



Student News

Graduation - December 14, 2018

Congratulations, graduates!



Shining Stars December 14, 2018

Project Titles:

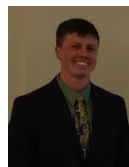
- Grief Denied is Grief Delayed: Take a Pause
- Head Over Ears for Temporal Thermometers
- It's Never Too Early: Palliative and Hospice Education for Nursing Students
- Surplus Project: Feed More, Waste Less



Below (left to right): Beth Jones, Ashley Rentfro, Emily Hancock, Meredith Hyer, Akela Stice, Sarah Redington, Veronica Snowden, Rebekah Raebel, Blaine Wilson, Ashley Buckallew, Tanyaler Flakes, Gabriel White, Chris Ames



Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Student Projects - Fall 2018

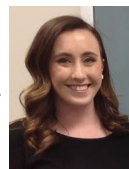


Lucas Hugenberg's project was titled "Mental Health and Agriculture." He conferred with the local Farm Bureau and came up with a plan to do educational interventions. He also developed a poster



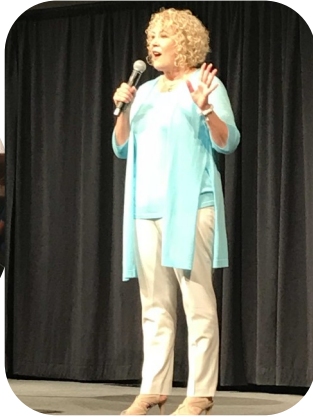
with statistics and mental health resources. He distributed the posters in 30 locations throughout Adams County where farmers were likely to see them.

Morgan Schone's project was titled "Promoting Reading Literacy Among Pediatric Cardiology Patients." She researched statistics about reading literacy among this group. A grant from the Blessing Foundation allowed for the purchase of a colorful bookshelf and children's books related to cardiac issues or procedures and interaction with hospital personnel in general. Morgan also developed a pamphlet



for parents about reading to their children. The books and pamphlets are located in Blessing Hospital's cardiology waiting room.

Commitment to Care - August 29, 2018



Author and neurohumorist Karyn Buxman, RN, MS, DAIS, CSP, CPAE, spoke about being intentional, “seeing” funny, and practicing acts of kindness. Following her presentation, small groups had discussions about being a BRCN student. The event concluded with the Blessing of the Hands.



25th Annual Research Day - October 26, 2018

The 25th annual Research Day began with a student poster session during registration. Sigma Theta Tau International Pi Pi Chapter President Gerri Buss and Vice President Joan Ruhs welcomed everyone to the event and introduced the newly inducted Pi Pi members. Following the keynote address given by Dr. Mary Heitschmidt, everyone chose two of the following presentations to attend:



- Simulation: Effects on Communication, Leadership, Clinical Reasoning, and Interprofessional Collaboration Skills in Nursing Students
- Emergency Department Nurses’ Attitudes Towards Patients That Deliberately Self-Harm
- Standardization of Depression Screening in Ambulatory Care: An Evidence-Based Process Improvement Project
- Nursing Care of the Poor—Analysis of Nurses’ Attitudes Toward the Culture of Poverty



Pi Pi Induction - October 25, 2018



Pi Pi Inductees - Nursing Students and Nurse Leaders

Front row: Shelby Hendricks, Ashley Hibbard, Morgan Hoewing, Cara Job, Emma Foreman, Natalie Jones, Morgan Schone

Middle row: Ashley Chavarria, Emily Feenstra, Mallorie Miles, Rachel Bock, Ashley Kincaid, Marisa Koch, Michaela Llewellyn

Back row: Jessica Loos, Lisa King, Brittany Bentley, Jennifer Vaughn, Cassie Burris, Kaytln Harpole, Danielle Morlang, Lucas Hugenberg

Not pictured: Robin Agafonov, Zeke Little, Amber Morrison, Brooklyn Murfin, Natalie Zanger



Sarah & Friends Scholarships



Sarah & Friends check presentation

Sarah & Friends is an organization founded in memory of Sarah Christine Birsic, who lost her life in 2012 as the result of a tragic accident. The goal of the organization, founded by her parents, Dr. William and Kathleen Birsic and Sarah's friends, is to support young women in need and help them reach their full potential. BRCN students Caitlin Hoeltje and Brittney Thrower (pictured above) received scholarships from the proceeds of the 2018 annual Sarah & Friends fundraising gala.

Power of Nursing Leadership Conference

November 30, 2018

Several BRCN students and faculty members attended the Power of Nursing Leadership Conference in Chicago, IL. The purpose of the event is to celebrate the impact and achievements of nurse leaders in the state of Illinois. The goal of the event is to enhance and engage partnerships among leaders in academia, government, healthcare delivery, and healthcare services.



Front: Erika Knuffman, Maria Leapley, Linda Burke, Kiley Vinyard, Caitlin Hoeltje, Ashton Leslie

Middle: Andrea Tangerose, Jordan Hahn, Shanna Garrison, Denise Campbell, Blaklyn Zenner, Natiaya Thompson

Back: Madison Hirsch, Ashley Darbyshire, Jessica Loos, Leah Pence, Reide Frakes

Spirit Week - October 15-19, 2018

Students, faculty, and staff celebrated Spirit Week with dress-up days, contests, and cookies.



Cookies

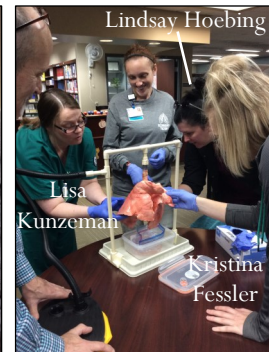
Contests:

- How many pieces of candy in the jar?
- How much does the backpack weigh?
- Who can hula hoop the longest?

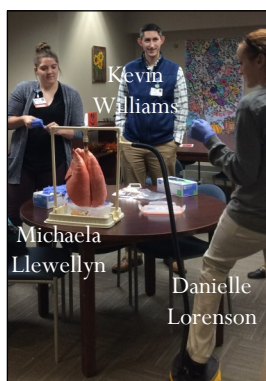


Respiratory Care Week - October 21-27, 2018

Respiratory Care students and faculty celebrated Respiratory Care Week with a luncheon, t-shirts, games, and a pig lung demonstration that all BRCN students, faculty, and staff were invited to attend.



RESPIRATORY CARE



Teddy Bear Clinic - October 7, 2018

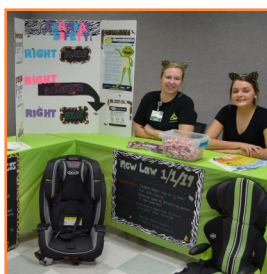
Students in the Maternal and Child Nursing course organized the annual Teddy Bear Clinic. The theme was animals: "Lions, Tigers, and Teddy Bears...Oh My!" More than 250 people attended the event and learned about nutrition, dental health, vaccinations, car seat safety, physical activity, fire safety, therapeutic play, poison prevention, and handwashing.



Mark Dehority, Jack Waddell, and Madelyn Vahle



Madison Hirsch, Michaela Gronewold, Ashton Leslie, and Jordan Zimmer



Evan Colston and Kerigan McDonald



Jennifer Haerr and Victoria Elliott



Sydney Arndt, Supreet Garcha, Janine Chapel, Sarah Kramer, and Jessica Puma

Jessica Allison, Carley Sharpe, Kayla Hoover, Marcus Koger, and Rachel Trowbridge

Arianna Berhorst, Abigail Tonsor, and Abigail Dalke

Melissa Dahl, Lauren Hull, Katelyn Uhlmeyer, Ashlynn Lay, and Jayme Harvey



Scholarship Luncheon



Scholarship recipients had the opportunity to meet the donors of their scholarships during a luncheon on October 22, 2018.



Gratitude Luncheon & Christmas Luncheon

Students, faculty, and staff joined together for holiday meals in November and December.



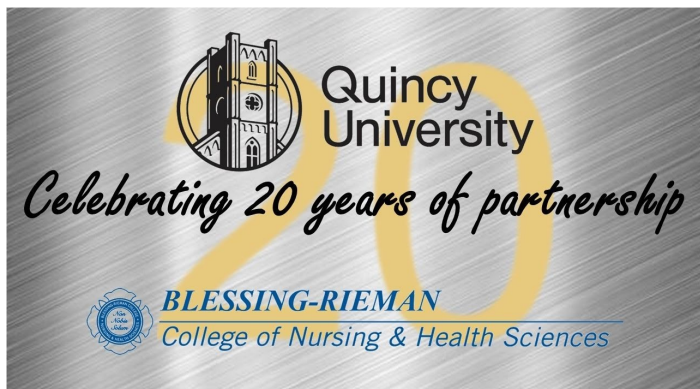
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- February 11:**
BRCN Blood Drive
- February 20:**
Missouri Nurse Advocacy Day
- March 2:**
SNAI Leadership Conference
- March 28:**
Family Fit Night
- April 2:**
Illinois Student Nurse Political Action Day
- April 11:**
Pi Pi Spring Clinical Program

- April 5-7:**
Hurst Review
- April 23 or 25:**
Graduate Luncheon (choose one date)
- April 27:**
Alumni Banquet
- May 7-9:**
Kaplan Review
- May 10:**
Shining Stars
- May 10:**
BRCN Graduation



BRCN and Quincy University recently celebrated 20 years of partnership. A ceremony was held at half-time during the QU football game on September 29, 2018. Students, faculty, and staff served cake and provided giveaways to attendees.



Above (left to right): Meaghan Beatenhead, Sophia Downey, Natalie Jones, Marianne Schmitt, Jessica Bliven, Sarah Miller, Joan Ruhs, Ivana Miranda, Linda Burke, Debbie Giesing, Brenda Beshears, Katelyn Obert, Jessica Loos, Kim Erskine, Abigail Shaw, Jenna Crabtree

Left: QU President Phil Conover and BRCN President Brenda Beshears presented gifts to each other during a half-time proclamation.

Student Nurses' Organization (SNO)

Spring Semester Meetings (12:00-1:00pm)

January 28 March 25
February 25 April 29

If you have questions about SNO, please contact Shanna Garrison at garrisons@brcn.edu or Jennifer Goings at goingsj24374@brcn.edu.

Watch for more information about the newly developed Student Health Sciences Organization (SHSO)

Current Board Members

President: Conner Kelle - Vice President: Allison Sutter

Need to know when a faculty member has office hours or a class?

You can see their schedules by going to the H drive and opening the Faculty Schedules folder. Choose the current semester and open the file you need to see.

Reminder: Faculty members may have appointments already scheduled during their office hours. It is best to set up an appointment if you need to meet with someone.

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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.

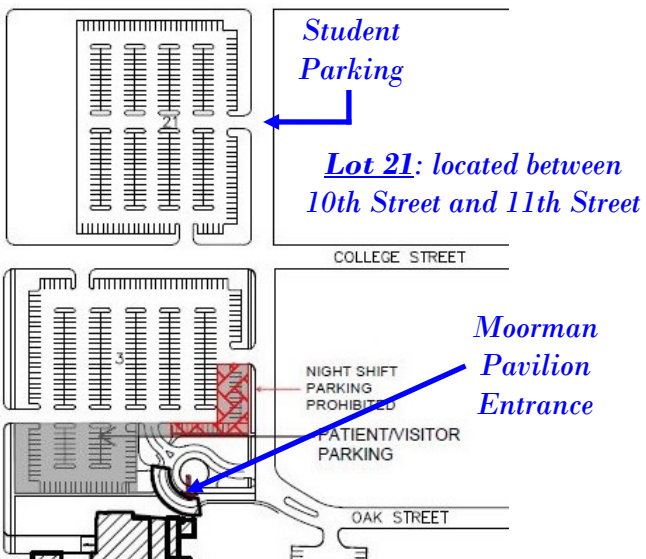
Values

Compassion ▪ Dedication
Leadership ▪ Professionalism
Quality ▪ Respect ▪ Safety

Student Parking

All students are required to park in Lot 21.

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



Student Questions & Suggestions

Submit anonymously online at www.brcn.edu/questions

SAVE THE DATE

Pi Pi Spring Clinical Program
"Stop the Bleed"
Blessing Hospital Auditorium

Thursday, April 11, 2019
Time to be announced

Registration forms will be available soon!

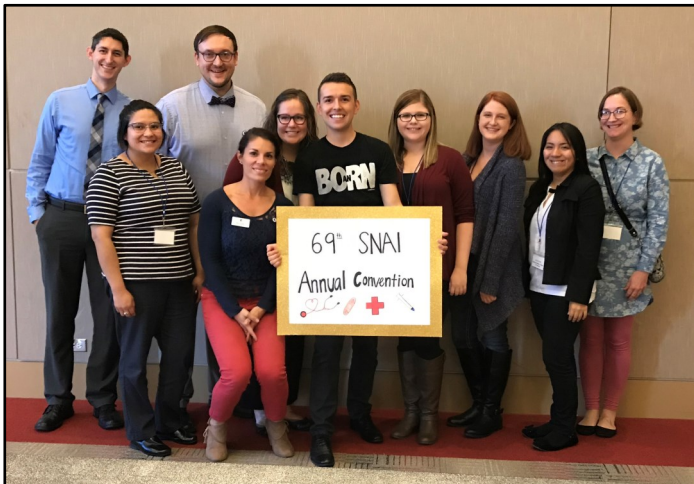
SNAI Annual Convention

The Student Nurses Association of Illinois (SNAI) held its 69th annual convention in Chicago on October 13, 2018. Convention attendees had the opportunity to enjoy a meet-and-greet with keynote speaker Nurse Blake, listen to other inspirational speakers, participate in an NCLEX review, visit exhibitor tables, and more!

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.



Left to right: Kevin Williams, Ivana Miranda, Reide Frakes, Maria Leapley, Shanna Garrison, keynote speaker Nurse Blake, Natalie Jones, Meaghan Beatenhead, Jessica Puma, Shannon Rudd

Who's Your Angel? Award

Amelia Hobbs was the first BRCN student to be recognized with a "Who's Your Angel?" award from the Blessing Foundation for exceptional patient care. She was recognized on September 27, 2018.

The "Who's Your Angel?" program is an opportunity for patients and their families to express their appreciation to anyone in the health system they have encountered who made a positive difference in their healthcare experience. The donor makes a financial gift of any size in the name of the employee and writes up a story sharing the experience.

"While having a couple of bad days at the hospital, finally in bounces Amelia, a student nurse. She was just what I needed; a bright, bubbly personality that made my day," the nomination read. "She shadowed nurse Shannan Cole, 3N, who is the best. She made me smile and comfortable on a very crappy day for me. She was only there for a short, I believe 4-hour shift. But she did my complete body assessment and made me feel comfortable, which is hard for me in those situations. Always popping in with a kind word, a wonderful smile and 'What can I do for you?' She will be a great asset to the nursing industry."

The patient's financial donation went to the Caring Cupboard.



Jan Akright, Amelia Hobbs, and Suzi Briscoe from The Blessing Foundation

Has your name or address changed?

Please fill out the Change of Name & Address Form and turn it in to the registrar's office.

To access the form:
www.brcn.edu
Parents & Current Students
Student Forms
Registrar
Changed of Name & Address Form

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

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.

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



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

www.blessinghealth.org/wellnesscenter
 for more information

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



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.

Caring Cupboard

The purpose of the Caring Cupboard is to alleviate insecurities on the College campus by providing food and basic hygiene items to our current College community.

Hours:
Monday - Friday
8am - 5pm
and by
appointment



Location:
Student Services
Building
2 North
(lower level)



If you could use the assistance, stop by during open hours (or set up an appointment) to pick up any items you need. Using the Caring Cupboard is anonymous. We just ask that you log what items you take for restocking purposes.

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

BRCN Academic Calendar ~ Spring 2019

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| <p>January 14
Classes Begin</p> <p>January 18
Last Day to Add/Drop a Course</p> <p>January 21
No Classes</p> <p>February 18
Last Day to Withdraw from a 1st 8-Week Course</p> <p>March 2-17
Spring Break ~ No Classes</p> <p>March 18
2nd 8-Week Session Begins</p> <p>March 22
Last Day to Add/Drop a 2nd 8-Week Course</p> | <p>April 1
Last Day to Withdraw from a Course</p> <p>April 19-22
Easter Break ~ No Classes</p> <p>April 23
Last Day to Withdraw from a 2nd 8-Week Course</p> <p>May 3
Last Day of Classes</p> <p>May 6-9
Final Exams</p> <p>May 10
Graduation</p> |
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