



**Jefferson College of Health Sciences
 Roanoke, VA
 TAU PHI CHAPTER #451
 Society Scoop**

Message from the President

STTI Members Spring 2011 Graduation

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Hutchens	Ann
Lovern	Stephen
Poff	Renee
Ring	Melissa
Wood	Robin

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***The Graduate Nursing Program
 Faculty***

cordially invites
 you and a guest to a
 Graduation Celebration
 in honor of
 Jefferson College of Health Sciences'
 Master of Science in Nursing
 Class of 2011
 Vinton War Memorial
 Vinton, Virginia
 Monday, May 2, 2011
 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
 RSVP by April 25, 2011 to
 Janice Taylor
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 (540) 985-8208
 Business Attire

Dear Members,

I hope that everyone is having a good spring and is looking forward to nurses' week. If your place of work is having a celebration please join in and share in the mutual recognition of colleagues. When you have a few spare minutes take a look at the STTI website and reflect on the really remarkable things nurses are doing in collaboration with others from all over the world.

This year Tau Phi Chapter is cosponsoring a celebration of the new graduates of the JCHS graduate program. I hope many of you will be able to attend. See the invitation inserted in the newsletter and be sure to reply if you can come. Hope to see all of you there!

Finally, please consider getting more involved with the chapter activities. You can do this by attending meetings, volunteering for chapter committees, sending in information to the newsletter, or running for one of the chapter offices that will be up for election in the fall. Remember that the chapter can only thrive through your hard work.

Dr. Warren Clark

Scholarship

At the April meeting of the board of directors there was an interesting discussion of the possibility of establishing an endowed scholarship, named for the chapter, at JCHS. Establishing an endowed scholarship would require that the chapter contribute at least \$25,000 to the endowment, which would then be managed by the college according to criteria establish by the chapter. The money to endow the scholarship could be collected over a period of time, not necessarily to be donated all at once. The board would like to know if there is interest among the general membership in establishing a committee to explore this exciting possibility. Any chapter member interested in finding out more about this opportunity or in volunteering to serve on a committee to examine the possibility of establishing such a scholarship should contact Dr. Warren Clark at wgclark@jchs.edu.

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Mark your Calendar

Several STTI members will present at the Research day at Carilion Clinic on May 4, 2011.

Hope to see all of you there!

The next research conference is scheduled for October 20, 2011. This should be great information for both new and experienced nurse researchers.

Marianne Chuly, PhD, RN, Consultant for Nursing Research, will be speaking.

Marianne has great experience working with nurses to help them build effective research projects.

Don't forget to mark your calendars and consider submitting an abstract for presentation!

Global STTI Action

STTI and United Nation Millennium Development Goals

Regional Research Conference (call for abstracts)

The next Region 13 STTI research conference will be April 19-21, 2012 in Hampton, VA. The Hampton University chapter will sponsor the event. This should be an excellent opportunity for Tau Phi

members to present their research and to network with colleagues from chapters all over the region. More detail will be sent as plans for the conference evolve.

COMMUNITY

"You are a part of a global community of nurses who connect as one voice of nursing excellence around the world."

-STTI, 1999-2011

Success Stories

October 2011 Nursing Research Conference a success.

This marked the fifth year the Tau Phi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, Jefferson College of Health Sciences and the Nursing Department of Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital sponsored a Nursing Research Conference. This year we targeted a small audience of nurses who have had previous experience with nursing research. The goal of the conference was to enhance research skills and learn how to incorporate the electronic medical record as a source for reliable data. Challenges and opportunities were discussed. K. Sue Haddock, PhD, RN, Associate Chief of Staff for Research at the WJB Dorn VA Medical Center in Columbia, SC shared her insights into research design and implementation in health systems. In addition, Sue spoke at our induction ceremony, a nice treat, since she came to Roanoke several years ago and chartered our chapter as a full-fledged chapter of STTI.

Quote of the Day
 "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
 -Helen Keller



Local Research Updates



Manuscripts accepted for publication

Sarah Browning, Renee Poff, Rebecca Clark: "Telehealth Monitoring: A Smart Investment for Home Care Patients with Heart Failure? One Home Health Agency's QI Project, In June 2011, Home Healthcare Nurse.

Rebecca Clark, Lisa Allison-Jones: "Investing in Human Capital: An Academic-Service Partnership to Address the Nursing Shortage" Nursing Education Perspectives, Jan 2011.

Accepted for presentation at national conferences:

Nancy Altice

"Turning up the Heat: Implementing a Therapeutic Hypothermic Program despite a Chilly Reception." Poster presentation accepted for the 2011 National Magnet Conference, October 2011.

Michele Holskey

"Write On! How to Create a Nursing Excellence Story Writing Workshop" Podium presentation accepted for the 2011 National Magnet Conference, October 2011.

Ann Hutchens

Moving Evidence into Practice: Building a Culture for Improving Outcomes. Poster presentation accepted for the 2011 National Magnet Conference, October 2011.

Chris Monk

"Resource Management at the Bedside: Empowering Nurses to Own Financial Outcomes," Podium presentation accepted for the 2011 National Magnet Conference, October 2011

Margaret Perry

"Cut Out CAUTI: Implementing an Evidence-based Nurse-driven Policy to Reduce CAUTI and Improve Outcomes." Poster presentation accepted for the ASU 12th Annual EBP Conference June, 2011.

Carolyn Webster

"Nursing Leadership: Transitioning to an Accountable Care Organization." Poster presentation accepted for the 2011 National Magnet Conference, October 2011.

Phyllis Whitehead

"Studying the effects of the End-of Life Nursing Education Consortium at the Institutional Level" Podium presentation at the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists, March, 2011.

Grants received:

Rebecca Clark, Research Acceleration Grant, for qualitative study: RN-MD communication: Insights into Effective Leadership
Milena Staykova, JCHS Internal Grant for a Delphi study: Competencies of Nurse Educators in Curriculum Design: A Delphi Study.

Phyllis Whitehead: Research Acceleration Grant, for mixed methods study: Preferences about Death and Dying.

STTI is on the
web. Please
visit the circle

Note from the editor:

Dear Members,

With the Spring issue, we would like to update you about the enormous accomplishments of the local chapter members during the past few months. These great personal and professional efforts to advance the scholarship and research practice deserve recognition.

Please let us publish your work and connect you to your colleagues with similar interests. The local research network is a support systems to help advance ideas and enhance research endeavors. You can send recent accomplishments to: mpstaykova@jchs.edu



Next Board meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2011 at JCHS room 1021 from 5pm-7pm. All members are invited to attend.

Information for Students

Free Stuff

On-line CE courses
Case Studies
Reflection
Blog
To visit the site, paste the link in your browser:
[http://
www.nursingsociety.org/
student/Pages/](http://www.nursingsociety.org/student/Pages/)

Career Advisor

Consultations
Job Search
Post Resume
To visit the site, paste the link in your browser:
[http://
www.nursingsociety.org/
Career/pages/default.aspx](http://www.nursingsociety.org/Career/pages/default.aspx)

Scholarship Opportunities

- General
- Minorities

To visit the site, paste the link in your browser:
[http://
www.nursingsociety.org/
Career/CareerAdvisor/
Pages/](http://www.nursingsociety.org/Career/CareerAdvisor/Pages/)

Quote of the Season
"The future depends on
what we do in the
present."
-Mahatma Gandhi

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Calendar of Events

May 2, 2011 -Graduation
Celebration of Master of
Science in Nursing Class of
2011, Vinton, VA.

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May 4, 2011-Research Day at
Carilion Clinic, Roanoke, VA.

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July 11-14, 2011-22nd Interna-
tional Nursing Research
Congress, STTI, Cancun, Mex-
ico.

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June 20, 2011-Open to all
members Board meeting-
JCHS, room 1021, at 5pm.

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August 2011- Meet and Greet
local members, JCHS Stu-
dents and Leadership, JCHS,
Roanoke, VA.

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October 2011- Induction
Ceremony, JCHS, Roanoke,
VA.

October 20, 2011- Fall Re-
search Conference, Roanoke,
VA.

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April 19-21, 2012-Regional
Research Conference,
Hampton, VA.

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Mark Your Calendar!