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Jackson Memorial Hospital School of Nursing

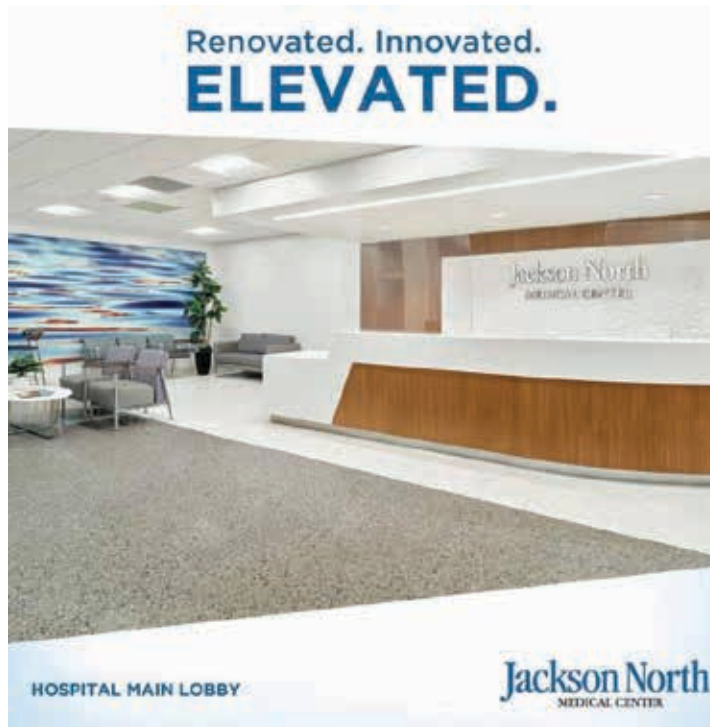
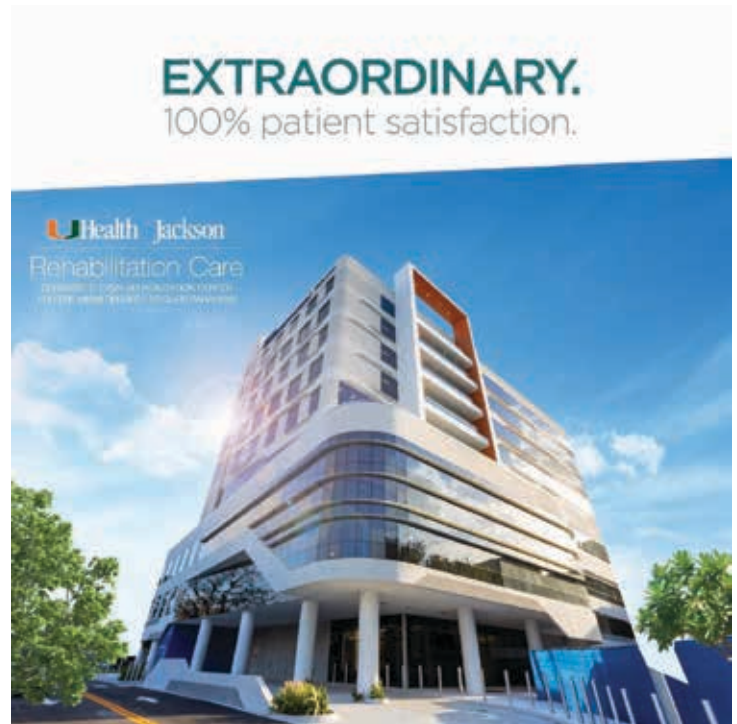
Alumni Newsletter Summer 2021

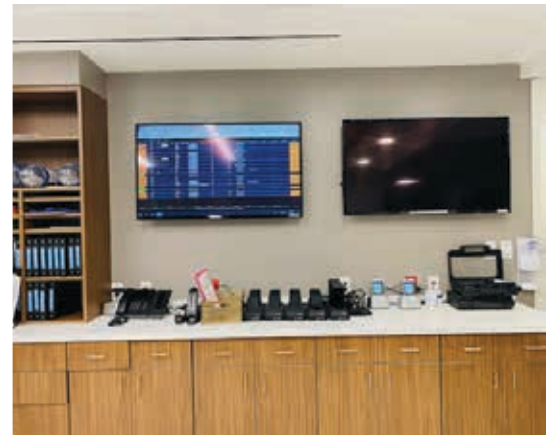
Jackson Health System Continues to Expand

Despite being at the forefront of treating Covid-19 and distributing thousands of doses of vaccine, the health system has been able to move forward with the expansion and renovation plans.

The Jackson West Medical Center and the José Milton Memorial Hospital is scheduled to open this summer. For residents of Doral and the surrounding areas, this new, full-service acute care hospital will be the first built-to-suit campus in Jackson Health System's century of service to South Florida.

The Diagnostic Treatment center on the main campus has added several more floors to expand ICU beds. Jackson North has also had a major renovation.

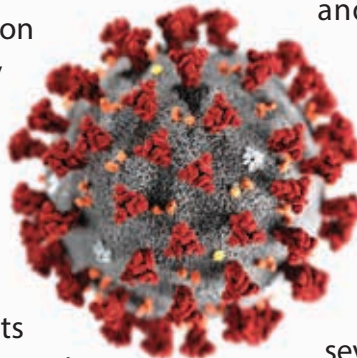




COVID-19

Living Through A Modern Day Pandemic

I became aware of the novel Corona Virus in early February 2020 and paid close attention to its development, specific signs, and symptoms. By March 3rd, 2020 the Florida Department of Health had issued recommendations for nursing homes related to the virus. While I was concerned about the risks of this virus, I never imagined what was soon to become a worldwide pandemic. By mid-March I recall driving to work very scared and nervous about the risk of getting the virus while at work. The demand for hand sanitizer and PPEs, especially respirators, was creating undue stress and panic at work. As patients admitted with COVID-19 most nurses feared exposure to the virus. The number of COVID-19 cases kept increasing and the patients were sicker. I vividly remember a night on a COVID-19 Unit, two patients went into cardiac arrest at the same time, and we were rushing to get the MOD into the PPEs before entering the patient's room. We were running the code while being scared for our own lives. That night was a surreal experience. I wasn't prepared for the sadness and grief that followed as several nurses



became infected and I lost a colleague and mentor. Fear, sadness, and grief were daily feelings. I feared getting infected and giving it to my family.

Despite the challenges of living through the pandemic I was able to complete my PhD research and graduate! As the COVID-19 vaccine became available I began feeling grateful and hopeful. I was among the first to get the vaccine in December 2020. Getting the vaccine has given me some piece of mind regarding the risk of getting infected. Currently, we have seen a decrease in COVID-19 infections and in severity of illness. I had the opportunity to participate in the JHS Vaccination Program. It was very rewarding to be part of a modern medicine team that was making a difference to end the COVID-19 pandemic. As I slowly return to some normalcy of daily living, I remain cautious and still wear a mask. I think it will be a personal accessory for a while.

Gratefully,
Violet Rhagnanan-Kramer PhD RN Class of 92

Donations

We continue to follow our mission to provide scholarships to nurses at every education level, from entry to PhD. This also includes reimbursement for achieving specialty certifications. We encourage you to give a donation in honor of or in memory of loved ones.

This fiscal year we are grateful for gifts from:

Nancy Figley

Nancy Roberts

Alumni Luncheon

Saturday, October 30, 2021

Boatyard Bar & Grill

1555 SE 17th Street • Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316 • 954-525-7400

11:30 AM

Cost \$40.00 per person payable to **Royce Nursing Foundation**

R.S.V.P. with check and mail to Royce Nursing Foundation

15060 Egan Lane • Miami Lakes, FL 33014

Deadline: October 4, 2021



This casual, waterfront restaurant is a few blocks east of Federal Highway near the intercoastal waterway. It will be the perfect place to enjoy a good meal and catch up with old friends. There are plenty of hotels nearby if you are coming from out of town.

JMH SON 2021 Alumni Luncheon

**R.S.V.P. Deadline
October 4, 2021**

Name at Graduation _____ Class of _____ Year of Graduation _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

YES! I will be attending the JMH SON Alumni Luncheon on Saturday, October 30, 2021.
Please reserve _____ seats for me (and my guest).

Alumni Update

1947

Doris Beiesdorfer (Doris Dewalt)

Mobile, AL

Continued nursing until 2004 when I had a spinal fusion. I still live alone taking care of my cats and dog. You have to have a positive attitude.

1952

Mary Jane Reagan (Mary Butler)

Pesino Beach, CA

hamjbutler@charte.net

MSN Professional Accomplishment:
Organizational Development Specialist,
Associate Professor of Nursing.

1955

Arlene Stohl (Arlene (Zwickel)

Palm Beach Gardens, FL

ARZW@aol.com

Retired

My son-in-law is working at Sylvester Cancer Center at UM as a Radiation Oncologist.

1955

Judith Le Crov (Judith Kennefic)

Jacksonville, FL

Retired

Accomplishments: Set up and was head nurse of Hemodialysis 1974-2006 in Ft Myers.

In 1999 I received FL Exemplary Practice Award for End Stage Renal Disease.

1959

Sandra Johnson (Sandra Allington)

Melbourne, FL

Officer in US Air Force Nurse Corp (Viet Nam)

Widow of Air Force LT. Colonel, mother of 5, grandmother of 10, great-grand of 9.

1959

Beverly Reed (Beverly Leone)

Winter Park, FL

Presently residing in Gardens of De Pugh Nursing Home.

1960

Sandra Lee Janofsky (Sandra Barne)

St Petersburg, FL

sjanofsky@hotmail.com

Retired. Enjoying traveling and grandkids.

1962

Paige Browne (Paige Murphy)

Keizer, OR

Retired after 50 years of nursing. Worked Med.

Surg. mostly. Travel nurse for 2 years around

US. Spent five years in Naval

Nurse Corp.

Have two daughters and 3 grandchildren.

1963

Barbara Kidd (Barbara Schmidt)

Crowley, TX

bak11403@gmail.com

Presently employed at Mesa Springs Hospital as CEO.

Degrees earned: BS and MS in Health Care Administration.

Professional Accomplishments: Opened two

LTAC and two Behavioral Health Hospitals;

Several Hospital of the Year Awards.

I have two wonderful grandchildren. My oldest

just got accepted to West Point Military Academy.

1963

Barbara Schneider (Barbara Trower)

Cary, NC

opalii@aol.com

Retired Clinical Coordinator-telemetry, ICUs.

&ERs

Attended Barry University

A Rewarding 30 year career in nursing.

Happily married 51 years, 2 children, 4

grandchildren. My best to all fellow grads!

1964

Mary Tudor (Mary Davidson)

Hialeah, FL

marbru17@comcast.net

Retired in 2012

Have two daughters, both nurses & four

grandchildren. Enjoy traveling with family.

1965

Dr. Linda Revere (Linda Ruddick)

Oklahoma City, OK

lmrevere@outlook.com

Retired after 40 years in military and civilian practice. Vietnam veteran.

Last posting Oklahoma - makes collecting Native American Art easy as 29 tribes have reservations here.

1967

Mary (Kitty) Kleyla (Kitty Phillips)

Jacksonville, FL

mkphillips01@bellsouth.net

Retired

Degree earned: BA English Literature (FSU) JD (UF)

Worked for 2 years after graduation at JMH then in Tallahassee. Worked as a civil lawyer in Jacksonville from 1976-2000 when I retired.

Professional Accomplishments: I was the first woman president of the Florida Bar Association and a member of many professional organizations.

Married and have one son. Traveled extensively. Life is good!

1969

Paula Loehr (Paula Coleman)

Camarillo, CA

bq.paulacoleman@gmail.com

Degrees earned: BSN, PHN

Professional Accomplishments: IBCLC 48 years of Labor & Delivery

Four adult children and 6 grands.

1969

Jane Aversa

Crossville, TN

janee922@yahoo.com

Retired from JMH 2012 Corporate Director

Clinical Resource Management

MSN, MBA University of Miami

One son & two daughters. Six grandchildren all living in Florida.

Previous employment with Doctors Hospital Coral Gables and South Miami Hospital.

1970

Linda Burger (Linda Burger Burdick)

Tampa, FL

LindaBurdick28@gmail.com

Retired after 44 years as psychiatric nurse. Have one son and three teenage grandchildren. Maintained close friendship since nursing school with Laura Gough (Weiss) and Sarah Jane Rushing (Clark). Would love to hear from classmates from 1970. Memories are the most precious and fulfilling. Loved my time in Miami.

1972

Bernadette Nelson (Bernadette Emerick)

Vero Beach, FL

emerick_t@bellsouth.net

Degree Earned: MSN

Retired Assistant Professor at Indian River State College for 32 years.

1972

Cherie Toussel (Cherie Spada)

Miami, FL

Retired in 2005 after 35 years in Mother Baby Unit.

1975

Sandra Esplin (Sandra Wehking)

Palmetto Bay, FL

sewehking@bellsouth.net

Presently employed: Nicklaus Children's Hospital as Clinical Coordinator Surgical Services.

Professional Accomplishments: Certified Pediatric Nurse, Safety System Facilitator.

Married 43 years to high school sweetheart, Ike. Have two married sons and five grandchildren. Love my family and work family too.

1978

Tina Gennaro (Tina Helfand)

Los Angeles, CA

Retired

1979

Robin Bennett (Robin Bennett Podell)

Greensboro, NC

robinpodel@gmail.com

Not currently employed: Five moves to four states, getting married, and house renovations have kept me busy, though I did manage to work in a physicians office briefly.

Professional Accomplishments: National Certification in inpatient obstetrics & electronic fetal heart monitoring, Perinatal bereavement coordinator.

Looking forward to finally getting settled and returning to nursing.

1979

Jane Goble (Jane Mc Curley)

Boerne, TX

janemccurley@yahoo.com

Presently employed at: Chief Nursing Officer Methodist Children's Hospital

Degrees earned: DNP< MBA< RN

Professional Accomplishments: NEA-BC, CENP, FACHE, President elect of Texas Organization of Nurse Leaders.

1979

Joan Navarro

Miami, FL

ajnca@att.net

Retired in 2009 after 30 years at JMH Nurse

Case Manager

BSN form University of Miami

Enjoying retirement.

1981

Patricia Hagan

New York, New York

dede.hagan@aol.com

Retired ED RN

Live Life!

1983

Brenda Shook (Brenda Mosier)

Miami, FL

rosegardengirl@bellsouth.net

Presently employed at Baptist Health of Miami as Endoscopy Nurse.

Degree earned: BSN form UM 1990

Married with two daughters and one son-in-law.

1987

Lynn Cartmell (Lynn Herge)

Appleton, WI

lherge88@gmail.com

Presently employed: Aurora Medical Center as Hospital House Supervisor.

Degree earned: BSN form Grand Canyon University in March 2017.

Professional Accomplishments: Thirty years as ICU nurse, 7 years as a forensic nurse. Love both. SANE-A certified, previously CCRN. Looking forward to returning to travel nursing now that we are empty nesters.

1991

Suzanne Mazzotti (Suzanne Zuckerman)

Blue Ridge, GA

georgiabirdnerd66@gmail.com

Retired & living in the mountains

Professional Accomplishments: Spent 28 years working Trauma, ER, CVICU. MICU SICU. My last 12 years pre-op anesthesia.

Married with two boys & two stepdaughters, one grandbaby. Love living in the mountains, traveling, hiking and photography.

1992

Susie Tome (Susie Tome Manjarrez)

Davie, FL

ERSUSY@aol.com

Presently employed at JMH ER as ARNP.

Professional Accomplishment: Adult certification ARNP, forensic examiner Miami Dade County.

Degree Earned: MSN

Married with three kids.

Scholarships

One of the important purposes of the Royce Nursing Foundation is to present scholarships to beginning nurses, RNs pursuing advance degrees and those seeking certifications. This past fiscal year, July 2018 to June 2019, we have awarded a total of \$10,000 in scholarships to the following:



Frances Perry Cave, BSN Miami Dade

Fabiola Dominguez, AS Miami Dade

Gladis Eduard, BSN Health Care Institute

Priscilla Giordon

Pedro Pena

JMH grads and employees get first preference but all applicants are welcome. Applications are on the website, roycenursingfoundation.org. Please tell your family and friends about this opportunity. We encourage you to make donations in honor of, or in memory of, friends or classmates to help with these scholarships.

Lost Diploma?

For those Alumni who need a duplicate, please write us with your complete name, year of graduation, social security number and \$15.00 to cover the cost of the diploma, shipping and handling.

Need a Transcript?

Transcripts will continue to be available, on request, for \$10.00 per copy. Check payable to Education and Development.

NOTE: JMH SON records will remain in the Department of Education and Development in Jackson Medical Towers.

JMH SON Alumni Ordering Form

Name at Graduation _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Year of Graduation _____

SS# _____

Date of Birth _____

Please send to
Jackson Medical Tower • 1500 NW 12th Avenue, 7th Floor East • Miami, FL 33136
Attention: Sandra Benitez

ORDER FOR:

DIPLOMA
(\$15.00)

MONEY ORDER payable to
Royce Nursing Foundation

TRANSCRIPT
(\$10.00 each)

Check payable to
Education and Development





JMH SON Alumni Association

15060 Egan Lane
Miami Lakes, FL 33014

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Where are you now? What are you doing?

Share with us what you have been doing since you graduated from JMH SON. Share how you used your nursing. Did you go on for further education? Did you marry, have children, retire? Travel the world, write books, write chapters in books, hold office in local, state, national government or professional organizations or serve on committees?

To assist you, we have included a form so you won't forget to tell us about yourself, like what year you graduated.

Lost Alumni

Each time we mail an Alumni Newsletter, lots of them are returned. If you move, or if you are in touch with someone who doesn't receive their newsletter, please let us know.

We are making an effort to increase our data base of email addresses in order to communicate with more alumni. You may send your information updates via email.

Visit our website and contact us with your inquiries or updates.

www.roycenursingfoundation.org



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Dear Alumni:

We are updating our Alumni Directory. Please complete the section below and return it to us. Your news will provide us with an up-date for The Alumni Directory and items for future newsletters.

Name when Graduated _____

Present Name _____ Year Graduated _____

Home Address _____

(City/State/Zip) _____

Email _____

Presently Employed at _____

Position _____

EDUCATION SINCE GRADUATION

Degree Earned _____

Professional Accomplishments _____

Other information you would like to share with your fellow graduates

Feel free to add any other items of interest you would like us to include in our next newsletter. Please return this questionnaire to:

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Miami Lakes, 33014