



# Zeta Phi Chapter

## Sigma Theta Tau International

### Honor Society of Nursing



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER Summer 2009

Dear Colleagues,

Our year has gotten off to an excellent start with a very productive Board Meeting on August 24<sup>th</sup>. We adjusted the budget for 2009/2010 to include paying for shared hotel rooms for students selected to attend the Biennial Convention in Indianapolis. The College of Nursing and Health is willing to pay the registration fees for up to ten students to attend the convention providing that members of the Board who are attending will mentor the students so that it will be a good learning experience for them. The convention will be held in Indianapolis from October 31<sup>st</sup> to November 4<sup>th</sup>. I encourage you to consider attending at least one or two days if you cannot go for the entire convention. Go to the STTI website, <http://www.nursingsociety.org>, select "events", and then "Biennial Convention" to learn more about the convention. Of special note is that one of our own members, Dr. Donna Miles-Curry, is running for Region 9 Coordinator. Good luck, Donna!

Our Vice President for Program, Pat O'Mally, reported that the Southern Ohio Northern Kentucky (SONK) conference will be held February 19, 2010 at the Sharonville Convention Center. Please mark the date on your calendars now and look for more information in this and future newsletters.

Board meetings are open to all members of Zeta Phi although only members of the Board may vote. We will meet on Mondays, September 28<sup>th</sup> and November 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in University Hall, Room 158, at Wright State.

Yours,

Brenda Stevenson, PhD, RN

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Pick one	Who's next?	Maybe you.

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## ABOUT OUR MEMBERS...

**Tonya Breymier** MS, RN, co-presented a poster along with Marsha Williamson MS, RN entitled, "ObSim: The Obstetric Simulation Experience" at the 8th annual International Nursing Simulation/Learning Resources Centers Conference June 10-13, 2009 in Saint Louis, Missouri.

**Tonya Breymier** MS, RN, co-presented a poster along with Diane Baker MA, RN entitled, "Utilizing Simulation within Nursing Education: The Fundamenatl Journey" at the 8th annual International Nursing Simulation/Learning Resources Centers Conference June 10-13, 2009 in Saint Louis, Missouri.

One of our nursing alumni, **Glen Gibbons**, MS, RN, was selected as the new Vice President of Patient Care Services at Greene Memorial Hospital.

**Candy Cherrington** received funding of \$200,000 from the Ohio Board of Nursing for her "Pre-licensure RN Education proposal. The grant will continue the support for WSU traditional pre-licensure BSN curriculum nursing courses at the Adena Health Systems' Paccar Medical Education Center in Chillicothe, Ohio, for the grant period 9/1/09 to 8/31/11.

**Perla Ilagan** was the invited speaker for the University of Santo Tomas Nurses Association of America (USTNAA) on 7/11/09 in Chicago, IL. She presented "Violence again women and health." She also received the Outstanding Alumna Award from the USTNAA.

**Debi Sampsel** received funding of \$94,050 from the Department of Health and Human Services/HRSA for her proposal, "Health Care and Other Facilities." The grant period is 7/1/09 through 6/30/10.

**Beth Sorensen's** manuscript, "Debunking the myth of pregnancy doping," was accepted for publication in the Journal of Intercollegiate Athletics.

**Barbara Fowler** was selected to serve as a member of the Multiethnic Advocates for Cultural Competence Research Advisory Committee (based in Columbus, OH). The mission of the organization is to enhance the quality of care in Ohio's behavioral healthy system and to incorporate cultural competence into systems and organizations that provide care to Ohio's most vulnerable and at-risk populations.

## About Our Members Continued

**Mary Beth Kaylor's** article, "Dental services utilization by women of childbearing age by socioeconomic status," was accepted for publication in the *Journal of Community Health*. Co-authors were Barbara Polivka, Rosemary Chaudry, and Pamela Salsberry of Ohio State University and Alvin Wee of the University of Nebraska.

**Donna Miles Curry** published "Position Statement on the family-centered care content in the nursing education curriculum" in *Journal of Pediatric Nursing* 24(3).

**Kristine Scordo** was the invited speaker at the American Academy of Nurse Practitioner's 2009 National Conference in Nashville, TN. She presented lectures on "Hypertension in the high-risk patient," "Exercise stress testing: It's more than the EKG," and "Valvular heart disease."

**Kathy Keister** and **Anne Russell** were 2nd and 3rd authors on "Prevention of sepsis after splenectomy," which was accepted for publication in *Dimensions of Critical Care Nursing* (scheduled for the March/April 2010 issue). First author was Rizalea Aguilar, the second BEACON student who has had a manuscript accepted for publication.

**Susan Williams** submitted the proposal for Advanced Education Nursing Traineeships,

which was funded by HRSA for \$71,769 for the period 7/1/09 through 6/30/10. **Patricia Martin** is the program director.

**Donna Miles Curry** received HRSA funding of \$21,190 for the Nurse Faculty Loan Program for the period 7/1/09 through 6/30/10.

**Kristine Scordo** was elected Chair of the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Expert Content Panel for Acute Care Nurse Practitioners.

**Kathy Keister** was selected as a participant in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's *Leadership for Academic Nursing Program* to be held in Kansas City, MO, on 8/2-6/09.

**Donna Miles Curry** is a member of the Coordinating Committee formed to lay the groundwork for the International Family Nursing Association. The mission of the proposed association is to promote the individual and collective development of nurses involved in the promotion of health care to families.

**Donna Miles Curry** was appointed Chair of the Education Committee of the Society of Pediatric Nurses.

### Address Concerns

The recent changes in chapter as well as international communications has made it essential **to keep us current with your workable e-mail address**. If you know any members who are not receiving their newsletters and/or communications from international, please let us know. Please contact Philip Dell at [dellrm@Netzero.com](mailto:dellrm@Netzero.com) or any board member if you or someone you know is having problems and we will make sure your updated e-mail address is on file with Sigma Theta Tau International.

Thanks for your help!

**Philip Dell RN, BSN, Newsletter Editor**

### Link to Educational Conferences around the World

Ever think about going to some exotic place to travel? Why not combine it with a seminar? The STTI web site offers links to a huge variety. As a truly international organization, there are educational opportunities worldwide as well as nationwide. (After you have scheduled in our local seminars to attend) look at some of the opportunities available. There are currently 69 different contacts on the web site at this link:

<http://www.nursingsociety.org/STTIEvents/NursingConferences/Pages/NursingConferences.aspx>

**Zeta Phi  
Chapter  
Outstanding  
Student Award  
Spring 2009**

The following students received the  
outstanding student awards from Zeta Phi  
Chapter:

**Nora Corbett  
Margaret Killian  
Jody Benefiel  
Jennifer Sylvester**

## UP-COMING EVENTS



## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

From October 31 through November 4, Sigma Theta Tau International Society is directly holding its **40th Biennial Convention**. The theme for this year's event is "*I am a Nurse ... and I am a Member of a Global Nursing Community*". This year's evening will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana where national headquarters is located. See more details at this link to the informational area on the web site:

<http://www.nursingsociety.org/STTIEVENTS/BIENNIALCONVENTION/Pages/biennialconvention.aspx>

Remember, the College of Nursing and Health and Zeta Phi Chapter, are willing to sponsor up to 10 students for this event, providing both tuition and hotel accommodations. For details, please see Pat O'Malley or Brenda Stevenson.

## (more International Events)

### Save the date!

### 21st International Nursing Research Congress

*Global Diversity through Research, Education and Evidence-Based Practice*

12 - 16 July 2010

Orlando, Fla., USA

### Call for Abstracts

**Abstract Submission Deadline: 9 December 2009**

**Check back frequently for details!**

## REGIONAL EVENTS

### Hold The Date

#### Annual SONK Consortium Conference

February 19,2010

The subject will be:

#### *Disasters or Pandemics: Nurses Roles*

The Sharonville Convention Center

SONK is Southern Ohio Northern Kentucky and Zeta Phi is a member. This is a Zeta Phi co-sponsored event!

There is a current call for poster abstracts for this event. Abstracts should be submitted electronically. Deadline for submission is October 23,2009. See attachment with this newsletter.

## **RESEARCH COMMITTEE**

**Gail Moddeman**  
**PhD, RN committee Chair**

Are you interested in research? Do you have a plan? Are you in the midst of a research project and are finding you need funding? Zeta Phi is very interested in promoting research and has in place, several funding opportunities that fund research at several levels. We seriously want to help and have “put our money where our mouth is”. If you are serious about nursing research and would like help, advice, money or all three, please contact Dr. Moddeman. (See Zeta Phi officers list above.)

## Links of Interest:

1. Link to Create the Future Newsletter

<http://www.nursingsociety.org/Publications/Newsletter/Pages/Newsletters.aspx>

2. Link to Journal of Nursing Scholarship online

[http://www.nursingsociety.org/Publications/Journals/Pages/JNS\\_main.aspx](http://www.nursingsociety.org/Publications/Journals/Pages/JNS_main.aspx)

3. Link to Nursing Focal Points

[http://www.nursingsociety.org/Publications/focal\\_points/Pages/nursingfocalpoints.aspx](http://www.nursingsociety.org/Publications/focal_points/Pages/nursingfocalpoints.aspx)

4. Link to subscription page for Worldviews on Evidence Based Practice. Online only for STTI active members is \$51.00/year.

[https://www.blackwellpublishing.com/sub\\_form.asp?ref=1545-102X&price=a1381390&site=1](https://www.blackwellpublishing.com/sub_form.asp?ref=1545-102X&price=a1381390&site=1)

5. Link to Reflections on Nursing Leadership online magazine. Free to active STTI members.

<http://www.nursingsociety.org/pub/rnl/Default.aspx>

6. Link to Virginia Henderson International Nursing Library

<http://www.nursinglibrary.org/portal/main.aspx>

7. Link to the American Veterans Heritage Center

[www.americaveteransheritage.org](http://www.americaveteransheritage.org)

8. Link to NOVA (Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs) has a foundation that supports research and scholarship for advanced career development interests

[www.vanurse.org](http://www.vanurse.org)

9. Link to educational opportunities around the nation and around the world:

<http://www.nursingsociety.org/STTIEvents/NursingConferences/Pages/NursingConferences.aspx>

10. Link to description of STTI/Zeta Phi Officer position and function.

[http://www.wright.edu/conh/zeta\\_phi/Sigma Theta Tau Officer Job Descriptions revised 010209.pdf](http://www.wright.edu/conh/zeta_phi/Sigma%20Theta%20Tau%20Officer%20Job%20Descriptions%20revised%20010209.pdf)

11. Link to STTI site for abstract submission for 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Research Congress, this year in Orlando, FL.

<http://www.nursingsociety.org/STTIEvents/ResearchCongress/Pages/orlandocallforabstracts.aspx>

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