



# GRAHAM HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNI NEWSLETTER



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## *In Sympathy*

Lula Stanfel

Class of 1927

August 22, 2007

Helen Saunders

Class of 1943

July 28, 2007

Elizabeth Grimm

Class of 1945

May 11, 2007

Mary Sherman

Class of 1945

July 6, 2007

Shirley Casper

Class of 1951 &

Former Instructor

July 8, 2007

Janet Stein

Class of 1972

April 30, 2007

## Alumni Updates

**Class of 1973... Donna (Blakey) Jagers** sent a short note to update everyone since graduation. Donna has worked her entire nursing career at Perry Memorial Hospital in Princeton, Illinois. She currently works as an operating room nurse and manages the four room O.R. at Perry. Donna lives in Wyanet, Illinois with her husband of 34 years, Kerry. She has 2 children, Shannon and Jason, and 4 grandchildren.

**Class of 1978... Cindy Brown** recently accepted the position of Nurse Educator at Graham Hospital. Cindy has been a member of the Graham team for 32 years. While at Graham, Cindy has worked in various units including Med Surg, ICU, ED, and HME.

**Class of 1984...Christine (Kelly) Befort** was named as a finalist for the Western Mountain Region Nursing Excellence Award for 2007 in Clinical Care. Christine wanted the school to know about this honor because she says "my education at Graham was the foundation for all my achievements in the field of nursing to this day." Christine currently lives in Arizona where is employed at Mayo Clinic Arizona (MCA) as the Apheresis Team Leader for the BMT/Cellular Therapy Program. She was recruited in 2003 by MCA to develop the stem cell collection program for MCA and Phoenix Children's Hospital. The program has been very successful and was FACT accredited this past year. Christine travels between the hospitals managing the quality control area of the collection program and perform stem cell collections on children in need of blood and marrow transplants. "Although it took me many years to find my niche in nursing," Christine says, "I have always enjoyed whatever I was doing. My knowledge gained during my 3 years at Graham has helped me immensely throughout my career. I still remember Mrs. Rose teaching pediatrics and to this day I am still able to recall much of the information she taught me when working with children." Christine will receive her BSN in December 2007.

## Alumni Updates Cont....

**Class of 1989...** **Sheila Bell** has accepted a position as Case Manager for Graham Hospital. Sheila has worked at Graham since graduation in 1989. She also recently received certification as a Legal Nurse Consultant along with education in grief counseling.

**Class of 1996...** **Stacey (Mell) Reid** works for Quad City Rheumatology in Moline, Illinois where she is an office RN and a Clinical Research Coordinator. She has been married since 2000 and has 2 sons, Maxwell, and Samuel.

**Class of 2000....****Heather Martin** was named 2007 MDH/SRC Nurse of the Year by the SRC School of Nursing Class of 2007. The Nurse of the Year award recognizes an outstanding LPN or RN who has been involved with the clinical training of the SRC nursing students. The award is based upon the nurse's generosity with nursing students, integrity with the care of clients, mentoring ability with students, and knowledge of nursing. Heather works in the Acute Care department at McDonough District Hospital. Congratulations Heather!

**Class of 2006...**Methodist Medical Center of Illinois in Peoria announced the winners of its annual Nursing Mentor and Mentee awards in May. **Ron Brown** was named Mentee of the Year. He received gifts from the hospital and a monetary award toward continuing education.

We want to hear about what is happening with all of you—new jobs, marriages, babies, etc. If you have information you would like to share in the newsletter, please contact: Lynne Waldrop, GHSON,

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Canton, Illinois 61520  
Phone: (309) 647-4086

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## Alumni Addresses...

It has been a slow process but we continue to work on completing an accurate listing of all alumni names and addresses. We have found some recent graduate names that we no longer have current information for or their information was lost during our computer issue last year. Please contact us if you have a current address for any of the names listed. Thanks.

### Class of 2004

Kari Pugh  
Kristen Foose  
Tonya Keeler

### Class of 2003

Joan Howe

### Class of 2002

Heily Windsor  
Chad Smith

### Class of 2000

Jamie Cole  
Tonya Montgomery  
Jackie Caravella

### Class of 1998

Kelly Schrodt

### Class of 1997

Monica Rilea  
Michelle Armstrong  
Katherine Long

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## More Missing Alumni Addresses...

### Class of 1996

Carrie Helle Connour  
Sheila Huggins  
Kara Kuchan  
Kimberly Miller  
Carol Prichard  
Sandra Cozart

### Class of 1995

Vicki Edwards  
Tana Long Azbell  
Barbara Ruble

### Class of 1994

Janna Hall Peterson  
Nancy Matjewski  
Sally Pickel Goodnight  
Anna Denny

### Class of 1993

Lynn Black  
Rick Rining

### Class of 1992

Crystal Kruzan  
Lisa Kaufman  
Christina Heaton

### Class of 1990

Kelcy Joan Kaler  
Janice Silva  
Stephanie Bieneman Stephens

### Class of 1989

Sherri Bell  
Jeannie Doubet  
Helen Stephens

### Class of 1988

Cynthia Bailey  
Janet Stivers

### Class of 1987

Lynne Kidd  
Zoie Degitz  
Peggy Davis Naff  
Luz Chandler  
Tammy Skiles  
Connie Walker  
Kristina Willis White

### Class of 1986

Melina Hohimer  
Angela Hodgson  
Tanya Brown  
Dian Cook  
Betty Cooper  
Carolyn Davis  
Marilou Gaw

Esther Hazel  
Linda Coulter  
Patti Dixon

Kathy Rose  
Rhonda Phelps  
Jodi Hunt Morgan

Sherri Sorrells

### Class of 1985

Beverly Stanton  
Tammy Hendee  
Kendra Lofton  
Elizabeth Goldhammer

Patty Cook

Phyllis Brown  
Lisa Beck Downs  
Deborah Thompson

Janet Williams

### Class of 1984

Karen Diane Schleich  
Rita Potter  
Sara Radosevic  
Judith Woodcock  
Margaret Gavlinski  
Joseph W. Vitale  
Teresa Chenoweth Davis

Berneice LeMaster  
Iris Aleshire Currier  
Craig Johnson

### Class of 1983

Darlene Fitzjarrald  
Elizabeth Dunne  
Karen Fredrickson  
Debbie Smith  
Diana Walters  
Sherry Snyder

### Class of 1983 (Cont.)

Janice Sheets Derry  
Renee Zimmerman Hamm  
Sherilyn Kerr Sous  
Barbara Strauch  
Stella Record  
Faith Brozenec

### Class of 1982

Lois Ives  
Lynette McMahon Zelterburg Slater  
Gwen Ghrist  
JoEllyn Moore Hubbs

### Class of 1981

Susan Baughman Wright  
Cathy Atherton Seeders  
Sandra Lindahl Zeswitz  
Janet Allspach  
Anne Dietz McCall  
Robert Gaither Jr.

Linda Law  
Laura McDermott  
Deidre Pollard

### Class of 1980

James Lee  
Julie Carlton Pickel  
Cynthia Martin Thomas  
Jackie Cheatham Smith  
Mary Timmons  
Cynthia Walters

## Alumni Dues

**Dues of \$10 are payable each year. If you haven't paid your 2007 dues, please send them to:**

**Mary Jane Mathews  
21014 E. Shelby Road  
Lewistown, IL 61542**

**Thank You**

