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Nursing breaks ground for the Betty and Bob Beyster Institute for Nursing Research, Advanced Practice, and Simulation! Nursing classes, labs, and offices are closed as President Mary Lyons, Provost Andy Allen, the Beyster family, Nursing faculty, staff and students, and other major donors join together to celebrate the historic event. Media films 200 guests enjoying a festive “Picnic-in-the Park” celebration with music, a plethora of blue balloons, champagne,
lemonade, and sweet and savory treats! Above, Project Director Brad Krause and Chief Engineer Matt Horak from DPR Construction, and Principal Architect, Ed Holakiewicz, Architect Matt Greiner, and Landscape Architect Brad Lenehan from gkkWorks help Dean Hardin lift silver shovels. Prior to the celebration, Msgr. Dan Dillabough offered a Founders Chapel Mass for the safety of the estimated 1,000 craftsmen who will build the Beyster Institute.
L TO R: MARY ANN BEYSTER, MARK BEYSTER, LAN BEYSTER, JIM BEYSTER, BETTY BEYSTER, AND DR. ROBERT BEYSTER (now deceased)

THE BEYSTER FAMILY GAVE THE LEAD GIFT THAT CATALYZED THE SCHOOL'S LONG HELD DREAM INTO A FUNDING CAMPAIGN AND A FULLY REALIZED BUILDING.

L TO R: REBECCA DICKINSON WELCH, JOHN SEIBER, MARTIN DICKINSON, AND CAROL DICKINSON
L TO R: ANDREW, GALE, AND MARK KRAUSE DESIGNATED A GIFT FOR THE PhD RESEARCH LIBRARY ON THE BINR’S THIRD FLOOR.

JAMES KRAUSE (now deceased) SERVED ON USD’S BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND WAS A GREAT FRIEND OF NURSING.

MSGR. DANIEL DILLABOUGH GREETS SR. SALLY FURAY.
CONSTRUCTION

BINR BUILDING TEAM:  
TOP ROW (L TO R): DR. SALLY BROSZ HARDIN AND DR. CYNTHIA CONNELLY  
BOTTOM ROW (L TO R): LINDA JOHNSTON AND DR. KAREN MACAULEY
Betty and Mary Ann Beyster cut huge blue ribbons with giant scissors on September 1, 2015 and were joined by President Harris, Provost Allen, Vice President Msgr. Dillabough, Nursing faculty and administrators, and the Nursing entry class to celebrate the Beyster Institute’s official opening. Other special guests included Martin and Carol Dickinson, Rebecca Dickinson Welch, Walter and Don Smoyer, Dick Woltman, John and Patricia Seiber, and Lynn and Patti Blystone. Faculty, students, and guests enjoyed lunch and the Institute’s BIRTHDAY CAKE, and sang their rendition of “Happy Birthday.” Afterwards guests enjoyed faculty led tours of the Beyster Institute. Here is a brief tour for you of just a few of the Beyster Institute’s beautiful, state of the art classrooms, Dickinson Nursing Simulation Center, Krause PhD Research Library, and Living Room. Please come to tour it in person. You will be amazed!
EXECUTIVE CLASSROOM
26 ANTIQUE CHANDELIERS FROM THE ORIGINAL WOMEN’S COLLEGE DINING ROOM ARE USED THROUGHOUT THE INSTITUTE.

A GIFT FROM THE LIZBETH AND WALTER SMOYER FAMILY PROVIDED THE ADVANCED PRACTICE RN NURSING EDUCATION CENTER ON THE INSTITUTE’S SECOND FLOOR.
AUTHENTIC HOSPITAL HEADWALLS ABOVE NEW STRYKER BEDS AND ELECTRONIC, SOUNDPROOF FOLDING DOORS WITH ATTACHED WHITEBOARDS ALLOW BEGINNING AND ADVANCED LEVEL NURSES TO PRACTICE TOGETHER OR SEPARATELY.

DICKINSON NURSING SIMULATION CENTER AND OBSERVATION ROOM IN WHICH FACULTY CAN CONTROL PATIENT VITAL SIGNS.
THREE HOSPITAL ROOMS WITH COMPUTERIZED HIGH FIDELITY MANNEQUINS—HERE AN INFANT, BIRTHING NOELLE, AND A TODDLER IN CRIB WITH OXYGEN TENT.

NOTE THE ELECTRONIC BLACK “EYE BALL” VIDEO CAMERA AND THE BLACK TRIANGULAR STEREOPHONIC MICROPHONE IN THE CEILING.

KRAUSE FAMILY PhD RESEARCH LIBRARY WITH ANTIQUE DESK, TABLES AND CHAIRS FROM THE WOLTMAN ESTATE.
The Research Center Includes:

The Kaye M. Wolteman and Melisa R. McGuire Hospice and Palliative Care Education and Research Unit;

The Hervey Family Fund/San Diego Foundation Military and Veteran Health Research Unit;

The Maternal and Child Health Research Unit;

And the Senior Adult Health Research Unit and Functional Assessment Apartment.

The Krause Family PhD Research Library houses over 300 doctoral dissertations.

The living room stone and marble feature wall, modeled after the University of Alcala, with three arches representing the Blessed Trinity.
Saturday, March 12, 2016 was a day of celebration and triumph for the School of Nursing. On that bright spring day Dean Sally Brosz Hardin welcomed more than two hundred guests to the Dedication and Blessing of the Betty and Bob Beyster Institute for Nursing Research, Advanced Practice, and Simulation (BINR). In the new Plaza where the BINR building joins the Hahn building, University Provost Andrew T. Allen, deans of University of San Diego’s other schools, many of the donors whose generosity made the building possible, heads of the architectural and construction teams, and other friends of the School gathered to celebrate the culmination of a dream: a state of the art building dedicated to nursing research and teaching. The $18,000,000, 30,000 sq. ft. building and its furnishings and equipment have been paid for entirely by gifts, including more than $180,000 given by the School’s faculty and staff. County of San Diego grants provided significant funding for the Nursing Simulation Center equipment and technology.
MINDY PAWINSKI LOOKS ON AS MRS. BEYSTER AND THE DEAN SHARE A JOYFUL GREETING.

USD ALCALA AMBASSADOR, MIRANDA MAHER, PINS A BOUTINEER ON MARTIN DICKINSON, AN EXTRAORDINARY FRIEND AND SUPPORTER OF NURSING.
MARY, JACK, AND PATRICIA NORBERG WHOSE GIFT UNDERWROTE THE BINR’S HIGH TECH CLASSROOM WITH MSGR. DAN DILLABOUGH.

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ARMS MEETS NAVY! JONAS FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVE BRIGADIER GENERAL (RET.) WILLIAM BESTER AND ALUMNA COMMANDER JACKIE RYCHNOVSKY, PhD, RN WHO DIRECTS ALL NAVAL HEALTH RESEARCH.

PIPER LARRY SAMUELS IN FULL KILT GREETED GUESTS WITH IRISH TUNES.
Dean Hardin spoke of the remarkable work that started exactly seven years earlier, on March 12, 2009, when she and Professors Karen Macauley and Cynthia Connelly met with an architect to discuss potential designs of a nursing research institute. She reflected on luck, which might appear as good fortune, grace, or the Holy Spirit, and how these blessings attended bringing the impressive three story structure to life in sixteen months, on time, on budget, and with no injuries.
THE CHOIRS ENDED THE DEDICATION WITH A ROUSING MAGNIFICENT RENDITION OF “OH HAPPY DAY!”

Following the dedication, guests enjoyed hors d’oeuvres and beverages and were invited to tour the Institute.

L TO R: DR. MARTHA FULLER, DR. RUSSELL FULLER, NANCY EFFRON, JOHN KELLEHER, DR. MARY BARGER, DR. CARMEN SPALDING
GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

MEPN STUDENT TOUR GUIDES
LED TOURS OF THE BEYSTER INSTITUTE,
A STATE OF THE ART BUILDING FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF NURSES

KAYLA DENNIS, KAITLYN MACNEIL, HEZEKIAH O’NEAL, BESSIE CORONADO-VIGIL, HAYLEY WARDROP, MAURICE SOUZA,
The Next Generation of Nurse Leaders
GUESTS ENJOYED USD’S CHORAL SCHOLARS MUSICAL IRISH BLESSING BEFORE BEGINNING THEIR DINNER AT TWENTY-NINE TABLES.
L TO R: MAREN FORD, ANDREW KRAUSE, AND GALE KRAUSE

DINNER WAS FOLLOWED BY A PERFORMANCE OF TRADITIONAL IRISH DANCING.
Thanks Ms. Betty!
FORMER PROVOST, USD, DR. FRANK LAZARUS AND WIFE CAROL SHAKE A LEG.

May the Dancing Begin!
TYLER CRADDICK, DPR CONSTRUCTION, SURROUNDED BY MEPN STUDENTS.
PRESIDENT AND MRS. HARRIS VISIT WITH PhD NURSING ALUM AND HUSBAND.

L TO R: MARY HARRIS, PRESIDENT JAMES T. HARRIS III, DR. MAURICIO MALDONADO, AND DR. GABRIELLA MALAGON-MALDONADO

Nursing Roommates Celebrate!

L TO R: MICHELA HOWELL, DONNA BLACKALLER, SALLY HARDIN, DARLENE GREEN, AND KRISTINE MESSITT
OUR FABULOUS DPR CONSTRUCTION AND gkkworks ARCHITECT TEAM

BRADLEY KRAUS, DPR PROJECT DIRECTOR, AND WIFE ERIN KRAUS

MATT HORAK, DPR PROJECT ENGINEER, AND WIFE ANGELA HORAK

BRIAN MONSON, DPR FIELD SUPERVISOR, AND WIFE LUISA MONSON

L TO R: MATT HORAK, MIKE KAESLER, BRADLEY KRAUS, BRIAN MONSON, ED HOLAKIEWICZ (PRINCIPAL ARCHITECT), JACK WRIGHT, AND MATT GREINER
Betty Beyster Had the Last Word:

“The Gala was a wonderful celebration of the hard work and dedication of Dean Sally Hardin and the DPR crew. It was a magical evening celebrating the culmination of a dream. We are proud to help enrich the learning environment for all students at the Beyster Institute for Nursing Research, Advanced Practice, and Simulation at the USD School of Nursing.”
Dr. Michael Terry

will be our lead for the San Diego Integrated Care Project and Practicum, a partnership among USD’s Hahn School of Nursing and Beyster Institute for Nursing Research, the nurse-led federally-funded Family Health Centers of San Diego, and UCSD’s Community Psychiatry Program to address the growing need for culturally competent integrated physical and mental health care. HRSA Nurse Education, Practice, Quality and Retention–Interprofessional Collaborative Practice: Behavioral Health Integration has awarded the project a grant for $2,000,000 for two years. Specific goals are to improve the: (1) early identification, quality of treatment, and outcomes for depression and substance use disorder through a nurse-led care team; and (2) competencies of Family Nurse Practitioners to lead interprofessional collaborative teams in the delivery of integrated services. Over the two-year timeframe of the grant: 3,000 patients will be screened for depression and/or unhealthy substance use; 450 patients will receive care management; 180 patients will receive mental health services; and 180 patients will receive substance abuse treatment.

Dr. Ruth Bush

received a Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) “Pipeline to Proposal Initiative” Tier I, II, and III award for $90,000 to create and expand a network of patient and family stakeholders, as well as community investigators, to identify health issues facing hard-to-reach patient populations. In this case, she is working with Latino patients with Spinal Bifida. Working with her patient partners from 2014-17, she is identifying and comparing approaches that are the most meaningful, effective, and culturally competent for them as a foundation for a larger research project. Her research team includes Drs. Cynthia D. Connelly and Kathy S. James, and PhD Candidate Noelle Lipkin Leveque. Dr. Bush also has received $747,000 in Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) funding from 2015-18 to examine “Disease Autonomy Using Patient Portal Technology;” focusing on adolescents and young adults’ interaction with health care informatics and electronic health care records. She is recruiting individuals to use a patient portal and is exploring how adolescents and young adults with chronic health needs use it and their health care records to manage their illness. She and her team, co-investigators Drs. Cynthia D. Connelly and Kathy A. Marsh, are interested particularly in issues such as limited data access for minors, inadequate access to computers, reluctance to use these data, and confidentiality concerns. They also are looking at barriers to adolescents using health care records such as lack of training, time, or reimbursement. In addition, the team is studying changes in global health status, health literacy, disease management, self-efficacy, and reported quality of life.
Dr. Ann Mayo

and Drs. Guerry Peavy, Michael Ard, and David Salmon were awarded a three-year $240,000 Alzheimer’s Disease research grant by The California Department of Public Health Alzheimer’s Disease Program. Over the next three years USCSD and USD Hahn School of Nursing and Beyster Institute for Nursing Research are partnering to study differences in the extent and pattern of cognitive decline in Hispanic versus non-Hispanic spousal caregivers of Alzheimer’s patients. Caregivers of persons with Alzheimer’s disease will be recruited from the community as well as from the UCSD’s Shiley-Marcos Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center. Age, sex, education, and ApoE genotype (possession of at least one ApoE-e4 allele) will be included as covariates in all statistical models. Secondary analyses will test for mediation effects tied to stress assessments, psychiatric function, and related variables. Study findings will be used to identify intervention strategies that can be individualized and implemented to address cognitive vulnerabilities and improve the health of Patient Centered Outcomes.

Director of Nursing Research
Dr. Cynthia D. Connelly

and her team of co-investigators, Dr. Sophia Hutchins and PhD candidate Elizabeth Glaser Bamgbose, with Farus, LLC and Dr. Yvette LaCoursiere, UCSD, have received a National Institutes of Health Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Fast Track Small Business Innovation Research grant for $147,485 from 2016-17, to test a wearable and wireless fetal ultrasound and tocodynamometer (TOCO) to more easily and consistently maintain fetal heart rate and uterine contraction signals during labor and delivery. Current external fetal ultrasound transducers and TOCOs are rigid, require belts to maintain their position on the abdomen, and are typically tethered to a stationary cardiotocography monitor. The cumbersome design restricts patient comfort and mobility, and shifting of the external devices on the abdomen due to maternal movement frequently leads to loss of the fetal heart rate and uterine contraction signals. A wearable cardiotocography solution has the potential to improve patient mobility, minimize the need for frequent repositioning of the external devices, reduce false alarms, eliminate gaps in relevant FHR and uterine contraction signal data, reduce the number of cables in the labor and delivery environment, and increase the overall effectiveness of cardiotocography. Results from the study will compliment current research on reducing incidence of caesarian births and will inform future investigators of gaps in technology and clinical practice related to use of EFM monitoring.
AUTHOR E. HUGHES CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2015
SANDRA SOLEM ’84 (MSN), ’02 (PhD)
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, PATIENT CARE SERVICES/NURSE EXECUTIVE,
VA SAN DIEGO HEALTHCARE SYSTEM (now retired)

Sandra Solem, PhD, recently retired as associate director for patient care services and nurse executive at VA San Diego Healthcare System, a 304-bed facility providing veterans with a wide range of inpatient services and outpatient care at seven community clinics throughout the county. Dr. Solem joined the VA San Diego Healthcare System in 2010 after returning to the Veteran Healthcare Administration (VHA) in 2006, following the conclusion of a project as a consultant at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Facilitating focus groups with men and women returning from Iraq and Afghanistan, listening to their stories and seeing their ongoing, long-term need for care prompted Dr. Solem to leave her position as chair of nursing at Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I., and return to caring for veterans and their families. The combination of leadership roles in both clinical practice and academia presented unique opportunities to implement clinical practice models of care and change management projects. Leaders at the VHA asked her to facilitate a veteran-centered partnership model of care in Lexington, Ky., in 2010, as well as the opening of a new VA medical center in Las Vegas, Nev., as the nurse executive in 2013. Her work as the executive sponsor for implementation of Relationship-Based Care and Culture of Excellence at VASDHS, a member of National VA Council on Evidence-Based Practice and a mentor for new nurse executives into the system, kept Dr. Solem fully engaged in clinical practice and education until her recent retirement. She earned her BSN at Montana State University followed by her MSN and PhD in nursing at the University of San Diego.

AUTHOR E. HUGHES CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2016
PABLO VELEZ ’06 (PhD)
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CEO,
SHARP CHULA VISTA MEDICAL CENTER

Pablo Velez is senior vice president and chief executive officer of Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center, a 343-bed hospital located in San Diego’s South Bay. He develops and manages the hospital's budget, oversees long-range plans and develops relationships with physicians and other community leaders that enhance the success of the hospital. Among his greatest career highlights is the $250 million master site plan expansion he is currently overseeing. As part of the expansion, Sharp Chula Vista will add a new hospital in 2019 with capacity for 138 greatly needed patient beds for the growing community it serves. Velez is extremely proud to see it become a reality. Velez says becoming a nurse is one of the greatest things he has ever done, saying the career fits perfectly with his philosophy of leaving things better than he found them. He enjoys contributing to research and articles, including “Effects of Organizational Trust” in the Organization Development Journal in 2012, and “Do Gender and Race/Ethnicity Influence Acute Myocardial Infarction Quality of Care in a Hospital with a Large Hispanic Patient and Provider Representation?” in Cardiology Research and Practice in 2013. He has received the: 2010 Association of California Nurse Leaders Excellence in Leadership Award; 2013 Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce Vision and Leadership Award; and the 2014 Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Business Leader of the Year Award. However, his greatest source of pride is the extraordinary employees, physicians, volunteers, board members, donors and community members with whom he interacts every day.
MEPN students spent a few days at Camp Wana Kura counting carbohydrates, calculating insulin doses, administering insulin, and assisting campers with insulin pump set changes. MEPN student, Farrah Farshidfarid checked almost 100 blood sugars on her campers.

She was so impressed with how aware campers were of small changes in their activity and how it impacted their blood sugars. MEPNs, Mariah Butera and Ryan Brown taught campers when and how to properly administer glucagon. Their teaching activity was a big hit with the campers and staff alike. MEPN, Valarie Bykoff assisted Dr. Marsh with field research for a new NIH sponsored research study.

The American Diabetes Association’s Camp Wana Kura day camp is held alongside the lakes and under the trees at Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve in San Diego County. Campers, ages 5 to 12, play water games, sing songs, run relays, do crafts, swim, go paddle boating, learn new things and connect with other kids living with diabetes, while building new friendships and learning diabetes related skills.

Many thanks to Professor Christine Holmes, Dr. Jackie Close, and Dr. Lyn Puhek for attending camp and assisting students with diabetes management.
WELCOME NEW FACULTY

DR. JACKIE CLOSE
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Clinical Associate Professor

DR. SHARON KEPPLE
PhD, APRN, PHN
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DR. EILEEN FRY-BOWERS
PhD, APRN, JD
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DR. SEMIRA SEMINO-ASARO
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DR. KEVIN MAXWELL
DNP, APRN
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NADINE KASSITY-KRIC
MBA, RN
MEDN Placement Coordinator
MR. DONALD JONAS GREETS HIS SCHOLARS IN NEW YORK’S RAINBOW ROOM.
L TO R: DR. MARK MALEBRANCHE, JACQUELINE SAUCIER, DR. JOE BURKARD, MR. DONALD JONAS, CATHERINE FERRIS, DR. KAREN REAVIS, AND VALERIE WILLIS

When these veterans come home, we’ll be there.
2015 GRADUATES

2015 PhD GRADUATES

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Christine Rieger, DNP, APRN
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Susan Hartnett, MSN, APRN
LCDR Kyle Hinds, MSN, APRN
LCDR James Kaup, MSN, APRN
CPT Sara Mirghani, MSN, APRN
Amy Pasetti, MSN, APRN
Kimberly Sanchez, MSN, APRN
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Dual Primary Care Adult-Gerontology/ Family Nurse Practitioner Graduates
Claire Dellegrotti, MSN, APRN
Christine Petrich Burman, MSN, APRN
Alexandra Thees, MSN, APRN

Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner Graduates
Georgenea Browning, MSN, APRN
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Courtney Gallimore, MSN, APRN
Leslie Hermoso, MSN, APRN
Cristie Jurf, MSN, APRN
Anapati ncia Najera-Higareda, MSN, APRN
Nisha Nijjar, MSN, APRN

Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Graduates
Diana Borrego, MSN, APRN
Sadie Kane, MSN, APRN
Molly Willis, MSN, APRN

Health Care Informatics Graduates
Jose Nino Cacapit, MSN, RN
Jonathan Diaz, MSN, RN
Patricia Hicks, MSN, RN
Jeannie McNally, MSN, RN
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HONORS AND AWARDS

[FACULTY]

Dr. Jill Bormann received the JoAnn Powell Award for “Excellence in Nursing Research” from ANA California and the prestigious “Secretary’s 2014 Award for Nursing Excellence” from the Veteran’s Administration.

Dr. Joseph Burkard was selected for the 2014-15 AACN Nursing Policy Faculty Fellowship and Policy Intensive in Washington, DC. In addition, he received the “Advanced Practice – New Knowledge, Innovations, and Improvements Nurse of the Year-Award” presented by the UCSD Department of Nursing’s 35th Nursing Excellence Award Ceremony on May 12, 2016.

Dr. Jackie Close was appointed to the Board of Directors of the National Gerontological Nurses Association.

Dr. Eileen Fry-Bowers was elected to a two-year term as secretary to the national Board of Directors for the Society of Pediatric Nurses (SPN). Dr. Bowers has also been appointed to the inaugural American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s Health Policy Advisory Council and serves as a member of the 2015 Faculty Policy Intensive cohort.

[ALUMNI AND STUDENTS]

Miriam Bender, (PhD,’13), received the Clinical Nurse Leader Association’s inaugural “Evidence Based Practice and Nursing Research Award.”

Melinda Bender, (PhD,’13), was awarded an American Heart Association Mentored Clinical and Population Research Award for $154,000 to study Virtual Social Networking to Reduce Risks of Metabolic Syndrome.

Sandra Bibb, (PhD, ’99 and a recipient of USD’s Author E. Hughes Career Achievement Award) was inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing.

LCDR Eric Bopp, (PhD, ’14), received the 2014 Mary Hanna Memorial Journalism Award for his article, A Preoperative Stress Inquiry and A Vulnerable U.S. Military Population, during opening ceremonies of ASPAN’s 33rd National Conference.

CDR Jennifer Buechel, (PhD, ’16), received a Red Ribbon Award for her Dissertation research poster, HPV Knowledge and HPV Vaccine Uptake among U.S. Navy Personnel 18 to 26, at the 2014 WIN Research Conference, in Seattle, WA; and the 2014 Doris A. Howell Foundation Research Award and a Tri-Service Nursing Research Grant for $14,708 for this research.

Lourdes Maria Casao, (PhD, ’14), received the first University of the Philippines Nursing Alumni International Nurse Scientist Fellowship Grant.

Ariella Darlington, (MEPN, ’10), won the best video award from the Case Management Society of America’s Annual Professional Conference, New Orleans, LA.; and also wrote the winning application that provided $20,000 from GENEX Corporation for MEPN Scholarships in 2016.

CDR Jason McGuire, (PhD, ’11), has been appointed Chief of the Center for Nursing Science and Clinical Inquiry, Department of Research Programs at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center. He also received a Tri-Service Nursing Research grant for $342,000 to study Dexmedetomidine as a Propylaxis for Emergence Delirium among Combat Veterans.

Sarah Moore, (MEPN, ’12), was named “2015 Overall Clinical Nurse of the Year” for the UCSD Health System.

Julie Novak, (DNSc, 1989), received the Texas Nurses Association/Sigma Theta Tau Imagemaker Award, the Ruth Stewart Leadership Award, the Mayor’s Healthy Workplace 2014 Gold Level Award for Wellness Efforts at UT, San Antonio, and the AANP Nancy Sharp Cutting Edge Award.

Dr. Maria Luisa Ramira, (DNP ’12), was awarded the California Association for Nurse Practitioners San Diego-North Chapter’s 2015 Nurse Practitioner Excellence Award and is serving as President of the Philippine Nurses Association of San Diego for the 2014-2016 term.

Kimberly Savidan, (ENL, 2014), received the 1st place award for her poster, Does Environment and Technology Affect Nursing Productivity: A Study in Medication Administration, at the 36th AACNL Conference, in Monterey, CA.

Carmen Spalding, (PhD, ’15), received the 2015 Qualitative Research Award from the Association of California Nurse Leaders.
Linda Stanley, (MSN PMHNP, ’12), met with VA Secretary Robert McDonald to discuss the value of psychiatric nurse practitioners and attended President Obama’s signing of the Clay Hunt Suicide Prevention for American Veterans bill.

Dr. Jaynelle Stichler and D. Kirk Hamilton, (PhD, ’90), were named as the 2016 Changemaker award recipients by The Center for Health Design.

Tiffany Szynanski, [DNP student], received a Red Ribbon Award for her poster, Best Practice: Implementation of A Positive Patient and Specimen Barcoding System, at the 2014 WIN Research Conference in Seattle, WA.

Veronica Timple, (PhD student), was one of only 30 PhD students nationally to be accepted into the NIH Clinical Center’s Clinical and Translational Research Course for PhD students, Summer 2016.

Julie Vignato, (PhD ’16), was selected by Sigma Theta Tau International as a “USD Rising Star” and presented her poster, Perinatal PTSD: A Concept Analysis, at the Sigma Theta Tau International Conference, Leadership Connection, September, 2016.

GRANTS

Barger, M., Weinrich, S., Terry, M., Bormann, J., Criscenzo, J., Del Rio, J., Allard, C., & Hardin, S. B. PTSD, Sleep, and Homeless Women. USD SON Nursing Faculty Research Incentive Grant Funded for $18,000; and the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Health Foundation Grant Funded for $10,000, 2013-15.


Burkard, J. Supporting Self-Care in Veterans with Chronic Pain. USD SON Faculty Research Incentive Grant Funded for $13,000, 2015-16.

Burkard, J., & Hardin, S. B. Training PhD and DNP Nurse Leaders for Military and VA Nursing Practice. Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare Grant Funded for $150,000, 2014-16; and $100,000, 2016-17; and the Milbank Foundation for Rehabilitation and the Mayday Fund Veteran Healthcare Grant Funded for $90,000, 2014-16.


Bush, R., Connelly, C. D., James, K., Lipkin Leveque, N., and Chiang, G. Addressing Obesity in Latino Adolescents with Spina Bifida: Moving from Pediatric to Adult Care (MoPAC). Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute Grant Funded for $90,000, 2014-16.


Georges, J., Connelly, C. D., & Bush, R. Enhancing Outcomes in Diverse Palliative Care Populations. USD SON Faculty Research Incentive Grant Funded for $18,000, 2015-16.


Hardin, S. B., & Martin, J. Master’s Entry Student Training. Dickinson Foundation Grant Funded for $300,000, 2013-16.

James, K. Evaluation of Lifestyle Interventions to Treat Pre-Diabetes in a Weight Clinic. USD SON Faculty Research Incentive Grant Funded for $10,000, 2014-15.


Macauley, K. Designing S.P. Scenarios for PNP Students Diagnosing PTSD. USD SON Faculty Research Incentive Grant Funded for $7,500, 2014-15.


Roth, P. Future PhD Nurse Scholars Grant. RWJF and Cedars Sinai Hospital Grant Funded for $125,000, 2014-17.

Roth, P. Future PhD Nurse Scholars Grant. RWJF and Sharp Health Care Grant Funded for $125,000, 2015-18.

Roth, P., & Hardin, S. B. Nurse Faculty Loan Grant for PhD Nurse Education. Health Resources Service Administration Grant Funded for $300,000, 2014-15; $250,000, 2015-16; and $250,000, 2016-17.

Terry, M. Training Scholarships for Psychiatric Advanced Practice Nurses. California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Grant Funded for $142,450, 2014-17; and San Diego Integrated Care Project and Practicum. Health Resources Service Administration Nurse Education, Practice, Quality and Retention–Interprofessional Collaborative Practice: Behavioral Health Integration Grant Funded for $2,000,000, 2016-18.

Topp, R. Testing Kinesiology Tape Following Rotator Cuff Stress & Strength Curve of TherBrand CLX Compared to Isotonic Resistance. Performance Health Corp & Tulane University Dept of Sports Medicine Grant Funded for $7,000, 2016-17.


Fritzi McDonald. Informatics and Change Management in Hospital Settings. Achievement Award for College Scientists (ARCS) Grant Funded for $7,500, 2014-15.


Tanna Thomason. Palliative Care in Veterans. Milbank Foundation for Rehabilitation and the Mayday Veteran Health Care Grant Funded for $10,000, 2014-16.


PhD DISSERTATIONS, 2013, 2014, UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO


Bopp, E. (2014). Is combat exposure predictive of higher preoperative stress in military members?


Piazza, C. P. (2015). Responses of Children Living with Peanut Allergy: The Need to See Beyond the Peanut Free Lunch Table.


Harford, R. (2015). Relationship between Age and Pre-End Stage Renal Disease Care in Elderly Hemodialysis Patients.


**Tirabassi-Mathis, L.** (2015). Hispanic Mothers’ Narratives: Experiences of Parenting a Child with Cystic Fibrosis (CF), Health Benefits, and Health Care Experiences Related to CF.


**Toole, B. M.** (2015). Patient Care Technology and the Nurse-Patient Relationship.

**KEYNOTE, INTERNATIONAL, & PANEL PRESENTATIONS**


**Bender, M.** (2015, January). Understanding and controlling bias in research, EBP, and QII and Growing and Sustaining the CNL initiative: Shifting the focus from pioneering innovation to evidence-driven integration into healthcare delivery. Podium and Plenary presentations at the AACN CNL Research Symposium and Summit, Orlando, FL.

**Burkard, J. F.** (2014, July). Evidence based outcomes to detect obstructive sleep apnea, identify co-existing factors, and compare characteristics of patients discharge disposition. Podium presentation at the Sigma Theta Tau 25th International Nursing Research Congress, Hong Kong, China.

**Code, M., Bhatnager, M., Burkard, J. F.** (2014, September). Too anxious to learn? Should the ongoing debriefing technique be amongst the best practices in simulation? 1st place Research Based Poster Award presented at AANA Annual Congress State of the Science meeting, Orlando, FL.


**Joelles D., Barger, M.,** **Klima, C., Bushman, J., & Emeis, C.** (2014, May). The national quality movement and midwifery: Get on the bus or be left behind. Panel presentation at the American College of Nurse Midwives Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.


NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Agtarap, K. (2014, April). Use of the WeCan Program to change health behaviors in families with children that are overweight or obese. Poster presentation at the WIN 47th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Seattle, WA.


Barger, M., & Bichell, T. J. (2014, May). You are what your mother ate. Podium presentation at the American College of Nursing Midwives Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.


Clark, J. (2015, April). Telephone Support to Decrease Readmissions for Older Adults with Congestive Heart Failure. Poster presentation at the WIN 48th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Albuquerque, NM.

Close, J. (2014, October). Non-Pharmacological Treatments for Patients with Cognitive Impairment and Dementia. Podium presentation at the National Gerontological Nursing Association’s Yearly Conference, San Antonio, TX.


DeVita, S. (2015, April). Wecan! Implementation for Parents of at Risk Hispanic Adolescents in Middle School. Poster presentation at the WIN 8th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Albuquerque, NM.


Kelechi, I. (2014, April). Implementing physical exercise and diet modification in pregnancy to decrease the incidence of Gestational Diabetes. Poster presentation at the WIN 47th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Seattle, WA.


Laforetza, J. (2014, March & April). Incorporating the DASH Diet in a primary care practice. Poster presentation at the CANP 37th Annual Educational Conference, Newport Beach, CA; the WIN 47th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Seattle, WA; and the 20th National Evidence-Based Practice Conference, Iowa City, IA.


Lewis, T. B. (2014, April). Family support groups for military members receiving outpatient mental health care. Poster presentation at the American Psychiatric Nurses Association Conference, Los Angeles, CA; and podium presentation at the Navy Academic Research Competition, San Diego, CA.


**Munshi, A.** (2015, April). Effectiveness of In-Patient Self-Testing in Adults on Warfarin in Primary Care. Poster presentation at the WIN 48th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Albuquerque, NM.


**Shoemaker, S.** (2014, April). Barriers to receiving acupuncture during chemotherapy. Poster presentation at the WIN 47th Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, Seattle, WA.

**Sitzer, V. & Bradebura, J.** (2014, October). Open to interpretation: Impacting staff knowledge of and satisfaction with language interpretation services. Podium presentation at the National Magnet Conference, Dallas, TX.


Willis, V. (2013). High risk infant follow-up: A golden opportunity for PNP’s to champion neurodevelopmental outcomes in the NICU and beyond. Poster presentation at the 29th Annual Educational Conference of the National Association of Neonatal Nurses, October, Nashville, TN; and (2014) Poster presentation at the 35th Annual NAPNAP Conference, Boston, MA.


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