



**Jefferson College of Health Sciences  
 Roanoke, VA**

**TAU PHI CHAPTER #451**

**Society Scoop**

**Message from the President**

**Board Meeting**

The Tau Phi board met on 08/28/12 at JCHS. The members discussed several topics starting with the upcoming elections. Election will be open to members from September 24 to October 15 with weekly reminders. Be alert for an upcoming link. Dr. Allison-Jones reported that the endowed scholarship did not receive significant contributions over the summer. A letter will be mailed to the members to solicit contributions. Next membership meeting will take place on 08/23/12 at the Golden Coral restaurant 8-10 am. Dr. Sotile will discuss Passionate Leadership. Members are invited to attend the event.

**Endowed Scholarship**

Dear Members,  
 Make contributions to this unique opportunity to make a difference in the future of the nursing profession by helping a student to receive a scholarship. At this moment, we have not reached the projected amount. A one-time donation of \$200 or a pledge of a specified amount annually for the next five years should be made out to:  
**STTI Tau Phi Chapter**  
**Lisa Allison-Jones, STTI Treasurer**  
**Jefferson College of Health Sciences**

**Dear Members,**

As I approach the end of my term as president of Tau Phi chapter, I am pleased to reflect on the many accomplishments of our members. There have been professional presentations, publications, community meetings, scholarship awards, and service activities that have been supported by dozens of chapter members. I hope that all members will take advantage of the opportunities offered by STTI to serve and advance the profession.

One means of serving the profession is to be actively involved in chapter activities and I want to thank all of the candidates featured on page 2 for volunteering to serve the chapter. I hope that everyone will take the time to read candidate statements and to vote in the chapter election. You should receive an email with the link for electronic voting within a few days. Results of the election will be announced at the fall induction/installation ceremony. The induction ceremony will be held on November 5. I would like to encourage members to attend the meeting. You will receive a formal invitation with RSVP information soon. Take advantage of this opportunity to see old friends and to meet the student inductees—the future of the profession.

In closing, I would like to again ask that you consider making a contribution to the chapter endowed scholarship fund. We have received several generous contributions this fall but are still far from achieving our goal of raising \$25,000 to endow the scholarship from Tau Phi. Only you can make it happen!

*Dr. Warren Clark*

**Induction of New Chapter Members**

The *Meet and Greet* of new candidates for the STTI, Tau Phi Chapter will take place on September 17, 2012 at noon in room 617 of JCHS. Dr. Clark will welcome the candidates and will discuss the benefits of the membership to the Honor Society of Nursing. The invitations were sent to the nursing students and leaders who demonstrated excellence and dedication to scholarship and advancement of the nursing profession. STTI is an international organization with more than 3,500 chapter leaders that contributes to the progress of the nursing research. The induction and installation meeting will be on November 5, 2012 at the Plantation at Sunnybrook. The fee for attendance is \$30. Honor cords will be available for purchase for \$13 at the meeting. Please email Janice Taylor at [jrtaylor@jchs.edu](mailto:jrtaylor@jchs.edu) for questions and confirmation.

# Tau Phi Election Information

Fall 2012

Office	Candidate Name	Bio
<b>Leadership Succession</b> <u>Vote for Two</u>	Lori Bauswell	<b>Current employment:</b> 7 South at Carilion Medical Center <b>Education:</b> BSN from JCHS <b>Community Service:</b> Rebuilding Together <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> Sigma Theta Tau
	Dawn Gentry	<b>Current employment:</b> Manager, Case Management, Carilion Medical Center <b>Education:</b> MSN from JCHS; BSN from UVA <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> Certified Case Manager; Sigma Theta Tau, ACMA & CMSA memberships
	Kimberly Hall <i>(Kimberly Brown Robinette if after 9/8)</i>	<b>Current employment:</b> Associate Professor, Dept of Nursing, Liberty University <b>Education:</b> DNP from Case Western Reserve University; MSN from JCHS; BSN from JCHS; ADN from Jefferson College of Health Sciences <b>Community Service:</b> Volunteer – Manna Ministries; Teach children’s Sunday School <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> VNA/ANA; VONE; Sigma Theta Tau
	Sharon A. Jones	<b>Current employment:</b> Adjunct Nursing Faculty, JCHS Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital Vascular PACU <b>Education:</b> MSN/Nurse Clinical Educator from Jefferson College of Health Sciences; BSN from University of Alabama <b>Community Service:</b> Volunteer Church Hostess; preparing Wednesday Night Family suppers; Sunday school teacher; Girl Scout Troop leader; Meals on Wheels <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> ANA/VNA; CCRN (past); Sigma Theta Tau
	Darlene A. McGeorge	<b>Current employment:</b> Coronary Care Unit at Carilion Medical Center <b>Education:</b> MSN from JCHS BSN from JCHS; ADN from VWCC <b>Community Service:</b> Pancreatic Cancer Advocate; Health Presenter for Community Churches and family reunions <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> ANA; Sigma Theta Tau; Pain Council Member at Carilion Clinic
<b>Counselor</b> <u>Vote for One</u>	Milena P. Staykova	<b>Current employment:</b> Assistant Professor of Nursing, JCHS. <b>Education:</b> EdD from University of Phoenix School of Advanced Studies, AZ; MS from Pace University, NY; BSN from Hunter College, NY; Diploma, Hranova, Bulgaria <b>Community Service:</b> HVMS Volunteer at numerous events; HVHS Health Clinic; Linda Watkins School of Dance, Volunteer at numerous events; Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, stewardship and volunteer at numerous events <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> Research consultant for CMC nurses; CPR Instructor; Sigma Theta Tau, AACN, NLN, VNA, AACC; Departmental Honor in Nursing from Hunter College, NY; Recipient of medal for outstanding achievements from Pace University, NY; 2012 Research and Scholarship Faculty Award; 2011-12 Nominated for Faculty Award in Teaching and Advising; Honored by Who’s Who in North America
	Deidira “Dee” Stewart	<b>Current employment:</b> Assistant Professor of Nursing, JCHS <b>Education:</b> MSN from Radford University; BSN from Radford University <b>Community Service:</b> Church Youth Group- Activities Coordinator; Assist with Children’s Church and Sunday School and VBS; Cadet Troop Girl Scout Troup leader; Member of Zeta Tau Alpha Service Fraternity- Alumnae group; Manna Ministries <b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> Excellence in Teaching Award 2009; Zeta Tau Alpha Certificate of Merit Award- 2004; Sigma Theta Tau; Zeta Tau Alpha Alumnae Chapter; Parent Teacher Association at William Byrd Middle School; CarFit Technician for the national CarFit educational program

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<b>Treasurer</b> <u>Vote for One</u>	Ann Marie Hutchens	<p><b>Current employment:</b> Unit Director, Coronary Care Unit, Carilion Medical Center</p> <p><b>Education:</b> MSN from JCHS; BSN from Radford</p> <p><b>Community Service:</b> Camp Too Sweet/ Camp Bethel Summer Camp Nurse; SWVA Second Harvest</p> <p><b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> AACN (National and Local); Sigma Theta Tau; 2008 Tau Phi Chapter Spirit of the Society Award; Beacon Award 2009 (CCU); Nurse Leadership Fellow Class 2008-9; Healthcare with Human Touch 2008</p>
	Melanie B. Johnson	<p><b>Current employment:</b> Clinical Coordinator of HeartNet of the Virginias, Carilion Clinic, Cardiothoracic and Vascular Services</p> <p><b>Education:</b> MSN from JCHS; BSN from JCHS; ADN from VWCC</p> <p><b>Community Service:</b> JCHS Healing Hands Mission Trip to Choctaw Mississippi; Planned mission trip to Honduras (April 2012)- Canceled due to security issues; Women and Heart Disease presentations in the community focusing on Hispanic community 2004 (to present); CarFit event volunteer Spring 2012, Friendship Retirement Community</p> <p><b>Memberships, Awards, Recognition:</b> Sigma Theta Tau; AACN; Past president of Blue Ridge Chapter AACN; past CCRN; Member of The Alliance of Cardiovascular Professionals 2009 to present; Board Certified – Cardiac and Vascular Nurse 2009 to present</p>

## ***New Faculty at JCHS***

With a true pleasure, the Jefferson College of Health Sciences welcomes the following



Rhoda Murray, MSN, CFNP



Diana Elmore, MSN



Laura Lee Whitten, MSN



Robin Roth, MSN



Fancy Rop, MSN

Dear Members,  
 We are welcoming you back from a busy but productive summer. Many enjoyed vacation with family and friends. Others spent time at work and continue to make a difference. The board members had several very interesting meetings and were working on the upcoming elections. With a great regret, I would like to inform you that our current president— Dr. Warren Clark is stepping back to open the door to a new leadership. This is his last note to you. Let all thank Dr. Clark for his invaluable contributions to the chapter in the past year and wish him good luck in future endeavors. Please keep on sending personal or professional accomplishments to: [mpstaykova@jchs.edu](mailto:mpstaykova@jchs.edu)

**Carilion Nurses and Tau Phi Research Conference**

Remember to register for the upcoming research conference on Thursday, October 25, 2012. Carilion Clinic and the Tau Phi chapter joined forces to organize the fall research event in the valley. The presenters and the panel speakers are well established scholars. The attendees will have opportunity to discuss strategies for designing, developing, and executing nursing studies and disseminate findings. Local nursing projects and original research will be presented during poster sessions. The registration for Carilion Employees is free.



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**Information for Students**

<p><b>Scholarship Opportunities</b>                  STTI Scholarship                  •General                  •Minorities                  To visit the site, paste the link in your browser:  <a href="http://www.nursingsociety.org">http://www.nursingsociety.org</a></p>	<p>~                  The <i>Journal of Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship</i> provides opportunities for baccalaureate nursing students to publish outstanding papers.  <a href="http://juns.nursing.arizona">http://juns.nursing.arizona</a></p>	<p>~                  For research funding opportunities, please contact the OSP at <a href="mailto:research@carilionclinic.org">research@carilionclinic.org</a> or <a href="mailto:amellinger@jchs.edu">amellinger@jchs.edu</a>.</p>
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**Department of Nursing**

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**Calendar of Events**

<p><b>September 13, 2012</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manna Ministries.</li> </ul> <p>To participate please contact Mrs. L. Rickabaugh at <a href="mailto:Irrickabaugh@jchs.edu">Irrickabaugh@jchs.edu</a></p> <p>~</p> <p><b>October, 25, 2012</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carilion Nurses and Tau Phi Research Conference; Roanoke, VA.</li> </ul> <p><b>Do not forget to register.</b></p> <p>~</p>	<p><b>Call for abstracts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>46th Nursing Research conference on 4/10-13, 2013 at the Disneyland Hotel, USA.</li> <li>20th National EBP conference on April 18-19, 2013 in Iowa City, Iowa</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>24th International Nursing Research Congress on July 22-26, 2013 in Prague, Czech Republic.</li> <li>STTI 46th Biannual Convention on November 16-20, 2013 in Indianapolis, USA.</li> </ul> <p><b>Please visit the official STTI website for details.</b></p>
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