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December 2016

CPH Honored Through Two AACN Awards

The School of Nursing's Community and Public Health master's specialty, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, received two American Association of Colleges of Nursing awards for its forward-thinking initiatives: the Innovation in Professional Nursing Education Award in the Academic Health Center category and the Innovations in Baccalaureate Population Health Award. This is the second time that the School has received the Innovation in Professional Nursing Education Award in the Academic Health Center category, and it is the only school to have received the award more than once. [Read more](#).

Jenkins Named UMB's 2016 Teacher of the Year

Louise S. Jenkins, PhD '85, MS '81, RN, FAHA, ANEF, professor and director of the Institute for Educators, recently was named the University of Maryland, Baltimore's 2016 Teacher of the Year during its annual Founders Week. Jenkins is the seventh faculty member from the School to receive a Founders Week Award since the celebration was initiated in 1996. [Read more](#).



Trocky Elected to 2017 SREB Governing Board

Nina Trocky, DNP, RN, NE-BC, CNE, assistant professor and associate dean for the baccalaureate program, has been elected to the 2017 Governing Board of the Southern Regional Education Board Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing. The governing board informs its member states of legislation at the state and federal levels that may affect nursing education. [Read more](#).



Chakravarthy Named Interim AGACNP/CNS Specialty Director

Ameera Chakravarthy, MS, BSN '02, CRNP, clinical instructor, was recently named the interim specialty director for the Doctor of Nursing Practice program's Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Clinical Nurse Specialist specialty in the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health. In her new role, Chakravarthy directs the development, implementation, and evaluation of graduate-level didactic and clinical courses related to the specialty; recruits, advises, teaches, and mentors students; and fosters faculty professional development. [Read more.](#)



Friedmann and Resnick Awarded Grant to Study Effects of Pet Ownership on Older Adults

Erika Friedmann, PhD, professor and associate dean of research, and **Barbara Resnick, PhD '96, RN, CRNP, FAAN, FAANP**, professor and Sonia Ziporkin Gershowitz Chair in Gerontology, University of Maryland School of Nursing, were recently awarded a three-year, \$340,000 grant from WALTHAM and Mars Petcare to examine the role of pet ownership in maintaining both physical and mental function in healthy older adults. [Read more.](#)



UMSON to Introduce RN-to-BSN Focus Area in Care Coordination With Health IT

Beginning in spring 2017, RN-to-BSN students have the opportunity to specialize in care coordination informed by health IT--the first program of its kind in the nation--through a three-course care coordination with health IT focus area. Students can complete the program without adding additional courses, time, or money to their degree. [Learn more.](#)



Statewide Preceptor Program to Support APRN Development Launching in January 2017

The School of Nursing has developed a hybrid educational program to prepare clinical preceptors who work with advanced practice registered nursing (APRN) students. This program includes online modules that are enhanced with onsite simulation and



focuses on key strategies such as preceptor roles and responsibilities, student learning styles, clinical teaching, critical-thinking facilitation, cultural awareness, and effective communication. The goal is to enrich APRN preceptor skills that can positively affect learning, help increase the APRN workforce, and improve patient access to care. [Learn more.](#)



School Seeking Adjunct Professors and Preceptors

UMSON is seeking adjunct faculty members and preceptors. The School hires adjunct faculty members to provide clinical instruction to entry-level students in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program and the Clinical Nurse Leader master's option. UMSON is also seeking skilled, experienced preceptors to work with students as they complete their clinical requirements. [Learn more.](#)



USG Participates in Frontiers in Science and Medicine Day

The School of Nursing at the Universities at Shady Grove recently participated in the eighth annual Frontiers in Science and Medicine Day, opening up the simulation labs at that location for tours. Nearly 500 middle school students met "Sim Man" and participated in a simulation experience, finding out how many germs are on their cell phones and what's in their favorite snacks. [Read more.](#)

Welcome New Faculty

Christine Shippen, MS '98, BSN '73, joined the School of Nursing as a clinical instructor on Monday, Nov. 14. She most recently served as a senior clinical nurse II and lactation consultant at the University of Maryland Medical Center in the mother/baby/gynecology unit. Shippen earned both her BSN and her MS in Nursing Administration/Nursing Health Policy from the School of Nursing.

EVENTS

The Ann Ottney Cain Lecture

Thursday, March 30

4-6 p.m.

UMSON Room 130

Ann Ottney Cain, PhD, RN, CNS-PMH, FAAN, professor emerita at the University of Maryland School of Nursing, was a leader in psychiatric mental health nursing, specifically in family systems therapy. Following her retirement from the School of Nursing in 1994, after serving for 30 years on the faculty, her colleagues and students came together to create the Ann Ottney Cain Endowed Lecture. This year's speaker will be **Diane E. Snow, PhD, APRN, PMHNP-BC, CARN, FAANP, FAAN.**

Save the Date-Reunion 2017

Saturday, April 29

8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

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Undergraduate classes ending in "2" or "7," and graduates who earned a master's degree in 2007 or 2012

through the School of Nursing's Clinical Nurse Leader program will be honored. Reunite with classmates and renew your pride in your alma mater. [Learn more.](#) [Update your contact information now.](#)

ALUMNI NEWS & UPDATES

Thurman Receives Circle of Excellence Award

Paul Thurman, MS '07, ACNPC, CCNS, CCRN, clinical nurse specialist, R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center, and UMSON PhD student, is one of 25 nurses who received the American Association of Critical Care Nurses annual Circle of Excellence Award. The award recognizes excellence in the care of acutely and critically ill patients and their families. [Read more.](#)



DiBartolo Named First Fulton Endowed Professor at Salisbury

Mary C. DiBartolo, PhD '01, MBA, RN, received Salisbury University's first Fulton Endowed Professorship in Geriatric Nursing in recognition of her extensive work in the field and in nursing education. [Read more.](#)



Kesten Appointed Senior Associate Dean at GW School of Nursing

Karen Swisher Kesten, DNP '09, MS, RN, associate professor, was appointed senior associate dean for academic affairs at The George Washington University School of Nursing. Kesten previously served as director of faculty initiatives at the American Association of Colleges of Nursing and has extensively promoted nursing and nursing education across the country. [Read more.](#)



Dryer Appointed Acting Vice President at Cecil College

Christy Dryer, DNP, MS '12, RN, CNE, was appointed acting vice president for academic programs at Cecil College in North East, Maryland. Dryer previously served as Cecil College's dean of nursing and health professions.



Smith Edits Environmental Health in Nursing Textbook

Claudia Smith, PhD, MPH, BSN '65, RN-BC, assisted with editing *Environmental Health in Nursing*, an open access electronic textbook for nurses and other health professionals. The textbook features chapter contributions from leading environmental health nursing experts and supports the work of the Environmental Protection Agency, climate change initiatives, and more, important topics following the recent election. [Read more.](#)



Give Today to Claudia Smith CPH Scholarship

The Community/Public Health (CPH) Nursing Master's Specialty's 50th Anniversary celebration was held Sept. 16-17. Check out the [CPH webpage](#), featuring links to the photos and videos from the celebration, a forum for sharing professional experiences and accomplishments, and information about how to [donate](#) to the Claudia Smith Scholarship.



UMSON Spirit Merchandise Available Online

[UMSON spirit merchandise is available online.](#) Some items available for purchase include note cards with historical UMSON images, a plush crab in UMSON's school colors, and a spacious tote bag. The UMSON license plate frame will show your pride no matter where you travel in your car! For more information, [email](#) Lorrie Voytek, or call 410-706-7640.



Career Resources for Alumni

UMSON students and alumni can access professional career services through the Student Success Center. Services include a job board, resume and cover letter writing workshops, interviewing skills workshops, mock interviews, and online resources.



Docents Needed for Living History Museum

The UMSON Living History Museum is seeking alumni volunteers to serve as docents. The museum is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday during the academic semesters. Docents are also needed for occasional special events, such as school tours and open houses for new and prospective students. Scheduling is flexible. If you would like to volunteer, contact Cynthia Sikorski at alumni@son.umaryland.edu or 410-706-0674. [Learn more about the museum.](#)



Ann Felauer, MSN, RN, CPNP-AC/PC, clinical instructor and specialty director, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner-Acute and Primary Care, was named the October UMB CURE Mentor of the Month. Through the UMB Cure Scholars Program, promising Baltimore City middle school students are identified and then prepared for careers in health care and research through hands-on workshops, lab experiences, and mentorship. Felauer attended after-school sessions every week and went above and beyond to build a relationship with her scholar.

Hazel Jones-Parker, DNP '12, CRNP, AACRN, affiliate assistant professor, presented Addressing the HIC care provider shortage through the development of a nurse-led inter-professional education collaborative amongst nursing, pharmacy, medical, and social work students at the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. At the same conference, **Marik Moen, MPH, MSN, RN**, assistant professor, presented Wherever you go: New efforts in intensive re-engagement for hospitalized persons living with HIV, and **Veronica Njie-Carr, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC**, assistant professor, presented Enhancing nurse leadership capacity in resource-limited countries.

Jones-Parker and **Njie-Carr** were invited to speak at the Older Women Embracing Life Conference, Legends & Young'uns: Phenomenal Women Living Longer with the Challenge of HIV, in Baltimore. Jones-Parker presented Deepening wisdom: Information on factors that can affect your HIV treatment and Njie-Carr presented Women's health and the intersection of HIV and intimate partner violence.

IN THE NEWS

Brain scans predict placebo responses in chronic pain patients

Luana Colloca, MD, PhD, associate professor, is quoted in the article "Brain scans predict placebo responses in chronic pain patients," in the [Pharmaceutical Journal](#). Nov. 4.

People & Places for Nov. 6, 2016

Susan L. Bindon, DNP '11, RN-BC, CNE, assistant professor, was recognized in her hometown newspaper, for being awarded the 2016-17 American Association of Colleges of Nursing Excellence and Innovation in Teaching Award. [Sharon Herald](#). Nov. 6

Voters at Universities at Shady Grove Can Get Free Flu Shot

The School of Nursing was mentioned in the article "Voters at Universities at Shady Grove Can Get Free Flu Shot," in [Bethesda Magazine](#). Nov. 7.

Unlocking the Healing Power of You

Luana Colloca, MD, PhD, associate professor, and her research were mentioned in the article "Unlocking the Healing Power of You," about overcoming pain through belief in [National Geographic Magazine](#). Nov. 18.

Why trials of autism treatments have a placebo problem

Luana Colloca, MD, PhD, associate professor, is quoted in the article "Why trials of autism treatments have a placebo problem," in [Spectrum](#). Nov. 30.

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