association of Nurse Anesthetist's (MANA), at their fall meeting on Oct. 18.

Cathleen Campbell, MS, BSN '77, CRNA, president

Jacqueline C. Mitchell, MS '07, BSN '92, CRNA, president-elect

Veronica Amos, MS '07, MS '00, BSN '99, CRNA, secretary

Teckla Chude, MS '13, CRNA, treasurer

Joy A. Gonzalez, MS '12, BSN '07, District I Director

Bonjo Batoon, MS, BSN '98, CRNA, District IV Director

Johnny Gayden, BSN '10, SRNA, student representative



Alumni Event Recaps

Student Scholarship Breakfast

UMSON student scholarship recipients gathered for a networking breakfast on September 9 in the Virginia Lee Franklin Faculty/Staff Lounge. They enjoyed meeting one another and the opportunity to chat with Dean Kirschling and UMSON faculty members.





Fourth Annual Alumni Speaker Series Program Held October 13

Four UMSON alumni spoke to current students about their various roles and responsibilities at the Fourth Alumni Speaker Series Program, held Oct. 13 at UMSON. Student leaders **Sarah Dyer** and **Michelle Nusraty** served as moderators. Panel members included **Noah Bennett, BSN '13, CCRN-CSC**, staff nurse in the CSICU at University of Maryland Medical Center (UMMC); **Alisha Hackney, BSN '13**, current PhD student and staff nurse, Emergency Department, UMMC; **Kathleen Hallock, BSN '13**, staff nurse, labor and delivery, MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center; and **Greg Raymond, MS '10, BSN '05**, current DNP student and Director of Nursing and Patient Care Services for NeuroCare and Behavioral Health at UMMC.



UMSON Alumni & Admissions Offices Share Booth at MNA and MANA Conferences





Alumni Speakers at University of Maryland, College Park Pre-Nursing Society Meeting

The Pre-Nursing Society, established in 2013 at University of Maryland, College Park (UMCP), welcomed two UMSON alumni speakers and Cynthia Sikorski, UMSON's associate director of alumni relations, at their Oct. 28 meeting. The panel included **Teresa Acquaviva, MS, BSN '78, RN, CRNP**, a family nurse practitioner at Unity Health Care in Washington, D.C., and **Shashi Ravindran, MPH, MS '09, CRNP**, an adult nurse practitioner at the National Institute of Nursing Research, Bio-Behavioral Branch, Bethesda, Md.





Alumni Career Resources Web Page

Students and alumni can access professional career services through UMSON's Student Success Center. Services include a job posting website, an annual career fair, assistance in writing resumes and cover letters, career workshops, mock interviews, and online resources. For more information, visit: <http://nursing.umaryland.edu/alumni/career-services>.

If you have questions or would like to share your ideas about additional resources, contact Cynthia Sikorski, associate director of alumni relations, at alumni@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-0674 or Tiffany Kroeze-Murphy, assistant director of student services, at tmurphy@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-3049.

UMSON Spirit Merchandise Available Online

A variety of UMSON spirit merchandise items are available for purchase online at: <http://www.nursing.umaryland.edu/alumni/shop>. Items include notecards with historical images from the UMSON Living History Museum; a plush crab in UMSON's school colors; and a spacious tote bag with an image on the front created by local artist and architect Tom Bauley that depicts traditional, historical, and contemporary images of UMSON and the University of Maryland Medical Center. The UMSON license plate frame, also available for purchase online, will show your pride no matter where you travel in your car! If you have questions or need more information, contact Lorrie Voytek at voytek@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-7640.



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