

CLASS NOTES

1962

Peg Cruikshank, Ph.D., Corea, ME, shares that her book "Learning to Be Old: Gender, Culture and Aging" has been translated into Korean. In addition, she recently gave the Creamer Memorial Lecture in the gerontology department of the University of St. Thomas in Fredericton, New Brunswick.

1974

BG Bill Bester (RET) was the keynote speaker at a recent Army Nurse Corps Anniversary Celebration in Landstuhl, Germany.

1977

Colleen (Erickson) Gartner, Park Rapids, retired in January after 40 years at CHI St. Joseph's Health. She worked as an RN in several different departments and ended her tenure as a public health nurse in Community Health.

Dr. Susan Polich is retiring after nearly 25 years in higher education, where she held faculty and administrative positions. Earlier in her career, she practiced as a medical technologist and physical therapist.

1979

Jane Haubrich is franchise owner of Waxing the City salons in Duluth and St. Cloud, along with her sister **Joan Haubrich '86**.

1984

Patricia (Springer) Riley is Executive Medical Science Liaison for CSL Behring in King of Prussia, PA. This promotion represents the highest achievement for an MSL in the North American Medical Affairs department. CSL Behring is a biopharmaceutical company that researches, manufactures, and markets plasma-derived and recombinant therapeutic products for rare and serious diseases. Her primary responsibilities include

building professional research-oriented relationships with physicians and presenting comprehensive scientific lectures relevant to immunoglobulin therapies for primary immunodeficiency diseases (PIDD) and immune-mediated neuropathies. In 2017 Patty traveled to Hong Kong, Vietnam and Taiwan to educate physicians and nurses on administration of subcutaneous immunoglobulin (SCIg) to treat PIDD.



1985

Lorraine (Washburn) Hover, Phoenix, AZ, was chosen to participate on the Advisory Committee of the American Nurses Association (ANA) #EndNurseAbuse Professional Issues Panel. Lorraine is currently researching lateral violence/bullying in recent RN graduates as part of her doctoral studies through the University of Phoenix. She continues to teach nursing at Grand Canyon University in Phoenix.



1986

Joan Haubrich is franchise owner of Waxing the City salons in Duluth and St. Cloud, along with her sister, **Jane Haubrich '79**.

1994

Liz (Misel) Meland is working as a Human Services Conference Director at UW Madison.

1995

Pamela Lindemoen has been named Vice President of the Acute Care Division at St. Luke's Health Care System in Duluth.

Jennifer (Hayes) Jubenville, Superior, WI, is the store manager at The Bookstore at Fitger's.

1999

Natalie (Bloom) Lyons is the Director of Clinical Operations at Boston Scientific. She and her clinical research team are proud to announce their recent published findings regarding neuromodulation devices. The Whisper Study data support the use of spinal cord stimulation devices to achieve better pain control. Natalie shares, "What an honor to be a part of a company who puts patients first and offers relief to those with chronic pain."

2001

Dennis LaMantia is a National Account Manager for Experient in Denver, CO.

2008

Andrea Simek (MS '10) (DNP '17) is a Nurse Practitioner in the Urgent Care Department at Essentia Health-Virginia Medical Arts Clinic in Virginia.

Andrea Smith completed her Master's in Developmental Disabilities at the University of St. Thomas in May 2017.

2009

Anna (Koivisto) Peterson (MBA '17) is Director of Case Management at St. Luke's Health Care System in Duluth.

2011

Carl Broker is a Senior Data Analyst for John Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD.

2012

Rebecca Wierschke (MBA), Elk River, published her book "The Mouse, the Eagle, and the Bear: A Collection of Organizational Fables for the Revitalization of Business Ethics" in February 2018. This first edition is a collection of 30 short stories gathered over 20 years of nonprofit leadership and business ethics created for discussing scenarios that would normally be brought to HR.

Mark Wiita (MS '15) joined the St. Luke's Community Care Team. He will provide care to patients in nursing facilities, assisted living communities and rehab centers.

2013

Jessie Surla (DNP), Roswell, NM, works in Gastroenterology & Hepatology at Eastern New Mexico Gastroenterology, where she has worked to improve patient educational materials, establish a capsule endoscopy program, and work with patients with a variety of gastroenterology diseases. Dr. Surla has worked to establish a hepatology program in an underserved area in Southeastern New Mexico with the development of a hepatitis C treatment program and liver disease care with state-of-the-art care options, including a fibroscan to assess for liver stiffness and fatty liver.



2014

Kylene Fremling has been selected to participate in the Maryknoll Lay