

Summer 2007

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Mennonite College of Nursing

Illinois State University

Dean Ridenour selected as a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow



Nancy Ridenour

Nancy Ridenour, dean of Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University, has been named a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow. She is one of a select few who will spend the next two years in the nation's capital helping to shape American health care

policy. Ridenour will step down as dean, and Associate Dean Sara Campbell has been appointed interim dean effective July 1, 2007.

This three-year Fellowship will begin in September, and Ridenour will spend the first two years in Washington D.C. as a congressional staff member for health policy issues. In the third year, she plans to return to the College as a faculty member, where she will apply her experiences to community and state level projects.

The Health Policy Fellowship will begin with a 12-week orientation. Ridenour will meet key executive branch officials responsible for health policy and programs, members of Congress and their staffs, and representative of health-related interest groups.

She will participate in seminars on health economics, major federal health and health research programs, the congressional budget process, current priority issues federal health policy, and the process of federal decision-making. After the orientation session, Ridenour will go through an interview process, and in January of 2008 she will begin her appointment as a congressional staff member.

"The RWJ Health Policy Fellowship provides and opportunity of a lifetime," said Ridenour. "I will be learning how to apply my expertise in health care and health care policy to impact federal policy. I am thrilled and honored to be given this opportunity."

Ph.D. in Nursing degree program approved at Illinois State

Illinois State University's Board of Trustees approved a Ph.D. in Nursing degree program. By approving this program, Mennonite College of Nursing will have the opportunity to produce more nursing faculty, which will help the national shortage of nurses. The Ph.D. prepared nurse will be able to conduct research or pursue a research career in an academic, business, government or industrial setting. They may also pursue a career as an educator or administrator and develop health care policy. The program proposal will now move to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) with anticipated approval early 2008.

Message from the dean



It is with enormous pride tinged with sadness that I write this message. As many of you know, I am moving to Washington D.C. for a two-year fellowship on Capitol Hill. I will deeply miss all of the wonderful faculty, staff, students, alumni, and

friends of Mennonite College of Nursing.

As I look back at the many accomplishments and milestones since coming to Illinois State University, I am so very impressed. We have more than doubled our enrollment since joining Illinois State in 1999. New sequences have been added, including the accelerated option in the undergraduate program, and the clinical nurse leader sequence in the graduate program. This year, the Illinois State Board of Trustees approved a Ph.D. program in nursing.

Our faculty and staff have been successful in writing grants, and we are seeing amazing results. Since 1999, MCN has been awarded more than \$3 million in grant funding. Our focus on geriatrics is getting national recognition.

The continued support we receive from alumni and friends benefits not only the college, but also the community. Our faculty and students participate in many community outreach projects throughout the year.

This year, Mennonite College of Nursing was notified that Rebekah Hertz was selected as a Bone Scholar – the highest award an undergraduate student at Illinois State can receive, and the first nursing student to receive this award.

I wish all of our students who graduated this spring the best of luck in your future endeavors, and thanks to all of you who help us to continue to Produce the Preferred Graduate!

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Nursing Students from England visit MCN

In March, Mennonite College of Nursing welcomed three nursing students from England through the college's Transcultural Nursing Program. Martin Johnson, from Brighton, East Sussex; Sian Hughes, from Brighton, Sussex; and Annabel Harris, Lancing, West Sussex observed a variety of clinical placements in the community during their two-week stay. Many thanks to the students and alumni who allowed these students to job shadow! The students learned a great deal about the United States healthcare system and they had positive things to say about their observations.

If you would be interested in hosting a visiting England student for the day in a clinical setting or serving as a host family during their stay, please contact Janeen Mollenhauer, associate director of the undergraduate program, at (309) 438-2417.

Nursing Student Selected as a Bone Scholar

Rebekah Hertz of Herscher, Illinois, has been selected as one of the 2007-08 Illinois State University Bone Scholars.

The scholarship is named in honor of the late Robert G. Bone, president of Illinois State from 1956 to 1967. Bone Scholars are selected through a rigorous campus-wide competition on the basis of their scholarly achievements and their engagement and leadership in activities, in the university community and beyond. Invited finalists submit a comprehensive portfolio including several essays and statements, a project, and five letters of recommendation.

“I am excited to be the first nursing student selected for this honor,” said Hertz. “My grandmother was a nurse and I always knew that I wanted to work in the healthcare setting too.” Family is important to Hertz, and she feels nursing is a prime profession for both career and family. “The opportunities are endless. You can work anywhere, anytime, and there are so many different types of nursing careers. Right now I am keeping my options open because almost every clinical becomes my new favorite. I am interested in psych nursing at the moment, but I will be an intern on a medical-surgical unit this summer.”

“This is the highest award that an ISU undergraduate can receive,” said Nancy Ridenour, dean of Mennonite College of Nursing. “The college is thrilled Rebekah has been honored as the first nursing student selected as a Bone Scholar.”



Faculty Awards

Graduate Program Teaching Excellence Award
Denise Wilson, Associate Professor

Kathleen A. Hogan Teaching Excellence Award
Cathi Kaesberg, Instructional Assistant Professor

Welcome new faculty

Elizabeth D. Carlson,
DSN, MPH, APRN, BC
Assistant Professor



Student Awards

Alumni Award for Clinical Excellence
Katie Wendt

Dr. Herman and Ruth Tiedeman Memorial Award
Ashley Hoerr
José Mantilla-Acevedo

Geriatric Nursing Excellence Award in Clinical Practice
Amy Ducharme

Outstanding Graduate Students Achievement Award
Kimberly Tauke
Patricia Haberkorn

Senior Excellence Award
Katie Wendt

Student Nurses Association

The Student Nurses Association (SNA) provides nursing students on campus with opportunities to participate in activities that contribute to personal and professional development. This group also promotes good citizenship, leadership, and community service.

SNA had another successful year with the guidance



from the officers: Traci Sucharski (President), Katie Wendt (Vice President), Brittany McNichols (Treasurer), and Jen Walas (Secretary). These officers have been active in community service and in the promotion of health-related activities.

On campus, SNA participated in blood pressure screenings at the Illinois State Campus Recreational Center. SNA wanted to increase awareness about leading a heart-healthy lifestyle. SNA also sponsored two career fairs during the school year. Both fairs provided nursing students with the opportunity to interact with potential employers.

In October, SNA members participated in the homecoming parade to cheer on our Redbird football team. In March, SNA sponsored a welcome lunch for three nursing students visiting from East Bourne England. This was a great opportunity for nursing students to learn about nursing in another country.

Candlelighting was held on April 24th, in the Bone Student Center. This event was filled with motivational speakers, faculty and student awards, and an inspirational song at the end. During the ceremony, the senior gift of \$600 was presented to the Dean!



In April, SNA organized a team to participate in Relay for Life. SNA was thrilled to raise over \$1500 to support the American Cancer Society. The 12 hour event (6 p.m. - 6 a.m.) had a tropical theme even though the weather was cold and damp. However, with friends, games, and snacks throughout the night, a fun time was had by all who participated.

SNA continued to honor its commitment to community service by participating in activities at local nursing homes.

For Halloween, SNA members dressed up and helped residents pass out candy to neighborhood children. For Christmas, SNA members made decorations that were hung on the nursing home residents' doors.



Other community based projects included the Heart Walk, the Memory Walk for Alzheimer's disease, bagging groceries at the local Cub Foods to raise money for the Alzheimer's Association, and the Oakdale Elementary School Carnival.

The members of SNA were also able to participate in an intramural sport. A recreational campus activity that SNA members were involved in this past year was intramural volleyball. This activity allowed students to take a break from homework and studying!

The SNA Formal this year was held at the Clarion Hotel in Bloomington. A night of dancing and hanging out with friends was enjoyed by all who attended the formal.

SNA officers were thrilled to have the opportunity to travel to the National Student Nurses Association Conference in Anaheim, California where they attended educational sessions on disaster preparedness/response/and recovery, testing for NCLEX Success, and marketing oneself to find the right job. This conference allowed the SNA officers to listen to educational sessions, create ideas to bring back to the SNA organization, and meet other students in the nursing profession.

The time has come to formally turn over the SNA Executive office to a new set of student leaders. Congratulations to Ashley Coffin, President; Kari Duckett, Vice President; Loren Nero, Secretary; and Tara Paul, Treasurer for being elected to serve for the 2007-2008 school year!

2007 degree candidates

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)

Bettianne Atkins
 Meaghan Bak
 Ashley Behrends
 Katie Benson
 Leslie Benton
 Jessica Blade
 Jessica Blanchard
 Lindsey Bothwell
 Amanda Boydston
 Molly Braun
 Crystal Briery
 Megan Bunker
 Lora Butters
 Tyanne Byrd
 Charles Campbell
 Taylor Carver
 Keith Cermak
 Jennifer Cox
 Alicia Crabtree
 Megan Czajkoski
 Allison Delestowicz
 Danielle DeMent
 Amy Ducharme
 Brittany Fairbanks
 Sarah Fay
 Elizabeth Frazier
 DaNelle Gallamore
 Erica Gerth
 Tiffany Gibbs
 Megan Goetting
 Kelly Graben
 Alexandra Gum
 Gregory Hallmark
 Katie Hammarstedt
 Lucas Harmon
 Michelle Harseim
 Rebecca Hartman
 Ashley Hoerr
 Diana Huston
 Marian Ibrahim
 Holly Jansen

Elizabeth Jekli
 Maggie Keenan
 Krystal Kelly
 Emily Killian
 Kelly Knobloch
 Lindsay Koranda
 Katie Koza
 Rachel Kozlowski
 Shelly Krasnican
 Meropi Langley
 Susanna Legner
 Lisa Lustfeldt
 Jennifer Manarchy
 Jennifer Mangiantini
 Jose Mantilla-Acevedo
 Karen Marquis
 Kelli Mansfield
 Bridget McClusky
 Brittany McNichols
 Andrea Menias
 Heather Miller
 Regina Miller
 Whitney Mizera
 Kerry Newman
 Shelley Nicholson
 Samuel Ortega
 Jessica Peters
 Amanda Pickard
 Selina Pritchard
 Kris Quiaoit
 Amanda Rademacher
 Francisco Recinto
 Jenna Rezzardi
 Erin Ripley
 Allison Schacht
 Kelli Schmidgall
 Melissa Scottberg
 Allison Silcroft
 Darci Slawinski
 Katherine Smith
 Emily Stam

Samantha Starrenburg
 Traci Sucharski
 Melissa Sullivan
 Kathryn Taylor
 Heather Thompson
 Adam Tiltz
 Keturah Tracy
 Stephen Tracy
 Krystal Van Meter
 Jennifer Walas
 Erin Wallen
 Katherine Walker
 Katie Wendt
 Carolyn Whiteley
 Corrie Wilbeck
 Melinda Wilcop
 Maureen Wilson
 Brittany Woolley
 Kathleen Zdunek
 Courtney Zick

Registered nurses receiving Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)

Naomi Abel
 Joely Giuliani
 Alan Glatz
 Debra Herz
 Susan Jiles
 Julie Kennedy
 Kristin Krutke
 Shirley McCain
 Jenifer McCue-Shaver
 Kelly Morrison
 Margaret Schrenk
 Sheila Sud
 Amie Walker

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) master's degree

Munib Said Abdulrehman
 Geraldine Baird
 Tonya Dennison
 Amy Hepner
 Carrie Jones
 David Kieser
 Rebecca LaMont
 Ryan Parnham
 Crystal Sweeney
 Kimberly Tauke
 Aimee Terhark
 Jean-Marie Tyner
 Brenda Yeager

Nurse Educator Graduate Certificate

Jean-Marie Tyner

Nursing Systems Administration (NSA) master's degree

Marcia Cooper
 Patricia Haberkorn
 Julie Hogue
 Tami Kennett
 Susan Watkins



2007-08 SNA Officers

From left to right:

Ashley Coffin, President
 Kari Duckett, Vice President
 Tara Paull, Treasurer
 Loren Nero, Secretary



Community outreach projects

Family Nurse Practitioner Students

In September of 2006, students from Dr. Denise Wilson's FNP III class performed 27 physicals at Irving Elementary School and 17 physicals at Sheridan Elementary School. In April of 2007, FNP students also performed 14 physicals at Irving and 46 physicals at Sheridan Elementary Schools.

The school nurse at the elementary schools worked with Mennonite College of Nursing to set up this service for the families, because the children would not have been able to attend school without having a physical exam.



2007 graduate students

Adult Nursing Students

Gail Petro's Adult Nursing I students vaccinated 82 people against the flu at the Logan County Health Department in the fall of 2006.

The Adult Nursing I students also participate in health fairs. Shannon Laesch's students held a health fair at Burt Village at Meadow Mennonite Home in November of 2006. They gave poster presentations to residents about exercise, protein and hydration.

In December of 2006, the students held a health fair at Independence Home Care, Inc., in Lexington. At this health fair, students gave poster presentations to residents about hypertension, oral care and hand washing.

Shannon Laesch's Adult Nursing II students held a health fair at Adelaide Apartments in Normal in February, where the student gave poster presentations to residents about oral care, nutrition and music therapy.

Community Health Students

In November of 2006, Teri Saxton's Community Health students attended Pontiac grade schools to educate 5th graders about the risks of smoking. MCN students taught over 180 students from Central, Washington and Lincoln schools. This event was sponsored by the Livingston County Public Health Department.

In March of 2007, Teri Saxton's Community Health students, as well as 12 community agencies participated in the Livingston Country Body Walk. Fourth grade students throughout Livingston County learned about staying tobacco-free, nutritious diets and keeping physically fit by walking through 16 learning stations. This event was coordinated by the Livingston County Health Department and OSF Saint James-John W. Albrecht Medical Center.

In April of 2007, the students participated in official teaching projects at three different schools in Livingston County. The students instructed 623 seventh and eighth graders on the March of Dimes program, It's Your Future. This is a program that teaches students about making good choices in life, i.e. abstinence, drugs, alcohol, cost of having a baby, date rape, and Folic acid requirements. This event was sponsored by the Livingston County Public Health Department.



Community Health students, Jen Werth '08 and Stephanie Koester '08 at the Ear of the Body Walk in Livingston County.

College and grant updates

Accelerated Option

The Accelerated B.S.N. option will be offered for the second consecutive year at Mennonite College of Nursing. The first cohort of these second-bachelor's accelerated students were at the half-way point of this twelve month undergraduate program in late June 2007.

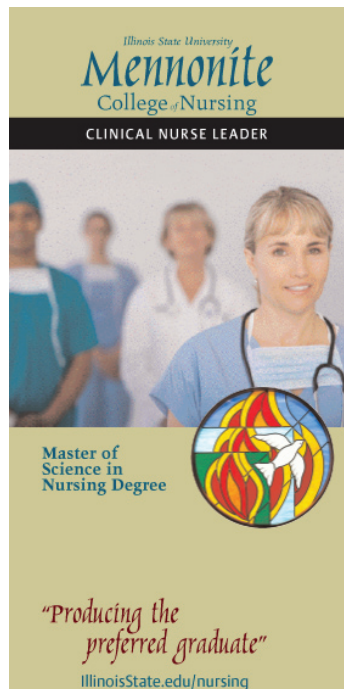
Approximately 100 applications were received for the twenty seats available in 2008. The students accepted for 2008 possess prior degrees in Accounting, Biology, Computer Science, Education, and Psychology among many others. They will begin one year of intense study in January 2008. It is anticipated that a large percentage of these students will help address the high demand for registered nurses in central Illinois.

The application period for the 2009 Accelerated B.S.N. option is September 1, 2007 – January 15, 2008. For more information, go to www.mcn.ilstu.edu and click on Accelerated BSN under "Highlights".

Clinical Nurse Leader

Mennonite College of Nursing is pleased to announce the Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) sequence in the Graduate Program. The CNL is prepared as a generalist and functions at the microsystem level as provider and manager of care at the point of care delivery.

For more information about this program, or any of the master's programs or Collaborative Doctoral Program, please contact the MCN Graduate Office at (309) 438-2463 or go to www.mcn.ilstu.edu.



Expanding Teaching Nursing Home

In February of 2007, the Expanding Teaching Nursing Home held the 3rd Annual Long-Term Career Fair and Professional Seminar. This event was an occasion for long-term care organizations and their staff to share information about their programs and services. It also intended to encourage nursing students from Mennonite College of Nursing and other area nursing programs to consider long-term care as an exciting and viable career option. This was an educational experience for students and professionals in long-term care to enhance their knowledge of caring for the older adult. Diana Waugh, RN, BSN, Independent Consultant on long-term care issues and Rita Frantz, Ph.D., RN, FAAN, CWCN, University of Iowa, were the speakers.



Heritage Enterprises "Wheel of Knowledge" at the LTC Career Fair

The Expanding Teaching Nursing Home held the National Speaker Event in April. The keynote speaker was Dr. Barbara Resnick, Ph.D., CRNP, a professor at the University of Maryland School of Nursing. She maintains a clinical/faculty position as a GNP at Roland Park Place, a Lifecare community. This event was open to faculty, staff, students, alumni and the community. This event was co-sponsored by the Mennonite Nurses Alumni Organization and Sigma Theta Tau International – Xi Pi Chapter, and the Collaborative Doctoral Program.



Dr. Barbara Resnick

Alumni notes

1975

Judith Bourland currently works at United Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota. She enjoys working in a variety of surgical environments, including a main OR, a free standing day surgery center and as an RNFA for an orthopedic surgeon. Judith's daughter, Kris, (who went through nursing school with her) is now a lawyer and mother of four. Her son, David, lives in Tampa and plays in a band.

1986

Lora (Edwards) McClelland spent the last 20 years as a Pediatric and Peds ICU RN in Rockford. In May of 2006 she graduated from the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner program at the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC), and is now teaching pediatric nursing at Rock Valley College in Rockford. She loves her job, and often reflects back on the influence of her nursing instructors from MCN. She has also been able to pursue a long time dream to travel to an underdeveloped area and provide care. In February of 2006, she traveled to Haiti with UIC, and plans to return in March of 2008 with her church. She is still best friends with fellow MCN grads she met in the dorm - **Lisa (Berti) Kopnick** and **Rose (Brass) Prewett**, who were great support in her recent endeavors.

1996

Suzanne (McQuigg) Davidson currently works at St. Margaret Mercy Healthcare Center in Indiana. She served as RN and charge nurse on 7 East renal floor, and in January of 2007 she was promoted to manager.

Marla Martin married Robert Leman on June 11, 2006. Marla is employed as a nurse at Mid-Illinois Hematology/Oncology Association.

2001

Angela Brady married Scott Brown on October 21, 2006. Angela is a nurse anesthetist for McLean County Anesthesiology.

2002

Rayna (Swindle) Gorisek is employed as a staff nurse at the University of North Carolina Hospital, Jaycee Burn Center. Last November, she was one of seven nurses honored with the School of Medicine Nursing Recognition Award, which recognizes outstanding achievement by nursing professionals.

2005

Faith Stone married Chad Frankeberger on September 30, 2006. Faith is employed as a registered nurse at Medical Hills Internists in Bloomington.

In memory...

Our sympathies go to the family and friends of the following Mennonite Nursing alumni:

1940

Esther (Kaisner) Kammermann, passed away on January 13, 2007.

1958

Marlene (Abels) Weichman, passed away on June 3, 2007.

1968

Jane (Flessner) Isaia, passed away on May 5, 2007.



Progress Notes

We welcome updates from alumni for *The Flame* publication. We want to know about your activities, career news, family news and other significant activities. Please feel out this form and return to: MCN at Illinois State University, Attn: *The Flame*, Campus Box 5810, Normal, IL 61790-5810, or e-mail Amy Irving at amirvin@ilstu.edu. Thank you for sharing your news!

FIRST NAME	MAIDEN NAME	LAST NAME
CLASS YEAR	E-MAIL	DATE
MAILING ADDRESS	()	PHONE
CITY	ST	ZIP
PRESENT OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER		
NEWS/COMMENTS		



Shirley (Dehm) Peeken, Mennonite Class of 1949, attended the graduation ceremony of her grandson, Steve Tracy, Class of 2007, on May 11th at Illinois State.

MNAO - Alumni Awards

Do you know someone who would be an outstanding candidate for an Mennonite Nurses Alumni Organization Alumni Award?

Please visit www.mcn.ilstu.edu/alumni. In the "more info" box, click the Alumni Awards Nomination Form. Descriptions and criteria for the Distinguished Alumni, Outstanding Young Alumni and Service Award will be available, as well as a nomination form.

If you do not have Internet access, and would like this information mailed to you, please call Amy Irving at (309) 438-7418.

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars now for **Saturday, October 13, 2007** for Homecoming!



If you need to make hotel reservations, MCN has blocked rooms at the Doubletree Hotel for Friday, October 12, and Saturday, October 13 at the rate of \$92 per night. For reservations, please call the Doubletree Hotel at (309) 664-6446 and ask for the "Special Group Rate for MCN Homecoming." This special rate will expire on September 21st.

Registration brochures will be mailed in September. For more information, please contact Amy Irving at (309) 438-7418 or amirvin@ilstu.edu.

www.IllinoisState.edu/nursing



Xi Pi Chapter

By Deb Stenger, M.S.N., RN
Xi Pi president

Xi Pi Induction was held in the fall of 2006, with Dr. Susan Kossman as keynote speaker. Her address was entitled: "A Nursing Research Trip: steps along the way." Thirty three new members were inducted.

New member orientation luncheon was hosted by the Xi Pi Chapter in January of 2007 for new inductees for the 2006-07 academic year. Nancy Ridenour, Xi Pi president and Deb Stenger, Xi Pi president-elect, spoke about the volunteer opportunities thru Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) and the Xi Pi Chapter.

First Annual Evidence Based Practice Conference was held on February 28th at Bone Student Center. Sandi Burke, Governance Committee chair/faculty advisor, oversaw the creation of the conference entitled "Shooting for the Stars: Catching a Vision for Evidence based Practice in Clinical and Academic Settings." Speakers for the event were Ellen Fineout-Overholt, Ph.D., RN, associate professor of clinical nursing and director, Center for Advancement of Evidence-Based Practice at Arizona State University; and Bernadette Melnyk Ph.D., CPNP, NPP, FAAN, dean at Arizona State University College of Nursing.



L-R: Dr. Ellen Fineout-Overholt, Dr. Bernadette Melnyk,
Dr. Sandi Burke, Dr. Nancy Ridenour

Other events

Regional Nursing conference: "The Journey Towards Cultural Competence in Nursing: A practice Model of Care" was held on October 5th at the Bone Student Center at Illinois State.

Xi Pi co-sponsored the Expanding Teaching Nursing Home's National Speaker Event on April 12, 2007. Dr. Barbara Resnick Ph.D., CRNP at the University of Maryland School of Nursing was the speaker. The purpose of the program was to engage nursing professionals, faculty and students in delivering restorative care by using an integrated model of care to reach the best outcome for each resident's well-being.

Upcoming events

Strategic Planning Meeting - July 11, 5 p.m.
Edwards Hall, Room 306 (Xi Pi Board members)

Alzheimer's Memory Walk - October 6

Regional Nursing Conference 2007 - October 11
Interpreting Lab Values presented by Barb Bancroft

Induction Ceremony - October 27

Biennial Convention - November 2-7

New Officers for 2007-2008

Deb Stenger, president
Marvis Custer, vice-president
Rita Schlomer, secretary
Kim Astroth, treasurer

Governance Committee

Sandi Burke, chair
Stephanie Moore
Mark Dabbs

Leadership Succession Committee

Teri Saxton
Cindy Patterson
Lori Harper

Research Committee

Beth Objartel
Pi Ming Yeh

Historian

Charlene Aaron

From the director of development



Looking through *The Flame*, I hope you found yourself thinking more than once, “aren’t those nursing students amazing? How do they find time to do all of these things, AND study too?”

I am very impressed with our students, and am honored to get to know some of them. Each year that I have been at the Mennonite College of Nursing (MCN), the students seem more involved in improving our community and

helping to make MCN a better place for future students as well. This year the students assisted with a Friends event to help raise money for the baby version of our SimMan. Unfortunately the new baby arrived after the seniors took their finals, but the juniors and graduate students are all looking forward to this new addition to our simulated family!

Our seniors also lead the way with Illinois State’s new spirit tassel program. Seniors had the opportunity to make a gift to the University of \$20.07 (\$20 plus their class year) and they donned a distinctive 150th tassel and were recognized at graduation. Some students chose to designate their gift to a specific fund within the College: the simulation fund, the alumni scholarship fund or the general fund, and some chose to honor someone special with their gift.

Like our alumni, students want to know exactly how their gift is going to be used. As a class, the seniors raised more than \$600 and presented their “check” to the dean at Candlelighting. They were proud to exceed the funds raised by the class of 2005-06, and have set the bar high for the classes that follow!



Thank you and best wishes to all of our graduates. And thank you to all of you who choose to make a difference in this world by supporting Mennonite College of Nursing.

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Illinois State’s Sesquicentennial Speaker Series



The Mennonite College of Nursing, along with Illinois State University, is proud to host Naomi Judd, country music superstar on November 8, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. Naomi’s speech, “Love Can Build a Bridge,” is a motivational account of her victory over nearly insurmountable challenges amid the disappointment of walking away from country music at the height of her career. Naomi’s lecture presentation will be followed by a book signing. This event is part of Illinois State University’s 150th Sesquicentennial Anniversary events. The event is free and open to the public.



Mark your calendars!

Mennonite College of Nursing Events

Thursday, September 20

Doctoral Program Open House
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Edwards Hall, Room 306

Thursday, October 11

Fall Nursing Conference
Keynote speaker: Barb Bancroft
Interstate Center, Bloomington

Saturday, October 13

Alumni Buffet Breakfast and
MNAO Awards Ceremony
9-11 a.m.
Doubletree Hotel, Bloomington

Alumni Tailgate
11:30 a.m.
Illinois State, Normal

Saturday, October 27

Family Day Weekend
10 a.m.
Edwards Hall

Thursday, November 8

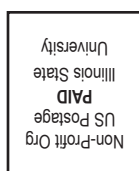
Illinois State's 150th Anniversary
Event: Mennonite College
of Nursing presents Naomi Judd
7:30 p.m.
Braden Auditorium, Bone Student
Center

Tuesday, January 22

4th Annual Long Term Care Career
Fair and Professional Seminar
Bone Student Center

*For more information about nursing events, please visit our Web site at www.mcn.ilstu.edu
or the University Calendar at www.calendar.ilstu.edu*

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