



February 2014 e-Newsletter

Share Your Best Pitt Nursing Memories

Was there a faculty member who significantly contributed to your success as a student and beyond? Which class do you remember most vividly? Do you still chuckle about something that happened when you were a student at the School of Nursing? If so, please share your story with us in honor of the 75th anniversary of the School. Simply complete this [survey](#). Thank you!

School of Nursing to host Open House for Prospective Students

Whether interested in undergraduate or graduate degree programs, potential Pitt Nursing students will discover all the details at the Open House scheduled for Saturday, April 5, 2014. From 9:00 am until 12:00 noon, interested parties can visit the School of Nursing to meet with program representatives and faculty, tour the School's state-of-the-art anatomy and simulation labs, and enjoy refreshments. No registration is needed, simply visit the Victoria Building that Saturday morning to learn more about our degree programs and certificate options.



Undergraduate Research on the National Stage

Since the 1990s, our profession has been moving to Evidence-based practice, where the quality of patient care is improved by a thorough understanding and implementation of research findings. In order to ensure that our students have the proper skills and foundation to engage in such practice, BSN students are offered numerous opportunities to explore and participate in the research process. The School of Nursing is pleased to announce that a record number (23) of its undergraduate students have been invited to present their research at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR) at the University of Kentucky on April 3-5, 2014. NCUR promotes undergraduate research, scholarship and creative activity across all disciplines in partnership with faculty and other mentors as a vital component of higher education. The conference draws undergraduate students from across the United States to present research posters and papers, as well as to participate in Student Interest Sessions and a Graduate School Fair.

Alumni Invited to Apply for the Ruth Perkins Kuehn Research Award



In honor of Ruth Perkins Kuehn, founder and first dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing, an endowment fund was established to support research. The Ruth Perkins Kuehn Research Award provides an annual grant to

a promising nurse-researcher alumni or faculty member at the School of Nursing. For fiscal year 2015, this endowment will make a clinical research grant possible for a maximum amount of \$21,000. The deadline to submit your application for this significant award is 4 p.m. (EST) on Monday, July 7, 2014. The guidelines for the fund and the application can be found [here](#).

One Day to Make a Big Difference for Pitt



On March 18, Pitt faculty, staff, alumni, and students will board the buses for PITT DAY in Harrisburg. This annual event is an opportunity for Pitt advocates to educate state legislator's on the importance of increasing funding for the University. Hopefully, many Pitt supporters will journey forth to emphasize the importance of high-quality public higher education, and to decry the devastating effects that the state legislatures' declining funding patterns have had on Pitt students, today and in the future. For more details on being a part of this advocacy effort, please visit this Pitt Alumni Association [Web site](#).

Keep track of upcoming events at the School of Nursing...visit our [Events Page](#) often!