

## College of Nursing *Highlights*

- Save the Date: The CoN White Coat Ceremony was rescheduled for Oct. 21, 10 a.m., CoN Auditorium.
- Save the Date: The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Keep Memories Alive Walk benefitting the Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center is Nov. 5, 9 a.m. at the Town Center at Boca Raton. Registration begins at 8 a.m.
- The College of Nursing is hosting a Graduate Program Open House on Oct. 2, 6 p.m.
- There were 122 new freshmen admitted to the Freshman Direct entry program for Fall 2017.
- Dr. Patricia Liehr was installed as the second Sharon Raddock Distinguished Professor in Holistic Nursing at the CON Convocation.
- Dr. Marlene Brennen received the 2017 Florida Nurses Association Advocacy Award.
- Dr. Jacinto "J" Garrido was the first graduate of the DNP to PhD program at FAU's College of Nursing.



Raton High School.

## College of Nursing Faculty and Students Care for those in Hurricane Irma Shelter

Irma. It's a name that will forever take on meaning for millions across the Caribbean, Florida and beyond. Millions were personally affected, including professors and students from FAU's College of Nursing, who volunteered to care for others in a storm shelter at Boca

Dr. Rhonda Goodman, Associate Professor and Family Nurse Practitioner, opened and managed the shelter at Boca Raton High School. At its peak, the shelter housed 1,700 guests, from millionaires to homeless individuals. They ranged in age from one week old to 95 years old, and they were of all races, religions and ethnicities. Dr. Goodman invited FAU nursing students to volunteer with her, including Queen Aisha Abdul Akbar, Henry June, Rivkah Averbukh, and Ashley Johannsen, as well as an exchange student from Japan, Marina Terada. They assisted with shelter management, triage and addressing healthcare needs. They made rounds, conducting holistic assessments, assisting the elderly with basic needs and health issues, calming children, and responding to emergencies. Dr. Beth King, FAU Assistant Professor and Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, also joined the team. Dr. King provided assistance to guests with pre-storm anxiety and other mental health issues.

"Disasters are great equalizers," said Dr. Goodman. "My students and I triaged families with small children, older guests with medical issues, and guests from other countries." To learn more about the experiences of those in the shelter, visit [here](#).



## Dr. Deanna Gray-Miceli Joins College, Fills First Joint Position between College and I-SENSE

The College of Nursing hired Dr. Deanna Gray-Miceli as Associate Professor in the College of Nursing. She also serves as a Faculty Fellow of the [Institute for Sensing and Embedded Network Systems Engineering](#) (I-SENSE).

Dr. Miceli, who has studied the vulnerabilities of the elderly for more than 30 years, conducts research that combines individualized assessment of balance along with technology to address preventable falls in older adults. With the help of her team, she is developing mobile technology methods to assess balance in older adults who have fallen in nursing homes.

I-SENSE, est. in 2015 to coordinate university-wide activities in the Sensing and Smart Systems pillar of FAU's strategic plan, catalyzes exploration and discovery at the confluence of sensing, smart systems, and critical application areas.



*Caring is a Science, and we study it. Caring is an Art, and we practice. Caring is a Way of Being, and we live it.*



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