

# Kelly Jones

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Kelly Jones of Mound City was a 25 year old single mother when she came into the W.I.A. program. Her dream was to become a registered nurse. Her work ethic and drive to succeed helped her with the demands of school and raising a young child.

Kelly did well in the classroom, earning inclusion on the Presidents and Vice-Presidents lists during her training. She also served as president of the Student Nurses Association. She was also awarded a nursing scholarship and a nursing grant as well as a Pell Grant.

During Kelly's final semester at Shawnee College, she worked part-time as a licensed practical nurse at Community Health & Emergency Services in Cairo. In May 2010, Kelly earned her Associate of Applied Science Degree from Shawnee Community College.

Kelly continues to be employed at Community Health, now as a registered nurse. In addition to her job, Kelly is enrolled in the Bachelor of Science Nursing program through McKendree College. She is carrying 14 credit hours. She loves learning and loves her chosen field. Kelly is an inspiration to others proving that with determination and dedication one can achieve their goals.

*“This has been a great learning experience. Learning to juggle time and finances and making sacrifices was worth it. W.I.A. was a great help to offset the costs of school. I wouldn't have made it without these services”.*

*Kelly Jones*



Kelly Jones with So. 14 Board Chairman Wayne Eichorn 2010 Annual Awards Dinner