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15th Annual Scholarship Fundraising & Awards Gala Program

Cocktail Hour

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Welcome

Christel-Ann Augustin, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC
Chair of Gala & Fundraising

Master of Ceremony

Christel-Ann Augustin, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC

Invocation

Pastor Keith Fray

American & Haitian Anthem

Tendrina Alexandre

President's Message

Florence Pierre-Pierre, BBA, BSN, RN

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Selena A. Gilles, DNP, ANP-BC, CNEcl, FNYAM

HANA 2023 Honorees Presentation of Awards

Service and Dedication Award

Sheriff Jean Herve Mondestin,

Community Award

Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi

People's Voice Award

Radio Panik

Humanitarian Award

Dr. Francis Pratt

Scholarship Awards Presentation

Florence Pierre-Pierre, BBA, BSN, RN &
Bibiane Dimanche-Sykes, MSNEd, LNC, RN

Awards Presentation

Florence Pierre-Pierre, BBA, BSN, RN

President's Award

Nurse of the Year

Acknowledgements/Closing Remarks

Christel-Ann Augustin, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC
Chair of Fundraising Gala

Entertainment

Vayb
DJ Woodz



Founder's Message



Berthilde Dufrene,

DNP, MSNEd, BSN, AAS,
CARN, RN

What a great joy it is to be celebrating HANA of Hudson Valley's fifteenth anniversary with you, our friends, our supporters, our honorees, our partners, our leaders, and our members. This year, I am even more appreciative of your support knowing we are in the mist of yet, another new normal. To say that the cost of living has gone up would be an understatement. We are all feeling the squeeze as the soaring cost of acquiring essential goods pose a threat to our financial securities. Despite the economic decline and the rise in inflation, you still find it fitting to continue your support for HANA. We are immensely grateful.

HANA of Hudson Valley was founded out of a desire to serve and out of great desperation. Our moral imperative remains that same commitment to service and to leave the world a better place than we found it. Knowing that we cannot do this alone, we have solicited the expertise of subject experts, collaborators, and partners to increase our communities' health literacy, disease awareness, and treatment access; to offer scholarships, mentorship, and encourage student enrollment in nursing programs to reduce our nation's nursing shortage; to advocate

for change on issues impacting the health of our community; to provide our membership the platform to grow their proficiency, to advance their education and career. These efforts underscore HANA's core values and perseverance in meeting its vision and mission. We are determined to play a catalytic role in propelling our community to new heights. We have made progress yet there is so much more we have to do.

Madame President, Florence Pierre-Pierre, very few people have had the honor of knowing the responsibilities you hold as our seventh president. Even fewer know the excitement of the moment or the challenges you are facing. It is thanks to the devotion of people like yourself that HANA has been able to nurture its legacy. We are fortunate to have you as our leader and congratulations on the job you are doing. Be still and know that you have a village dedicated to helping you every step of the way and that you are already almost half way there!

All these years later, as I look back on HANA of Hudson Valley's journey, I am overwhelmed. I am overwhelmed by the generosity of our community, by the dedication of our members, by the talent and creativity of our board leaders, and by the resilience of the association. Most of all, I am overwhelmed by you, our unwavering supporters, by your tenacity, by your benevolence, and your genuine loyalty to HANA. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Dr. Berthilde Dufrene
HANA of Hudson Valley NY
Founder, Board Advisor, and Past President



President's Message



Florence Pierre Pierre

BBA, BSN, RN

I am delighted to welcome you to our 15th Annual Scholarship Fundraising & Awards Gala. On behalf of our Executive Board, I thank you, our members, community leaders and partners for your continued support and involvement with the association. I would like to reiterate my sincere appreciation to our Founder Dr. Berthilde Dufrene and all previous presidents who have played a major role in the advancement of HANA of Hudson Valley. I would like to acknowledge the president of HANA-International, Dr. Marie Etienne along with all the other HANA chapter presidents that are here with us this evening.

Tonight, I feel honored and privileged to present myself as the current President of HANA of Hudson Valley, NY and for the opportunity to lead such a prestigious nursing association. I have been a dedicated member of HANA's Executive Board for 15 years. Our association is comprised of many talented nurses and individuals from diverse professional backgrounds. My agenda involves both the inclusion and collaboration of such talents to help strengthen our course and uplift our mission. Our Executive Board has been working diligently to acquire funds from governmental grants and corporate sponsorship to help us meet our financial goal.

One of our main goal is to provide nursing scholarships to well-deserved students from the Hudson Valley region and from our beloved island of Haiti. Tonight, we are excited to grant scholarships to five hardworking students pursuing baccalaureate nursing degrees from Pace, Mercy, Chamberlain Universities and Monroe College. We have also been supporting "Notre Dame du Perpetuel Secours" Nursing School in the southwestern city of Jeremie, in Haiti.

The money sent to the school in Jeremie helps a total of 10 students yearly fulfil their ultimate dreams of becoming nurses. Our mentorship committee is in the process of creating a program to help with the career development of not only our scholarship recipients but all interested students pursuing nursing degrees, at various levels of their careers.

HANA of Hudson Valley continues to focus on health awareness, disease promotion and prevention. Radio Generation 2000 has given us a weekly platform to educate our community on Health & Wellness through our Wednesday evening radio talk show. We have partnered with several churches, such as Mount Zion Sanctuary Church, First Timothy Christian Church, Saint Joseph Church to conduct health fairs, education seminars, teach cardiopulmonary resuscitation to children. We joined forces with Omega Psi Phi Fraternity to run blood drives. We participated in back-to-school fairs with Generation 2000 and so much more. Most importantly, our association took part in an international march in an effort to raise awareness and seek relief for Haiti over the current gang members invasion and kidnapping of innocents. We are truly committed to serving both our local and global communities.

Lastly, we are diligently working on increasing and maintaining our membership. We continue to urge others to join the association to help contribute to our noble cause.

Personally, I am deeply committed to HANA and have been for almost two decades. I will continue to give, advocate and volunteer for your well-being.

Once again, I thank you for your many compassionate actions, enduring support and generosity and your devoted partnership and friendship over the years. I remain grateful, humbled and inspired.

Florence Pierre-Pierre
BBA, BSN, RN



Gala Chair's Message



Christel-Ann Augustin

MSN, APRN, FNP-BC

Good evening Colleagues, Distinguished Guests, and Elected Officials,

It is truly an honor for me to warmly welcome you to our 15th Annual Scholarships Fundraising & Awards Gala. Tonight, I thank our members, community leaders and partners for their continued support and involvement with the association for the past 15th years. I am filled with joy and gratitude to know that we, HANA of Hudson Valley have been dedicated to serving both local and global communities for the past 15 years. This evening, I share this celebratory milestone with you all.

Tonight, I stand here not only as the immediate past president but also as chair of gala the committee. It is a privilege to have been given the opportunity under President Florence-Pierre Pierre, to curate such a beautiful event amongst my team in order to raise funds towards nursing scholarships. These scholarships will be given to dedicated nursing students in the Hudson Valley Region and in Haiti. But I must reiterate that it takes a communal effort to push the growth and success of an association like ours, so I am indebted to all our devoted community members. Because of your unrelenting support, joint efforts, dedication, and donations we will continue to help students achieve their dreams of becoming nurses.

This evening we are equally excited to honor some of our donors and community leaders for their outstanding humanitarian display. I would like to thank all the members of the Gala Fundraising Committee who helped to make this night a success. Thank you for your time, the never-ending texts, and zoom calls. It was all worth it!!

Being this year's Chair of the Gala Committee has truly been my pleasure. We are looking forward to creating even more positive and productive fundraising activities that the community can engage with and benefit from in the upcoming year.

We honor your presence tonight, and we invite you all to celebrate with us!

Best,

Christel-Ann Augustin

MSN, APRN, FNP-BC Immediate Past President Haitian American Nurses Association of Hudson Valley, NY, Inc.



Chaplain's Message



Michele Paraison
RN, Ph.D. (Hon) Min

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Haitian American Nurses American (HANA) of Hudson Valley, New York, Inc. I can say with a lot of enthusiasm, "Dear friends." For 15 years, your support and friendship have kept us on the move. HANA of Hudson Valley, New York's Legacy is thriving. I am most thankful that the Covid-19 pandemic did not stop our progress. Again, this year, we feel energized by your renewed dedication and continued support.

Part of the HANA Legacy Trail is to work assiduously to meet our yearly goals and objectives. One of HANA's most outstanding achievements is the weekly "Health and Wellness" radio show involving healthcare professionals and speakers with different areas of expertise to foster community engagement in preventive care. HANA also participates in various community activities to provide health promotion to strengthen health equity.

Every day, I witness each team member's hard work despite life's challenges to keep HANA moving. I would also like to mention the exceptional work of HANA-I (The Haitian Alliance Nurses Association- International) with all nine chapters that

culminated this year in our biennial leadership convention titled "Rooted in Strength: Revitalizing the Core and Enriching the Foundation of Nursing Through Education, Policy, and Advocacy," in Chicago from June 22 to 25 at Malcolm X College. I am proud to report that HANA of Hudson Valley is growing in unison with HANA - International, our mother chapter, to keep the torch lit for the next generation.

I am grateful to President Florence Pierre-Pierre and the Board of HANA for supporting the retired nurses and involving us in HANA activities. I am encouraged daily to remain the Chaplain of HANA of Hudson Valley, New York, Inc., to pray for HANA's leaders and members, and to safeguard the organization. President Pierre-Pierre, you emphasized my role as a "Mother" and as our Founder, Dr. Berthilde Dufrene, envisioned it from the beginning. I am determined to see HANA's legacy of passing the torch to the next generation. In addition, I'm proud of HANA of Hudson Valley, New York, Inc., Immediate Past President Augustin, and all the other past Presidents Dr. Dufrene, Dr. Benoit, Dr. Leroy, Dr. Sykes, and Dr. Lestage-Laforest for their professionalism and various leadership styles that make the organization and our community stronger.

Lastly, I am proud to introduce our Team of Doctors in Ministry: Dr. Linda Benoit, Dr. Bibiane Sykes, Dr. Mireille Leroy, Dr. Esther Louisme, and Dr. Marlyn Lestage-Laforest. This Honorary Doctoral Degree in Ministry was conferred to us by Dr. Blanche Davis, President of Trinity Theological Seminary of South Florida, upon the nomination of Dr. Marie O Etienne, President of HANA-I. We aim to promote spiritual wellness and assist HANA's Mental Health team engagement in our communities here and abroad.

Once again, I thank you for supporting the work of HANA of Hudson Valley, New York, Inc.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Claude Michele Paraison "honoris causa," Chaplain



Keynote Speaker



Dr. Selena A Gilles,
DNP, ANP-BC, CNEcl, FNYAM

Dr Selena A Gilles is Clinical Associate Professor and Associate Dean of the Undergraduate Program at New York University Rory Meyers College of Nursing. She is an Affiliate Faculty member of the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing (HIGN) where she serves as Co-Director of HIGN Scholars Program. Dr Gilles is also an Affiliate Associate Professor at Howard University College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences and Volunteer Associate Professor for the State University of Haiti.

Dr Gilles has a DNP from Monmouth University (2014), a MS in Adult Health Nursing from Hunter College, City University of New York, (Cum Laude, 2010) and a BS with a major in Nursing degree from Long Island University (With Honors, 2005). Dr Gilles is a certified Clinical Nurse Educator and is also certified in Critical Care Nursing. Dr Gilles has been an Adult Nurse Practitioner for 13 years, specializing in Neuro and Pain Management.

Dr Gilles is known for creating and implementing nontraditional immersive teaching/learning innovations to address nationally identified nursing education issues that will enhance student learning/program outcomes. She is regarded as a leader and prelicensure nursing education expert who has implemented curricular innovations that have been evidenced-based, creative and effective teaching strategies that span across multiple courses at Meyers and settings outside of Meyers, having a significant impact on student academic success and role transitions. Her contributions have helped enhance the nursing curriculum, filling identified gaps and answering the new Essentials call for all entry-level professional nurses to have knowledge and proficiencies to practice across a variety of settings in the spheres of wellness/disease prevention and chronic disease management.

Dr Gilles is passionate about the management of acute and chronic pain, as well as opioid overdose prevention. She is the Program Director of the Greater NYC Black Nurses Association Opioid Overdose Prevention Program. She has strong community advocacy and passion for global health, currently working with organizations aimed to serve the underprivileged and underserved communities in Haiti, Ghana, and Nigeria. She has been on seven medical missions. Dr. Gilles is currently a member of six professional organizations/associations, including serving as Past President and current Treasurer of Meyers' Sigma Upsilon Chapter, and Programming and Community Service Committee Chair for the Greater NYC Black Nurses Association. She currently serves as the Vice President of DNP's of Color. Dr Gilles is an NLN LEAD Alum (2019) Penn Wharton Nurse Executive Leader Alum (2020). She has received the NBNA Under 40 Award (2019), Nurse of the Year Award for Community Service (2020), and Advanced Practice Nurse of the Year Award (2022). She has also received the Leota P Brown Community Service Award from Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc (2021). Dr Gilles is the recipient of the GNYCBNA Nurse of the Year for Community Service (2021) and the NYU Meyers Humanitarian Award (2021). Dr Gilles is also a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine (2020). This fall, Dr Gilles will be inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing and Academy of Nursing Education.



Honoree



Jean-Herve Mondestin,
MSOL, RCP, BS-RRT

"I was born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. In the mid 1980's I migrated to the United States in Spring Valley NY. I graduated from Spring Valley High School and left for the United States Army in which I served six years. After serving in the Military,

I found myself attached to the community and I became a Deputy Sheriff, which I have been for the past 20 years. I have been blessed to serve the community at all levels. In 2010, I spent several days in Haiti assisting the humanitarian aid from the earthquake devastation.

Over the years, I attended Rockland Community College where I received an associate degree in respiratory therapy. I continued to pursue higher education at Nyack College, where I obtained a Bachelor Degree of Science in Management and a Master of Science in Organizational Leadership. I am currently a member of several organizations, including but not limited to: Bergen Community College Advisory Board Member, Haitian American Law Enforcement United, NYSFOP, Rockland County Shields and executive board Member of Rockland County

Sheriff TPU/Relief officers.

Proud father of three children; Brian is currently serving in the US Navy as a Division Commander and twins Gabriella and Justin are high school seniors.

My life passion is to serve and help people. As a Deputy Sheriff and Director of Respiratory Care Services and Sleep Medicine, I have been able to help people with the hope of changing their lives for the better and making a difference one day at a time. I am a recipient of the United States National Defense Service medal and accommodation letters of recognition from the US Senate and Rockland County Legislator."



Honoree



Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi

Xi Lambda Lambda Chapter was founded in Pomona, New York (Rockland County) on September 25, 2003 by a group of graduate and professional men. They had a vision of organizing a chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc which would serve the growing county and community.

Xi Lambda Lambda has performed many of the fraternity's mandated programs from Achievement Week to the Blood Drive to the Talent Hunt. We implemented and coordinated a Scholastic Aptitude Test preparatory course for Rockland area high school students with the assistance of members of Phi Delta Kappa, a Rockland African American teaching sorority. In 2006 launched our first Xi Lambda Lambda/Charles Drew Blood Drive at the Palisades Mall in West Nyack, New York. An added feature to the blood drive was the inclusion of a bone marrow drive. For the past three years Xi Lambda Lambda has provided college scholarships to four Rockland County male students who attend public high schools and who will be matriculating to college after graduating.

In compliance with Omega Psi Phi's National Social Action Program Xi Lambda Lambda has performed voter registration drives. In our most recent drive during the primary season, we registered well over 150 new voters. The drives were conducted at Rockland Community College in Suffern, New York.

In March of 2007 we embarked on our flagship program, the Rockland Omega AcaDemy (ROAD), a mentoring program for African American/Latino in grades 5 through 11. The program encompasses public speaking, financial literacy classes, study skills, etiquette training and host of other skills we feel will help the young men prosper and thrive in this challenging world.

The chapter chartered a bus to take the ROAD mentees, their parents, and others in the Rockland community to the presidential inauguration of America's first African American President, Barack Obama in the nation's capital. The mentees were also taken to the movie premiere of "The Express." Future plans for the ROAD mentees include traveling to upstate New York this year on an outdoor weekend camping trip. The program is funded in part through grants written by our tax-exempt financial arm, the Rockland Omega Community Development Foundation, Inc, a 501(c) (3) organization.

During the years 2004 and 2005 we held an art auction with great success. In 2007 the chapter presented its first Jazz Brunch. The jazz brunch, which is held on the third Sunday of February, has not only been a financial success but serves as great entertainment and enjoyment for those that have attended. This event has become a staple in Rockland that sells itself.

The chapter held its first two Talent Hunt Programs in 2008 and 2009. On Sunday, March 16, 2008, Xi Lambda Lambda was selected to host the Corridor 5 Memorial Service. The venue for this program was the Pilgrim Baptist Church in Nyack, New York. Over 100 members of the fraternity from Long Island to Albany as well as the surrounding states were in attendance.



Honoree



Radio Panik is a privately owned radio, known as the multi and intercultural, a safe place for debates and a great platform for creativity.

Radio Panik was founded in 1983, an initiative of a group of people fighting against racism and people's rights. Their motivation, since then remained the same: The objectives of the association are to contribute, first and foremost by diffusing news, by promoting the social structure of the population in several regions. The goal is to assure the real emancipation of individuals with respect regardless of their stand in cultural and political debates.

Radio Panik has been part of the very first generation of radio promoting freedom of speech and fighting on behalf of the greater good of knowledge. Throughout the years, Radio Panik never lost their vision, to promote LIBERTY, INDEPENDENCE, AND DIVERSITY. The radio had different addresses at Saint-Josse and at Schaerbeek, hence the reason radio Panik has covered both local and international news, by welcoming the diverse community which makes Bruxelles the center of

a vast cultural space without borders, which led to accepting parallels expressions within the radio, allowing something different emerged.

Today, Radio Panik has had the support of the French Minister of Communication since 2006, and since 2011 the radio has been recognized as a permanent association education platform. Since 2008, Radio Panik has had the status of "radio associative and expression a vocation Culturelle ou d'éducation permanente". Radio Panik promotes association and expression of cultural vocation and permanent education.



Panik Radio
WRCR AM 1700



Honoree



Dr. Frances Pratt
Past President of the
Nyack Branch NAACP

Dr. Frances Ethel Powell Pratt is a native of Chester County, SC, the tenth child of the Powell family. She received her primary education in the Chester County public school system and graduated from Friendship Junior College in Rock Hill, South Carolina before studying Religious Education at Barber Scotia College in Concord, North Carolina. After relocating to Nyack, New York, her compassion for helping others led her to later enroll in the Nursing Program at SUNY Rockland Community College in Suffern, New York and after earning a nursing degree and passing the New York State Board of Nursing Licensure Examination to receive her RN, she climbed the ranks to become the first African American to serve in the position of Head Nurse in the Emergency Room of Nyack Hospital.

After retiring in January 2000, Dr. Pratt was called back to full time duty in August 2001 where she was appointed to administration to become the manager of the newly formed Employee Health Services. The Nyack Hospital Emergency Waiting Room is named after Frances E. Pratt, and has a mounted portrait and plaque of Dr. Pratt on its wall. The hospital also established a Positive Image Scholarship

Award in her honor to be given annually in her name; and in 2005 paid tribute to Dr. Pratt by planting and dedicating a Peace Rose Garden in her honor on the campus of the hospital. Her picture also adorns the wall of the Legislative Building, County Seat of Rockland in New City, and June 29, 2005 was declared "Frances Pratt Day" in Rockland County by then County Legislature Chairwoman, Harriet Cornell.

Described by an associate as a "soldier for social justice and civil rights in Rockland County", she is respected by all who know her. She served as the president of the Nyack Branch NAACP for over 40 years. Although recently retired, she continues to champion the rights of the marginalized and underserved in Rockland. Dr. Pratt was awarded an honorary doctorate degree from Nyack College in 2015 and her outstanding service, splendid leadership, dynamic personality, and love of God have earned her many more prestigious awards and honors from nearly every facet of the Rockland Community. She was recently awarded the County's highest honor - the Key to the County - by the Rockland County Legislature, and the Village Board of South Nyack has renamed the street where she has lived for over 50 years "Dr. Frances Pratt Way". Dr. Pratt's stalwart dedication to serving humanity is a blossom that was planted during her childhood, by her third-grade teacher who shared this adage - *"If a task is once begun, never leave it until its done... Be the labor great or small, do it well or not at all."* We all owe that teacher a debt of gratitude!

Dr. Pratt was married to the late Marshall Pratt and has one daughter, Carol Paul; three grandchildren, Gerald, Jermaine and Patricia; and three great-grandchildren, Hannah, Nicholas and Mason. Her family remains the source of her greatest pride, satisfaction and accomplishment.

About HANA

Haitian American Nurses Association of Hudson Valley, New York, Inc.

Mission

To provide nurses the opportunity to unite as a group, to share and provide ideas of interest, and to become effectively involved with the issues and services relevant to the health and welfare of communities in the United States and abroad.

Vision

HANA's strategic vision is to be recognized nationally and internationally as a world-class nursing organization. HANA believes that every nurse has the ability to serve, lead, educate and empower others towards a healthier life, and be a catalyst for change.

Profile

The Haitian American Nurses Association of Florida Inc. (HANA) is a 501 (c) 3, non-profit membership organization established since 1984. Alice Casimir and Jacqueline Dasque, two registered professional nurses practicing in Miami and other professionals saw the need to establish, an organization that would provide health care services to migrant workers in the Homestead, Florida area.

Currently HANA comprises of nine chapters in the United States, HANA of Florida, HANA of Hudson Valley, New York, HANA of Greater New York, HANA of Georgia, HANA of Illinois, HANA of Tampa, HANA of Orlando, HANA of Garden State, and HANA of West Palm Beach. HANA of Hudson Valley, formally known as Rockland County. Inc. was founded in 2008. HANA fosters awareness and commitment to providing excellent nurses services. Additionally, the organization strives to increase the enrollment of nursing students through education and mentoring opportunities as well as creating community networking opportunities for its members. HANA continues to provide scholarships for students enrolled in local nursing schools, as in Haiti and the United States. HANA had developed a teaching project initiative to send volunteer nurses to Haiti to raise the level of nursing care and promote quality patient care in order for the nurses to become effectively involved in the betterment of the healthcare system of Haiti and the United States.



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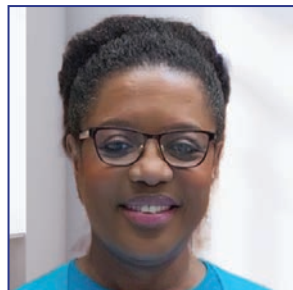
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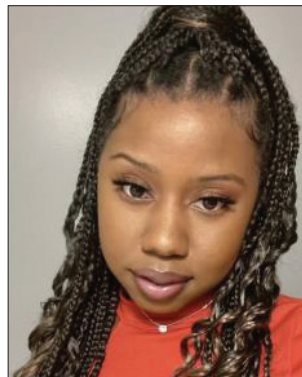
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Scholarship Recipients



Jonathan Thomas *"What is my purpose on this earth? It took me years before I realized that my purpose was to serve others in need and several more years after that, for me to figure out how I planned to do it. As a future nurse it is my dream to work hard and continue to help others in need. I believe that the sky's the limit for me and that one day I can become the doctor that my family and most importantly myself always knew that I could be."*

Jonathan is a Physical Therapy Assistant. He is attending the Accelerated Second Degree Nursing program at Mercy University with an anticipated graduation date of 05-2024.



Victoria Gachette *"I enjoy working with people and making a difference in people's lives, whether big or small. I enjoy putting smiles on people's faces."*

Victoria is a Certified Nursing Assistant & a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Instructor. She is attending the Accelerated Second Degree Nursing program at Mercy University, where she will obtain a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Nursing with an anticipated graduation date 05-2025.



Mirlouse Telcy *"Helping others and witnessing them receive the proper support gives me a sense of fulfillment in my life. I aspire to one day be able to do a medical mission or provide excellent medical care as a nurse in Haiti where I was born."*

Mirlouse is pursuing a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Nursing at Chamberlain University with an anticipated date of graduation of 12-31-2024.

Scholarship Recipients



Cynthia Brunette *"Haiti's history of resilience has instilled in me a profound sense of duty to contribute to the welfare of others. The prospect of being at the forefront of patient care, advocating for their well-being, and delivering holistic support fills me with a sense of excitement."*

Cynthia at the College of Mount Saint Vincent with an anticipated graduation date of 12-2023.



Ashley Jean-Baptiste *"My desire to alleviate the suffering of others motivates me to pursue a career in nursing. Nursing will prepare me for a rewarding career in healthcare, where I can use my passion for human services to serve patients and their families."*

Ashley is pursuing a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Nursing at Monroe College.



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September 23, 2023

Greetings!

Congratulations to the Haitian American Nurses Association (HANA) of Hudson Valley, New York on their 6th Annual Nursing Education Symposium 2023 and the 15th Annual Scholarship Fundraising & Awards Gala. On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Haitian Alliance Nurses Association International (HANA-I), I applaud Mme. President Florence Pierre-Pierre, BBA, BSN, RN for being well-poised, compassionate, and empathetic to her team and to the community while leading this wonderful organizations. I have witnessed the true dedication, passion, and commitment of the leaders and members of HANA of Hudson Valley, and I must say how proud I am of this chapter. The Theme of the Nursing Education Symposium: Promoting Health Equity, Leadership, and Professional Development is timely and relevant for all nurses.

HANA of Hudson Valley, NY continues to be a force and a beacon of hope in the community locally and abroad helping many including nursing students, aspiring nurses, and supporting other HANA chapters by being present, and excellence. As we celebrate this significant milestone of HANA, let's also applaud and appreciate the Members, Advisory Board Members, and Community Leaders who have contributed significantly and impacting many lives in the community despite many challenges such as COVID-19 that impacted the world, Earthquake Disasters, and others.

Tonight, I salute and honor you for being the great supporter you are and for being resilient, strong, and courageous. I am extremely pleased to see other Chapter Leaders came to support HANA of Hudson Valley, NY on this incredible milestone. It is without question that HANA of Hudson Valley, NY is one of the most respected and reputable chapter/organizations that embodies the spirit of excellence, and collaboration. Enjoy your evening!

All the best,

Marie O. Etienne, DNP, APRN, FNP, PNP, PLNC

President, Haitian Alliance Nurses Association International (HANA)-I



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Monday, September 4th, 2023

Dear Haitian American Nurses Association of Hudson Valley
I would like to extend my warmest congratulations as you are hosting your
15th Annual Scholarship & Fundraising Awards Gala. This is truly a notable
milestone worth celebrating and I am honored to be a part of this significant
occasion.

Your organization's commitment to excellence has touched the lives of
countless individuals and communities in immeasurable ways. Your untiring
efforts have provided an inspiration of hope for the less fortunate, and
underserved. To witness firsthand the impact your organization has had on
the lives of people and society at large is astounding.

As you commemorate this momentous event, I want to express my gratitude
for the wonderful work you have done and continue to do. Your unwavering
dedication, passion, and perseverance in promoting H.A.N.A. as a renowned
world class organization has inspired others to follow in your footsteps.
I wish you all the best and look forward to celebrating.



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Dear Esteemed Members of HANA of Hudson Valley, NY, Inc.,

On behalf of the Haitian American Nurses Association of Illinois (HANA-IL), it is with immense pride and joy that I extend our heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of your 6th Annual Symposium. This event signifies not only a celebration of your remarkable achievements but also a testament to your unwavering commitment to the healthcare community in Hudson Valley and beyond.

As we celebrate this momentous occasion, we also pay homage to the pioneers and visionaries who have paved the way for us all. The symposium serves as a platform to not only reflect on the past but also to look forward to a future filled with possibilities. Your dedication to championing diversity, equity, and inclusion in healthcare is a beacon of hope and a model for others to follow.

HANA believes in the power of unity and collaboration among Haitian nurses across the globe. Your symposium serves as a testament to the strength of our collective efforts. Together, we are shaping the future of nursing, and your symposium stands as a shining example of the positive impact that can be achieved when like-minded individuals come together for a common cause.

Looking ahead, we are confident that HANA of Hudson Valley, NY, Inc. will continue to flourish and make significant contributions to the nursing profession and the communities you serve. Your dedication to excellence and your commitment to providing culturally competent care will undoubtedly leave an indelible mark on the world of healthcare.

Once again, please accept our warmest congratulations on this remarkable achievement. May your 6th Annual Symposium be a resounding success, and may HANA of Hudson Valley, NY, Inc. continue to thrive, inspire, and lead the way in nursing excellence.

Warmest Regards,

Patricia Nabal, DNP, BS, FNP, RN-BC
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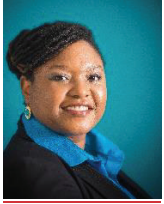


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August 30th, 2023

Esteemed colleagues of HANA of Hudson Valley

HANA of Tampa would like to congratulate you on your 15th annual scholarship and fundraising gala!

15 years of contributing to your communities and the HANA organization as whole is no small feat. You have exemplified “Promoting health equity, leadership and professional development” as the heading of your 6th annual symposium suggests. As your sister chapter we have witnessed your continuous contributions to the Hudson Valley communities you serve. We pray that this celebration creates a small preview of what your next 15 years have to bring. As a smaller chapter we continue to thrive on the legacy you have laid for us. We wish you a very successful event!

We Are HANA!

Sincerest regards,
Edline Pierre, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC
President
HANA of Tampa

---“Setting goals turn the invisible to visible” (Tony Robbins)



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September 2023

Dear Madam President Pierre- Pierre,

I hope this letter finds you in excellent health and high spirits. With great pleasure and gratitude, I extend my sincerest thanks to the entire Haitian American Nurses Association of Hudson Valley as you celebrate your 15th year of nursing leadership and community service. *“15 ane se pa 15 jou”* Your unwavering dedication to nursing and your commitment to serving the community is truly commendable. Your organization’s impact over the years is immeasurable, and your annual scholarship fundraising gala on September 23rd, 2023, is a testament to the invaluable work you do. The scholarship and awards you will be presenting to at your annual gala exemplify your dedication to the future of our profession. By supporting the education of aspiring nurses, you are investing in their futures and contributing to the advancement of healthcare as a whole. Furthermore, the recognition you will bestow upon nursing and non-nursing community members underscores the importance of unity and collaboration in making positive change within our communities. To witness your organization honor those who have made exceptional contributions to society is truly an auspicious occasion.

The Executive Board and general membership wish to wholeheartedly commend you on your efforts to sustain your annual nursing symposium as well. Your symposium has become a staple event and a prequel to your Gala. Your chapter continues to offer poignant topics relevant to nursing practice. This year your focus on promoting equity, leadership, and professional development in nursing is timely and crucial in today's healthcare landscape. Your Chapter’s pledge to continuous annual educational offerings illustrates that you remain committed to sharing, knowledge, and providing a scholarly platform for the exchange of information that impact the profession of nursing. Grateful am I for the tireless efforts of the Haitian-American Nurses Association of Hudson Valley. Inc. Your toils have a positive impact on the brand that we so adore. Madam President your leadership and service not only elevates the nursing profession but also inspires all of us to contribute meaningfully to the betterment of our society.

I want to extend my heartfelt congratulations on your 15th anniversary, offering felicitations to the honorees and scholars. We eagerly look forward to celebrating this milestone with you. Once again, thank you for your dedication to nursing leadership, community service, and the pursuit of excellence.

In the Spirit of Sisterhood and Love,

Kelynn J. Oristel

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September 23, 2023

On behalf of the Haitian American Nurses Association of Florida, Inc. I congratulate the Haitian American Nurses Association of Hudson Valley New York on a successful 15th Annual Scholarship Fundraising and Awards Gala. We are honored to be part of a movement that continues to unify nurses to focus on the health and welfare of the community, collaborating, and assisting in the growth of the association. As a sister chapter, we congratulate Mme President Florence Pierre-Pierre and the Board Members for their outstanding leadership and exceptional service to the community. Thank you to HANA of Hudson Valley for their continued service and collaboration.

As we celebrate these milestones, we applaud all the members, speakers, and sponsors for taking part in such a prestigious event. HANA's greatest assets are the members, but also the non-members including partners, sponsors, advisors, and volunteers who contribute by giving their time and resources necessary to help accomplish the association's ambitious goals. We acknowledge the importance of collaboration and inclusivity especially with all HANA chapters and other organizations. Congratulations to all the Honorees and Scholarship Recipients. The legacy lives on!

Sincerely,

Katiana St Thomas Azemar

Katiana St Thomas Azemar, MSNEd, RN
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Congratulations HANA of Hudson Valley

We are proud you have spent 15 years caring for and educating our community!

We want to thank you for your admirable efforts. The Executive Team and members of the Haitian American Nurses Association of Garden State extend our warmest congratulations to HANA of Hudson Valley, New York, for their exceptional accomplishments and steadfast commitment to improving, and strengthen the community health education to ensure exceptional care delivery. We are proud to recognize the worth of your hard work and dedication.

We are excited about your future endeavors and the path you pave for others to follow. Your courage and persistence in facing life's challenges and changes are worth acknowledging and admirable. We celebrate all your accomplishments and your enthusiastic drive to achieve your mission.

Congratulations to all the members of the HANA of Hudson Valley team and the winners of the awards!

Respectfully,

Carline P. Eliezer, MSN, APRN, AGNP, D. Min (h.c).

President, HANA of Garden State

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WHO WE ARE OUR MISSION

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Haitian American Nurses Association

Top Ten Reasons for Joining HANA

- 1 Do it for YOURSELF!:** HANA is all about you, the person. HANA's educational, networking, scholarships programs, etc.... will take you where you want to go. The youth, students and communities we help today will help frame our future. We will rely on those same people and communities to care for us when we are no longer able to do so for ourselves.
- 2 Showcase your ethnic pride:** Our homeland receives a lot of negative press and criticism. Those of us who are part of that culture know that we are much more than the sum of our problems. We have done a lot to better humanity and we are great contributors to society.
- 3 Advance your Career:** HANA members enjoy educational opportunities and access to vital information to increase their knowledge base and keep up with the newest trends in the global community and in their profession.
- 4 Serve your profession:** HANA members have access to opportunities to serve on international and local committees that work on a variety of issues from building the core body of professional knowledge to building public trust in the philanthropic process.
- 5 Advertise your integrity:** HANA has earned the respect of the community. HANA holds its members to the highest Code of Ethical Principles and Standards. When you join HANA you align yourself with like-minded practitioners.
- 6 Advocate for your profession:** Serious minded professionals know that serving the profession means responding to calls for action from those who represent the profession. HANA monitors trends in the health care industry, regulation, and practice standards and routinely advise members on required action.
- 7 Earn the ultimate reward:** HANA members get the opportunity to serve humanity in a way that rewards the ultimate in gratification. Members who serve will tell you that there is no greater joy or sense of accomplishment than serving people who are in great need of that service.
- 8 Network with others who do what you do:** Making connecting is important part of growing yourself, causes that you believe in, and your profession. Through information sharing, you will be able to use available recourses to advance your goal.
- 9 Be a part of a unified force:** The power of unity is known to all of us. But we often seem to forget it when it comes to individual success. Consider this quote: *"One man may hit the mark, another blunder; but heed not these distinctions. Only from the alliance of the one, working with and through the other, are great things born."* - Antoine de Saint-Exupery
- 10 Proclaim your professionalism:** Adding your name to the ranks of the many nurses and other volunteer professionals giving back to their community declares your pride in the profession you have chosen.



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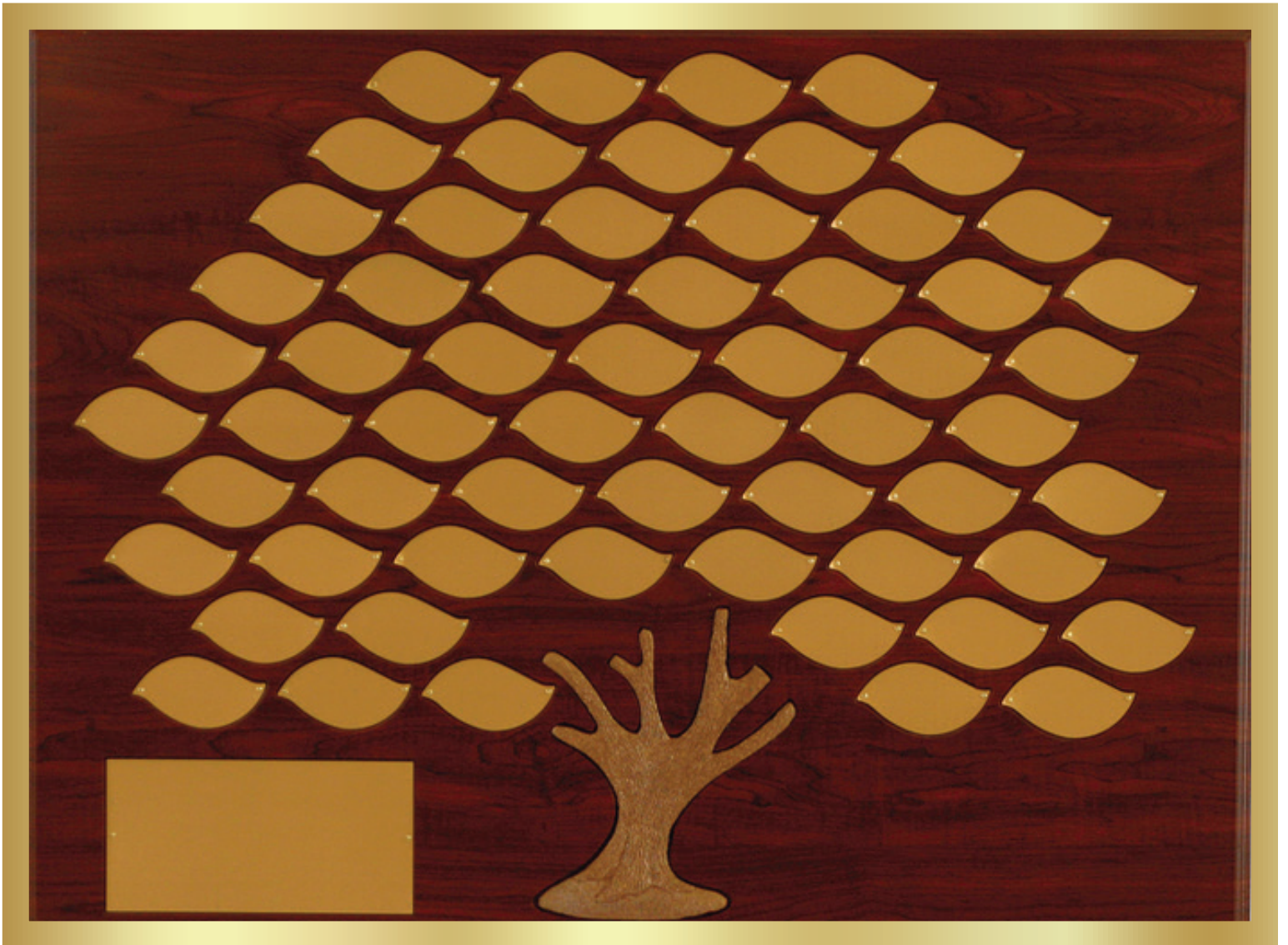
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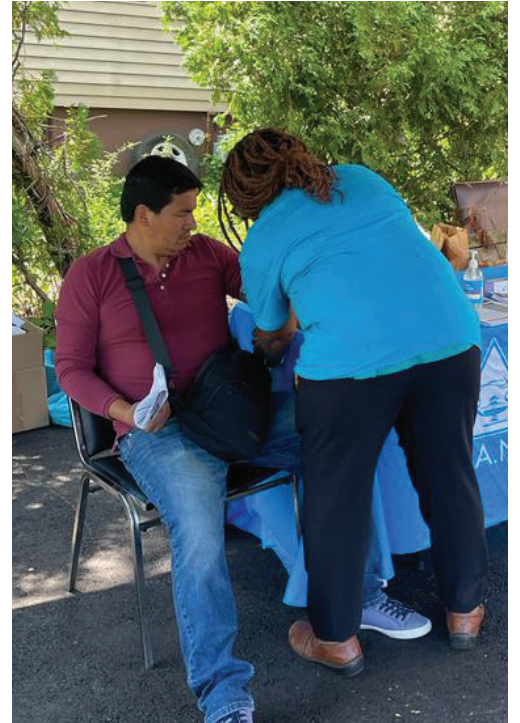
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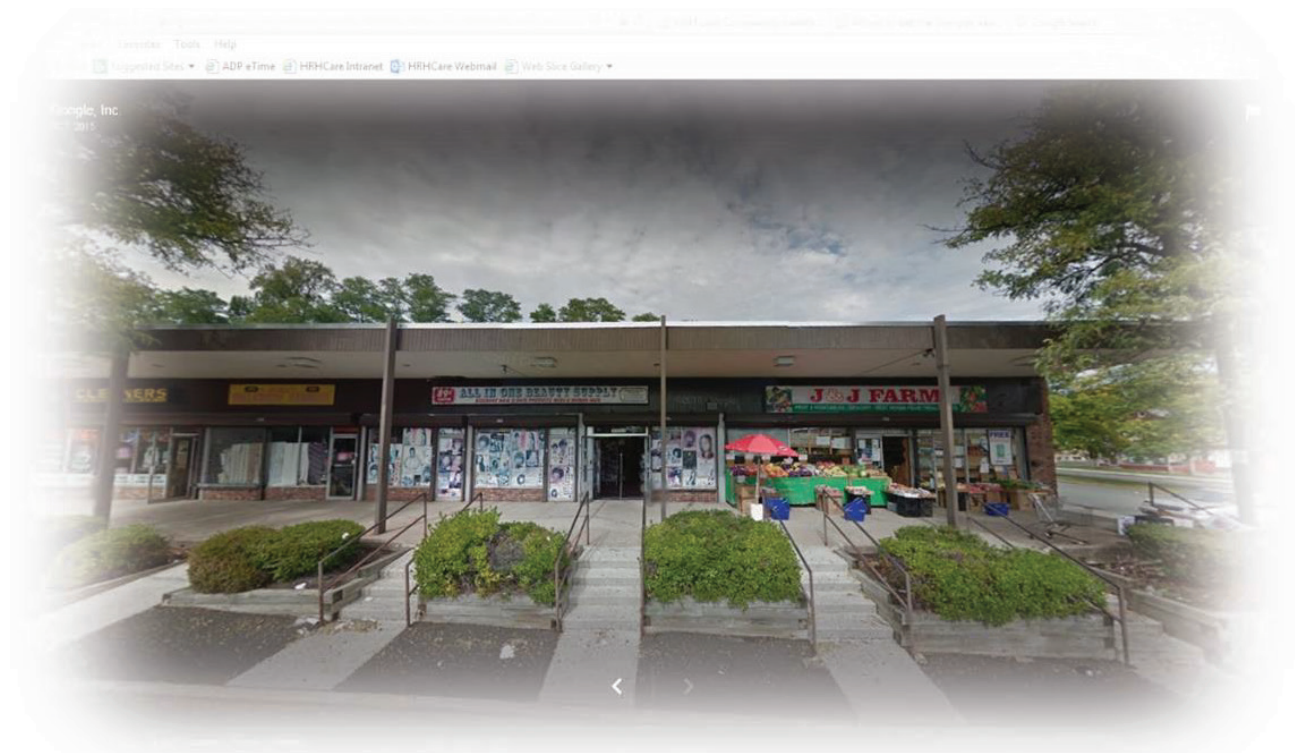
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With many successful exhibitions under his belt, Joel Lucien is a seasoned professional artist. He focuses on capturing the authentic cultural dynamic in his paintings, aiming to depict the simplicity of life through a combination of color, texture and culturism. His exhibitions have been housed in institutions such as the Galleria Mamet, Galleria Nader, and Expecion gallery and other worldly tours to Canada, France, Europe and now the United States of America. He studied art at the Academy de Brosou in 1985 to learn the essence of painting and to enhance his ability to bring his art to life. He has also had exposure in Santo Domingo, Jamaica, St. Martin, and other surrounding West Indian countries. His photos have been featured on various websites such as medalia Art caribbean and latin american art. Joel's work has been bought and sold at record prices by local and traveling art collectors.

As a father 3 and of Haitian descent, Joel has been committed to continue to enhance and expand his love of painting, his abilities as entrepreneur and exhibitionist. His goal is to become the next household name of all things art.

Joel Lucien
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**Love, Willy and Michele Paraison
and your HANA family.**



Congratulations
Michelle & Willy Paraison
on reaching this remarkable
milestone of celebrating 50 years
together! You are truly an inspiration
to us all!
Wishing you continued blessings,
dedication, much love & happiness!

Bibiane & Vince Sykes

Happy Anniversary!!!
To a wonderful couple.
You are the perfect example of a
Perfect Couple. May your beautiful
bond continue to grow with each
passing year. You have shown
the world that true Love Still
exists. May the freshness of your
Love always Remain...
Olivia-Petitfort

Dear Michelle and Willie
Congratulations on your 50th wedding
anniversary. Enjoy all the wonderful
memories that come with celebrating your
Golden Anniversary.
May the Almighty God continue
to bless you in every way.
Georges Mylene F. Ouereette



Marriage is the union
of two people bound
by God. It is your
faith, your everlasting
love for one and other
and your love of God
that has carried
you through 50 years
of marriage.
Congratulations
Willy and Michele!!!
Love Jen and David



Michele + Willy you have been
together through the good
times + bad, in sickness +
in health, in challenging +
easy situations, + come
out on top. Your love is
still stunning.
Cheers, to celebrating 50 Years!!!
HAPPY GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY!!!

XOXOXO
Farrah + Frank

Finding love is a blessing
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a lifetime is a match
made from heaven
Happy Anniversary
Augustine ♡

à Michèle Et Willy Paraison,

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beaucoup d'applaudissements. Se trouver
à s'aimer et se tenir la main depuis
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discord, le désaccord et le divorce. Ses
mésaventures n'ont pas réussi à asphyxier
votre amour. Il vit encore et il a de beaux
jours devant lui.
Je vous envie à être fier de vous et
du parcours réussi. Que les bénédictions
du ciel continuent de se déverser sur vous
et sur votre famille. Santé et longévité.
Bon anniversaire,
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grow stronger
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