GREETINGS from the Chair
Dr. Lisa Seldomridge

The Nursing Department launched a new endeavor in the fall—the first Pre-Nursing Living-Learning Community (LLC). The LLC concept is something that SU embraced several years ago to fully immerse students in the college experience. Students in the Pre-Nursing LLC live together in the newly renovated Wicomico Hall, share three common courses during their freshman year, and participate in both fun and service learning activities as a group. The hope is that these students will bond with one another, be successful in their academic coursework, develop a strong support network, and a platform that will follow them after the LLC experience behind them and they move on to their sophomore year of study.

Carmel Boger was selected for this new degree option in the state, SU is the perfect location for this new degree option, and Dr. Lisa Seldomridge, program director, is teaching undergraduate health assessment, community health, and working with the Nursing Education Consortium to establish a new faculty appointment. Trainees may use funds for stipends, textbooks, tuition and fees. Licensed professional nurses with B.S. degrees in nursing who meet the criteria are eligible to apply. (Dr. Parsons)

The official opening of Henson Medical Simulation Center in December 2011 and the donation of a $1 million dollar gift from the Richard A. Henson Foundation to extend the use of high fidelity simulation and standardized patients. (PI: Dr. Nutter). This project started with a $937,000 grant from the Maryland Hospital Association Who Will Care program. With a focus on creating alternative clinical experiences in the specialties of labor/delivery, high-risk newborn, critically ill children and adults with psychiatric disorders, the “Sim Center” activities support expanded opportunities in the 2nd B.S. Program. Additionally, to improve retention in all programs, aBest Practices for Nursing Success course is taught each semester.

Continuing Excellence in the Nursing Department! The 2011-2012 academic year was another successful year for SU nursing—with the University’s first doctoral program underway, the Henson Medical Simulation Center opening, a record number of grant awards, outstanding faculty scholarship and licensure/credentialing achievements! Let me share a few examples:

- Our first cohort of post-Doctoral Nurse Practitioner (DNP) students began in fall 2012 with graduation expected in spring 2015. As the University’s first doctoral program, the DNP addresses the growing need for nurses in advanced-practice roles with special skills in managing complex health needs in a cost-effective and collaborative manner. The curriculum, delivered in a distance-accessible format, emphasizes the use of evidence-based practice and technology to guide administrative and clinical decisions, as well as policy development. Students in this cohort have backgrounds as nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, educators, and nurse executives.

- $1.079 million from the Maryland Higher Education Commission for DNP curriculum development. Announced in summer 2012, this award will fund programs for development of post-master’s DNP coursework in a distance-accessible format as well as supporting creation of a B.S.-to-DNP program to start in 2015. With the Institute of Medicine call to double the number of doctorally prepared nurses by 2020 and limited availability of doctoral programs in the state, SU is the perfect location for this new degree option. (PIs: Drs. Seldomridge & Parsons).

- The 2011-2012 academic year was another successful year for SU nursing—with the University’s first doctoral program underway, the Henson Medical Simulation Center opening, a record number of grant awards, outstanding faculty scholarship and licensure/credentialing achievements! Let me share a few examples:

- The true test of the LLC’s success will come when the students first LLC students opted to remain roommates for the next year. The hope is that these students will bond with one another, be successful in their academic coursework, develop a strong support network, and a platform that will follow them after the LLC experience behind them and they move on to their sophomore year of study.

- Our first cohort of post-Doctoral Nurse Practitioner (DNP) students began in fall 2012 with graduation expected in spring 2015. As the University’s first doctoral program, the DNP addresses the growing need for nurses in advanced-practice roles with special skills in managing complex health needs in a cost-effective and collaborative manner. The curriculum, delivered in a distance-accessible format, emphasizes the use of evidence-based practice and technology to guide administrative and clinical decisions, as well as policy development. Students in this cohort have backgrounds as nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, educators, and nurse executives.

- $1.079 million from the Maryland Higher Education Commission for DNP curriculum development. Announced in summer 2012, this award will fund programs for development of post-master’s DNP coursework in a distance-accessible format as well as supporting creation of a B.S.-to-DNP program to start in 2015. With the Institute of Medicine call to double the number of doctorally prepared nurses by 2020 and limited availability of doctoral programs in the state, SU is the perfect location for this new degree option. (PIs: Drs. Seldomridge & Parsons).

- The 2011-2012 academic year was another successful year for SU nursing—with the University’s first doctoral program underway, the Henson Medical Simulation Center opening, a record number of grant awards, outstanding faculty scholarship and licensure/credentialing achievements! Let me share a few examples:

- The true test of the LLC’s success will come when the students first LLC students opted to remain roommates for the next year. The hope is that these students will bond with one another, be successful in their academic coursework, develop a strong support network, and a platform that will follow them after the LLC experience behind them and they move on to their sophomore year of study.

- Our first cohort of post-Doctoral Nurse Practitioner (DNP) students began in fall 2012 with graduation expected in spring 2015. As the University’s first doctoral program, the DNP addresses the growing need for nurses in advanced-practice roles with special skills in managing complex health needs in a cost-effective and collaborative manner. The curriculum, delivered in a distance-accessible format, emphasizes the use of evidence-based practice and technology to guide administrative and clinical decisions, as well as policy development. Students in this cohort have backgrounds as nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, educators, and nurse executives.

- $1.079 million from the Maryland Higher Education Commission for DNP curriculum development. Announced in summer 2012, this award will fund programs for development of post-master’s DNP coursework in a distance-accessible format as well as supporting creation of a B.S.-to-DNP program to start in 2015. With the Institute of Medicine call to double the number of doctorally prepared nurses by 2020 and limited availability of doctoral programs in the state, SU is the perfect location for this new degree option. (PIs: Drs. Seldomridge & Parsons).
PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Mary DiBartolo presented a poster at the 27th Annual International Alzheimer’s Conference held July 14-19 in Vancouver, BC. It was titled "Using the Club Concept to Target Behavioral Issues in a Residential Setting for the Cognitively Impaired.

Drs. Debra Webster & Dorothy McDowell presented on the topic of Emphasizing Evidence: Preparing New Nurses To Shape the Future of Nursing Practice. The conference was held June 17-20 and the title was Addressing Clinical Faculty Shortages through Collaborative Partnership: Creating a Clinical Nursing Faculty Academy in Rural Maryland.

Drs. Kathy Hinderer & Robert Joyner (SU Health Sciences Department) presented at the Fourth International Nurse Educator Conference held in San Francisco, CA. The conference was the 27th National Conference on Undergraduate Critical Care Course and was titled "Making it real: Using standardized patients to bring case studies to life."

OTHER FACULTY NEWS

Dr. Karen Badros was the 2011 Hensou School recipient of the Faculty Appreciation Award. This award recognizes faculty who have provided dynamic classroom instruction, made a positive impression and exhibited attributes that have taken them into their careers. It is voted on by alumni and presented at the December commencement ceremony each year.

Dr. Mary DiBartolo was promoted to full professor effective August 15. DiBartolo also earned NLN certification as a nurse educator in September.

Class Notes

Reene Boundy (’04 B.S., ’08 M.S.) was selected the winner of the 2012 MEDSURG Nursing Nurse Competence in Aging Winner’s Award for her recently published article (with Dr. Mary DiBartolo) on the topic of health care provider awareness of sexually transmitted diseases in patients over age 50. She will receive complimentary registration to attend the AMNN Annual Convention planned for October in Salt Lake City to accept the award.

Kayna Freeda (’05 B.S., ’11 M.S.) and her husband Matthew Trader welcomed Reverdy Samuel on June 24, who weighed in at 6 lbs, 7 oz. While Kayna is experiencing her new role in motherhood, she is preparing to move to Brooklyn, NY.

Krista Hintze-Smith (’08) was married to Brett Smith on December 3, 2011, in Princess Anne, MD, where they reside.

Kelly Sneedenger (’11) was offered a position on the transplant unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and has been working there since last October.

A Double Fund Farewell

Dr. Karen Badros was among the founding faculty of the nursing program, beginning her career at SU in fall 1978. She served as department chair for 11 years, was interim dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences for one year (1995-1996), and directed the graduate program for almost six years. During her 34 years at SU, Dr. Badros facilitated free accreditation reviews, started the accredited 2nd B.S. Degree Program and streamlined the family nurse practitioner program. Dr. Badros taught undergraduate students in health assessment and taught graduate students in her new role in administration. She also taught graduate students in nursing theories, qualitative and quantitative research. Dr. Walsh facilitated two CCNE accreditation reviews and was a long-standing member of the University Committee on Human Research. Our beloved colleagues are continuing their remarkable legacies as half-time Professors of Practice.

Class Notes

Reene Boundy (’04 B.S., ’08 M.S.) was selected the winner of the 2012 MEDSURG Nursing Nurse Competence In Aging Winner’s Award for her recently published article (with Dr. Mary DiBartolo) on the topic of health care provider awareness of sexually transmitted diseases in patients over age 50. She will receive complimentary registration to attend the AMNN Annual Convention planned for October in Salt Lake City to accept the award.

Kayna Freeda (’05 B.S., ’11 M.S.) and her husband Matthew Trader welcomed Reverdy Samuel on June 24, who weighed in at 6 lbs, 7 oz. While Kayna is experiencing her new role in motherhood, she is preparing to move to Brooklyn, NY.

Krista Hintze-Smith (’08) was married to Brett Smith on December 3, 2011, in Princess Anne, MD, where they reside.

Kelly Sneedenger (’11) was offered a position on the transplant unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and has been working there since last October.

A Double Fund Farewell

Dr. Karen Badros was among the founding faculty of the nursing program, beginning her career at SU in fall 1978. She served as department chair for 11 years, was interim dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences for one year (1995-1996), and directed the graduate program for almost six years. During her 34 years at SU, Dr. Badros facilitated free accreditation reviews, started the accredited 2nd B.S. Degree Program and streamlined the family nurse practitioner program. Dr. Badros taught undergraduate students in health assessment and taught graduate students in her new role in administration. She also taught graduate students in nursing theories, qualitative and quantitative research. Dr. Walsh facilitated two CCNE accreditation reviews and was a long-standing member of the University Committee on Human Research. Our beloved colleagues are continuing their remarkable legacies as half-time Professors of Practice.

Class Notes

Reene Boundy (’04 B.S., ’08 M.S.) was selected the winner of the 2012 MEDSURG Nursing Nurse Competence in Aging Winner’s Award for her recently published article (with Dr. Mary DiBartolo) on the topic of health care provider awareness of sexually transmitted diseases in patients over age 50. She will receive complimentary registration to attend the AMNN Annual Convention planned for October in Salt Lake City to accept the award.

Kayna Freeda (’05 B.S., ’11 M.S.) and her husband Matthew Trader welcomed Reverdy Samuel on June 24, who weighed in at 6 lbs, 7 oz. While Kayna is experiencing her new role in motherhood, she is preparing to move to Brooklyn, NY.

Krista Hintze-Smith (’08) was married to Brett Smith on December 3, 2011, in Princess Anne, MD, where they reside.

Kelly Sneedenger (’11) was offered a position on the transplant unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and has been working there since last October.

A Double Fund Farewell

Dr. Karen Badros was among the founding faculty of the nursing program, beginning her career at SU in fall 1978. She served as department chair for 11 years, was interim dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences for one year (1995-1996), and directed the graduate program for almost six years. During her 34 years at SU, Dr. Badros facilitated free accreditation reviews, started the accredited 2nd B.S. Degree Program and streamlined the family nurse practitioner program. Dr. Badros taught undergraduate students in health assessment and taught graduate students in her new role in administration. She also taught graduate students in nursing theories, qualitative and quantitative research. Dr. Walsh facilitated two CCNE accreditation reviews and was a long-standing member of the University Committee on Human Research. Our beloved colleagues are continuing their remarkable legacies as half-time Professors of Practice.

Class Notes

Reene Boundy (’04 B.S., ’08 M.S.) was selected the winner of the 2012 MEDSURG Nursing Nurse Competence in Aging Winner’s Award for her recently published article (with Dr. Mary DiBartolo) on the topic of health care provider awareness of sexually transmitted diseases in patients over age 50. She will receive complimentary registration to attend the AMNN Annual Convention planned for October in Salt Lake City to accept the award.

Kayna Freeda (’05 B.S., ’11 M.S.) and her husband Matthew Trader welcomed Reverdy Samuel on June 24, who weighed in at 6 lbs, 7 oz. While Kayna is experiencing her new role in motherhood, she is preparing to move to Brooklyn, NY.

Krista Hintze-Smith (’08) was married to Brett Smith on December 3, 2011, in Princess Anne, MD, where they reside.

Kelly Sneedenger (’11) was offered a position on the transplant unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and has been working there since last October.

A Double Fund Farewell

Dr. Karen Badros was among the founding faculty of the nursing program, beginning her career at SU in fall 1978. She served as department chair for 11 years, was interim dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences for one year (1995-1996), and directed the graduate program for almost six years. During her 34 years at SU, Dr. Badros facilitated free accreditation reviews, started the accredited 2nd B.S. Degree Program and streamlined the family nurse practitioner program. Dr. Badros taught undergraduate students in health assessment and taught graduate students in her new role in administration. She also taught graduate students in nursing theories, qualitative and quantitative research. Dr. Walsh facilitated two CCNE accreditation reviews and was a long-standing member of the University Committee on Human Research. Our beloved colleagues are continuing their remarkable legacies as half-time Professors of Practice.

Class Notes

Reene Boundy (’04 B.S., ’08 M.S.) was selected the winner of the 2012 MEDSURG Nursing Nurse Competence in Aging Winner’s Award for her recently published article (with Dr. Mary DiBartolo) on the topic of health care provider awareness of sexually transmitted diseases in patients over age 50. She will receive complimentary registration to attend the AMNN Annual Convention planned for October in Salt Lake City to accept the award.

Kayna Freeda (’05 B.S., ’11 M.S.) and her husband Matthew Trader welcomed Reverdy Samuel on June 24, who weighed in at 6 lbs, 7 oz. While Kayna is experiencing her new role in motherhood, she is preparing to move to Brooklyn, NY.

Krista Hintze-Smith (’08) was married to Brett Smith on December 3, 2011, in Princess Anne, MD, where they reside.

Kelly Sneedenger (’11) was offered a position on the transplant unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and has been working there since last October.

A Double Fund Farewell

Dr. Karen Badros was among the founding faculty of the nursing program, beginning her career at SU in fall 1978. She served as department chair for 11 years, was interim dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences for one year (1995-1996), and directed the graduate program for almost six years. During her 34 years at SU, Dr. Badros facilitated free accreditation reviews, started the accredited 2nd B.S. Degree Program and streamlined the family nurse practitioner program. Dr. Badros taught undergraduate students in health assessment and taught graduate students in her new role in administration. She also taught graduate students in nursing theories, qualitative and quantitative research. Dr. Walsh facilitated two CCNE accreditation reviews and was a long-standing member of the University Committee on Human Research. Our beloved colleagues are continuing their remarkable legacies as half-time Professors of Practice.

Class Notes

Reene Boundy (’04 B.S., ’08 M.S.) was selected the winner of the 2012 MEDSURG Nursing Nurse Competence in Aging Winner’s Award for her recently published article (with Dr. Mary DiBartolo) on the topic of health care provider awareness of sexually transmitted diseases in patients over age 50. She will receive complimentary registration to attend the AMNN Annual Convention planned for October in Salt Lake City to accept the award.

Kayna Freeda (’05 B.S., ’11 M.S.) and her husband Matthew Trader welcomed Reverdy Samuel on June 24, who weighed in at 6 lbs, 7 oz. While Kayna is experiencing her new role in motherhood, she is preparing to move to Brooklyn, NY.

Krista Hintze-Smith (’08) was married to Brett Smith on December 3, 2011, in Princess Anne, MD, where they reside.

Kelly Sneedenger (’11) was offered a position on the transplant unit at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore and has been working there since last October.

A Double Fund Farewell

Dr. Karen Badros was among the founding faculty of the nursing program, beginning her career at SU in fall 1978. She served as department chair for 11 years, was interim dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences for one year (1995-1996), and directed the graduate program for almost six years. During her 34 years at SU, Dr. Badros facilitated free accreditation reviews, started the accredited 2nd B.S. Degree Program and streamlined the family nurse practitioner program. Dr. Badros taught undergraduate students in health assessment and taught graduate students in her new role in administration. She also taught graduate students in nursing theories, qualitative and quantitative research. Dr. Walsh facilitated two CCNE accreditation reviews and was a long-standing member of the University Committee on Human Research. Our beloved colleagues are continuing their remarkable legacies as half-time Professors of Practice.