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CUTLINE: Forty-two students join 1,083 before them as graduates of the Associate Degree Nursing program at Southern State Community College during a pinning ceremony celebrating (first row, 1-r) Shannon Lester, Kaitlyn Allison, Chelsea Woodruff, Shanna Hamlin, Halie Hanscel, Sydney Rooker, Jean Meyers, Stacey Jett; (second row, 1-r) Cynthia Hodge, Sharon Hughes, Robbin Wightman, Gabrielle Sugden, Heather Hodge, Laura Jordan, Bethany Powell, Heather Stapleton, Tosha Caldwell; (third row, 1-r) Emily Bourne, Twolla Minton, Amanda York, Sarah Newman, Jennifer Patrick, Jordan Beasley, Melynda Rodgers, Shannon Cornett, Jenessa Poe, Chelsey Glockner; (fourth row, 1-r) Holly Tackett, Crystal McCravy, Stephanie Veloski, Judy Hettinger, Sarah Kiger, Dion Bowman, Terri Bowman Penn, Paige Shreffler, Dolores Errington, Virginia Nichols, and Scott Mescher. Not pictured: Ashley Medley, Vanessa Schoettle, Kimberly Shrout, and Nicole Surina (Photo by Bev Hottle)

SSCC's Associate Degree Nursing program celebrates graduation

Forty-two graduates of Southern State Community College's Associate Degree Nursing program were recognized during a recent pinning ceremony at the college's Central Campus in Hillsboro.

Graduate Holly Tackett opening the evening ceremony with the welcome and introductions, followed by administrative greetings by SSCC President Dr. Kevin Boys and SSCC Director of Nursing Dr. Julianne Krebs.

"We're proud—and grateful—for the career field you have chosen," said Dr. Kevin Boys, SSCC President, who welcomed the guests and congratulated the students on their accomplishments in the nursing program.

Dr. Julianne Krebs, director of Southern State's nursing program, introduced the college's nursing faculty and staff. "Join us in the excitement and joy as we celebrate the passage of these graduates into the nursing practice," said Dr. Krebs.

Following the welcome and introductions, the Jacobson Memorial Scholarship Award was presented. In 2000, a scholarship was established to honor JoAnne Jacobson, who taught for the college's nursing program from 1986-96. The Jacobson Memorial Scholarship Award is presented to a nursing student during the ADN pinning by members of the Jacobson family. First-level nursing student Makayla Campbell was awarded this year's scholarship.

During the pinning of graduates, friends and family members of nursing students were welcomed to join their loved ones on stage and present the graduates with the Associate Degree Nursing graduate pins.

Graduate Shannon Cornett led the lighting of the candle while the ADN graduates recited the Florence Nightingale Pledge. Closing remarks were delivered by graduate Dion Bowman.

The 2015 graduating class includes, from **Adams County**, Jordan Beasley of Peebles, Rodney Dion Bowman of Winchester, Dolores Errington of Seaman, Heather Hodge of Winchester, Paige Shreffler of Winchester, and Heather Stapleton# of West Union; from **Brown** County, Cynthia Hodge of Sardinia, Sarah Newman*# of Hamersville, Jennifer Patrick* of Georgetown; and Amanda York# of Sardinia; from Butler County, Scott Mescher of Fairfield; from Clermont County, Shannon Cornett*# of Goshen, Sarah Kiger of Felicity, and Jenessa Poe*# of Batavia; from Clinton County, Ashley Medley of Wilmington, and Chelsea Woodruff of Sabina; from Fayette County, Halie Hanscel of Washington C.H., Nicole Surina*# of Washington C.H., and Robbin Wightman of Washington C.H.; from Greene County, Kaitlyn Allison* of Xenia; from **Highland County**, Emily Bourne* of Hillsboro, Sharon Hughes* of Hillsboro, Laura Jordan of Hillsboro, Crystal McCravy of Hillsboro, Jean Meyers*# of Leesburg, Twolla Minton of Hillsboro, Virginia Nichols of Hillsboro, Bethany Powell*# of Hillsboro, Melynda Rodgers of Greenfield, Sydney Rooker of Leesburg, Vanessa Schoettle of Greenfield, Kimberly Shrout of Hillsboro, and Gabrielle Sugden of Hillsboro; from Pike County, Judy Hettinger of Lucasville, Holly Tackett* of Piketon, and Stephanie Veloski of Wakefield; from Ross County, Shanna Hamlin of Bainbridge, Stacey Jett of Bainbridge, Shannon Lester of Bainbridge, and Terri Bowman-Penn* of Bainbridge; and from Scioto County, Tosha Caldwell of Portsmouth, and Chelsey Glockner of Wheelersburg. (* denotes college honors; # denotes members of Phi Theta Kappa honor society).

For more information about Southern State's associate degree in nursing program, please visit www.sscc.edu/academics/associate/nursing.shtml. To learn more about Southern State Community College, please call 1-800-628-7722, email info@sscc.edu or visit www.sscc.edu.