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Good Samaritan Partners with UT Health Science Center in New Education Program

The Good Samaritan Foundation, along with three other local Houston entities (Greater Houston Partnership, John S. Dunn Foundation and The Worksource), has partnered with the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston to support a two year pilot study of an alternative nursing education model. The project, Workforce Increases in Nurses and Nursing Faculty Excellence in Resource Collaboration or WINNER for short, is initially funded by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board through the University of Texas Nursing School at Houston. It is a precepted student model, which means nursing students are placed with experienced RN instructors (preceptors) for clinical training from the students' first semester through their last semester of nursing education allowing the students to apply didactic knowledge gained in the classroom to hands-on clinical practice in a participating hospital.

It is the belief that with adequate training and resources, these nurse preceptors can optimize student learning. In addition, the health of patients can be improved by providing competent nurse graduates, progressing current professional nurses into the educator role and supplementing the educational clinical support available within each community health care facility.

The project's goal is to develop an innovative clinical instructional model that addresses a major limiting factor to increased student enrollment, namely constrained clinical education capacity. By increasing clinical training capacity, student enrollment can ultimately result in more graduates to help address the current nursing shortage.

Upon completion of each preceptored clinical experience, students will be able to develop effective application of basic nursing concepts through care of patients, perform nursing

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40th Anniversary Golf Tournament

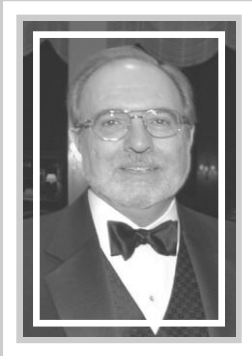


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A Letter From Our Executive Director

Dear Good Samaritans,

In 1951, the Rev. Clyde Verheyden had a name (Good Samaritan Foundation) and a cause (promotion of nursing as a career and profession with a secondary goal of establishing a school of nursing in Houston), but little else. By 1958, working with the support of six community leaders, Good Samaritan Foundation was established and working in partnership with other Houston entities resulting in the establishment and building of the Houston Campus of the College of Nursing of Texas Woman's University. In August of this year, TWU will be moving into a brand-new, expanded facility culminating nearly 50 years of educating and serving Houston (see the associated article on page 3).

In addition to the new TWU facility, both UTHSC's School of Nursing and Prairie View A&M's College of Nursing have built and occupied new facilities in the Texas Medical Center in the last year. Together with the nursing program at Houston Baptist University, our community is very fortunate to have so many new, modern state of the art nursing instructional facilities; **but more than just new facilities are needed.** As Dr. Krepper states in her article, Texas ranks 47th in the nation in registered nurses per 100,000 population. We now need more dedicated instructors to use these new facilities to mold and train the next generation of nurses which we so badly need; this need requires another coordinated effort on the magnitude of the one undertaken in 1958 to raise the funds needed to train and pay these nurse instructors so that you and your family will receive the medical care you desire as we go into the 21st century.

Good Samaritan is proud to provide funds not only to students seeking their undergraduate degrees but also to MSN and PhD candidates who we hope will be the next generation of instructors which are so needed.

Good Samaritan Foundation
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The Annual Golf Tournament was held on Monday, April 24, 2006, at the River Oaks Country Club. The event offered both morning and afternoon rounds, and with its popularity growing over the last few years, was a successful sell-out. Chaired by **Steve Lindley**, the tournament marked its **40th Anniversary** with **Coach Darrell Royal** as the Honorary Chairman. **Coach Royal** spoke at as well as played in the first event founded by the **Rev. Clyde Verheyden and Lou Lewis** in 1967 and played for several years after that.

The tournament, reputed to be the oldest annual charity golf tournament in Houston, has been held at River Oaks Country Club every year since 1970. In memory of Mr. Lou Lewis and his wife, Rosetta (who was a Lifetime Trustee of Good Samaritan Foundation), the Lewis family still uses the occasion of the golf tournament to present the **Rosetta and Lou Lewis Memorial Award and Scholarship** to a deserving doctoral nursing student. This year's recipient was **Philisie Mae Washington** who is attending the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston as a PhD candidate, with an emphasis on Nursing Education and Research. She has been a nursing instructor at San Jacinto Junior College for nearly 20 years, and plans to continue to teach student nurses, as well as work with homeless and runaway teenagers and their health issues.



L-R: Pam and Larry Lewis, Gene Lewis, Award recipient Philisie Mae Washington and her husband Millard, and Kenneth Lewis

Gene Lewis, past Chairman of the Good Samaritan Board of Trustees and son of the tournament's co-founder, Lou Lewis, said, "My mother and father were very proud to help start the Good Samaritan Foundation Annual Golf Tournament that has helped fund the education of so many student nurses. This is Houston,

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Article by: Rebecca Krepper, PhD, MBA, RN
Associate Dean, TWU College of Nursing



Almost 50 years ago, in 1958, TWU officially accepted an invitation to establish a clinical center in Houston. The Texas Medical Center provided a tract of land; grants from the MD Anderson Foundation and the Houston Endowment provided for a classroom building; **and the Good Samaritan Club of Houston built a dormitory (under the direction of Clyde Verheyden)**. Since its opening in 1960, TWU Houston has grown to over 1100 students studying nursing, occupational and physical therapy, health care administration, and library science. Educating such a complement of health professionals under one roof at the bachelors, masters and doctoral level is unique to TWU. In August 2006 TWU will move to a new home

located at 6700 Fannin, the southern gateway to the Texas Medical Center (Holcombe and Fannin). This 10-story, 202,000 sq. ft. building was made possible through generous donations from The Methodist Hospital, Houston Endowment, Memorial-Hermann Foundation, and the Fondren Foundation, to name a few. As was the case in 1958, the new TWU Health Science Center was built with no state funds.

In 1958 it was agreed that a TWU Center in Houston would be extremely valuable in view of the statewide as well as local shortage of highly qualified professional nurses. According to the Houston Chronicle (Oct. 10, 1958), Texas (with 108 RN's per 100,000 persons) rated thirty-ninth among all the states in the nation. There are definitely more professional nurses today, (646 RN's per 100,000) but Texas now ranks a very low 47th in the nation (HRSA, Dec. 2005). The need for professionally trained nurses has directly increased in proportion to the increase in complexity of health care delivery.

TWU is committed to educating a workforce of healthcare professionals competent in the technology used in today's care delivery. Nursing students are already engaged in linking technology to education through the use of distance education, laptop note-taking, personal digital assistants (PDAs), and simulation mannequins in the laboratory setting. Grants from the Houston Endowment and Memorial Hermann Community Benefit Fund will establish the Center for Telenursing and Health Informatics in the new Nelda C. Stark College of Nursing. This lab will be equipped as a mock telenursing unit allowing faculty to "camera-in" on more undergraduate students while they are learning on simulation mannequins. This technology will assist the college in meeting the goal of increasing enrollment as well as preparing our graduates to transition into today's complex work environment.

In Memory of Longtime GSF Supporter - Doris Burdeaux



Doris "DD" Burdeaux, loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, passed away on January 31, 2006. She was born in Houston in 1915 and raised in Monroe, Louisiana. Doris received a B.A. from Newcomb College of Tulane University. In 1937 she married **Luther "Luke" Vaughan, MD**, who passed away in 1991. In 1993 she married **Bill Burdeaux, MD** who passed away in 2005. Doris loved to play golf and was an avid

traveler and a member of the St. Anne Catholic Community. She had been a member of the Harris County Medical Auxilliary, Charity Guild of Catholic Women and Colonneh Ladies Auxilliary. She twice served as president of the Women's Golf Association at River Oaks Country Club where she was a member. Doris was also very active in charity work as a director of Women's Golf Charities and of the Good Samaritan Foundation where she helped with volunteers at the annual golf tournament for most of the 1980s. She also served as a Good Samaritan Foundation Board of Trustees member for 8 years and in 1992 was voted to become a Lifetime Trustee. Preceded in death by her sister, Doris is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, **Skip and Barbara Vaughan**, her grandchildren **Laney and husband Tom Pitstick, Christina Vaughan and Will Vaughan**, her great granddaughters, two stepsons and their wives, **Bill and Tammy Burdeaux** and their son **Will**, and **John and Elly Burdeaux** and their two children, **Daphne and Simon**, many cousins, nieces and nephews.

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interventions under the direct supervision of an assigned preceptor, practice effective therapeutic communication techniques and care for patients using critical thinking in applying nursing interventions and monitoring outcomes.

Preceptors for the program are selected from hospitals with which schools have affiliation agreements. RNs volunteering to serve as clinical preceptors for nursing students are expected to possess certain qualifications such as: current Texas RN licensure, a minimum of one year's RN practice, BLS certification or successful completion on hospital's validation/competency testing and a good clinical evaluation from a supervisor.

The experiences selected by the preceptors are to be appropriate to the student's educational needs and progression in the nursing curriculum. An RN precepting one semester may not necessarily precept a following semester and may not necessarily precept the same student(s) over time.

This project meets requirements set by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas as in *Rules and Regulations Relating to Professional Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice (January 2000)*.

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Names of honorees or deceased are underlined and italicized

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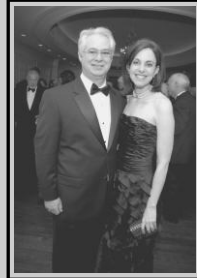




2006 Pearl Ball

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The 2006 Good Samaritan Foundation Pearl Ball, chaired by **Harriet Hart**, was held on Thursday, February 2, 2006, at the River Oaks Country Club. The intimate and elegant evening raised nearly \$200,000 for nursing scholarships and was attended by 285 guests.



Larry and Pam Lewis



Eric F. Berkman, MD (left) of Greater Houston Orthopedic Specialists presents Good Samaritan Board Chairman- **Mel Glasscock** and Pearl Ball Chair- **Harriet Hart** with a check for \$30,000 for nursing scholarships. GSF was one of two beneficiaries of the 2006 GHOS annual golf tournament.



L-R: Susie Glasscock, Larry and Judy Dierker



Steve and Joella Mach



L-R: Mark and Meredith Barineau, Stephanie Shanks, Heather and Wayne Kearney



L-R: Barbara Hermes, Houston City Councilwoman Shelley Sekula-Gibbs, Harriet Hart (Ball Chair) and Trini Mendenhall Sosa



Virgil and June Waggoner

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The Lou and Rosetta Lewis Family

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This year's event raised over \$200,000 for nursing scholarships and hosted approximately 210 golfers.

- Overall tournament Low Net winner: *International Bank of Commerce*
(Jay Rogers, Jeff Samples, Gary Ferguson and Jerry Conner)
- Low Net Hospital Sub-Tournament winner: *MD Anderson Cancer Center*
(Pat Mulvey, Margie Batangan, Mike Best, John Hazle)
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