Greetings from Your New President

By Sharon Redding

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Report from The Board

A ction on a top item of the agenda of the Alumni Association’s fall meeting at the Millwood Center will soon have an impact on funds available to advance nursing education and practice at current and past HOPE program sites.

The group finalized the criteria for awards made from the Aeschilman Fund, established in 2016 to honor the outstanding contributions of Dorothy Aeschilman, a HOPE nurse in China.

In other business, board members reviewed two Rekindling Gifts to nursing education programs in Natal and Maceio supported by the Lee Olive Harrison Fund. Education equipment and models purchased from 3B Scientifica of Brazil were shipped to the programs in July. Former HOPE nurses, Teri O’Brien de Brito and Barbara Pinto de Campos, who live in Brazil, were instrumental in planning, distributing, and publicizing these gifts.

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CHANGING COURSE

Project HOPE Renews Its Focus on Clinical Practice

Fellow HOPIEs,

The world is a very different place than it was 60 years ago, as a ship was being outfitted for its first voyage as the SS HOPE. Today, we live under an entirely different global paradigm — with new challenges, new priorities and new possibilities.

To survive during times of change, organizations must adapt … to rethink where they fit … to refocus objectives and strategies to avoid irrelevance.

Organizations like ours that are committed to thrive go further. We see our success as a matter of moral obligation, because lives depend on the work we do. We see change as a test of how committed we are to what we know to be true. A test of our devotion to the people we serve.

We are re-calibrating our compass to better partner with those in need. Our journey is far from complete. We are recommitting our organization to one overarching mission: We will solve some of the world’s greatest health challenges by putting true power in the hands of local health workers. By making an impact that endures and spreads wherever we are called to serve.

You, as HOPE volunteers, are — as you have always been — our real power. It is your knowledge, your kindness, and your commitment that have brought us to this point and that will propel us into the future.

Change is never easy, but we are changing in a direction that you have endorsed. We’re focusing our energy not to supplying medicines, but to teaching our colleagues around the world how to provide health care in the best possible way. We will educate, and we will innovate.

In one way, we’re not changing at all — you’ve been doing this all along. Thank you.

With respect and gratitude,

Dr. Tom Kenyon, M.D., M.P.H.
CEO and Proud HOPIE

For more information on Project HOPE’s new direction, visit www.projecthope.org/HOPIEmanifesto and read the “Project HOPE Manifesto” and the Mission/Values/Vision Statement.
Dear HOPIE,

We kindly ask for your support of Project HOPE as we steer our course in a new direction. You above all know the importance of our work, and you above all have been generous with your time and talent. Please add your financial gift now, and help us plan for a new, lifesaving future.

**YES! I am happy to add my support along with other HOPIEs.**

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Our heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of our colleagues.

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Dr. John Wilhelm was recognized for his leadership as President from 2013-2017. His efforts resulted in updating the membership database of the Alumni Association, extensive revision of the HOPE archives, and the development of an online history of HOPE volunteer activities. Deb Reister and Irene Machado who were heavily involved in the projects were also commended.

Alumni Association members are looking forward to 2018 for the 60th Anniversary of Project HOPE and the 40th Anniversary of the Alumni Association. It’s going to be a great year!