



Inside Bay Path Class of 2021's transformation for Nurse Nostalgia Portraits

CHARLTON — A Boston photographer, a beauty queen, and a Bay Path Cosmetology Instructor comprised the glam team that made Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy's PN Class of 2021 transform into Florence Nightingale during their Nurse Nostalgia portrait sittings.

Since 2016, professional photographer Carlos Castro of Framingham has been taking creative portraits of the Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy practical nursing graduates at the campus in Charlton. Assisting Castro by providing touch-ups with make-up and styling was Rita Thorne of Acton. Thorne is a Sephora Beauty Consultant and holds multiple pageant titles such as Mrs. Philippines International 2015, Mrs. 1stFriends Indeed USA 2015, and Mrs. ServeCare International 2017. Completing the glam team is McKenna Daniels of Webster, making sure that each graduate's hair and nurse's cap is perfectly placed.

The PN Class of 2021 graciously embraced the Nurse Nostalgia tradition and joyfully

posed in their white graduation outfits with heritage stoles through a grant from #Walmartgiving; the traditional graduation robe with Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy medallion, another gown with the Academy logo embroidered on the left chest, and a few fun shots with various props such as their stethoscope, a loved one's portrait, and #nurselife sign. Their nurse nostalgia portraits will be used for announcements upon the graduates' successful passing of the NCLEX-PN.

Like most success stories, completing their practical nursing journey and receiving their certificates was not easy as the graduates combined their rigorous schooling with working a time-demanding job, and for some balancing life and love life.

"They made it despite it all, and the COVID-19 pandemic included," said Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN Academy Director.

"The nurse nostalgia portraits highlight the graduates and their roles as front-line workers," she added. "I am

grateful to Charlie, Rita, and McKenna for volunteering their time to make the sitting such a special time for the graduates. Since 2016, we have been hoping that the nurse nostalgia portraits celebrate our brave women graduates and encourage young people into nursing."

The Nurse Nostalgia Photoshoot was also made possible by the coordinating efforts of Brianna Pincince-McLeish of Brookfield. Entering the world of nursing is a daunting task. Taking the first step, although not easy came naturally for Brianna because her mother, Tammy is also an LPN. Coordinating the Nurse Nostalgia Portraits brought out Brianna's leadership skills. Her experience at the Nurse Nostalgia Portraits was made more special because she shared sitting time with her best friend Sonya Ugrinow of Southbridge. Both graduates found comfort and excelled in each other's company. The graduates were grateful for the glam team who made their sitting fun and memorable.

Khamphan Houatchanthara receives Clinical Excellence Award from Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy



Photo Courtesy Jennifer DeFilippo, MSN Ed, RN awarding Khamphan her Clinical Excellence Award.

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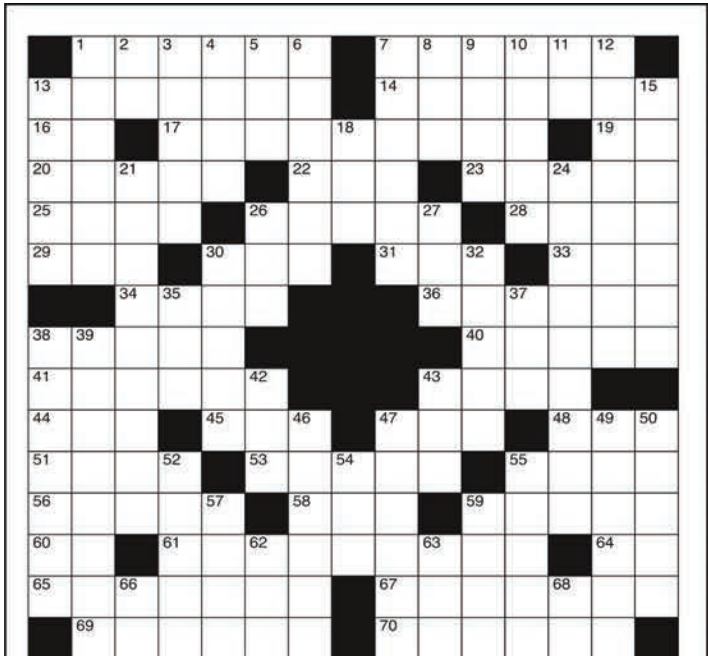
Southbridge, is the PN Class of 2021 Award Recipient of the Clinical Excellence Award. Houatchanthara received the award for her distinguished clinical performance throughout her training and education at Bay Path RVTHS Practical Nursing Academy.

Houatchanthara received the Clinical Excellence Award, an engraved crystal woven plate from Tiffany & Co., at the official Graduation and Pinning Ceremony at the Lakeside Pavilion of the Indian Ranch on June 25. Houatchanthara attended Southbridge High School in Southbridge, Ma and graduated in 2001. She completed her asso-

ciate in Criminal Justice degree and her Certified Nursing Certificate at Quinsigamond Community College. She obtained her Medical Assistant Certificate at Bay Path Regional Vocational Night School in 2009. She has been with Simon Says Pizza Chef in Southbridge as a Manager since 1999.

While at Bay Path Practical Nursing Academy, Houatchanthara was active with the UNICEF Club and various fundraising activities for charitable causes. She participated in the Admissions Panel Interview and the Mock Code Team. She received a Random Act of Kindness (RAK) recognition and honor cord. She is Dementia Care Certified, Mental Health First Aid Certified, and completed the COVID-19 Contact Tracing at Johns Hopkins University.

"We congratulate Khamphan for this immense honor and wholeheartedly applaud her family for their love and support. Khamphan is a revered practical nursing student for her kindness and provision of compassionate care. We are so very happy that she is recognized for her Clinical Excellence," said, Gretheline Bolandrina, DHA, MSN Ed, RN, CRRN, Academy Director.

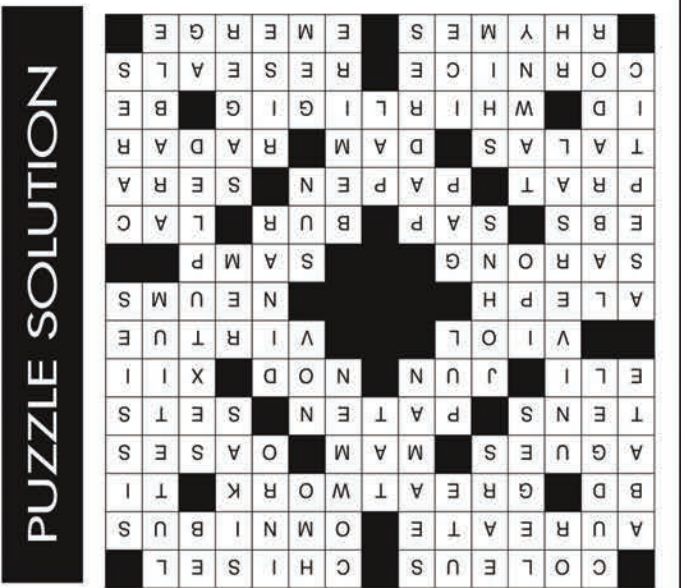


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Plant of the mint family
- 7. Hand tool
- 13. Made of the color of gold
- 14. A volume of several novels
- 16. Type of degree
- 17. Good job!
- 19. Seventh tone in major scale
- 20. Fevers
- 22. One's mother
- 23. Fertile desert spots
- 25. Large integers
- 26. Plate for Eucharist
- 28. Tennis matches have them
- 29. Peyton's little brother
- 30. Monetary unit of N. Korea
- 31. Head movement
- 33. Twelve
- 34. Renaissance musical instrument
- 36. Behavior showing high moral standards
- 38. Letter of the Hebrew alphabet
- 40. Notes to be sung
- 41. Women's garment
- 43. Coarsely ground corn
- 44. One point south of due east
- 45. A way to deplete
- 47. Rough, prickly covering of a seed
- 48. LA hoopster, but not a Laker
- 51. Hindquarters
- 53. Franz van ___, German diplomat
- 55. Liquid body substances
- 56. Rhythmic patterns
- 58. A beaver might build one
- 59. Police officer's tool
- 60. Indicates who you are
- 61. Pinwheel
- 64. Exist
- 65. Ornamental molding
- 67. Closes again
- 69. Verses
- 70. Come into view

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Short stick used as a weapon
- 2. An alternative
- 3. Laws
- 4. Sense organs
- 5. One from Utah
- 6. Mariner
- 7. People in charge of cattle
- 8. Health insurance organization
- 9. Ornamental box
- 10. Forest-dwelling deer
- 11. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
- 12. Atomic #71
- 13. Become less intense
- 15. Cowards
- 18. Body ornament (slang)
- 21. Applicable to all cases
- 24. Multiplied by 6
- 26. Afghanistan monetary unit
- 27. Calendar month
- 30. Cena and Lennon are two
- 32. Monetary unit of Serbia
- 35. First time on the market
- 37. Georgia rockers
- 38. Free from contamination
- 39. Coastal region of Canada
- 42. Clothing retailer
- 43. It rises and sets
- 46. Fathers
- 47. Stain with mud
- 49. Suitable for crops
- 50. Feels concern for
- 52. Orange-brown
- 54. Buddy
- 55. Late sportscaster Craig
- 57. Used to align parts
- 59. Wake up
- 62. Solid water
- 63. Semiprecious stone
- 66. Atomic #45
- 68. Top lawyer



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