



SAYING GOODBYE TO DR. MARGARET (PEGGY) WINES

Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Wines, President Emeritus of Helene Fuld College of Nursing, passed away peacefully after a brief illness on Saturday, November 17, 2012, at Cornell Medical Center. She retired on September 7, 2012. A retirement party was held for her at the College on her final day as President.

The contributions that Dr. Wines made to Helene Fuld College of Nursing and to the field of nursing are enormous. During her presidency, she carried on the College's mission of providing an effective career ladder opportunity for students to advance within the nursing profession, to substantially increase their earning capacity, and to provide essential nursing services in underserved communities throughout the Metropolitan New York area.

Dr. Wines joined Helene Fuld in 1980. In 1981, she successfully led the College in its effort to become the first hospital-based associate degree program to be accredited by the National League for Nursing. In 1988, the College became the only school of its kind to achieve accreditation from the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. After relocating the College in 1992, she doubled the College's enrollment through the addition of evening and Saturday courses expanding the option of working student participation.

Dr. Wines received her B.S. degree from Cornell University New York Hospital School of Nursing; her M.S. degree in Psychiatric Nursing was conferred by Hunter College; and she received her Ph.D. in Administration, Policy, and Urban Education from Fordham University's Graduate School of Education. In addition to Helene Fuld, Dr. Wines served as a faculty member at Queensborough Community College, and Bronx Community College, where she taught psychiatric nursing. Early in her career she served as a visiting nurse for the Visiting Nurse Service in the Bronx. As an academic policy formulator, she chaired and presented at numerous nursing conferences, with a particular focus upon associate degree education. Her professional affiliations included membership on the New York State Council of Hospital Schools of Professional Nursing, the New York State Council of Associate Degree Nursing Programs, the National League for Nursing and the American Nurses Association.

In May 2003, Dr. Wines received the Distinguished Alumni Award for "outstanding contribution to nursing" from Cornell University New York Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association.

In March 2004, at the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities (CICU) meeting, she received a legislative resolution passed by the New York State Senate and Assembly honoring her 25 years of service as President of Helene Fuld College of Nursing.

In July 2007, Helene Fuld College of Nursing secured a charter amendment separating the College from North General Hospital. Dr. Wines re-organized the College and established it as an independent institution.

Under her leadership, the College successfully launched an upper division RN to Bachelor of Science degree program in nursing on September 4, 2012.

Dr. Wines summed up her three decades of leading Helene Fuld College of Nursing by saying, "I've realized my dream by helping so many others achieve theirs."

Dr. Wines leaves behind her husband, Dr. Roger Wines, history Professor Emeritus at Fordham University. They have five children and fourteen grandchildren.

Dr. Wines enriched the College by sharing her wisdom, talent, and loving care of the students. We are all very thankful for her loyalty and service. In loving memory of Dr. Wines, Helene Fuld College of Nursing has set up a memorial fund in her name. Donations will be used to provide scholarships and other resources to students at the College.

Donations can be made online:

www.helenefuld.edu/donate_to_helene_fuld_college.html

or mailed to:

**The Peggy Wines Memorial Fund
Helene Fuld College of Nursing
24 East 120th Street
New York, NY 10035
Attn: Michelle Hernandez**

Memorial Service for Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Wines

Friday, February 15, 2013, at 3:00 pm

Bethel Gospel Assembly

26A East 120th Street

New York, NY 10035

For more information, please call 212-616-7278



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Alumni,

2012 brought many changes to Helene Fuld College. Although there were many positive changes such as the start of the long-awaited upper division baccalaureate program, and the extensive renovations to the third and fourth floors, we could not escape some sad occasions. Dr. Wines' retirement in September and her passing in November made us pause and reflect upon her life, which was dedicated to helping others.

As the new president of the Helene Fuld College, I am extremely proud of our mission of helping men and women to achieve their ambition to become registered nurses. I am also excited about what the future holds. With unlimited potential and the involvement of enthusiastic alumni and students, we can look forward to another exciting year. The faculty and staff of Helene Fuld College are committed to making the College all that we know it can and should be. We hope you will join us for my Presidential installation in April, mentoring and other volunteer opportunities throughout the year.



Blessings to you and your family this holiday season. I hope to see you in the New Year.

Best Wishes,
Wendy Robinson, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, CNE

Faculty & Staff Notes

Moving in...

2011
Jacqueline Cassagnol, Instructor, Nursing

2012
Michelle Gardner, Assistant Professor, Nursing
Dr. Bernadette Amicucci, Director, Upper Division Baccalaureate Nursing Program, Associate Professor
Galina Vilkina, Head of Finance
Mohammed Hashem, Accounting Assistant
Charde Kelly, Bursar

Moving on...

2011
Barbara Taylor, Director of Development

2012
Dr. Margaret Wines, President
Adenike Aboyade-Cole, Chief Financial Officer
Ayo Oladeru, Payroll Manager/Finance Assistant
Jacqueline Cassagnol, Instructor, Nursing

Graduation November 2011

The commencement ceremony for the graduating class of November 2011 took place on Sunday, November 13th, at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church. A total of 108 students graduated.

The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Wines. The Honorable Charles Schumer attended the graduation and addressed the audience. Yolanda Inez Henderson (November 2011 graduate) delivered the invocation. The Chair of the HFCN Board of Trustees, Mr. Alan McDougall, presented the degrees to the graduates. Suzanne I. Ullman Awards were provided to six graduating students. Recipients of these awards included: Ann M. Mumba for Academic Excellence, Wajeha Khalil-Abdullah and Varsha Patel for Academic Honors, and Idally Cruz, Kelly A. Connelly and LeRoi Ephraim DeWitt, Jr. for Clinical Honors. Ruth Brown Academic Incentive Awards (given to junior students who show academic potential) were presented to Tamica Blake and Joy Thompson. Andrea Smith was the recipient of the Stephen C. Frauenthal Leadership Award. Terri-Ann N. Greaves received the Marcia Levinson-Solomon Memorial Award for being exceptionally compassionate in caring for patients. Idally Cruz was also the proud recipient of the Marguerite Haggerty Memorial Award for Excellence in Medical-Surgical Nursing. Carolyn J. Wiltshire received the Carol A. Thompson Award in recognition of her perseverance in pursuing a nursing career.

Anne-Marie Emanuel, R.N., M.S. F.N.P., (Class of April 1989), provided the commencement address. She is an Assistant Professor of Maternal/Child Health at LaGuardia Community College. She was also recently hired by Helene Fuld College of Nursing as an adjunct clinical instructor for Nursing 223.

The farewell address was given by Class Vice President, Mary Asiedu, and Evening Class Representative, Allison S. Brown.



Graduation April 2012

The Spring 2012 commencement exercises were held on Sunday, April 29, 2012. There were a total of 109 new AAS graduates.

The invocation was given by Prince Olugbenga Okunoye (April 2012 graduate). The welcome address was provided by Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Wines. The Chair of the HFCN Board of Trustees, Mr. Alan McDougal, presented the degrees to the graduating students. Upon the request of her graduating class, Tashay N. Knight delighted the audience with the gift of song by performing a solo.

A total of seven Suzanne I. Ullman Awards were bestowed upon six graduating students. The recipients included: Jayakesh C. Nair for Academic Excellence and Clinical Excellence, Toney M. Augustyniak and Lucy Lumene-Semexant for Academic Honors, and Janette Leanda Johnson, Meaghan D. Murphy, and Carolee Stewart-Clifford for Clinical Honors. Ruth Brown Academic Incentive Awards (which are given to junior students who show academic potential) were presented to Karina Acevedo and Ismael Climaco. Meghan A. Corbett received the Stephen C. Frauenthal Leadership Award and the Ayisha Babwah Award for her helpfulness to fellow students. The Marguerite Haggerty Memorial Award for Excellence in Medical-Surgical Nursing was bestowed upon Jayakesh C. Nair. Vanya Williams was the recipient of the Carol A. Thompson Memorial Award in recognition of her perseverance in pursuing a nursing career. The Callender Witherspoon Memorial Award, which is given for perseverance, was presented to Terri Lynn Kennedy.

Pearlina M. Rainford, RN, BS, MS, ANP, (Class of October 1988), provided the commencement address. She is a Nurse Practitioner/Consultant of LarRain Nursing Care Management & Recreation Consultants.

The Class President, Meaghan D. Murphy, delivered the farewell address.



Graduation November 2012

Helene Fuld College of Nursing held the Fall commencement ceremony at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church on Sunday, November 18, 2012. The event was bittersweet as the College was mourning the loss of long-time president, Dr. Margaret Wines, who passed away the previous morning.

The Board of Trustees paid special recognition to Dr. Wines at the commencement ceremony. Dr. Wendy Robinson read excerpts of the proclamation from the Office of U.S. Senator Charles Schumer honoring Dr. Wines for her extraordinary career. The Alumni Association sponsored a scholarship in her name. The Margaret Wines Award was bestowed upon Terry-Ann Lee Rankine for Excellence in Psychiatric-Community Mental Health Nursing.

The invocation was delivered by Rebecca Oluwatoyin Oludare Famodimu. Dr. Wendy Robinson provided the welcome address and presented the school pins. The Chair of the HFCN Board of Trustees, Mr. Alan McDougall, provided greetings and bestowed the degrees upon the 84 graduating students. Seven Suzanne I. Ullman Awards were presented to six graduating students. The recipients of the awards included: Terry-Ann Lee Rankine for Academic Excellence, Vladimir Josue and Vendetta Ramgobin for Academic Honors, and Tamica C. Blake, Rhondelle T. Booker, Sheena Muir, and Terry-Ann Lee Rankine for Clinical Honors. The Ruth Brown Academic Incentive Award (which is given to a junior student who shows academic potential) was presented to Temika Codrington. Tamica C. Blake also received the Marguerite Haggerty Memorial Award for Excellence in Medical-Surgical Nursing, the Carol A. Thompson Memorial Award for perseverance and the Marcia Levinson-Solomon Memorial Award for her exceptional passion in caring for patients. Terry-Ann Lee Rankine and Felicity Tsikiwa received Stephen C. Frauenthal Leadership Awards in recognition of their outstanding leadership. The Callender Witherspoon Memorial Award, which is given for perseverance, was presented to Kimberly C. Bernard. The commencement address was provided by Nicole Nurse, MBA, RN, BCLS, a May 1994 graduate of Helene Fuld. She currently serves as Sr. Vice President of Clinical Affairs at the Institute for Family Health.

Class President, Terry-Ann Lee Rankine, provided the farewell address.



3rd ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS DINNER DANCE

Helene Fuld College of Nursing's 3rd Alumni Scholarship Awards Dinner Dance was held on Saturday, October 1, 2011, at Tian at the Riverbank Restaurant in Harlem. The Mistress of Ceremonies for the evening was NY1's Weekend Anchor and Author, Cheryl Wills. The festivities began with a cocktail reception, followed by an awards presentation, seated dinner, and dancing.

Award recipient, Shané Harris, presented her original poem, "What Nursing Means to Me" at the start of the awards presentation.

Thirteen scholarship awards totaling \$17,500 were presented at the event. Recipients were selected based on various categories including essay writing, community service and academic performance.

The scholarship awards/recipients included:

HELENE FULD ALUMNI "WHAT NURSING MEANS TO ME" ESSAY CONTEST SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Shané Harris Avion Gordon
Mary Kay Gibbons Shirlene Williams

DR. JOSEPH L. TAIT - HARLEM COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Claudette Robinson

HELENE FULD COLLEGE HONORS PROGRAM INDUCTEE AWARDS

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HELENE FULD COLLEGE ACADEMIC AWARDS

Ann Mumba Wajeha Abdullah

HELENE FULD ALUMNI COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Meghan Corbett Avion Gordon Craig Walters

Event sponsors included: Capital One Bank, TD Bank, Dr. Joseph L. Tait of The Harlem Commonwealth Council, Inc., Mona Hernandez, and Dr. Margaret Wines. Proceeds from the event will be used to fund future scholarships and to enhance programmatic development at the College.

The affair was attended by alumni, board members, faculty, staff, family, friends, and members of the community. Thank you to everyone who supported the event!



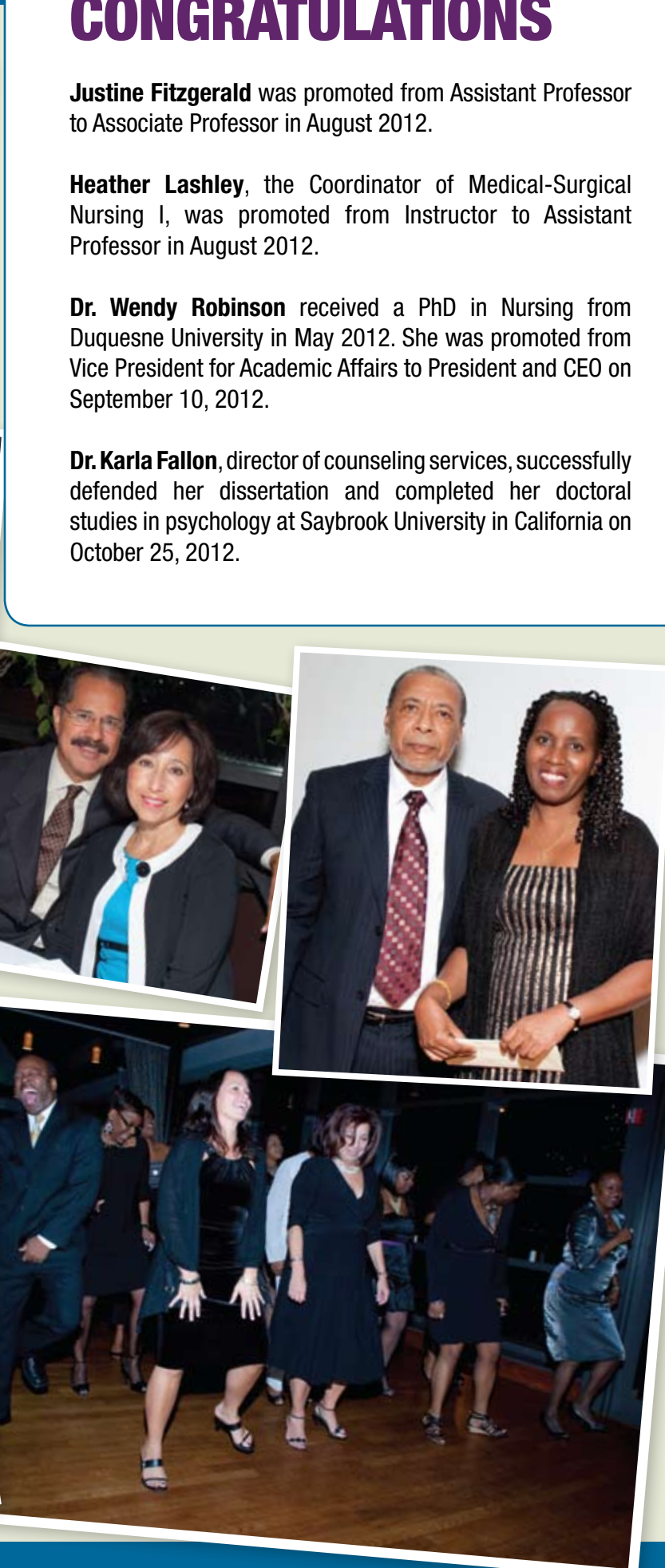
CONGRATULATIONS

Justine Fitzgerald was promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor in August 2012.

Heather Lashley, the Coordinator of Medical-Surgical Nursing I, was promoted from Instructor to Assistant Professor in August 2012.

Dr. Wendy Robinson received a PhD in Nursing from Duquesne University in May 2012. She was promoted from Vice President for Academic Affairs to President and CEO on September 10, 2012.

Dr. Karla Fallon, director of counseling services, successfully defended her dissertation and completed her doctoral studies in psychology at Saybrook University in California on October 25, 2012.



HELENE FULD COLLEGE OF NURSING LAUNCHES BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM

On September 4, 2012, Helene Fuld College of Nursing launched its highly anticipated Upper Division Baccalaureate Degree program in nursing. The program, which is open to associate degree and diploma registered nurses, is directed by Dr. Bernadette Amicucci.

Environmental Urban Health Nursing is the focus of the new B.S. program. The program explores the environmental health hazards that are typically found in large cities such as New York City.

The new B.S. program curriculum builds on the students' prior education. The program consists of sixty-three (63) upper division semester credits, which includes thirty-one nursing credits and thirty-two liberal arts and science credits. Students are able to take courses on a full- or part-time basis. Full-time students may complete the program in five fifteen week semesters taken over a nineteen-month period. Part-time students may take up to four years to complete the program. Day and evening courses are available. Classes for day students are held over the course of one and one-half days per week and classes for evening students are held three evenings per week.

There are currently 38 students in the program; the majority of whom are alumni of the College.



March 2012 Honors Induction

Helene Fuld College of Nursing (HFCN) hosted an honors induction luncheon at its facility on Monday, March 12, 2012. The event recognized tomorrow's leaders in nursing for their academic achievements. The students represented HFCN's fifth cohort of honorees since the program began in 2010. There were a total of 8 honorees in cohort 5. The honorees were Burbuqe Berisha, Tamica Blake, Rebecca Famodimu, Nicole Hampton, Vladimir Josue, Miriam Parker, Vendetta Ramgobin, and Terry-Ann Rankine.

The Honors Program was established in February 2010 to recognize and support outstanding students in the College's LPN to RN Associate degree program. Honorees are selected bi-annually; in February and August. The selection process is based on pre-entrance test scores, grades received in the pre-admission math/chemistry course, professional references, and faculty reviews. All candidates must have a minimum of a 3.75 GPA at the end of the first nursing quarter to qualify and must maintain a 3.5 GPA overall until graduation to continue in the honors program.

All honorees were presented with an honors certificate, laptop computer and a stipend to cover the cost of their textbooks. Councilmanic Aide, Jamillah Richards, provided City Council Merit Certificates from Council Member Inez Dickens to the honorees at the luncheon. Honor students are eligible to fast-track into Helene Fuld College of Nursing's Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. Additional benefits of membership include priority registration each term and special recognition at commencement.



DR. WENDY ROBINSON APPOINTED TO PRESIDENT OF HFCN

On Monday, September 10, 2012, Dr. Wendy Robinson succeeded Dr. Wines and became President and CEO of Helene Fuld College of Nursing. Dr. Robinson obtained her Doctorate of Philosophy in Nursing from Duquesne University in May 2012. In 2008, she obtained her post-Masters certificate in Forensic Nursing. She is a board certified family nurse practitioner and a certified nurse educator.

Prior to becoming president, Dr. Robinson was appointed to the position of Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs on August 25, 2008, then to Vice President for Academic Affairs on February 19, 2009. She taught for a year at Helene Fuld as an adjunct clinical instructor in 2002, and returned in 2004 as a full-time instructor.

In addition to her new chief executive role as president and CEO, Dr. Robinson will also be teaching Environmental Issues in Urban Community Health Nursing in the Bachelor of Science degree program.

We congratulate Dr. Robinson and wish her well in her new position.

SEPTEMBER 2012 HONORS INDUCTION LUNCHEON

On Monday, September 24, 2012, at 11:30 am, a luncheon was held at the College for the sixth cohort of honorees to be inducted into the honors program. A total of six honorees were inducted into the honors program at the event. The six inductees were Jennive Cardoso, Charmaine Diedrick-Daley, Nunichu Kingsley, Juliana Luecking, Christina Perez, and Terrian Sterling-Laidlaw.

Dr. Wendy Robinson, president of Helene Fuld College of Nursing, presented certificates to all of the honorees. Each honoree was also given a laptop and a check to cover the cost of their books.

Following the award presentation, attendees were treated to a buffet-style lunch and celebration cake.



ALUMNI NEWS

Lena Melbourne, RN, BS, (HFSN Class of 1966), passed away on July 17, 2012. Ms. Melbourne graduated from the Helene Fuld School of Practical School Nursing (Hospital of Joint Diseases) in September 1957. In 1964, she was selected to join a "pilot program" for Registered Professional Nursing at the Hospital for Joint Diseases and became a proud graduate of the registered nursing program at Helene Fuld School of Nursing on March 1, 1966. She remained in touch with the College throughout the years and continuously lent her support. We are very thankful for her dedication and loyalty to the College. RIP Ms. Melbourne.

Curtis Amos, RN, DNP, (HFCN Class of November 2000), graduated from Columbia University School of Nursing's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program on May 15, 2012. He was also the recipient of the Director of Nursing Practice Award. Congratulations Dr. Amos on a job well done!

Andrea L. Gibbon, RN, BC, (HFCN Class of November 2007), was appointed clinical director in August 2011 for the new Transitional Care Unit on 7 South, managed by Silvercrest Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation. She is currently studying at Lehman College to achieve her bachelor's degree in Nursing. Ms. Gibbon is ANCC certified in gerontology.

Danielle M. Glaudin, RN, BSN, (HFCN Class of April 2006), was promoted to Nurse Administrator I (NAI) at KFP Hospital on October 4, 2012. She is currently in the MSN program at St. Peter's University.

Jacqueline Cassagnol, RN, MSN, PMC, (HFCN Class of November 2003), a former nursing instructor at Helene Fuld College of Nursing, serves as the president and founder of Worldwide Community First Responder Inc., a non profit dedicated to preventing deaths worldwide through education and training. She launched the organization in May 2012.

Ti-Nema Jones, RN, BS, (HFCN Class of April 2006), established the Alfreda Brown Scholarship at Helene Fuld in memory of her mother in 2012. The scholarship assists students in the LPN to RN program in Nursing 223 and 224 who are in financial need. Thank you Ti-Nema. The scholarship has already benefitted a well-deserving student in the program.



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Hurricane Sandy Relief Efforts

In response to the catastrophic devastation caused by Hurricane Sandy, Dr. Karla Fallon, director of counseling services, initiated a Hurricane Sandy Relief Effort for the HFCN community. Faculty, staff and students contributed non-perishable food, blankets, and clothing to assist those in need. The items were available to anyone at the College who could use them. The remaining items were donated to NY Cares, an organization that has been instrumental in helping the victims of Hurricane Sandy. The drive was very successful and brought the College together in the face of adversity.

After observing the very disproportionate level of support that the predominately minority residents of Long Beach received in comparison to those in Staten Island, Dr. Fallon launched a second Hurricane Sandy Relief Effort through her local community and the College. The initiative was called PBNJ 4 LBNY (peanut butter & jelly for Long Beach, NY). It began on Monday, November 12th and ended on Thursday, November 15th. The HFCN community donated peanut butter and jelly/jam, individually wrapped snacks, and juice boxes. Local bakeries donated the bread. Each lunch contained the aforementioned components and a little note of encouragement..

Dr. Fallon happily reported that HFCN's extremely generous donations toward the "PBNJ 4 LBNY" relief effort in conjunction with those from her local community allowed for the creation of 518 lunches for the Long Beach residents.



Head Start offers educational programs for children ages 3 to 5, and provides a wide variety of opportunities and support services for their families in a safe, caring environment where both children and parents come to learn, grow and achieve. The services rendered are free of charge.

Dr. Wendy Robinson, Michelle Hernandez, and LPN to RN students, Terrian Sterling-Laidlaw and Juliana Luecking, volunteered to help the organization and participated in the event. The College set up a resource table for parents to obtain literature on asthma, allergies and immunization for the care of their children. Blood pressure screenings were also provided and the nurses explained to community residents how to interpret their blood pressure readings.

On Friday, June 15, 2012, Community Life Center's Head Start Program held its annual Family Day in the Park Celebration. The event took place from 10 am – 3 pm, at Mt. Morris Park, which is located directly across the street from the College.

HFCN IN THE COMMUNITY

We welcome updates for the Alumni Newsgram.
We want to know about your career progress, family news, and other significant events. Please send submissions and changes of address/updated email addresses to: michelle.hernandez@helenefuld.edu

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