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DONOR SPOTLIGHT *Supporting students to grow community-based care*

VISITING HIS MOTHER at her pharmacy, writing pretend prescriptions and soaking up all aspects of the health care environment shaped Ron Orдона as a child. In his Filipino grade school, he thought that would be his future. Ultimately, he chose nursing—a decision that brought him to the United States and will bring opportunity for future nursing students at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis.

“I knew I could get a job directly after completing a bachelor’s degree and support myself,” Orдона says. “I never regretted that decision and my parents’ dedication to invest in my education. They told me then, that this is their legacy.”

The financial reality of obtaining a nursing degree was not lost on Orдона. Scholarships supported his college endeavors. His parents filled the gap. Today, he juggles roles as a nurse practitioner in his practice, a medical house call provider in Lincoln, California, a business



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—RON ORDONA, NP AND DONOR

owner of four residential care facilities for the elderly and a bedside nurse at UC Davis Medical Center. He first invested in the School of Nursing through payroll deductions. Seeing the value of that smaller contribution, he decided to increase his impact and establish

the Roletto and Amparo Ordon Endowed Scholarship in Nursing for Community Based Senior Care, to honor his parents and reward future graduate students interested in community-based nursing.

“When I care for homebound seniors in their homes, rather than having them visit the emergency department for preventable reasons, I know I’ve made a real difference in a family’s life,” Ordon says. “I want future nurses to experience that sense of fulfillment. Plus, I want to ensure someone is there to take care of me when I enter that phase of life.” ♦



MAKING CAREGIVERS VISIBLE, REDESIGNING EDUCATION

Founding Dean Heather M. Young

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK highlights the incredible contributions nurses make in our communities. At the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis, we celebrate the passion of nurses and commit to developing their leadership potential.

As health care shifts from hospitals to homes, providing care shifts to family members and communities. According to “Caregiving in the U.S. 2015,” a report by the National Alliance for Caregiving and AARP, 40 million individuals are engaged in the crucial and complex commitment of caring for a family member. Our faculty and students are dedicated to supporting family caregivers,

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Sallie-Grace Tate, Assistant Dean for Advancement

INDIVIDUALS CONTINUE TO DRIVE THE GROWTH

in philanthropic giving in the U.S., donating 80 percent of 2015's record giving totals of \$373 billion, through direct and estate gifts, according to the most recent Giving USA report. The growth of donor-advised funds underscores the reality that philanthropy is not just for people named Gates, Buffet or Winfrey. It illustrates the uniqueness of American generosity.

Karl Zinsmeister, author of *The Almanac of American Philanthropy*, argues that philanthropy is our venture capital. "It's the thing we pour into new problems, to sticky problems, to difficult problems, because it's much more flexible. It's more nimble. It's much more inventive."

The Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing's community of donors, faculty and students dive in to solve the sticky problems. We don't shy away from challenges, but are inspired to make vast improvements for people through health. Innovation in clinical coursework, complemented by leadership development across all five programs, produces graduates who will drive the needed changes. To fully realize

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SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT PROFILE: SHEREE CRINER

Motivated to mentor

GROWING UP IN OAKLAND,

Sheree Criner recognized her passion for helping others. Supported by a dedicated grandfather and a host of strong women in her family, she chose nursing and works to be a role model and mentor so others can do the same.

"I never really had a mentor to help me focus my educational trajectory," says Criner, a master's-degree leadership student. "Now my mission is to mentor girls, so they are more prepared than I was."

Currently, as nurse manager, Criner leads a team at the UC Davis Spine Center and Neurosurgery Clinic. She chose to embark upon a graduate degree now because of scholarship opportunity.

"Philanthropy is 100 percent the reason I'm doing this now in my life. As a full-time working mom and wife, I will not financially burden



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—SHEREE CRINER, MASTER'S-DEGREE LEADERSHIP STUDENT

my family," Criner says. "The fact that people are willing to invest in me and other students shows the difference that one person can make."

"Students and nurses, like Sheree, illustrate the great achievements that are possible when ambition, talent and drive are nurtured early in the educational process. Mentoring plays a crucial role in that evolution," says Kupiri Ackerman-Barger, assistant adjunct professor.

Criner knows countless nurses hindered from the pursuit of higher education because of the cost.

"I'm definitely on a mission after receiving the Ida L. Vanderhoef Memorial Scholarship. I want to provide assistance for another nurse to continue to pay it forward," Criner adds. "At the end of the day, I want the fulfillment of knowing I'm the kind of woman I want my two daughters to become." ♦

DID YOU KNOW?

The average age of a School of Nursing student is 33. In the last decade, higher education demographics have changed dramatically and the learning experience that working adults need is different from that of the traditional 18-to-22-year-old full-time residential student.

QUESTION: *How should we leverage technology and adapt classroom space to accommodate these learners and advance knowledge?*

Send your thoughts to Sallie-Grace Tate: sgtate@ucdavis.edu ♦

FAMILY CAREGIVING INSTITUTE:

Launched to support those who care for the well-being of others

FAMILY CAREGIVERS provide more than 80 percent of long-term care to older adults. Yet, these dedicated individuals remain largely invisible in the health care system. In order to support them, the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis launches a new Family Caregiving Institute, dedicated to the well-being of those who care for others, with a \$5 million grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation.

Through a number of research projects and community initiatives, the School of Nursing demonstrated expertise in the family caregiving space. Through the institute, nursing leaders will discover and disseminate knowledge to improve systems of support for caregivers, enhance the capabilities of caregivers and augment abilities of health care professionals to better partner with those facing care challenges.

"Caregiving involves one in five American households," says Terri Harvath, associate dean for academics and lead researcher of the institute. "Family members typically coordinate complex, disconnected

and even contradictory clinical oversight from multiple providers and institutions. They need solutions that work for them."

Harvath leads collaboration with AARP to develop a series of caregiving video tutorials to empower people thrust into the caregiver role. In addition, a critical mass of faculty exists who already conduct caregiver research and are experienced with family caregivers.

"The Family Caregiving Institute will build upon the School of Nursing's foundation of advancing traditional hospital and systems-based solutions to meet the needs and demands for care in the community," says Janet Corrigan, chief program officer of patient care with the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation.

The grant represents a strong affirmation of the quality and work-to-date of School of Nursing faculty. The Family Caregiving Institute will be established over the next decade, leveraging the strength of UC Davis, the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation and partners.

"It is a great opportunity to bring together existing researchers here at UC Davis, recruit new faculty and further enhance our work for the well-being of caregivers everywhere," says Heather M. Young, founding dean. ♦

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and I am honored that the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation will promote the launch of a new Family Caregiving Institute with a \$5 million grant to the school (see left). I look forward to collaborations and partnerships to champion this often invisible workforce.

We continue to redesign and refine our approaches to education to address important health priorities in our communities. With our five programs, we contribute to the health care workforce in several ways: clinicians who can deliver care at the individual, family, community and global levels; researchers who advance nursing science and inform practice and education; educators who optimize learning; and leaders who advance organizations, programs and policy.

Today's learners are technologically savvy, thirsty for lifelong learning and represent a greater diversity than in decades past. When Betty Irene Moore Hall opens later this year, its new learning spaces and simulation suites address these dynamics and promise to advance our ability to prepare nurses for the future.

I invite you to join us in October for the grand opening of Moore Hall, and in the meantime, show your appreciation for a nurse who inspires you. Together, we move forward with big priorities and big dreams to improve health for everyone. ♦



Work with AARP on videos for caregivers laid the foundation for the new Family Caregiving Institute.



BETTY IRENE MOORE HALL NEARLY COMPLETE

CONSTRUCTION OF BETTY IRENE MOORE HALL reaches a milestone in the coming weeks when UC Davis assumes ownership of the new home for the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing. After 20 months of construction, officials with McCarthy Building Companies and Vanir Construction Management, Inc. will soon hand over the keys to the 70,000-square-foot building. School of Nursing leaders anticipate moving into office spaces this summer and beginning coursework with students in the fall.

Alumni and faculty got a sneak peek of the innovative spaces and simulation suites during two hard-hat



tours in February. Yukko Feletta, a master's-degree leadership alumna from the Class of 2015, says, "The vision of the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing is definitely represented here."

"Thinking about the 33 of us who started and the school growing to more than 400 students," adds

Lori Madden, an alumna from the inaugural doctoral class, "it's great to see the school's growth and the capacity here for that to happen."

Health care scholars will deepen their connection between classroom learning and clinical experiences when Moore Hall opens this fall. ♦



School of Nursing alumni and faculty experienced Betty Irene Moore Hall during special ground-floor tours in February.

CAN A TABLE GIVE FLIGHT TO A BETTER EDUCATION?

THE DAYS OF 100-SEAT LECTURE

HALLS and passive note-taking are numbered. Health care students need spaces that encourage collaboration and inspire active discussion. Imagine a piece of furniture that fosters conversations like those around your dinner table.

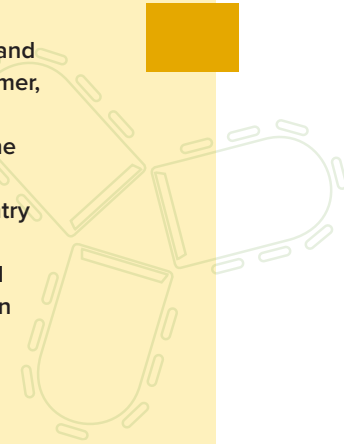
Propeller-shaped tables—strategically designed to support out-of-the-box teaching—pilot new ways for graduate students to learn. Each wing—seating seven students—creates an atmosphere where new ideas are fostered and retained.

"Rather than being packed shoulder to shoulder in a lecture hall, this open environment sets everyone at ease and facilitates ease of discussion during class," says Justin Palmer, physician assistant student.

Students recognize the value and choose to invest in the innovative learning tool. Members of the master's-degree leadership and doctoral classes, as well as the Master's Entry Program in Nursing students, pledged gifts for innovative learning in Betty Irene Moore Hall. They will be recognized with a plaque on the table and ensure future students learn how to work together better.

"As a class, we understand that a big part of learning is attributed to the learning environment," says Andrea Vega-Breaux, a master's-degree leadership student who spearheaded the Class of 2017's gift. "My hope is that the use of these tables will inspire team building, collaboration, and the sharing of ideas which leads to improvements in the way we deliver health to our communities."

Opportunities exist for additional support, whether in honor or in memory of a family member, current student or alumni. Contact Sallie-Grace Tate, sgtate@ucdavis.edu or 916-734-2783, for more information. ♦



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market president for agilon health; and Dan Weberg, director of nursing research and practice innovation with the Nurse Scholars Academy of Kaiser Permanente. Bell, along with Joanne M. Disch, professor ad honorem at University of Minnesota School of Nursing, also joined the conversation.

The experts weighed in on topics ranging from creating customized care to improve health to balancing the tension between efficiency and innovation.

“Our school wants to promote this type of dialogue and thinking in a broader way to inform how we prepare our students to lead and transform the status quo of health care,” Young says. ♦



Joanne M. Disch, professor ad honorem at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing and a member of the School of Nursing National Advisory Council, discusses how health professionals have a ways to go to reach personalized health care. Above: Moderator Heather M. Young, left, and panelists weigh in on the topic.

unique perspectives and prompts thought-provoking discussion,” says Heather M. Young, founding dean of the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing.

Young moderated a panel including Louis Burns, former chief executive officer of Care Innovations; Kristen Miranda, chief integration officer and California

WHY IS MY SMARTPHONE PERSONALIZED, BUT MY HEALTH CARE IS NOT?

HOW CAN NETFLIX PICK A MOVIE

for you, but your health care provider cannot make personalized recommendations based on your Fitbit? The fragmentation between the technology and health care worlds took center stage at the Community Conversation presented by the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis: “Why is my Smartphone Personalized, but my Health Care is Not?”

“At the end of the day, the U.S. spends more per capita on health care, yet our outcomes are often among the poorest,” says G. Russell (Russ) Bell, retired senior vice president and chief scientific officer at Beckman Coulter and chair of the School of Nursing’s National Advisory Council.

“Hearing from people with different backgrounds talking about a topic with great interest reveals

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our potential, we partner with individuals who want to be part of the solution.

Betty Irene Moore Hall provides new opportunities to invest in the future of individuals and families and the systems that keep us well. A gift of \$3,000 supports education around a propeller table, while \$1.5 million transforms workforces and health systems by underwriting a new foundation for learning. If you desire to create lasting change in health and health care, you can direct your philanthropic venture capital to support what matters most to you.

Philanthropy is an endeavor we can all get behind. When we pool our passions, we reap powerful benefits to transform our culture and make life better. ♦

STUDENT AND ALUMNI NEWS AND HAPPENINGS



School of Nursing Founding Dean Heather M. Young stands with students who presented at the annual health care quality forum.

STUDENTS IN QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COURSE PRESENT POSTERS AT ANNUAL FORUM

Physician assistant, nurse practitioner, nursing and medical graduate students from the Improving Quality in Health Care Course at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing presented 10 posters at the UC Davis Annual Healthcare Quality Forum. The forum, launched in 2011, fosters a culture of quality through active engagement of life-long, interprofessional collaborations in clinical practice. Improving Quality in Health Care is an elective course offered through the Nursing Science and Health-Care Leadership Graduate Group.

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED FOR LEADERSHIP AND CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

John (Jay) Hume, a second-year physician assistant student and Hayatullah Niazi, a second-year family nurse practitioner student, were both awarded \$2,000 scholarships from the Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Alliance in February. The scholarships support health professions students who demonstrated leadership, compassion and clinical excellence.

GRADUATE STUDENT AWARDED INAUGURAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR RURAL NURSING RESEARCH

Jennifer Edwards, a registered nurse and master’s-degree leadership student at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis, is the first recipient of the Jeanette M. Spaulding Rural Nursing Research Award. Edwards will use grant money for a descriptive study, “Misconceptions among rural residents with diabetes.”

“My nursing path up to this point has shown me the importance of person-centered care, including customized interventions,” Edwards says. “This project is a small piece of a larger interest in exploring these aspects of rural health, with the hope the information can be used to develop health programs for rural communities.”

Currently, a serious gap exists in the provision of basic educational services to the majority of diabetic patients, particularly within rural communities. The specific aim for this exploratory project is to assess misconceptions about diabetes, which could tailor specific interventions.

Inspired by her mother’s 40-year nursing career, Jeri Bigbee, Spaulding’s daughter and an adjunct professor at the School of Nursing, created the Jeanette M. Spaulding

Memorial Rural Nursing Research endowment to support students and faculty who conduct research related to rural health.

“Ms. Edward’s strong commitment to rural nursing makes her a perfect candidate for the first award,” Bigbee says. “Rural populations experience some of the highest rates of chronic illnesses. Nursing research that focuses on addressing their unique strengths and needs related to diabetes prevention and care is greatly needed.”

Bigbee hopes this research grant stimulates more research by nursing students and faculty to ultimately promote the health of rural communities.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

ACADEMIC SYMPOSIUM 2017

Graduate students in all five programs mark an educational milestone in the culmination of their academic pursuits at the School of Nursing. Through panel discussions, podium presentations and research poster displays, health care scholars share new knowledge and illustrate the transformative power of their study here. Join us 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, June 9 in the Education Building, 4610 X. St., Sacramento.

BETTY IRENE MOORE HALL GRAND OPENING

Experience the new home of the School of Nursing and graduate health education at UC Davis. Explore the state-of-the-science building and engage with students, faculty and staff on Friday morning, Oct. 13. New UC Davis Chancellor Gary May is scheduled to join Founding Dean Heather M. Young for the celebration.



Jennifer Edwards

L A T E S T N E W S

School of Nursing on KVIE

Research at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing recently appeared on KVIE Public Television in Sacramento.

“Healing Beyond Medicine” showcases a quality improvement initiative aimed at improving dementia care in skilled nursing facilities. Music and Memory uses tailored playlists and iPods to transport residents back to happier times in their past. Associate Adjunct Professor Debra Bakerjian, who is featured in the documentary, says her family was moved by the segment. “If coverage like this speaks to my 30-year-old son, I hope our work can reach a new generation and highlight this issue.”

School of Nursing ranked among nations best

For a third year, *U.S. News & World*



Report named the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis among the nation’s best for master’s-degree nursing programs. “I am honored that our peers continue to recognize that, while we are still a young school with relatively small enrollment, our contribution to higher learning and the nursing profession are worthy of this distinction,” says Dean Heather M. Young.

SPLICE grant

How future clinicians are prepared to lead within health care teams is the focus of a recent grant to the School of Nursing and the UC Davis School of Medicine. With the \$2.49 million Primary Care Training Enhancement Award known as SPLICE—System-transforming, Patient-centered Longitudinal Interprofessional Community-based Education—faculty will develop, test and disseminate a community-based, collaborative, primary care practice model that improves the patient experience, advances population health, reduces costs and enhances provider well-being.

To learn more about these advancements at the School of Nursing, contact Sallie-Grace Tate at sgtate@ucdavis.edu or 916-734-2783.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 223 current students
- 199 alumni
- 5 graduate-degree programs
- 41 scholarships
- Ranked among best nursing graduate schools by *U.S. News & World Report*
- 50-plus community partners and collaborators
- 150 clinical sites for student rotations

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