Men in Nursing
Their stories in their words.
To continue to achieve excellence, we need to identify opportunities to do more for our students and our community.

I continue to be amazed by our University — the progress we’re making, the growth we’re experiencing and the ongoing excellence we’re achieving.

Over the last five years alone, our enrollment has doubled. We’ve moved to a new state-of-the-art campus — a campus that evolves and improves seemingly every week. And now it’s with great pride that I announce the addition of two important programs to our College of Nursing and our College of Allied Health.

Our College of Nursing has added a Doctor of Nursing Practice program that is designed specifically for Advanced Practice Nurses (APNs) who are ready to take the next step in their careers. Fifty percent of the program is online to allow for true flexibility. This program makes Resurrection University an important player in educating APNs to assume greater leadership roles in our rapidly evolving healthcare system.

We have also joined with the Saint Francis School of Radiography in Evanston. Starting fall 2015, our College of Allied Health will be offering a Bachelor of Science in Imaging Technology (BSIT) degree. This represents an entirely new program at Resurrection University and demonstrates our commitment to offering our students degree opportunities that are relevant and valued in the healthcare workforce.

Two new programs. Rapidly expanding enrollment. A future filled with limitless potential for our students, our faculty and our University. This is Resurrection University for the next 100 years. We have much to be proud of. And much work to do.

Let’s begin together.

Thank you again for helping to make a great University even better.

Beth A. Brooks, PhD, RN, FACHE
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I joined the Navy when I was 18 and spent 11 years, 4 months and 23 days on active duty. I left the Navy in February of 2010 because I wanted to do something else with my life. I’m from a nursing family, so I was always around people talking about nursing and healthcare and how much they loved being nurses — so I guess you could say that deep down I was always interested in nursing.

When I was thinking about a new career, I knew that nursing just fit my personality. I love working with people and helping people, and I thought I would be good at it. So I used the GI Bill, enrolled at Malcolm X College and completed my Associate’s degree in Nursing in 2012. I came to ResU to earn my BSN and just graduated in December 2014.

What I love most about nursing is that you get to help people and you get to meet different people every day. It’s a great career. And it really is a great career for men. As a male nurse I think there is a bit of a stigma. I’m usually the only male nurse on the unit, and some female patients will want a female nurse, but I don’t mind. The nurses I work with are great and very supportive. I think the more men learn about nursing the more they’ll want to become nurses. This is a great profession for anyone who wants to make a difference.
I guess you can say my career has come full circle. My whole family is in healthcare, and I worked my way through high school and college at a hospital. My sister did the same thing and became a Critical Care nurse. I went to UIC and earned degrees in Exercise Science and Education and was qualified to work with K-12 handicapped kids. Healthcare was going to be my career until a business opportunity came up that had nothing to do with healthcare. I actually bought a printing company that I ran for over 20 years. Even though I was in the printing business, I stayed in contact with healthcare over the years. So when it was time to explore my next career move, I came back to healthcare. I enrolled in nursing school.

Why nursing? I’ve always been good with people in a one-to-one setting, and I like to help people in need. I went to a “Men in Nursing” seminar at Resurrection University, and, hearing what it was all about from men who were building successful nursing careers, I knew nursing was right for me. People were surprised by my career move but really supportive.

The first time I had direct patient contact I knew I made the right move, and my clinical rotations only solidified my decision. I really connect with patients. Even doing the slightest things gives me satisfaction. I graduated from ResU in December 2014, and now I’m looking to become a Critical Care nurse in the ER or ICU. I’m interested in Critical Care because it’s a dynamic environment that presents constant challenges in patient care.

I don’t think there’s really a stigma for men being in nursing, but there does seem to be a bit of a generational gap. Younger people don’t care if you’re a man, but older people sometimes do. For me personally, the biggest challenge isn’t being a man — it’s how I’ll fit into a younger workforce. I was one of the oldest students at ResU, but so far everyone has been great. I always feel welcome, and I always feel valued.

If you’re a man and you’re interested in nursing, do what I did. Reach out to other men in nursing and find out what it’s all about. You’re going to like what you hear, and you’re going to end up with a career that is about as rewarding as they come.

“It took me 20 years to come back to healthcare.”
Andrew Babochay
“When I told my mother I wanted to be a nurse she laughed and said, ‘I saw that coming!’”

Aric Shimek

No one has been surprised by my choice to become a nurse. After all, my mother worked in healthcare her whole life, so I spent a lot of time around hospitals. I actually volunteered at the hospital where my mother worked and also joined a local rescue squad while in high school. However, even though I felt called to nursing early, it wasn’t my first career choice. Instead I went to the University of Wisconsin — Madison, graduated with a degree in International Relations and lived in London, England, for two years before landing a job in international commercial real estate. Ultimately, it was a decent career, but it just wasn’t for me.

As far as I’m concerned there is nothing better than being a nurse. Nursing just seems to fit. It requires a huge range of different skills and the ability to read people quickly. I love working with patients and other nurses, and it’s never the same thing in the same way ever. Other nurses have been really supportive of my career choice, and, while there are not a ton of men in nursing yet, the numbers are definitely growing. You see more and more men working as nurses now, and I think, as men discover the vastly different opportunities that nursing has to offer, they’ll continue to join the profession.

Now, to be honest, school was challenging. Having to juggle work and classes and finding a way to pay tuition wasn’t easy, but it was worth it. My advice to anyone — especially to men — who might be considering nursing as a career is simple ... Go for it! In as little as 16 months you can have a totally different life.
I went to Notre Dame on a football scholarship, and now I’m a nurse. Talk about an adventure. I spent two years at Notre Dame, then transferred to Indiana, then to UMass, always chasing the dream of playing football. After graduation I spent another year pursuing football before I finally decided to get on with my life.

I couldn’t find work with a bachelor’s in Social Work — you really need a master’s degree — so I found myself working at Walmart doing shipping. My mother is a nurse, so nursing has always been a part of our family, and I’ve always been interested in it — so I decided to give it a try.

I went to Malone University in Ohio and started taking science classes. As a student I was never academically focused, so I really struggled. My mother told me to never give up, and my grades went from a ‘C’ to a ‘B’. It was like a light bulb went off for me. I soon became an ‘A’ student and was accepted into Malone’s nursing program.

My fiancée was living in Chicago and was well established in her career, so I put my education on hold to move closer to her. It wasn’t easy making ends meet. I was a trainer and a bouncer, and finally I said, “Enough” — I was going to become a CNA and give nursing a try. It was the smartest decision I ever made. I learned the basics as a CNA, and if you ask me, if you can be a CNA you’re ready for nursing.

My CNA experience changed my life. I enrolled at ResU to earn my BSN and quickly discovered that ResU was more challenging than football ever was! More rewarding too! ResU developed me more mentally than anything in my life. I graduated in December 2014 and started my career in nursing.

Being a former football player — a 6 foot 7 football player — you do get some odd looks when people hear you’re the nurse. Patients often call me doctor, and when they do I tell them I’ll call one. It’s great to see more guys entering the nursing profession. It’s a career that really is rewarding. You work with great people, and you make a difference in the lives of your patients. If I could go from the football field to being a struggling student to earning a BSN and building a nursing career, you can too. Don’t put your life on hold. Nursing needs men.

“A 6’7” nurse who was a former football player? That’s me.”

Chauncey Incarnato
2,500 square feet added to our main campus.

Our amazing main campus is even more amazing these days. We recently added 2,500 square feet to our footprint at Presence Saint Elizabeth Hospital. The new space includes a new, state-of-the-art classroom as well as a dedicated Admissions area.
The new classroom, the only classroom on the first floor, can accommodate up to 45 students in a traditional classroom style setting and more than 65 in a presentation style without desks. The technology in the room includes three 80” HDTVs for easy viewing from the faculty member’s iPad through Apple TV or through a laptop. The classroom also includes a Barco ClickShare wireless presentation system.

We’ve also added technology to the corridor with a 40” display outside the classroom and a 24” display outside the new Enrollment Management offices. These displays will provide the opportunity to engage the community with various messaging throughout the year.

The new Enrollment Management space, which is also on the first floor, increases the University’s visibility while providing a more convenient and accessible area for visitors and prospective students to meet with the Admissions team. The new space also houses the Office of the Registrar.

As our enrollment continues to grow, so will our University. We are committed to meeting the needs of our students, our faculty and this local community we call home by providing learning opportunities in the most advanced setting possible. If you haven’t seen our new space, we encourage you to stop by. After all, ResU is all about you.
ResU.edu is all new.

This fall we completed a major update of our website. How major? We redesigned every page, rewrote every word and reinvented every aspect of the site. If you haven’t seen our new website, we encourage you to visit. It truly captures the spirit of ResU. It’s easy to navigate, easy to read and easy on the eyes.

ResU.edu has been created using Responsive Design, which means the website literally responds to whatever technology is being used to view it. If you’re on a PC, it will optimize how you see it. Same story with a tablet. And with the incredible expansion of smartphones (Do you know anyone who doesn’t have one?) the site adapts perfectly to mobile platforms.
NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED

For any university, let alone a leader in educating healthcare professionals, it’s important to be technically advanced. Our new website is often the first impression — and what an impression it is. Fresh, dynamic and as technically advanced as can be.

As always, we will continue to evaluate the latest Internet trends, technologies and innovations. With our new website, we’re definitely on the cutting edge, and we have every intention to stay there.

This site is Responsive, which means the website literally responds to whatever technology is being used to view it.

New layout and design for ease of navigation.
We’ve added a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) designed to help Nurse Practitioners meet the demands of tomorrow’s practice.

We are extremely pleased to announce that the Doctor of Nursing Practice program is starting in fall 2015. The program has already attracted some of the top healthcare leaders in the country as faculty to ResU.

This practice-focused doctorate is a six-semester, 34-credit-hour, hybrid program with an urban health focus. It is designed for the working Advanced Practice Nurse who is looking to take his or her knowledge and expertise and discover ways to make an even bigger impact on improving patients’ health. Advanced Practice Nurses will explore and develop expertise in areas of healthcare relating to public health, policy, biostatistics, epidemiology, economics, finance, genetics, informatics, ethics and more.

Classes will be conducted both online and in classroom settings, one evening a week. Each student will be paired with a doctorally prepared faculty advisor who shares his or her passion for a particular area of interest. Paired faculty advisors will guide and mentor the student through the entire doctoral project, from conceptualization of an idea through publication and presentation.

Nurse practitioners considering returning to school for their doctorate degrees recognize that the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) voted to move the current level of preparation necessary for advanced nursing practice from the master’s degree to the doctorate level by the year 2015. Although master’s-prepared NPs may still practice without having a doctorate, the DNP graduate will be prepared for the future of tomorrow’s practice. The DNP graduate will transform healthcare delivery by learning how to design, evaluate and improve the way care is delivered. The DNP will mix clinical, organizational, economic and leadership skills to significantly impact healthcare outcomes and systems.

For Nurse Practitioners, there’s no better way to take their career to the next level. I invite you to join us.

K. Muglia

Kathleen Muglia, DNP, CPNP-BC
Director, Doctor of Nursing Practice
Will you be called Doctor?

DNP students may be apprehensive about potential title confusion caused by a doctoral degree. Students should be reassured that the title of Doctor is common to many disciplines and is not the domain of any one group of health professionals. Many Advanced Practice Nurses currently hold doctoral degrees and are addressed as “doctors,” which is similar to how other expert practitioners in clinical areas are addressed, including psychologists, dentists and podiatrists. DNPs clearly explain and display their credentials to ensure patients understand their preparation as an advanced nursing provider.

Program outcomes for the Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree

• Use an ethical framework to guide the integration of nursing science, evidence-based practice and population health to inform practice.
• Demonstrate critical thinking at the highest level of practice and accountability in the management of healthcare considering ethical, legal, cultural and socially just patient-centered care.
• Institute a role within the healthcare delivery system that provides for interprofessional collaboration, interdependence and a professional identity as an advanced nursing professional with specialized knowledge.
• Lead interprofessional teams by initiating and maintaining effective working relationships using mutually respectful communication and collaboration.
• Serve in the role of patient healthcare coordinator across health determinants and healthcare settings with an emphasis on urban environments.
• Integrate clinical expertise with political skills, systems thinking and business insight to transform the evolving healthcare system at local, regional, national and international levels.

Did you know that the AACN has called for APNs to hold doctoral degrees by 2015?
Maggie Thurmond Dorsey, RN, EdD, was a guest for last year’s Men in Healthcare panel at ResU. Dr. Dorsey is the author of three children’s books, including *My Hero, My Dad The Nurse*, a colorful, illustrated book about a little boy who decides he wants to follow in the footsteps of his father by becoming a nurse.

This year’s Men in Healthcare event is part of our *Thinking Out Loud* Speaker Series and will be held Saturday, April 11, 2015 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon at Resurrection University, 1431 N. Claremont Ave., Chicago.

Our panelists include men in the professions of nursing, radiography and health informatics and information management. For more information about this event, or to attend, call (773) 252-5389 or visit our website at resu.edu and click on the Men in Healthcare event on the home page.
This fall we will proudly welcome the Saint Francis School of Radiography to our College of Allied Health.

It is one of the most prestigious Radiologic Technology programs in the country, and it’s now part of ResU. The Saint Francis School of Radiography has been teaching students for more than six decades with a track record of success that is astounding. Over the past five years alone, the graduates’ statistics have been extraordinarily high:

- 98.8% Credentialing Examination Pass Rate
- 98.8% Job Placement Rate

It’s easy to see why we’re 100% dedicated to making this program right at home at ResU. The Bachelor of Science in Imaging Technology (BSIT) Program prepares graduates to take the national examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. Radiography rotations include:

- General Radiography
- Fluoroscopy
- Surgery
- Computerized Tomography (CT)
- Interventional Radiography
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- Ultrasound (USD)
- Nuclear Medicine
- Cardiac Cath Lab
- PET Scan
- Radiation Therapy
- Mammography

In addition, each student has the opportunity to experience additional areas of specialized imaging which include:

- Nuclear Medicine
- Cardiac Cath Lab
- PET Scan
- Radiation Therapy
- Mammography

The BSIT program at ResU is the latest example of how our University continues to identify new opportunities to prepare students for long-term success in healthcare. For more information visit resu.edu/radiography.
We’ve doubled in size, and we’re not about to slow down.

“When walking on the path of life, the great ones will eventually come upon a precipice where the path ends. It is there two choices will be given: 1) Stay at the edge forever unsure, or… 2) Grow wings, fly, and forge a new path. The great ones will choose the obvious.”

– Ron de los Santos

It bears reflecting on our recent history to understand the significance of our path to this point. As little as five years ago, the school was half the size it is today, with around 250 students in the entire school. More than 90% of those students were in the pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. Enrollment in both the Health Informatics and Information Management program and the Nursing graduate program were in the single digits.

Since that time, the size of the school has doubled to more than 500 students. We moved our main campus to a state-of-the-art facility in Chicago. The programs have experienced consistent growth in enrollment (149 students entered in fall 2015; 82 students entered in spring 2015). Admissions is proud to enroll a high percentage of men into nursing (as high as 34% in the summer 2014 cohort, and 20% in spring 2015). As a University, we are maximizing our resources to provide the best possible educational experience. ResU has effectively risen out of obscurity to become a high-quality, sought-after university! Our hard work leads us toward another opportunity to take one step closer to fulfilling our potential as an institution.

But how is fulfilling potential defined for us? The process really started with the faculty, staff and administration. Potential fulfillment does not occur without dreamers, visionaries and risk-takers within the ranks. Those who see potential and embody a great desire for our institution to take our place as one of the best health sciences schools in the area tirelessly drive our mission and vision every day. Even today, we actively seek resources to help us now, and lay a solid foundation for growth in the future. One prominent example in the Office of Enrollment Management (OEM) is the rollout of the Spectrum Enrollment Management Platform as our customer relationship management (CRM) tool. Our decisions are based on evidence and driven by data, with the goal of enhancing the experience for the learning community as a whole, especially the students.
Several months ago, in a previous issue of Reflections, I wrote these words:

“We [the learning community of ResU] see our potential stretching to broader areas in health sciences. I see ResU becoming more than a good school for nurses, but a great university for the health sciences!”

With the integration of the Saint Francis School of Radiography in February 2015 as a part of the College of Allied Health, ResU is poised to boldly catapult into the future!

Not to be outdone, the College of Nursing is simultaneously launching our Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program. Both programs are slated to convene their first classes in the fall 2015 term.

Together, we are fulfilling our vision! These are some of the amazing things we can do when we think with one mind, toward one common goal, and one common future.

How blessed am I to have the honor of participating in this process … this growth! It has been very hard work, and not without difficulties and setbacks. But together we move forward with unwavering hope and conviction. For my part, I am very proud to witness our evolution into a University truly devoted to expanding education into different areas of the health sciences!

The sweetest part is that we are not done yet reshaping ResU for our future. The status quo is not for us. We will maintain that this is only the beginning. There is much work to accomplish, and the sky’s the limit! The best is yet to come … Stay tuned!

Ron de los Santos, MA, MHRIR
Director of Enrollment Management
Why? For me, the main reason is the people it is made up of and the history of those that made it what it is today. This includes alumni, students, faculty and staff.

As the new Director of Development and Alumni Relations, I’m aware that people are key. With the right people, solid relationships can be built. In my short time here, I have observed that the strong bonds that were formed 100 years ago continue to influence everything we do today. I also see the day-to-day interaction with current students and how those relationships are forming with their peers, faculty and staff. It is the people and the relationships that will carry us through another 100 years in the College of Nursing and impact the growth of programs within the College of Allied Health. In order to grow, we need to continue educating our students at the highest standards, engage our alumni in new ways, and make new friends for the University that will help us fund our new aspirations and dreams.

The energy of our Alumni Association is amazing, and will help take us to new heights in terms of strengthening our connections by building our database, developing an active network of healthcare leaders, and helping reach new levels of giving from donors and organizations that choose to support our mission.

I am truly honored to be associated with the University and its Alumni Association. I look forward to meeting more alumni through the various activities and opportunities that will be offered for professional development, community service, social events and working with our current students. I encourage you as an alumnus to choose what you would like to take part in and get involved. We’re building on our legacy of success and need you to help us reach another 100 years.

I have worked in Development for many years, and my favorite part is building relationships with volunteers and supporters. I am very excited to be able to work with each of you, those who have supported in the past, and those who will continue to support Resurrection University’s promising future. Resurrection University is truly a magical place, and I look forward to sharing in the magic with you.

Vickie Thornley, MEd
Director of Development and Alumni Relations
A donation to ResU is an investment in the future of healthcare.

Your donations help ensure that our facilities and technologies keep pace with the rapidly evolving world of healthcare. If you’ve donated in the past, thank you for your continued support. If you want to help make a difference for students today and well into the future, here are some great ways to help:

**The President’s Fund** – This critical fund allows our President to rapidly respond to areas of opportunity as they arise. This helps keep our University current with the world of healthcare.

**Service Learning Fund** – Service Learning is a critical component of our students’ education. This fund supports student and faculty travel as well as necessary medical equipment and supplies.

**The College of Nursing Dean’s Fund** – This fund was created to keep our graduate and undergraduate nursing programs on the cutting edge of the nursing profession.

**The College of Allied Health Fund** – This fund provides scholarships that make it possible for talented students to pursue educations in health informatics and information management.

A few of our Scholarships:

**President’s Community Scholarship** – Two scholarships per semester for one year (two semesters) to a student enrolled in our BSN pre-licensure or HIIM program who attended one of the City Colleges of Chicago.

**Alumni Scholarship Fund** – This nursing scholarship is available to juniors and seniors who are enrolled full-time. It is awarded on the basis of merit and need.

**University Scholarship** – This nursing scholarship is available to juniors and seniors who are enrolled full-time. It is awarded on the basis of superior academic achievement, clinical qualities, scholarship, professionalism and leadership.

**President’s Scholarship** – All newly admitted and continuing students (including MSN students) are considered each year for the President’s Scholarship. The President’s Scholarship is awarded on the basis of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher.

For information about making a donation to one of our funds or scholarships, contact Vickie Thornley at vickie.thornley@resu.edu or call (773) 252-5137.
Call for Class Notes

Your fellow alumni want to hear from you. Share your accomplishments, new job positions and publications with the Resurrection University Alumni Association for Reflections magazine and the newsletter. Resurrection University also wants to know about a passing of an alumnus so that it can be shared.

Please send any notes to Vickie Thornley, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at vickie.thornley@resu.edu

Jonathan Stevens, RN ’2011, was recently presented with the prestigious DAISY award for his work at Presence Saint Joseph Hospital in Chicago. The DAISY Foundation, which was founded in November 1999, was created to honor the life of J. Patrick Barnes by his family members, who developed a vehicle to award extraordinary nurses for their dedication to the profession.

In Memoriam...

John F. Wilson – Of Valparaiso, IN, Died 2014
Louise Troup – Of Pittsburgh, PA
Leone M. Nelson – Died 2013
Jeannie Martig Thiessen – Of Port Orchard, WA, Died September 16, 2014
Louise McMichael – Of Amite, LA, Died December 5, 2013
Leila Beal-Bevensee – Of Medford, OR, Died March 10, 2012
Margaret Larson – Of Eugene, OR

Our leadership continues to lead by example: Check out these recent publications.

A New Model of Governance, Dr. Beth Brooks and Dr. Therese Scanlan, Nursing Administration Quarterly

Nursing Leadership Education: An Innovative Executive Solution, Dr. Beth Brooks, Dr. Lynda H. Crawford, Dr. Sandie Soldwisch, Gervaise E. Nicklas, MS, RN, The Journal of Nursing Administration

An Emerging Role: The Nurse Content Curator, Dr. Beth A. Brooks, Nursing Forum

Chapter #16, Collaboration in Spiritual Care, Dr. Nancy Habermeier Reese, Spiritual Care in Nursing Practice
In the midst of the monumental changes occurring in healthcare, it is vital that we remain focused on what is most important — our patients. What is most compelling about the transformation of healthcare underway is that it allows us to do just that by placing patient needs at the center of the delivery system. This means increasing access to the right level of care, creating greater convenience and ensuring personal attention for every patient. Resurrection University is an important component of our health system as it prepares the next generation of healthcare professionals with programs aimed at developing the skills necessary for future success.

Year after year, ResU offers new opportunities for growth through its College of Nursing and its College of Allied Health. These programs teach students the fundamentals of healthcare delivery while also fostering the creativity, vision and strategic thinking needed to adapt to change.

Prospective students are taking notice of the unique edge that ResU offers. Enrollment continues to increase, and many of our own Presence Health employees are taking advantage of the opportunity to sharpen and add new skills. To better enable employees to learn from each other in their work environments, ResU and Presence have collaborated to offer cohorts for students in several of our hospitals, including Presence Saint Francis Hospital in Evanston and Presence Resurrection Medical Center in Chicago. In fact, these two cohorts and another at Resurrection University included 15 Presence Health RNs who earned their BSNs in December. In another collaborative effort, the Presence Saint Francis School of Radiography is now part of ResU. This new partnership allows for more resources to expand this already successful program and to reach more prospective students.

Presence Health is forging ahead on its journey to create an integrated health system focused on enabling populations of people to get well and stay well. We are fortunate to have ResU as a quality institution, equipping the healthcare professionals of tomorrow with the tools they need to shape the future.

On behalf of Presence Health, I look forward to our continued collaboration in leading the transformation of healthcare.

Sandra Bruce, FACHE
President and CEO, Presence Health
I’ve said it many times before, and I’ll say it again, “It’s an honor to serve as your Board Chair.” The Resurrection University Board and Leadership are focused on stability, growth and planning for the future. In other words, we’re focused on making a great University even better.

In 2015 the University will be adding two new programs — the Doctor of Nursing Practice to our College of Nursing and the Bachelor of Science in Imaging Technology to our College of Allied Health. These programs demonstrate our commitment to not just keeping current with the continuously evolving world of healthcare, but to staying a step ahead.

New programs, new facilities and new capabilities are all coming together to attract the best and the brightest faculty and students to Resurrection University. We’ve come so far in the past century, and the pace of change only seems to be increasing. Our enrollment has doubled in just five years, and we don’t anticipate that trend changing any time soon.

Rest assured the Board and Leadership of Resurrection University are committed to working together to maintain the excellence in healthcare education that has driven our success throughout our history.

It truly is an honor.

Mary Anne Kelly
Chair, Resurrection University Board of Directors
“... Of one thing I am confident, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on ...” — Philippians 1:6

Annually at ResU we celebrate Founders’ Day on February 17, to reflect on and pay tribute to those bold leaders who, back in 1914, dared to dream dreams. The very foundation of all healthcare, and especially our School of Nursing, is based on the solid premise of women religious, who together with countless dedicated lay people, saw, and continue to see their task, as caring for the physical and spiritual needs of the vulnerable in our society. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said, “I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.” While new times may demand new needs, the tradition of care of the poor is what will carry us into the future. As Gandhi wrote, “Be the change you want to see in the world.” We must remain committed to the promotion of human dignity, the sacredness of human life, service, integrity, justice and compassion. These values are not just marketing tools. They represent all that every person associated with Resurrection University aspires to be, now and forever. AMEN!

Sister Sandi Sosnowski, CSFN
Resurrection University’s undergraduate Open House will take place on **Saturday, March 21, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.** Learn everything you need to know about our Nursing, Radiography and Health Informatics and Information Management programs. There’s no need to register in advance — just stop by 1431 N. Claremont Ave. and pay us a visit! Alumni are also welcome to drop in, take a tour and reconnect with faculty and staff. **For more information about the Open House, visit resu.edu.**

Also, ResU will host intimate receptions for individuals interested in earning their **graduate degrees (MSN, DNP) on Tuesday, March 31.** Visit our website for more information about these programs and how to register to attend.