# Jackson Memorial Hospital School of Nursing

### Alumni Newsletter



**SPRING 2011** 

#### JACKSON HEALTH SYSTEM NEWS

Jane Mass, the former Director for the School of Nursing and later Senior Vice President for Nursing retired October 15, 2010. Jane was a great leader, serving Jackson for 33 years, first as Director for the School of Nursing then as Senior Vice President for Nursing. Her passion, commitment and dedication to Jackson and the nursing profession will be long remembered. Jane played a vital role in the Royce Nursing Foundation which serves as the School of Nursing Alumni group. She is not giving up her dedication to the JMH SON alumni as we are fortunate to have Jane continuing to serve as a board member of the Foundation.

The new Senior Vice President for Nursing is Leah S. Kinnaird, Ed. D. RN. She brings more than 30 years of experience in nursing, 20 of these at Baptist Health in Miami and the last ten as a nurse consultant through the US and Europe. She was appointed by Governor Jeb Bush to serve a charter member of the Board of the Florida Center for Nursing. She brings a wealth of experience to Jackson and we are delighted to have her as the new Chief Nurse.

#### JMH SON ALUMNI LUNCHEON

Name at Graduation			
Class o	f Year of Graduation		
Address	S		
Phone			
YES! I will be attending the JMH-SON Alumni Luncheon on Saturday, May 21, 2011. (Check payable to Royce Foundation)			
Please reserveseats \$38/per person for me (and my guest)			

Cancel before May 1st OR you may let it be a donation to the RNF

to support JMH SON Alumni activities.)

You are invited ...

Jackson Memorial Hospital School of Nursing

Alumni Luncheon

Saturday, May 21, 2011 11:30 AM Giorgios Grill 606 N. Ocean Drive Hollywood, Florida

Cost: \$38.00 per person payable to the Royce Nursing Foundation."

R. S. V. P. with check by mail only to:
Nancy Roberts
Jackson Medical Towers
1500 N. W. 12th Avenue
7th Floor East, Room 709
Miami, Florida 33136
(Deadline: May 1st)

## LAST YEAR'S ALUMNI TEA











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### J A C K S O N UPDATE

- Continuing a tradition that spans decades, Jackson Health System honored its nurses with several recognition and informationsharing events during National Nurses Week May 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup>. The events included a ceremony to recognize excellence, an inspirational workshop, poster displays, and a health fair.
- Bert Perez, RN, BSN from JHS Trauma Services delivered a pictorial account of his recent experiences in Iraq and the role of nursing in wartime. The program continued with a panel discussion of JHS nurses responding to the earthquake disaster in Haiti. The panel, facilitated by Mercy Rodriguez, RN, MSN, shared information on how they became involved with Project Medishare, their initial impressions on arrival to Haiti, the care delivery challenges, and outcomes they experienced.
- Rosemarie Taylor, Ed. D., RN-BC, Director of Education and Development, authored an article in the August, 2010 issue of The Western Journal of Nursing Research. It is a summary of her doctoral research study and is entitled Nurses' Perceptions of the Organizational Supports Needed for the Delivery of Culturally Competent Care.



- The JHS Education and Development sponsored the Evidence-Based Practice Workshop on Friday September 17, 2010. The significance of EBP in a healthcare organization was discussed connecting the theme to actual research, clinical application, and quality outcomes. Emphasis on the application of the Rosswurm and Larrabee EBP Model for creating unit based projects. A unit practice council presented their EBP project on improving customer satisfaction and promoting nursing excellence.
- On Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup> twenty three student nurses from the Universite Notre Dame d'Haiti in Port au Prince visited Jackson Health System to observe patient care.
- Jackson North Medical Center recently welcomed the second incoming class of Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine.

 A new Palliative Care Unit opened on South Wing 7. Palliative care promotes the highest quality of life for patients of all ages, who have chronic, debilitating or lifethreatening illness, and their families. The program is a collaborative effort between physicians, nurses, social workers and chaplains.

### A L U M N I UPDATE

#### In Memoriam

JEAN MCMATH Skinner was an active member of the Royce Nursing Foundation for many years. She passed away Christmas Day 2010. Jean was born in Birmingham, Alabama, May 10, 1932. She was buried in Oak Grove cemetery in Durham, 12/31/ 10. She graduated from Ponce de Leon Sr. High School in Coral Gables and Jackson Memorial Hospital School of Nursing with an R.N. degree in 1953. She worked at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami and South Miami Hospital. She was a resident off and on of Coconut Grove since 1946. She also worked at Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia, PA, and Wake Forest and Duke hospitals in NC. while raising her children. She finished her 54-year career at North Shore Medical Center, at age 75.

Please consider making a donation in honor of or in memory of a loved one to help our scholarship program. Check out the web site roycenursingfoundation.org

#### THE MISSION OF THE ROYCE NURSING FOUNDATION

Promote professional nursing by supporting research, education and clinical practice. We preserve the history of the Jackson Memorial Hospital School of Nursing and serve as a connection point for its graduates. Our mission is consistent with the mission and vision of Jackson Health System of Miami, Florida.

The Royce Nursing Foundation awarded scholarships a number of students in nursing in 2010 and this year. The recipients were Brian Albarona and Kellie Leveille who is enrolled in Palm Beach Atlantic University, Jessica Nagy at Barry University, and Yadira Perez attending Nova Southeastern University. A donation was also made to the FL Center for Nursing Excellence in honor of Jane Mass.

#### **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.

#### **Lost Diploma?**

For those Alumni who need a duplicate, we will order diplomas each September. 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.

MONEY ORDER ONLY to Royce Foundation

JMH SON ALUMNI	ORDERING FORM		
Name at Graduation	ORDER FOR:		
Address	Diploma (\$15.00)		
	MONEY ORDER payable to the "Royce Foundation"		
Phone	Transcript (\$10.00 each)		
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Date of Birth	·		
Please send to Jackson Medical Towers, 7th Floor East, 1500 N.W. 12th Avenue, Miami, FL 33136, Attention: Sandra Benitez			



JMH SON Alumni Association Jackson Medical Towers 1500 N.W. 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> FL East Miami, FL 33136

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

We're sorry that we are unable to give any updates due to a computer crash which caused us to lose the information members sent in this past year. Please send again this year.

### WHERE ARE YOU NOW? WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

Share with us what you have been doing since you graduated from JMH S of N. 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 organization 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 the newsletters 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.

New board members are always welcome. For information on becoming a board member, feel free to contact us. Visit our website and contact us with your inquiries or updates. www.roycenursingfoundation.org



#### **Jackson Memorial Hospital**

### **School of Nursing**

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 Address:				
Presently Employed at:				
Position:				
EDUCATION SINCE GRADUATION				
Degree Earned:				
Professional Accomplishments:				
Other information you would like to share wit	th your fellow graduates:			
Eggl free to add any other items of interest v	ou would like us to include in			

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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