



**Blessing-Rieman
College of
Nursing & Health
Sciences**

Student News

Graduation - December 15, 2017

Congratulations, graduates!



Madison Lewis, Angela Buss, and Anna Linderman

2017



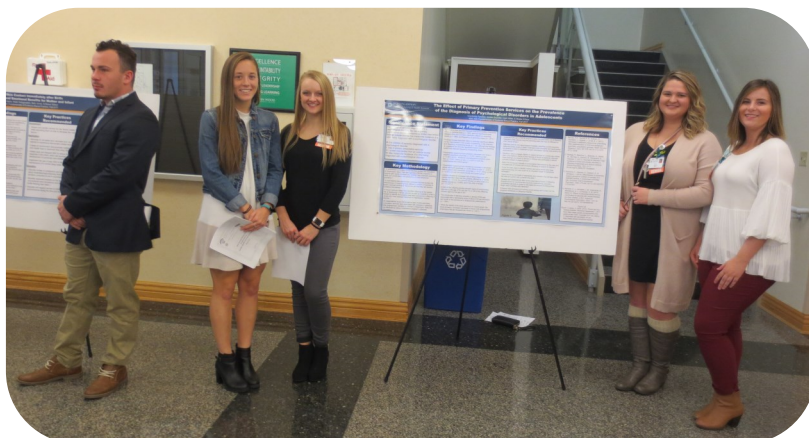
Jamie Springett and Brenda Beshears



Research Day - November 3, 2017

The 24th annual Research Day began with a student poster session during registration. After welcoming everyone to the event, Susan McReynolds recognized the newly inducted Pi Pi members. Following the keynote address given by Dr. Gail Van Kanegan, everyone chose two of the following presentations to attend:

- Use of Ethyl Chloride to Decrease Pain During IV Catheter Insertion in the PeriAnesthesia Care Area
- Delaying Infant's First Bath for 24 Hours
- Multidisciplinary Research Initiative to Decrease 30 Day Unplanned COPD Homecare Readmissions
- Information Technology Use in Prediction of Rapid Response Episodes, Pressure Ulcer Status, and 30 Day Readmissions
- What Factors Identify Risk for In-Patient Psychiatric Patients to Have a Medical Event?



Left to right:
Blaine Wilson, Leah Miller,
Courteney Fancher, Shaila O'Dear,
and Jordan Enzwiler during the
student poster session

Power of Nursing Leadership - November 10, 2017

Five faculty members accompanied 15 students to the Power of Nursing Leadership conference hosted by the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) College of Nursing.

The purpose of the annual Power of Nursing Leadership event is to celebrate the impact and achievements of nurse leaders in Illinois. The goal of the event is to enhance and engage partnerships among leaders in academia, government, health care delivery, and health care services.

During the morning of the conference, a speaker discussed making an impact in the field of nursing. After lunch, awards were presented to nurses and nursing students. Jeanne Jimenez, a December 2017 graduate of BRCN, received the 2017 Pinnacle Nurse Leader Award.



Front: Shelby Kite, Shanna Garrison, Chelsea Coles, Gussie Conoyer, Madison Morgan, Courtni Hackett, Jessica Givens, Maria Leapley
 Middle: Beth Jones, Michaela Llewellyn, Ashley Kincaid, Anna Linderman
 Back: Lori Sprenger, Susan McReynolds, Marianne Schmitt, Kimi Yuchs, Grace Williams, Linda Burke, Jeanne Jimenez, Joseph Meyer

Jeanne Jimenez (left) received the 2017 Pinnacle Nurse Leader Award



Pet Therapy
 Marisa Burdess, Tanyaler Flakes, and Madi Days enjoy petting Sandy



IT Student Worker Needed

Must be a junior or senior
 IT experience not necessary

Primary duties:
 - Answering the telephone
 - Resetting passwords

If interested, contact Jordan Smith at smithj@brcn.edu

Blackboard

Becky White is now the Blackboard contact person. If you are having issues with Blackboard, please e-mail Becky at whiteb@brcn.edu.

Upcoming Political Action Days for Missouri and Illinois



32nd Annual Missouri Nurse Advocacy Day

Provided by the Missouri Nurses Association

Legislative Advocacy:
The Who, What, Why & How
Nurses Should Be Involved

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
7:30am - 3:30pm

Capitol Plaza Hotel
415 West McCarty Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

For registration and
additional information,
please visit

[www.missourinurses.org/
event/nurse-advocacy-day/](http://www.missourinurses.org/event/nurse-advocacy-day/)



20th Annual ANA-Illinois Student Nurse Political Action Day

Provided by the American Nurses Association - Illinois

Tuesday, April 17, 2018
8:00am - 2:30pm

Bank of Springfield Center
1 Convention Center Plaza
Springfield, IL 62701

For registration and
additional information,
please visit
<http://conta.cc/2hrXRMx>



QU/CSC Meals To Go

If you have a meal plan at your partner campus and are having trouble eating there due to being on the BRCN campus, you may ask QU Dining Services or CSC Dining Services to provide you with meals to go.

Cafeteria Cash Card Program

BRCN offers an optional Cafeteria Cash Card that gives students the ability to scan their name badge at the register in the hospital cafeteria, Tea Room, BPS Snack Shop, or BH Java to purchase their food items just as employees are able to do.

The minimum amount to open an account is \$100. Additional deposits must be at least \$50. Your remaining balance will be printed on each purchase receipt. The cash registers will decline your badge if you do not have enough money in your account to make the purchase. Refunds are given at the end of the spring semester unless you request a refund sooner or you request to have your balance carried over to the next school year.

If you want to participate in this program or have any questions, contact Nancy Campbell at ext. 6996 or ncampbell@brcn.edu.



While you are a BRCN student, you have free access to BRCN's Microsoft Office 365 portal.

This portal gives you the most current version of Microsoft's Office Suite that works completely online as well as the option to install the applications locally on your personal devices.

For more information and to access this service, go to www.brcn.edu and choose BRCN Portals under the Parents & Current Students drop-down menu.

**Student Nurse Organization
(SNO)**

2018 SNO Board

President <i>Shanna Garrison</i>	Secretary <i>Meaghan Beatenhead</i>
Vice President <i>Maria Leapley</i>	Treasurer <i>Natalie Jones</i>
Sophomore Class Representatives <i>Christy Huckstep</i> <i>Shelby Kite</i>	Junior Class Representatives <i>Katie Holaway</i> <i>Michaela Llewellyn</i>

If you have questions about SNO, please contact Shanna Garrison at garrisons@brcn.edu or Maria Leapley at leapleym@brcn.edu.

Upcoming SNO Meeting

Monday, January 29, 2018
Room 110 ~ 12:00pm

SNO Blood Drive

Monday, February 12, 2018

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Spring Leadership Conference

Mission: It's Possible

Student Nurses Association
of Illinois (SNAI)

Saturday, March 24, 2018

8:00am - 3:00pm

Chamberlain College of Nursing
Chicago, IL



**Student
Spotlight
Award**

(nominated by staff, faculty,
and patients)

Students are nominated by faculty and staff members, patients, and others in the clinical setting who have experienced or observed behavior that has been *above and beyond* expectations.

BRCN recognizes these students with the "Student Spotlight" award.

Faculty and staff can e-mail Linda Burke at lburke@brcn.edu with the appropriate information.

Recipients of either award will be entered into a grand prize drawing at the end of the semester!

Be a BRCN Star Award

(nominated by a student peer)

You have the opportunity to recognize your fellow classmates' achievements by nominating someone you feel went *above and beyond* in their daily activities. You can find "Be a BRCN Star" cards in the library, student lounge, main office, or on Linda Burke's bulletin board.

You will need to provide a written description of the experienced or observed behavior. Two examples may include but are not limited to
1) exemplary leadership in a group learning activity or PSA activity, and
2) providing formal or informal mentoring to a fellow BRCN student.

This card can be submitted in Linda Burke's mailbox located in the main office.

*Last semester we had several students nominated by hospital staff, faculty, and patients for the "Student Spotlight Award," and students recognized one other with a "Be a BRCN Star Award." The grand prize winner for Fall 2017 was **Regan Tenhouse, SN3**. Congratulations, Regan, on earning a Student Spotlight Award for outstanding clinical performance! Regan was nominated by the parent of a child he took care of in clinical.*

Caring Cupboard

The purpose of the Caring Cupboard is to alleviate food hardship on the BRCN campus by providing food to our current students, faculty, and staff in need. We also want to foster a sense of community and service.



Hours:
 Monday - Friday | 8am - 5pm
 and by appointment
 (closed on days that BRCN is closed)

Location:
 Student Services Building
 2 North (lower level)

If you could use the assistance, stop by the Caring Cupboard during open hours or set up an appointment to pick up any items you need.

If you are in a position to donate to the Caring Cupboard to help those in need, please consider donating food items, hygiene products, diapers, laundry detergent, and/or dryer sheets.

Contact Sarah Mueller at muellers@brcn.edu with questions.

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday | 8am - 9pm
 Friday | 8am - 6pm
 Saturday | 10am - 5pm
 Sunday | 12pm - 8pm

Room 114 is open 24/7 for access to computers.

HIPAA Violations

No person at any time should cut, paste, copy, or print any information from BAR related to the patient's chart. As you have been told in class, clinical, and in BAR training, to do so is a direct federal violation of HIPAA guidelines which results in a clinical failure.

Brenda K. Beshears,
 President

4917 Oak Street ▪ Quincy, IL
 (217) 214-5858

Hours
NOW OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY!!!
Open 7 days a week (including holidays)

Cardio machines, weight machines, free weights, exercise classes, and more!

FREE membership for BRCN students
 Call to set up an orientation session

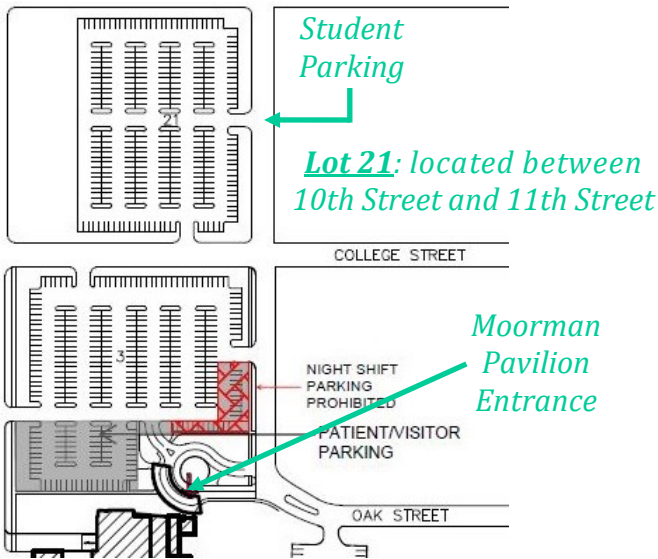
www.blessinghealth.org/wellnesscenter
 for more information

Student Parking

All students are required to park in Lot 21 during the day.

After 5pm, you may move your vehicle to any other employee parking lot (except night shift parking and street parking).

Parking ticket prices:
 1st offense - \$100
 2nd offense - \$200
 3rd offense - \$300



Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Mission

The mission of Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing & Health Sciences is to provide excellence in professional nursing and healthcare career education.

Vision

The College will be recognized as a caring and engaged learning community, committed to preparing healthcare leaders for success and life-long learning, enriched by promoting whole person care, quality and safety.

Values

- Compassion ▪ Dedication
- Leadership ▪ Professionalism
- Quality ▪ Respect ▪ Safety

Student Questions & Suggestions

Submit anonymously either online at www.brcn.edu/node/3385 or in the Q & A jars located in the library and the student lounge.

BRCN Calendar

January 19

Last Day to Add/Drop a Course

February 19

Last day to Withdraw from a 1st 8-Week Course

March 3-18

Spring Break ~ No Classes

March 19

2nd 8-Week Session Begins

March 23

Last Day to Add/Drop a 2nd 8-Week Course

March 30 - April 2

Easter Break ~ No Classes

April 2

Last Day to Withdraw from a Course

April 23

Last Day to Withdraw from a 2nd 8-Week Course

May 4

Last Day of Classes

May 7-10

Final Exams

May 11

Graduation

