

# The Gift of a Scholarship

PASSION

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*- Mary Jane Cross*

HOPE

*Mrs. Musgrave believed in giving a "hand up", not a "hand out".*

*- The Musgrave Foundation*

CARE

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*- Madge Mills Arthur Scholarship*

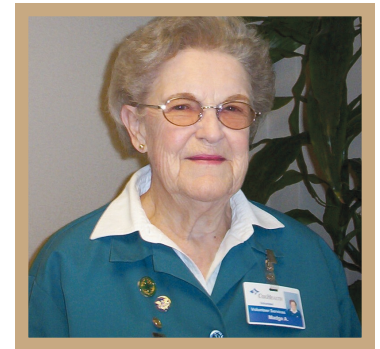
## **Stella Anderson and James Knox**

### **Diversity Enhancement Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship is awarded annually to scholastically qualified students from ethnically diverse backgrounds who are unable to afford the cost of a nursing education. The amount and number of scholarships vary depending on available funds. Recipient must reapply each year. The General Scholarship Application must be completed with the indication of interest.

### **Madge Mills Arthur Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

As a young woman, Madge Mills Arthur desperately wanted to attend nursing school, but tuition was an obstacle. Later in life, she decided she would not let money stand in the way of any young person's dream. She established the Madge Mills Arthur Scholarship Fund with the intention that it would be used for nursing scholarships. For Madge Mills Arthur, philanthropy is a way of life; she has volunteered at CoxHealth for decades and continues to do so today. The Madge Mills Arthur scholarship is awarded to a rural student pursuing a nursing career.



### **Mary Louise Mackey Black and Jerry Black Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Mary Louise Mackey Black started her nursing career in nurses training at Burge School of Nursing. She graduated from Burge in 1959 and then received her BSN from Drury College in 1960. She continued to work and volunteer in the nursing field for over 30 years. She worked in surgery, a state psychiatric hospital, medical/surgical wards and as a high school LPN clinical instructor. She volunteered in homeless center nursing support, Red Cross and Habitat for Humanity. She was a licensed RN in 5 different states. She would tell you she was a "Jack of all trades and a Master of none" when it came to nursing.

Mary Louise met Jerry Black when they both were working at Burge Hospital. Jerry was a pharmacy assistant and Louise was a student nurse. They married in 1960. They have 3 children, 7 grandchildren and currently have 4 great grandchildren. Jerry passed away in 2018.

Louise and her sister, Mildred Mackey Jones, were both proud graduates of Burge. Her parents, Otis and Mary Mackey, were able to honor their work as nurses by endowing a nursing scholarship. Louise, in her senior years became determined she also wanted to honor not only her nursing education experience, but also her commitment to nursing as a much needed profession and created the scholarship named for herself and her late husband in 2022.



### **Dr. Thomas Briggs Scholarship Fund:**

Dr. Thomas Briggs was a neurosurgeon with the Springfield Neurological and Spine Institute in Springfield. He began his career in 1986 and retired in 2003 after some health issues. Dr. Briggs sadly passed away from a heart condition and a scholarship was established in his name by the board of Mid-America Transplant Association. Dr. Briggs had served on their board for many years.

### **Brisley-Phillips Scholarship Fund:**

The Brisley-Phillips family hales from Sedalia, Missouri. This family seeks giving opportunities that benefit minorities and offers community service. The family awarded the Cox College scholarship to support the quality education offered to all students.



### **Dick Brumfield Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

After the accidental death of long time Cox North Chef, Dick Brumfield, his friends, family and coworkers worked diligently to establish a fund in his memory. Brumfield died in a car accident along with some Cox coworkers. Later, when his wife passed away, dozens of people added their donation to this fund. The outpouring of donations illustrates the impact of the lives of the Brumfields on the Cox community and the community-at-large.

### **Loren and Mary Brunner Scholarship Fund:**

Mary Brunner is the aunt of Eugene Charles, also a scholarship donor. Together the family had an interest in providing a gift to support quality healthcare through nursing. Mrs. Brunner resides in Springfield and named the scholarship to include her late husband, Loren. Their scholarship supports a student with financial need, determination and academic consistency.

### **Lillian Virginia Burks Memorial Scholarship Fund:**

Lillian Virginia Burks was a Red Cross nurse for over 30 years. She had a personal goal of living until the age of 85 but sadly passed in 2000, making it to 84. She had never married but enjoyed a life of travel overseas and seeing the birth of her great-great niece. She was a 1938 Burge graduate. When she died her family choose to create a scholarship in her name hoping to help a nursing student who had great initiative and drive to become a nurse.

**Charles Cecil Bush Memorial Scholarship Fund:**

This fund was established in 1982 at the passing of Charles Cecil Bush, by his loving wife Joy Dean Bush. The Bush's had no children and offered this gift as a legacy to giving back to the community.

**Janie Campbell Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Janie Campbell was the first graduate of the Burge School of Nursing. Janie's class was just four people and she was the only person to graduate. Miss Campbell completed her last course on December 31, 1909. Janie Campbell was among the first people to be licensed in the state of Missouri because the legislature enacted licensure the same year she completed her courses. After graduation, Miss Campbell did private duty cases, preferring cases "in the country", until her retirement in 1946. This scholarship was set up to honor her legacy as Burge's first graduate.

**R&B Campbell Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Ronald and Betty Campbell were good friends of the Cox family and active members of the Springfield community. Ronald and Betty did a lot of volunteer work for homebound people, people in nursing homes and at the Salvation Army. After decades of dedication to service in this community, the Campbells remembered the college as part of their trust leaving money to the promising students of the Burge school of nursing.

**Eugene and Martha Charles Scholarship Fund:**

Eugene and Martha Charles are long time volunteers to the healthcare community. A friend to CoxHealth, the Charles' has an interest in supporting health care, toured Cox College and became personally invested in the opportunities that nursing provided for the men and women of our community. The Charles's, originally from the Carthage area now reside in Springfield and enjoy their family which includes a daughter and son-in-law and one granddaughter. Their scholarship supports a student with financial need, determination and academic consistency.



### **Claudine Barrett Cox Scholarship Fund:**

Claudine Barrett Cox was a great friend and supporter of CoxHealth. Married to Lester L. Cox, Claudine spent many years supporting the hospital as a financial advisor to its investments as well as within the auxiliary as a volunteer. She participated in fundraising events and is the namesake for the CoxHealth Learning Center at Cox South. Claudine was a great friend to Cox College, and advocate for nursing and health sciences. She was one of the largest donors to the annual campaigns and always reached out into the community to ask others to join her in these efforts. At her passing, she left a portion of her estate to CoxHealth and a scholarship was established in her name by her son Barry Cox and granddaughter Amanda Cox, who serves on the Cox College board of directors.



### **Lester E. and Mildred Lee Cox Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Lester E. and Mildred Lee Cox's association began in 1948 when the 600-bed Burge hospital (now Cox North) had only 57 beds and its debts exceeded the value of the hospital. At a meeting of the hospital's physicians, Lester E. Cox was mentioned as someone who might be interested in helping Burge Hospital. He agreed and was named chairman of the hospital board. The very next day, painters and carpenters began work on the hospital at Cox's direction and expense. The Springfield Leader and Press ran a story by Eddie Bass that had started out telling about the hospital's demise, but ended up being a story about its rebirth.

Lester E. Cox told the physicians of the hospital that if they could raise \$75,000 for Burge, he would match it. The physicians raised \$150,000, which Cox matched. The hospital had major expansions in 1952 when an all-new Burge Hospital was dedicated, in 1960 when a new wing was opened and in 1965 when a huge expansion program was completed, increasing the size of the hospital to 534 beds.

After his death in 1968 the hospital was renamed the Lester E. Cox Medical Center, now CoxHealth for his philanthropy and dedication to the hospital.

For Lester E. and Mildred Lee Cox, their dream was continued with this nursing scholarship that friends and family members still contribute to to this day.

### **Lester L. "Bud" Cox Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Lester L. "Bud" Cox is the son of Lester E. and Mildred Lee Cox. In the 1990's, the Board of Directors of CoxHealth renamed the College for its long-time Chairman, Lester L. Cox for his dedication to school. His family continued that dedication with his memorial scholarship fund.





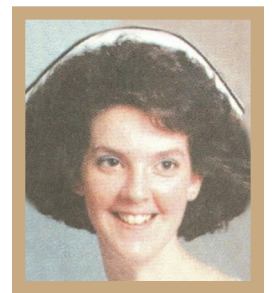
### **Elaine Crabtree Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This fund was established to recognize the outstanding contributions of Elaine Crabtree who served as Director of Cox College from 1988 to 2000. This fund will provide a perpetual source of income for the Lester L. Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences dedicated to the support of quality nursing education (e.g. faculty development, new academic initiatives, institutional research, computer technology).

Mrs. Crabtree engaged in discussions with Lester L. Cox, Chair of Cox Medical Centers Board of Directors, about the value of educating nursing students in a college setting. Through their leadership, Burge began the transition from a hospital-based school of nursing to a freestanding college. The Lester L. Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences was established in 1994, and its Board of Trustees assumed responsibility for the college from the Board of Directors of Cox Health Systems in January 1995. In August 1995, Cox College admitted the first students to the Associate of Science in Nursing Program. With the final Burge class graduating in May 1996, more than 2,600 nurses graduated from Burge in its 89-year history. In 1997, the college began the RN to BSN completion program. Mrs. Crabtree retired in 2000 and enjoyed family, hobbies and friends until her passing in 2016 at the age of 85.

### **Michelle Cross Good Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This fund was established by the family and friends of Michelle Cross Good upon her tragic and untimely death. Michelle dedicated herself to nursing from the time she was a young student working as an x-ray runner, a nurse's aide on 2 West at Cox South and then ultimately worked as a nurse in the nursery. Michelle's family describes her as "the light of our lives". Upon establishing this scholarship her mother wrote a letter that said: "If we can provide others with the opportunity to be a nurse like her, the world would be a better place."



### **Mary Ruth Cuddy Endowment Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Mary Ruth Cuddy dedicated her life to nursing and was known as a tough taskmaster who taught people to be great nurses. This fund was the first endowment established within the Burge School of Nursing. At the retirement of Miss Cuddy, friends, students and alumni honored her and the college by creating a perpetual fund for future needs. The purpose of this fund is to provide the College with unrestricted dollars to support future growth, secure the College in difficult financial times and create opportunities for new programs or scholarships when needed.

Mary Ruth Cuddy, RN (class of 1948) became the first Director of Nursing Education. She held this position from 1961 until she retired in 1988. Miss Cuddy was born October 14, 1924, in northern Missouri and moved to Springfield in 1935. After her high school graduation in 1942, she attended Draughon's Business University and entered nurses' training at Burge with financial assistance from the United States Cadet Nurse Corp (the corp was non-military but candidates had to agree to stay in nursing until the end of the war). In 1953, she was made supervisor of the two medical floors at Burge. She continued her education getting her B. S. in Nursing in 1960 and later her M.Ed, both from Drury College. She was active in the Burge Alumni Association, the Fourth District of the American Nurses Association, and the Campbell Avenue Methodist Church. Other interests included collecting handkerchiefs, sewing, and enjoying children (*Stethoscope*, 1956). Miss Cuddy retired as Director at Burge School of Nursing in 1988 and died on June 11, 2000.



### **Robert and Ellen Duvall Scholarship Fund:**

Ellen Duvall was an instructor at Burge School of Nursing, 1990-1995, and an Assistant Professor at Cox College, 1995-2006. Years later Ellen remembers when after a morning clinical, she and her lab students stopped for a quick lunch at a fast-food restaurant. When she questioned a student who was not ordering, not even the dollar- hamburger, the student said, *"I don't think you understand how poor I am."* That student withdrew from Cox College later in the semester when tuition was due. This impacted Ellen deeply, watching many students expending a lot of energy balancing employment and family with class and study time.



Bob exemplified supporting family members furthering their education. He encouraged Ellen as she earned her Master's degrees while teaching and supported her Navy Reserve career until she retired from the Navy Nurse Corps. She couldn't have grown in her nursing profession and accomplished what she did without his support and encouragement. Bob died on his birthday in 2021. Ellen created this scholarship in memory of him, to help nursing students who are struggling financially, so potentially great nurses are not lost because of financial need. This scholarship was created in 2022.

### **Frank Evans Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Frank Evans was the owner of a local laundry and dry cleaning establishment. Evans was responsible for all of the laundry for the hospital. He was also a friend of the Cox Family (particularly Lester L. "Bud" Cox). During his life he gave money every year for a Nursing Scholarship. Both he and his wife, Jean Evans, left an estate trust for the College.

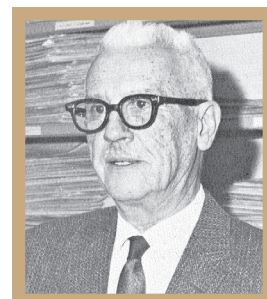


### **Cheryl Hasch Feeney Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship was established by the family, co-workers, and friends after she and her two children died at the hands of another person. The scholarship fund was started by her parents to honor their lives and Cheryl's dedication to helping others.

### **Dr. Max Fitch Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Dr. Max Fitch was a fixture and enthusiastic caregiver while working at Cox North. Both Dr. Fitch and his loving daughter Virginia Fitch Anderson worked to leave a legacy for the college.





### **Ford-Redburn Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

In high school in Nevada, Missouri, Jo Anne Ford knew she wanted to be a Registered Nurse. During high school she worked in Dr. Rolla Wray's office. She so impressed him, he provided funds for her to attend and graduate from the St. Louis City Hospital School of Nursing in 1955. Jo worked at Burge/Cox Memorial Hospital from about 1963 –1969 where she found her calling in the Intensive Care and then Cardiac Care Units. The Nursing Profession gave her independence and a dedicated purpose for her life. The scholarship established in her name should do no less for others.

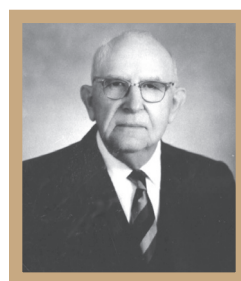


### **Bill Foster Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Springfield Businessman Bill Foster and his wife Juanitha are long time supporters of CoxHealth and the health care community. Mr. Foster owns Foster Hospitality Group which builds and manages hotels and long term care facilities. His development projects are mostly in southwest Missouri but have expanded to other states in recent years. He is a member of the CoxHealth Foundation Board of Directors and a donor to many worthy CoxHealth projects including the Pediatric Urgent Care and the Meyer Center, along with his scholarship fund. Mr. Foster was named the 2009 Springfield Chamber of Commerce Springfieldian of the Year for his dedication to the community. The Fosters have 5 children, four of whom worked with him in the business. Mr. Foster passed in 2014 at the age of 86.

### **Dr. E.B. Hannan Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

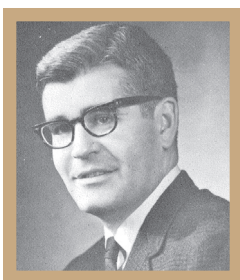
Dr. Hannan was a dedicated pathologist at Cox North during the 1960's. Friends and family honored his memory by establishing this fund.



### **Grace Bales Hirst Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This fund was established in 1982 by Philip Hirst as a living memorial to his wife Grace Bales Hirst, a 1940 Burge graduate. They wanted students to be able to afford an education as well as thrive while pursuing their dream. Mr. Hirst wanted to ensure that his wife's legacy of care lived on.





**Dr. Daniel Holmes  
Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

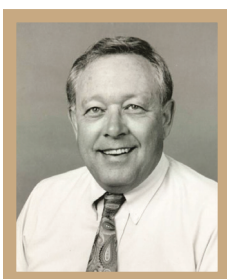
Dr. Daniel Holmes was an internist. Upon his death family, friends, and associates, established this fund to honor his years of dedication to medicine.

**Robert and Evelyn Honig Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Robert Honig and Evelyn Honig were cousins to Mrs. Mildred Cox. Evelyn suffered from polio as a child and her two brothers, Robert and Lee, cared for her. This fund was established in their name to show the continued importance of family and medical support within the community.

**S. Lee Honig Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Upon the death of their brother, Lee Honig, Evelyn and Robert left a portion of his estate to the Burge School/Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Since the early 1990's, this gift has been helping dedicated nursing students.



**Dr. George Klingner  
Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship was established by the wife of Dr. George Klingner Sr. upon his death. Friends and colleagues soon followed with their memorial gifts.

**Evelyn Howard Memorial Scholarship Fund:**

Evelyn Howard was a lifetime friend and advocate of CoxHealth. She began volunteering at Cox North Hospital in 1970 and had 13,484 hours logged by the time she retired from the Auxiliary in 2013. Evelyn served as President of the CoxHealth Auxiliary from 1990-1992. The next year Evelyn was appointed to the Hospital's Advisory Board and in 1994 became the first woman to serve on the Hospital's Governing Board of Directors. Evelyn was held in high esteem for her attention to detail, concern for patient care and safety. She had a great desire to see Cox College expand. In 1999, Evelyn directed her energies to the College and began serving on its Board of Directors, helping guide the College into a new era with expanded programs for health professions. The scholarship in her honor and memory is a gift of her son David and daughter-in-law Gwendolyn Howard. The scholarship was established in 2019.





### **Mary Koppler Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Mary graduated from Burge School of Nursing in 1965 entered into the medical field ready to change lives. She then decided to further her education. Graduating SMSU with a BSN in 1972.

Mary had a passion for quality healthcare and studied many subjects in her free time to better learn processes and procedures. Her work in performance improvement was outstanding and the title, "Queen of Quality" was bestowed upon her by her peers.

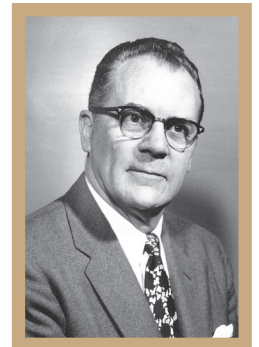
She was a founding member of the Executive Women's Club and participated enthusiastically in its activities. In 1991 she was nominated for Tribute to Missouri Nurses Award. In 1992 she became certified as a basic practicum supervisor in reality therapy. By 1997 she had received the Nursing Leadership Award from Columbia Hospitals and in 2004 was given 1st place for the Missouri Team Quality Award.

Mary was multi-talented. She was a member of the Southwest Missouri Speakers Bureau, delivering uplifting and informative presentations to a number of businesses around our area. Also a runner in late life, she completed numerous 5Ks and half marathons, one after her first course of treatment for breast cancer. She was also a talented artist, especially fond of painting birds. In addition, she was a capable pilot and flew all over North America with her husband in their own airplanes. Mary was known by all for her compassion, intelligence, bright, positive spirit and her perpetual radiant smile. Mary was taken from us by cancer in 2015.



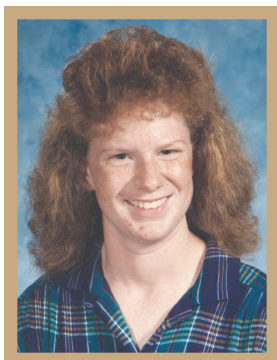
### **Allen Lawrence Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Mr. Allen Lawrence was a friend of the Cox family and served on the hospital Board of Directors from 1953 to 1973. During his tenure he served in various leadership positions including Vice President, Vice Chairman and Treasurer. He also served on the Executive committee as well as the Building and Finance committees. His dedication was greatly appreciated as the hospital was in its formation years during his time of volunteer service. In the 1970's his wife Lillian Udell Lawrence made a large estate gift to support the hospital after her passing. She also established a nursing scholarship in her late husband's name to keep his legacy of caring alive within the nursing profession, which he greatly admired.



### **Jack and Beatrice Levan Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Jack and Beatrice were personal friends of Lester L. Cox. After Mrs. Levan received care at the hospital they established a fund so the hospital could continue the quality of care that so impressed them.



### **Jennifer Marie Lindsay Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This Nursing Scholarship was established after the accidental death of teenager Jennifer Marie Lindsay. Her mother, Norma Curry, has dedicated her professional life to nursing and still works in Nursing Administration at CoxHealth. Jennifer was a vibrant, bright, energetic teenager who loved life and cared so much about others. She was active in sports, band, various high school organizations and her church youth group. She was already planning a career in nursing and as a Sophomore in high school, was collecting information from various colleges with BSN programs. She died in a motor vehicle incident at the age of 15-½.

### **Jack and Cathryn Lipscomb Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

As son-in-law and daughter of Lester E. Cox, Jack and Kitty Lipscomb have worked tirelessly on behalf of nursing education. Along with the initial establishment of this fund, they continually contribute to nursing education to ensure that it thrives in the community. Along with the Jack and Kitty Lipscomb Scholarship, the Lipscomb's contribute generously to the scholarship bearing Kitty's parent's names. This scholarship is for nursing students who want to pursue a supervisory role.



### **Forest Lipscomb Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This long time Cox Board member had a keen interest in the Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Forest Lipscomb was the owner and operator of Lipscomb Grain and Seed. The Springfield businessman brought his business acumen to the table to the advantage of the hospital and the College. Upon his passing friends and family set up this scholarship so his memory would live on.

### **Lunn Family Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

In 2017, Robert O. Lunn, MHA, PhD, concluded a 47-year career in hospital and healthcare administration with several years as System Director of Leadership/Professional Development at CoxHealth and a period of time as Interim President of Cox College during a rapid leadership transition. His career included 30 years in healthcare executive roles and 17 years in health administration education. In both professional arenas he concluded early on that the most highly respected and most critically needed members of the healthcare team are Registered Nurses. In 2019, Dr. Lunn and his family endowed the Lunn Family Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship. He honors his family for their years of support for his work, and in particular, his daughter Hadley, an RN on Leukemia and BMT units at University of Kansas Hospital.



### **Dr. Hal Lurie Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Friends, family, and colleagues started this fund upon Dr. Lurie's retirement. Dr. Lurie continued his legacy during his lifetime with his own donations to the fund and by serving on the College Board of Trustees for years. Dr. Lurie shared his lifetime of dedication to healthcare with this scholarship. He passed away in 2015 at the age of 93.





### **Mary and Otis Mackey Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Otis Mackey served as Postmaster of Morrisville, Missouri for years. His wife, Mary, also served as his clerk. Both were kind and generous souls. Otis Mackey had a love of gardening and he shared the pick of his crop with his neighbors. But, for both Mary and Otis, their pride was with their daughters, Mary and Mildred. Both daughters were graduates of the Burge School of Nursing. Years later, Mildred Mackey Jones, pictured on left, (Class of 1956) and Mary Mackey Black, pictured on right, (Class of 1959) set up a scholarship fund to honor the dedication of their parents who worked side by side to send them through school.



### **Lucille Wood Magers Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Lucille Wood Magers was a 1942 graduate of the Burge School of Nursing. Lucille's family, Bill, Bryan, and Randy established this scholarship in her memory so that finances would not be an obstacle to a dedicated nursing student.



### **Bob Millstead Memorial Radiology Scholarship Fund:**

Bob Millstead is pictured in the center between his two beloved nieces, Crosby and Carsten Millstead. Bob first began his career as a radiology technologist and became a clinical instructor as he worked at CoxHealth for more than 20 years. After Bob's sudden death at 54, his brother Bart, sister-in-law Angela, nieces, Crosby and Carsten, along with friends wanted to make sure that Bob's legacy lived on. Bob celebrated life, love and happiness while working daily in the operating room with multiple specialized surgeons. This scholarship in the memory of Bob is set up to help with the education of intra-op/Cath Lab/IR radiology students. Bob was well liked and a constant positive fixture in the operating room and always influenced and supported the education of radiology students.

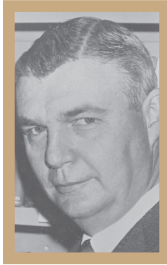
### **Jeanette L. Musgrave Scholarship Fund:**

Jeanette L. Musgrave was born in 1901 in Ft. Scott Kansas. She married Edward F. Musgrave and became his assistant in his dental practice. Dr. Musgrave inherited a sizable amount from his family's oil leases in Oklahoma and Texas, which were gifted to Mrs. Musgrave upon his passing in 1970. Having no children, Mrs. Musgrave formed the Musgrave Foundation in 1984 to ensure her estate would provide positive support for the community upon her death. The Musgrave Foundation was established with three primary areas of commitment: underprivileged children, helping with scholarships (particularly for women entering the nursing field) and to provide economic assistance to the elderly. Mrs. Musgrave was also a friend of the Cox family. Various health issues brought her to Cox North where she was cared for during different times of her life. Out of great appreciation for the quality nursing care she received, she established a nursing scholarship at the Burge School of Nursing.



### **Peggy Pomeroy Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship was established by Springfield businessman Frank Pomeroy and his second wife Ruthie in memory of his late wife Peggy. Frank and Peggy Pomeroy had been married for 31 years before her death. Frank and Ruthie Pomeroy continued their dedication and support of the Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences.

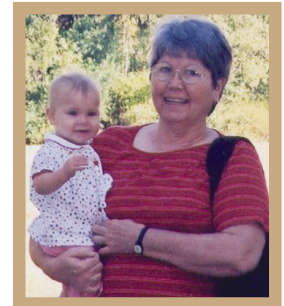


### **Dr. John Polk Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

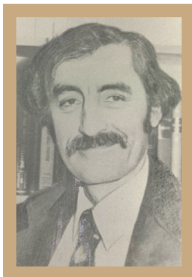
After the accidental death of Dr. John Polk, his colleague, Dr. Alan Bailey, established this scholarship fund in his name to continue his legacy of dedication to healthcare.

### **Dorothy Ratermann Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship was given in honor of Dorothy Ratermann by her husband, Dan, and their children. Dorothy was the mother of a very large family, 7 children. After all of the children were grown, Dorothy went back to nursing school. The family is not only very active in the 'giving' part of this scholarship, but they also take part in reviewing applications. Preference is given in this scholarship to a student pursuing nursing home care or an older student returning to the work force.



**Norman Dale Reimer Scholarship Fund:** This scholarship was started by 1975 Burge alumni Yonnie Murphy to honor her father and in support of the future of nursing. It is open to students desiring to practice nursing in a rural setting.



### **Dr. Carl Rinker Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

When radiologist Dr. Carl Rinker died suddenly, family, friends, and colleagues could think of no better way to let his legacy live on than providing caring, capable hands to carry on that tradition. The establishment of this fund has helped students and the patients they will care for.

### **Jim and Edith Saunders Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Edith Saunders was a life long nurse in Springfield. The Saunders had no children and left their estate to Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences as well as another nursing school. The money was left so that others could pursue a lifetime of service and caring in the community.

### **Thelma Silsby Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This Scholarship was established by Dr. Silsby upon the death of his first wife. Thelma Silsby was a lifelong nurse who, along side her general surgeon husband, believed deeply in a healthy, viable community. This scholarship was set up to carry on that dream.



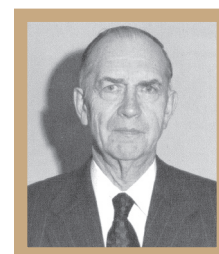
### **Shawn Snider Memorial Radiology Scholarship Fund:**

Shawn Snider, pictured far left with his family, had a 30 year healthcare career, first becoming certified as a Radiologic and Ultrasound Technologist before earning his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in hospital administration. For 16 years he served as the System Director of Radiology at CoxHealth. Shawn also served as the President of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists and as an examiner for the Missouri Quality Awards. Shawn was married to Patricia Moore

Snider and together had two sons, Samuel and Joseph. Shawn was a beloved father, husband and friend who was known for his kind heart, unparalleled work ethic and razor sharp wit. He was an avid Cardinals fan and a talented cook. Shawn departed this world too soon at the age of 54. His co-workers, family and friends founded his scholarship at his passing to keep his legacy of excellence alive through the students his scholarship will support.

### **Judge A.P. and Faye Stone Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Judge Stone and his wife Faye dedicated their lives to legal and health work in Southwest Missouri. Faye was a registered nurse. According to a 1995 article in the Baptist Home about the Stones: "They had no children and lived modestly, saving and investing wisely." In his service to the College Judge Stone was also a long time board member of Burge.



### **Daphn Lynn Sundstrom, RT Scholarship Fund:**

Daphn Sundstrom was loved by her husband and her entire family, appreciated by Dr. Michael Clarke who was her employer for 17 years, respected by her peers and admired for her attitude and aptitude in her field. Cancer silenced her characteristic chuckle on October 6, 2010. Her scholarship will be awarded each year to an outstanding student in the Radiography Program at Cox College who shows the same high level of attitude and aptitude that Daphn displayed during her career.

### **Harold and Olive Teegarden Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

A native of Springfield, Mr. Harold Teegarden, was a long time resident of Bolivar and an employee of the U.S. Medical Center. In the 1970's, Harold Teegarden was a patient in CoxNorth for six months and his wife, Olive, was very grateful for the care he received. Because of that treatment, Olive established a scholarship in his name after his passing.

### **Richard and Viola Thorp Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Richard and Viola Thorp set up this foundation to leave a legacy of service. Viola Thorp was a long time volunteer with the American Red Cross. They both worked with and contributed to the Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation. The health of their community and their passion for life lead to their contribution to the Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences.





### **Lillie Ward Wood Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Lillian Ward Wood moved to Springfield when her husband B.T. was transferred by the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway. She was one of the Founders of St. James Episcopal Church in Springfield. She was also active in everything from the St. Louis Botanical Gardens to the Episcopal Orphanage. Her family's legacy lives on through her very generous donation to the Cox College of Nursing and Health Sciences.



### **Dee Ann White Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship was established by Arthur and Ruth Ann White after the death of their ten year old daughter in a tragic accident. The Whites proudly support the college in their daughter's name so her memory will live on through their efforts.

### **Mary Wortley Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

This scholarship was left in memory of a much beloved mother and wife. Mary graduated from St. John's School of Nursing in 1943. Her first job was in a surgeon's office and her next position was with the Greene County Health Department as public health nurse. She helped put her husband, longtime Cox administrator, Mr. Neil Wortley, through college. They both thought it was important to help other people get through school. Mary Wortley was known for helping impoverished mothers in the community and this scholarship is dedicated to her love of serving people.



### **Lidia "Lee" Wydock Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

Lee moved to Springfield through a job transfer in 1984 and she fell in love with the Ozarks. She started volunteering at CoxHealth and did most volunteer jobs from flowers to Ambassador to fund raising. She was a life member of the Auxiliary and served on the board. She was always impressed with the character and humility of those receiving scholarships. She saw how these funds could make such a difference for someone aspiring to the nursing profession and felt she would someday like to fund a scholarship. In loving memory of Lee, this scholarship is for a BSN student with a measurable financial need.

### **Lena Zongker Nursing Scholarship Fund:**

The scholarship was set up by the estate of Lena Zongker to keep the best and the brightest nurses in the Cox Community. Zongker was a long time volunteer with the Cox Health Auxiliary.



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