



Jefferson College of Health Sciences
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Society Scoop

Message from the President

Endowed Scholarship

An Opportunity to Support the Nurses of Tomorrow

Please consider a donation to the future of nursing. A one-time donation of \$200 or a pledge of a specified amount annually for the next five years would allow us to meet our goal.

Checks should be made out to:

STTI Tau Phi Chapter

Lisa Allison-Jones, STTI Treasurer

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Submitted by

Dr. Allison-Jones

Dear Members,

It has been a busy year at JCHS with new programs and new leadership. This fall, we will offer STTI student memberships to our first class in the Accelerated BSN program. The faculty has been very impressed with this group of students and look forward to help them grow as leaders. Plans are underway for another fall induction ceremony. The planning committee is also working on developing the fall research conference.

I am pleased with the initial support from members for our endowed scholarship fund. Please take time to read the material in this edition of the newsletter and consider making a donation to the fund. Your donations will help with the development of future nursing leaders.

Finally, I want to encourage you to consider running for office in the next election. Information on available positions is included in this newsletter. If you have any questions about officer duties or board meeting please let me know.

Dr. Warren Clark

STTI Tau Phi Chapter Meeting

The STTI Tau Phi Chapter meeting was held on February 23, 2012 in two parts-a business and educational session. During the business meeting, the board members discussed several topics related to the chapter activities and future plans. The board is considering reviewing the current by-laws.



Sharon Ramey, PhD., Professor and Distinguished VTC Research Scholar in VTCRI and Research Professor in the Department of

Educational Presentation

The educational session had a research focus on Child Development and Resiliency. The presenters, Dr. Sharon Ramey and Dr. Craig Ramey discussed their experience with the subject matter.

Drs. Craig and Sharon Ramey have joined efforts for decades to conduct many longitudinal studies with more than 100,000 children and families in over 40 states. The aim of their research was to improve the efficacy of early childhood intervention programs of highly vulnerable children.



Craig Ramey, PhD., Professor and Distinguished VTC Research Scholar in VTCRI and Research Professor in the Department of

De-Dee Foti, D.N.P., Associate Program Director of the Pre-Licensure Traditional BSN Program, successfully defended her thesis entitled, "Perceptions of Academic Dishonesty Among Students Enrolled in a Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing Program," on Feb. 2, 2012 at Case Western Reserve University Frances Bolton Payne School of Nursing. De-Dee received a Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP).

Jeannie Garber, D.N.P., NEA-BC, Assistant Professor in the Nursing Program, passed the American Nurses Credentialing Center, Nurse Executive, Advanced Certification Examination giving her the right to use the initials NEA-BC as a credential. Jeannie received a letter acknowledging her accomplishment that reads, in part, "Your achievement signifies your commitment to patient care and professional development."

Kimberly Hall, M.S.N., Assistant Professor in the Nursing Program, was a contributing author for, "Nursing Leadership: A Concise Encyclopedia, 2nd Edition." Kim contributed to the "Internships" and "Interprofessional Leadership" sections.

Melody Sharp, D.N.P., Program Director of the Post-Licensure and Accelerated BSN Programs, presented a poster entitled, "Using Formative Assessments in an Online Course to Promote Student Learning" at the 2012 Lilley Conference on College & University Teaching in Greensboro, N.C. from Feb. 10 -12, 2012.

Jones, S., Staykova, M., Steer, G., Airey, P., Poulsen, C., & Nicely, S. Elsevier/Mosby's Faculty Institute-podium research session, international webinar, and poster presentation, "Effects of an interdisciplinary simulation activity on student confidence levels of team collaboration skills.," Contemporary Forum Elsevier/Mosby, Las Vegas, Nevada. (January 3, 2012). **AWARD WINNER.**

Jones, S. G., Steer, G. A., Airey, P. J., Staykova, M. P., Poulsen, C. R., & Nicely, S. L.,CIDER-podium presentation, "Effects of an interdisciplinary simulation activity on student confidence levels of team collaboration skills.," Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA. (February 9, 2012).

Staykova, M., Houston, C., & Pennington, D., CIDER-poster presentation, "A Preceptorship Handbook as a Useful Reference in Mentoring BSN Senior Students," Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia. (February 9, 2012).

Staykova, M., Marszalek, M., Vennable, S., Whitaker, D., CIDER-podium presentation, "Competencies of Nurse Educators in Curriculum Design: A Delphi Study," Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia. (February 8, 2012).

***Bold font indicates a STTI member.**

News from Leadership Succession Committee

The election for open Tau Phi leadership positions will be held in the fall. Members are encouraged to increase involvement in our chapter by volunteering to have their names placed on the ballot. The following leadership positions will be open:

President-Elect

Treasurer

Counselor

Leadership Succession Committee-2 members

Governance Committee-2 members

More information about the election will be coming soon.

Region 13 Research Conference

April 19-21, 2012, Virginia Beach, VA

Spring 2012

Dear Members,

Save the day for the 3rd Sigma Theta Tau International Region 13 Conference. The event is jointly sponsored by Delta Iota Chapter at Hampton University, Epsilon Chapter at Old Dominion University, and Sentara Health Care System. Nurse and nursing students aspired for healthcare reform, new roles in nursing leadership, education, practice and research, will have opportunity to learn from the experts in the healthcare field. To register for the conference, please visit the Delta Iota chapter website at:

www.stti-delta-iota.com

The attendees will be eligible for 7 continuing education credits through Sentara Health Care System.

Few great memories form the Research Conference that took place at Carilion Clinic in October 2012



Manna Ministries Meals - A STTI Service Project

Thank you to all those who either prepared the crockpot meal and/or served at Manna Ministries last night- Feb 9th:

Robin Wood

Debbie Huddleston

Jennifer Martin and her daughter

Kim Hall

Tracy Hudgins

Catherine Prescott

Lori Bauswell

Kathleen Baudreau

Although the turnout of participants was lighter last evening- the potato soup was enjoyed by all!

The next time we will serve will be April 12. Please send me an email and let me know if you would like to help in April.

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Submitted by

Linda Rickabaugh, MSN, RN



Note from the editor:



Spring 2012

Dear Members,

The Spring issue is trying to capture the flow of several events that will take place or already happened at the local chapter. We are very grateful for the immense contribution to scholarship and community service of the Phi Tau chapter members. The chapter is active and has many great ideas such as the Face book communication, Manna Ministries, and the Endowed Scholarship. Do not shy away and join the events to connect with colleagues and friends. We value each member's contribution.

Please keep on sending personal or professional accomplishments to: mpstaykova@jchs.edu

Dear Members,

Tau Phi is now on Facebook. The link is <https://www.facebook.com/TauPhi>. Make sure to "Like" the page by clicking the "Like" button at the top of the page. This will allow you to follow easily the posts.

The plan for this page is to create a forum for communication with the local chapter members and to post questions, answer other members, and participate in discussions. We have placed information for potential research opportunities and pictures and stories from recent community service projects such as Manna Ministries.

We encourage members to participate in local events by using this new communication tool. If you are doing a new research project and need information or resources, if you need surveys filled out, and more, this could be a potential way to exchange ideas with your peers quickly and easily. We are aware that the members are involved in great things in their daily lives to promote nursing. We would love to see those stories posted for all to share and learn.

Submitted by Angie Goodson MSN, RN

Information for Students

Scholarship Opportunities

STTI Scholarship
•General
•Minorities
To visit the site, paste the link in your browser:
<http://www.nursingsociety.org>

JCHS offers scholarships to allied health sciences and nursing students. The application is due by May 18, 2012 and should be sent to financial aid office.

NSNA An application for Nursing scholarship grant 2012/13 is available at <http://www.nсна.org>

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2013 Summer Camp for Student Nurses. For more information visit : <http://www.fnbned.com>

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March 8-11, 2012
Virginia Council of Nurse Practitioner Annual Conference. Homestead; Hot Springs, VA

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Next Board meeting
March 13, 2012
Location: JCHS/CRCH
12 noon—1:30 pm

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

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June 17-20, 2012
NET/NEP-the 4th International Nurse Educator Conference; Baltimore, MD

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October, 25, 2012
Carilion Research Conference; Roanoke, VA

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June 6-7, 2012
Fifth International Nursing Conference on Child and Adolescent Cancer Survivorship

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