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Greetings from the College of Nursing at IOWA!

There are a number of exciting events to inform you of! We had a celebratory pinning and commencement ceremonies for the December 2017 class as the photos will convey. In mid-January, Dean Julie Zerwic welcomed the next class of nursing students at the White Coat ceremony at the Englert.

We are in the throes of demolition and joy of remodeling on the ground floor and first floor of the building. You may track our progress on the college's <u>website</u> as well as <u>Facebook</u>.

It is our pleasure to invite you back to campus for the 120th anniversary of Nursing at IOWA. The festivities will be held October 11-14, 2018. The college will celebrate the Class of 1968's 50th reunion with a dinner on the evening of the 11th. Members of the class of 1967 are also planning to hold a dinner gathering. Other classes are welcome to do the same. Please contact me if your class is interested in doing so, so that we can plan accordingly. The long weekend will include campus tours, presentations, class gatherings and a lot of reminiscing. Save the dates and more information will be forthcoming.

Best to you all in 2018!

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University of Iowa, NIACC Announce New 3+1 Nursing Partnership

The University of Iowa College of Nursing and North Iowa Area Community College have entered into a new agreement to allow NIACC nursing graduates to seamlessly transfer to the University of Iowa and complete their Bachelors of Nursing Science degree in one year. This articulation agreement, which is called "RN to BSN 3+1,"

is significant for NIACC nursing students who wish to pursue their BSN.

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The Journey Continues

Studying abroad can be an exciting and rewarding opportunity for faculty and students alike. For many years, former College of Nursing Professor Joann (Jo) Eland would lead a group of several nursing and other health science students on an annual journey to Trivandrum, India, where she taught a three-week course titled "Hospice, Pain and Palliative Care." Picking up where Dr. Eland left off, the India Winterim course is now under the purview of Assistant Professor Stephanie Gilbertson-White.

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Recent BSN Grad Bestowed with DAISY Award

Every year, the University of Iowa Association of Nursing Students (UIANS) sponsors the DAISY in Training Award. The DAISY in Training award was created by the DAISY Foundation to honor and recognize outstanding nursing students. The winner of this year's award goes to Jennifer Parker, a December 2018 BSN graduate from Danville, California.

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CON Receives Gift to Help Fund Global Health Initiatives



The College of Nursing recently learned that it will receive funding from the Code Family Foundation to support global health initiatives in Haiti and Swaziland, Africa.

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St. Marie Presents at Congressional Briefing

The Nursing Community Coalition recently hosted a Congressional Briefing on the opioid crisis in America, particularly to identify how the nursing profession saves lives and the role nurses play in helping patients afflicted by this issue. The American Society for Pain Management Nursing was one of four nursing organizations asked to provide a speaker for the briefing and they tapped UI College of Nursing Assistant Professor Barbara St. Marie to present on this significant issue.

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CNB Renovation Updates

As you may have heard, or if you've paid us a visit recently, you've likely noticed, the College of Nursing Building is in the midst of a major renovation! Originally constructed in 1971, the CNB will be reconstructed in a way that will allow us to maximize the facility's footprint while improving the ways we teach, learn and collaborate. For updates regarding this significant, multi-phase construction project, please check the CNB Renovation link. Additional updates, including photos, will also be routinely provided via the college's Facebook page!



PHOTOS

BSN Beginnings - January 2018

<u>Pinning Ceremony – December 2017</u>

In Memoriam

Death notices for UI College of Nursing alumni. Links to online obituaries provided when available.





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