

The Pulse: 90th Anniversary Edition

Record Number of Alumni Expected for 90th Anniversary Celebrations

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Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing faculty and staff are anxiously preparing to welcome a record number of Birmingham Baptist Hospital and Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing alumni on Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13. Alumni in attendance will range from the class of 1948 to the class of 2012 and there truly is something for everyone.

On Friday, the Cap and Cape Society will gather for its inaugural meeting. These alumni (from the classes of 1922-1973) will celebrate the unique heritage of the Birmingham Baptist Hospital School of Nursing as they share and reflect on their time as "Baptist Nurses."

Saturday will be a fun-filled day for all! The School of Nursing will host a Family Fun Zone complete with a video game truck, inflatables, cookie decorating and games! In addition to the fun things for the kids, there will also be a delicious barbecue lunch and giveaways for attendees of all ages.

On Saturday evening, 50 outstanding alumni will be honored with Living Legacy Awards. The Living Legacy Awards recognize alumni who have made a significant impact on the mental, physical, or spiritual well-being of others. The event, taking place off campus at The Club, is completely sold out, with more than 425 guests planning to attend. This will truly be an evening to remember. The next issue of *The Pulse* will highlight the award recipients and will include a link to the special presentation that guests will be treated to.

The faculty and staff of the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing look forward to welcoming you, and your friends and family to campus this week. It is an exciting time for all of the Moffett Nurses who have continued to perpetuate Mrs. Moffett's legacy across the generations. Thank you, for having the *courage to care* and we eagerly await your arrival on campus!

Please see page 2 for important information regarding parking and other specific details relating to the events.

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IVMSON 90th Anniversary: Information to Help Plan Your Visit!

As you make plans to join us, we are committed to keeping you informed of the latest developments. Visit our website for the Friday and Saturday on campus [parking plan](#) and [parking map](#). There are a couple of specific things that you should note:

Cap and Cape Lunch, Oct. 12 at 11:00 a.m.

- There will be reserved parking for the Cap and Cape Society Lunch. All guests who have RSVPd have been mailed a parking pass, campus map and detailed parking plan.
- **Guests for the Cap and Cape Society will park in the South Stadium Lot, (number 14 on the [map](#)).** From there, you will have easy access to the South Colonnade in the Pete Hanna Center. If you have any difficulty walking to the Center, there will be a shuttle to take you from your car to the door. The shuttle will run again at the conclusion of the luncheon for your convenience. Guests who are planning to stay for individual reunions may move their cars to the North Center for Healing Arts lot after the luncheon. All reunions will be held in the Center for Healing Arts.
- Following the lunch, the following classes will gather for reunions in the Center for Healing Arts: **BBH 1958, 1959, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1967 and 1968.**

Family Fun Day and Barbecue, Oct. 13 at 11:30 a.m.

- Click [here](#) to access the [parking map](#) for the day and [here for the parking plan](#). All guests who have RSVPd have been mailed a parking pass and map.
- Due to other university events, designated parking will depend on your campus arrival time. The Family Fun Zone and Barbecue begins at 11:30 at the Center for Healing Arts (number 29 on the map), but since many of you will be arriving early for reunions and to attend the parade, reserved parking will be available for you beginning at 9:30. On Saturday, the lots will open as follows (designated parking zones are marked in red on your map):
 - 9:30-10:30 arrivals:** Park in **Zones 1 and 2.**
 - 10:30-11:30 arrivals:** Unless spots remain in **Zones 1 and 2**, you will be directed to **Zone 3**. To access **Zone 3**, event staff will direct you to turn left onto Dawson Drive and follow the signs. This is a very short walk across the parking lot to the Family Zone. *Please expect some traffic delays during this time due to the parade route.*
 - 11:30-12:30 arrivals:** Park in **Zones 3 and 4.**
 - 12:30-2:00 arrivals:** Park in any open spaces. All lots will open to all Samford guests.
- *Additional parking is also always available in the North Parking Deck (#31 on the map).*
- *The North Healing Arts lot will be closed due to the parade. If spots become available throughout the day, you are welcome to park there.*
- Please remember that there will be signs and Event Staff on hand to direct you to the most convenient lots. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to accommodate such a large number of alumni!
- Some classes are planning to gather for reunions prior to the Barbecue. Rooms are being reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. So far **the following classes are planning reunions on Saturday morning: BBH 1957, 1958, 1962, 1963; IVMSON 2012.**
- If you plan to attend the football game, please purchase tickets through [Samford Athletics](#).

Living Legacy Gala, Oct. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

- Please be sure to note that the location for this event is off-campus at The Club, 1 Robert S. Smith Dr, Birmingham, 35209.
- **Tickets for this event will not be mailed, guests must check in at the door to receive a table assignment card.**

Questions? Please contact Katie Stripling at 205-726-2265 or kstripli@samford.edu.

Sigma Theta Tau to Collect Donations for M-Power During Family Fun Day

Gamma Eta Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, will collect donations for M-Power Ministries. Please bring donations to the Gamma Eta table in the Family Fun Zone on Saturday, Oct. 13, between 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Requested Items:

Copy paper

Pens (black or blue)

Coffee/coffee supplies (creamer, Splenda, etc.) Non-perishable snacks (granola bars, fruit cups, etc.) Tissues Clorox wipes Post-it notes Black Sharpies Tape Pencils

For more information on M-Power Ministries, please click [here](#)

Accolades, Honors, and Acknowledgments—Alumni and Students

Agnes DiStasi, DNP 2011, was promoted to Associate Professor at The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Lisa Gurley*, MSN 2003, BSN 2001, has been selected for the AORN Journal peer review panel. She will serve in the volunteer role for one year.

Lisa Gurley*, MSN 2003, BSN 2001, has passed the Certified Nurse Educator exam (CNE).

Lori Lioce, DNP 2010, will present “Debriefing Techniques in Simulation” for an AACN webinar on October 16, 2012. To learn more about the webinar or to register, click [here](#).

Kelly Simmons, DNP 2011, was promoted to Associate Professor at The Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Gurley also serves as an Assistant Professor in the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing.*

Second Degree Student Attends Guest Lecture on Medication Safety



Sister Imelda Effiong, of the Order of the Handmaids of the Holy Child Jesus, is in her first semester in the Accelerated Second Baccalaureate Degree Program in the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing. Sister Effiong is originally from Uyo, Nigeria. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Respiratory Therapy. On September 28, 2012, Sister Effiong attended a medication safety seminar at Samford University, hosted by McWhorter School of Pharmacy. Dr. Patrick Hymel, MD, President of MedSnap, was the guest lecturer. Sister Effiong stated the information presented by Dr. Hymel addressed the growing problem of polypharmacy, and presented technology to assist healthcare workers in preventing medication errors related to polypharmacy.

Reflecting on the conference, Sister Effiong wrote:

“Dr. Hymel did an excellent presentation. I think MedSnap will go a long way to prevent polypharmacy problems that most patients have and will make nursing easier. I know how difficult it can be for nurses to keep track of patients’ home medications. I’ve seen nurses ask patients what medications they take and the patient replies, ‘one pink, flat or round pill.’ How in the world would I know what that pill is since there are so many pills that suit the description? I think MedSnap will save a lot of lives. I am glad I attended [the

conference.]”

Alumna Shirley Brymer and husband Jack Receive Samford Game Ball

Samford Athletic Director Martin Newton and Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing Dean Nena F. Sanders presented Shirley Brymer, ASN 1975, and her husband Dr. Jack Brymer with the Game Ball at Samford’s football game on Saturday, October 6. In 2009, in honor of his and Mrs. Brymer’s 53rd wedding anniversary, Dr. Brymer established the Shirley Jarman Brymer Nursing Scholarship. The endowed scholarship benefits nursing students with priority given to a minority student with financial need. The Brymers’ generosity will be a permanent part of the School’s history and will benefit students for many years to come. Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing is pleased to have the opportunity to honor them with this special presentation.



“Caring is the shining thread of gold that holds together the tapestry of life.” Mrs. Ida V. Moffett

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Dates to Remember

October 12: Cap and Cape Society Lunch

October 13: Family Fun Day and Barbecue

October 13: Living Legacy Gala

November 9: Advisory Board Meeting

November 29: Hanging of the Green/Lighting of the Way

December 14: Pinning

December 15: Fall Commencement



Early graduates from the BBH School of Nursing



May 2012 graduates from the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing

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...to all who participated in providing information for this newsletter.

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