

Dear Alumni,

June, 2019

The Alumni Association has a very active presence on Facebook. I share news there often, but if you are not a member of Facebook, you likely do not know about the following. I thought I'd take this opportunity to update you on some things.

1. As Mary Ann Kohring noted in her letter, the 2018 Bulletin (to be mailed in the near future) is the LAST Bulletin that will be published. If you need to contact us, you can always go to www.alumni.lsn.org and join, send messages, update your contact info, etc.
2. Because there will be no Bulletin, we will NOT be collecting any updates about you or your classmates, including contact info (address, phone numbers, etc.). We don't anticipate sending out any mailings except invitations to the annual reunion. So if you want to make sure you're invited, YOU will need to let us know of any changes in your contact info.
3. Maintaining the website has been expensive and is not being used as we anticipated. We will try to negotiate a reduced rate and will try to keep the website operational for now so that you can send us your updated contact info, etc. If we cannot get a reduced rate, the website will be discontinued.
4. We will continue having our annual Alumni Reunions each August because we usually break even on them, but if attendance drops, the reunions will also cease to exist.
5. The Facebook site is free and will be continued. You may contact me via messaging if you need me to forward info, answer questions, etc.
6. Based on a suggestion from one of our members, the Alumni Association has begun selling shirts and jackets imprinted with our logo and motto. There is an online store to purchase these and sales have been good so far. We will have examples available at the Alumni Reunion and may have a few to sell. Because the online store is only open a few weeks at a time, we will ask the organization we partnered with to open the store during the reunion so that you may make purchases while you are at the reunion. You will need to use a credit card, and I will help you place your orders if you wish to purchase something.
7. LSNA has partnered with Indiana Wesleyan University to provide lunches for graduating LSN students. Our contact, Victor Angulo, recently sent the following information to be shared with LSN Alumni:

*Recently I requested that LSN/St. Alexis Hospital be awarded the designation "Preferred Hospital" and submitted the paperwork for this consideration to Indiana Wesleyan University's chancellor's cabinet. After their review, it was approved. **This will allow IWU to offer nurses at St. Alexis Hospital and graduates of LSN the courses that lead to the BSN at the tuition rate of \$250 per credit hour.** Additionally, these same students can take up three additional GEN ED courses (9 credit hours) at the same rate of \$250 per credit hour. This is a significant reduction from our standard \$447 per credit hour tuition rate and it is among the lowest rates in the market. **The special tuition rate is currently not offered to any other hospital or school of nursing in the St. Louis area and will be offered until 12/31/19.***

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Please contact Victor directly if you wish to utilize this reduced tuition rate.

The elimination of the Bulletin is very distressing to the Board, but we are unable to carry on financially. If you want to help, become a member. It won't change the announcements I am making today, but it will help us start rebuilding our funds so that we can continue giving scholarships to graduates. You might also want to attend the Alumni Reunion so that you can obtain more detailed info about the future of our organization.

Thank you for your support in the past. We sincerely hope you will continue supporting us in the future.

Sincerely,

Susie Klapp, Membership Committee Chair