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# THE Heritage Society

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**See you there!**



We hope you have received your Heritage Society Dinner invitation and are planning to attend this lovely event on Sunday, 17 November in the Riverview Ballroom at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center, Oxon Hill, Maryland, USA. You will enjoy a dinner and silent auction beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Nikki Aleman at [nikki@sigmanursing.org](mailto:nikki@sigmanursing.org) or +1.317.917.4938.

## Are you attending the 2019 biennial convention?

*By Juli Maxworthy*

I'm excited to share that my company, WithMax Consulting, is sponsoring Steps for Research at the 2019 biennial convention. This is the only onsite Sigma Foundation for Nursing's fundraising event and we need you to ensure its success!

Be sure to register in advance to help us raise even more funding for research grants by participating in our fundraising challenge. If you raise the most, you will win a free night at the convention venue, the Gaylord National. This prize can be applied to your convention stay at the Gaylord National.

If you have already registered for convention, contact Becky Frey at [rebecca@sigmanursing.org](mailto:rebecca@sigmanursing.org) or +1.317.917.4977 to join. Looking forward to reconnecting with you at convention!

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## New Heritage Society donors

*We gratefully recognize the newest Heritage Society donors (1 March 2019–25 August 2019) who've made their commitment to support nursing worldwide.*

### ***Sigma Theta Tau Fellow***



**Patrick Albert Palmieri**, DHSc, EdS, MBA, MSN, RN, CPHQ, CPHRM, FACHE, FAAN  
Dean and Margaret Jean Watson Distinguished Professor  
Universidad Privada Norbert Wiener  
Beta Beta Chapter, Iota Chapter, Phi Nu Chapter, and Upsilon Nu Chapter  
Lima, Peru

## ***Virginia Henderson Fellow***



**Sylvia Colon Cabassa**, DNP, R.T.(R), FNP-C  
Associate Director Undergraduate Nursing  
Fairleigh Dickinson University  
Epsilon Rho Chapter  
Hackensack, New Jersey, USA



**Esther Emard**, MSN, RN, MSLIR  
Graduate Faculty  
The George Washington University  
Phi Epsilon Chapter  
Stockbridge, Vermont, USA



**Sandra A. Mitchell**, PhD, RN, FAAN  
Research Scientist  
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**Richard Ricciardi**, PhD, RN, FAANP, FAAN  
Professor and Director of Strategic Partnerships, Center for  
Health Policy and Media Engagement  
The George Washington University School of Nursing  
Phi Epsilon Chapter  
Rockville, Maryland, USA



**Stephanie L. Turrise, PhD, RN-BC, APRN, CNE, CHFN-K**  
Assistant Professor  
University of North Carolina Wilmington School of Nursing  
Nu Omega Chapter and Theta Zeta Chapter  
Calabash, North Carolina, USA

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## News about Fellows

The following individuals were [inducted](#) on 11 April 2019 as Inaugural Fellows of the American Organization for Nursing Leadership (AONL):

**Linda Q. Everett**

**Patricia S. Yoder-Wise**

**Jose Alejandro** obtained his Nurse Executive Advanced (NEA-BC) Certification from the American Nurses Credential Center.

**Jerico Alicante** was presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who and has been admitted to the MSN Health Systems Management Program at Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing.

**Mary Bemker** co-edited *Population Health and Its Integration into Advanced Nursing Practice*, and it was selected as American Journal of Nursing Book of the Year Award 2018 in Advance Practice Nursing.

**Mary Lou Bond** is co-author of *Harris College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Embracing the Past, Welcoming the Future* to be published in October 2019 by Texas Christian University Press. It is an update to the original history that was published in 1973.

**Phyllis Brenner** has been granted Professor Emerita status at Madonna University, Livonia, Michigan, USA and is enjoying retirement since 2017.

**Marion Broome** was [presented](#) the 2019 Nurse.com by OnCourse Learning Lectureship Award for Diversity, Inclusion, and Sustainability in Nursing Education by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing in March and [awarded](#) an honorary doctorate by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee on 19 May 2019.

**Sharon Byrne** has been named to the State of New Jersey Task Force on Cancer Prevention, Detection and Treatment. She is a nurse practitioner at MD Anderson Cancer Center at Cooper

University Health System and Chair and Associate Professor at The College of New Jersey.

**Sylvia Colon Cabassa** had a poster presentation *Caring for the Unabridged Patient: How Can Nursing Schools Integrate CAM Modalities in Their Curriculum* at Sigma's International Nursing Research Congress, and she had a poster presentation *Transformational Change: A Shift to a Health Work Environment Throughout Nursing Academia Nursing Education* at Nursing Education Research Conference.

**Norma Cuellar** is president of National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN) where they are [planning](#) NAHN Capitol Hill Day and Latino Leadership Institute in Washington, D.C., USA 6-9 February 2020. NAHN has a co-sponsored partner research grant with Sigma.

**Rose Constantino** is in Cebu City, Philippines conducting a collaborative research project on the hearts of older persons fund by the Philippine Council on Health Research and Development as a Balik Scientist. She spoke at the Psi Kappa Chapter at Silliman University, Dumaguete City, Philippines on 24 August 2019.

**Patricia Davidson** has been [named](#) as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women for 2019 by The Daily Record.

**Holli DeVon** is the Associate Dean for Research and Audrienne H. Moseley Endowed Chair in Nursing at the University of California Los Angeles School of Nursing effective 1 September 2019.

**Ken Dion** will be inducted in October 2019 as Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN).

**Rosemary Donley** is [planning](#) a symposium on homelessness 17-18 October 2019 at Duquesne University.

**Esther Emard** had the article *Quality, Safety and Financial Alignment: Nursing Leadership Needed to Create Value* published in May 2019 and the article *End-of-Life Care: Redesigning Access Through Leveraging the Institute of Medicine Future of Nursing Recommendations* published in June 2019.

**Joyce Griffin-Sobel** is the new President and CEO of the Helene Fuld College of Nursing in New York, New York, USA.

**Sara Horton-Deutsch** has been named the Director of the University of San Francisco/Kaiser Permanente Partnership.

**Suzie Kardong-Edgren** has new positions as Senior Fellow at the Center for Medical Simulation in Boston, Massachusetts, USA and as Nurse Scientist at Texas Health Resources in Fort Worth, Texas, USA.

**Nancyruth Leibold** recently earned a Creative Commons Licenses Certificate.

**Ida Martinson** visited with former President Jimmy Carter in Plains, Georgia. She was honored and highly recommends people visit.

**Shannon Perry** traveled to Atlanta, Georgia and Odenville, Alabama in July 2019 to visit family and celebrate the 80th birthday and 70th birthday of her brothers. She was [interviewed](#) by the *Loveland Reporter-Herald* about her medical missions to Nigeria.

**Daniel Pesut** was [named](#) one of 50 Visionary Leaders by the University of Texas Health Science School of Nursing. He published *Anticipating Disruptive Innovations With Foresight Leadership* and is [curating](#) resources for the University of Minnesota School of Nursing Katharine J. Densford International Center for Nursing Leadership Digital Learning Community.

**Bobbie Richards** retired from Samuel Merritt University effective 7 September 2019.

**Zane Robinson** received the 2019 Legacy of Caring Award from the International Association for Human Caring. She is the Editor-In-Chief of the *International Journal for Human Caring* and is a board member of the Bates Center for the Study of History of Nursing, Institute for Safe Medication Practices, *Patient Safety Authority Journal*, Anne Boykin Institute for the Study of Caring in Nursing.

**Linda Streit** was selected to serve on the Executive Committee for the Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing, Southern Regional Education Board.

**Andrew Storer** was [inducted](#) as a Fellow in the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (FAANP) in June 2019.

**Guillermo Valdes** will be graduating from Duke University School of Nursing with a Post Masters Certificate in Nursing Education, and he has been selected to receive the Florida Nurses Association Icon Award in the area of Nursing Mentor/Role Model at the Membership Assembly Awards Ceremony on 13 September 2019.

**Dee Welk** has completed 14 consecutive years of Sigma service to chapter leaders. She was inducted in 1974 into Xi Chapter, University of Pennsylvania and is a founding member of Theta Zeta, Bloomsburg University. She has served in all chapter capacities but Treasurer, served on Sigma Board of Directors, and many international committees. She has enjoyed 45 years of involvement.

**Mary Wurzbach** is the namesake of the Dr. Mary E. Wurzbach Nursing Essay Award that Eta Pi Chapter will be awarding beginning 2020. This award recognizes excellence in essay writing in nursing. It is planned to be an annual award.

**Patricia Yoder-Wise** will be the President of the National League for Nursing beginning September 2019 for a two-year term.

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– Esther Emard  
Virginia Henderson Fellow

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