

ABOUT Sylvia Bond

As the organization's "lighthouse" logo symbolizes, Sylvia (Sandy) Bond, MSN, MBA, RN, CHE, was a steadfast beacon for the nursing profession for several decades. She lit the way and guided others as an admired professional nurse, trendsetting nurse educator, and leading advocate of nursing care in central Georgia for over 30 years. Sylvia Bond led efforts to establish community-based health care centers and programs, established high standards of excellence for patient care, and emphasized nursing education and leadership development. She played a major role in transforming a community hospital into a regional medical facility with a national reputation for excellence—and epitomizes the type of successful career that each nurse and nursing leader can strive for.





777 Hemlock Street MSC #105 Macon, Georgia 31201 (478)633-7920 Please refer to www.sylviabond.org *Preparing Nurse Leaders for the 21st Century* Nurses have been lighting the way to a safe recovery for sick and injured patients for many generations.



Responding to patient needs 24-hours a day, every day of the year, nurses are constant sources of steadfast care and comfort in the health care industry.

Just as the aging population requires more skilled health care solutions, our community faces a potentially dangerous shortage of qualified nurses. Fewer individuals are entering nursing programs to replace those who are retiring or leaving the profession for other less stressful jobs. Even with fewer students, there are not enough nursing faculty to meet the current demand. Additionally, as the nursing ranks shrink, those who remain face longer the hours and a heavier workload. Since patients are discharged quicker, nurses often care for increasing numbers of more critically ill patients who require a higher level of attention, as well as more specialized skills.

The Sylvia Bond Nursing Society is committed to brightening these dim statistics by developing highly skilled and specialized nurse leaders who will remain in the profession while also educating and mentoring others. Furthermore, the Sylvia Bond Nursing Society encourages more individuals to choose nursing as a career through the recognition and the celebration of the important work that nurses do Throughout the year, the Sylvia Bond Nursing Society provides nursing scholarships, educational and/ or leadership development seminars, and mentoring opportunities, as well as recognition of and encouragement for promising nurse leaders. Regardless of the stage of professional career development, the Sylvia Bond Nursing Society motivates nurses to pursue higher education, build relationships, and remain personally fulfilled.

Specifically, the Sylvia Bond Nursing Society has garnered the support from area professionals by:

- Hosting educational events and career fairs to encourage interest in nursing careers
- Providing a forum for nurses to network with each other and within the community
- Promoting the importance of nursing excellence
- Validating the satisfaction that results from a career in nursing
- Serving as speakers for various community groups
- Sponsoring leadership conferences that are open to all regional nurse professionals for continuing education credit; and
- Recognizing recent Sigma Theta Tau national honorary nursing society inductees.



LEVELS OF Membership

All levels of membership include:

- Special discounts to events, conferences, and continuing education seminars
- Mentoring opportunities
- Networking opportunities
- Invitation to annual membership meeting
- Access to members-only section of website
- T-shirt
- Lighthouse pin

Three year and Lifetime memberships

Eligible for SBNS certification scholarship

LEVELS OF MEMBERSHIPCOST OF MEMBERSHIPStudent Entry Level\$25.00/annually(Must be enrolled in a school of Nursing)\$50.00/annuallyAnnual Membership\$50.00/annuallyThree Year Membership\$125.00 every three yearsLifetime Membership\$650.00

Lighthouse Pin (given annually) Framed Print of Original Artwork

Physician recognition during annual symposium and on web site

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