President's Message

May 3, 2023

Dear Fellows,

It’s May, and May is National Nurses Month—a time to celebrate, but also to reflect, imagine, and plan. Look up! May raises our gaze, serves a feast for all our senses, and cajoles us out of the ordinary. Look around! We, as nurses, are encircled, surrounded, and nourished by such a gracious and thoughtful community of colleagues. Look ahead! We are creating a future of equitable, holistic healthcare through science, policy, and advocacy. And look inside—self-care, recognition, professional development, and community engagement are the four weekly focus areas of this year’s National Nurses Month.

The tulips, forsythia, daffodils, dogwoods, and cherry blossoms that raise our spirits have humble origins—roots, soil, rain, sun—and often grow and bloom despite challenging conditions. We learn of strength, persistence, and resilience from nature’s patterns—and we see those qualities in our colleagues wherever we look. Few of us have encountered no obstacles in our pathway to leadership. None of us has been successful all by ourselves. All of us have depended on the encouragement, support, and caring of others. Our collective autobiography is one of connections and community. We would not be where we are without each other, no matter what our journey to Fellowship has been. Here are some stories Fellows have shared in response to the 50th anniversary survey; read them quietly, but listen for the voice within them.

First, Kristina Thomas Dreifuerst [Inducted in 2018] – on what it means to become a Fellow:

My induction ceremony was surreal. As a senior undergraduate nursing student in 1985 I added becoming a Fellow in the Academy as a reach goal as part of a leadership class assignment to a list of other goals... During [my Induction Ceremony], as I listened to the accomplishments of the others in my class, I again had that imposter syndrome feeling creep into my brain. But as I listened to my own profile being read while I stood on the stage, I realized that I had earned this achievement and I was so very grateful to that undergraduate professor for lighting the spark that became my fire.

Then Luc R. Pelletier [Inducted in 2004] – on the power of connection and collaboration within the Fellowship:

I worked with Gerri Lamb and Nancy Donaldson on the Quality Health Care panel to address patient engagement. We authored a policy brief that has been cited by many articles since its publication in 2013. Through that work, another Fellow (Dr. Jaynelle F. Stichler) and I developed a valid and reliable Patient Empowerment, Engagement, Activation Survey (PEEAS). We have developed a conceptual model, toolkits and scripting to foster patient engagement in health care.

Finally, Susan Hassmiller [Inducted in 2000, Designated as a Living Legend in 2021] – on strengthening partnerships as a Fellow:

I believe being a Fellow [of the American Academy of Nursing] has always been an important calling card. It has always helped solidify my stance as a member of the most prestigious leadership organization for nurses. I especially appreciate when the Academy takes on some of the hard issues...and does so with other important partners, especially partners outside of nursing.
Just a week before May took us over, we celebrated the Academy’s Charter Day in honor of our establishment in 1973. As we approach and prepare for the 50th Anniversary celebrations this Fall, look forward to hearing more details about our Charter Fellows, so we can carry their stories into the future and sustain the impact they imagined when they started our organization.

We usually see these 36 individuals’ names listed on the Academy website and in our conference programs. But to give a little bit more insight into each of them, we have updated the Charter Day page to include their job titles and the organizations they were affiliated with at the time of induction. As you can see, this was a diverse group of individuals whose careers spanned academia to practice and geographically represented over half of the United States.

“Few will have the greatness to bend history; but each of us can work to change a small portion of the events, and in the total of all these acts will be written the history of this generation.” Robert F. Kennedy spoke those words, which constituted both confidence and challenge, in his 1966 Day of Affirmation Address to the University of Cape Town in South Africa. Kennedy was referencing the horrors of apartheid just two years after the passage of the Civil Rights Act in the United States. It is important to remember the impact that can be made when a few leaders with bold ideas work together to make change—whether in society or within a profession.

Each Fellow of the Academy is changing the future of health and healthcare through their support of policies to advance equity, promote inclusion, and raise up the next generation of nurses. Fellowship calls us to not only be aware, but to understand more deeply and actively seek change in all our communities. We grow when we step outside our comfort zone. Join me in imagining what the future holds as we celebrate the Academy’s 50th Anniversary and the Charter Fellows that brought the Academy to life.

Sincerely,

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

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Hyochol “Brian” Ahn, PhD, MSN, MS-CTS, MS-ECE, APRN, ANP-BC, FAAN, has been named Dean of the University of Arizona College of Nursing. Dr. Ahn is Professor and Associate Dean for Research at the Florida State University College of Nursing and Founding Director of the FSU Brain Science and Symptom Management Center.

Angela Amar, PhD, RN, FAAN, has been named Dean of the NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing. Dr. Amar is Dean and Tenured Professor of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Nursing. Dr. Amar was inducted into the Academy in 2011 and has been a CANS member since 2021. She

Victoria Vaughan Dickson, PhD, RN, FAHA, FHFS, FAAN, has been named as Dean of the UConn School of Nursing. Dr. Dickson is the John W. Rowe Professor in Successful Aging and Assistant Dean for Research Innovation and Director of the Pless Center for Nursing Research at New York University’s Rory Meyers College of Nursing.
Dr. Ahn was inducted into the Academy in 2020. He currently serves on the Edge Runners National Advisory Council.

Naomi E. Ervin, PhD, RN, PHCNS-BC, FNAP, FAAN, Chair, Bylaws Committee, Michigan Public Health Association, has been named the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement in Public Health Nursing by the Michigan Public Health Association, Public Health Nursing Section.

Dr. Ervin was inducted into the Academy in 1999. She currently serves on the Environmental and Public Health as well as the Quality Health Care Expert Panels.

Barbara B. Frink, PhD, RN, FAAN, Vice President and Chief Nursing Information Officer, MedStar Health, was honored with the Friends of the National Library of Medicine’s Nursing Informatics Award at their 2023 Awards Gala.

Dr. Frink was inducted into the Academy in 1995. She currently serves on the Informatics and Technology Expert Panel.

Ann Marie P. Mauro, PhD, RN, CNL, CNE, ANEF, FAAN, Director, Nursing Education Program and Visiting Professor, Teachers College, Columbia University, has been named the recipient of the 2023 Eastern Nursing Society President’s Award for Outstanding Service.

Dr. Mauro was inducted into the Academy in 2016 and has been a CANS member since 2015. She currently serves on the Global Nursing and Health Expert Panel.

Bridgette M. Rice, PhD, MDiv, APRN, FAAN, Richard and Marianne Kreider Endowed Professor in Nursing for Vulnerable Populations, has been named Associate Dean for Research and Innovation at Villanova University M. Louise Fitzpatrick College of Nursing.

Dr. Rice was inducted into the Academy in 2022. She currently serves on the Health Equity Expert Panel.

Mary Anne Schultz, PhD, MBA, MSN, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita and Informaticist, California State University San Bernardino, is completing her gubernatorial appointment as Advisor, California Initiative to Advance Precision Medicine. She is the first, and only, nurse to serve.

Dr. Schultz was inducted into the Academy in 2022. She currently serves on the Informatics and Technology Expert Panel.

Larry Z. Slater, PhD, Mac, RN-BC, CNE, FAAN, has been named Dean of the School of Nursing at Quinnipiac University. Dr. Slater is Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Clinical Professor at University of Memphis, Loewenberg College of Nursing.

Dr. Slater was inducted into the Academy in 2020 and has been a CANS member since 2010. He currently serves on the Development Committee as well as the LGBTQ Health Expert Panel.
Ruth A. Wittmann-Price, PhD, RN, CNS, CNEcl, CNE, CHSE, ANEF, FAAN, has been named Dean of the W. Cary Edwards School of Nursing and Health Professions, Thomas Edison State University. Dr. Wittmann-Price is Professor of Nursing and Undergraduate Programs Chair at Jefferson College of Nursing.

Dr. Wittmann-Price was inducted into the Academy in 2015. She currently serves on the Nursing Theory-Guided Practice Expert Panel.

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Fellow Highlights

Congratulations to the following Fellows for being named as part of the Sigma 2023 International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame Inductees:

- **Lora E. Burke**, PhD, MPH, FAHA, FAAN
  Professor Emeritus, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing

- **Denise Charron-Prochownik**, PhD, RN, CPNP, FAAN
  Professor, Nursing and Graduate School of Public Health Chairman, Department of Health Promotion and Development, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing

- **Jyu-Lin Chen**, PhD, RN, CNS, FAAN
  Professor and Chair, University of California San Francisco

- **Wei-Ti Chen**, RN, CNM, PhD, FAAN
  Associate Professor, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Nursing

- **Carmen Giurgescu**, PhD, RN, WHNP, FAAN
  Professor and Associate Dean for Research, Chatlos Foundation Endowed Chair in Nursing, College of Nursing, University of Central Florida

- **Linda Hong-Gu He**, PhD, MSc, BSc(Reg), RN, FAAN
  Professor & Director of Graduate Research Programmes, National University of Singapore

- **Teresa Kelechi**, PhD, RN, FAAN
  Professor and Associate Dean for Research and PhD Studies, David and Margaret Clare Endowed Chair, Medical University of South Carolina College of Nursing

- **Cheryl A. Krause-Parello**, PhD, RN, FAAN
  Associate Dean for Research and Scholarship and Professor, Florida Atlantic University

- **Lorna Kwai Ping Suen**, BN, MPH, PhD, RN, RM, FHKAN, FAAN
  Dean and Professor, School of Nursing, Tung Wah College, Homantin, Hong Kong

- **Jianghong Liu**, PhD, RN, FAAN
Maryann Alexander, PhD, RN, FAAN, is quoted in an *Health Leaders Media* article "One-Fifth of Nurses Intend to Leave the Workforce by 2027," describing a National Council of State Boards of Nursing report, "Examining the Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Burnout & Stress among US Nurses."

Jane Barnsteiner, PhD, RN, FAAN, Joanne Disch, PhD, RN, FAAN, and Nancy Spector, PhD, RN, FAAN, are coauthors on an article, "Applying Principles of a Fair and Just Culture to a Student Scenario," published in the *Journal of Nursing Education.*

Beth Ann Clayton, DNP, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN, is quoted in an article "How Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists are Working to Improve Maternal Health" in *Brandpoint.*

Catherine Gilliss, PhD, RN, FAAN, Bobbie Berkowitz, PhD, RN, FAAN, Jean Johnson, PhD, RN, FAAN, Paula Milone-Nuzzo, PhD, RN, FAAN, and Patricia Reid Ponte, DNSc, FAAN co-authored the book *Organizationally Minded Nursing Leadership.*

Eileen T. Lake, PhD, RN, FAAN, is the lead author of a new study and article, "The Association of Missed Nursing Care with Very Low Birthweight Infant Outcomes," in *Medical Care Research and Review.*

Matt Tierney, MS, FAAN, is a co-author of the article “A Focused Screening and Clinical Intervention With Streamlined Outpatient Linkage for Hospitalized Patients With Opioid Use Disorder Experiencing Homelessness” published in *Substance Abuse: Research and Treatment.*

Laura Wagner, PhD, RN, FAAN, co-authored the paper "Direct Care Workers Are the Foundation of a Dementia-Capable Workforce," published in *Generations Journal.*

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**In Memoriam**

**Carol C. Hogue**, PhD, RN, FAAN, Associate Professor, University of North Carolina, passed away on June 18, 2022.

Dr. Hogue was nationally known for her research on the health and social support needs of the elderly. Her academic positions included as Professor at Duke University School of Nursing, Professor and Associate Dean at the University of North Carolina School of Nursing, and Senior Fellow at the Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development at Duke.

Dr. Hogue was inducted into the Academy in 1987.
**Mary E. Krugman**, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, Consultant, University of Colorado College of Nursing, passed away on April 12, 2023.

Dr. Krugman's career spanned many positions at the University of Colorado Hospital, ultimately rising to the Director of Nursing, Innovation, and Outcomes. She co-created the concept of graduate nurse residency programs and mentored dozens of nursing colleagues throughout her tenure at the hospital.

Dr. Krugman was inducted into the Academy in 2003.

**Lucy Marion**, PhD, RN, FAANP, FAAN, Professor and Dean Emerita, Augusta University, passed away on April 13, 2023.

Dr. Marion was a dedicated educator, researcher, and advocate for the nursing profession. While at Augusta University, Dr. Marion led the creation of the Nurse Scientist Incubator for Novice Investigators, the first Doctorate of Nursing Practice and Clinical Nurse Leaders Programs in Georgia, and the first APRN nurse-managed clinic on campus. Dr. Marion also founded the Greater Augusta HealthCare Network to expand primary care for vulnerable people and continued NIH-funded behavior change research to prevent diabetes among African American church parishioners.

Dr. Marion was inducted into the Academy in 1996.

**Chao Hsing Yeh**, PhD, RN, FAAN, Jane and Robert Cizik Distinguished Chair, Professor, University of Texas Houston Cizik School of Nursing, passed away in April.

At UTHealth Houston, Dr. Yeh grew her already robust and innovative program of research into auricular point acupressure for nonpharmaceutical pain management, studying how and why stimulating specific points on the ears relieves pain in various parts of the body. Over the course of her career, she received more than $10 million in grants, published more than 110 papers, and presented locally, nationally, and internationally. In July, she was to be inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing’s International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame.

Dr. Yeh was inducted into the Academy in 2018.
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