CAROLINA NURSING

Research training beyond the PhD
Dear Alumni and Friends,

Keeping up with the knowledge needed to promote health, alleviate suffering, and redress inequities in care access and delivery calls for educational programs that are more efficient in their delivery, diverse in their learners, accessible in their reach, and effective in their capacity to prepare graduates to make a meaningful contribution. Undergraduate nursing programs have two big roles: to transform learners into knowledge workers and to mold their comportment of self into nurse, innovator, collaborator, and leader. To that list, graduate programs add on acquiring the knowledge that enables one to enter the workforce as an advanced practitioner, nurse educator, health care executive, or scientist.

The Institute of Medicine and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation report, The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health emphasizes the need for lifelong learning as well as education systems that promote seamless academic progression. The School of Nursing is carrying out these recommendations through new programs and a commitment to career development through knowledge enhancement, skills acquisition, and role mentorship.

Our new Hillman Scholars Program in Nursing Innovation will produce nurse innovators who can identify gaps in clinical knowledge, design studies that redress inequities, and implement research that improves health. The scholars chosen for this program will earn BSN and PhD degrees in as little as five years. By earning their PhD earlier in their career, graduates will have a longer time to reshape health and health care.

A glimpse at some of tomorrow’s most promising nurse scholars can be seen in our post-doctoral fellows. Through the support of the School’s two NIH T32 programs, early career nurse investigators are receiving the training that facilitates their transition into independent scientists.

Carolina faculty members, committed to lifelong learning, have pursued a variety of ways to fund career development. Receipt of funding has enabled protected time during which collaborations are forged with other disciplines, gaps in knowledge are filled, and stretch goals are achieved. Programs such as the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nurse Faculty Scholar program help develop new academic nurse leaders. We are proud of our three RWJF Nurse Faculty Scholars who receive focused leadership training and mentorship that is preparing them to guide nursing education. Others have pursued NIH K awards that facilitate learning alongside early career faculty colleagues from multiple disciplines across the UNC-Chapel Hill campus.

Highly educated nurses are also essential to the delivery of quality health care. We are excited to be planning a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program that will prepare graduates to practice at the highest level of clinical nursing. In early November, we submitted our Intent to Establish proposal to the UNC System General Administration and Board of Governors. We now await their review and decision about launching a DNP program at Carolina. Keep your eyes on our website, we will keep you apprised of our progress.

Sincerely,

Kristen M. Swanson, RN, PhD, FAAN
Dean and Alumni Distinguished Professor
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On the Cover: Drs. Cheryl Giscombé, Eric Hodges and Anna Beeber all receive leadership training and research funding as Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nurse Faculty Scholars.
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Nursing has been awarded $3 million over five years from the Rita and Alex Hillman Foundation to design and implement the Hillman Scholars Program in Nursing Innovation. The program will produce the next generation of nurse innovators who have the knowledge and research skills to solve complex health problems and improve patient care.

Undergraduate nursing students selected as UNC Hillman Scholars enter a rigorous curriculum of inquiry and research that places them on an accelerated path to earning a doctorate in nursing. The curriculum is designed to take five years from entry into the nursing program to completion of the doctoral degree.

“The Hillman Foundation grant launches a new era for PhD education in nursing,” says Dean and Alumni Distinguished Professor Kristen M. Swanson, RN, PhD, FAAN. “By completing a PhD earlier in their career, the Hillman Scholars will have a longer time to impact patient care through leadership, innovation and research in academic and clinical settings.”

Kenan Distinguished Professor of Nursing Merle Mishel, RN, PhD, FAAN, and Clinical Professor Carol Durham, RN, EdD, ANEF, will lead the program. Together, they bring to the classroom a complementary commitment to help students drill down their ability to find research questions in clinical practice and to understand the clinical relevance of research studies.

“Nurses are key to improving health care,” Dr. Durham says. “This program provides an opportunity to mentor six nursing students per year to examine the issues around patient care through a different lens and to design and implement nursing research that can address those issues to improve the care of the patient.”

INNOVATIVE CURRICULUM
The program will incorporate innovative educational approaches and clinical experiences to launch Hillman Scholars into nursing science. The scholars will be immersed in seminars that shape their thinking and guide the integration of what they learn. They will take tailored clinical and research

Drs. Carol Durham and Merle Mishel will lead the Hillman Scholars Program.
courses during a post-baccalaureate bridge summer.

“Hillman Scholars will be matched with mentors from within the School of Nursing and throughout UNC who will guide the scholars from their undergraduate honors research project through their dissertation,” Dr. Mishel says. “We will use the rich interdisciplinary resources of this university by directing the Hillman Scholars to researchers, clinics, lectures and activities that will enrich their education as well as influence their program of research.”

UNC joins the Universities of Pennsylvania and Michigan as one of only three schools nationally that have been awarded a Hillman Scholars Program in Nursing Innovation grant.

The first six scholars will begin the program in spring 2013. They will be selected from students admitted into the Bachelor of Science in Nursing option in May 2012 and the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing option in January 2013.

The Rita and Alex Hillman Foundation is a New York-based philanthropy dedicated to improving the lives of patients and their families through nurse-led innovation.

For more information on the program, please visit go.unc.edu/n8T4H. Look on the back cover to find out how you can help make this new program a success.

Nancy D. Lamontagne

SON DNP PROGRAM IN PLANNING PHASE

The School of Nursing has requested permission from the UNC System General Administration and Board of Governors to establish a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program. Graduates of the DNP program will be prepared for careers as nurse practitioners, administrators, and clinical faculty members.

“Highly-educated health care professionals are critical for meeting the increasing complex health care needs of our state and nation,” said Dean Kristen M. Swanson. “The DNP degree will prepare graduates who can meet these needs by practicing at the highest level of clinical nursing and by providing leadership and innovation in health care.”

If permission to establish is received, the first students would be admitted to the new DNP program in fall 2013. The School’s alumni have indicated a strong interest in the program. Surveys conducted by the School showed that, of the 857 alumni who responded, a little over 30 percent were interested in the DNP degree.

The program will educate students in how to integrate evidence from nursing and other fields and use this knowledge as the basis for advanced nursing practice and for developing and implementing innovative approaches to health care delivery. DNP graduates will have specialized knowledge as well as practice expertise in an advanced nursing practice focus area. DNP students will also learn how to promote quality, safety and improved health of populations; identify best practices and translate evidence into practice; and develop, evaluate, and advocate for health care policy.

For more information on the program, please contact the Office of Admissions and Student Services at nursing@unc.edu or (919) 966-4260.
President Donna Shalala, PhD, of the University of Miami, presented the School of Nursing’s 2012–2013 Ethnic Minority Visiting Scholar Lecture to a crowd of more than 700 people on September 11.

President Shalala, former Secretary of Health and Human Services under President Clinton, spoke to an audience at the George Watts Hill Alumni Center. She discussed the role of nursing in a changing health care realm and also emphasized practicing to the full extent of one’s education and the importance of educating culturally competent providers.

President Shalala chaired the Committee on the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Initiative on the Future of Nursing at the Institute of Medicine, which published the landmark report *The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health.*

During her speech, President Shalala said she believes we are entering a golden age for the nursing profession. She also remarked on the need for greater diversity in the nursing workforce and for cultural and linguistic sensitivity as part of nursing education. She cited a need to lift restrictions on nursing practice and for greater integration of the health care workforce as necessary for moving into the future. “We need to use everyone to the full extent of their training, and we need to have everyone work together as a team,” she said.

The Ethnic Minority Visiting Scholar Lecture series was established at the School of Nursing in 2000 to highlight the research and contributions of ethnic minority nurse scholars. The lecture brings outstanding specialists, educators, clinical researchers and directors to Chapel Hill for discussion of timely nursing matters affecting ethnic and minority populations.

Watch a video of the lecture at go.unc.edu/Ac24Z.
President Shalala’s presentation was attended by a diverse group of people, including students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of the UNC Chapel Hill School of Nursing, as well as Deans from UNC Health Affairs Schools and other Schools of Nursing, legislators, and leaders from area health care systems.

Associate Dean for Administrative Services Lisa Miller with SON Foundation Board Directors Agnes Weisiger, FNP ’73, Allene Cooley, BSN ’70, and Margaret Raynor, BSN ’67, President, SON Foundation Board.

Former Chancellor Moeser and Dr. Susan Dickerson Moeser.

Dr. Pamela Rowsey and MSN student, Tamryn Fowler, BSN ’09.

SON Business Services Coordinator Ms. Jill Summers with Dr. Victoria Soltis-Jarrett and Mr. Tom Bush.
Professor Marcia Van Riper has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar award to travel to Ireland, where she will conduct research, teach and provide consultation to faculty and students. The Fulbright Program is aimed at increasing mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of the more than 150 countries that currently participate in the program.

Dr. Van Riper will work with faculty and students at the Catherine McAuley School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Cork. They will collaborate on research projects, efforts to integrate genomics into the curricula using a family perspective and writing for publication. Dr. Van Riper’s ongoing program of research involves studying adaptation and resilience in families of individuals with Down syndrome. She has long had an interest in learning more about what life is like for these individuals and their families throughout the world.

“When traveling outside of the United States to present my research, I make a point of meeting with and giving presentations to families of individuals with Down syndrome,” Dr. Van Riper says. “Traveling to Ireland with the Fulbright award will allow me to gain an in-depth understanding of the role culture plays in how families adapt to the ongoing challenges associated with raising an individual with Down syndrome.”

She will conduct a study designed to address gaps in knowledge concerning how cultural norms, values and practices, as well as a variety of family factors, contribute to adaptation and resilience in families of individuals with Down syndrome. The study will initially be conducted with families in Ireland and the United States and will eventually include participants from at least six other countries.

**GRADUATE GAINS CULTURAL IMMERSION**

Stephanie Sun, BSN ’12, is spending the 2012-2013 academic year as an English teacher and cultural ambassador in South Korea thanks to a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Award. “I was looking for an immersion experience,” she says.

It isn’t her first time overseas. A SON global health award enabled Sun to spend six weeks in Kenya learning about community health and assisting in medical clinics as part of the Undergraduate Summer Work Experience course in 2011. “I’ve always been interested in being a global citizen and passionate about being aware of what’s going on in the world,” Sun says. “I want to work abroad with an organization that’s globally minded.”
New research from Assistant Professor Jill Hamilton, PhD, RN, has shown that older African-Americans use religious songs in a personal way to cope with stressful life events.

Songs long have been an important way for religious African-Americans to express their beliefs and faith, and the study provided evidence that religious songs are linked to the mental health of older African-Americans. The research findings could help improve the cultural relevance of mental health programs and achieve better communication between older African-Americans and health-care providers. For example, a health-care provider could ask about a favorite song to help a patient feel more comfortable talking about mental health problems.

Although other studies have examined the collective mental health benefits of religious songs to a group, such as in a church service, this is one of the first studies to examine how African-Americans use religious songs and the personal meanings associated with them. The study grew out of Dr. Hamilton’s desire to document religious songs that older African-Americans knew but that were no longer being taught to younger generations. “As I gathered song titles and lyrics, people would tell me about the personal meaning of the songs,” she says. “I realized that they were using religious songs to support their mental health in their day-to-day lives.”

FINDING PEACE
The study participants said that during times of stress, religious songs helped them feel comforted, strengthened, uplifted, able to endure and able to find peace. Of the five types of religious songs studied, Hamilton found that those evoking thanksgiving and praise were most often used to cope with stress. “They were praising God even during difficult times,” she says. “These songs were reminders that God had brought them through hard times before and would do it again.”

Many study participants told Hamilton they learned songs at a young age and that their older relatives taught them that a song could get them through a stressful situation. “I don’t know that this form of intergenerational support is still taking place today,” she says. “It would be interesting to see if younger African-Americans use the same religious coping mechanisms as older African-Americans, especially since other studies have shown that younger African-Americans are more at risk for depression than older African-Americans.”

The study appeared in The Gerontologist, a bimonthly journal that provides a multidisciplinary perspective on human aging through research and analysis in gerontology. The authors include Margarete Sandelowski, PhD, RN, FAAN and Mansi Agarwal, MPH, from the School of Nursing; Lt. Col. Angelo D. Moore, PhD, RN, from Tripler Army Medical Center; and Harold G. Koenig, MD, from the Center for Spirituality, Theology and Health at Duke University Medical Center.

Look for an article on this research on page 41 of the November 2012 issue of Good Housekeeping magazine.

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DEAN SWANSON HONORED AT VIRGINIA MASON FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO CARE PROCESS

DEAN AND ALUMNI DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR KRISTEN M. SWANSON WAS DESIGNATED THE FIRST VIRGINIA MASON MEDICAL CENTER DISTINGUISHED NURSING SCHOLAR. THIS SEATTLE MEDICAL CENTER, ONE OF THE NATION’S LEADING HOSPITALS, BESTOWED THE HONOR ON DEAN SWANSON AFTER APPLYING HER CARING THEORY TO ITS HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM, THE VIRGINIA MASON PRODUCTION SYSTEM.

The Swanson Caring Theory is made up of five interrelated processes:

MAINTAINING belief in the capacity of the other to come through a transition and face a future with meaning

KNOWING the meaning the event holds in the life of the other

BEING with and staying emotionally present to the patient

DOING for the other as they would do for themselves if it were at all possible

ENABLING the capacity of patients and families to care for themselves

Dean Kristen M. Swanson

The Swanson Caring Theory has been implemented in numerous clinical settings both nationally and internationally, and Virginia Mason is among the latest to integrate the theory into nursing practice. Applying the theory led to several innovations in nursing care at Virginia Mason, including caring huddles that focus on the nursing team to ensure that optimal care is delivered to patients and families, visual signals to ensure patient and staff needs are addressed quickly, and online sharing of caring wisdom and strategies.

Dean Swanson’s theory is being integrated with the Virginia Mason Production System (VMPS), which uses the basic tenets of the Toyota Production System to deliver quality patient care. While it may be surprising that a health care center could find use in the production processes of an automobile manufacturer, the system helped Virginia Mason optimize system-wide improvements that benefit patient well-being, safety, and the care experience.

Incorporating the Swanson Caring Theory into this system has empowered Virginia Mason nurses to provide higher quality patient-centered care.

“It is an honor to be named Distinguished Nursing Scholar by an institution so focused on excellence in patient care. The VMPS has all the tools necessary to take the caring theory and transform it into effective strategies that enable nurses to help patients and families find their own inner capacity for healing,” Dean Swanson says.

Erin Sroka
According to a new study led by Associate Professor Shawn M. Kneipp, PhD, ANP-BC, APHN-BC, women on welfare can more quickly gain employment if they receive assistance with their health needs.

Dr. Kneipp first became interested in studying the effects of health on the ability of women to leave welfare when she served underserved and disadvantaged groups as a nurse practitioner. “It was clear from my conversations with women that meeting the often changing requirements necessary to receive government assistance was a significant component of their lives,” she says.

Welfare reform legislation in 1996 created the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, which requires participants to immediately search for a job or take part in job training or education. Women in the TANF program face many challenges, not the least of which are health problems.

“Our study is the first randomized controlled trial to test an intervention aimed at reducing a broad array of health-related barriers to employment,” Dr. Kneipp says. “The findings show that health is an area where we can intervene to achieve positive results, and this knowledge could be used to shape future policy.”

The NIH-funded study included 432 women who had at least one chronic health condition and participated in the TANF program. The women receiving the intervention met with a public health nurse four times over nine months. The nurse conducted a comprehensive health assessment and helped the women with access and coordination of care, disease management through a health care provider, health education and disease prevention. Women in the control group received standard TANF services.

The researchers found that by the third month, women who saw the public health nurse gained employment 35 days earlier than other women receiving TANF services alone. For the intervention group, 73.4 percent secured jobs, compared to 64.4 percent of those in the control group. The intervention improved the ability of the study participants to get a job regardless of their age, education level or functional status at study entry. Once the recession began, the intervention still improved the time it took women to gain employment.

“These findings can provide guidance for policy makers to address one of the most significant barriers in helping women move from welfare to work,” Dr. Kneipp says. “By partnering with public health departments and/or other community-based agencies to provide on-site public health nursing services based on our intervention model, more women could move into employment, and move into employment more rapidly.”

The study was published in Social Science & Medicine, an international and interdisciplinary journal that publishes social science research on health issues. Authors include John A. Kairalla, PhD, from the University of Florida and Amanda L. Sheely, PhD, from the UNC Chapel Hill School of Social Work.
Representatives from the School of Nursing recently traveled to Kenya Medical Training College in Kitui, Kenya (KMTC Kitui). They were invited to enhance pedagogy through the use of simulated learning. In consultation with UNC faculty, KMTC upgraded their simulated learning laboratory.

SON’s Education-Innovation-Simulation Learning Environment (EISLE) recommended simulation equipment for the lab. IntraHealth International purchased equipment, which included simple contraceptive displays, task trainers and complex birthing simulators.

Dr. Carol Durham, director of EISLE, Ms. Darlene Baker, assistant director of EISLE, Dr. Sonda Oppewal, clinical associate professor, and Dr. Gwen Sherwood, associate dean for academic affairs, worked with KMTC faculty via Skype for nearly a year to design the training program. Baker and Oppewal ultimately traveled to Kitui to help implement the program.

Baker led the equipment training, guiding KMTC staff through all stages of use from unpacking boxes and learning how to use the equipment to cleaning and storage. “I went there to be the boots on the ground,” Baker says. Dr. Oppewal helped faculty develop simulations and identify ways to integrate them into their curriculum. She also helped develop ideas for evaluating the training program, and for its wider use in district hospitals and other KMTC campuses. About 15 KMTC Kitui nurse lecturers attended the sessions taught by the UNC team. Lecturers learned to use Noelle, a human patient birthing simulator that is also used at the SON. The simulator connects wirelessly to a computer that can be programmed to allow students to practice making rapid decisions in a safe environment in response to a wide range of childbirth outcomes.

At KMTC, Noelle was renamed Mwende, which means “loved one.” Mwende came with a newborn baby simulator that enables students to practice newborn resuscitation, a skill that was previously impossible to practice in the classroom. “It was an opportunity to provide hands-on experience with key patient care skills that previously had only been taught theoretically,” Baker says.

It was a collaborative experience, with KMTC lecturers developing their own ideas for simulation training. Overall, Baker says the experience was inspiring. “People were already doing so much with so little, and now they have an opportunity to do so much more.”

The skills lab equipment was upgraded to serve the Centre of Excellence for Family Planning and Reproductive Health Training, a Capacity Kenya and KMTC Kitui project funded by United States Agency for International Development. The Centre’s goal is to improve health outcomes in Northern Kenya in women’s and reproductive health and to decrease maternal and infant mortality.

Erin Sroka

BIOBEHAVIORAL LABORATORY CERTIFIED AS CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

With 23 years of experience analyzing saliva, it was no surprise SON’s Biobehavioral Laboratory (BBL) was recently named a Center of Excellence by the international salivary assay manufacturer and test service Salimetrics LLC. SON is one of only two nursing schools, and eight labs total, to hold this distinction.

Human saliva is packed with information about individual health. Like blood, saliva contains biomarkers, over 1,000 of them, that can provide insight into a person’s biological state. Unlike blood, saliva collection is simple and painless, making salivary testing a valuable non-invasive tool for gathering data on subjects over time, and in their own environments.

“Nurses are particularly interested in looking at subjects in their natural settings,” says Dr. Virginia Neelon, the director of the Biobehavioral Laboratory.
In May, Stephanie Johnson-Dean became the first SON student to complete a Post-Master’s Certificate in Health Care Systems-Informatics, a new certificate program offered by the Carolina Health Informatics Program (CHIP). CHIP is led by faculty from the UNC Schools of Nursing, Information and Library Science, Medicine and Public Health. The program provides information technology (IT) education to professionals who are interested in improving health care from a systems approach. “We prepare nurses with enough background in IT so they can collaborate with technical programmers and database managers to select and improve systems and ultimately improve patient care,” says Dr. Debbie Travers, assistant professor and CHIP instructor. “That’s what we’re driving toward with meaningful use of IT. We’re overwhelmed with data in clinical settings, but a computer can help organize data to support clinical decisions.”

At UNC, nurses in the CHIP program take courses in health care informatics, systems analysis, database systems and health outcomes. The program positions nurses to use health IT and improve the quality, safety, outcomes and overall value of health care.

Johnson-Dean is applying her informatics education to her new role as a principal trainer at Cone Health based in Greensboro. Johnson-Dean says that the CHIP program was her ticket to expanding and exploring another road on her nursing journey.

For more information on this program, please visit: chip.unc.edu/.

Erin Sroka

She also points out that the lab offers unique assistance to researchers. “Other labs will analyze your sample, but our lab will help you write a protocol, address your questions about your sample analysis, and assist you in building your science.”

This summer, the BBL and Salimetrics hosted Spit Camp, a two-day training camp during which investigators learned about salivary testing. Participants learned about the role of the stress hormone cortisol, gained hands-on training in how to collect and analyze saliva samples, and learned how to write research protocols. The BBL has hosted about 11 of these camps for UNC and area researchers.

Erin Sroka

Victoria Knick guides doctoral student Sama Hammad in a cortisol test.

**FIRST POST-MASTER’S INFORMATICS GRADUATE TAKES TRAINING TO THE WORKPLACE**
SON faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends gathered at the Old Well on March 31 to kick off the first Heels for Healing 5K and Kids Fun Run. Despite rainy skies, more than 250 participants and 100 volunteers attended. The UNC Association of Nursing Students (ANS) partnered with BounceBack Kids to put on the event, which raised awareness and more than $4,500 for children with life-challenging medical conditions and their families and caregivers.

BounceBack Kids is a nonprofit organization that provides programs for kids with chronic illnesses such as cancer, sickle cell anemia and diabetes. Its programs include sports activities, recreational and social activities, and support services. The Heels for Healing 5K and Kids Fun Run allowed ANS members to raise money for the organization and provide a fun, active, kid-centered event at the same time.

SON faculty and staff helped the students make the event a success. Megan Williams supported the ANS in all aspects of the event, and Louise Fleming supervised students at the First Aid Station during the race. Fleming and Joan Williams provided much-needed tents on the morning of the event. Dean Kristen Swanson, Eric Hodges, Joan Williams, Darlene Baker and Megan Williams all participated in the 5K run.

Maddy Carlson

BSN student Lisa Skiver is Vice President of ANS and was the race director for the event. She said that the organization’s family-oriented mission relates well to the nursing profession. “As nurses, we understand that illness takes a toll on all those surrounding the patient and felt that BounceBack Kids truly encompassed our values and vision as a service organization.”

Skiver said that she enjoyed watching the Kids Fun Run in which children in BounceBack programs raced to the finish line alongside other children. “It is essential for children dealing with life-challenging conditions to have opportunities to just be a kid,” Skiver said.

Maddy Carlson

**STUDENTS HOLD RACE TO RAISE MONEY FOR CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL CONDITIONS**

***SAVE THE DATE***

**HEELS FOR HEALING 5K AND KIDS FUN RUN**

**MARCH 23, 2013**

The Heels for Healing 5K and Kids Fun Run raised more than $4,500 to help children with life-challenging medical conditions. Photo by Joseph Whichard.
Accreditations renewed for SON programs
The SON’s baccalaureate, master’s, PhD and continuing education programs each completed rigorous self study and external reviews over the last academic year. As a result, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education reaccredited the School’s baccalaureate and master’s programs for ten years. The PhD program received a positive review by UNC-CH Graduate School representatives and external reviewers from other Schools of Nursing, and the Center for Lifelong Learning was reaccredited as a provider of continuing nurse education for four years by the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

“I’m very proud of the collective efforts of our faculty, staff, and students who came together for a successful year of programmatic self study, external review and accreditation,” said Dean and Alumni Distinguished Professor Kristen M. Swanson. “It is a worthwhile pursuit to thoughtfully assess how well our actions measure up to our vision and to identify ways to take that vision further.”

Going bald for a cause
The School of Nursing’s own Dr. Eric Hodges shaved his head to help kids with cancer and to support childhood cancer research. Thanks in large part to SON’s faculty and staff he went well beyond his original goal of $1,000 and raised $3,500 to support St. Baldrick’s Foundation. Read more about his journey to baldness in a blog post on the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation web site: go.unc.edu/Ni4j6.

SON faculty members discuss policy in D.C.
In June, Dr. Debra Barksdale, Ms. Beth Lamanna and Dr. Victoria Soltis-Jarrett were invited to the White House to attend a meeting of nurse leaders, senior administration officials and policy makers to discuss improving quality of care and health outcomes. The meeting was sponsored by the White House and the Department of Health and Human Services and focused on delivery system transformation and how the Affordable Care Act can support nurses’ efforts to provide high quality patient care. On the same day, Ms. Megan Williams was one of five North Carolina Nurses Association members who were part of a group of 150 nurses who went to Capitol Hill for the 2012 American Nurses Association Lobby Day.

Student News
Undergraduate
The School of Nursing maintains its high NCLEX first-time pass rates, with 97% success for the first half of 2012.

As part of their clinical experience, undergraduate nursing students Francia Marin and Amanda Hunsucker ran a health-promotion booth at the El Centro Hispano Open House in Carrboro, N.C. in March. Using models, they showed women how to perform breast self-examinations and explained the importance of performing these examinations monthly. They educated attendees and answered questions in Spanish. El Centro Hispano works to strengthen the Hispanic/Latino community and improve the quality of life of local Hispanic/Latino residents through service, education and community organizing.

Senior Tally Miller received the Jason Ray Memorial Spirit Award in April. Miller is the Community Outreach Chair for the UNC Association of Nursing Students and a Carolina Cheerleader. The award is given to a member of the Spirit Program in honor of former mascot Jason Ray, who died while traveling with the men’s basketball team at the NCAA tournament in 2007. The award keeps Ray’s memory alive by honoring one student who demonstrates excellence in academics, community service and representing the University of North Carolina.

Nursing students Danielle Fried and Lisa Skiver presented Honors posters at the University’s Celebration of Undergraduate Research last spring. For her honors project, Fried studied how parents of pediatric oncology patients use web sites to record, express and share their experiences. Skiver developed a teaching tool for parents of children who will be discharged with subcutaneous injection medication. Clinical Assistant Professor Diane Yorke was the advisor for both students.

Postdoctoral Scholars
Dr. Wanda Thompson, a Postdoctoral Scholar at the School of Nursing, was appointed Chair-Elect of the Obesity Society Diversity Section. The Diversity Section has an overall goal of representing the interests of individuals of diverse backgrounds at all levels of the Society.
Mary Schuler, RN, MSN, EdD, CNE, assumes the position of statewide area health education centers (AHEC) nursing liaison at the School of Nursing. Dr. Schuler comes to the SON from Norwalk Community College in Connecticut, where she was director of nursing and allied health. With leadership management and curriculum development in her background, Dr. Schuler’s new focus is the future of nursing within the health care system of North Carolina.

North Carolina AHEC enables partnerships between academic institutions, health care agencies and others in order to ensure that the health care and health-care workforce needs are met for the state of North Carolina. The Statewide AHEC Nursing Liaison works to meet the nursing mission of AHEC within North Carolina, and to ensure the availability of high quality continuing education for nurses.

Dr. Schuler says she is drawn to AHEC because she believes in the AHEC mission and vision, in serving underserved populations, and in working to make the diversity of health care workers reflect the population of the communities they serve. “These are things I hold dear,” Dr. Schuler says. “I consider this position an opportunity to look in a visionary manner at nursing in the state.” She also assumes a faculty role as a SON assistant clinical professor.

Dr. Gail Mazzocco stepped down as statewide AHEC nursing liaison this fall, a position she held since 2003. Dr. Schuler is grateful for the mentorship of Dr. Mazzocco and her more than 30 years’ experience with state workforce issues.

Cheryl B. Jones named chair of Health Care Environments

Cheryl B. Jones, PhD, RN, FAAN, associate professor and research consultant to UNC Hospitals, is taking on a new role as chair of the Health Care Environments (HCE) Division. Dr. Jones will lead the academic division that includes Community Health, Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing and Health Care Systems.

Dr. Jones has a PhD in nursing science with a minor in economics and is an expert in the field of applied nursing research. She was named Faculty Member of the Year in 2011 by UNC Hospitals Nursing Division for her role in fostering research relationships between UNC Hospitals and the SON. Her research focuses on health care workforces and outcomes of care.

Dr. Jones credits Dr. Diane Kjervik for her leadership as former HCE division chair. It is her hope to further Dr. Kjervik’s legacy by fostering unity among the specialties within HCE. “My vision is to create new and innovative ways to work, partner, learn and grow together, both within the division and throughout the SON. I am optimistic about the future of the division as a whole and the many individuals who have and will continue to contribute to its success.”

Dean Kristen M. Swanson welcomed Dr. Jones onto the School’s administrative team. “Dr. Jones’ vision for integrating HCE faculty with a community, psychiatric and care systems focus maps beautifully onto the Institute of Medicine emphasis on the continuous healing relationship, patient-centeredness and accessibility,” she says.
FACULTY AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

An interview with Rumay Alexander was the cover story for the June 2012 issue of Nurse Leader, the official journal of the American Organization of Nurse Executives.

Debra BarkSDAle was sworn in as president of the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) at the NONPF 38th Annual Meeting. Barksdale was also selected as Chair of the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Scholarly Publications Committee. Established under the Affordable Care Act, PCORI is an independent organization that aims to help the public make informed health care decisions and improve health care delivery.

Diane Berry was inducted as a fellow in the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. Berry also received NIH funding for a pilot study aimed to assist women with gestational diabetes, prevent prediabetes and type 2 diabetes and improve infant outcomes. Todd Schwartz is a co-investigator on this grant.

Linda CrOnenweTT received the Jessie M. Scott Award, presented by the American Nurses Association to an RN whose accomplishments demonstrate the interdependence of practice, education and research for the improvement of nursing and health care.

Jean Davison received a 2012 North Carolina Nurses Association (NCNA) Triangle Region Scholarship at the NCNA recognition event.

Carol Durham is president-elect of the International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning.

Louise Fleming was named the 2012 Faculty of the Year by the UNC Hospitals Nursing Retention Committee.

Cheryl Giscombe delivered a keynote speech at the National Science Foundation-sponsored 2012 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Women of Color Conclave in Washington, D.C.

George KnAFL received UNC Chapel Hill School of Nursing Faculty Award for Excellence in Doctoral Mentorship and Education, from the Doctoral Student Organization.

Jill Hamilton and Shawn kneipp were selected for the Faculty Engaged Scholars program, an initiative of the UNC Carolina Center for Public Service that supports faculty research that contributes to “the common good.”

Shawn kneipp developed an innovation for the United States Department of Health and Human Services’ Agency for Healthcare Research Quality focusing on the effect of public health nurses providing case management for low income women with chronic conditions. Her work was featured in the organization’s publication and on their website.

Jennifer leeman is the new principal investigator of the CDC-funded Comprehensive Cancer Control Collaborative NC (4NC), a collaborating center of the Cancer Prevention and Control Research Network. Leeman also received the Arnold Kaluzny Distinguished Alumni Award from the Public Health Leadership Program (PHLP) at the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health.

Deborah Mayer was appointed to an international panel of experts convened by the American Cancer Society to develop new models of breast cancer care. She also participated in the workshop, “The Entrepreneurial Mindset — Maximizing Faculty
MARGARET (MARGE) SHANDOR MILES, Professor Emerita, received the 2012 Leadership in Research Award from the Southern Nursing Research Society.

MARIYLNN OERMANN had two books, Evaluation and Testing in Nursing Education and Clinical Teaching Strategies in Nursing, recognized as Doody’s Core Titles in the Health Sciences in 2012. The books on Doody’s list represent essential knowledge needed by professionals or students in a given discipline.

VICTORIA SOLTIS-JARRETT led the International Society of Psychiatric and Mental-Health Nurses 15th Annual Conference in Atlanta in March as the organization’s president.

DEAN KRISTEN M. SWANSON was selected as part of the inaugural class of nursing deans and senior faculty leaders in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)-Wharton Executive Leadership Program. Dean Swanson is also the first Distinguished Nursing Scholar at Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle.

DEBBIE TRAVERS’ standards for pediatric triage form the basis of an updated handbook published by the Agency for Healthcare Research Quality, the health services research arm of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

LISA WOODLEY is a 2012 recipient of the UNC Tanner Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching.

MEG ZOMORODI was chosen to participate in the 2012-2013 Nurse Faculty Leadership Academy, a program developed by the International Leadership Institute of Sigma Theta Tau International. Zomorodi also assumes the position of Health Care Systems Advance Practice Area (APA) Coordinator.
SON ALUMNA CREATES GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP TO HONOR HER PARENTS

Dr. P. Kay Wagoner and her husband Dr. Kenneth N. May, Jr. have established The John and Lucy Wagoner Graduate Nursing Scholarship Fund to honor Dr. Wagoner’s parents, who sent three daughters through the School of Nursing.

The scholarship will be awarded to graduate nursing students of merit, with special emphasis on those seeking to specialize in care of the aged, women’s health or oncology nursing. Preference will also be given to a recipient who is a North Carolinian or who plans to practice in a North Carolina community.

Both John and Lucy are North Carolina natives who grew up in farming families and reside in Alamance County. Recognizing the value of education and the quality of instruction at UNC-Chapel Hill, they provided the financial support and encouragement necessary for their three daughters, P. Kay Wagoner, BSN ’70, MSN ’78, Margaret Wagoner Gilliam, BSN ’73, and Jackie Wagoner Disher, BSN ’83, to graduate from Carolina. All three have gone on to advance their education.

The SON welcomed John and Lucy, their daughters, and other family members for a tour and luncheon this spring. “My Mom and Dad were very impressed with how the School of Nursing has continued to grow and develop since our graduations. They feel honored to be a small part of the career development of future nurses,” says Dr. Wagoner.

Support for graduate studies is one of the SON’s most important priorities, as the need for advanced practice nurses continues to grow. Dr. Wagoner’s own career was greatly impacted by her graduate work. She earned her MSN from the SON in 1978 and a PhD in Physiology from the University in 1986. Kay has worked in the fields of intensive care and cardiovascular rehabilitation nursing, research, education, and pharmaceutical discovery and development. In 2001, she was awarded the Distinguished Alumna Award for Science and Business by UNC-Chapel Hill.

The three Wagoner sisters learned the value of hard work and education from their parents’ strong example and support. By establishing the John and Lucy Wagoner graduate nursing scholarship, the family hopes to provide support for future generations of nursing students who strive to make a difference in health care.

Maddy Carlson
Mona Kjervik felt a calling to be a nurse early on. Her goal was to attain a BSN degree, but in the wake of the depression, she couldn’t afford it. After graduating from the St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing in La Crosse, Wisconsin, and becoming an RN, Mona served her rural community of Mount Horeb, just outside of Madison. Because Mona and her husband Abner Reuben, a physician, were the community’s sole health care providers, residents of Mount Horeb truly relied on the couple for medical care. Toward the end of her career, Mona was a staff nurse at St. Michael’s Hospital in Texarkana, Texas. She retired at 73.

To honor her mother’s long career in nursing, Professor Emeritus Diane Kjervik has established The Mona Lucile Kjervik, RN, Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship Fund.

Mona grew up on a farm, riding bareback and playing with her cousins, who were all boys. Even as a child, she had a fierceness about her. Professor Kjervik describes her as engaging, gregarious, and charismatic. Kjervik’s father, on the other hand, was more of an introvert. “He would come to church and sit in the back, and my mom would be up front singing with the choir,” she says. Both of her parents were very musical and loved to dance. They would go to churches and sing while her mom played the piano. Kjervik remembers falling asleep upstairs as a child and listening to the sound of music and singing coming from downstairs.

Kjervik’s parents had a big influence on her decision, and that of her two sisters, to pursue their BSN at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. All three went on to receive their master’s, and Kjervik received her JD as well. She used her law degree to serve as a lobbyist for the American Association of Colleges of Nursing in the mid-1980s. She says an inherited combination of her mother’s fierceness and her father’s intelligence helped her be part of a pioneering team that persuaded legislators in Washington, D.C. to create a national center for nursing research within the NIH.

Kjervik’s decision to attend law school was driven by her desire to make a unique contribution to nursing. Her career path was strongly influenced by a sermon she heard that encouraged listeners to “dare to be different,” telling them that being different was a good thing. The university environment appealed to her as a “place where daring to be different was valued and where conformity wasn’t forced.” She joined the nursing faculty at UNC, where she served as professor and chair of the Health Care Environments Division. She admires the teamwork that goes on in the School of Nursing and the endless opportunities students and professors have to express their uniqueness. “I’m definitely a true blue Tar Heel at this point,” she says.

Kjervik wanted to establish a scholarship fund so she could help students overcome the financial barriers that her mother faced and allow them to achieve their academic goals. “I wanted to make it possible for young rural women or men interested in nursing to come to Carolina,” she says.
ANNE WEBB NAMED ASSISTANT DEAN FOR ADVANCEMENT

Anne Aldridge Webb is now the SON’s Assistant Dean for Advancement. Webb directs the School’s development, public relations and alumni activities, and serves as Executive Director of the School of Nursing Foundation Board of Directors.

“Anne Webb has been and will continue to be a superb ambassador for the School. In addition to her passion for nursing and all things Carolina, she brings to her new role skills in leadership, fundraising, and relationship building,” says Kristen M. Swanson, Dean and Alumni Distinguished Professor.

Webb has 10 years of experience as the School’s Associate Director for Alumni Affairs and Advancement. In her prior position, she introduced innovative alumni programming, boosted donor participation, and worked alongside former Director of Advancement Norma Hawthorne. Together, they shepherded the $15 million Carolina First Campaign. “It is a great privilege to work with the School’s alumni and friends as they make gifts, endow funds, share reunions, celebrate commencements and become more involved in the life of the School,” Webb says.

Since she began in the School’s Advancement Office, Webb has organized alumni events across the country and has seen 10 classes of students graduate. “I feel tremendous pride in seeing the impact our nursing students, graduates and faculty have on the health of patients everywhere through education, research and direct care,” she says. “It is exciting to take on a leadership role in an area that is so meaningful to me.”

NAKIA BEST NAMED JONAS NURSE LEADERS SCHOLAR

Nakia Best has been selected as a 2012–2014 Jonas Nurse Leaders Scholar. The scholarship provides Best with financial assistance, leadership development and mentoring support as she pursues a PhD in Nursing at SON. The program seeks to increase the number of advanced practice nurses available for roles as faculty, primary care providers and health care leaders by supporting doctoral nursing students.

As a Jonas scholar, her course of study will have an increased emphasis on leadership and education. She will complete a project on leadership and take part in the Jonas Center for Nursing Excellence/American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) leadership development conference in Washington, D.C. in 2013. She will also participate in online program activities and will work under the guidance of a mentor.

Best has taught undergraduate courses at the UNC Chapel Hill School of Nursing for the last four years. Her research interests are in informatics, with a focus on improving outcomes, delivery, access and decreasing health disparities through the use of telehealth. As a doctoral student, she will work with Dr. Barbara Mark on the Research Training in Quality Health Care and Patient Outcomes Training Grant.

The Barbara and Donald Jonas Family Fund started the Jonas Center for Nursing Excellence in 2006 with the goal of deploying philanthropy to improve health care through nursing. The Jonas Nurse Leaders Scholars program was started in 2008 and is administered by the AACN. The 2012-2014 cohort will be supported through $2 million in institutional grants, with another $1.5 million leveraged by participating schools.
Ensuring that educated professionals enter the nursing workforce debt free is the goal of William Reilly, who recently pledged his support to nurses through a $200,000 planned gift to the School. Reilly designated the bequest to assist graduate or undergraduate students with ties to Western North Carolina or previous military service. The gift is structured to enable students to graduate debt free.

Reilly, who lives in Asheville, N.C., says he chose UNC as the recipient of his gift because of the quality for which the school is known. “The reputation of the School for academic and practical excellence is recognized nationwide,” Reilly says.

Reilly’s desire to support the nursing profession comes in part from his personal experiences with nurses. “The nurses I have met — male and female, students and experienced practitioners — have been givers, not takers, with a commitment to the injured, weak and vulnerable, and an innate empathy with the human condition,” he says.

Other goals for Reilly’s commitment to the School of Nursing include addressing the strong need for high-quality health professionals and maintaining the strength of nursing education in North Carolina. “It would be a tragedy if the state of North Carolina, with its outstanding history in health education, risked a decline in status because of inadequate funding,” he adds.

Reilly has allowed us to share his documented bequest publicly to encourage others to join him in this important effort. Over the last three years, an average of 35 percent of the SON’s undergraduates have had unmet financial need, even after available loan and scholarship support. In the graduate program, 38 percent of Master’s students and 18 percent of PhD students experience unmet need.

Anne Aldridge Webb
Even as she enters phased retirement, former dean Linda Cronenwett continues to advance national nursing and health care initiatives. After seven years of leading the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) project at UNC with Gwen Sherwood, they recently passed the baton to colleagues at Case Western Reserve University. The quality and safety competencies that came from the QSEN project are improving patient care around the world.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) funds QSEN toward the goal of preparing nurses with the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to continuously improve the quality and safety of the health care systems in which they work. “In the seven years that the Foundation has supported the project at UNC, Dr. Cronenwett and her colleagues have literally rewritten the textbook on nursing education, helping to create a generation of nurses trained both to deliver care to patients and to contribute to the continuous process of increasing the safety, reliability and quality of care,” says Dr. Susan B. Hassmiller, the RWJF senior adviser for nursing.

REWITING THE BOOK ON NURSING EDUCATION
The project started in 2005 with Dr. Cronenwett’s team using expert input from across the nation to define a comprehensive set of quality and safety competencies. QSEN faculty then surveyed the nation’s nursing schools to determine the extent with which these competencies were included in curricula, whether faculty were sufficiently qualified to teach them and how well nursing students were learning them. In 2007–08, they worked with 15 schools of nursing nationwide who committed to testing strategies for developing the QSEN competencies and sharing their results.

In 2009, Dr. Cronenwett and her team partnered with the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) to develop faculty expertise in the core competencies; to instill them in textbooks, licensing, accreditation and certification; and to promote continued innovation in teaching the competencies. A final phase culminated in the publication of a textbook, Quality and Safety in Nursing: A Competency Approach to Improving Outcomes, edited by Drs. Sherwood, PhD, RN, FAAN, SON professor and associate dean for Academic Affairs, and Jane Barnsteiner, PhD, RN, FAAN, from the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.

“Our QSEN work was essentially aimed at altering professional identity formation so that a new type of nursing school graduate would be developed, someone who would come into the workforce with knowledge about how to create and continuously improve systems of care,” says Dr. Cronenwett. She continues to share her expertise as a speaker and consultant for state and regional QSEN initiatives and as chair of the board of the North Carolina Hospital Association’s Center for Hospital Quality and Patient Safety. She is also on the board of directors for the North Carolina Institute of Medicine and the Josiah Macy, Jr. Foundation in New York City.

Dr. Cronenwett co-directs the RWJF Executive Nurse Fellows program, a three-year world-class leadership development experience to enhance the effectiveness of nurse leaders to impact health and health care. Dean Kristen M. Swanson is an alumna of this program, and Dr. Debra Barksdale is a member of the 2011 cohort. Dr. Cronenwett mentors SON Assistant Professor Anna Beeber in the RWJF Nurse Faculty Scholars program and is a national mentor to NYU Assistant Professor Maja Djukic, who is in the 2011 RWJF Nurse Faculty Scholars cohort.

Erin Sroka
Associate Professor Pamela Johnson Rowsey, PhD, RN, was awarded a grant by the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) to increase the level of student diversity in the School of Nursing’s programs. The three-year, $640,000 project, Careers Beyond the Bedside, aims to increase the number of undergraduate students from historically underrepresented ethnic minorities — including African-Americans, Hispanics and American Indians — by 40 percent. Drs. Rumay Alexander, Beverly Foster, Cheryl Giscombé, Shawn Kneipp, Vicki Kowlowitz, and Ms. Julie Page will work with Dr. Rowsey to fulfill this mission.

The grant comes at a time when the School is redoubling its commitment to increase enrollment of students from diverse backgrounds. Dean Swanson recently appointed Dr. Rowsey as Coordinator of Student Diversity and Recruitment in response to data that shows the SON’s student enrollments do not currently reflect the diversity of North Carolina. For example, although 22 percent of North Carolinians are Non-Hispanic Black, African-Americans represented only 7 to 9 percent of the School’s undergraduate students over the last four academic years. In the MSN program, that percentage has ranged from 4 to 5 percent for the same time period.

“The SON population should ideally reflect what our state looks like,” says Dr. Rowsey, who also points out that this is a national issue. “We need to address as a profession that the United States is going through a profound demographic change. It’s our responsibility to increase the number of nurses in the workforce who look like the people we serve.”

Dr. Rowsey’s first step is strengthening recruitment efforts of underrepresented ethnic minority students with high academic achievement and an interest in nursing. She will partner with local community colleges and historically black colleges and universities, as well as the University’s Carolina Covenant program. She will collaborate with the SON’s Offices of Admissions and Student Services and Multicultural Affairs in identifying students. Her hope is not only to recruit more students into the undergraduate programs, but to usher these students to further their education in graduate programs.

The SON’s Offices of Admissions and Student Services (OASS) and Multicultural Affairs (OMA) join Dr. Rowsey’s efforts in their shared mission. Kathy Moore, director, OASS adds, “All efforts should be undertaken to ensure the school’s student body is a microcosmic representation of our state.”

“There is room for continued achievement in the recruitment and exposure of historically underrepresented individuals to the tremendous opportunities the nursing profession provides. This grant is truly connected to the School’s core educational mission and expands the internal resources of our diversity initiatives,” says Rumay Alexander, OMA director.

Dean Swanson calls on all administrators, faculty and staff to join in the effort of educating nurses from every segment of society. “We limit our School’s capacity to make a true impact on health care if we accept the status quo,” she says. “Please join me in making it your personal goal to enhance the vibrancy, diversity and relevance of both the knowledge and the knowledge workers who trace their roots to Carrington Hall.”

Dr. Rowsey agrees that the commitment to expanding diversity within the School should be shared by everyone. “No one person can increase the number of minority students this is something we have to buy into as a School. I know the Dean, faculty and staff are committed. Our task is to articulate our commitment to recruiting underrepresented students in everything that we do. We want minority students to see Chapel Hill as a reachable goal.”
RESEARCH TRAINING BEYOND THE PHD

“UNC’s commitment to collaborative inquiry creates a perfect milieu for lifelong learning about the syntax, substance and dissemination of science.” —Dean Kristen Swanson

Receipt of the PhD provides evidence of readiness to enter a world of discovery. The transition to independent research is eased by a variety of funding mechanisms, both public and private.

**DEVELOPING NURSE LEADERS**

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Nurse Faculty Scholars program provides funding that helps early career nursing faculty to develop their potential as national leaders in academic nursing. The program provides leadership training and mentorship as well as salary and research support to an elite cohort of about 15 scholars each year. This year, Assistant Professor Cheryl Giscombé joins the 2012 cohort of RWJF Nurse Faculty Scholars, an honor shared by Assistant Professors Anna Beeber and Eric Hodges.

Dr. Giscombé will use the three-year, $350,000 award to further her research on the influence of stress and coping on health disparities in African American women. She is interested in gender and ethnic-specific factors that influence African American women’s perceptions of stress and coping. These include obligations to present an image of strength and to suppress emotions. She developed a theoretical framework known as the Superwoman Schema to describe how these characteristics influence stress, obesity and obesity-related health conditions such as diabetes.

The RWJF Nurse Faculty Scholars Program will support Dr. Giscombé’s work to quantify the Superwoman Schema, turning it into a scale that can be applied in research, and ultimately, could be used to develop a health intervention. Through the program, she will receive mentorship in research and leadership development from Dean Swanson, Dr. Giselle Corbie-Smith, MD, from the UNC School of Medicine, and Dr. Nancy Fugate Woods, former dean of the University of Washington School of Nursing.

Dr. Beeber, a member of the 2011 cohort, is using her RWJF grant to conduct a national survey of assisted living communities to examine the relationships among nurse and direct care worker staffing, health service provision and quality of care outcomes. “So much of my training has focused on my development as a researcher, but the RWJF Nurse Faculty Scholar award is developing me as a leader,” she says. Her nursing mentor, Dr. Linda Cronenwett, immediate past dean of the school and Beerstecher-Blackwell Term Professor, is also helping her develop leadership skills.

Dr. Hodges, a member of the 2009 cohort, completed his three-year grant period in September. He credits the program with helping him continue a longitudinal study examining the link between childhood obesity and feeding patterns in African American mothers and their children. The program also broadened his perspective on nurse leadership. “The RWJF grant led me to seek leadership roles in research, education, service and practice earlier than I might have otherwise,” he says. SON Professor Margaret S. Miles and Dr. Margaret E. Bentley from the UNC Department of Nutrition served as his mentors.
The National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality fund a variety of career development grants called K awards. Assistant Professor Coretta Jenerette’s NIH K23 award supports her work on a longitudinal pilot study that is testing an intervention designed to reduce health-related stigma and improve care-seeking for pain in young adults with sickle cell. With guidance from her mentoring team, Dr. Jenerette designed the intervention, which is based on her Theory of Self-Care Management for Sickle Cell Disease.

Health-related stigma is a feeling of being perceived or treated differently because of personal attributes based on a health condition. Individuals with sickle cell disease can experience health-related stigma when providers mistake their pain relief-seeking behavior as drug-seeking behavior. Dr. Jenerette’s intervention is designed to help these patients put themselves in a better position to get care. They learn how to understand their bodies and how to discuss their pain using a communication style that mirrors the style used by health care providers.

“Dr. Jenerette says that after completing two postdoctoral fellowships, the K award helped fill in remaining gaps in her training. She learned more about longitudinal data analysis and gained additional insight into the pathophysiology of the disease. ‘I speak with individuals with sickle cell disease, spend time with the UNC sickle cell team in clinical meetings, and learn from patients in the sickle cell clinic,’ she says.

The pilot project is giving her experience in managing data, handling a small research team and working with a budget, all of which will be helpful as she progresses to bigger projects that will likely take place at multiple sites. Dr. Jenerette’s primary mentor is SON’s Dr. Merle Mishel, and her secondary mentors are Dr. Karen Gil, dean of the UNC School of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Kenneth Ataga, director of the Sickle Cell Program at the UNC School of Medicine.

UNDERSTANDING HYPERTENSION IN BLACK AMERICANS

Associate Professor Debra Barksdale says that her NIH-funded K23 award has helped her advance a program of research focused on understanding why some Black Americans develop hypertension while others do not. Hypertension is a major health problem for this group, and Dr. Barksdale is studying cardiovascular and neuroendocrine responses to understand how chronic exposure to stress affects a person’s physiology.

“The K23 let me really focus on my research and try things that I would not have been able to do, otherwise,” Barksdale says. “For example, I worked with a company to develop a device that would collect impedance cardiography data for 24 hours. At the time I started, we were unable to locate a device designed to function for 24 hours in an ambulatory setting.”

The funding also gave her time to work with and learn from mentors and consultants. For example, she attended Dr. Joanne Harrell’s SON research team meeting to learn the practical aspects of managing a large research team. Time in the lab with Dr. Susan Girdler in the School of Medicine taught Dr. Barksdale research techniques, and seeing patients with Alan Hinderliter, MD, in the UNC Hospitals Heart Center exposed her to a variety of cardiovascular diseases. “My mentors were always there for me. I trained with them and strategized with them around problems and issues,” she says. “They also worked with me in interpreting my data.”
K23 support allowed Dr. Barksdale to attend a weeklong hypertension summer school and other courses in her area of research. The grant also allowed her to build a research team that included students from across all levels who were interested in her work. She adds that her research would not have been possible without the support of the SON Biobehavioral Laboratory under the Directorship of Dr. Virginia Neelon and, in particular, assistance from Brant Nix and Victoria Knick.

INDIVIDUALIZED BREAST CANCER TREATMENT

Scanlan was awarded a KL2 award through the North Carolina Translational and Clinical Sciences (NC TraCS) Institute. The NC TraCS Institute is the integrated home of the NIH Clinical and Translational Science Awards program at UNC Chapel Hill. Dr. Swift-Scanlan used the support to expand current understanding of breast cancer subtypes by studying epigenetic changes in breast tissue, such as DNA methylation, that may serve as future markers of individualized risk and prognosis. Epigenetic changes modify DNA expression without changing the genetic code.

“We often under- or over-treat breast cancer. Understanding breast cancer subtypes can help us develop individualized treatments that are better for the health of the patient and can lower the overall health care costs related to breast cancer,” Dr. Swift-Scanlan says. She first investigated how methylation differs in five breast-tumor subtypes that were previously profiled by Dr. Charles Perou’s team at the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center. She then validated these methylation findings in samples from the Carolina Breast Cancer Study, a large population-based study of breast cancer in North Carolina led by Dr. Robert Milikan of the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health.

During the weekly UNC KL2 seminars, Dr. Swift-Scanlan met and began collaborating with Dr. Charlotte Boetigger from the Department of Psychology. Dr. Boetigger was interested in looking at epigenetic changes involved in risk for addiction behaviors. They received extra funding from NC TraCS to collaborate on a study and are now submitting a paper together.

Dr. Swift-Scanlan says that the KL2 award and working with her mentors, Drs. Perou and Millikan, allowed her to acquire knowledge and expertise in areas such as breast tumor histology and pathology and in conducting population-based studies of breast cancer. The collaboration also let her connect with investigators from other disciplines and learn how interdisciplinary work can enhance discovery.

ADVANCING WOMEN’S HEALTH

The NIH Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health (BIRCWH) program is designed to foster the research careers of junior faculty by providing them with protected time to conduct their research and by pairing them with senior investigators in an interdisciplinary environment. The program supports research on women’s health that cuts across scientific disciplines and is administered by the NC TraCS Institute. Assistant Professors Anna Beeber and Beth Black both benefited from BIRCWH awards and went on to successfully secure funding to continue their research.

Dr. Black’s BIRCWH award supported her research into the various care options available to women after they had received a diagnosis of a severe (life-threatening or clearly lethal) fetal defect. These women have an option to terminate the pregnancy, continue the pregnancy under perinatal palliative care, or continue the pregnancy with full obstetric or neonatal intervention.

“The K award opened up a number of avenues for collaboration with researchers from other disciplines,” Black says. “Reviewing each other’s
works in progress and grant submissions refined my thinking about issues of design and methodology. In addition, preparations for presenting papers at conferences were very thorough and proved to be a very helpful piece of professional development for me.”

“Career development was a constant theme among the mentors, and we met frequently to discuss our development,” Dr. Black says. “I learned a great deal about how to be a mentor from being mentored so well as a BIRCWH scholar.”

The BIRCWH award provided her with protected time to sharpen her thinking about the literature on perinatal loss and to make connections with other researchers. For example, she met other scholars interested in perinatal care at the yearly NIH meeting for BIRCWH scholars. Her research as a BIRCWH scholar led directly to her current NIH-funded research. “My current research team includes a psychiatrist, Dr. Samantha Melzer-Brody, who was in my BIRCWH class. This interdisciplinary connection grew directly from our work together as BIRCWH scholars.”

Dr. Beeber says that the BIRCWH grant provided the benefits of a typical K award as well as weekly seminars on research conduct, opportunities for peer review of scholarly products and assistance with research grant development. Her research was specifically looking at caregivers of older adults with dementia; 75 percent of these caregivers are women.

Dr. Beeber was mentored by Dr. Sheryl Zimmerman, a social worker/health services researcher, and geriatrician Dr. Philip Sloane, MD, MPH. Drs. Zimmerman and Sloane lead the Program on Aging, Disability, and Long-term Care at the UNC Sheps Center. Faculty from across campus come to the Sheps Center to focus on interdisciplinary research. “I think it broadens our scope because we each have connections within our disciplines, but we are all focused on a common goal of improving the quality of long-term care services for older adults,” Dr. Beeber says.

In addition to giving her the opportunity to work with great mentors, she says that the award gave her time to attend team meetings, to go into the field for data collection, and to write scholarly products that are instrumental for advancing her research.

**DISSEMINATING AND IMPLEMENTING RESEARCH FINDINGS**

Assistant Professor Jennifer Leeman has a K12 grant awarded through the UNC Mentored Career Development Program in Comparative Effectiveness Research, which is funded by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and housed in the School of Public Health. This funding has provided Dr. Leeman with release time that is using to build a program of interdisciplinary research focused on developing ways to disseminate and implement research findings that bring the most benefit to patients and the public.

The protected time allowed her to pursue several research projects. For example, she is a co-principal investigator of the CDC-funded Center of Excellence in Training and Translation for the Obesity Prevention Program, which provides evidence and training for practitioners working in CDC-funded obesity prevention programs nationwide. She is also a co-investigator of a NIH-funded School of Nursing study (PIs: Drs. Kathleen Knafl and Dr. Margarete Sandelowski) that is synthesizing findings from empirical research to help address the intersection between family life and childhood chronic physical condition.

As one of several contributions to the project, Dr. Leeman will help to translate the findings into information that is useful for clinicians.

The K award supported Dr. Leeman and Alexis Moore from the UNC School of Public Health in working with the NC Triangle Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation. “We convinced the organization to include evidence-based strategies in their calls for funding,” she says. They also provided training and technical assistance to community-based organizations to help increase practitioners’ capacity to adapt and use evidence to promote breast cancer screening.

Dr. Leeman says that her School of Nursing mentor, Dr. Barbara Mark, has helped her to focus her research and to identify areas where her science can have the greatest impact. She is also mentored by Dr. Brian Weiner, a nationally known implementation scientist at the UNC School of Public Health. “The K12 let me build relationships with investigators from multiple disciplines within UNC and from across the nation, and to partner with others who were interested in disseminating and implementing research findings,” she says.
POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Postdoctoral fellows at the School of Nursing are supported by two NIH-funded T32 grants. These grants help train tomorrow’s scientists by providing mentorship and career development as well as funding for research and training. Read about some of the trainees in the sidebar.

Dr. Merle Mishel, Kenan Professor of Nursing, is the principal investigator for Interventions to Prevent or Manage Chronic Illness. Postdocs who are part of this T32 must have an interdisciplinary component to their research. This T32 includes a class on theory-driven interventions and one on how to measure outcomes, which the postdocs can audit. Dr. Mishel says that a postdoctoral fellowship helps broaden the perspective of the trainees and prepares them to launch a career as an investigator. “When they look for employment, the postdoctoral fellowship is valuable because they can talk about the investigators they worked with and the research they conducted during their fellowship,” she says.

Dr. Barbara Mark, Sarah Frances Russell Distinguished Professor, leads the Health Care Quality and Patient Outcomes T32. This T32 grant crosses disciplines by supporting fellows in the School of Nursing as well as fellows from other health affairs schools at UNC. Every week these fellows attend a multidisciplinary health services research seminar in conjunction with the UNC Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research T32. “These seminars are attended by trainees from nursing, medicine, social work, pharmacy, and dentistry, who provide substantive critique and intellectual exchanges,” says Dr. Mark. “The interdisciplinary aspects of the T32 raise awareness of similarities and differences in research questions and approaches to address them.”

TRAINING GRANTS SUPPORT POSTDOC RESEARCH AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Dr. Jada Brooks used her postdoctoral fellowship to design and conduct a pilot study examining the relationship between family management, maternal depressive symptoms and health outcomes in Lumbee children with chronic asthma. The Lumbee Tribe is concentrated around Lumberton, N.C. Asthma is a major health concern among Lumbee children. Dr. Brooks is interested in understanding how a mother’s depressive symptoms might influence her ability to manage her child’s asthma. She is mentored by Dr. Linda Beeber, who studies how maternal depressive symptoms affect children among Latina mothers.

During her postdoctoral fellowship, Dr. Heather Beil conducted a cost-effectiveness analysis of treatment for depression in low-income women. This research drew from her background in health services research and her mentor’s psychologically-focused clinical research. By working with her mentor, Dr. Linda Beeber, Dr. Beil learned about data collection procedures, data management for large intervention projects, and designing and implementing randomized control trials. The postdoctoral fellowship gave her experience in working in a multidisciplinary team environment, which proved useful for her current position at the RTI International research institute.

Dr. Emily Weaver’s postdoctoral fellowship has allowed her to disseminate findings from her dissertation while also branching out into new areas of investigation. Dr. Weaver has a background in health policy and is evaluating a national midwifery program in Indonesia to see how changes in the education and training of nurse midwives affect reproductive outcomes and care. Her School of Nursing mentor, Dr. Gwen Sherwood, offers input on the education, training and curriculum development aspects of her research. Dr. Weaver also works with Dr. Siân L. Curtis from the Carolina Population Center, on a study involving maternal mortality.

Dr. Cecelia Roscigno is studying parents’ experiences after their child has lived through a severe traumatic brain injury (TBI). Through her dissertation research, she learned that the way health care providers communicate about the child’s future can leave parents traumatized and frustrated. Because little is known about communications in this area, Dr. Roscigno has used her postdoctoral fellowship to analyze and publish data she previously collected. Her mentor, Dr. Knafl, has helped her explore a mixed methods synthesis of published literature on family management of TBI. They are also writing a K23 grant proposal to fund further training in understanding the ways providers communicate with families.
CRONENWETT SCHOLARS PRESENT AT BEIJING INTERNATIONAL NURSING CONFERENCE

“I found that a lot of struggles we have within nursing in the United States, other countries struggle with, too,” says BSN student Merle Tai, who traveled to Beijing this summer. “I felt more connected to the world of nursing.” Tai, along with BSN students Lauren McKenna and Natalie Solano and MSN student Holly Jamison, took part in the 2012 Beijing International Nursing Conference in June. McKenna, Solano and Tai received funding for their trip from the Cronenwett Global Study Award.

The four students presented an educational paper on high fidelity simulation in nursing education. The School of Nursing at Peking Union Medical College hosted the conference, which featured speakers from Australia, China, Hong Kong and the United States. Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Gwen Sherwood also attended as an invited participant. The conference marked the end of a three-week stay in China for the students, who participated in a learning exchange with the School of Nursing at the Medical College. SON’s exchange with the College continues this fall, with a small delegation of students and two faculty members from Beijing visiting UNC.

EXPERTS TAKE A GLOBAL VIEW OF THE NURSING WORKFORCE

In May, workforce researcher Dr. Cheryl Jones and Associate Dean Gwen Sherwood hosted an interdisciplinary conference called “The Globalization of the Nursing Workforce: the Migration and Mobility of Nurses.” In attendance, were scientists, policy makers and industry as well as academic leaders from within and outside of the United States, who came together to discuss international nurse workforce issues. Participants explored the myriad legal, economic, cultural, social and educational ramifications associated with the global nursing workforce. Nurses make up a major workforce in the global economy, and their movement from country to country is a critical issue. The conference was funded by the UNC Center for Global Initiatives.

UNC PROVIDES CARE, SUPPLIES ON SERVICE-LEARNING TRIP TO HONDURAS

A group of 22 students and volunteers from UNC School of Nursing and UNC School of Pharmacy traveled to Honduras on a service-learning trip during spring break 2012. The students and volunteers from UNC joined the efforts of Compassion Med International in providing medical screenings, care and supplies to local populations. The group was led by SON’s Jean Davison, who is a clinical assistant professor and family nurse practitioner. Volunteers included SON’s Rhonda Lanning, clinical instructor and nurse midwife; Elizabeth Prata, family nurse practitioner from the UNC Center for Latino Health; and Christine Walko, PharmD, from the School of Pharmacy.

UNC’s MedWorld helped provide the group with medical supplies to distribute to local hospitals and clinics. One hospital received endotracheal intubation equipment, while its pediatric ward received beanie babies and toys. Other supplies and medications were donated to Dr. Elmor Mejia, who is the only local doctor with a hyperbaric chamber for treating divers injured in the lobster trade. The group conducted over 100 health screenings on local children before seeing more than 150 patients per day at four different clinical sites. In addition, the group formed a triage staff to care for minor complaints and handed out anti-parasitic treatments and vitamins. All told, the group saw more than 1,000 patients over the course of their trip and distributed 20 food packets that could feed a family of five for one week.
Thirty-one students from the School of Nursing traveled internationally this summer as part of the SON’s Practicum in Nursing Global Health Experience. Students set out to address global need in 15 countries including the United States, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Kenya, Malawi, New Guinea, Portugal, Tanzania, Togo and Uganda.

Several students joined ongoing projects like Carolina for Kibera, UNC Project-Malawi and the Atlantis Project. Others continued exchange relationships in Uganda, China, Guatemala and elsewhere. Still others returned to their countries of origin to apply new healthcare perspectives. Audrey Boyles, who is a Melinda Kellner Brock Public Health Nursing Scholar, traveled to California to work with the volunteer initiative Doctors Without Walls-Santa Barbara Street Medicine. Boyles assisted in the organization’s mobile clinics that provide free medical care to homeless populations.

Two groups of nurse and public health educators from Thailand attended three-week seminars hosted by the School of Nursing during the summer. The seminars covered reflective practice in teaching and education and were sponsored by the Thai Ministry of Health. Associate Dean Gwen Sherwood and Dr. Sara Horton-Deutsch from Indiana University were the lead facilitators.
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David Robert Williams
Julia D. Williams
Anne Campbell Wilson
John David Wilson Sr.
John David Wilson Jr.
Martha G. Wilson
Amanda G.F. Wilson
Robert A. Wilson
Thomas Wintermeier
Victoria Wintermeier
David Wisniewski
Vicki Wisniewski
Glen Ashley Withrow
James Sterrett Woods III
Nancy Fugate Woods
Bruce Wayne Wright
Daniel Worth Wright Jr.
Ted Wright
Jennifer Elizabeth Yancey
Michael Frisby Yelverton
Laurie C. Zauro
Shane Russell Zeigler
Nathan Kenneth Thomas Zigler
Ali Reza Zamorodi
The BSN Class of 1962 enjoyed three days of fun during 50th reunion festivities in May. The Radisson RTP provided a modern substitute for the old Nurses’ Dorm. The bonds developed by these classmates are still strong 50 years later. They enjoyed catching up on personal and professional changes since receiving their BSN. A highlight of the reunion luncheon was talking about special life experiences during the last half century. Their collective contributions made to health care in our state and beyond were celebrated by all. Education, leadership, political activism and patient care are just a few areas in which class members had a great impact. Plans are in the works for a Class of ’62 gift to the SON as a follow up to their special weekend.

BSN CLASS OF 1962 CELEBRATES 50TH REUNION
Regional Events

ATLANTA- AND DC-AREA ALUMNI JOIN DEAN SWANSON FOR DINNER

When Dean Swanson traveled to Atlanta and Washington, D.C. in the spring and spent time with area alumni, she shared news from the School and heard feedback on local nursing topics of interest. Atlanta-area alumni shared dinner on a beautiful April evening. In D.C., area alums gathered to watch Carolina’s overtime basketball victory in the NCAA Men’s Basketball Sweet Sixteen. Wherever we travel, we find alumni making a difference in their communities and enjoying a Carolina connection.

ALUMNI ENRICH THE CLASSROOM

Caring for some of San Francisco’s earliest HIV patients, serving in nursing Peace Corps and being named in the initial class of North Carolina’s Great 100 nurses, were just a few of the experiences lived and shared by members of the BSN class of 1959 during an alumni panel in the undergraduate Discipline of Nursing course.

With over 50 years of nursing experience under their belts, Jody Alston, Ashton Medina, Nancy Sturdivant and Faye White shared insights and activities from their own nursing history. Their graduating class had only 37 members. They credit the SON for giving them a strong background that supported their varied and successful careers. White, who later became a member of the SON faculty, remarked that their Dean, Elizabeth Kemble, was ahead of her time in viewing nursing as a profession. She taught them to be team members, a philosophy that has served them well throughout a half-century of practice.

Bringing alumni into the classroom is part of an overall initiative developed by the SON Alumni Association Board of Directors. Laura Britton, a first-semester BSN student, said that listening to the alumni was a really unique opportunity for her to learn what patient care meant at different points in the last half century.

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In Memoriam

It is with sadness that we honor the passing of our esteemed alumni and friends:

Dr. Betty Landsberger, Emeritus Faculty
Ruth Corwin Whitman, BSN ’56
Billie Ann Williams Routh, BSN ’58
Joyce Kaufman Moore, BSN ’63
Ann Alphin hobson, BSN ’65
Mary Elizabeth Quinn, BSN ’75
Patricia Forsyth Giles, MSN ’78
Deborah Kim poole, MSN ’86
Catherine Murphy Kernodle, BSN ’90

honor recognizes a lifelong commitment to nursing and impact on health and/or social history of the United States. Tranbarger has been an advocate for diversity in the profession. He has been a leader for the American Assembly for Men in Nursing and co-edited the book Men in Nursing: History, Opportunities and Challenges. He was the first male president of the North Carolina Nurses Association and chair of the North Carolina Board of Nursing. Tranbarger’s 50-year career began in medical-surgical nursing as an officer in the Army Nurse Corps. Later, he served for 20 years as a chief nurse executive at three hospitals in North Carolina.

Gwen H. Waddell-Schultz, MSN ’70, MSN ’76, was inducted into the North Carolina Nurses Association (NCNA) Hall of Fame. The award is the highest level of recognition given to registered nurses by the NCNA, and recipients are selected based on their outstanding records of nursing and leadership achievements. Waddell-Schultz is Associate Chief of Nursing Education and Medicine at the Durham VA Medical Center.

Gale Adcock, MSN ’87, was elected mayor pro-tem by the town council of Cary, N.C. Adcock serves in the absence of the mayor, and acts as the town’s spokesperson at certain meetings, town events and Chamber of Commerce events.

Taking Hospice to the Mountains: A Nurse’s Story chronicles the adventures of alumna and author Carolyn Pinion Rice in starting and directing a hospice and home care service in the Colorado Rocky Mountains in 1982. At that time the concept of in-home hospice care was only beginning to be understood. Carolyn credits her public health nursing experience at UNC as the impetus for a community health nursing career that spanned 30 years.

Members of the BSN class of 1965 have been doing beach reunion trips since 1995, most recently sharing a beach house at Wrightsville Beach. Class member Connie Parker says, “I think the main reason we love the beach house is because it allows us to all be back living together again, similar to the dorm — plus there is the pleasant laid back beach environment that keeps the pace of activities and together time.”

Russell E. Tranbarger, MSN ’71, was inducted into the American Nurses Association Hall of Fame on June 16. This year recognizes a lifelong commitment to nursing and impact on health and/or social history of the United States. Tranbarger has been an advocate for diversity in the profession. He has been a leader for the American Assembly for Men in Nursing and co-edited the book Men in Nursing: History, Opportunities and Challenges. He was the first male president of the North Carolina Nurses Association and chair of the North Carolina Board of Nursing. Tranbarger’s 50-year career began in medical-surgical nursing as an officer in the Army Nurse Corps. Later, he served for 20 years as a chief nurse executive at three hospitals in North Carolina.

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GREAT 100 NURSES

The advancement office would like to congratulate our alumni who achieved recognition for excellence in nursing as part of the 2012 Great 100 Nurses of North Carolina:

Valerie Cooke, BSN ’85
Leslie Davis, BSN ’85, MSN ’89, PhD ’11
Lisa Hedgepeth, BSN ’84
Donna Herrin, BSN ’83
Martha Lassiter BSN ’89
Margaret May, BSN ’77
Undergraduates selected for the Hillman Scholars Program in Nursing Innovation will enter a rigorous curriculum designed to take them from entry into the BSN program to completion of a doctoral degree in five years. The University committed to partner with the Hillman Foundation in funding the Hillman Scholars; support for the students’ final six semesters must come from University sources. Private giving will be necessary to honor this commitment. Dean Kristen M. Swanson made an initial contribution to establish a Hillman Scholars Fund. She invites alumni and friends to join her in launching this innovative program. To give to the Hillman Scholars Fund, contact Anne Webb at 919-966-4619 or anne_webb@unc.edu or make a gift online at giving.unc.edu/gift/son/. Read more about the Hillman Scholars program on page 4 of the magazine.