Nancy Reynolds Schneider
Class of 1964

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Ohio Wesleyan, Dr. Schneider is now a highly regarded Professor of Pathology and Director of the Cytogenetic Laboratory on the faculty of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. Her good counsel and expertise are highly valued not only within the medical school and the local Dallas medical community but nationally, as well.

She has published broadly, with particular emphasis on the cytogenetics (or the study of the formation, structure, and function of chromosomes in cells) of childhood cancer. In recognition of her interests and productivity in this important area of study, she is an invited member of the Pediatric Oncology Group Cytogenetics committee, a consortium of approximately 100 major childhood cancer treatment centers that coordinated critical clinical studies and captures and organizes the rapidly growing body of information in pediatric oncology.

Following her years at Ohio Wesleyan with a major in psychology, she received an M.A. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Michigan, a Ph.D. in Human Genetics and an M.D. from Cornell University. She began her professional life as a clinical psychologist at Columbus State School, and went on to serve as psychologist and program supervisor of the Occupation Day Centers, Association for the Help of Retarded Children in New York City. From there, she went to graduate and medical school at Cornell and then to the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center for her pathology residency. Her current research interests include constitutional and acquired chromosome abnormalities of neoplastic cells.

Along with the recognition of her ongoing contribution to increasing knowledge regarding treatment of childhood cancer, there is national recognition of Dr. Schneider’s important role in educating physicians on the effective development and use of cytogenetic information. She has taught national workshops for the American Society of Clinical Pathologists in cytogenetics and in the use of cytogenetics in diagnostic hematology. She is also a member and former chair of the Cytogenetics Resource Committee, Co-sponsored by the College of American Pathologists in cytogenetics and in the use of cytogenetics in diagnostic hematology. She is also a member and former chair of the Cytogenetics Resource Committee, co-sponsored by the College of American Pathologist and the American College of Medical Genetics, which develops laboratory accreditation standards and provides proficiency testing for clinical cytogenetics laboratories in this country and abroad. It is no surprise that Dr. Schneider has listed in The Best Doctors in America for the past two years.

She and her husband, John, live in Dallas, Texas.

We join her reunioning classmates in saluting Dr. Nancy Schneider, an inspiring Ohio Wesleyan alumna. We commend her for her ongoing achievements in her field and rejoice at the opportunity to present her with the Distinguished Achievement Citation.

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