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Professor Theuerling poses with her Nursing 150 clinical group on their last day of spring semester as they finished their 4 West Oncology clinical at The Christ Hospital.
A Message
From the Desk of the President

The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences completed another successful school year with the graduation of 270 nursing, health science, and associate of science students on May 4, 2017, at the Cintas Center on the campus of Xavier University. The fall of 2017 will see nearly 900 students in our programs—our largest enrollment ever! The first class of Health Care Administration students will be welcomed along with Associate and Bachelor of Nursing students. The College now offers an RN-BSN degree completely on-line. There are plans to continue the five-year strategies adopted in the 2016 strategic initiative while keeping our eye on the changing landscape of healthcare.

Our students need scholarship and financial assistance to continue the excellence that the College has produced for 115 years. We appreciate the contributions and donations of our alumni and look forward to seeing many of you at the alumni luncheon on September 23, 2017. In the meantime, if you have any suggestions on how we can improve or how you might wish to engage with our alumni, the College administration, faculty, and/or staff, please contact us by phone (513-585-2401), e-mail (alumni@thechristcollege.edu), or follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/TCCNHS) or Twitter (www.twitter.com/tccnhsbravos).

Have a great summer everyone!

TCCNHS MISSION: The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences, guided by its core values and enriched by a foundation in the Liberal Arts and Sciences, prepares individuals both for delivery of healthcare that promotes the well-being of a dynamic society and for life-long learning.
Public Notice

The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences is seeking comments from the public about the College in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The College will host a visit October 2-3, 2017, with a team representing the Higher Learning Commission. The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences has been accredited by the HLC since 2009. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet the HLC's Criteria for Accreditation.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the College to the following address:

Public Comment on The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Higher Learning Commission
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago, IL 60604-1411

The public may also submit comments on HLC’s website at www.hlcommission.org/comment.

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing.

**All comments must be received by September 3, 2017.**

The Christ College Remembers…

The College is saddened by the recent passing of a beloved Board member, Dr. James Gaffney. Dr. Gaffney served on the Board of Directors for 10 years, sharing his wisdom and insight during times of program development and tremendous enrollment growth. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife, Vicki Gaffney, who also served The Christ Hospital School of Nursing and The Christ College from 1973 – 2008.
Congratulations to the Class of 2017!

The 10th Annual Commencement Ceremony for The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences was held on the evening of Thursday, May 4, 2017 at the Xavier University Cintas Center. Commencement speaker Dr. O’dell Owens, MD, MPH, President and CEO of Interact for Health, is seen here addressing the graduates of this class with an impassioned challenge to use their lives and professions to make a powerful and positive difference in the world. The Christ College also conferred an honorary Doctorate of Humanities upon Dr. Owens, recognizing his contributions above and beyond the call of duty to the community of Cincinnati. Our class of 2017 Associate of Applied Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and Associate of Science in General Studies crossed the stage at the calling of their names to the cheers of hundreds of gathered friends, family members, faculty and staff who were in attendance to witness and celebrate their achievement. A beautiful evening to celebrate a momentous accomplishment - Congratulations to all!
2017 Alumni Reunion Luncheon

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2017, 12:00PM
Check in available beginning at 11:15am

THE CHRIST HOSPITAL JOINT AND SPINE CENTER – 6TH FLOOR SCENIC ROOFTOP EVENT SPACE
Reunite with classmates and network with other alumni from The Christ Hospital School of Nursing and The Christ College of Nursing, while enjoying a catered luncheon and fantastic program of speakers! Special recognition will be given to “milestone” anniversary classes in attendance, and professional photos of you and your class will be taken!

GATHER YOUR CLASSMATES AND MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!

REGISTRATION OPTIONS:
• Fill out, tear and mail the bottom of this page to:
  The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences
  c/o Elisabeth Timmerman
  2139 Auburn Avenue
  Cincinnati, OH 45219
• Call The Office of Alumni Relations to Register and Pay by phone: (513) 585-3339
• Visit 2017tccnhsalumni.eventbrite.com to Register Online!

PARKING DIRECTIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFO:
The Christ Hospital Joint and Spine Center is located at the main hospital campus, 2139 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati OH 45219. The Joint and Spine Center is best accessed via Mason Street, one block past the front hospital driveway.
Free valet parking will be available at the ground level of the Joint and Spine Center, on Mason Street. Enter ground level Joint and Spine Center Lobby, take elevators straight ahead to 6th Floor.
Self-park is available in the P1 Visitor Garage off of Mason, take garage elevators to Level 1, follow Skywalk to Hospital/Joint and Spine Center, and take Joint and Spine Center Elevators to Level 6.

Seeking overnight accommodations, or to plan a Friday night get-together for your class? The Office of Alumni Relations can help!
Please contact Elisabeth Timmerman at (513) 585-3339 for any assistance planning additional class events during the weekend, or for hotel accommodations. Dependent upon demand, The Christ College can reserve a block of rooms at a local hotel for out of town alumni and guests.

Are you a member of the Class of 1962? See the Class Notes section at the back of this issue for a special event planned by the graduates of 1962!

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YES! I WILL ATTEND THE 2017 ALUMNI REUNION LUNCHEON!
Deadline to Register: Friday, September 15, 2017

Name: ____________________________________________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________________________________
Phone: _________________________ Email: _____________________________________________________________
Class Year: _____________________ Graduation Name, if changed: ________________________________________
# Tickets _____________ $30/person Amount Enclosed: $_________________________________________________
# Complimentary 50th Anniversary Tickets: (Class of 1967 Only) ________________________________________
Any Dietary Restrictions, list here: _____________________________________________________________________

The Christ Council of Alumni and Friends
Get Involved at TCCNHS as an Alumni Ambassador!

TCCNHS Marketing and Recruitment often has recruitment events (high school presentations, career days, live surgery, to name a few!) where we can utilize alumni speakers that are willing to share their personal experience/advice about nursing college and speak to the profession in general.

Interested alumni will receive a few emails per year with opportunities that arise. The Alumni Ambassador can then simply volunteer when an event fits their interest and schedule. Additionally, if any alumni have connections at their former high school or another potential student recruitment location that they’d especially like to visit, TCCNHS will work with you in setting up that opportunity. It’s a great way for us to expand our recruitment reach, meet prospective students, and spread your passion for the nursing profession!

To become an Alumni Ambassador for student recruitment, contact Assistant Director of Marketing and Recruitment Kendal Schwab at (513) 585-0405, or email Kendal.Schwab@TheChristCollege.edu

Interested more in onsite events to meet with current students and give back on the College campus?

Contact Elisabeth Timmerman at Elisabeth.Timmerman@TheChristCollege.edu to get on the list to learn about opportunities such as volunteering for Fuel for Finals, Ask a Nurse Anything panels, or the Welcome Back Day in the fall!

Get involved at The Christ Hospital as a Volunteer!

The Christ Hospital Health Network’s mission is to improve the health of our community and create value by providing exceptional outcomes, affordable care, and the finest experiences. Our attention to patient experience that’s founded in clinical excellence is why U.S. News and World Report ranks us one of America’s Best year after year and why The Christ Hospital has been named the Most Preferred Hospital by the Greater Cincinnati community for 21 consecutive years (National Research Corporation).

We greatly appreciate The Christ College of Nursing & Health Sciences Alumni and your dedication and passion to service and helping others! There are so many different ways that you can get involved volunteering throughout The Christ Hospital Health Network.

When: Times will vary based on assignment

Where: Main Hospital, Anderson Outpatient Center & Montgomery Outpatient Center

Volunteer Roles (not all opportunities listed below):

◆ Family Liaison: Track patients as they move through the process from procedure to rooming, keep in close contact with family giving updates as needed
◆ Nursing/ ICU Volunteer: Help throughout the unit doing various tasks
◆ Lobby Desks: Welcome and assist patients and guests
◆ Patient Concierge: Visit the floors and talk with the patients, give them a book or magazine, play a puzzle or a card game
◆ Mail/ Flower Delivery Volunteer
◆ Many other opportunities available

Contact: Volunteer@TheChristHospital.com or 513-585-2244

For more information please visit our website: TheChristHospital.com/volunteer
The Living Heart

Insights from the Archives

Welcome to your window into The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences Archives! We hope to inform you of different aspects of the College’s history in this space, starting with the inspiration for this column’s title – the alma mater.

It has long been the tradition of classes of students at The Christ Hospital School of Nursing and The Christ College to pick out songs, colors, flowers, and more to represent them during their time as a student on our campus. It wasn’t until it came time for the class of 1964 to graduate that the alma mater made its appearance. While only an instrumental version is played at commencement these days, the words still ring true to describe the College’s students today.

Lyrics:

There’s a heart that lives within these halls, and grows with ev’ry passing day; in its beat echoes the love of all whose hopes and dreams have come this way.

For the guiding hands that show’d the way, for skill that taught the healing art, we sing our grateful thanks this day, in homage to the living heart.

Thru the days of toil at duty’s call, thru anxious nights when fears run free, runs the thread of faith that binds us all, and consecrates our loyalty.

To Him Whose name in rev’rent praise, our Alma Mater proudly bears, our pledge of service now we raise for fellow men through all our years.

Meet the Archivist

Name: Jennifer Steinhardt
Title: Archivist
Job in a nutshell: Organize, preserve, and make accessible the historical assets of The Christ College and The Christ Hospital Health Network
Favorite item in the archives: Board meeting minutes from March 23, 1889 that describes Isabella Thoburn taking care of a woman, technically establishing Christ’s Hospital
Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio
Degrees: History, International Studies, Classics and Ancient Mediterranean Studies (all Bachelors degrees – Penn State); History, Library Science with an Archives Concentration (both Masters degrees – Simmons College)

Do you have items from your time as a student that you’d like preserved for future students and staff to enjoy?
The archives is currently collecting materials that document student life. Types of materials we collect include photographs, scrapbooks, event programs, newspaper articles, old uniforms/capes, and more! Contact Jennifer Steinhardt for more information at 513-585-0046 or Jennifer.Steinhardt@TheChristHospital.com.
Meet The Christ College Institutional Advancement Officer!

My name is Jennifer Berigan, and I am the Institutional Advancement Officer for The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences. My role at the College is key to helping students achieve their dreams. My career in fundraising began over 11 years ago at Susan G. Komen of Greater Cincinnati. I am excited to be the first IAO for the College and am passionate about this opportunity because of a very personal experience.

In January 2005, my mom was diagnosed with stage IV metastatic cancer and spent many nights and days here at The Christ Hospital, on the Oncology floor, before passing away at the age of 56. I admired my mom, who was a nurse, and I was inspired by the nurses who cared for her. They not only took care of her, but they cared for our whole family during one of the most difficult times in our lives. I believe The Christ Hospital nurses and the RN graduates of The Christ College of Nursing are outstanding and represent the true meaning of exceptional patient care. The Christ College educates and empowers the nursing leaders of tomorrow and I am so excited to be a part of this journey. This position enables me to bring so many things that are close to my heart together - using my skills as a fundraiser, honoring my mom, and supporting the nurses I truly believe in.

I grew up in West Chester, Ohio and graduated from Xavier University. I married my high school sweetheart and have two beautiful daughters, who may choose to become nurses too.

I look forward to getting to know the valued alumni of this College in my role, and growing our future, while honoring our past. Feel free to contact me anytime, at Jennifer.Berigan@thechristcollege.edu, or (513) 585-0398.

In Loving Memory...

The Christ College mourns the loss of beloved nursing faculty Mary Alice Calme on February 28, 2017 at the age of 63. Mary Alice was a devoted professor, nurse, and employee of The Christ Hospital Health Network for almost 40 years.

With the help of The Christ Hospital Pastoral Services Department, The Christ College hosted a beautiful memorial for Mary Alice this past March, with faculty and staff, students, hospital colleagues, and Mary Alice’s family in attendance. Stories shared that afternoon highlighted the depth with which Mary Alice cared for her students, her community, and all those around her. She was known for going above and beyond to make sure that her nursing students felt supported and cared for, and doing everything she could to ensure their success. To faculty and staff, Mary Alice was not only an irreplaceable asset to our College community, but a gentle and caring friend. She is survived by her loving husband of 39 years, Richard ‘Ric’ Calme, children Stephen Calme, Rachel (Robert) Ryan and Christine (Michael) Casciato and grandchildren Eleanor and Oliver Ryan, and Luciana Casciato.

Those wishing to make a donation in Mary Alice's memory may contact The Christ Hospital Foundation, where a scholarship has been set up in her honor. The Mary Alice Calme Memorial Scholarship will continue Mary Alice’s unique legacy of doing anything in her power to help students succeed. Established as a “Last Dollar Scholarship”, this fund will help students in times of unexpected financial or family hardships that would otherwise prevent the student from achieving his or her goal of becoming a nurse. Students that are within their last year of the nursing program and are faced with significant and unexpected financial hardship may receive tuition assistance from this scholarship to complete or continue in the program.
Student Testimonial: How Your Scholarship Supports the Dream of Nursing

Katelynn Richardson, Sophomore BSN student was recently awarded The Lydia Jackson Scholarship to support her passion for becoming a nurse. Katelynn received this scholarship as an alumni legacy through her aunt Amberly Lake, CHSN ’92.

Katelynn transferred from another area college, and calls transferring to TCCNHS “the best decision I’ve ever made.” She continued, “Knowing that people believe in me and support me in my success will push me to keep working hard so that I can achieve my dream of becoming a nurse. For the first time in my college career, I received all A’s during my first semester at Christ and receiving such a generous scholarship will motivate me to keep these grades up each semester.”

Be a visible part of our history! Order an engraved paver, and take your place in the memory walk at the front of the College while supporting current and future students with your paver purchase. Pavers can also be engraved in honor of a classmate, friend, or educator as a unique and thoughtful gift. Visitors to our College enjoy looking for their engraved brick, and finding names they recognize evokes many memories.

Each paver can accommodate up to three lines of engraving, with 14 characters per line. Letters and spaces count as characters, so please count carefully when choosing your engraving. To order your spot in our front walkway, send the form below with your check for $200 per paver. $60 of this amount goes directly to cover costs of shipping, engraving and installing your paver, with the remaining $140 as a tax-deductible donation to student scholarship funds.

Yes! I want to purchase a paver to be included in the College legacy pathway. Please engrave my paver as indicated below:

Line 1: ________________________________
Suggestion: In honor of, In memory of, Congratulations

Line 2: ________________________________
Suggestion: Name

Line 3: ________________________________
Suggestion: Class Year

Your Information:

Name and Class Year if applicable: ________________________________

Phone: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________

My check for $200 per paver, made payable to The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences, is enclosed. Please mail form and payment to The Christ Hospital Foundation, 2123 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati OH 45219.

For questions, or to pay by credit card over the phone, call Rita Spicker at The Christ Hospital Foundation at (513) 585-4128.
TCCNHS celebrated its 4th Annual Celebration of Excellence on April 11, 2017, overlooking the beautiful Cincinnati skyline in the Joint & Spine Center's Rooftop Skydeck. The festive evening featured appetizers, dinner, music and an award ceremony honoring student graduates and faculty members for their dedication to the College, its core values, and their contributions to the nursing profession. Student & faculty honorees, as well as faculty, staff, generous donors, TCCNHS Board of Directors, and TCHHN Foundation members attended. The College is extremely proud of the following award recipients:

- **The Christ Hospital Clinical Nursing Achievement Award** to Becky Marie Giesting
- **The Elizabeth Stephenson Drew Memorial Award** to Deja Lashell Howard
- **Dr. C. Elton Richards Memorial Award** to Adam T. Ghatani
- **The Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home Association Scholarship Award** to Aaron Mark Statt
- **Neurosurgical Staff Clinical Nursing Award** to Chrishan Sherlanda Henderson
- **Medical Staff Clinical Nursing Award** to Miquita Marie Carter
- **Medical Staff Clinical Nursing Award** to Dorothy Ellen Hampton
- **Mary Deegan Leadership in Nursing Award** to Sara Marie Beerman
- **Deaconess Service Award** to Kristi Lee Shoemaker
- **The Christ College Community Service Award** to Kimberle Sue Santen
- **Arts and Sciences Award** to Adam T. Ghatani
- **The Shirley Snow Scholarship Award** to Kimberly Juanita Lyle-Edwards
- **Mary Margaret Spica Faculty Education Scholarship Award** to Kaneesha Ogle
- **DAISY Faculty Award** to Kristal Clark
- **The Summo Commissio Missi Award** posthumously to Mary Alice Calme
- **Award for Outstanding Teaching** to Dorothea Zivkovic
- **Award for Outstanding Preceptor** to Michelle P. Waddell
- **2017 Distinguished Alumni Award** to Michelle Strole (Class of 1983)
This year’s recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award, Michelle Strole, BSN, RN, OCN, CHSN ’83, received not one, but two separate nominations requesting that she receive our highest annual alumni honor. Michelle is pictured here receiving her award, presented by James S. Wendel, MD and Chair of the Board for The Christ College of Nursing. Excerpts of her nominations, highlighting her passion for the nursing profession and her deep compassion for her patients can be read below. Congratulations Michelle!

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“Michelle is so deserving of this award. Michelle has cared for oncology patients since she graduated from nursing school. She strives to continually maintain and enhance her oncology nursing skills, competencies and knowledge so she can be the best oncology nurse she can be. She has been and continues to be a very caring, intelligent and accomplished nurse. She also exemplifies the role of being an advocate for her patients. She has contributed positively in so many ways to the patients she cares for and her coworkers. She is always striving to learn more in her field. Michelle views learning as never complete. She displays her brilliance to explain cancer to a patient so they can understand or distracting someone through a painful procedure. She is very accomplished in leading fellow nurses and has also made several presentations for The Christ Hospital. Last but not least, she has volunteered in her community in support of cancer research and prevention.

On a very personal note I experienced an example of her caring. Michelle went out of her way and arranged for a chaplain on staff at TCH to be with my family when my mother was in ICU to stay with us until my mother took her last breath. Michelle also stayed long enough to show her compassion with my family. Michelle’s kind gesture helped to ease saying “goodbye.” I was so grateful for her presence during a very difficult time in my life.”

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“Since graduation in 1984, Michelle has remained in direct patient contact with medical and oncology patients in addition to her many roles as a charge nurse as well as an educator. Even though disease and illness are a fact of life, Michelle faces it head-on! She embraces her patients with that knowledge along with the compassion and a great smile as to say ‘we will get through this!’

My family and I have recently had the honor of being recipients of Michelle’s great knowledge and compassion. As I stated previously, I have been away from nursing for many years so, when my husband was diagnosed with cancer, I was at a great loss. What a comfort to know that I had a trump-card! Michelle made herself available to us for everything from information on current treatments and doctors, to advice and comfort. She has been an invaluable part of the entire process from diagnosis to treatment and recovery. She is a phenomenal nurse but an incredible friend. Michelle was the emotional support that I didn’t even realize I needed. I have been truly blessed.

Despite Michelle’s vast array of experiences, she has also been a valuable part of The Christ Hospital at the level of management and education. She has been nominated for and chosen for numerous awards. She is also active in the community as volunteer and educator. Michelle’s 35 years of service to The Christ Hospital Alumni Award.”
The Christ College Recognizes Annual Alumni Donors

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Ms. Cheryl L. Auer, '95

The Christ College of Nursing & Health Sciences
THE CHRIST COLLEGE IS POPPING UP DAISIES!

Congratulations to the following RNs who began their careers of exceptional compassion with an education at The Christ College/The Christ Hospital School of Nursing:

Alumna Kris Niehaus, RN, Diploma in Nursing alumni, ’88, RN to BSN alumni, ’16, was recently presented with the DAISY Award for the exceptional care she gives her patients on The Christ Hospital’s Oncology Care Unit, 4 West. You can read her nomination here:

“I have had the pleasure of working with Kris Niehaus for the last two years and the chance to witness her daily (nightly if you will) compassion for her patients. As many units go, ours can be quite challenging. Caring for six patients can lead to quite a bit of time spent charting and running back and forth from patient’s rooms to the nourishment room for their late-night snacks. Despite this, she still will take the time to offer all of her patients back massages before they go to bed. I do not know of any other nurse who continues this practice, and I cannot count how many of her patients ask me if their nurse will be Kris that night, because they feel safe, secure and comfortable with her. The simple act of a massage before bed can give a patient a sense of tranquility. It could allow them to finally release stress and pain and have a restful sleep.

“Though this alone is worthy of a Daisy Award nomination, there was a specific encounter I wanted to share where Kris went above and beyond to provide exceptional care and empathy to one of her patients. As charge nurse one day, I went into this patient’s room to assist her in rearranging her room so that she would be able to sit in the chair and color a coloring book, facing the window to look outside, and reach the call light. This patient had been admitted to the hospital frequently in the last couple months due to cancer progression, and numerous nights she would find herself not able to sleep. The night shift nurses would often set her up a coloring station in the nurses’ station to socialize with them so that she wasn’t sitting in her room alone. The patient told me that Kris saw that she loved to color, and she had purchased Prismacolor Premier coloring pencils for her son and instead of giving them to him she brought them to the patient in the hospital as a gift so that she could continue her coloring. The patient enjoyed painting and coloring to pass the time in the hospital, and she would give her art to the nurses who cared for her.

“This story really moved me. Often times the hospital setting can be fast moving and abrasive, and honestly perhaps sometimes quite scary for the patient. Kris reminds us of the importance of “seeing the patient” and stepping back to remember why we nurses do what we do. This small act of kindness, I think, is what invigorates all nurses to continue to stay and work in this profession. Kris is the definition of what nursing is, selflessly giving everything she can each and every night that she steps into the hospital. Her gentle touch and humorous demeanor and empathy touch each of our oncology patients each and every week.”

ADN alumna, ’15, and current RN to BSN student Danielle Odell, RN was recently honored with a DAISY award for outstanding care in Christ Hospital’s MICU. She was nominated for the DAISY Award by a family who appreciated the kind, patient, and caring treatment given by her to their father. In a long letter of praise, the family wrote,

“[Danielle] supported our family as they all started to arrive at the hospital. She even went to another unit to get my father chocolate ice cream when he requested it. We cannot say enough about her professionalism during this difficult time and the respect shown to our family. She is a fantastic nurse.”

Noel Johnson, CVICU RN, TCCNHS ’09, is also a current RN to BSN student, and was nominated for the award by a family who recently admitted their mom for a severe heart issue. The grateful family wrote,

“[Noel] showed such genuine concern for my mom and the situation we as a family were facing. I asked if she was working again on Sunday night and she said she was scheduled off but she was going to have that changed so she could continue to provide care for my mom. I can’t even describe how thankful we all were for her care and concern for our mom.”

The College is extremely proud of Kris, Danielle and Noel for living our core values of caring, collaboration, integrity, and excellence. DAISY Awards are the epitome of extraordinary care, and the College loves to hear when alumni achieve this honor. On behalf of the entire College and alumni family, we appreciate the ways you make a difference in the lives of patients and their families. ♦
The “Ed Tech” Team Goes to Boston!
This summer, Meghan Hollowell, Dean of College Support Services, and Roy Shrum, Webmaster and IT Support Specialist, traveled to Boston to present at the New Media Consortium Summer Conference. Meghan and Roy shared The Christ College’s cyber security training practices with conference attendees from colleges, universities, museums and research centers across the country. As healthcare and higher education are currently the top industries affected by data breaches, it is extremely important for students and faculty/staff to understand how to protect themselves against cybercrimes such as identity theft, particularly in healthcare-affiliated institutions of higher education like The Christ College, where technology use is pervasive. For nursing students, it is also imperative to understand how patients can be protected.

As such, the Educational Technology Department at TCCNHS has recently collaborated with The Christ Hospital Health Network to enhance its efforts to educate students and faculty/staff about the value of awareness and safe practices with regard to phishing emails, password integrity, virus protection, use of public wireless internet, and more. Online and face-to-face training sessions were implemented in the 2016-17 academic year for new and incoming students and faculty/staff. These sessions are ongoing, from semester-to-semester. The Ed Tech Department has also led a campaign of sorts, spreading the word about the importance of being educated about cyber security. These training efforts and related messaging seem to have made a difference in the College’s environment, and as a result, Meghan and Roy were compelled to share with others the lessons, successes and challenges they and Jerilin Morris, Student Support Specialist, have experienced in crafting, implementing and sustaining a training model for students and faculty/staff. Presenting at the New Media Consortium Summer Conference provided an exciting opportunity for The Christ College to share with a broader community of learners what the Educational Technology Department is doing to help provide a safer environment for students. The Ed Tech Department is proud and excited to share these successes on this highly relevant and timely topic!

Cincy Magazine Honors 3 TCCNHS Professors!
The Christ College is proud to announce that three of this year’s Cincy Magazine Outstanding Educator Award recipients are faculty of The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences!

Congratulations to the following faculty on this incredible honor!

Lauren Theuerling, MSN, WHNP-BC, CCCE, RN
Assistant Professor, Nursing

Tammy Waldron, MEd
Instructional Designer

Rob Kallmeyer, PhD
Associate Professor, Arts and Sciences

Online Course Design Receives Quality Matters Certification!
Tammy Waldron also led the Quality Matters certification process this year for the HUM 280: People and their Food course, resulting in the award of the College’s first QM certificate of course recognition! QM ensures the quality of course design in online education internationally, and we are grateful for Tammy’s hard work towards this recognition!
April was Sexual Assault Awareness Month and the College was very active in the “It’s On Us TCCNHS” campaign, educating students and employees on taking a stand against sexual violence. A wall display was a strong graphic to demonstrate the prevalence of sexual assault on America’s higher education campuses (see photo), displaying the national average via one cup for every 4 female students and one cup for every 16 male students for a total of 161 cups. The total indicates the average number of TCCNHS students who could be assaulted while enrolled in higher education, according to national statistics.

Posters called students to action to show support for the campaign (wear the ribbon, wear teal, and take the It’s On Us pledge). And addressed:

- “One is One too Many”
- being open to hearing a survivor’s confidence
- resources
- sexual violence never being the victim’s fault
- sexual assault happening to all sexes
- consent
- information on how to keep our children safe

Last winter, the College also participated in the Ohio Department of Higher Education’s (ODHE) Changing Campus Culture survey and had a remarkable response rate of over 44%.

Preliminary results indicate that our “scores on overall CCC recommendation adoption, data use, training, communication campaigns and response protocols were higher than Ohio campuses, in general, and private campuses in particular (Wasco, CCC Profile report, April, 2017, p.4).” A full report is due back on our results in mid-summer!

The College is dedicated to keeping our students and employees safe and providing an environment of support and non-violence. If you would like more information, please contact Maureen Schwab at Maureen.Schwab@theChrist-College.edu.

Highlights from the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Students

BY: CARA RIGBY, DNP, RN, CMSRN • BSN PROGRAM DIRECTOR • ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF NURSING

- Our BSN students completed their sophomore year in our new concept-based curriculum! Students did very well this year adapting to the new curriculum including concepts such as critical thinking, professional identity, communication, and assessment. Assignments included developing and presenting a public service announcement based on a developmental need in one of the developmental stages and a few great examples included a pamphlet for women to recognize the signs of a heart attack, safe sleep for newborns, and reducing the risk of falls in the elderly.

- This spring, sophomore BSN student Wesley Osler was elected to the office of Director of the National Student Nurses’ Association (NSNA). He will go to New York City this summer where he will attend orientation at NSNA Headquarters, San Diego in October for the MidYear Conference, and Nashville next spring for the annual convention. We are very proud of Wesley’s commitment to the nursing profession and his demonstration of leadership!

- Our sophomore BSN students did a fantastic job helping with Research Days at The Christ Hospital! Research Days is a collaboration between TCCNHS and The Christ Hospital Research Council, where guest speakers present research topics on new research and best practices!
STUDENT (programming) SUCCESS!

A recap of spring semester student programming.

BY EVANGELINA FIGUEROA, ACADEMIC ADVISOR AND STUDENT SUCCESS COORDINATOR

The Department of Student Success (Student Success) had a busy semester hosting social and educational programming for TCCNHS students this past spring. In conjunction with several other departments, including Career Services, Development, Nursing Faculty and Impact Student Life Assistance, Student Success was able to provide students with several opportunities to engage with the College community. Here’s an overview of the spring semester:

❖ To kick off the semester, students were offered a Welcome Back Breakfast where students were served pastries and bagels, along with kind smiles from faculty and staff!

❖ Just in time for Valentine’s Day, Lisa Castro from Impact Student Life Assistance, a resource to help students manage emotional and academic stress, visited campus to present on Healthy Relationships. Students learned how to identify elements of healthy relationships, recognize the signs of unhealthy relationships and seek assistance if needed. Students were also served donuts and coffee, which, of course, was a hit!

❖ For the first time ever, TCCNHS experienced Midterm Mayhem, which was a carnival-style event created to help students destress after midterm exams! During this event, students were able to enjoy face-painting, photo booths, arts & crafts, games, trivia, food and as a bonus, students, faculty and staff were able to witness Paul Sparke, Assistant Professor of Nursing, and Connie McFadden-Chase, Associate Dean of Nursing, take a pie to the face! One student was even awarded a $1,000 scholarship! It was a wonderful event. Special thanks to Beth Zwilling, Assistant Professor of Nursing, for organizing!

❖ Let’s be honest, our inaugural Pi(e) Day Potluck was just an excuse to eat pie! Faculty and staff volunteered to bake (or purchase) their favorite pie in a chance to win bragging rights for the entire year. In a two-way tie, Nikki Matthews, Academic Advisor and Student Success Coordinator, and Carolyn Hunter, Dean of Operations, took first place with their respective Peanut Butter and Buttermilk Pecan Pies; and Janelle Crossgrove-Hart, Associate Dean of Institutional Effectiveness, and Cheryl Boone, Assistant to the President, tied for second place. After the judging concluded, students were able to enjoy pie prepared by their favorite faculty and staff members.

❖ Lisa Castro joined us again to provide Drug and Alcohol Awareness for students. After her presentation, students were able to identify the effects of drugs and alcohol, recognize substance abuse and seek assistance if needed. Students were also able to enjoy FREE Chick-Fil-A for attending.

❖ The final program of the semester was Fuel for Finals, a program that was hosted by Student Success, Career Services/Alumni Relations and Development. Students enjoyed a grab-n-go style breakfast from Panera Bread, served along with words of wisdom from The Christ Hospital School of Nursing and The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences alumni. Alumni were happy to be back on campus and students appreciated their kind words before final exams.

The Department of Student Success coordinates programs for students during the fall and spring semesters on a bi-monthly basis. Programs are open to all. Be on the lookout for our next program, Welcome Week 2017, which will occur August 28-September 1.
TCCNHS Strategic Corner

BY: CAROLYN HUNTER, ’74, DEAN OF OPERATIONS/PRESIDENTIAL LIAISON, STRATEGIC PLAN COORDINATOR

Strategic Plan 2016-2020 – Year Two in Review

STRATEGIES

I. Position TCCNHS regionally as a leader in nursing education.

II. Optimize the College’s infrastructure in people and processes.

III. Implement focused health science programs targeted to meet healthcare market needs.

IV. Build an environment that supports the needs of a diverse constituency.

V. Strengthen institutional advancement efforts to increase philanthropic support.

The second year of Strategic Plan 2016-2020 has come to a conclusion with several exciting accomplishments and advances for the College. In review, our presumptive guidelines encompassed quality, regional leader, enrollment of 800-1000, 21st century learning environment, focused health science programming, and programs designed with the shifting healthcare market in mind.

ACADEMICS

The College continues its commitment to the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing program to its completion around 2020. The RN-BSN completion program (hybrid program) continues with the addition of the completely online RN-BSN launching in August. The traditional 4-year BSN program has just completed its second year with the inaugural class entering their junior year in August. The 2016-2017 academic year saw the conferral of a number of Associate of Science in General Studies degrees and the expansion into the health sciences begins in August with the launch of the Bachelor’s degree in Health Care Administration. The year ended on an additional positive note with the award of Quality Matters approval for the College’s online and hybrid course design. A gold standard recognition.
GROWTH IN ENROLLMENT AND STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

The College has experienced a 10% growth in headcount from 852 students served in 2013-14 to 938 in 2016-17. Coinciding with this growth in enrollment and the addition of the four-year bachelor’s degree we have realized a 28.4% growth in credit hours taken. Additional staff support was added to admissions, financial aid, and advising as well as to educational technology. The College has expanded its diverse population of students with an approximate 5% growth since 2013. Underrepresented students now make up approximately 18% of our student body. In response to this increase and in line with national calls to diversify the healthcare workforce, a diversity mentorship program, Bridging College to Career, was piloted during the 2016-17 academic year in collaboration with TCH and will be continued into 2017-18. With the goal of supporting the clinical application of students, the BSN program has partnered with TCH Cardiovascular Stepdown Unit (CVSU) to offer a clinical immersion experience in the model of the Dedicated Education Unit (DEU).

21ST CENTURY LEARNING AND FACILITIES

Some much-needed facilities developments have been realized this year, each with the goal of better serving students and supporting the growing population of both students and faculty/staff. With capital funds generously allocated by The Christ Hospital Health Network the following changes have been made. A “Welcome Center” was added to the Medical Office Building, directly across the driveway from the College. In the Welcome Center, the enrollment and admissions staff are able to meet with prospective students, new students, and the family members who support them. The center is a fresh space, nicely branded with the College’s new logo! This addition has allowed more space in the College building to be dedicated to private Financial Aid counseling sessions. Several classroom upgrades including furniture and AV/technology were accomplished along with updated common space to improve both the aesthetics and to promote collegial, collaborative work/study and lounge spaces for students. The Biology Lab was expanded to include more seats for students, more storage for students and faculty, and upgraded AV equipment. A newly constructed testing center will open in August. Further renovation encompasses the College’s acquisition of additional office space and two classrooms in TCH MOB, again, opening in August. These changes will allow for more office and instructional spaces to be made available in the College building, an expanded ancillary Computer Lab, and a private space for students to meet with the College’s Mental Health Counselor. We invite everyone to come take a tour!

FINANCIAL TRENDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS

One of the College’s goals with this strategic direction was to decrease its reliance solely on tuition dollars. Our financial trending is positive and we are making small steps in being able to reinvest in our students. Scholarship need is great in filling the gap between federal financial aid awards and what students have to meet out-of-pocket. Seventeen of the initial twenty Summo Commissio Missi Scholars are returning in the fall and another 20 scholarships have been awarded to newly entering BSN students. A “last dollar” scholarship in memory of faculty member Mary Alice Calme has been established to help students in times of unexpected financial and family hardships that would normally prevent the student from achieving their goal of becoming a nurse. Students that are within their last year of the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing or Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree who are faced with significant and unexpected financial hardships may receive tuition assistance from this scholarship to complete or continue in the program. Additionally, two planned gifts in the names of Edna Alice (Kelley) Knabe class of 1952 and Helen (McLaren) Metzner class of 1938 and a $200,000 scholarship grant from the Schell Foundation will assist in building funds to supplement that gap. Please consider contributing to the gift of education and supporting our healthcare providers of the future.

Finally, as we embark on year three of the five-year plan, discussions are underway for future programming, facility growth, and an emphasis on enhancing recruitment, retention, and development of both students and employees. ✦
Faculty Advocacy and Health Policy

BY MARY WINKEL, MS, RN
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, NURSING

I attended the Ohio Advocacy and Access Day with the Arthritis Foundation on Thursday, May 4 in Columbus with a number of Arthritis Foundation Advocates from all over the state of Ohio. To begin the day I attended a breakfast with the Ohio Association of Rheumatology and then met with my Ohio Representative Thomas E. Brinkman Jr. (R, District 27) and Ohio Senator Steve Wilson (R, District 7) to discuss current pending legislation (Senate Bill 56 and House Bill 72) related to step therapy. This is important for patients with rheumatic and other diseases because the biologic medication being prescribed may not work for an individual patient. Patients are at the mercy of their health insurance that dictates which medication should be trialed next. This becomes an issue in which the insurance company makes the decision rather than the physician who prescribed it. It can also prolong the time for patients to get the medication that can work for them. We also discussed other issues including Non-medical switching, Commercial Activity Tax, and Transparency in Drug Pricing: Regulating Pharmacy Benefit Managers. The entire day was very insightful and a great learning experience!

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Would you like to get back in touch with some of your classmates?
Contact your Class Agent!

Class Agents are alumni who have volunteered to serve as the liaison between their class and The Christ College, and help reconnect you to annual events or friends you’ve lost touch with! Class Agents receive class contact lists from TCCNHS, and help alumni stay engaged with their alma mater and each other! If you’d like to connect with your Class Agent, please see the list below. Don’t see your year? Your class needs an agent! If you think you would enjoy being Class Agent, contact Elisabeth Timmerman at (513) 585-3339, or Elisabeth.Timmerman@thechristcollege.edu. Duties are minimal and fun, and include:

❖ Communicating to the College any major life events your classmates would like shared for the Alumni newsletter (i.e. address changes, marriages, deaths)
❖ Connecting classmates to each other if requested
❖ Contacting your classmates annually to encourage group attendance to the Reunion Luncheon and other major college events if applicable

(Do you think you are your Class Agent already, but are not listed below? We must have missed you during our call campaign to refresh our list! Contact Elisabeth to confirm your desire to stay on as Class Agent!)

An updated list will be featured in a future issue of the Nightingale News!

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From the 1940s
As the Class of 1946 celebrated their 70th Anniversary last year and was memorialized in the last publication, one of our Round Robin members was unintentionally denied inclusion:

“My husband, John, and I have just celebrated our 71st wedding anniversary. We met in high school. Still in my senior year at CHSN, I had to seek Ms. Matthew’s permission to marry. (Only the aged among you will know that this took courage). I needn’t have worried. I finished my last six months working with Anatomy and Microbiology instructor Ms. Showers, teaching, in the labs and grading papers.

While I finished training, John attended Ohio State University, majoring in Instrumental Music. John was a member of the infamous Ohio State Marching Band which has been admired by all throughout the years. Following graduation these members became an Alumni of the Band and were known as the “Biddle Band” (Best darned! Band in the Land!). They performed concerts in Alaska, Hawaii, Japan, Ohio, etc., wives accompanied them. Proceeds went to OSU Scholarships for instruments.

In 1950 we moved to Hawaii where John taught Instrumental Music at the Kamehameha School for Boys for six years. We then moved back to Columbus where I did Private Duty, part time at Doctors’ Hospital and then 20 years on the 11 to 7 shift in Extended Care. These were the days of the Iron Lung.

John and I, both 91 years old, have lived in our home in Galloway, Ohio for 49 years, both active in our church where John was Choir Director for 26 years. Our three sons live in the vicinity. Through the years I have met with CHSN Alumnae members in the Columbus area for our own reunion where we relived fond memories of our days at Christ Hospital.

-Dorothy Ladd Gabriel, ’46

From the 1960s
Attention Class of 1962!

Our class will be celebrating our 55th Reunion this fall. Our reunion weekend will take place September 22, 23, and 24. It will be held at the Embassy Suites Cincinnati-River Center in Covington, where we had our 45th and 50th reunions. Our weekend will begin with a cocktail party in our double suite like we have had in the past. This is a casual event and an opportunity to catch up on the events that have taken place in our lives over the past 5 years or more. (31 signed up to date). On Saturday we will attend the Alumni Luncheon at the hospital, followed by tours of the College. You will be amazed at all of the changes. You won’t want to miss this event. (28 planning to sign up). Saturday night our dinner will be at the hotel. The buffet menu includes Prime Rib and Broiled Salmon. (38 signed up to date.) On Sunday morning, those of us staying at the hotel will gather for breakfast before heading home. As of today, 17 classmates will be staying at the hotel.

This year we have several classmates attending who have not attended a recent 5 year reunion. We are very excited that they will be able to join us this year. We have had a reunion weekend every five years since we graduated and it is always so much fun to get together again. Out of our class of ‘62, we have always had at least ½ of the class return for some part of the reunion. We have sadly lost 7 more of our classmates since our last reunion (total of 13), but we still have 29 classmates attending this year, which is amazing. This is still almost half. We look forward to seeing everyone. It is not too late to sign up!

If you have not returned your reunion form, please send it in even if you cannot attend. We are preparing a class booklet for everyone and need your information so you will be included. If you cannot attend, I will email the booklet to you, but I need your current email address. The only mail returned to us was for Janet Athey O’Brien. If you know how to locate her, please let me know.

PLEASE USE THE FORM IN THIS NEWSLETTER TO REGISTER FOR THE LUNCHEON ASAP. SEND YOUR CHECK DIRECTLY TO THE COLLEGE.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 513-403-8350. Leave a message and I will return your call. Look forward to seeing you soon.

-Jean Depoi Ellsworth, ’62
From the 2000s
Taking Nursing to the Streets…of New York City

Volunteering led me to nursing, nursing led me to volunteering, on the streets of New York City. Growing up as the daughter of a physician, I was taught from a very young age to care for other people. I loved going to work with my dad or accompany him on his house calls. I was proud of my dad, because he truly cared for his patients and gave them the time and respect they deserved.

Years later, I became a nurse so I could also care for people, giving them the care and respect they deserve. My passion for helping others has taken me outside the hospital to multiple countries, cities, and this summer, to New York City.

Working alongside the New York City based Relief Bus, a volunteer organization that feeds meals to those in need, I was able to provide basic health assessments, wound care, foot care and foot massages to the homeless and others in need. We provided care in the Bronx, Harlem, and Manhattan. People were most interested in blood pressure checks and I found myself teaching and reinforcing what many already knew about blood pressure medications and healthy lifestyles. The difficulty for many is eating healthy and getting enough fluids with limited or no income.

Once it spread that I was assessing feet and giving foot massages, I became quite popular. Many people were shocked I would touch their feet and others were skeptical that it was free and I was asking for nothing in return. They were also grateful for a clean pair of socks and education on good foot care. I did not turn anyone away and found a variety of people sitting down to get care and also chat. One 90 year old woman was walking home from the grocery and spent two hours chatting and enjoying the companionship. Another man had been self-treating a leg ulcer that needed daily dressing changes. I was able to provide a week worth of dressings and arranged for a local nurse practitioner to follow up with him and get him consistent care. I spent hours listening to people share their fears, needs, and dreams. I also spent time educating because it is knowledge that allows us to grow and care for ourselves. As we know, it is okay to feed someone, but you must also teach him to fish, to ensure he will not go hungry.

Volunteering energizes me like nothing else. I always return with a heart overflowing with love.

- Camille Lloyd, ‘09

Deaths

Margie E. Simpson (Gustin), ‘42, passed away on June 28, 2017. A graduate of Christ Hospital School of Nursing in 1942, she attended alumni events and donated her uniform, photos and texts to the archive department.

Margie worked at Wright Patterson Air Force Base and Good Samaritan Hospital for her registered nursing career. She lived in Dayton, Ohio for 70 years and recently moved to Cuyahoga Fall, OH, where she lived in Danbury Woods Assisted Living facility.

On June 8, her hospice caregivers delighted her with a pinning ceremony in her facility. Visiting Nurse Service Hospice put an angel pin on her, gave her a certificate, a peach afghan and did a meaningful ceremony for Margie and another ailing nurse in the facility. Daughter Alice, who has been by her side for the last 5 years, was in attendance and was touched how vividly Margie remembered her wonderful nursing days and the enjoyment she had in her profession.

Marsha Desotelle (Haines) ’44, passed away on March 14, 2016. Daughter Jane Desotelle wrote to The Christ College, saying that she was 93 years old and worked as an RN until her retirement. She also found a report card of Marsha’s dated October 30, 1943 and written by Ruth V. Miller (head nurse): “Miss Haines is a very capable, dependable, conscientious nurse. She adjusts well,
very cooperative, willing worker, and well-liked by patients and co-workers.” Jane stated that “this really sums up my mother and all her endeavors.”

Elinore Koch (Shanks) ’45, passed away on April 7, 2017. Her memorial says, “She had a long career as a Registered Nurse in Michigan working in hospitals and as a public health nurse. Elinore had a zest for life, and loved serving others. Through one her hobbies, knitting, she created and distributed caps for premature babies.”

Lois Ann Niederhofer (Weeks, Hubbell), ’46, died February 27, 2017 at age 91. After graduation from CHSN she became the youngest head nurse on record at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital, which reflected the capable training she had receive at CHSN – being in charge on evening and night shifts during WWII. In 1969 her husband of 21 years, William Hubbell, was killed in the Allegheny Airlines mid-air collision over Shelbyville, IN, leaving her with three young children. She was later an Office Nurse for a local pediatritian. She now leaves Merle, her devoted husband of 46 years. Lois was one of the CHSN Round Robin participants which has existed for 69 years.

Virginia “Jean” Rahn (Pelstring), ’47, passed away on August 26, 2016 at the age of 89. Jean was a member of the Cadet Nurse Corps at the Christ Hospital School of Nursing. She was the beloved wife of 68 years to Edwin Rahn, and is remembered as “most compassionate person that touched the lives of so many and will be most greatly missed”.

Margaret "Peggie" Davis (Bigler), ’53, passed away on March 6, 2017. Her family says that attending and graduating from The Christ Hospital School of Nursing was one of the most significant and defining events of her life, and she made many lifelong friendships here.

R. Jane Veite (Huser), ’66, passed away April 30, 2017 at the age of 72. She is survived by her children, Daniel (Lisa), Molly (Will) Baragwanath, Andrew (Anita) and the late Timothy, as well as many grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Monastery of St. Clare, 1505 Miles Road, Cincinnati 45231.

Carol Sue Sodghill, (Taylor) ’67, passed away peacefully on November 6, 2016 at age 71.

Bessie Hawkins (Gray), ’74, passed away on January 26, 2017. Bessie is survived and remembered by her loving husband Edward, and sister Lula Fairbanks.

Condolences
Paul T. Swank, husband of Margaret Swank (Bruce), ’48, passed away in August of 2015.

Max Walker, husband of Blanche Walker (Schreiber), ’51, passed away in January of 2017.

Dr. Tom Brunsman, husband of Betty Sue Brunsman (Ormiston) ‘56, and retired physician for The Christ Hospital, passed away on March 22, 2017.
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