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# IOTA SIGMA CHAPTER 232 BIENNIAL CONVENTION DELEGATE REPORT AND PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By: Lourdes Salandanan MSN, RN-BC, FNP President lota Siama Chapter

The society's 40th Biennial Convention took place in Indianapolis October 31 to November 4, 2009. Its theme for this convention was, "I am a nurse ...and I am a member of a Global Nursing Community" -- a theme that I found fitting as I saw the delegates arrive and participate from numerous chapters and countries at which STTI has presence.

Our then president Carol J. Huston, welcomed us at the opening session by presenting her state of the society (2007-2009) speech. She described her biennium as a time of growth and productivity. The four key goals of the society during her biennium include: (1) being intentionally global; (2) building knowledge resources; (3) developing leadership; and (4) providing service. During her presentation, she listed the numerous developments and progress of the society during the past 2 years.

The developments Dr. Huston discussed include: (1) developing templates for formal leadership and mentorship programs at the chapter level; (2) engaging our young professional members into dialogue; (3) establishing the on-line Career Advisor Program; (4) engaging retired nurses; and (5) continuously improving the Leadership Academy and Annual Research Congress.

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT, CONTINUED FROM PAGE I

The convention was an opportunity to celebrate nursing, professionalism, leadership, scholarship, creativity, chapter best practices, and our commitment to excellence. Thirty awards were bestowed including: (1) Best of Publication; (2) Board Awards; (3) Chapter Awards; (4) Clinical Scholarship Award; (5) Spirit of Renewal Awards; (6) Geriatric Nursing Leadership; (7) Excellence of Care; (8) Media; (9) Research; (10) Technology; and (11) Nursing Informatics Leadership Award. To learn more about the various awards please visit the society's website at: http://www.nursingsociety.org/AWARDS/INTERNATIONAL/Pages/InternationalAwardsforNursingExcellence.aspx

As an Iota Sigma delegate, I had the privilege to represent our chapter in the officer election and House of Delegates Sessions where the society conducted its business. Before the conference, informational materials were sent to us about the proposed amendments to bylaws that will eventually affect our chapter. The proposals were discussed at our board meetings and voted on at the House of Delegates Sessions. Dialogues took place about the changes. Numerous sessions were also available for us to meet and dialogue with the candidates. To view the election results along with videotaped messages from our newly elected board, please visit: http://www.nursingsociety.org/Chapters/Pages/2009Candidates.aspx

The convention was also an opportunity to showcase our members' projects and papers at lectures and poster presentations. Leadership initiative and best practices in leadership presentations were well attended as well as publication workshops. The convention was a venue for discussion about nursing education initiatives including curriculum analysis and best practices in education.

The opening presentation of the final day of our convention was unforgettable. The event started with the parade of our 2007-2009 elected officials unto the stage, followed by the society's flag, and then completed by the various flags held by our members dressed in their national costumes. The colors of the flags and costumes were spectacular and charged the convention with energy and enthusiasm. Thus was the environment as our society's new president, Karen H. Morin was inducted.

As the society's 28th president Dr. Morin's call to action, "Connecting Through Knowledge for Global Health," builds on the work of the last biennium. The 4 areas she will address during the next biennium are: (1) Creating Welcoming Environments; (2) Enhancing Knowledge Resources and Networks; (3) Contributing to Global Health; and (4) Creating a Legacy of Personal Leadership.

The Biennial Convention is truly an outstanding experience that I recommend all STTI members partake in. Please plan on attending the next and 41st Biennial Convention scheduled on October 29 to November 2, 2011 at Grapevine, Dallas, Texas.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Michaele Holman, our student intern also attended the 40th Biennial Convention with me. Her report is included in the Spring Issue of our Chapter Newsletter.

Other articles in this newsletter edition:

#### • Philippine Chapter

• I congratulate Sigma Theta Tau International members and especially our Iota Sigma Chapter members residing in the Philippines. The induction ceremony and pre-chapter launching took place on Wednesday, January 27th in Manila. Iota Sigma Chapter member Dr. Cora A. Anonuevo prepared an article about this ground-breaking event.

#### 2nd Annual Nursing Research Day

 Jerome Babate along with other STTI members residing in the Philippines coordinated the 2nd Annual National Nursing Research Conference November 12 & 13, 2009. His article lists the various international nurse researchers who presented at the event.

### Fall and Spring Induction

Our membership grew to a remarkable 1200 last year. The continuous growth of our membership is due to our aggressive membership drive, more practical membership induction criteria, a larger student body, increased frequency of induction, and a very committed governance chair and vice-president. A report about the recent Fall and upcoming Spring inductions is included in this newsletter.



Picture taken at the Biennial Convention after Iota Sigma Chapter received the Chapter Key Award. In the picture are: Lourdes Salandanan, Pat Thompson, Michaele Holman, Marilyn Klakovich, Anne Odell, and Carol Huston

# APU School of Nursing, 6th Annual RESEARCH DAY

Each year, the School of Nursing and Iota Sigma cosponsor a Research Day to:

- Provide an avenue for dissemination of evidence-based research and linkages to clinical applications.
- Utilize researchers as role models to encourage excellence in students and colleagues.
- Provide networking opportunities and promote collegiality among students and nursing professionals.
- Provide a forum for students and nurses from the community to present their work.

This year, the 6th Annual Research Day will be held on April 8, 2010 in the Felix Event Center.

The theme is International Health, Pandemics & Vulnerable Populations.



Our first main session of the day will feature **Dorothy L. Powell, EdD, RN, FAAN, Associate Dean, Office of Global and Community Health Initiatives, Duke University** She will present "Office of Global and Community Health Initiatives (OGACHI) as a Catalyst for Academic Change".

The remainder of the morning will feature posters submitted by students and nurses in the community, and breakout sessions where faculty and doctoral students will present research in the following sessions:

- Self Management: Immigrants
- Living with Chronic Conditions
- Vulnerability in Women's Health
- Vulnerable People in Crisis



The afternoon sessions include a presentation by Dr. Haroutune K. Armenian, Professor in Residence at UCLA School of Public Health and Epidemiology: "Common Paradigms for Epidemics and Disasters: Research during a War and following an Earthquake".



In the final session of the day, Adey Nyamathi, ANP, Ph.D., FAAN, Associate Dean for International Research and Scholarly Activities and Audrienne H. Moseley Endowed Chair, will present her work on an "International Partnership Process: India".

Research Day stands as an important outreach event for the School of Nursing targeting Iota Sigma members, preceptors, nurses in collaborating healthcare facilities, and alumni as well as students and faculty. Please watch for your invitation and plan to attend this exciting event. If you have any questions, contact Marilyn Klakovich, mklakovich@apu.edu, Co-chair, Research Committee

## HISTORY OF NURSING COMES TO APU By: Dr. Aja Lesh Dean, APU School of Nursing

Please join us in thanking Phyllis Esslinger, Professor Emeritus, for her vision and dedication in bringing us the wonderful "History of Nursing" display in our lobby. Phyllis was both the inspiration and the hard work behind the wonderful panels that were installed yesterday. The presentation is beautifully presented by the artist Sharon Sekhon from the Studio for Southern California History. The Western Conservancy, another amazing effort of Phyllis and her colleagues, currently is collecting artifacts on nursing history in Southern California. They will be working on preserving and displaying them at APU. Although an independent non-profit agency, they are partially supported by the Provost and the School of Nursing, and are actively looking for items that will display our professional history. Please support their efforts as well.

# SCHOOL OF NURSING FACULTY RECEIVE GRANTS By: Dr. Aja Lesh Dean, APU School of Nursing

The Azusa Pacific University School of Nursing received word that several faculty will be awarded a grant for 2010-11. The successful grant recipients – Dr. dela Cruz, Dr. Connie Brehm, and Julie Pusztai.

Dr. dela Cruz received notice of an award for \$120,000 from the State Song Brown Funds for the SCAN program. Song Brown Awards are very competitive with many nursing schools throughout the state applying. Dr. dela Cruz believes that several factors may have contributed to the success of the proposal, specifically: (a) the increase in enrollment in the number of students, (b) 25% of program graduates are serving as clinical nursing faculty, (c) the high NCLEX passing rate, (d) the excellent retention rate, (e) the successful pursuit for scholarships for underserved students, and (f) the strength of curricular integration of cultural competency. Congratulations to Dr. dela Cruz on obtaining essential funding that will provide additional support for the program and its students, and to the Department Chair, Dr. Anita Bralock, and her faculty on the successful implementation of the program.

Dr. Connie Brehm submitted a grant application to support Azusa Pacific University's School of Nursing, Healthcare Outreach for the Homeless at ESGVCH Emergency Assistance Center program. After careful review, a grant in the amount of \$13,500 has been approved by the Baldwin Park Medical Center to support the Healthcare Outreach for the Homeless at ESGVCH Emergency Assistance Center program. In addition, the Healthcare Outreach for the Homeless has been the recipient of donations from several individuals committed to serving the homeless. Congratulations to Dr. Brehm and her volunteers on the services they are providing to the individuals and families of the San Gabriel Valley.

Julie Pusztai submitted a grant application to support Azusa Pacific University's School of Nursing, Neighborhood Wellness Center. A grant in the amount of \$8,000 has been awarded by Kaiser Baldwin Park Medical Center to the Neighborhood Wellness Center to support the diabetic education program for the City of Azusa. Congratulations to Julie, our senior nursing students, and her volunteers on the services they are providing to the individuals and families of the City of Azusa.

# MEMBER PERSPECTIVE: INTRODUCING DULCIE COVINGTON By: Alison Riggs Secretary lota Sigma

Every student or community member who joins Sigma Theta Tau International and Iota Sigma Chapter at induction has achieved personal and professional goals and is on a journey. This past December, one of the APU students who joined, like so many others, has an interesting story and background as she travels toward becoming an RN.

Dulcie Covington is a student who is making nursing a second career in the SCAN program. Her original degree was in Psychology which she received from CSU Long Beach and this was achieved while working in a family owned restaurant business for twenty years. When the business concluded four years ago she considered several options for another career, among them physical therapy. Then she saw the Johnson and Johnson commercial for nursing, which has influenced many to consider the profession, and that made up her mind! She wanted to become a nurse! She states now that it has been the "best thing in the world' for her and she "loves everything about it and has enjoyed every rotation". She has also excelled in the classes. Today Dulcie is anticipating the Pinning ceremony in May and taking NCLEX plus continuing on to the Master's program next year and beginning a job search.

Iota Sigma Chapter is fortunate to have diverse and enthusiastic nursing members like Dulcie and looks forward to having her contribute to the profession through Sigma Theta Tau for many years to come!

Welcome, Dulcie!

# UPDATE ON FALL INDUCTION By Patricia Perry, Vice President

Forty-seven inductees from the Undergraduate and EENAP programs were inducted at the Fall Sigma Theta Tau Induction held on December 18, 2009 at a well-attended morning event. The guest speaker was Michaele Holman (Student Intern), who spoke on her experience as our chapter student intern. Thank you, Michaele – well done!

Our upcoming Spring Induction is slated for April 23, 2010 at 5 pm in Upper Turner Campus Center on East Campus. As this is an evening event, dinner will be served. The fee for the induction event is \$25 per person. This induction will also include our Annual Silent Auction event.



Picture of our Board Members taken during Fall Induction Marilyn Klakovich, Alison Riggs, Lourdes Salandanan, Michaele Holman, Pam Cone, Rose Liegler, and Patricia Perry

# SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER AT SPRING INDUCTION Submitted by Kathy Van Allen, RN, MSN

April 23...Spring Induction is just around the corner. We are once again planning a silent auction to raise money to support Iota Sigma's efforts to fund nursing scholarships and research. The silent auction has been one of our biggest fundraisers to support these projects. Last year, we raised more than \$1600 with our silent auction and raffle. We need everyone's support with the donation of auction items. Gift baskets, home decorating items, jewelry, gift cards, event tickets, purses and other accessories have all proven to be successful fundraising items.

Please contact Kathy Van Allen at 626-851-2741 or via e-mail at kvanallen@mail.cvhp.org if you and/or your organization are able to make a donation to the silent auction. Please include a brief description of the item, estimated value and any arrangements needed to pick up your donation. Although we will accept donations the day of the event, please try to provide as much information as possible to assist with planning the auction by Wednesday, April 21.

### **IOTA SIGMA CHAPTER 232**



The Iota Sigma Board
would like to invite
current members, faculty, inductees and guests
to attend our Spring Induction Event,
including our noted silent auction.
Please come and support your Iota Sigma Chapter at our
Spring Induction.



When: April 23, 2010
Where: Upper Turner Campus Center, East Campus
Time: 5:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Dinner served at 6pm

RSVP Instructions: Tear off slip, make check payable to Iota Sigma Return to SON attention: Patricia Perry. If you have any questions, please email: Patricia Perry, Vice President - Iota Sigma - pperry@apu.edu

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Please note: *Seating may be limited	Deadline for RSVP: April 12, 2010

Make payment to: IOTA SIGMA Chapter.

Mail to: Patricia Perry/Iota Sigma, c/o Azusa Pacific University, School of Nursing, PO Box 7000, Azusa, CA 91702

# FROM MY PERSPECTIVE By: Michaele Holman, lota Sigma Student Leadership Intern

As I cautiously peeked into the conference room, I was pleasantly surprised by the warm smiles and friendly faces that greeted me. Slightly relieved of the pressure that any new situation brings, I took my seat and proceeded to be introduced to the various women around the table. I soon discovered that these women on the board of the Iota Sigma chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International would lead and will continue to lead me though the experience of being actively involved in STTI.

The first event I had the opportunity to participate in was the 40th Biennial Convention of 2009 from October 31st to November 4th. After arranging to miss a week of classes with my professors, I was off to Indianapolis, Indiana. Most of the attendees were pursuing or had already achieved masters degrees or higher. It was certainly an interesting experience to be one of the youngest nurses (or future nurses) in attendance. The opportunity to network with nurses from all different backgrounds and experiences was amazing. It was encouraging to me to discover everything that nurses are capable of achieving and the wide range of opportunities that are available. It was especially interesting to interact with nurses who had been part of the military since it is one of the career paths that I have been looking into. Their information and insight really sparked my interest. Attending the convention also provided me with a much better idea of what STTI is all about. I was able to volunteer at the voting booths during the election and see how the election process takes place. The opportunity to hear the newly sworn in president of the society's goals and dreams for the future was truly inspirational and informative. I enjoyed my experience and would encourage any member of STTI to make attending the biennial convention a priority. It is important to not only participate in the society, but also to thoroughly know what the society is about and the way it works.

After such an experience that made me feel truly involved in STTI, I was pleased to accept the board's invitation to speak at the fall induction. I decided to focus my short speech on the opportunities available through STTI. The three primary positives that I had found were networking, research, and leadership. My monthly meetings with the board as well as the trip to Indiana for the biennial convention provided me with knowledge that I wanted to share with the new inductees. The induction ceremony went very smoothly, and I really enjoyed the opportunity to play a part.

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The most recent project I was able to participate in was the Freshman Welcome for newly accepted nursing majors. I love sharing tips I have learned and answering new student's questions, so I was really excited about this event. I did a small, casual presentation on how to survive nursing school where I used the acronym HANDS to help them remember the highlights such as staying healthy, having a positive attitude, getting involved, etc. I also invited my classmate and friend, Alisha Gilbert, to help me answer any questions the students might have. At first during our question and answer session the twenty or so attendees were a little nervous, but eventually their curiosity got the better of them and they started asking questions. It was nice to have Alisha there with me to provide a different point of view and share a little of the stage time. I think the new nursing majors enjoyed their time of food, talking, and laughter and also gleaned a little information on being a nursing major that they can use in the years to come.

I have enjoyed my role in Iota Sigma so far this year, and I look forward to the learning, planning, and participation that are yet to come.

# UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES MANILA HONOR SOCIETY OF NURSING LAUNCHED By Dr. Cora Anonuevo, lota Sigma Member

On January 27, 2010, the University of the Philippines Manila Honor Society of Nursing (UPM HSN) was unveiled at the J.V. Sotejo Auditorium. The event was a fruition of the efforts of Filipino nursing leaders to establish a pre-chapter of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International. Lourdes Salandanan, Iota Sigma President and STTI Ambassador to the Philippines, mentored nurse leaders in the Philippines through the process of honor society development.

The launch was graced by the presence of the President of the University of the Philippines, Dr. Emerlinda R. Roman, who administered the oath to founding members of the Society. Also present to give her message of support was Dr. Lulu C. Bravo, Vice Chancellor for Research and Development and concurrently the Director of the National Institutes of Health.

The formation of the UPM HSN, considered as a significant milestone in Philippine nursing, will provide global opportunities for both faculty and students for professional advancement, leadership, scholarship, networking as well as visibility for the University in the academic community through society publications. Members of the Honor Society will look forward to more collaboration, opportunities and advancement in nursing research.

The launch of the UPM HSN was immediately followed by a Research Forum. This annual activity of the College of Nursing serves as a venue for research dissemination and exchange of ideas to promote and strengthen evidence-based practice in nursing.



The Research Forum.
The presentors, Dr. Lourdes Tejero and
Dr. Cora Anonuevo, with Dean Josefina Tuazon
and Dr. Teresita Barcelo.



Oath taking of the founding members of the UPM HSN before UP President Emerlinda Roman.

# 2ND NNRC DREW RECORD ABSTRACTS, PRESENTERS, PARTICIPANTS, LEADERS By: Faustino Jerome Babate, lota Sigma Member

The Philippine Nursing Research Society (PNRS) in collaboration with the Liceo de Cagayan University (as host) successfully organized the 2nd National Nursing Research Conference (NNRC) in Cagayan de Oro, southern Philippines last November 12 and 13, 2009. The 1st national conference was partially funded through a grant from the Iota Sigma chapter.

The conference theme was entitled "Developing Best Practices in the Nursing Profession Through Research" and drew more than 40 abstract presentations on topics like nursing leadership and management, clinical nursing, maternal and child nursing, community health nursing, nursing education, and nursing specializations (occupational health, forensic nursing, among others).

The keynote speaker for this event was Dr. Cindy Leigh, Senior Lecturer, School of Nursing, Australian Catholic University in Sydney, New South Wales. Plenary speakers included Sr. Carolina Agravante (President, St. Paul University-Iloilo), Dr. Carmelita Divinagracia (President, Association of Deans of the Philippine Colleges of Nursing), Dr. Eden Cacanindin (Chief Nurse, Makati Medical Center), and Dr. Genaro Japos (President, Philippine Association of Institutions in Research).

The lead organizing team members were Donna Lou E. Neri (Liceo de Cagayan University), Dr. Erlinda Palaganas\* (UP Baguio), Dr. Cora Anonuevo\* (UP Manila), Dr. Irma Bustamante (St.Paul University Manila), and Prof. Faustino Jerome Babate\* (Beta Nu Delta Nursing Society Inc.).

\*Iota Sigma Members

## SCAN AND IOTA SIGMA MENTOR EVENTS

Iota Sigma and the SCAN Team hosted our Cohorts 4 & 5 mentor event on February 15. After enjoying a lovely dinner and opportunities for our mentors and mentees to network with one another, we were treated to a presentation by guest speaker, Valerie Joy Smith, MSN, Director of Nursing, USC University Hospital. She addressed the hot topic "Being Marketable: Standing Out in Today's Economic Climate." An extensive question and answer session followed the presentation. SCAN students, who are about to complete their pre-licensure coursework, take NCLEX, and seek their first nursing position expressed appreciation for this timely and informative presentation.

SCAN Cohort 6 students and mentors will be attending a lunch networking meeting where the guest speaker will be Katie Skelton, RN, MSN, Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer, St. Joseph's Hospital and Health System. Her topic is "What does the future hold for nursing and health care?"

If you are interested in more information about our mentoring programs or are interested in becoming a mentor, please contact Marilyn Klakovich, Past President of Iota Sigma and member of SCAN Team: mklakovich@apu.edu



Mentor with Mentees: Brian Nguyen (SCAN Cohort 5), Lourdes Salandanan (Iota Sigma President), Grace Wu (SCAN Cohort 5)

## MEMBERS "IN THE NEWS"

A book, edited by Dr. Vicky Bowden, School of Nursing, Director of Honors Program, and Dr. Cindy Greenberg, Department of Nursing California State University, Fullerton (Upsilon Beta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau), was published.

**Bowden, V., & Greenberg, C.** (2010). *Children and their families: The continuum of care* (2nd Ed.). Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams Wilkins.

"This 1723 page book is a comprehensive text to be used by nursing students in their pediatric course and to be used by practicing nurses as a reference text in their clinical setting."

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An invited presentation was made by Dr. Connie Brehm, School of Nursing, at a regional conference.

**Brehm, C.** (2009, September). Homeless outreach healthcare services: A model that works on a shoestring budget. An invited presentation for the 2009 West Coast Healthcare Missions and Ministry Conference, Fuller Seminary, Pasadena, CA.

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A regional conference presentation was made by Dr. Felicitas A. dela Cruz and the Second Careers and Nursing (SCAN) program team: Dr. Marilyn Klakovich, Ms. Phyllis Esslinger, and Ms. Shirley Farr, School of Nursing.

dela Cruz, F.A, Klakovich, M., Esslinger, P., & Farr, S. Flying the plane while building it: *MEPN innovations*. Podium presentation at Nursing Odyssey 2009, Ontario, CA.

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A research paper, written Dr. Felicitas A. dela Cruz and Ms. Maria Lao Nario, School of Nursing, was presented at a regional conference.

dela Cruz, F. A. & Nario, M. L. (2009, November). Filipino American dietary patterns and changes in Southern California. Research paper presented at the Joint Southern California Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing Chapters Odyssey 2009 Conference, Ontario, CA.

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A regional conference presentation was made by Dr. Marilyn Klakovich, Dr. Patricia Hanes, Dr. Felicitas dela Cruz, Ms. Phyllis Esslinger, and Ms. Shirley Farr, School of Nursing.

Klakovich, M., Hanes, P.F., dela Cruz, F.A., Esslinger, P., & Farr, S. (2009, November). *Community mentoring: Real world connections in a MEPN program.* Podium presentation at Nursing Odyssey 2009, Ontario, CA.

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A paper presentation was made by Dr. Felicitas A. dela Cruz, School of Nursing, and Department of Graduate Psychology Faculty Dr. Stephen Cheung and Doctoral Student K. Vindua at a national conference.

**Vindua, K., dela Cruz, F.A., & Cheung, S.** (2009, October). The relationship between acculturation and mental health in Philippine-born and U.S.-born Filipino Americans. Paper presented at the Center for the Study of Asian American Health, College of Medicine, New York University, New York, NY.

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A poster, by Patricia Perry, School of Nursing was presented at a regional conference and published in the conference proceedings.

**Perry, P.** (2009, November). *Concept maps: Critical thinking and linking in nursing*. Poster presented at the Joint Southern California STTI Chapters Nursing Odyssey Conference. Ontario, CA.

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A chapter written for a Sigma Theta Tau publication by Lourdes Salandanan and Maria Suarez.

Salandanan, L., & Suarez, M.A. (2009). Presentation Skills. 101 Global Leadership Lessons for Nurses: Shared Legacies from Leaders and their Mentors, ed. Nancy Rollins Gantz. Indianapolis, IN: Sigma Theta Tau Internationa

### 2009-2010 IOTA SIGMA CALENDAR

11 Transition Meeting

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- 7 SCAN Mentorship Dinner Cohorts 4-5
- 12 Board Meeting
- 15 Fall News Artical Deadline
- 13 Biennial Convention, Indianapolis

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- 14 Board Meeting
- 18 Induction / Pinning
- 21-31 Winter Break

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- 7 Labor Day
- 14 Board Meeting
- 28 SCAN Mentorship Dinner Cohorts 6

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- 1 Fall Newsletter Publication Target
- 1-4 Biennial Convention, Indianapolis
- 9 Board Meeting
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 18 Tentative Career Fair
- 26-27 Thanksgiving Break

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- 1 New Year's Day
- 11 Freshman Welcome / Board Meeting
- 18 M.L. King Jr. Day

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8	Information Meeting Board Meeting

15 Presidents Day

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- 1-5 Spring Break
- 8 Research Day & Annual Meeting
- 12 Board Meeting
- 23 Spring Induction

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- 8 Board Meeting
- 14 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 29-31 Spring Break

MAY '10							
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- 7 Pinning
- 10 Board Meeting
- 31 Memorial Day

JULY '10							
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- 5 Independence Day (Observed)
- 12-16 STTI International Nursing Research Congress