Nurses’ Alumni Association Bulletin
Diploma School of Nursing
Thomas Jefferson University Hospital
1891 – 1982
Meetings and Annual Luncheon

Regular Meeting Dates
Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, November 13, 2019, 4 pm.
Wednesday, January 8, 2020, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, September 9, 2020, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, November 11, 2020, 4 p.m.

The above Meetings are held in the
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center Conference Room
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Suite 210
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Annual Meeting
Saturday, May 2, 2020, 10:30 a.m.
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center Conference Room
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Suite 210
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Annual Luncheon
Saturday, May 2, 2020

Social Hour: 11:30 a.m.
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Eakins Lounge
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Luncheon: 1 p.m.
Jefferson Alumni Hall
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Parking is available below the Dorrance Hamilton Building–parking entrance is on 11th Street

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**Officers**

**President**  
Rae Matz Fierro ’77

**President Elect**  
Vacant

**Vice President**  
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Tamara Tichian Magenta ’81

**2019-2020 Committee Chairs**

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Barbara Bachman Symons ’77

**Nominating**  
Vacant

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Tamara Tichian Magenta ’81

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2019 President’s Message

“Wrinkles will only go where the smiles have been.” – Jimmy Buffett

We are a little bit older but a whole lot wiser.

I have been a lifelong fan of “Star Trek”; the show fascinated me with the potential of technology. Recently, I was going into the hospital at Jefferson, the doors opened automatically, just as it was on that TV show so long ago. Recently when my cell phone was ringing, I was reminded of the communicator in the show. Wireless communication, who could believe it. Fortunately it wasn’t face time, as I didn’t have my best makeup look that day. Later that day I was in the OR operating the laser, another space age treatment. Then post op with my patient to the recovery area, put on monitors that weren’t far from the bays used by Dr. McCoy. Reminded of his hand held scanners, with my temporal temperature probe in hand.

And so Jefferson Nursing education has evolved into the next generation of learning. The Simulation lab is an integral part of their curriculum. The student nurses education is greatly changed from our bed making and labs we had in Nursing 101. A new dean Marie Ann Marino was appointed this past year. Dr. Marino is from Stony Brook University. We welcomed her at our Board meeting, she was eager to meet our Diploma Nurse Alumni board. She conveyed her energy and wish to connect our diploma grads with the next generation of nurses. We initiated this connection, sharing our contact information to mentor and hoping to provide nursing experience and insight to the Jefferson nursing students.

We have seen the merging of Jefferson to provide care for New Jersey and Pennsylvania suburbs.

Dr. Stephen Klasko has the vision for Jefferson to exceed any Health care expectations. Jefferson East Falls campus, formerly Philadelphia College of Textiles now encompasses part of the Jefferson Family and launched us into Fashion design. Our future may have fabrics support health functions.

His Jazztank encourages innovative ideas to explore ideas to enhance life and "go where no one has gone before."

Here in Center City Jefferson, Mary Ann McGinley was the chief nursing officer for over 30 years and retired this past year. Dr. Jeffrey Doucette is now the Chief Nursing Officer. In a few short months, he has implemented a bridge program to hire new graduates and prepare them for their careers at Jefferson. His innovative approach is changing the future of Jefferson Nursing, as he wants to "brand" the Jefferson nurse and encourage them to stay here for their careers.

Such are the changes everywhere but very apparent at Jefferson.

The Office of Institutional Advancement has many social and educational offerings throughout the year. I encourage you to participate, they are a great value and lots of fun. You may even run into a friend from the past, I did! (Hadn’t seen her since her wedding 40 years before!)

I encourage each of you to make a connection, with your classmates, your colleagues from your working years, and your alumni board. Your experiences, advice and knowledge are invaluable. Perhaps you can mentor a new nurse or be a sounding board. Please send your email address, your nursing specialty if you would like to be a resource person for the Jefferson community of nurses. We can continue to have an effect in nursing even after retirement!

Your Alumni Board is working hard to continue to care for our members. Please refer to the information in this bulletin regarding the scholarship and reimbursements available, as well as the relief fund. You may know of a classmate in need and can suggest they review this to see if they can be assisted.

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to become more involved. I look forward to the next year as your President.

Rae
Rae.Fierro@jefferson.edu
## Treasurer’s Report

### General Operating Fund

Treasurer’s Report: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

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<td>Dues Income</td>
<td>3,000</td>
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<td>Net Assets Released From Restriction</td>
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<td>6304 Employee Benefits 10%</td>
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<td>7003 Telephone</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>6403 Supplies</td>
<td>-74</td>
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<td>6809 Annual Luncheon</td>
<td>-6,980</td>
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<td>6508 Audio Visual</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
<td>-36,953</td>
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| Income from Operations   | 16,469 |

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<td>Interest and Dividends</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>Endowment Payout Distributed</td>
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<td>Realized Gains (losses)</td>
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| Excess Revenues (Expenses)   | 15,053 |
| Rollforward Balance (Unrestricted Net Assets) as of July 1, 2018 | 219,556 |
| Excess Revenues (Expenses)   | 15,053 |
| Change in Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Investments | 1,652 |

| Rollforward Balance as of June 30, 2019 | $236,261 |

We rise by lifting others.
### The Jefferson Diploma Nurses Relief Fund Trust

**Activity for FY ’19: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019**

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<td><strong>Balance as of July 1, 2018</strong></td>
<td>$2,626,250</td>
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<td><strong>Receipts</strong></td>
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<td>Interest/Dividends/Income</td>
<td>126,979</td>
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<td>Change in Value</td>
<td>(48,825)</td>
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<td>Relief benefits to Alumni, flowers</td>
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<td>Relief benefit to Alumni</td>
<td>(4,386)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses/Disbursements</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Balance as of June 30, 2019</strong></td>
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### Alumnae Scholarship Fund

**500-700000-700015**

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### Margurite G. Barnett Memorial Student Loan Fund

**500-70048-750022**

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**500-70048-710155**

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## Nora Shoemaker
**500-70048-710155**

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<th>Fund Balance – June 30, 2018</th>
<th>$267,916.83</th>
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**Receipts**
- Interest and Dividends: (1.70)
- Realized Gains: 3.72
- Unrealized Gains: 15,696.39
- Contributions: –

**Disbursements**
- Scholarships: (13,456)

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## Diploma School of Nursing Alumni Association
**500-70048-700241**

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<th>Fund Balance – June 30, 2018</th>
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**Receipts**
- Interest and Dividends: 0.97
- Realized Gains: 2.11
- Unrealized Gains: 8,963.70
- Contributions: 110
- Transfer: (39.23)

**Disbursements**
- Scholarships: 7,679

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## Marian S. Carey
**500-51020-710209**

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**Receipts**
- Interest and Dividends: (0.04)
- Realized Gains: 0.15
- Unrealized Gains: 616.04
- Transfers: (3,066.02)

**Disbursements**
- Scholarships: –

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## Alumni Scholarship Fund
**500-70048-700103**

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**Receipts**
- Interest and Dividends: (0.72)
- Realized Gains: 1.13
- Unrealized Gains: 7,053.41
- Contributions: 400
- Transfers: 2,092.09

**Disbursements**
- Scholarships: (3,003)

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*Be kind to unkind people, they need it the most.*
Resume of Minutes

**September 12, 2018**
**10 Members Present**
Minutes distributed and approved as read. Treasurer and President’s reports were read and approved. There is currently $2.6 million in the restricted fund.

**Old Business**
Scholarships continue to be awarded to alumni, children and grandchildren of alumni. Alumni funds will be transferred from Wells Fargo to Jefferson, over the next year.

**New Business**
A motion was made and approved to cover hearing aids, via a one-time $2,000 benefit. Application will be found in the bulletin.

**November 14, 2018**
**12 Members Present**
Minutes distributed and approved as read. Treasurer and President’s reports were read and approved. Wells Fargo account contains $2.6 million. Operating budget has $221,000.

**Old Business**
Work continues on moving the alumni funds to the Jefferson pool. Reminder that relief fund trust is in place to help nurses. Application is in the bulletin.

**New Business**
There is a $45,000 clinical scholarship fund that cannot be used until it reaches $1 million. With the age of our nurses, we will not be able to reach that milestone. Our legal counsel, Shelley Hanley was consulted with next steps on accessing the money. A letter to the attorney general of PA will be drafted to petition using the money for a scholarship. These funds have been separated from current fiscal reports for attorney general review.

**January 9, 2019**
**8 Members Present**
Minutes distributed and approved as read. Treasurer and President’s reports were read and approved, including financials. Wells Fargo acct has $2.553 million and Annual giving letter was sent with this year’s bulletin. Nursing luncheon is set for May 4, 2019.

**Old Business**
All were pleased with the bulletin. We are continuing to fill out paperwork necessary to move the trust to within the Jefferson pool.

**New Business**
Proposal was made to explore reimbursing current alumni for attending 1 continuing education conference/year. Follow up discussion will be made with our attorney.

**March 13, 2019**
**13 Members Present**
Minutes distributed and approved as read. Treasurer and President’s reports were read and approved. Wells Fargo acct has $2,540,000. Respective chairperson gave committee reports, including scholarships provided to children/ grandchildren of alumni. Welcome to Dr. Jeffrey Doucette, Senior VP and CNO. His goal was to hire 100 new RNs by July 2019.

**Old Business**
Debbie Allen 76’ continues to work on utilizing the CNP fund with our legal counsel. Board discussed using the money for an award that mimicked the nursing Daisy award, that would support nursing innovation.

**New Business**
Anne Delengowski submitted resume to request to join the board.

**May 4, 2019**
**Meeting attendees: 34 | Attendees: 159**
This was the 86th luncheon.

**Key topics discussed:**
$2,584,000 in the Wells Fargo account.

Reminded all attendees that their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren can benefit from the trust for education at Jefferson nursing school. We also reminded them that relief for medical bills and hearing aids can be applied for via the forms in the alumni bulletin.
Alumni Office News

The Alumni Office address is:
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The Alumni Office telephone number is 215-955-8981. We answer all voice messages as soon as possible, so please leave a message.

To help us keep your records accurate, please send us maiden name at graduation, any other name you use, address, telephone and email changes with the year of graduation.

You may reach the Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association by:

Email: nurse.alumni@jefferson.edu

Nursing Alumni Webpage

With the Jefferson College of Nursing, we now have a section on the Alumni Webpage. Our information is listed under “Diploma Nurse Resources”. To connect:

1. Visit connect.jefferson.edu/nursing and click “register now!” on the right hand side
2. Enter your first and last name in the account lookup
3. Select your name from the results list
4. Enter your constituent ID to join the community
5. Constituent IDs can be obtained by email: alumni.support@jefferson.edu

If your 80th Birthday or Over 80th Birthday is fast approaching……

Each month birthday flower arrangements and/or cards are sent to our “Age 80 and Over” Alumni. If you are 80 or more, or know of a Diploma or White Haven alumni who is age 80 or over, and currently not receiving cards and/or flower arrangements, please send us the following information: first, maiden and married name, year of graduation, current address, birthday (include month, date, and year of birth), and telephone number, so we can send them a card and flowers.

*Please contact the Alumni Office, or have a family member or friend of the recipient contact the Alumni Office when there is a change of address or telephone number so we can update our records so you will receive your flowers. We receive so many “Thank You” notes letting us know how much our Alumni appreciate being remembered, and for the beautiful floral bouquets.

Double Your Dollars

If you or your spouse works for a “Matching Gift Company” you can double and sometimes triple your gift by including a completed matching gift form with your gift.

Lodging

When making a reservation or when registering at a hotel or a bed & breakfast in Philadelphia, ask if they give Jefferson rates. Tell them you are affiliated with Thomas Jefferson University. Be sure to have your Jefferson Identification Card with you (may download from our new website). Accommodations can also be made at the Martin Building at TJU. The list of hotels, B&B’s and the Martin Building addresses are shown in the back of the Bulletin.

Discount Parking for Jefferson Alumni

Alumni may get discount parking rates by purchasing coupons for use in designated Jefferson Parking garages. The coupons may be used anytime after 2:30 p.m. on weekdays,
anytime on weekends and holidays to a maximum of 18 hours parking. Coupons can be purchased at the Commuter Service Office, 1009 Chestnut Street, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Telephone: 215-955-6417. You will need your driver’s license and Alumni identification card. The Hamilton Building parking garage with the entrance on 11th Street is the one recommended by Commuter Services for Alumni who are going to Jefferson Alumni Hall. Valet Parking is not available at Alumni Hall for being dropped off or picked up.

**Alumni Identification Cards**

ID cards can be obtained in person at the TJU bookstore.

Email: alumni.support@jefferson.edu for your constituent number or Email the Alumni office and we will forward your constituent number to you. This number and a photo ID will aid you in your visit to the bookstore. Bookstore information is found in this Bulletin.

**Volunteers**

We are very appreciative of our dedicated volunteers. Our volunteers graciously assist with many office chores. If you would like to volunteer, please contact us at the office.

Thanks to our volunteers for greeting everyone, keeping attendance records, collecting voting ballots and whatever else we need at the Annual Meeting. Thanks for doing a great job!

**Archives**

Anyone interested in putting their memorabilia from Jeff in the archives, please call or contact the Archives Office. Ask for F. Michael Angelo MA, University Archivist & Special Collections Librarian. He is located in the Scott Memorial Library, Rm. 401, hours 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday or by appointment.

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**There is nothing so bad that it couldn’t be worse.**

– Irish Proverb
Social Committee

The 86th Annual Diploma Nurses Luncheon and Meeting was held on Saturday, May 4, 2019 in Jefferson Alumni Hall. The meeting was held in the Diploma Nurses Conference Room in the Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center. We received 159 reservations (139 alumni and 20 guests). Jeff Doucette, the new Senior Vice President & Chief Nursing Officer at Jefferson was in attendance and spoke at the luncheon. Approximately 1700 invitations were sent in early March with a separate invitation sent to the Class of 1969. Your alumni subsidize the cost of the luncheon to keep the ticket price at a minimum.

Twenty-five members of the Class of 1969 celebrated their 50th Anniversary.

The following classes also celebrated anniversaries:

1 from the class of ’54 (65th)
7 from the class of ’64 (55th)
28 from the class of ’74 (45th)
25 from the class of ’79 (40th)

There were 17 states represented including California, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia and Washington.

** Please respect the RSVP date on the invitation. Walk-ins on the day of the luncheon and last minute reservations are extremely difficult to accommodate, especially when guests are reserving food choices and wanting to sit with members of their classes. Moving forward we may not be able to accept them.

Join us on Saturday, May 2, 2020 at our 87th Annual Nurses Luncheon.

Respectfully submitted,
Tamara Tichian Magenta ’81

Relief Trust Fund

Two alum have received relief since May, 2018. The fund is available to assist with financial aid to Diploma School graduates in times of need. There are 3 exclusions—pregnancy and its complications, cosmetic surgery and dental surgery and/or complications. The request can also be made via telephone to the alumni office (215-955-8981). All requests are reviewed by committee members who give their opinion(s) to the Board. The Board of Directors decide on the request as presented with a vote. All personal information is kept strictly confidential (as much as possible) in discussing the applicant. The relief trust fund also finances birthday flowers to those alum aged 80 and older who notify the office with their birthdate, address and phone number.

In addition, the Board of Directors has approved assistance towards the cost of hearing aids, maximum amount $2,000. This will be a one-time relief benefit for those who apply. Please submit the relief fund application if financial assistance is needed along with documentation of cost. Only purchases made after May 2018 will be considered.

Respectfully submitted,
Tamara Tichian Magenta ’81

2019 Central Pennsylvania Satellite Group

Jefferson Nurses Alumni Satellite meetings are held at Harrisburg/Hershey Holiday Inn, Grantville, PA. Our meetings (4 each year) start at 10:30 a.m. with current news from our Alumni Association and information and concerns for our satellite attendees.

On April 4, Jeanette Brown, RN, Patient Care Instructor and Educator in Diabetic Care at Penn State Hershey Medical Center (PSHMC) shared her experience as a diabetic, also explaining and comparing the latest glucose monitors and insulin pumps available.
Scholarship Committee

Hello fellow graduates of the Diploma Nurses Program!

The scholarship Committee has been receiving more requests for tuition reimbursements for programs in nursing and there were several awards provided to Alumni and their children during this past year. The committee reviews tuition reports from the various programs submitted to us via the application form for the Clara Melville-Adele Lewis Scholarship Fund which is found in the alumni bulletin.

We reimburse graduates and their children and grandchildren for 50% of the tuition that they have paid after their passing grade has been posted for us to review. Children and grandchildren must be attending nursing programs here at Jefferson, but graduates can receive reimbursement for other university nursing programs. We also provide 50% of your certification cost, when you send us the application form with the current certification invoice.

Nurses who received reimbursement for certification achieved during this past year were Anita Finkelman Devlin ($60) & Maria Gratzik Marinelli ($162.50).

Christine Black is the daughter of Arleen Weisback Black and received $1,914 for tuition reimbursement for work on her NP here at Jefferson.

Diane Yerardi Woodford is currently in the DNP program here at Jefferson and has received $2,345 in tuition reimbursement.

Catherine Peterson Closson has completed her BSN at Grand Canyon University and received $6,290 in tuition reimbursement for her program.

Patricia Jenkins Barnard has completed her MSN at Jacksonville University and has received $12,273.75 in tuition reimbursement for this program.

Would you please continue to submit your applications for scholarship money when you recertify or when you continue your nursing education? We believe that your career enhancement should be rewarded as you continue to receive further nursing education.

Respectfully submitted, Dolores Heckenberger ’55 and Maria Gratzik Marinelli ’70
By-Laws Committee

No changes to By-Laws noted.

Nominating Committee

Nominated for next term:
Anne O’Malley Delengowski ’80
Ruth Hufff Iuliano ’69
VPCC President Elect - Open.
By-laws and Nominating Committee
Chairs - Open.

Bulletin Committee

Here is this year’s Bulletin! I hope you are all enjoying this compilation of “everything Alumni” for 2019. Please enjoy all of the pictures from the luncheon, our banner event each year.

You are welcome to submit any articles, stories, comments and suggestions to the Alumni office by July 15, 2020 for inclusion in the Fall 2020 Bulletin.

Mail should be addressed to:
Bulletin Editor
Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Suite 210
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

or Email to: nurse.alumni@jefferson.edu,
attention: Bulletin Editor.

Everyone loves laughing and reminiscing at the speaker’s stories during the Annual Luncheon, why not submit YOUR story to the Bulletin and share YOUR memories? We’d love to hear from you!

A special thank you to Ruth Huff Iuliano ’69 (my “other half” of the Bulletin Committee) for assisting with this production, I couldn’t do it without you!

Enjoy!!! Wishing everyone a Blessed 2019-2020!

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Albrecht Curcio ’80

“And above all, watch with glittering eyes the whole world around you because the greatest secrets are always hidden in the most unlikely places. Those who don’t believe in magic will never find it.”

- Roald Dahl
The Jefferson Office of Alumni Relations strives to foster a lifelong engagement with Jefferson alumni. Take advantage of our social, cultural, networking, and lifelong learning opportunities, and expand your network to include our Jefferson alumni community.

Visit jefferson.edu/alumni to view upcoming events for alumni and to update your contact information.

If you are interested in visiting the Scott Memorial Library or joining the Jefferson Recreation & Fitness Center, you will need to obtain an Alumni Card by visiting the Photo ID Center in the Jefferson Bookstore (1009 Chestnut Street). Your ID card will be printed and ready to use in a matter of minutes. Your Alumni Photo ID Card will provide you with access to the Scott Memorial Library and Jefferson Recreation & Fitness Center only.

Stay connected on social media. Search for Thomas Jefferson University Alumni on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and Youtube.

Visit the recently opened Pinizzotto–Ammon Alumni Center in Jefferson Alumni Hall at 1020 Locust Street, Suite 210, Philadelphia, PA 19107, Monday–Friday, 8:15 a.m. – 5 p.m. View the Thomas Jefferson University archives display and the Diploma Nurse Conference Room.

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Janet C. Hindson Award
Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Inc.
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The Miss Janet C. Hindson Award recognizes individuals whose work exemplifies the caring and service to others that characterized Miss Hindson's life. The award is given to an individual who demonstrates steadfast caring for the most vulnerable in society. Steadfast caring embodies devotion to relieving suffering, respect for colleagues and commitment to creating environments that enhance the physical, mental and spiritual comfort of others.

Criteria for selection of Nominees
Evidence of the following qualities:

- A commitment to relieving the suffering of others.
- Respect for colleagues and interest in the professional growth of others.
- Creation of environments that support the physical, mental and spiritual comfort of others.

The Janet C. Hindson Award Steering Committee is composed of the following:
Jeff Doucette, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, CNO
Nurse’s Week Committee Chairs
Nursing Vice Presidents
Staff Nursing Chair of the Nursing Governing Board
Sarah (Sally) Hindson Wagner and Janet Wagner

Stop being afraid of what could go wrong, and start being excited of what could go right.

-Tony Robbins
The Miss Janet C. Hindson Award recognizes an individual nurse whose work celebrates the caring and service to others that characterized Miss Hindson’s life. The award is given annually to the nurse who demonstrates steadfast caring for the most vulnerable individuals in society.

Nominations describe how the candidate has demonstrated a commitment to relieving the suffering of others; shows respect for colleagues and interest in the professional growth of others; and supports and creates an environment that supports the physical, mental and spiritual comfort of others.

And the 2019 winner of the Janet Hindson Award is Grace Smalley, BSN, RN, CCRN, Clinical Nurse, TJUH SICU.

First Nomination:
To say that I am constantly in awe of this nurse is a significant understatement. She has been a nurse in the SICU for 7 years. I have told her story before because ever since she took the position on our unit her excellence and star quality have been quite apparent. Critical care is her passion and she is a natural at it as evidenced by her astuteness and clinical acumen in the care of the most severely ill patients. Her clinical prowess notwithstanding, Grace is one of the most kind and compassionate nurses with whom I work. She sees the people, the families, not just the disorders and diseases.

I have seen her compassionate interventions and dedicated care make all of the difference in the lives of an elderly couple involved in a serious and life-threatening motor vehicle crash. Sadly this couple experienced the unthinkable. They
were involved in a motor vehicle crash, rear-ended and then hit by another car. They both sustained significant injuries, Mr. M. requiring ventilator support due to a spinal cord injury and Mrs. M. requiring repair of many extremity fractures. They were transferred to TJUH and admitted to the SICU. Here they endured many days of rigorous therapies and interventions. Grace frequently cared for Mr. M and realized that his birthday was quickly approaching. Concerned for the health outcomes for both patients, Grace formulated the idea of planning a birthday party for Mr. M’s 85th birthday. She decorated the room, made a birthday crown and arranged with her colleagues to have Mrs. M. be monitored and come back to the SICU to share some special moments of happiness with her husband. Though there was no birthday cake as neither patient could partake, joy radiated within the room as Mrs. M. held her husband’s hand. Grace also arranged for the family, staff members and physicians to attend the celebration and all of these attendees sang a rousing version of “Happy Birthday” to Mr. M. At the time, Grace did not know that she had facilitated Mr. and Mrs. M.’s togetherness for one of the last times. She let her heart lead him/her to do the right thing- she so often does this.

Grace consistently provides patients and families with calm reassurance, the provision of comfort and an ongoing presence which exudes safety, competence and excellence. She engages and communicates with all members of the care team on our unit in order to insure the safest and best plan of care possible. Grace is the epitome of professionalism and advocacy. Grace so often shows super- human effort in caring for patients in difficult situations and she exemplifies the excellence and innovation of ICU nursing and our drive toward extraordinary outcomes. Grace has a real interest in palliative care and in the expertise of those who provide symptom management for patients. This type of care has not been prevalent in trauma care or critical care. Grace has been a real change agent on our unit, discussing palliative care on appropriate patients with the interprofessional team. This has been challenging but Grace is up for the challenge and is knowledgeable about the evidence on the topic. Some of our colleagues are hesitant about palliative care but, as an avid patient advocate, Grace educates and collaborates with our physicians, patients, families and others to work toward a palliative care option if warranted.

There are many other examples of how Grace engages in critical case reflection and determined and direct action. Whether the patient is in the throes of a cardiac arrest or has just suffered life- threatening multisystem failure, Grace uses the same tactic of smart, thoughtful, scientific AND intuitive nursing care. It is a good formula for success and Grace has had great achievements in her role. She is so skillful when caring for patients and she is adept and compassionate in end of life situations as well. She has an honest, caring communication style. Patients and families instantly trust him/ her and know that she is going to do her very best to help them.

In the care of the critically ill, Grace truly has no peer. I know that when I see her caring for the most damaged and vulnerable among our patients, I have confidence and peace of mind that the best that can possibly be done is being done....and done superbly. Grace is ever-ready, seeing slight and subtle changes in her patients may cause him/her to adjust her nursing care to address the greatest need—usually with stunning results. I must call Grace’s extraordinary talent a sort of occupational intelligence whereby she implements her educational background, her experience and her intuition to provide the most cutting edge and effective care to her trauma patients.

Grace offers her patients and their families her undivided attention and her kindhearted compassion. She always makes them feel like they are part of the team. So often our patients’ lives have been thrown into disarray. For example a young gunshot victim with a serious cardiac injury. His family carried out over a week long vigil at his bedside as Grace and our team tried to aggressively wean him from the ventilator. All the while Grace was there, trying to allay her patient’s anxiety which was negatively affecting his ability to ventilate normally. Grace recognized this serious issue and made great strides in calming her patient, coming up with an effective plan to reduce
this young man’s fear and anxiety but prevent oversedation. The final result was ultimately successful liberation from the ventilator.

Grace has provided her exceptional brand of nursing care for so many young spinal cord injured (SCI) patients. One in recent memory had a wife and two small children who were so numbed by the suddenness of this horrific impact on their loved one’s health and on all of their lives. Grace intervenes by offering a caring approach and expert attention not only to the physical needs but to the emotional needs of the patient and the family unit. She educates them about SCI, she encourages their participation to prevent the onslaught of complications. These patients and families are so grateful for her efforts. Recently, Grace was caring for a man who was in a motor vehicle crash, sustaining severe injuries. The patient also had a complicated medical history. His wife was a nurse and very hesitant to leave his side. She stayed on the unit around the clock for over a week. She was so intensely worried about him. After a short time with Grace caring for him the wife said, “I can see he is in good hands. I am going to go home and try to sleep”. The next day this woman told us how happy she was with the nursing care and thanks to Grace being her husband’s nurse, she actually got some long-postponed and much-needed sleep. This patient’s wife recognized what we all know, that Grace provides the most intensive and expert nursing care in the most healing and therapeutic manner. This wife/nurse developed complete and utter trust in Grace--to leave her husband in her care and not worry.

Grace takes her work very seriously and is a champion in every sense of the word. She is ever-gracious, professional and accommodating to any request to assess or troubleshoot or make recommendations for patient care. She brings her wonderful competence and astute knowledge and experience to all areas of her work. She educates new and experienced nurses, physicians, techs and others about the evidence-based management of the critically ill patient. Grace is not only a preceptor and an educator but a mentor as well. She considers this role very important to her work of insuring the best patient care and she works hard to support and provide ongoing counsel to her orientees and others. She reinforces tried and true strategies during rounds and just simply in her every day, masterful care of our patients. She has the reputation of being an expert, smart and savvy clinician and she is often the “go-to” person when patients are deteriorating or are at risk of doing so. Grace always knows the right thing to do but she also mentors others by educating and role modeling so that they will one day be able to follow in Grace’s footsteps and know and do themselves.

As the chairperson of the Unit Council, Grace has been instrumental in many unit/patient care improvement initiatives. She spearheaded and led our efforts to assess morale and to devise a plan and implement strategies to improve issues that were important for our nurses. In this role as a unit leader, Grace has worked to provide interesting and morale-boosting activities on the unit and has developed patient and family education boards. Grace uses her extensive and impressive artistic talents to create visual learning experience for nurses at our hospital and for the community at large which our unit serves. She has crafted some extremely well-done posters to educate nurses on topics such as the prevention and treatment of pressure ulcers and decreasing catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI). Grace also used her creative capabilities to fashion smaller posters which were placed within our unit to educate patients and visitors. Grace is quite passionate about our environment and she brings a heightened mindfulness about this important concern to our own unit milieu. She has also taken it upon herself to provide much needed information on burn prevention and treatment and patient safety by developing exemplary educational materials for our patients and visitors which we have posted and shared at educational forums/fairs for our community.

As a newly certified nurse in critical care, Grace reinforces the standards of care recommended by the AACN organization and she insures other clinicians are well aware of important updates in evidence-based care and can develop the know-how and confidence needed for their full implementation. Watching as Grace coordinates the many involved teams and
provides multifaceted care is simply inspiring. She consistently includes her patients and families in patient-centered rounds in an effort to devise plans of care which consider the input, expertise and framework of all stakeholders. She is a nurse who can handle just about anything that comes her way and she does it with a smile and with a knowing confidence which is very reassuring to patients and their families as well as to those of us who work with him/her. Simply put, Grace contributes to our profession and to the role we assume in the care of our patients every day. She is a truly worthy candidate for the Miss Janet Hindson award.

Second Nomination:

As a nurse in Surgical ICU, we daily encounter tragedy, sorrow and suffering. The easy part of our jobs is to take care of the physical needs of our patients, but then we are left with the difficult role of healing the soul and providing comfort that goes beyond any physical need. I am proud to tell you a story that touched my heart and shows the excellent commitment to care, that my colleague, Grace Smalley delivered.

In the last year, the SICU cared for an elderly husband and wife that were involved in a serious motor vehicle accident, resulting in both spouses to be patients in the unit. Family tension ran high as multiple siblings discovered their beloved parents were in a fight for their lives. Recovery was easier for the mother, who after a month moved out to the step down unit, leaving her husband behind in the full ICU.

Grace frequently cared for Mr. X and jumped on the idea of planning an 80th birthday party for her patient. She decorated his room, (including a personalized birthday crown); and arranged for his wife to visit. Even though there was no birthday cake to mark the event as his condition would not allow, joy radiated as the wife held her husband’s hand. Ms. Smalley also arranged for family, staff and Drs. to attend. The birthday song was heard by all. At the time, Grace did not know that she had just provided for one of the last times this couple would see each other.

Three days later Mrs. X succumbed to her injuries and her condition worsened. Nurse Smalley’s dedication didn’t stop here. She arranged for Mr. X to visit his wife to say goodbye. This was no easy task transporting a ventilated patient to be at her side. Though Mr. X couldn’t move his arms, or speak the words of love that a 60 year marriage holds, his heart was beyond gratified for the opportunity to see her one last time. Nurse Smalley continued to be a “rock” for the family, even arranging for a Skype broadcast of the funeral.

Mr. X only survived his wife a few weeks before joining her. The family and SICU staff realize the qualities that Grace Smalley displayed show what we aspire every day to achieve. These are the values and principles we align our career as caretakers to follow. Miss Smalley succeeds daily in her efforts to be special.

Thank you Grace for being you, and encouraging others to do the extra things that make nursing the special career that it is!!!

“When you rise in the morning, form a resolution to make the day a happy one for a fellow creature.”

– Sydney Smith
As the Bulletin editor, I appreciate all of the Luncheon speeches and memories, however we usually only have one or 2 nurses from each anniversary class share at the luncheon. I know you ALL have an interesting or valuable story to tell. I would like to incorporate a new section to our Bulletin to include EVERYONE’S input. Our memories are fading as we age yet we have so much wisdom, advice, and interesting stories to share. I would love to hear from you in a few paragraphs about one of the following suggested topics. Please feel free to create your OWN topic.

- What advice would you pass on to a new nurse?
- Any pearls of wisdom you learned at Jefferson School of Diploma Nursing, or throughout your nursing career?
- Who was your favorite patient and why? (Please use initials only to describe your patient)
- What is your BEST nursing school memory?
- Why did you become a nurse?
- What was the BEST lesson you learned at TJU School of Diploma Nursing and from whom?

I would love to make a compilation of these memories for posterity and share as many as I can in the Bulletin.

Please don’t be shy, we all would love to hear about YOU!

“You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.”

– Jane Goodall

Jefferson Alumni Day at the Phillies, Patricia Maro DeHart ’77 and Jim DeHart.
The History of the Jefferson Cap
Diploma School of Nursing

The cap that was worn by the first Jefferson graduating class in 1893 had a high crown and a wide brim with ruffle around the brim. It was made of a delicate material called “lawn”, similar to the material used to make handkerchiefs. The cap resembled the Philadelphia General Cap, which at that time was made of similar material.

In 1894, Susan Hearle, a graduate of Philadelphia General, became Directress of Nurses at Jefferson. When she noticed the similarity of the caps, Miss Hearle decided that Jefferson Nurses should have their own distinctive cap.

The crown was lowered, the ruffle was removed and the brim narrowed, flattened and spread like wing tips, across the front of the cap. The material was changed to organdy, which gave the cap more body.

In 1932, the cap was worn with the brim starched and the wings made to stand out.

Initially, it was traditional to earn a cap by passing the six-month probationary period. Later, the cap was given to the student to wear as soon as they entered nursing school.

The cap was a symbol of humility and service to mankind.


**Girlfriend’s Joke**

A group of 15 year old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed to meet at the Dairy Queen next to the Ocean View Restaurant because they only had $6 between them, and Jimmy Johnson, the cute boy in class lived on that street.

10 years later, the group of 25 year old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed to meet at the Ocean View Restaurant because the beer was cheap, the restaurant offered free snacks, the band was good, there was no cover and there were lots of cute guys.

10 years later, the group of 35 year olds discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed to meet at the Ocean View Restaurant because the cosmopolitans were good, it was right near the gym, and, if they went late enough, there wouldn’t be too many whiny kids.

10 years later, the group of 45 year old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed on the Ocean View Restaurant because the martinis were big and the waiters had tight pants and nice buns.

10 years later, the group of 55 year old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed to meet at the Ocean View Restaurant because the prices were reasonable, the wine list was good, the restaurant had windows that opened (in case of hot flashes), and the fish was low in cholesterol.

10 years later, the group of 65 year old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed to meet at the Ocean View Restaurant because the lighting was good, you could read the menu, and they had an early bird special.

10 years later, the group of 75 year old girlfriends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally, they agreed to meet at the Ocean View Restaurant because the food was not too spicy and the restaurant was handicapped accessible.

10 years later, the group of 85 year old friends discussed where to meet for dinner. Finally they agreed to meet at the Ocean View Restaurant because they had never been there before.
A Nurses’ Cape Finds A Home

The Jefferson Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association is a group of nurses that has a special bond, probably because we share in many experiences and memories that center around nurses’ training at Jeff that span many decades. Our alumni office receives varied requests from our members throughout the year. Our Board of Directors has a heartfelt desire to respond to the needs and concerns of our alums. Such was the case that began with a request from David, who is the husband of a Jefferson Diploma Nurse Alumna from the Class of 1979. He was in search of a Jefferson nurses’ cape that he intended to give to his wife as a Christmas gift last year.

The reason for his mission to find a cape was Annamarie’s response to the 2018 Nurses’ Alumni Association Bulletin front cover photograph of a cape in a display case on the wall of our new Alumni Center Conference Room in Jefferson Alumni Hall. She stated she would love to have a Jefferson nurses’ cape.

A Jefferson nurses’ cape had been donated to Jefferson’s Archive Collection and had been stored in our Alumni Association Office for many months. It remained intact and in pristine condition as it was moved to our new office in June 2018.

As it turned out, our board members were willing to let the nurses’ cape go to a good home as the archive curator had no need for a cape of this genre in the Jefferson archive collection.

Sometimes the stars are aligned and good things happen, like the smiles on Annamarie and David’s faces this Christmas morning 2018 as Annamarie models her new cape.

Annamarie, our board hopes you enjoy wearing your cape as it keeps you warm and toasty throughout the winter chill.
Dear Alumni Office,

Thank you so much for the lovely poinsettia. It is a touching reminder that I belong to a caring community. Wishing all a happy healthy new year.

Blessings.
Pat Lewis Truitt ’61

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Choose being
kind over being
right and
you’ll be right
every time.

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Dear Alumni Office,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent to my mother, Jane Kendall, DOB January 19, 1924, on her birthday. She always enjoys getting your flowers and it is the highlight of her birthday.

Mom fractured her hip in October and had it pinned. She has recovered well and now uses a walker, but is performing most of her ADL with minimal help. We do take her out for dinner and on shopping trips so she does enjoy getting out of the house. Her macular degeneration makes it difficult to see and one eye cannot see at all but the other allows some sight. She can travel some and tolerates about 3 hours in the car. She still enjoys seeing or mostly listening to old musicals at bedtime and really enjoys company.

Thanks again for the flowers. Here is a picture of her with your flowers and some sent by her younger sister.

– Eliza Jane Mitchell Kendall ’45
Who wouldn’t want to attend this reunion?

We have a place for you!

Saturday, May 2, 2020

Please respect the RSVP Date on the luncheon invitation.
Late additions or walk-ins may not be able to be accommodated.
Annual Luncheon Comments

65th Anniversary Class of 1954

Elizabeth Snyder Collins

First of all, thank you for being here to celebrate my 65th anniversary. Jefferson has and always will be an important part of who I am.

As background, I came from a very isolated life. The end of the school bus line was 1 mile from my home. I had one friend and a dog. Then I arrived at Jeff. WOW! I now had 3 roommates one of whom remains my best girl friend ever. The intensity of study, the crowded hours, the great social life, ie. fraternity parties were an unbelievable but welcome change. I loved all of it with a few exceptions, Miss Kuba’s classes, the food, and Miss Levin, the 3-11 supervisor.

The experiences that we had as trainees were so varied that I almost never in my 40 plus years of nursing felt completely flummoxed. As we were mostly left on our own during night and at 3-11 we learned how to prioritize, organize, and tenaciously follow through.

To digress a moment, I think on how far treatments have come since 1951. Who remembers the Sippy diet of cream and milk every hour for gastric ulcers, how about the rice and fruit diet for malignant hypertension, the iron lung. And surely some of you were present for the historic first Jeff open heart surgery. So many varied experiences we had. To mention more, there was Barton lung hospital and Byberry where we saw the Korean war vets. My classmates were in that conflict.

I remained active in nursing into my 60’s. I obtained a BS at age 40, and this opened up more choices. I was a hospice director at Blue Cross, and also taught on the faculty of Grand View Hospital, as well as sharing the charge nurse position in their first ICU. After retirement I said, how much I missed it. My husband obliged by developing esophageal cancer, stage 4-B. He survived with feeding tubes Gershon double port for chemo, radiation, and surgery. My skills were still current. Next he developed a rare lymphoma and is 7 years into treatment. Again my Jeff training is being used. I certainly have received my bang for the buck.

So as I am slowly easing out of life, I say, “my it has been and continues to be a good one.”

Thank you Jefferson.

Betty Richards Stone
(Letter read)

One of the things I enjoyed most at the nursing school was all the nice friends and people I met. Another thing was the variety of experiences we got at all the different nursing experiences we did. I have two daughters who are nurses and in their training, never got to work with all the kinds of nursing situations. Ann is a nurse practitioner in Ohio and Mary is director of palliative care at St. Thomas in Nashville. My love for babies began as I was growing up and has continued the rest of my life. I eventually did foster babies (close to 100) and wish I could still do it. Sorry I can’t attend the reunion but you are in my thoughts and prayers.
55th Anniversary Class of 1964

Jeraldine Marasco Kohut

I am Jeraldine Marasco Kohut and a proud member of the Class of 1964 celebrating our 55th Anniversary.

I retired in 2015 after 50 years of full-time employment in the health care professions. I currently serve as a part-time community liaison for Cathedral Village, a comprehensive retirement community, one of 37 communities owned and operated by Presbyterian Senior Living in the tri-state region. Cathedral Village is located in the Upper Roxborough neighborhood of Philadelphia.

During my career, I have served as: a staff nurse; director of nursing in urban, suburban and rural hospitals; nursing home administrator; corporate consultant; health care coordinator for secondary school vocational and technical programs for the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and professor of nursing at Tennessee Technological University, and adjunct professor of health education at Morehead State University.

Because of the outstanding reputation of Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing and later Jefferson’s College of Nursing, it was a tremendous advantage for me seeking employment over five decades in five different states. Being a JEFF nurse opens doors.

Of all the lessons that I recall during my three years in Jefferson’s diploma program, two have guided me always. Firstly, nothing is more important than caring for your patients in a professional and compassionate manner whether that patient is an infant in a maternity unit or a frail hospice patient in the twilight of his or her life. Secondly, nothing is ever accomplished of any value or worth without team work and team building. As the Hall of Fame goalie for the Philadelphia Flyers ice hockey team, Bernie Parent, said after winning the Stanley Cup championship in 1974, “The team with the best players doesn’t win championships. The players on the best team win championships.” Team work is everything!

Congratulations to all the anniversary classes and a special thanks to the Diploma Nurses Alumni Office for the marvelous job in planning our meetings and special events.

50th Anniversary Class of 1969

Nancy Nevin McClees

How Our Nursing Education Affected our Nursing Careers

Greetings from the Class of 1969! We are the class that entered nursing school on the heels of the ANA Position Paper that recommended that all professional nursing only be taught in a 4 year university.

Medicare had just come on board and women stayed in the hospital for 5 or more days after having a baby! No one heard of 1 day surgery, post-op patients were with us for weeks sometimes. Oh, so much has changed, but we changed along with these and many other changes. Like the Dr. Seuss Book, “Oh the Places You Will Go” ... and the places we went.
When we reflect on what was happening in patient care at our time at Jefferson the following advancements have come to mind:

1. Early development of Intensive Care Units
2. Open heart surgery
3. CPR
4. Code Blue Teams
5. Dialysis

We were exposed to all of these exciting new modalities. We were given “hands on” experiences in every specialty of the day. We left Jefferson on September 11, 1969 with all the skills and knowledge we needed to function in our new role of professional nurse on day one of our employment, wherever that was.

So what did we do and where did we go? We spread out from the Atlantic to the Pacific and Alaska and Hawaii. We worked in every area of nursing. Many of us continued our nursing education and obtained our BSN and MSN, some of us continued up the education ladder and obtained our PhD and MD degrees.

Some of us enjoyed being at the bedside, some of us joined the military and reached high ranks. Some of us moved out of the hospital into public health roles and extended care. Some of us became nurse administrators, some of us moved into industry and became drug and medical device researchers. Many became nurse educators at the collegiate level. The sky was our limit.

Our Jefferson education prepared us to be flexible, learn new skills and change along with healthcare. Think about it:

- When we left Jeff the thermometer was glass, in a test tube with cut up squares of paper towel on the headboard.
- Meds were “floor stock” including many now “controlled” substances and were passed in soufflé cups and 1 ounce plastic cups.
- No computers or scanners.
- No fitted sheets… and no rotation of linen!
- No 12 hour shifts, but a huge nursing shortage.
- Pre-op meds and I could go on and on.

At this time in our lives many of us have moved on to our next adventure and hung up our caps. But when you think about it nurses never retire! Family, friends and neighbor health issues and concerns come to our front door for advice and care, sometimes daily. A number of us are still working, that’s 50 plus years of nursing care!

We know that our education served us well, we advanced in all of our chosen areas of nursing and we have held up well! We did not graduate with huge student loans, we were able to function on day one without months long “internships”. We handled the ANA Position Paper with grace and went on to help all the new graduates from the collegiate programs. So, that said, we believe that we flourished and grew with our Jefferson education.

We made lifelong friendships because of our common experiences both in the classroom, the hospital, and the dorm. Oh my, living in the Martin Residence, now that was an experience like no other! Rules, housemothers, “the big ear”, 2 inbound phones on each floor, no jeans below the second floor, no leaving the dorm without a dress or uniform on, the “Fishbowl”, curfews, study halls! Did I miss any of the big ones?

We thank our instructors for guiding us, providing role models and pointing us in the right direction. We thank Jefferson for offering us a wonderful education and allowing us to have successful nursing careers. So here is to 50 years. Congratulations Class of 1969!!

45th Anniversary Class of 1974
Suzanne Tomlinson Seckinger

Lessons Learned at Jefferson, Class of 1974

Last night, 14 of us from the class of 1974 gathered to reminisce. Stories were told, secrets were exposed, and tales of lessons learned were shared with old friends. It’s amazing the things remembered over 45 years and how lessons learned were carried forward, impacting many aspects of our lives.

The girls not in attendance at last night’s gab fest? Well, they too had a few items worth mentioning in emails sent to our honorary reunion organizer, Sandra Strick.

So, now, gathered from the class of 1974 on our 45th anniversary, is the top 10 list of our most valuable lessons learned and traits acquired during our three years at Jefferson.

#10: Teachers matter. Exceptional instructors at Jefferson were highlighted during the gab fest. There were many, but we all remembered Miss Grant, our anatomy and physiology instructor. She started with the basics. We all recall standing in the Curtis clinic auditorium and reciting “liver, stomach, spleen, gall bladder, pancreas, large and small intestine” while incorporating the locational hand gestures. This approach to solidifying the basics then moving to more and more complex information was a classic instructional process that provided the foundation for the critical thinking that we needed to provide care and prevent harm.

#9: One small thing can make a life-long difference. Miss Zarella’s “I love nursing speech” convinced some of us to continue at Jefferson. Motivational words inspired by a love of one’s profession can change the life of another for the good.

#8: We get by with a little help from our friends. Nursing school was intense. Friends were needed to commiserate and celebrate. Nothing better than having a friend in the work place, or anywhere else.

#7: Talk to strangers. Learning to carry on complete conversations from behind the curtain while one of you is on a bedpan paved the way to be comfortable discussing most anything with anyone in anyplace.

#6: Perseverance in all things. Few made it through the three years without some calamity. And calamities usually had an unpleasant consequence. Like being grounded (dormed) for three weeks when politely asking if the doctors hands were broken when he asked for a chart (easily within his reach) to be fetched and brought to him. Or being reprimanded in the patient’s room for an ill-fitting sheet. Or having to go before the honor counsel when caught returning from Doc Watson’s after curfew barefooted. We persisted, a noble trait for all time.

#5: Hand hygiene and thoughtful consideration of accessories. Rings can be killers and so can bacteria. Imagine getting your skin stripped when your ring catches on the bed spring or accidentally infecting yourself with e coli. The days spent learning to wash our hands was time well spent and the insistence on ring free fingers likely saved us a digit or two needed for today’s mandatory keyboarding or texting.

#4: Loud and proud. Be confident in your knowledge and share it proudly. If you don’t know something, find it out. One of us has the email address: Girl Nurse #1 @wisewoman.com.

#3: Air quiescence. “We don’t know what spreads cancer!” That was said with some frequency during our time on med/surg. Keep the linens away from your body, avoid shaking out the sheets, open packages systematically. Creating a visually and physically calm setting worked then to instill a feeling that all would be fine and that there was a system in place. Routines and systematic approaches in any setting save time and assure others that all is well.

#2: Get along with others in a tight space. Learning to live with a person in a 12 x 12 room with 5 drawers and a single closet has its pros and cons. Picking up positive organizational skills like color coordination of socks and underwear, and ways to line up q tips in a grid like fashion is a plus for any future career. Getting along with others, allowing a difference of opinion while continuing to work/live together is a mandatory skill, especially now.

And #1: Critical thinking skills. More comments were made by the class of 1974 on the acquisition
of critical thinking skills. None of us could actually explain how our brains learned this process but all of us know that the ability to think in an organized way and to accurately and thoroughly assess situations, saved at least one life. And applying these critical thinking skills has allowed the class of 1974 to succeed in many endeavors.

We are not all here, but nearly half of us are present today. We are working in healthcare, education, business, home management. We are caring for our parents, our children, our grandchildren. The friends we made, the lessons we learned and the traits that we acquired as Jefferson nurses paved the way for the productive and positive lives we are living now. Here’s to us, the incredible class of 1974, and here’s to Jefferson!

40th Anniversary Class of 1979

Susan Hagan O’Donnell

I was a 17 year old high school student when I received my acceptance letter into Thomas Jefferson School of Nursing forty three years ago. At that time I was working for minimum wage at Ponderosa Steak House which allowed me to save enough to pay for my first year of tuition. Our tuition was affordable as freshman and as seniors it went down to $800 a year. What a blessing!

We were already very good students when we were accepted into Jefferson but only the most disciplined of 122 caring novices endured. Our freshman year science courses of Anatomy and Physiology, Chemistry, Microbiology and Pharmacology blurred together. Mrs. Miller translated and taught extra weekly classes to help us understand what Dr. Vogel was talking about in Pharmacology. English, Psychology, Sociology, Short Stories and Composition were packed into an already demanding schedule. Our Classmates who received more than one “C” were asked to leave school.

Miss Zarella and our fundamentals instructors made sure we had a firm foundation in nursing. Our big sisters guided the way for us. We formed long lasting friendships studying, working and being together. We had fun at TOGA parties and mixers as well as going to “Just” for ice cream and hanging out at Doc Watsons. Three years later we were seniors graduating with jobs waiting for us before we even took our boards.

By the time we were in our 30s many of us were married. My Jefferson education made it possible for me to move all over the country with my husband’s career and jump right into new jobs without hesitation. Life got busier in our 40’s and Jefferson’s light kept shining through us. Jeff nurses have a high emotional IQ and that allowed us to make a profoundly positive impact on our families. The class of ’79 juggled earning advanced degrees, children and married life very well. Some of our classmates have gone into business for themselves; while others have become excellent nurses, doctors, researchers, executives, educators, specialist, managers, nurse practitioners and wonderful parents.

As a seventeen year old high school student I couldn’t understand why my mother, Joanne Welsko from the class of ’56 told me that Jefferson would be the best decision I ever made. Now at 60, I can see the big picture more clearly. I am the third generation and sixth member of our family to attend Thomas Jefferson School of Nursing. My aunt, Judy Welsko ’64 is also here celebrating with us. Judy’s sister, Marian Welsko ’62, and our aunts, Veronica Welsko and Anna Welsko are with us in spirit.

Today, our class is able to look in the rear view mirror to see that we have Jefferson School of Nursing and all of our instructors to thank for our success. We stand on the shoulders of
Good Afternoon. My name is Diane Woodford and I am a graduate of Jefferson’s Diploma School of Nursing, Class of 1979. In 1982, while I was an employee at Jefferson, I enrolled in the BSN program. That was the same year I met my future husband, a very nice young man who was born and raised in Connecticut. We married in 1984 and I promised him that I would move back to Connecticut after I earned my degree here at Jefferson. Well, 35 years later, I am still working on my degree at Jefferson. I may have finished the BSN program a long time ago but I consider myself a lifelong learner, and for years I have dreamed of earning my doctorate degree in nursing. With the scholarship support I am receiving, that dream is coming true. This will be my fifth degree I am receiving at Jefferson. What we thought would be 2 years has turned out to be a lifetime.

I feel so honored and blessed to be a recipient of the Clara Melville–Adele Lewis Scholarship awarded by the Jefferson Nurses Alumni Association. I want to express my gratitude for your generosity and financial assistance as I progress towards my final academic goal.

Going back to those days as a student in Jefferson’s Diploma program 40 years ago, I reminisce about life in our dorm, the Martin Residence, the late nights at the library, and the many fraternity parties. It puts a smile on my face. We had a wonderful time here and I truly love Jefferson. With that as my foundation, my nursing career over the last four decades has included working in PACU, the antenatal unit, dialysis, Clinical Pharmacology Unit, student health at Princeton University, oncology and kidney/pancreas transplants. I am also grateful to be a member of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, Sigma Theta Tau International and the Oncology Nursing Society.

Today I work with kidney and pancreatic transplant patients as a nurse practitioner. As part of my doctoral studies, I am currently developing an outpatient education program for our transplant patients to help the transition from inpatient to outpatient, to help patients and their families develop self-care techniques and decrease readmissions. This practice improvement will help increase our patients’ comfort level when they are home and need to manage their medications and make decisions in their lives. This would never have been possible without your support. Thank you for your generosity.

Nelson Mandela wrote “Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” Your education lasts a lifetime and the friends you make along the way become your best friends. I am honored to be at this banquet with my friends, colleagues and professors, both past and very present. As nurses we should be proud for the positive impact we have made on people’s lives.

Thank you.
In Memoriam - Deceased Graduates

Deceased Graduates Reported 2018-2019

Winnie Greulich Kistler ’39
Ruth I. Sunderland ‘43
Betty Moyer Greenwood ’45
Christine Lindes Park ’45
Jennie Alisio Rule ’45
Betty J. Loyd Wildasin ’45
Jacqueline Baer Coffroth ’46
E. Dorothy Gildarone Strachan ’46
Julia Zello King ’47
Joanne Hamm Koelle ’47
Marie Osterle Thiers ’47
Martha Kapitula Hartwell ’48
Elinor Geyer Hays ’48
Elizabeth Wargo Carrick ’49
Charmaine Kissinger ’49
Nancy Dunkle Konstanzer ’50
Janet Edwardsen Meredith ’53
Olga Hubiak ’54
Mildred Murray Kline ’55
Catherine Plevyak Fisch ’56
Anne Snell Kopple ’56
Patricia Toy Rable ’56
Geneva Hunsinger Bowman ’58
M. Jean Beard Ecker ’58
Nancy Beard Griggs ’58
Phyllis Rickert Hirst ’60
Barbara Jaszczalt Birney ’61
Ellen Kemmerer Warren ’61
Margaret Moore ’62
Lois Russell Foxen ’65
Christine Reed ’70
Kathleen Kane Karlowicz ’74
Linda Jane Owens Bicich ’75
Anne Nancy McColgan Curry ’77

“Don't be dismayed by goodbyes. A farewell is necessary before you can meet again. And meeting again, after moments or lifetimes is certain for those who are friends.”

- Richard Bach
I AM THANKFUL FOR:
The mess to clean up after a party because it means I have been surrounded by friends.

The taxes I pay because it means I am employed.

The clothes that fit a little too snug because it means I have enough to eat.

A lawn that needs mowing, windows that need cleaning and gutters that need fixing because it means I have a home.

The shadow that watches me work because it means that I am out of the sunshine.

The spot I find at the far end of the parking lot because it means I am capable of walking.

All the complaining about our government because it means we have freedom of speech.

The large heating bill because it means I am warm.

The lady behind me who sings off key because it means I can hear.

The alarm that goes off in the early morning hours because it means I am alive.

The piles of laundry and ironing because it means my loved ones are nearby.

Weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day because it means I have been productive.

We are blessed in ways that aren’t always obvious.
Additional Information

Graduation Pins
Graduates can write or call Hamilton Insignia to determine if a pin can be recreated for them. Attention: Debbie, 215 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Phone: 215-545-9156.

Identification Cards
Alumni ID cards can be obtained in-person at the TJU bookstore. Please contact alumni.support@jefferson.edu for your constituent number or contact the Diploma Alumni Office and we will forward your constituent number to you. This number and a photo ID will aid you in your visit to the bookstore. Bookstore information is on this page. It is closed on weekends.

Transcripts
All requests for transcripts are now on-line and the transcript fees will vary. Log onto the following link and follow the prompts. www.jefferson.edu/academic-affairs/tju/academic-services/registrar.html Under the Student Services and Information tab, there is a link for “Ordering Transcripts”. It should be a simple process from there to place the order. The Registrar’s phone number is 215-503-8734.

Class Address Lists and Information
Class lists are available from your Alumni Office Coordinators. When requesting the class list from the Alumni Association, please include your first name, maiden name, married name, and the year you graduated.

Please continue to notify your Alumni Office Coordinator of name changes, deaths, and address, email, and telephone number changes, or any information corrections. Help us keep errors to a minimum and our files accurate. We need working phone numbers and date of birth, including birth year, for anyone requesting birthday floral bouquets.

Please send information to: Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association, Jefferson Alumni Hall, 1020 Locust Street, Suite 210, Philadelphia, PA 19107-5233. Telephone 215-955-8981. Email: nurse.alumni@jefferson.edu

TJU Book Store
1009 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Phone: 215-955-7922
Fax: 215-923-1844
Web Page: www.jefferson.edu/bookstore

Commuter Services
TJU Book Store, 1009 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19107.

You may purchase discounted parking tickets in bulk (5 for $40) with your Alumni Card and photo ID for two Jefferson self-park garages in the vicinity. These tickets are for nights/weekends at the JHN and Hamilton lots only. Phone 215-955-6417 for specific information. The Book Store is closed on weekends.

Change of Address Form – Donations – Information Changes

Present Name: ____________________________________________________________
Name when graduated: ___________________________ Year: ______________________
Former Address: __________________________________________________________
New Address: (as of: ____________) __________________________________________
New Phone Number (s): __________________________ New Email Address: ______________
Present Position: __________________________________________________________
Donation: O Operating Fund O Other Fund Amount: $____________
Personal News for Bulletin: _________________________________________________

Eligibility for Nurses’ Scholarship Fund

Purpose
To assist members of the Alumni Association to meet their tuition obligation.

General Requirements

• Membership in the Alumni Association (preferred).
• At least one year of professional experience as a registered nurse.
• Enrollment full-time or part-time in an accredited program, leading to a baccalaureate or higher degree in nursing.
• Letter of acceptance from the University or College you plan to attend.
• A close relative (daughter, son, granddaughter/son) of a graduate of the Diploma Program planning to attend Jefferson’s Nursing Program could be eligible to receive a scholarship, provided all requirements are met.

Awards

• All things being equal, preference will be given to those who have most nearly completed degree requirements.
• An application for Scholarship Funds is required for each semester.

Application Procedure

• Applications are available from the Nurses’ Alumni Office or the Chairperson, Scholarship Committee:

Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association
Thomas Jefferson University
1020 Locust Street, Suite 210
Philadelphia, PA 19107-5233
Phone: 215-955-8981

• Submit all applications at least forty five (45) days prior to the regularly scheduled meetings of the Alumni Association (second Wednesday of September, November, January, March and the annual meeting in May).
• Include the name and address of the person or school to whom the scholarship check is to be sent.
• Each application is given careful consideration and considered on a first come, first served basis.
Application for Nurses’ Scholarship Fund

The Clara Melville-Adele Lewis Scholarship Fund
of the Alumni Association of the
School of Nursing (Diploma Program)
College of Health Professions
Thomas Jefferson University
215-955-8981

1. Name: ____________________________________________
   (Last Name)   (First Name)  (Middle Initial)  (Maiden Name)

2. Address: ____________________________________________
   (Number and Street)    (City and State)   (Zip Code)

3. Year of Graduation: ______ Social Security #: __________________________ Telephone #: ____________

4. Include a letter of acceptance from the University or College you plan to attend.

5. Positions held. Arrange in sequence, listing present or last position first.

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6. Are you a member of the:  O Alumni Association   O ANA   O NLN   O Other ______________

7. List your activities in professional organizations.

__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

8. Proposed program of study and plans for your professional career:
School enrolled in _________________________________________________________________
Address of School _________________________________________________________________
Tuition cost: Total __________________________ Per credit __________________________

9. Available financial assistance (amounts)
Scholarships _______________ Loans ____________ Work reimbursement ____________

10. Have you received scholarship money
from the Alumni in the past?  O No  O Yes  If yes, amount ________ Dates ____________

11. Number of credits:
Taking this semester ______  Earned toward Degree _______ Needed for Degree ________

12. Upon completion of course work, we require that you send proof of your passing grade to
   the Alumni Office.

Signature __________________________________________________________  Date ____________

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Eligibility for Certification

Purpose
To assist close family members of the Alumni Association to meet their tuition obligation when attending Jefferson College of Nursing.

General Requirements

• Membership of the Diploma Alumni in the Alumni Association (preferred).
• A close relative (daughter, son, granddaughter, grandson) of a graduate of the Diploma program enrolled full time or part time in a nursing degree program at Jefferson College of Nursing.

Awards
All things being equal, preference will be given to those who have most nearly completed degree requirements. The Scholarship Committee may award up to 50% of tuition costs after all criteria are met to qualified applicants.

An application for Scholarship Funds is required for each semester. A financial statement from the Bursar’s office for tuition costs and proof of passing grades is required each semester.

Application Procedure

• Applications are available from the Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Office or Chairperson, Scholarship Committee.

  Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association
  Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center
  Jefferson Alumni Hall
  1020 Locust Street, Suite 210
  Philadelphia, PA 19107-5233
  Phone: 215-955-8981

• Submit all applications at least forty five (45) days prior to the regularly scheduled meetings of the Alumni Association (second Wednesday of September, November, January, March and the annual meeting in May).
• Complete the application legibly.
• Each application is given careful consideration and considered on a first come, first served basis.
Descendant Application for Nurses’ Scholarship Fund

The Clara Melville-Adele Lewis Scholarship Fund
of the Alumni Association of the School of Nursing (Diploma Program)
College of Health Professions
Thomas Jefferson University
215-955-8981

Name of Diploma Alumni Member

Name: ____________________________ (Last Name)  (First Name)   (Middle Initial) (Maiden Name)

Address: ____________________________ (Number and Street)    (City and State)    (Zip Code)

Year of Graduation from TJUH Diploma School of Nursing: ______ Telephone: ________________

Name of Applicant

1. Name: ____________________________ (Last Name)  (First Name)   (Middle Initial) (Maiden Name)

2. Relationship to Above Diploma Alumni Member: ____________________________
   (Must be a close relative—daughter/son, granddaughter/grandson)

3. Address: ____________________________ Email: ____________________________

   (Number and Street)    (City and State)                   (Zip Code)

   Telephone: ____________________________ (Home)      (Cell)

4. Plans for your professional career:
   Jefferson College of Nursing
   130 S. 9th Street
   Philadelphia, PA 19107
   Nursing Degree Program: ________Total number of credits required for this degree: _____

5. Semester and year of enrollment for which you are requesting funding: ______________________

6. Additional financial assistance | scholarships/grants: _____ Work reimbursement: _______

7. Have you received money from the Alumni in the past?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  Dates, if yes: __________

8. Upon completion of course work, we require that you send proof of your passing grade(s) to the
   Alumni Office and a financial report of cost incurred by you from the Bursar’s office before any
   additional requests will be considered.

   I verify that all information provided to the Alumni Association is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature ____________________________ Date __________
Eligibility for Certification/Conference Reimbursement

Purpose

To assist members of the Alumni Association to meet the costs of certification/conference education in a nursing specialty.

Requirements

- Alumni of the Diploma Nursing Program of Thomas Jefferson University.
- Membership in the Alumni Association preferred.
- At least two years’ experience in the nursing specialty requested.
- Application and acceptance by organization offering certification examination or documentation of nursing conference registration and attendance.

Awards

Monies will be granted to applicants who meet the requirements.

Application Procedure

- Applications are available from the Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Office or Chairperson, Scholarship Committee (see reverse).

Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center
Jefferson Alumni Hall
1020 Locust Street, Suite 210
Philadelphia, PA 19107-5233
Phone: 215-955-8981

Nursing Conference Reimbursement Criteria

- Fee reimbursed is registration fee only
- Nursing Conference Reimbursement limit is one conference registration fee per year, up to $1,000.
- Reimbursements will be considered commencing July 1, 2019
- Application must be completed and returned with receipt
Application for Certification/Conference Reimbursement

The Clara Melville-Adele Lewis Scholarship Fund
of the Alumni Association of the
School of Nursing (Diploma Program)
College of Health Professions
Thomas Jefferson University
215-955-8981

1. Name: ____________________________________________  (Last Name)  (First Name)  (Middle Initial)  (Maiden Name)

2. Address: ________________________________________  (Number and Street)  (City and State)  (Zip Code)

3. Year of Graduation: ________ Social Security #: _____________ Telephone #: ______________

4. I applied and have been accepted to sit for  o Certification  o Re-certification
   o Examination in the following specialty:
   Name: ____________________________________________  Date: __________

5. Costs Incurred: ____________________________________
   Examination Fee: ________________________________

6. Financial assistance available to you (state amount):
   Work reimbursement: ____________________________  Other: ________________________________

7. To receive financial assistance with certification/conference costs, send a copy of one of the
   following to the nurses Alumni Office:
   1. Canceled check
   2. Receipt of payment
   3. Your passing grade

8. Are you a member of the Alumni Association?  o Yes  o No

9. Name of Conference: __________________________________________

10. Location of Conference: _________________________________________

11. Canceled check or CC statement showing personal registration cost after any outside
    reimbursement.

For Nursing Conference Reimbursement: For registration fees only, complete 1-3 and 9-11. Only
unreimbursed registration costs will be considered.

Signature ____________________________________________  Date __________________
Eligibility for Relief Trust Fund Benefits

To Be Eligible for Relief Fund Benefits

Membership in the Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association for one year preferred. However, all requests will be given consideration. All things being equal, members will be given first consideration.

The Following Are Entirely Excluded:

1. Pregnancy and its’ complications.
2. Cosmetic Surgery.
3. Dental surgery and/or complications.

Newly added Relief Fund benefit as of May 2018:

Hearing aids will be covered to a lifetime maximum of $2,000 with proper application, documentation, and receipts.

How to Apply for Relief Fund Benefits:

1. Complete your part (the top portion) of the Benefit Form and sign the authorization at the bottom.
2. Have your physician complete his or her part of the Benefit Form.
3. If the Alumni member cannot complete the Benefit Form, the person submitting the form must include his or her relationship to the member when signing and give their address and telephone number.
4. The completed Benefit Form should be sent to:

Chairman, Relief Trust Fund Committee
Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center
Jefferson Alumni Hall
1020 Locust Street, Suite 210
Philadelphia, PA 19107-5233
Phone: 215-955-8981

All information remains confidential.

All Relief Trust Fund requests are considered by the Board of Directors of the Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association for the amount of monies granted.
Application for Relief Trust Fund Benefits

Diploma Nurses’ Alumni Association  
School of Nursing  
Thomas Jefferson University  
College of Health Professions  
215-955-8981

**Applicant Data**

1. Name: ____________________________________________________________________________  
   (Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Initial) (Maiden Name)

2. Address: ____________________________________________________________________________  
   (Number and Street) (City and State) (Zip Code)

3. Year of Graduation: __________ Social Security #: __________________ Telephone #: __________________

   Type of Membership  
   O Life  
   O Active  
   Have you received Alumni Benefits before  
   O No  
   O Yes, Date ______

   List your specific needs ____________________________

   Include the reason for this specific request ____________________________

   Signature ____________________________________________________________________________  Date ____________

   O Applicant  
   O Representative

   Relationship to Applicant ____________________________

**Attending Physician Statement**

Patient’s Name ____________________________________________________________________________

Diagnosis (If injury, give date of accident) ____________________________

Date first consulted for this illness ____________________________ Length of illness ____________________________

If patient hospitalized: name of hospital ____________________________ Dates ____________________________

If patient in nursing home or extended care facility:

   Name of Facility ____________________________________________________________________________

   Address of Facility ____________________________________________________________________________

   Physician’s Signature ____________________________ Degree ____________________________

   Address: ____________________________________________________________________________  
   (Number and Street) (City and State) (Zip Code)

**Authorization**

I hereby authorize the above named physician to release any and all information requested by Jefferson’s Nurses’ Alumni Association with respect to this claim for Relief Fund Benefits.

Signature ____________________________________________________________________________  Date ____________

   (Applicant or Representative)

   Relationship to Applicant ____________________________
Campus Map

Directions are available for Mobile Devices at: Jefferson.edu

1. Alumni Hall
   1020 Locust Street

2. Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience
   9th and Walnut Street

3. Gibbon Building
   111 South 11th Street

4. 833 Chestnut Street

5. Main Building - Emergency Room
   132 South 10th Street

6. Wills Eye Hospital
   840 Walnut Street

7. Walnut Towers
   850 Walnut Street

8. Clinical Office Building
   909 Walnut Street

9. 925 Chestnut Street

10. Medical Office Building
    1100 Walnut Street

11. Foederer Pavilion
    125 South 11th Street

12. Bodine Building
    11th & Sansom Street

13. 1015 Chestnut Street

14. 901 Walnut Street

15. Dorrance H. Hamilton Building
    1001 Locust Street
# List of Area Hotels

The following hotels may offer a “Jefferson” discount off of their daily room rate. When calling for reservations mention that you are affiliated with Thomas Jefferson University Hospital/Jefferson Health System, and ask about “Jefferson” rates before inquiring about other possible discounted rates (AAA, AARP etc.)

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<td>1305 Walnut Street, 19107</td>
<td>1-800-315-2621 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Martin Building/Alternate Housing</td>
<td>11th &amp; Walnut Street, 19107</td>
<td>215-955-8913</td>
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<td>Alexander Inn</td>
<td>301 South 12th Street, 19107</td>
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<td>Philadelphia Marriott Downtown</td>
<td>1201 Market Street, 19107</td>
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<td>Double Tree – Philadelphia Center City</td>
<td>237 South Broad Street, 19107</td>
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<td>Hampton Inn Philadelphia Center City Convention Center</td>
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<td>1-800-426-7866 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Hilton Garden Inn Philadelphia Center City</td>
<td>1100 Arch Street, 19107</td>
<td>1-888-370-0984 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Comfort Inn Penn’s Landing – Historic District</td>
<td>100 N. Columbus Boulevard, 19106</td>
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<td>Wyndham Philadelphia – Historic District</td>
<td>400 Arch Street, 19106</td>
<td>1-866-403-9847 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Omni Hotel at Independence Park</td>
<td>401 Chestnut Street, 19106</td>
<td>1-800-843-6664 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Hyatt Philadelphia at the Bellevue Philadelphia</td>
<td>200 South Broad Street, 19102</td>
<td>1-800-778-7477 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Best Western Plus Independence Park Hotel</td>
<td>235 Chestnut Street, 19106</td>
<td>1-800-628-8491 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Radisson Blu Warwick Hotel Philadelphia</td>
<td>220 South 17th Street, 19103</td>
<td>1-866-794-7985 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Penn’s View Hotel</td>
<td>14 N. Front Street, 19106-9215</td>
<td>1-800-331-7634 (toll free)</td>
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<td>Sheraton Philadelphia Society Hill</td>
<td>1 Dock Street, 19106</td>
<td>1-844-879-4901 (toll free)</td>
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<td>LaReserve Bed and Breakfast – Center City</td>
<td>1804 Pine Street, 19103</td>
<td>1-888-405-8567 (toll free)</td>
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Meetings and Annual Luncheon

Regular Meeting Dates
Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, November 13, 2019, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, January 8, 2020, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, September 9, 2020, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, November 11, 2020, 4 p.m.

The above Meetings are held in the
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center Conference Room
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Suite 210
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Annual Meeting
Saturday, May 2, 2020, 10:30 a.m.
Pinizzotto-Ammon Alumni Center Conference Room
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Suite 210
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Annual Luncheon
Saturday, May 2, 2020

Social Hour: 11:30 a.m.
Jefferson Alumni Hall, Eakins Lounge
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Luncheon: 1 p.m.
Jefferson Alumni Hall
1020 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Parking is available below the Dorrance Hamilton Building—parking entrance is on 11th Street

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Please contact the Diploma Nurses’ Alumni office at 215-955-8981 for updated alumni contact information.