Three Alumni selected as AANP Fellows

Congratulations to three Pitt Nursing alumni who have been named Fellows of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP): Victoria Soltis-Jarrett (MSN ’88); Susan Van Cleve (BSN ’77); and Donna Nativio (BSN’64, MSHYG ’67, PhD ’86). This Fellows Program recognizes those nurse practitioner leaders who have made outstanding contributions to healthcare through clinical practice, research, education, or policy. Dr. Soltis-Jarrett, PhD, PMHCNS/NP-BC, FAANP, is professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Nursing. Dr. Susan Van Cleve, DNP, CPNP-PC, PMHS, FAANP, is the Immediate Past President of the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) and associate professor at Robert Morris University School of Nursing in Dr. Donna Nativio Pittsburgh, PA. Dr. Donna Nativio, PhD, CRNP, ANP, PNP, CPNP-PC, FAAN, FAANP, is associate professor here at the School of Nursing and Director of the School’s DNP program; she is also the Coordinator of four of the Nurse Practitioner areas of concentration.

Faculty and alumna receive national nurse practitioner recognition | Associate Dean Sandra Engberg (MSN ’87, PhD ’93) and alumna Margaret Grey (BSN ’70) have been listed among the “25 Top Nurse Practitioner Program Professors,” according to NursePractitionerSchools.com. The Web site selected faculty from across the country who are “among the best of the best, who have proven themselves time and again to be top educators and top nurses.” Dr. Engberg is Professor and Associate Dean for Graduate Clinical Education at the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing. Her teaching responsibilities include courses in global health care, women's health management, and geriatric management for the School’s nurse practitioner students. Dr. Engberg is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.

Dr. Margaret Grey (BSN ’70), Dean and Annie Goodrich Professor at the Yale University School of Nursing, has also been named Outstanding Nurse Scientist by the American Academy of Nursing/Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science.
Golf Outing ... a success on the course and off!
The School hosted the 2014 Nancy Glunt Hoffman Memorial Golf Outing on July 21st at the beautiful Shannopin Country Club and all the participants were out to have fun while supporting a great cause. The day included the Nancy Crouthame Team tournament, skills competition, dinner and a highly-competitive silent auction. Thanks to all who attended for their support, which will help benefit the Nancy Glunt Hoffman Endowed Chair in Oncology Nursing.

School introduces White Coat Ceremony
On August 23, the School will host its inaugural White Coat Ceremony for students! This ceremony is often held by health sciences schools as it signifies the transition from classroom learning to clinical learning, a formal welcome into the nursing profession. Check future issues of this newsletter to see how students enjoyed this new tradition at the School of Nursing.

Show Off Your Pitt Nursing Pride
Our anniversary year, celebrating the founding of the School in 1939, has been so much fun! You can be a part of the festivities by showing off your Pitt Nursing Pride in your commemorative T-shirt or sleep shirt! Place your order here...and shipping is free!

Pitt Nursing CE meets your educational needs
Whether you need to brush up on new technologies or learn new strategies for managing behavioral change, Pitt Nursing CE has an online educational offering to help you. Given that finding the time to take an on-campus course can be challenging, the School has created a suite of continuing education events in which you can participate from your home and on your own schedule.

How many times have you taken a CE course because it fits into your schedule...not because the topic best suits you? Pitt Nursing has a broad selection of topics to help nurses and nurse educators not only acquire contact hours, but also to learn something that can be put into practice immediately. Addiction training, effective data acquisition and usage, evaluation of online learning, and clinical ethics for nurses are just a few examples of the breadth of activities available online.