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SAVE THE DATE

REUNION 2010 APRIL 16-17

BSN and MSN classes with years ending in 0 and 5—as well as members of the Half Century Club (classes 1933-1959)—will be celebrating reunions in 2010. Many exciting activities are planned for this special weekend. We hope you'll join us!



REUNION 2009

More than 150 alumni and friends are expected on campus in April for Reunion 2009. Weekend events include the 2009 Alumni Association Awards presentation, the annual alumni luncheon, and social and educational activities. Classes celebrating reunion in 2009 are those ending in 4 and 9.



Message from Alumni President

Dear Duke University School of Nursing Alumni,
Greetings from our lovely campus, our award-winning School of Nursing building, and North Carolina.

Since assuming the role of president in July 2008, I have been proud to represent your Nursing Alumni Association at numerous events and activities at the school and across Duke's campus.

A great group of students, alumni, and faculty attended the Student-Alumni Mixer in October to kick off the new academic year. Margaret Mallory Merryman, N'41, a local and always active alumna, was the hit of the mixer—students flocked to hear her talk about “the old days.” She was treated like a rock star, with cameras and cell phones flashing!

In late October I presided at the fall meeting of the Nursing Alumni Council. A highlight of the day's agenda was a panel discussion by three current students—Sharon Hawks, CRNA, MSN (DNP student and DUSON faculty member), Jo Ellen Holt, ABSN'08 (MSN student), and Robb Holton (ABSN student). Their enthusiasm and pride in their academic careers at the School of Nursing were welcomed and shared by all council members in attendance.

In December I participated in the Pinning and Recognition Ceremony for our sixth cohort of ABSN students. You will be proud to know that the Duke School of Nursing pins presented to each student were provided by the Alumni Association. Sixty-six new nurses were pinned and are on their way to promising careers at Duke, throughout North Carolina, and

beyond. Congratulations, ABSN Class of 2009!

I look forward to seeing many of you at Nursing Reunion Weekend, April 17-18, 2009, when we celebrate those classes ending in 4 and 9. We hope to surpass last year's reunion attendance record of 200 registrants and guests. I plan to attend all nursing reunion events and welcome the opportunity to meet my fellow alumni, so please say hello.

Many of you have received the DUSON e-News Updates delivered courtesy of the Office of Development and Alumni Relations. If you have not been receiving these e-newsletters or other electronic communications, please be sure to update your Duke alumni record with your current e-mail address by visiting www.duke.edu/alumni.html. I want to make sure you are included in our future online communication projects and programs!

Our school has accomplished so much in such a short time. Duke is educating nurses who are prepared to put “boots to ground” in 16 months. Our master's and doctoral students will be tomorrow's nursing professors and the change agents of nursing practice. Our school is a vital contributor to health in communities across North Carolina, our country, and around the world.

Connie B. Bishop, BSN'75

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1930s

Sue White Massenburg Starr, N'35, BSN'40, is 96 and lives alone; however her son visits her each weekend. She is partially blind but still enjoys old movies. She lives in Towson, Md., where she attends a monthly family support group.

Annie Marie McAdams Parrish, N'37, will celebrate her 93rd birthday on May 5, 2009. She lives in a retirement home in Boca Raton, Fla., where she is near her daughter. Her husband **Albert A. Parrish, T'33, MD'39**, died in 1985.

1940s



➤ **Margaret Dulin Jackson, N'41**, lives in Bowling Green, S.C. After graduating from Duke, her career included working at Gaston Nursing School for 10 years and teaching at a high school in Gastonia for 13 years. Her late husband

Thomas was a pilot in the Air Force for 20 years. She has two children (pictured): Tommy, who lives next door to her; and Mary Katherine, who works in Gainesville, Fla., as nurse.

Carol Poole White, BSN'42, celebrated her 89th birthday in November. She remembers her days as a Duke nursing student, including the day Pearl Harbor was attacked. Though Duke authorized the 65th General Hospital in England, she chose to stay at Duke and, along with her fellow students, “assumed great responsibility.” Later, while teaching at Duke, she met her late husband **Clayton White, T'47**, during an open house organized by her students for veterans returning from World War II. They were married for 52 years. White has three sons and six grandsons. She lives in a retirement residence, Covenant Place, located in Sumter, S.C.



➤ **Katie Adams Hodge, BSN'43**, met baseball

icon Cal Ripken during his visit to Spartanburg Regional Health Care Systems' Hospice Home. Hodge has served on the Spartanburg Regional Health Care Board for 16 years, and chaired the advanced gifts division for the \$6-million Hospice Home Project. A health and wellness volunteer for the past 55 years, she owns an art exhibit of 48 pieces, which currently hang in the Chapman Cultural Center in Spartanburg, S.C. She donated an oil painting to Duke, which now hangs in the School of Nursing building. Hodge also volunteers in local Spartanburg public schools. Because of her many volunteer efforts, the Kiwanis Club of Spartanburg named her Citizen of the Year for 2008, making her the first spouse of a past Citizen of the Year recipient to receive the award. Her husband **G.B. Hodge, MD, HS'42-'47**, retired, is the author of a book about the University of South Carolina Upstate called, *Reflections on Building an Institution*. Their son **G. Byron Jr., MD'78, HS'77-'83**, is a urologist in Lakeland, Fla. Their son **John, T'77, JD**, received the Order of the Palmetto from the S.C. governor. Their daughter **Susan, B'83**, is senior director of community relations at USC Upstate.

Jessie Wall McCoy, BSN'43, has been retired since 1983. She now volunteers at her church and in the community, and enjoys quilting and travel. Her oldest daughter has begun working on her PhD at the age of 60. She also has three sons, another daughter, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She lives in Decatur, Ga.

Anne Bennett Dodd, BSN'44, is enjoying retirement by traveling, gardening, reading, sewing, and volunteering at her church to help deliver mobile meals. She lives in Greensboro, N.C. **Ruth Slocumb Emler, BSN'44**, retired, served on the health committee for the Colonnades Retirement Community in Charlottesville, Va. In her free time she enjoys gardening. She has four children. **Tricia, T'74**, does costuming for local drama groups. **Richard, T'77, PhD**, is a marine biology professor at Oregon Institute of Marine Biology. Sally lives in Pensacola, Fla. Josh is a pilot for American Transport International.

Mary Willcox Phillips, BSN'45, is enjoying retirement in Houston. She is 85, active in church activities, and belongs to the College Women's Club of Houston, which she says was formed in 1915.

Most of her time is spent caring for her 93-year-old husband Roy who is ambulatory but requires supervision and care. Their daughter Becky is a retired attorney, and their daughter Carol teaches in Denver.

Martha Watkins Wilhoit, BSN'45, spent 18 years at West Florida Hospital in Pensacola and retired in 1994. She and **William Merrill Corry Wilhoit, MD'44, HS'52**, have been married for 63 years. They have six children, including **Suzanne Wilhoit McKee, BSN'70**, 16 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

Frances Dettmar Hayes, BSN'46, of Greensboro, N.C., spends a great deal of time traveling. She has taken trips to Italy, England, Scotland, Wales, Eastern Europe, Alaska, Hawaii, and Canada. An active member of her church, she leads monthly trips within North Carolina for a senior citizens group. She also volunteers at the Piedmont Triad International Airport. Hayes has three children and six grandchildren. Her oldest daughter Randi retired three years ago after 30 years as a first-grade teacher. Her son Richard is a landscaper in Hanover,

Md. Her youngest daughter Robin is a veterinarian in Concord, N.C.

Annie Smith Kelley, BSN'46, currently serves on the board of the foundation for Stanly Community College in Albemarle, N.C. She is a past trustee and chairperson emerita for the college. Her husband **Thomas F. Kelley Jr., MD'46**, died a few years ago. She has six children. **Elizabeth Armbrister Farley, N'47**, is still active in health care by counseling breast cancer and prostate cancer patients facing surgery. Osteoarthritis limits her physical activities but she stays active by walking, bird watching, and caring for her very active four-year-old poodle. She and her husband Norvil "Jerry" Farley live in Bluefield, W.Va.

Evelyn D. Morgan, BSN'47, MSN'72, has been retired since 1988. She especially enjoys being active in her church and playing board and card games. She lives in Durham.



⤴ **Jean Bundy Scott, N'47**, is a retired psychiatric nurse, but at the age of 84 is still conducting assertiveness training, stress-management seminars, and caretaker-support programs. Her husband **Frank A. Scott, T'48, G'49**, died in 2007. She has two daughters, one son, and five grandchildren, and lives in Blacksburg, Va.

1950s

Mar Jo Tate Herron, N'51, says that "at 79, about all an old nurse can do is give shots." So for the past three years she has worked for a health care agency giving flu shots in local groceries, pharmacies, nursing homes, and corporate offices. She also proctors for Princeton Review during SAT and LSAT classes on Saturdays. She likes to refinish furniture, sew, and sing in a chorus. She has two daughters, two sons, and several grandchildren and great-

grandchildren, and lives in Largo, Fla.

Kathryn McCullough Montgomery, N'52, is now retired but volunteers at the Good Samaritan Clinic in Jasper, Wyo., a few times a month. She enjoys swimming, doing water aerobics, participating in church activities, and taking care of her home in Jasper. She has two great-grandsons.

Olga Hinderer McNamara, BSN'53, stays active in retirement with work in community gardening. She helps to make vacant lots into viable food gardens in the Toledo, Ohio, area where she lives. She has three grown sons—David, John, and Michael. Her husband Michael is deceased.

Shirley Ezzell Owen, N'53, went back to school a few years back at the age of 72 and got recertified in nursing. She worked for a year and a half before bilateral knee replacements forced her to retire. She's very active now, however, playing golf two or three times a week, gardening, and being involved in church activities. She also enjoys visiting her 14 grandchildren who are spread out around the country. She and her

husband Charles live in Savannah, Ga.

Mary Ann Kelly, N'54, retired since 1995, is a professor emerita at Clemson University College of Nursing. She enjoys traveling, reading, gardening, and visiting friends. She lives in Shelby, N.C.

Jean Munro Bedell, BSN'56, of Lafayette, Colo., helped establish a library in a village in India and a hostel for 35 girls whose mothers are prostitutes or have died from AIDS. She also started three breast cancer support groups in India and Mexico and co-sponsored four Rotary International matching grants in India. She recently participated in seminars and workshops on conflict management for Hindu, Muslim, Jain, and Christian leaders in India. Outside of her international work, Bedell enjoys playing bridge and singing with the cappella group Jubilate Sacred Singers, which has gone on four tours and recorded four CDs. She also volunteers at her church and local hospital. Her husband **Richard, T'53, MD'57**, a pediatrician, does short-term mission work and is an international hospital assessor. They have four children and 10 grandchildren.



⋈ **Margaret Lightsey Macmillan Payne, BSN'56**, of West Columbia, S.C., enjoys listening to music, playing cards, traveling, and participating in church activities. She has two children, three stepsons, and 12 grandchildren. The family gathered for this photo during Christmas 2007.



⋈ **Brita Bredenberg-O'Carroll, N'58**, retired in 2007 and is enjoying traveling, painting, reading, and volunteering. She recently went to Antarctica on a cruise hosted by National Geographic, and in June she took her family sailing in Italy. She lives in Jacksonville, Fla. Her son Tim has two children and two step-children. Her daughter Lisa has two children.



⋈ **Frances "Fran" Pfeiffer Terrell, BSN'58**, at left in photo, is shown having lunch in Bar Harbor, Maine, in September with classmates **Sally Whiteside Flanagan, BSN'58**, center, and **Martha Crooks Powers, BSN'58**, right. All of their respective husbands were there as well. Terrell and her husband Charles are from Pensacola, Fla., and recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Flanagan is from Lakeland, Fla., and Powers is from El Cajon, Calif.

Rebecca Froneberger Collins, BSN'59, PhD, retired, is a consultant for the University of South Carolina Upstate AHEC and a volunteer with Hospice of the Carolina Foothills. She is also busy starting a dental clinic for underserved children. Her hobbies include playing bridge, gardening, and traveling. She lives in Tryon, N.C., and has four sons and five grandchildren.

Janet Anderson Lonski, BSN'59, retired, likes to

spend her time gardening, volunteering for hospice, playing cards, and quilting. Because all of their children and grandchildren live either in California or Montana, she and her husband spend six months of the year in their home in Stevensville, Mont., and six months in their home in San Jose, Calif. Lonski writes: "Our little horse ranch in Montana is kind of an adventure for this city girl."

Sarah Colglazier Young, BSN'59, is retired but heavily involved in various community organizations. She is a board member of Monument Crisis Center of Concord, Calif.; a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board of Concord; founder and board member of Friends of Rodger's Ranch of Pleasant Hill, Calif.; and president and founder of the Pleasant Hill Historical Society. Her mother died four years ago at the age of 102. Young was actively involved in her mother's case management and care. She lives in Walnut Creek, Calif.

1960s

Florence "Renny" Wilson Boothby, BSN'60, is retired but still involved with Duke. She is a part-time monitor at the Wilson Recreation Center, a member of the Iron Dukes and the Blue Devil Club board, and she attends Duke basketball, football, and lacrosse games. She likes keeping in touch with her former classmates and the former classmates and fraternity brothers of her late husband **H. Stanley Boothby Jr., T'60**. She has two grown daughters and six grandchildren, and lives in Durham.

Lola Lee Anderson Hunt, BSN'60, retired, is president of the Montgomery General Hospital Women's Board, a member of the Montgomery General Hospital Foundation, and serves on the executive committee for the Maryland Association of Hospital Auxiliaries. She also serves as chair of the Thrift Shop of Montgomery General Women's Board and enjoys working with her family horse-boarding business. She and her husband Richard have been married for 48 years and live in Spencerville, Md. They have four daughters, including **Elizabeth, MD, HS'95-'99**, an attending

physician in the pediatric intensive care unit and director of simulation at Johns Hopkins. The Hunts also have six grandchildren.



⤴ **Deanna Barber Little, BSN'60**, retired for the past 28 years, enjoys traveling, particularly taking trips across the United States, Mexico, and Canada by RV. She and her husband **Tom, T'60**, have logged 400,000 miles over the last 20 years. In 2008 they visited the oil sands of northwest Canada (pictured). They also have visited 18 countries abroad. They live on the waterfront in Punta Gorda, Fla., and have three children and eight grandchildren.

Catharine Ross Bell, BSN'61, has a "casual position" providing pre- and post-operative care at an eye surgery center. She enjoys gardening and travel. She and Jim—her husband of 47 years—have two children and

four grandchildren. They live in Lewes, Del.

Brenda Brown Meadows, BSN'61, of Ashland, Va., serves on the American Cancer Society Planning and Marketing Committee, on the health advisory boards for four counties in Virginia, and is a trustee for her district's library system. Her husband C.Q. Meadows volunteers as a guide at national battlefield parks. They have two grown sons—**Kelly, F'98**, and Justin, a pharmaceutical chemist.

Marianna Sherman Jaeger, BSN'62, retired, spends her time traveling, playing golf, going to bridge tournaments, and participating on church committees. She is also president of a condo association. She lives in Durham and has three sons. The oldest is a business executive who lives in Chicago and has five children. The second oldest, an engineer with the N.C. Department of Transportation, is married with one child. Her youngest son lives in Durham.



⤴ **Linda Mayne Markee, BSN'63**, along with her husband, **Joe Markee, MD'65**, is one of the co-founders for Haiti Foundation of Hope, which provides assistance in remote, rural, and underserved areas of Haiti. She also serves as the foundation's executive secretary. Linda and Joe made seven trips to Haiti in 2007 and five trips in 2008. Most recently they traveled with a disaster-response team from Medical Teams International in response to flooding in and around Gonaives, Haiti. The foundation has built an elementary school, high school, and medical clinic, and it also supports a women's trade school. It is currently starting a community health program in the area. When not working with the foundation, Linda enjoys rubber stamping and photography. She and Joe live in Vancouver, Wash. They have four daughters, two sons-in-law, and five grandchildren. Their youngest daughter, a

physician, travels with them to Haiti once a year, and their son-in-law is chair of their foundation board.



⤴ **Evelyn Havens Turner, BSN'63**, a retired certified nurse midwife, spent two weeks in September 2008 in Russia, which she describes as a "fantastic experience, except for the stress fracture of my femur." She hopes to travel to more places in the future. She attended her 45th nursing reunion in April 2008. She is married to **Jim, T'60, MD'64**, who retired from internal medicine practice in 2007. The couple has a daughter, Heather, who is married with two children and lives in Atlanta, Ga. Their son Glenn lives in St. Louis and is married with four children.

Carol Crane Gaffney, BSN'64, a retired public health nurse administrator, is involved in many volunteer activities. For three years she has been on the board of a local

hospital in the Egg Harbor Township, N.J., area where she lives. She also is a board member for Southern New Jersey Perinatal Cooperative and a member of the local United Way's Women's Leadership Initiative. Gaffney sings in the Angelus Chorus and enjoys playing bridge, traveling, gardening, and bird watching. She has six daughters and seven grandchildren.

Judith E. Harlow, BSN'64, of Salem, S.C., began a part-time program in health coaching through Clemson University and Oconee Memorial Hospital in January. She retired from the Sarasota County Health Department in 2004 and received a South Carolina nursing license in 2006. She also works for Habitat for Humanity and her church thrift shop, where she often makes herself available to clients with health concerns. She enjoys playing tennis four days a week, taking yogalates and fitness classes three days a week, playing piano, and painting. She plays golf occasionally. She and husband Steven Huben, a retired communication and meeting planner for IBM, spent three months traveling the United States, including Hawaii,

over the summer. Their son Michael Zimmer coaches Columbia University's heavyweight crew. Their daughter **Lucy Zimmer Wilson, T'90**, is a nurse midwife in Laconia, N.H. Son **Casey Zimmer, T'93**, teaches English at Darlington School in Rome, Ga. Son Jim Huben oversees funding for programs for the developmentally disabled in New York.

Brenda Reed O'Donovan, BSN'64, is now retired. She likes to play bridge, golf, and tennis, and spend time with her three children and eight grandchildren. She lives in Baltimore, Md.

Judith Oelschlegel Richards, BSN'64, of Easton, Md., recently administered flu shots at six clinics held at local stores. She writes that she has always wanted to do this and looks forward to helping again next flu season. When not working at her job at the Talbot County Health Department, she enjoys volunteering and conducting tours at the Talbot County Historical Society. She also enjoys patio gardening and spending time with family and friends. She and her five children got together recently to celebrate the wedding of her youngest.



✧ **Susan Handy Funk, BSN'65**, hosted a mini reunion at her home in Beaverton, Ore., in June with three former classmates. In photo from left to right are: **Norma Todd Stephenson, BSN'65**, of Castro Valley, Calif.; Funk; **Louise Newton Witherspoon, BSN'65**, of Port Haywood, Va.; and **Cheryl Kinsley Bendetsen, BSN'65**, of Jacksonville, Fla. Funk and her husband **William, F'66**, have three sons and two grandchildren.

Melinda Free Smyth, BSN'65, co-authored an article, "In-Hospital Resuscitation: Using the American Heart Association's National Registry of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (NRCPR) as a Performance Improvement Tool," which appeared in the January 2009 issue of *The Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety*. She currently works for the NRCPR as a clinical coordinator for national and international facilities. Her hobbies include acrylic

painting, swimming, hiking, jogging, gardening, and cooking. She and her husband R. Douglas, have two sons and three grandchildren. They live in south Florida from November to May and in Beech Mountain, N.C., during the summer months.

Louise Newton Witherspoon, BSN'65, this year is celebrating her 20th anniversary of facilitating the diabetes support group "Living with Diabetes" in Richmond, Va. She and her husband **John, T'62, MD'66**, are now semi-retired and living in an old farmhouse they are renovating on Chesapeake Bay. Louise is a certified diabetes educator. John is a professor at the Medical College of Virginia. They have two grown children and six grandchildren and live in Port Haywood, Va.

Eliza Kennedy Kendall, BSN'66, recently retired from her positions as gerontology certificate program coordinator and adjunct faculty member at the University of

Missouri-Kansas City. She now spends half the year living in Hendersonville, N.C., and the other half in Scottsdale, Ariz. As a board member and officer for the Blue Ridge Humane Society in North Carolina and the Foothills Animal Rescue in Arizona, she is involved with grant writing and governance for both organizations. She enjoys landscape photography, hiking and walking with her rescue dogs, traveling to historical and national parks and towns in North Carolina and Arizona, and attending cultural festivals and events. Her son Eric and his wife Sheri have a two-year old daughter, McKenna. Daughter Kris was married to Tracey Smith last year.

Karen Grimm O'Hern, BSN'66, has been a pediatric nurse practitioner in Cocoa Beach, Fla., for 30 years. She also conducts immunization research, and is enjoying watching her "babies" grow up. She has four adult children. **Corey, T'94**, is a physics, math, and engineering professor at Yale; Sean is a software engineer; Shannon is a teacher and mother; and Matt is a sports reporter and blogger. She lives in Merritt Island, Fla.

Susan Sueken Ferguson, BSN'67, is retired, but hardly complacent. She and her husband **Henry, L'68**,

spend four months a year and many weekends at Fishers Island, N.Y., where Henry grew up. Susan is a board member and vice president of the Island Health Project, a non-profit that subsidizes and oversees the Island Medical Practice. She also is a board member and driver for a food recovery program in Worcester, Mass., where she lives. She enjoys snorkeling, cross country skiing, kayaking, hiking, and more. She and Henry enjoy travel and recently went to Alaska and Bonaire in the Netherlands.

peaks and well-preserved Incan ruins at Machu Picchu. They swam and snorkeled with small penguins and sea lions in the Galapagos. Linda is a board-certified psychiatric clinical nurse specialist in private practice in Cooperstown, N.Y. She also consults at a long-term care facility. The couple lives in Hartwick, N.Y., and is expecting their first grandchild in April. Their son John and his wife Emily live nearby. In September their daughter **Anna, T'02**, married Ahmad R. Hariri, MD, a neuroscientist on the Duke faculty.



⤴ **Linda Wagner Craig, BSN'69**, and her husband **Peter, PhD'76**, recently traveled to the Amazon, Machu Picchu, and the Galapagos Islands on a tour with 16 other travelers about the same age. Some of the highlights include late-night boat trips into the tributaries of the Amazon jungle, spotting birds and mammals with the help of lanterns, and seeing the snow-capped

Mary Gustafson McConathy, BSN'69, is a manager of outpatient services at Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center (HRRMC) in Salida, Colo., where she lives. HRRMC is a 25-bed critical-access hospital in a small, rural community. McConathy and her husband enjoy hiking in the mountains in the summer and skiing and snowboarding in the winter. They have

three children. Eric, a computer programmer in Cape Coral, Fla., is married with two sons. Adam, a med-tech researcher in the U.S. Army, is stationed at Ft. Gordon in Augusta, Ga., with his spouse and two sons. Melanie is an assistant project scientist in Carlsbad, Calif.

Carol Palmer Mullican, BSN'69, received a humanitarian award from the Sertoma Clubs. She is a family nurse practitioner for the Social Welfare Board in St. Joseph, Mo. In her free time she started an e-commerce Web site (www.babygoodsleep.com) that sells round baby cribs. She writes that this new venture has been “quite an undertaking, going from a service career to marketing and sales, a real paradigm shift.” Mullican has organized medical mission trips to Jamaica for the past 10 years. At 72 years old, her husband graduated in December 2008 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. He spent 30 years as an internist and 10 years in hospital administration. The couple lives in St. Joseph and has seven children. The youngest, a nurse, is pursuing an advanced degree at St. Louis University in Missouri.

1970s

Jay E. Barrett, BSN'70, is a facility administrator for Davita Dialysis in New Bedford, Mass. She recently was named the Massachusetts new member chair of Emergency Nurses Association (ENA), and treasurer of the New England Symposium of the ENA. She is a member of the American Nephrology Nurses Association, and has recruited registered nurses from South Africa and India. She has done extensive travel to places such as Kenya, China, Tibet, Croatia, and Botswana, to name a few. She lives with her three cats—Jack, Zooley, and Gracie—in Walpole, Mass.



⤴ **Anne Roome Bavier, BSN'70**, was named in January 2008 as the new dean for the University of Connecticut School of Nursing in Storrs, Conn. She came to UConn from St. Xavier

University in Chicago, where she was dean of the school of nursing. She has taught at St. Xavier, Emory, Yale, and Georgia State University. She has worked in leadership roles at federal health care agencies, including serving as the deputy director of the National Institutes of Health's Office of Research on Women's Health. At St. Xavier she helped to quadruple faculty publications and scholarly presentations, increased the school's grant funding by 50 percent, and dramatically expanded funding for disadvantaged undergraduate nursing students. As assistant dean for planning and external relations at Emory University's Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, Bavier was instrumental in securing the largest-ever single gift of \$5 million. She is a recipient of the first Edith Moore Copeland Award for Creativity from Sigma Theta Tau International. She and her husband Robert N. Bavier III have a son, Robert, and live in Tolland, Conn.

Donald W. Brown, BSN'70, retired from the U.S. Navy as a lieutenant commander in 1981 and spent eight years working as a staff-

certified registered nurse anesthetist and another 18 years working as a locum tenens CRNA. He and his wife have seven children, 18 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren between them. They live in Fairhope, Ala., but each summer they spend four or five months in Cody, Wyo., where they belong to a boat club.

Joy Forsythe Reed, BSN'70, had an eventful 2008. She was awarded the American Nurses Association Pearl McIver Public Health Nurse Award and inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing. She heads the Local Technical Assistance Branch and Public Health Nursing and Professional Development Unit for the North Carolina Division of Public Health. She and her family live in Raleigh.

Joan Schweickart Rice, BSN'70, will have a book published this spring by Paragon Publishers titled *Parenting Solutions: Encouragement for Everyday Parenting Concerns*. She is officially retired but still teaches several one-time parenting classes at Allan Hancock College in Santa Monica, Calif. Her son Lt. Benjamin Cittadino III is an F-18 fighter pilot for the U.S. Navy; her son Marc Cittadino is an actor and producer in Los Angeles and won the first-ever Emmy

Award for broadband drama; her daughter Julia Golan teaches first grade in Santa Monica. Rice and her husband live in Santa Monica and will begin living part-time in Henderson, N.C., in March.

Judith Reagan Craggs, BSN'71, is a spinal-cord injuries and disorders-outcomes coordinator at McGuire VA Medical Center in Richmond, Va., where she lives. Her husband **Tom, T'71**, runs an “old fashioned hi-fi store” in Richmond; daughter **Christy, T'91**, and her husband live in Richmond; daughter Reagan and her husband live near Los Angeles; and son Nick is in Fredrick, Md.

Mary Rose Rowell Marquette, MSN'72, retired since 1997, is a volunteer with St. Francis Hospital in Midlothian, Va., where she lives. She enjoys gardening, traveling, reading, listening to music, and spending time with her three children. Her oldest child is a representative for United Organ Transplant; the second oldest is an artist; and the youngest works in banking.

Linda R. Chambliss, BSN'73, MD, MPH, is director of maternal and fetal medicine at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Phoenix and a professor at the University of Arizona School of Medicine. Among her awards are the Teacher of the Year award and the National Faculty Award for Excellence in Resident Teaching. She has four children—Alice, 13; Kevin, 12; Christopher, 6; and Danny, 4—and lives in Phoenix.

Sharon E. Cooper, BSN'73, MSSW, is a private-practice clinical social worker for Alliance Counseling in Newark, Del. She provides general outpatient psychotherapy with specialization in eating disorders, body image, and mindfulness-based approaches to health. She presents mindfulness-based stress-reduction workshops to businesses and the general public. She and her husband Joe live in Hockessin, Del. Her son Greg is in 10th grade. Her stepdaughter Tiffany lives nearby with her husband and 7-year-old son.

Susan Mizell Pickel, BSN'73, retired from her full-time position as a clinical specialist for two telemetry units at Broward General Medical Center in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.,

in 2007. She now has two part-time positions. One is as an adjunct professor at Broward College, where she teaches critical care, progressive telemetry care, and basic arrhythmia courses. She also works part time at Broward General Medical Center, leading special projects, conducting research, and helping with the medical center's simulation-training initiative. Outside of work, she likes to cruise and fish on her boat, exercise, and cook. Her only son Christopher was recently married and lives in Costa Rica. She has been married to George Pickel, MD, a retired OB-GYN, for the last 18 years.

Helen Sullivan Lydon, BSN'75, recently earned a real estate license for the states of Virginia and Maryland. She says her 13-year-old son keeps her busy. They live in Arlington, Va.

Katherine Ward Williams, BSN'75, MPH, DrPH, works for EdVenture Children's Museum in Columbia, S.C., where she plans all the museum's health-education programs. She currently is in the second year of a nutrition and physical activity initiative. She recently earned a doctoral degree in health education from the University of South Carolina School

Messick Finds Fulfillment Down East

It's Monday morning in Hyde County, N.C., and a lone red Subaru station wagon dodges giant tractors and 18-wheelers on the two-lane road that bisects miles and miles of billowy white cotton fields.

The nurse—not the doctor—is about to be in.

The double-wide trailer in Engelhard, N.C., where Sally Messick holds clinic is a lifeline for a community that is 50 miles from the nearest emergency room. Only about 5,000 people live in Hyde County, and not one of them is a practicing physician.

Messick, BSN'70, MS, FNP, RN, a family nurse practitioner, is quick to point out that she works closely with her supervising physician Tom Irons, MD, a professor at East Carolina University, which is two hours down the road. And she has a close-knit professional team consisting of an office manager, an RN, a medical office assistant, and a receptionist, not to mention a “wonderful and supportive” community board.

But when she provides prenatal care to a teenager who's expecting her second baby, checks a day-old infant, splints a farmer's fractured leg, treats an elderly patient suffering from chronic renal failure, or quietly provides comfort in the home of a dying neighbor, Messick is the one calling the shots.

The ambulances can't run when the roads flood or high winds howl across the flat coastal farmland. A trip to the drugstore or dentist means an hour's drive to Belhaven or Nags Head.

Messick has been doing the four-hour

commute to Engelhard every Monday morning from her home in Chatham County for four and a half years. On Fridays she makes the trip in reverse, back to wide roads, civilization, and her husband, who fends for himself during the week. Her children are grown now, but Messick says she does miss them and her grandchildren.

Those of us who like the convenience and social life of a city might admire Messick's devotion to duty, or we might just feel sorry for her. But it's hard to miss the lilt in her voice when she talks about what she calls her “second childhood.”

“I love knowing my patients so well,” she says. “I get to know them in a way that you can't when you don't see them regularly. People are so appreciative, and they understand that we all have to help each other out here. This is just the happiest, most wonderful place to work.”

After a 35-year career as a nurse practitioner, nursing faculty member at Duke and other nursing schools, and mom, Messick enjoys the freedom of running her own practice, setting her own pace, and the variety of patients she treats. Although her clinic is isolated, she has on-site lab work, digital x-ray, and a fully computerized office. She sees about 22 patients a day and can make referrals to physicians and hospitals in Belhaven, Washington, Nags Head, and Greenville.

The local hotel in Engelhard, which caters to duck hunters and bird watchers, is so grateful to have her that they converted some extra space into a mini apartment for her. There's room for her husband, who comes down for an occasional weekend together on the coast. In her free time, Messick spins yarn on her spinning wheel, rides her bike, and regularly

drives up to Nags Head to work out in the YMCA pool.

She's really excited about the construction going on down the road from the double-wide. Hyde County is about to get a brand-new 6,000-square-foot clinic building, complete with a helipad, thanks to \$1.5 million in funding from The Duke Endowment, the Golden Leaf Foundation, Kate B. Reynolds Foundation, and the



North Carolina Department of Rural Health and Community Care.

“This is a cooperative effort among everybody,” says Messick, who was instrumental in writing the grants. She hopes to be able to get a second provider—a partner—once the facility is completed.

For now she's looking forward to moving into the new clinic building this spring and making it feel like home for her patients. Despite the modern helipad, Messick says the relaxed day-to-day pace of her clinic won't be changing. Her patients don't mind waiting for attentive and convenient care, and on a sunny day the rocking chairs on the front porch are always occupied.

—MARTY FISHER



of Public Health. When not working, she enjoys reading, ballroom dancing, kickboxing, water aerobics, traveling, and spending time with her three daughters. She is married to **Eddie M. Williams III, T'71, MD'74, HS'74-'79, '83.** Their daughter Sarah lives and works in California. Daughter Rebecca is applying to Duke Law. And Elizabeth is a student at Tulane University and plans to attend medical school in the future.

Joy Goldberg Braun, BSN'76, is an attorney and partner with the law firm Sessions, Fishman, Nathan & Israel, LLC, in New Orleans. She is a product liability practice leader. She also chairs the South Central Region Advisory Board of the Anti-Defamation League, is a board member of radio station WRBH, and a member of the Quality Control Committee at Touro Infirmary, New Orleans' only community-based, not-for-profit faith-based hospital. Her husband Andy is an attorney specializing in commerce and construction-defect litigation. Their son Robby is currently enrolled at Yale Law School, and their son Matthew is a junior at Tulane University majoring in political science.

Sarah P. Smith Crotty, BSN'76, is working part time as an international board-certified lactation consultant. She and her husband Robert B. Crotty live in Dallas, Texas. Their daughter **Rebecca, T'07,** lives in Atlanta, and their son Robert E. is at Ft. Benning, Ga.

Sandra Farquhar Davis, BSN'76, who retired from vintage car racing five years ago, is currently president and CEO of Applied Computer Solutions in Huntington Beach, Calif. She has received several business awards, including being named one of VARBusiness's 2006 Top 50 Women of the Channel and a 2006 Business Star by the Women's Business Enterprise National Council. She also was a contributing founder of the Orange County chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners. In her free time she enjoys cooking, golfing, diving, and reading. Her husband Mike is her business partner and co-owner of Applied Computer Solutions. Their son Brandon is a professional race car driver, and their son Sean is a junior studying kinesiology and sports medicine at San Diego State University.

Glenn T. DeMaria, BSN'76, has been a Buddhist monk since 1996

at Abhayagiri Buddhist Monastery in northern California. Before that, he earned a master's degree in health and administration at the University of Washington and worked in various areas, including adult day health and hospice nursing settings. DeMaria, whose monastic name is Karunadhammo Bhikkhu, writes: "Having set the nursing profession aside, it's great being a monk and trying to help others in different ways!"

Karen Nowak Hendrickson, BSN'76, head coach of the Mannedettes Gymnastics Team at the Philadelphia Gymnastics Center, was named the Region 7 2008 Eastern National Coach and the Region 7 2006 USAG National Team Coach. Her hobbies include working out, gardening, reading, and traveling. She and husband **Gordon, D'76,** live in St. Peters, Pa., and recently celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Gordon is self-employed and sends mission teams to Africa and parts of the United States. Their daughter Heidi was married in June 2006 and is the 2007 national tae kwon do first-degree champion. Heidi represented the United States at the 2007 World Championships in England.

Laura E. Parker, BSN'76, a pediatric endocrinology nurse at Presbyterian Medical Group in Albuquerque, N.M., is coordinator for an American Diabetes Association-recognized diabetes education program. She also is on the editorial committee for *New Mexico Health Care Takes on Diabetes* and has started the nurse practitioner program at Ball State University. In her free time she likes to do woodworking and outdoor activities such as backpacking, skiing, and snowshoeing. Her husband Andrew is working on his master's degree in geographic information systems. They live in Corrales, N.M.

Leslie Ireland Prodonovich, BSN'76, a resource nurse in the Acute Rehabilitation Unit at Porter Adventist Hospital in Denver, Colo., is currently serving on a system-wide inpatient rehab documentation task force. When not working she enjoys hiking, reading, skiing, camping, and quilting. She lives in Fairplay, Colo., with her husband.

Donna L. Repke, BSN'76, a senior account representative for Philips Respironics in Carlsbad, Calif., was named sales rep of the year and received

several other awards as well. Outside of work she enjoys tennis, golf, reading, going to the beach, and traveling. She visited Germany, the Czech Republic, and Hawaii in 2008. She lives in Lawrenceville, Ga.

Michele Chulick, BSN'77, was named a 2008 Woman Extraordinaire by *South Florida Business Leader* magazine. The magazine cited her innovation and health care leadership as director of hospital operations and vice president of the University of Miami Health Systems. Chulick led a dramatic expansion of the health system, which includes the University of Miami Hospital. She and her husband Ian Pesses—a business attorney in Boca Raton, Fla.—have two college-aged children, Tod, 23, and Blair, 21. They live in Ft. Lauderdale.

Aleta Reynolds Crawford, BSN'77, of Manhasset, N.Y., has left nursing and is now a professional oil painter, specializing in still-life and landscapes. She won several awards in 2008 for her work. Her husband **James, G'81, MD'83**, recently took a new job as chair of pathology in

the North Shore Long Island Jewish Health System and is helping to establish a medical school. Their daughter Jen is an assistant editor at St. Martin Press in Manhattan, and their son **Brice, T'02**, is getting his MBA degree at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H.

Linda Stephens Gipson, MSN'77, MBA, NEC, is vice president and chief clinical officer for the Naples Community Health System in Naples, Fla., where she lives. She's a certified legal nurse consultant and is working on a PhD in health policy and management.

Kim P. Spalthoff Hug, BSN'77, is a regional quality improvement manager for Mobile Medical Industries in Tampa, Fla. She and her husband Richard have two children—Kevin, a first-year medical student at Duke; and daughter Kelly, a junior at Stanford University, majoring in civil engineering. Kelly swam at the U.S. Olympic Trials last summer. The Hugs live in Tampa.

Nancy Anderson Moore, BSN'77, is a school nurse at Greer Elementary School in Charlottesville, Va. She is studying Spanish at the

University of Virginia to help her communicate with the non-English speaking Hispanic families she encounters daily at work. "It is a real joy," she writes. She also tutors two women in English on the side. In her free time she enjoys shade gardening, landscaping, reading, and walking. She has two daughters. The older one is in Cameroon, West Africa, with the Peace Corps, and the other has graduated from college and is an AmeriCorps/Vista worker in Charlottesville, working with a low-income housing project.

Beth Broadwin Belkin, BSN'78, MD'87, PhD, of Scarsdale, N.Y., is currently a clinical assistant professor at Weill Cornell Medical College. She also is a member of the executive board for the New York Council on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and a member of the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Issues Committee for the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. Outside of work she enjoys theater, literature, hiking, and biking. She has three children: Daniel is a second-year student at Weill Cornell Medical College; Sam is a senior at Tisch School of

the Arts at New York University; and Molly is a sophomore at Duke's Trinity College.

Barbara Hansen Kalinowski, MSN'78, is a member of the American Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (ASTRO) and led a few presentations for a nursing group at the organization's 2008 annual meeting in Boston. She is currently a nurse manager for the Department of Radiation Oncology at the Dana Farber/Brigham and Women's Cancer Center in Boston. Outside of work she sings with the Mystic Chorale, a community singing group made up of "hippies from the suburbs." She was recently married to Tim McGrath and now has three new stepchildren, who are all in high school. Her youngest daughter Sarah is a senior at the University of Vermont, and her oldest daughter Kate has started her second year in the master's program at Duke University School of Nursing. Kalinowski writes that Kate "is a chip off the old block to say the least! I am delighted she is there and have visited her once and will come down again."

Nancy Koch Schmid, BSN'78, was appointed in November as associate director of the Patient/Nursing Service and the nurse executive at the VA Medical Center in Syracuse, N.Y. The VA serves more than 45,000 veterans in Syracuse and at eight primary care centers. She previously was the associate chief of staff at the Lebanon, Pa., VA Medical Center. In 2007 she became certified in advanced nursing administration. She and her husband **Bob, E'77**, have three young adult children and live in Baldwinsville, N.Y.

Anne Nuttle Sensibaugh, BSN'78, is a nurse with Inova Health System in Virginia, where she conducts health histories for the Department of Anesthesiology part time. She is president of the Interfaith Housing Ministry, a volunteer non-ecumenical organization that adopts homeless families and offers mentoring. She lives in Fairfax Station, Va. Her daughter **Katelin, T'06**, is earning a master's degree at Virginia Tech, and daughter Erin is a junior at the University of South Carolina.

Cynthia Matthews Wooten, BSN'78, is a Spanish instructor at

East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C., where she lives. She will earn a master's degree in linguistics from the university in May. She's an avid outdoors person interested in wilderness medicine, kayaking, swimming, gardening, and more. She serves as outings chair for her local Sierra Club chapter, and is on the board of the Pamlico Tar River Foundation—an environmental advocacy and education organization. Her husband **Lamont, T'77, MD'81**, is a retired orthopedic surgeon. They have three grown children—Jenna, 25, an English teacher in Washington, D.C.; **Kathryn, T'08, 22**, who works for Teach for America, also in D.C.; and John, 21, a junior at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Diana Haynes Perry, BSN'79, was named the 2007 North Carolina School Nurse of the Year. She recently was a school nurse in Franklin County, N.C., and in January 2009 she moved to Vance County to become a school nurse/social worker. She and her husband Ronald have two daughters—Rebecca, a perioperative services nurse at Duke Hospital; and Jenna, a graduate student at Meredith College, studying nutrition.

Leslie S. Parran, BSN'79, is senior director of Blood and Marrow Transplant services at the University of Minnesota Medical Center in Minneapolis. In addition, she has earned advanced oncology nurse certification and also is a certified nurse executive. She has been selected for the 2008-09 Mentium 100 Program in Minneapolis, which brings high-performing female mentees together with senior-level executive mentors for a year of professional development. She and her family live in Eden Prairie, Minn.

Karen Petersen Renehan, BSN'79, recently passed the GI certification exam and is now a certified gastroenterology registered nurse. She currently works as a shift supervisor of the endoscopy department at the Duluth Outpatient Center in Duluth, Ga., and is actively involved with the Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates. She enjoys walking in 5K events, gardening, and reading. She and her husband James, director of marketing and product development for Trenton Technology, live in Duluth. Their son David is a junior studying civil engineering at Georgia Southern University, and their daughter Kimberly is a sophomore majoring in animal science at Berry College.

1980s



⤴ **Mali Delorenzo Bartges, BSN'80, MSN**, sent this photo from her 1980 pinning ceremony. She is on the far right. Bartges is planning to begin the doctor of nurse practitioner program at Chatham University in Pittsburgh this fall. She is an associate professor at Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, Pa., and was the 2004 recipient of the Excellence in Teaching Award. Her husband Jeff passed away in May 2008. She says they were sweethearts from high school through college. Bartges has three children—Ann, Katie, and Peter—and lives in Emmaus, Pa.

Ellen Marie Niehoff Minden, BSN'80, was promoted to the rank of colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserves and has accepted a position of commander of the 349th Medical Squadron at Travis Air Force Base in California. She is assistant vice president of

compliance and contracts at JFK Medical Center in Atlantis, Fla. She and her husband Steve reside in Boca Raton, Fla.

Elizabeth Adams Robison, BSN'80, earned certified nurse educator credentials through the National League for Nursing (NLN) in August 2008 and was selected as the Northwest Florida State College NLN ambassador in November. She is an assistant professor of nursing at Northwest Florida State College. Outside of work she enjoys gardening and spending time with family. Her husband works for the Air Force in a civil-service position, conducting faculty development for a military schoolhouse. They have two daughters. One is currently attending Northwest Florida State College on a dance scholarship, and the other daughter is a first-year student at the University of North Florida.

Myreda L. Erickson-O'Brien, BSN'81, has accepted a position as a neonatal nurse practitioner at Banner Desert Medical Center in Meza, Ariz., although she continues to live in Coronado, Calif. She also is a clinical instructor for pediatric nursing at the University of San Diego Hahn School of Nursing and works as a per-diem staff member at the University of California, San Diego Medical Center. She currently serves as secretary for the Southern California Association of Neonatal Nurses and lectures for the Regional Perinatal System for San Diego and Imperial counties. When not working, she enjoys watching Duke basketball games and singing with her church choir. She and her husband John, a civil engineer with the California Department of Transportation, have three children. Michael lives in Portland, Ore., and is waiting to hear from graduate programs in physical therapy. Kelly and Patrick are students at San Diego City College.

Jennifer S. Troutman, BSN'81, has moved to a family practice clinic after working for six years as a nurse practitioner in employer health and workers' compensation. She works in a variety

of settings, including a clinic, university health center, and nursing home. She lives outside of Kansas City, Kans., in Prairie Village.

Karin Sofia Bannerot, BSN'82, recently became a pediatric nurse overseeing the daycare center at Snowmass Mountain in Colorado. She first moved to Aspen in 1991 after living in Philadelphia, Pa., where she worked as a clinical nurse specialist in pediatric neurosurgery at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children. She enjoys skiing, scuba diving, and hiking. She is also active at her church and works with recovery programs, such as Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous, in the Roaring Fork Valley. She and her husband Frank Rudecoff, a fire inspector at Snowmass Wildcat Fire Department, live in Carbondale, Colo. She has one stepdaughter, Liza, and a new granddaughter, Mackinzie.

Sherrylyn Quinlan Bates, BSN'82, a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force Nurse Corps Air Force Reserves, is chief nurse of the 106th Medical Group, New York Air National Guard. Her hobbies include running and competing in local races. She and her husband Richard have

been married for 25 years. They live in Babylon, N.Y., and have two children, Heidi, 17, and Kyle, 20.

Sheryl Brucker Kelly, BSN'82, recently celebrated her 25th anniversary as a nurse at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She is a clinical nurse III in the pre-operative and post-anesthesia care units. She and Kevin—her husband of 26 years—have three children: Ryan, 22, a Muhlenberg College senior; Patrick, 18, a freshman at Wake Forest University; and Laurin, 14, a high school freshman. The family lives in Ambler, Pa.

Cathy Murray Hanabury, BSN'83, last worked in nursing three years ago at a long-term care facility. She currently is mentoring two elementary school-age girls, volunteering at her church and in the community, and staying active in politics. She and her husband **Mark R. Hanabury Jr., MD, HS'80-'83**, have two children. Victoria will graduate this spring from the University of Virginia with a double major in English and theater; and Mark III is a sophomore and wide receiver for the football team at Davidson College.



⤴ **Lynne A. McCain-Sanborn, BSN'83**, married childhood friend Randolph W. Sanborn on October 18 after reconnecting with him at their 25th high school reunion in 2004. She is a project manager for support services in the clinical research field at Kendle International, Inc., in Atlanta. He is an engineer with the civil/environmental engineering firm TBE Group, Inc., in Atlanta.

Lynne Russell Brophy, BSN'84, RN, recently gave a lecture called "Immunology 101" at the Oncology Nursing Society's Institutes of Learning in Seattle, Wash. She works as an adult oncology certified nurse specialist at Bethesda North Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. Outside of work she enjoys cooking, reading, knitting, and doing mission work through her church. She and her husband **Jon, E'82**, live in Loveland, Ohio, with their two

children: Ned, 13, and Erin, 9.

Margaret Buck Gallagher, BSN'84, has worked since 1997 as a cardiovascular ICU registry nurse at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta. She now works part time as she raises her two children—Rachel, a middle school student, and Josh, a fourth-grader. She also is an artist and has been commissioned to paint sets for local theater productions. She likes to cook and has had several recipes published in the *Atlanta Journal*. Ronald, her husband of 16 years, works for AT&T in the IT field. The family lives in Norcross, Ga.

Michelle Barnea "Shelly" Putter, BSN'84, has started her own early childhood education consulting business out of her home in Millburn, N.J., called Early Learning Innovations, LLC. She provides workshops and technical assistance to child-care providers throughout New York and New Jersey. Her hobbies include genealogy, and she has traced her family's roots back to the early 1800s. She and her husband Mark have two teenage daughters—Jessie, 16, and Alyssa, 15.



⤴ **Rebecca Gillette Ward, BSN'84**, recently returned from Nepal, where she participated in an expedition to the Annapurna I North Base Camp. The trip was also part of an ovarian-cancer awareness campaign. She currently works as a nurse paralegal in Rockville, Md. Her husband **David, E'82**, is a principal engineer at Thales Communication in Clarksburg, Md. Their son Brooks is a junior at Bard College majoring in studio art with a concentration in sculpture.

1990s

Lisa Lee Archer, MSN'91, is a pulmonary clinical specialist at Duke University Hospital. Outside of work she enjoys golfing, gardening, and going to the beach. She lives in Durham and recently got a new golden retriever puppy named Molson.

Robert T. Dodge, MSN'96, PhD, ANP, has traveled to Lesotho and

Swaziland in Africa with the Georgetown University Global HIV/AIDS Nursing Capacity Building Program through a grant from the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief. He earned a PhD from the Catholic University of America School of Nursing in 2003 and currently is a clinical assistant professor at the UNC School of Medicine and clinical director of HIV/STD Services for Wake County Human Services. He lives in Raleigh.

Amy Yancy Mangum, MSN'96, PNP, NNP, in January became assistant director of Duke University Health System's Advanced Clinical Practice Department. She also is co-coordinator of Duke Hospital's neonatal nurse practitioner team. She and her husband Chris have four children—Daniel, 27; Donny, 25; Abigail, 9; and Benson, 7. The family lives in Durham.

Susan Nolette Benware, GNC'97, earned a doctorate in nursing practice with a focus on leadership and the business of health care from Rush University in Chicago in the fall of 2008.



⤴ **Jeffrey L. Derry, GNC'97, PMC-AZNP**, and his wife Zenaida recently adopted Zenaida's three great-nieces from the Philippines. This

Hallmark Channel Honors Kessler as 'Hero'

In 1997 when **Jeanne Kessler, BSN'84**, first floated to friends the idea of creating a program to educate children and teens about Alzheimer's disease, she was greeted with more than a few skeptics who doubted that kids would grab on to the idea.

As a registered nurse specializing in dementia, though, Kessler saw every day the discomfort and confusion from children visiting their grandparents at the Alzheimer's Resource Center of Connecticut where she worked.

"The children wanted to be there and be with their grandparents, but they sometimes didn't know what to say or do," Kessler says.

So she committed to doing something about it.

She created CARE Camp, a week-long program that teaches children about the disease and brings them together with Alzheimer's patients for interaction and activities including music, crafts, dancing, and gardening.

Her skeptics were silenced when the inaugural camp sparked enough interest in the community to conduct a second camp the same summer.

Since then, Kessler has brought CARE Camp to about 20 facilities in the U.S. and

is the second wave of parenthood for the couple, who have three older children aged 25, 21, and 19. Jeffrey is an assistant nurse practitioner and officer in the United States Public Health Service at the Federal Medical Center in Butner, N.C. The family lives in Oxford, N.C.

Stephanie Stephens Jernigan, MSN'97, is the clinical director of



Jeanne Kessler, N'84, second from right, holds hands with Regis Philbin during the taping of his show "Hallmark Heroes," which aired June 27, 2008, on the Hallmark Channel.

spearheaded the creation of the Girl Scout Alzheimer's Awareness Merit Badge.

This past June, she was honored by the Hallmark Channel as one of four "Hallmark Heroes" in a broadcast hosted by Regis Philbin.

"I was really overwhelmed because I didn't think I deserved this," Kessler says. "It was nice that there are people who realize how this disease is impacting our society. A lot of children need support."

The Hallmark Channel sent a production crew to Connecticut and interviewed Kessler, her family, teens who have completed the camp, and the residents who benefited from the interaction. Producers

created brief segments on each "hero," brought them to New York City for the show's taping, and gave them each \$5,000 to invest in their respective programs.

The network first learned about Kessler and her innovative program through a story in a Texas newspaper. Kessler launched the program in Connecticut, then moved with her family to Texas, where she worked as a consultant for the Alzheimer's Association of Texas. She initiated CARE Camp in more than a dozen facilities while there.

The family moved back to Connecticut, and Kessler now works full time as a registered nurse and clinical nurse leader

at the Institute of Living in Hartford. She conducts CARE Camp workshops on weekends and is consistently amazed by the enthusiasm that children—especially teens—have for the program.

"There are a lot of teenagers who want to do things for other people," Kessler says. "They just need someone to ask them and give them structure."

Kessler credits her Duke University School of Nursing education for her success with the program. "Duke gave me confidence not to be afraid to do something different, and to stand behind what I believe is right. It taught me not to keep what I have to myself, but to go out and help others."

Kessler and her husband Randy live in Farmington, Conn. Their son Greg, 21, is a film studies major at Keene State College in Keene, N.H. Their daughter Melanie, 19, is a nursing major at St. Anselm College in Manchester, N.H.

To watch the Hallmark Channel video about Kessler, visit www.carecamp-forkids.com, click on the "CARE Camp Events" link, then click on the "Hallmark Heroes" icon.

— JIM ROGALSKI

the University of Kansas Medical Center Student Health Services. She enjoys yoga, her book club, sewing, and spending time with her two children—Tommy, 4, and Catherine Lily, 6 months. Her husband's name is Kelly, and the family lives in Leawood, Kan.

Gwendolyn H. Waddell-Schultz, GNC'97, is president of the North Carolina Nurses Association Triangle Region and served as a delegate at the 2008 ANA convention. She attended the VHA Scholars Celebration in May 2008. She also serves on the UNC board of visitors. Outside of her work as an

associate chief of nursing education and medicine at the Durham VA Medical Center, she enjoys spectator sports. She lives in Chapel Hill.

Leigh Kyle McGraw, MSN'98, PhD, a clinical nurse researcher at Madigan Army Medical Center in Tacoma, Wash., was promoted

to lieutenant colonel in February 2008. In September 2008 she earned a PhD in nursing from the University of California-San Francisco. Her dissertation was titled, "Comparison of Cardiovascular Risk Factors in Deployed U.S. Military Personnel." Based on the preliminary findings from the dissertation,

McGraw was awarded Best Student Poster at the Western Institute of Nursing Conference in April 2008 and a "Nation at War" Award at the Phyllis J. Verhonic Military Nursing Research Conference in May. Her husband Jake had been deployed to Iraq and was due to return to their home in University

Place, Wash., at the end of January 2009. They have three children, Katie, 6; Tommy, 4; and Sydney, 2.

2000s

Melinda Ann Huitt Barton, MSN'01, an associate professor of nursing at Mineral Area College in Park Hills, Mo., is actively involved in the institutional academic quality-improvement process for North Central Accreditation. Outside of work she enjoys motorcycle riding, fishing, and spending time with her family. In March 2008 she was married, and she and her husband live in Farmington, Mo. Barton has a son, Raymond, who will soon graduate from high school. She also has two stepdaughters, ages 17 and 13.

Valerie P. Tarte, MSN'01, is a nursing quality assurance analyst III at McKesson Provider Technologies in Charlotte. She's very involved with her church, teaching Sunday school and helping with the youth group. She and her husband Phillip have two children—son Masen, 6, and daughter Nealey, 5. The family lives in Monroe, N.C.

Tessa Groves Payne, MSN'03, was a speaker at the National Association of Pediatric Nurse

Practitioners (NAPNAP) conference in Orlando in 2008 and plans to speak again at the 2009 conference in San Diego. She was recently named membership chair for the Maryland Chesapeake Chapter of the NAPNAP. She also teaches clinicals for Salem State at Children's Hospital Boston. She likes participating in sprint marathons, cruising, and attending wine festivals. She and her husband Randy also enjoy going on short-term intermediate mission trips. The couple currently lives in Hamilton, Mass., but plans to relocate so Randy can pursue PhD studies.

Alison Wolff Singer, MSN'03, married Steve Singer at Disney World in April 2008. She is a certified pediatric nurse practitioner with Cornerstone Pediatric Associates and member of the clinical management team as lead provider for the High Point, N.C., office. Her husband is an electrical engineer with Analog Devices in Greensboro, N.C., where they live with their two dogs, Alex and Sadie.



⤴ **Carol Tootelian McCoy, ABSN'04**, and her husband Darell welcomed their first child, Charlotte Beth, on March 26, 2008. The family lives in Clemmons, N.C.

Elizabeth Powell Redd, MSN'04, a neonatal nurse practitioner in Duke University Hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, currently serves on an intermediate care unit committee to improve immediate care in the NICU. Outside of work she enjoys playing and coaching volleyball, shopping, and spending time with her family. She and her husband Keith live in Virgilina, Va., with their 10-year-old daughter Logan. They also have a 10-year-old dog, a new puppy, and a cat.

Benjamin T. Wharton, MSN'05, served as district director for the North Carolina Association of Nurse Anesthetists (NCANA) and co-chaired the District III/IV NCANA meeting. He currently works as a staff-certified

registered nurse anesthetist at Mission Hospital in Asheville, N.C. Outside of work he enjoys mountain biking and rock climbing. He and his wife Crissy recently climbed Third Flatiron in Colorado together. They have a 15-month-old son, Elijah.

Lutricia Freeman Bennett, BSN, MSN'06, FNPC, recently was recruited by Caromont Critical Care Specialists in Gastonia, N.C., as a nurse practitioner. Her husband Kevin is pastor of youth and outreach at First Baptist Church in Cherryville, N.C. Their daughter Elizabeth turned two in July. The family lives in Cherryville.

Toktam "Toki" Hassanalizadch, MSN'06, has been a nurse at Duke University Hospital for 10 years, and in 2006 she became an American citizen. Last year she became the nurse manager of operations at the Duke Dialysis Center. She stays active outside of work by watercolor painting, swimming, dancing, mountain biking, and skiing. She lives in Durham with her pet cat and bird.

Barry C. Lepley, MSN'06, works as a certified registered nurse anesthetist in Towson, Md. He and his wife have a newborn son

Payne Makes Amputees' Struggle a Little Easier

Nancy Payne, RN, MSN'07, doesn't have an office. In fact, she often has to search to find a discreet space for delicate conversations with patients—whether that means meeting in a corner near the cafeteria or in a hallway. But Payne says the meeting locations don't matter, just as long as she's able to fill the needs of an underserved group of patients: amputees.

People can lose their limbs for myriad reasons. Some experience traumatic events, such as car accidents, while others become amputees due to cancer or vascular disease. A large number of adult patients lose limbs due to complications of diabetes.

Just as the reasons for limb loss are varied, so are the departments where each patient originates. Patients can come from oncology, cardiology, endocrinology, plastic surgery, vascular surgery, orthopedic surgery, or the emergency department. There is no such thing as an "amputee department," so as Duke Hospital's only limb-loss clinical nurse specialist, Payne makes it her mission to find and educate as many of the hospital's amputees and candidates for amputations as possible.

"The first thing I tell them is that I'm sorry we have to have this conversation, but they're not expected to go through this alone," she says. "I tell them about surgery, recovery, and prosthetics. I'm there from wound healing all the way to prosthetic fitting and gait training with physical therapy."

Being there for patients throughout this entire process means Payne often spends her day zipping across campus, working with colleagues from all over Duke. She collaborates with providers in the Duke Center for Vascular Diseases, the Wound Management Center, orthopedics, and the center for prosthetics. She recently partnered with Paul Tawney, MD, a Duke psychiatrist and rehabilitation medicine physician at the North Carolina

Orthopaedic Clinic in Durham, to set up a special clinic twice a month for limb-loss patients to receive care and advice.

Payne says her role as a patient educator is key, considering that information is sometimes hard for amputees to come by.

"The education piece makes their outcomes better," says Payne. "Recovery is better, satisfaction goes up, pain and suffering is less."

She's there even if a patient and provider decide that amputation is not the best option. Such patients still need help coping with pain or mobility.

Payne also takes time to educate nurses, physicians, and other providers about caring for amputees. Though surgeons may have nurse educators on hand, Payne says many nurses have never worked with amputees. She helps by distributing Amputee Coalition of America (ACA) publications and other resources.

Aside from educating patients about their clinical care, Payne does her best to help them find support and mental health resources. She says many patients grieve the loss of their limbs, and some struggle with feelings of low self-worth. Others question their ability to be as active as they once were.

She recalls attending an ACA meeting one year and seeing amputees relaxing around the pool. She was moved by the sight of prosthetic limbs scattered about.

"The people sat around a swimming pool for the first time [since their amputations]," she says. "They had feared going into public swimming pools before."

On the second Tuesday of each month,



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Payne leads a support group for adult amputees and their families. And each year she volunteers at a special sports event for child amputees.

"When these children go to school, they may be the only amputees in the school. Having these youth events helps children see that they can do just about anything they want."

Payne has just returned from three weeks at Emory University training to become a certified wound-care nurse. The certification will help her better educate patients about their options concerning wound care. She adds, "I also hope to educate nurses and physicians about options they may not know about."

She and her husband Alan, a researcher, have two children: Nathan, a mechanic, and Erin, a senior at Appalachian State University.

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as well as a two-year-old son. The family lives in Lutherville, Md.

Vivia Whitfield, MSN'06, took on her first job as a family nurse practitioner in Clarksville, Va., after graduation and writes that she loves her work. She treats both adults and children at a small practice affiliated with Halifax Regional Hospital in South Boston, Va. She writes: "I would have gone back to school sooner if I had known how I would love it. Hope to have students in my clinic someday!" Outside of work she enjoys gardening and reading. Her husband is retired. They live in Creedmoor, N.C., and have one son and two grandchildren.

Keesha Dawn Abarca, ABSN'07, recently took an oath as a U.S. Army officer. Now a new second lieutenant, she is awaiting orders to report to officer basic school for medical soldiers and join the 874th Forward Surgical Team as an Army Reserve nurse.



⤴ **Megan Elizabeth Andrews, MSN'07**, and her husband Robert welcomed a new baby girl, Regan Elizabeth, on Oct. 27, 2008. Andrews currently works as a nurse practitioner with Cardiovascular Care of Northern Carolina.

Allison P. Hale, MSN'07, has started her own business, Professional Nurse Writers, Inc., after spending time writing and editing for

national publishers, such as McGraw-Hill. Any classmates interested in learning more can reach her at allison@pronursewriters.com.

Leanne Kay Richbourg, MSN'07, left her position as a wound ostomy continence nurse at WakeMed to become a wound ostomy continence clinical nurse specialist at Duke Hospital. In 2008 she received a *Journal of Wound Ostomy Continence Nursing* Research Manuscript Award. Also in 2008 she presented a poster, "Multi-site Heel Ulcer Study Conducted by NC WOC Nurses," at the Wound Ostomy Continence Nurses Society National Conference in Orlando, Fla. Her publication, "Ostomy Pouch Wear Time in the United States," appeared in the September/October 2008 issue of the *Journal of Wound Ostomy Continence Nursing*. She also serves as the 2008-09 president of the North Carolina Wound

Ostomy Continence Nurses Group and as chair of the Advanced Practice Exam Committee for the Wound Ostomy Continence Nursing Certification Board. Outside of work she enjoys biking and hiking. She and Smythe, her husband of 27 years, have two daughters. Meredith recently graduated summa cum laude from N.C. State University, and Emily is a college student.

Alyson Gould Stagg, ABSN'03, MSN'06, is a pediatric nurse practitioner in the cardiac intensive care unit at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She lives in Elkins Park, Pa.

Tina J. Goodpasture, MSN'08, is a family nurse practitioner with Guilford Neurologic Associates in Greensboro, N.C., where she lives with her husband Keith. She writes for *Advance for Nurse Practitioners*.



Sarah Wilson Eckbert, N'38, of Winter Park, Fla., died May 12, 2008, in the room she shared with **William F. Eckbert, MD'39**, her husband of 69 years, at The Mayflower Care Center. They met while at Duke. Orphaned at age 9, she grew up with her foster parents, Drs. Everett and Mary Martin Sloop, founders of the Crossnore School in the North Carolina mountains. Eckbert lived in Gaston County for more than 50 years. She is survived by her husband, children William, Jr., and Patricia, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ernestine Malone Bitting, N'40, died May 11, 2008, in Columbia, S.C. She was 90. She attended the University of South Carolina before transferring to Duke University School of Nursing. While in Durham she met and married the late Numa D. Bitting Jr. They had three children. Widowed in 1949, Bitting remained in Durham raising her children. She worked as a nurse in various settings, including the VA Hospital and several doctor's offices, and she ran the Nurses Registry for many years. When her children were grown, she returned to Columbia, S.C., and worked at the South Carolina State Hospital until retirement. She was a docent at McKissick Museum and an active member of the Pyracantha Garden Club for many years. Bitting is survived by her sons Anthony, Numa III, and David, as well as two grandchildren and a brother.

Susan Elizabeth Warren Yeager, BSN'41, died May 11, 2008, at her home in Binghamton, N.Y. She was 88. She was predeceased by her husband of 57 years, **Bearl A. Yeager Jr., T'49**. During World War II she joined the U.S. Army and helped to care for wounded soldiers at the 65th General Hospital in England. She achieved the rank of first lieutenant. She left nursing after marrying and having children. Active in politics, she was elected president of the Broome County Republican Women's Club and later in life worked in the county elections office—a job she held until retiring at age 81. She is survived by her sons James, Jonathan, William, and Peter and their respective families, as well as a brother, two sisters-in-law, and several nieces and nephews.

Fannie Rutledge Pooley, BSN'42, of Austell, Ga., died Jan. 19, 2009. She was 88. Earlier in life she worked as an LPN instructor for Coosa Valley Vocational Technical School in Rome, Ga. She was preceded in death by her husband Rev. Robert C. Pooley, son Robert Julian Pooley, daughter Nancy Jo Pooley, and brother Hardy Rutledge. She is survived by her son Donald C. Pooley, daughters Kathy Goodson and Suzanne Zimbaro, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Frances Miller Ramsey, BSN'43, of Asheville, N.C., died Sept. 18, 2008, at Aston Park Health Care Center. She was 89. Born in Watauga County,

she earned a nursing degree from Duke University. She formerly served as director of nursing at the Western North Carolina Hospital for Chest Diseases in Black Mountain. She was preceded in death by her husband Woodrow C. Ramsey. She is survived by her daughter Robyn R. Carter and son Dr. Gary H. Ramsey and their respective spouses; sisters Lorene Parker, Carolyn Siphers, and Josephine Crowder; five grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Kathleen "Elizabeth" Whiteside Young, BSN'43, died Oct. 10, 2007. She was 86.

Kathryn Schultz Yount Wirick, BSN'43, died Oct. 24, 2008, at her home in Charlotte, N.C. She was 86. Born in Dallas, N.C., she graduated from Granite Quarry High School in Granite Quarry, N.C. She then attended Lenoir-Rhyne College and earned a nursing degree after transferring to Duke University. While at Duke she played on the women's basketball team. Wirick became a Red Cross nurse, and after graduating from Duke she was scheduled to go overseas but instead met and married her husband Donald D. Wirick of Toledo, Ohio. While living in Toledo she served as head nurse at Toledo Hospital, where she also taught nursing. After moving to Gastonia, N.C., she became a charge nurse at Gaston Memorial Hospital. She retired in 1987. Her husband preceded her in death in 1970. She is survived by two daughters, Kathryn W. Musard and Donna

W. Jakubek and their respective spouses; two granddaughters, Kathryn Jakubek and Lauren Jakubek; and a grandson, Joe Jr.

Ethel F. Browder, N'44, died of cancer Oct. 1, 2008, at her home in Rockingham, N.C. She was 86. She grew up in Wallace, N.C., and was salutatorian of her class at Clement High School. She earned a bachelor's degree from Campbell University, where she was voted "Best All Around" and "Most Versatile." After earning a nursing degree at Duke, Browder worked at Duke Hospital, where she received a meritorious service citation from the U.S. Public Health Service in recognition of her World War II contribution instructing members of the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps. Browder was active on the Richmond County Board of Social Services and worked as a mobile nurse for the Richmond County Health Department and as a home-service resource consultant for United Cerebral Palsy. She was named an Outstanding Woman of Richmond County in 1974 for her work with the physically handicapped. She was predeceased by her husband George and a sister. She is survived by sons George Jr., David, and Robert and their respective spouses; six grandchildren; three sisters; two brothers; and various extended family members.

Janice Crowder Mast, N'44, of Fort Myers, Fla., died July 30, 2008. She was 85.

Rebekah Taylor Sueur, BSN'44, of Mount Dora, Fla. died Nov. 5, 2008. She was 86. Born in Landis, N.C., she graduated from Landis High School and attended Catawba College before earning a nursing degree from Duke University. She traveled the world as a Navy wife, moved to Merritt Island, Fla., in 1985 and relocated to Mount Dora in 1988. She was preceded in death by her husband Commander Charles A. Sueur. She is survived by her brother Jack Taylor, sister Theresa McSwain, daughter Rebekah McReynolds, son Rhys Sueur, granddaughter Theresa McReynolds, grandson William McReynolds, and great-grandchildren Clayton and Alexis McReynolds.

Johnsie Curry Kosinski, N'46, died June 28, 2008. She was 84.

Gene Swartz Minter, N'47, of Sanford, Fla., died March 27, 2008. She was 81.

Dorothy J. Nicholson, N'47, died May 15, 2008, at her mountain-top home in Plumtree, N.C., at the age of 82. She died peacefully with her best friend of 30 years, Marian Walmsley, at her side. Nicholson served in the Cadet Nursing Corps during World War II. She attended Emory University for advanced training. In her more than 40 years of nursing, she never failed to wear a nursing cap. She was one of the few women to climb Mt. Hood and Mt. Rainier in the 1950s and loved sports. She won a total of three hole-in-one trophies in golf. Nicholson is survived by two sisters-in-law, a nephew, and several nieces.

Shirley Hunnings Coward, BSN'48, died April 15, 2008, in Hartsville,

S.C. She was 81. Coward was married to the late **Wilson Newell Coward, T'48**, for 50 years. She was born in Carteret County, N.C., and graduated high school in Charlotte before attending Queens College and Duke. She is survived by her sons Wilson Jr. and **Roger, T'76**, daughter Wardie, and their respective spouses; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Adams Smith, N'48, of Raleigh died Dec. 12, 2008. She was 81. A Raleigh native, she was a graduate of Hugh Morrison High School, attended Peace College, and graduated from Duke University with a degree in nursing. In 1948 she married **Henry H. Smith, T'48**. She practiced nursing at Rex Hospital, the office of Dr. Paul Simpson, and Wake Medical Center. She served on the Peace College Alumni Board of Directors and also on the college's Foundation Board of Directors. An active member of her community, Smith served as an officer for the Junior Woman's Club, Raleigh Woman's Club, Longview Community Club, and Extension Homemakers. She also served on the Raleigh Planning Commission and Historic Properties committees. She is survived by two daughters, Frances Wyn Smith and Mildred Smith Watson Hannaman; and a grandson, Matthew Adams Hannaman.

Olive V. Galloway, BSNEd'50, died Aug. 25, 2008, at University Community Hospital in Tampa, Fla., from complications of pneumonia. She was 88. She earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from Emory University, a bachelor's in nursing education from Duke, and a master's degree in geriatrics from

the University of South Florida. She served as director of nursing education at Gordon Keller School of Nursing at Tampa General Hospital and director of the nursing program at Hillsborough Community College. She retired in 1982. She is survived by a niece, Dorothy Galloway Hollis of Eustis, Fla.; grandnieces Margaret Hollis Fox of Deland, Fla., and Lynn Hollis of Lakeland, Fla.; and one great-grandniece, Lindsay Fox of Deland, Fla.

Natalie Louise Brewster Lavin, BSNEd'54, of Pittsboro, N.C., died Sept. 24, 2008, at UNC Hospitals in Chapel Hill. She was 84. A native of Youngstown, Ohio, she worked as a nurse and nursing instructor during the early years of Duke Hospital. She was an avid tennis player, sports fan, and traveler. She was also a prize-winning quilter and accomplished painter. She is survived by her husband of 61 years, **Marvin B. Lavin, G'50**; son Gordon K. Lavin, MD, and wife; sister Georgia E. Evans and husband; and grandchildren Kyle N. Lavin, Cora E. Lavin, Caroline A. Neyland, and Catherine A. Neyland.

Olive Jean Renick, BSN'56, of Midlothian, Va., died Jan. 21, 2009, after a long battle with cancer. She was 75. After graduating from Duke University School of Nursing the Williamsburg, Va., native worked as manager of the Williamsburg Memorial Park from 1962-69. She went on to work for the Bank of Virginia in 1970 and then as a secretary for Pet Care and Health & Beauty Aids in 1971. In retirement, she spent time visiting places such as Bali, Hong Kong, and Australia. She is survived by three nieces,

Susan Lang, Martha Renick, and Karen Renick; one nephew, Tim Renick; and her lifelong friend, Michael Maxwell.

Jane Chandler Boulware, N'57, died Dec. 3, 2007, in Lakeland, Fla. She was 71. Boulware was the widow of **James R. Boulware**,

MD, HS'57-'60. She is survived by her sons James, David, and Michael, as well as a brother, two sisters, and four grandchildren.

Mark Vincent Packard, MSN'01, died Nov. 4, 2008, at Duke Hospice in Durham after a short battle with pancreatic cancer.

He was 53. He graduated from Bishop Watterson High School in Columbus, Ohio, in 1973 as class valedictorian. He then earned degrees in psychology and nursing from The Ohio State University and a nurse practitioner degree from Duke University. Packard was preceded

in death by his parents, Howard and Jean Packard. He is survived by his sisters Christine Chambers and Karen Packard; nieces Cara Chambers and Lisa Chambers; great nephew Samuel Lindsley; and goddaughter Ingrid Watts.



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