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April 5, 2023

President's Message

Dear Fellows,

The poet e.e. cummings celebrated spring for being “mud-luscious” and “puddle-wonderful” in 1920; Simon and Garfunkel brought that sense, or feeling, of this season of revival to an eminently sing-able, hum-able, and memorable song on their album, “The Sounds of Silence,” in 1964:

[April, come she will](#)
[When streams are ripe and swelled with rain...](#)



Much earlier, in 1866, Christina Rossetti had caught the essence of the spirit of spring, here:

There is no time like Spring,
When life's alive in everything...

Life's alive in everything. So perfect; such an apt description of the rejuvenation, renewal, and fresh start that April brings. So it is that April (“come she will,” and she does) reigns as the hope-filled month of new births, great launches, and grand ideas—including the American Academy of Nursing. On April 24, 1973, the Academy's 36 charter Fellows held their first meeting. How small, and perhaps tentative, the Academy must have seemed to those first Fellows—perhaps especially to the ten who formed the Governing Council and the inaugural president, Rheba de Tornay. But the time was right—spring, *when streams are ripe and swelled with rain.*

Just as the crocuses, jonquils, and daffodils of spring do not arise from nothing, though, the Academy had started almost three decades earlier, as an *idea*. What if...what if there could be a structure within a professional nursing organization to recognize and advance scientific evidence? That idea, which emerged from a report to the House of Delegates of the American Nurses Association (ANA) in 1946, remained dormant until 1964, when Luther Christman introduced a motion at the ANA biennial convention to convene a committee to study the feasibility of bringing it to life by establishing the Academy. Still, nine years passed before the first class of Fellows met and made the Academy a real, functioning entity. Moments in the journey from 1973 to 2023 have been at times exhilarating and rewarding or discouraging and disappointing—but they have been always unifying; our history and shared values have brought us, and kept us, together.

There are so many stories of those times—five decades worth. I cherish my own memories and stories as I think back on six years on the Board and the unique experience of being the first male president of the Academy (Luther might smile to know about that, 58 years after his motion passed). But there are many, many other stories; imagine how uplifting it will be to hear more of them. It will put a spring in our collective step, so to speak. Last week, the Academy asked Fellows to share why this organization is important to them and how it has been a voice for the profession. Please participate! Help us weave the digital fabric of our history. You can submit your Academy recollections through the [survey](#) anytime between now and **Friday, July 28, 2023.**

And what about the stories of the nurses who got the Academy started—the charter Fellows? During this 50th

anniversary year, we will remember their names, understand who they were, share what we know of their stories, and celebrate the legacy they created. At the end of this message, you will find the full list of the 1973 class of Fellows; we will be featuring more about them as we mark **Founders' Day** on April 24, 1973.

It is fitting that our founding month is in April, this month of generation, renewal, and new life. Let us use this month to envision the future and chart a path forward, much as the Academy's leaders did 50 years before us. As Jimmy Cliff would sing it:

[I can see clearly now the rain is gone](#)

[I can see all obstacles in my way](#)

[Gone are the dark clouds that had me blind](#)

[It's gonna be a bright \(Bright\)](#)

[Bright \(Bright\) sun-shining day](#)

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Sincerely,



Kenneth R. White, PhD, AGACNP, ACHPN, FACHE, FAAN
President

Charter Fellows of the American Academy of Nursing

The following individuals were the Academy's original [Charter Fellows](#):

Faye G. Abdellah	Ann G. Hargreaves	Barbara Schutt
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Fernando A. Duran	Mary Ann Lavin	Shirley A. Smoyak
Ellen C. Egan	Myra E. Levine	Frances J. Storlie
Geraldine Felton	Eloise Lewis	Gayle A. Traver
Loretta C. Ford	Nancy A. Lytle	Phyllis J. Verhonick
Athleen B. Godfrey	Gaynelle McKinney	Harriet H. Werley
Dorothy Gregg	Jean Hayter Novello	Mary M. Williams
Winifred H. Griffin	Marjorie E. Sanderson	Marilyn D. Willman
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Rheba de Tornyay Development Fund

We are proud to acknowledge the generosity of our [supporters](#) and their commitment to the Academy. The list below represents supporters who have made either restricted or unrestricted gifts to the Rheba de Tornyay Development Fund at the President's Circle level of \$1,000 and above in the month of **March**. All gifts to the Academy support the organization's policy work and help make sure our voice is influencing policy actions that directly impact health and health care.



Phyllis A. Zimmer*

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Fellow Achievements



Deborah Boyle, MSN, RN, AOCNS®-Emeritus, FAAN, Advanced Oncology Nursing Resources, Oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist, Palliative Care Nurse Lead, has been selected as the **2022 Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient** by the Oncology Nursing Society.

Ms. Boyle was inducted into the Academy in 2011 and is a member of the Expert Panel on Aging.



Millicent Gorham, PhD(Hon), MBA, FAAN, is the **inaugural CEO of the Alliance for Women's Health and Prevention**, a 501(c)(4) non-profit organization, focusing on policy issues relating to the health and well-being of women and girls. She served as the Executive Director of the National Black Nurses Association for more than 27 years.

Dr. Gorham was inducted into the Academy as an Honorary Fellow in 2011. She serves on the Edge Runner National Advisory Council.



Ernest Grant, PhD, RN, FAAN, Immediate Past President, American Nurses Association, has been named **Interim Vice Dean of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at Duke University School of Nursing**.

Dr. Grant was inducted into the Academy in 2011. He currently serves on the Fellow Selection Committee.

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Mary M. Gullatte, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, AOCN, LSSYB, FAAN, Corporate Director of Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice, Emory Healthcare, received the **Healthcare Research Pioneer of the Year Award by Help for Healthcare Professionals, Inc.**

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Eun-Ok Im, PhD, MPH, RN, CNS, FAAN, Professor and Edith Folsom Honeycutt Endowed Chair at Emory University, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, is the recipient of the **University of California San Francisco School of Nursing's 42nd Helen Nahm Research Award**.

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Mary A. Nies, PhD, RN, FAAN, FAAHB, Special Assistant to the Dean College of Health for Grant Writing, Professor Tenured, Joint Appointment MPH Program, Idaho State University College of Health, has been selected as an **Ambassador of the Friends of the National**

Dr. Gullatte was inducted into the Academy in 2010. She recently completed two terms serving on the Academy Board of Directors.

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Sharon Pappas, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, Chief Nurse Executive, Emory Healthcare in Atlanta, has been named the 2023 recipient of the **Lifetime Achievement Award given by the American Organization for Nursing Leadership**.

Dr. Pappas was inducted into the Academy in 2013. She is a member of the Building Health Care System Excellence Expert Panel.

Dr. Im was inducted into the Academy in 2005 and has been a CANS member since 2013. She is a member of the Nursing Theory-Guided Practice Expert Panel.

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Billy Rosa, PhD, MBE, NP-BC, FAANP, FPCN, FAAN, Assistant Attending Behavioral Scientist, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, is the recipient of the **Hospice & Palliative Nurses Association New Investigator Award** and **Eastern Nursing Research Society Rising Star Research Award**.

Dr. Rosa was inducted into the Academy in 2018 and has been a CANS member since 2022. He currently serves on the Nominating Committee and as Chair of the Global Nursing and Health Expert Panel.

Institute of Nursing Research.

Dr. Nies was inducted into the Academy in 1994. She is a member of the Women's Health and Health Behavior Expert Panels.

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Jian Zhang, DNP, MS, FAAN, CEO of Chinese Hospital in San Francisco's Chinatown and a volunteer clinical professor of the UCSF School of Nursing, has been named **"Woman of the Year" by the State of California**.

Dr. Zhang was inducted into the Academy in 2020.

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Fellow Highlights

Rasheeta Chandler, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, FAANP, FAAN, is a [principal investigator of a \\$3.4 million grant](#) for Emory University and Morehouse School of Medicine researchers to study the impact of the integration of community-based, perinatal patient navigation into the continuum of maternal care for Black women in a safety-net health system.

Carol Dawson-Rose, PhD, RN, FAAN, and **Sandra Weiss**, PhD, RN, FAAN, are the co-authors of "[Stressors in Health Care and Their Association to Symptoms Experienced by Gender Diverse People](#)," published in *Public Health*.

Orlando Harris, PhD, MPH, FAAN, published "[The Influence of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Physical, Social and Mental Health of Black and Latinx Young People With HIV in the United States](#)" in the *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*.

Carol "Sue" Johnson, PhD, RN, NPD-BC, NE-BC, FAAN, and **Pamela Dickerson**, PhD, RN, NPDA-BC, FAAN, served as co-editors for a nursing resource book publication, [Journey to Equity: Strengthening the Nursing Profession](#).

Allison Squires, PhD, RN, FAAN, provided a [United Nations Briefing](#) on the Nursing & Health Workforce for a member states forum on universal health coverage.

Holly Wei, PhD, RN, CPN, NEA-BC, FAAN, earned a [2022 Book of the Year Award](#) from the *American Journal of Nursing* (AJN), for her textbook, *Visionary Leadership in Healthcare: Excellence in Practice, Policy, and Ethics*.

In Memoriam



Clare Collins, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita, Michigan State University College of Nursing, passed away February 23, 2023.

An expert in geriatric mental health, Dr. Collins' research focused on providing care to patients with dementia and supporting their caregivers. Following her career in academia, Dr. Collins devoted her efforts to ending food instability through Epic Cure and was the coordinator of the yoga therapy program for the International Association of Yoga Therapists.

Dr. Collins was inducted into the Academy in 1992.

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Marilyn Goldwater, RN, FAAN, former Maryland State Delegate, passed away on January 7, 2023.

Goldwater was an emergency-room nurse by training who served 24 years in the Maryland House of Delegates. Throughout her tenure, she became known as an advocate for improving and expanding health care across the state. By the end of her tenure in the Maryland House of Delegates, she had served as Vice Chairman of the Health and Government Operations Committee.

Goldwater was inducted into the Academy as an Honorary Fellow in 2000.

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