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Letter from the SCHNAA Board

Dear Nurse Alumnae,

As we gathered for this year's reunion, we were reminded of the strong bonds that we formed not only with each other, but also with the hospital where we invested so much of our time. Before the reunion luncheon, many alumnae had the opportunity to tour the campus to see just how much it has changed since our time as students.

During the lunch program, we were introduced to yet another way in which Swedish Covenant Hospital is transforming – and that's through the Women's Health Initiative. This fall, Swedish Covenant Hospital will begin seeing patients in the new Mayora Rosenberg Women's Health Center. This diagnostic center is the cornerstone of the Women's Health Initiative.

As women and nurses, we know what an important role that women have in their family's health care. We also know the barriers that many women face when trying to access care from inability to pay to lack of childcare. The initiative breaks down barriers through the creation of the center, a Resource Center and an Access and Education program.

Those of us at the reunion had the pleasure of learning about the Access and Education program from Shannon Sikkila, MS, ANP-BC. Shannon will serve as the Women's Health Navigator and will lead outreach efforts to the diverse ethnic communities in the hospital service area.

October 2 was a celebratory day for Swedish Covenant Hospital as the ribbon was cut on the new center. We should all be proud of our involvement with Swedish Covenant Hospital and the ways we have contributed to make this initiative a reality.

Phyllis Anderson
Class of '65

Joan A. Bickner
Class of '65

Sharon Eager
Class of '63

Carol Olson
Class of '61

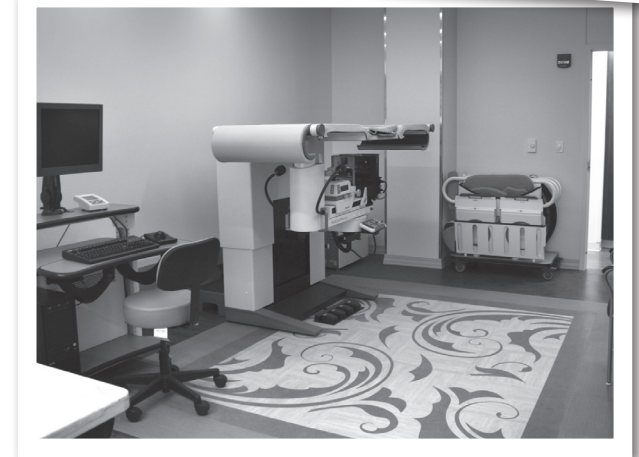
Susan Tanner
Class of '68



The Women's Health Center waiting area is connected to the Resource Center. The Resource Center will be staffed with retired nurse volunteers.



This patient-only hallway ensures a private and relaxing experience.



The stereotactic mammography suite contains specialized equipment to perform minimally invasive biopsy testing.

Reunion Spotlight

Swedish Covenant Hospital Nursing Alumnae Association welcomed more than 60 alumnae for the annual reunion, held in June 2014 at the DoubleTree in Skokie, IL. The reunion celebrated the classes of 1954, 1959, 1964, and 1969. Alumnae from more than 18 states and two Canadian provinces gathered for a weekend of fellowship and friendship.

Visit the SCHNAA section of www.swedishcovenantfoundation.org to view more photos from the reunion.

Class of 1954:

Vivian (Anderson) Johnson,
R. Evelyn (Engblom) Elia,
Nancy (Kristoffersen)
Dahlberg,
Audrey (Mouthaan)
Hodgkinson



Class of 1959:

Mary (Clark) Terzis,
Nona (Larson) Michael



Class of 1964:

Standing (left to right):
Connie (Nelson) Thorpe,
Gail (McKenzie) Lehnus,
Bonnie (Calm) Eriksson,
Nancy (Larson) Olen,
Jean (Forsberg) Winfield,
Ellen (Klaszky) Schlichting,
Sandra (Dahlberg) Waarne,
Priscilla (Anderson) Simpson,
Lynn (Bostrom) Swanson,
Rebecca (MacLeod) Schick,
Carola (Brandel) Anderson,
Sylvia (Nilson) Foster

Seated (left to right):
Janice (Youngberg) Peterson,
Charlotte Johnson,
Joanne (Kuhnle) Pohl,
Pauline (Nelson) Swanson,
Janice (Bason) Anderson,
Arleen (Johnson) Yoder

Class of 1969:

Standing (left to right):
Ruth (Smith) Johnson,
Mandy (Rietz) Gonzales,
Sally (Phillips) Nickerson,
Karin (Hillman) Oeffling,
Nancy (Clark) Colvin,
Joyce (Walter) Wierenga,
Jane (Berggren) Oswald,
Chris (Shupert) Raad,
Donna (DeBlock) Olthoff,
Laurie (Schiess) Mettry

Seated (left to right):
Sharon (Nelson) Johnson,
Jeannine (Lawson) McFadyen,
Diane (Ault) Ridenour,
Gail (Anderson) Peterson





Pauline (Nelson) Swanson, '64 and Caroline (Brassington) Shoberg, '58



Members of the class of 1954 recited a poem based on South Pacific during Roll Call.



Janet McBride, '58



Jeannine (Lawson) McFadyen, '69 and Karin (Hillman) Oeffling, '69

REUNION Save the Date

SAVE THE DATE for the 2015 **SCH Nursing Alumnae Reunion** on June 13 at the DoubleTree Hilton in Skokie. The classes receiving special tribute this year are 1940, 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, and 1965. More details to follow!

Your Gifts at Work

Thanks to your support, SCHNAA co-sponsored a Nursing Appreciation Cart with the SCH Associates' Board, a group of young professionals who volunteer and raise funds and awareness for the hospital. The Associates' Board passed out coffee and treats to about 60 evening shift nurses to show their appreciation for the SCH Nurses' hard work.



Membership dues also supported two scholarships for North Park University nursing students. This year's recipients were Eliza Mulder and Anna Lund.

In Loving Memory

Pauline (Larson) Baker, '44
October 14, 2011

Helen C. (Carlson) Beers, '54
October 28, 2013

Nadine M. (Wycinsky) Campbell, '66
November 5, 2013

Lois (Magnuson) Erickson, '57
September 13, 2013

Verna (Isaacson) Fogel, '40
September 3, 2014

Ruth (Olander) Hastings, '36
February 17, 2014

Mary (Lundeen) Lee, '63
November 20, 2013

Karilyn D. (Dykstra) Masselink, '51
November 10, 2013

Shirley (Scharey) Munding, '43
December 25, 2013

Nilah J. (Croy) Netzley, '51
February 12, 2014

Marion (Swenson) Pihl, '49
November 20, 2013

Ione (Johnson) Potter, '51
February 24, 2014

Marvene (Morner) Roos, '43
August 30, 2013

Kathryn R. Videen, '53
April 14, 2014

Swedish Covenant Hospital mourns the passing of **Dr. Fernly Johnson** on Aug. 17, 2014. Dr. Johnson was a General Surgeon at Swedish Covenant Hospital for many years, where he was President of the Medical Staff and Chief of Surgery and member of the Heritage Society.

Alumni Spotlight

In October, Norma Singer, '65 will be traveling to South Africa. Below is a note she shared about her upcoming experience.

“Love your neighbor as yourself. How often have you heard that one, plus who is my neighbor anyway?

Your neighbor is anybody you can help (somebody once said) and although these neighbors are pretty far away, I helped them once — courtesy of the class of '65 (SCH Nursing school) and now I get to help them again courtesy of the same people plus family and friends as well. Which is why I'm thrilled to be included in a team of volunteers from Armitage Baptist Church (Chicago) who will be working alongside Living Hope Ministries in Cape Town, South Africa in October as they minister to those afflicted with AIDS and AIDS related issues. I was so blessed the first time around, I can hardly wait to see how I'll be blessed this time plus representing a wonderful group of people who've offered their prayers and support who'll get a blessing too, won't they, by proxy, in that they helped bring it about.”

Norma Singer, *Class of '65*



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