President’s Letter
Update from Anna C. Mullins, President

A very Happy New Year to all of you!!!! This should be an exciting year for Nu Xi At Large Chapter and I invite all of you to join with me and the Board of Directors to make this an especially memorable one for our chapter. We have put together a two year calendar of exciting events. First of all, our Nu Xi At Large Chapter will be a co-sponsor of the Florence Stroud Black History Conference, “Joining Forces: Answering the Call to Serve Military Families”. The conference will be held on February 10, 2012, at the UCSF Mission Bay Conference Center. And, on March 30, 2012, we will be collaborating with the Bay Area Regional ACNL Chapters to sponsor a one day CE program, “Taking the Lead: Strategies for Success in the Emerging Healthcare Environment”. This program will be held in the Samuel Merritt University Health Education Center. Our chapter will also be 20 years old this year and we are planning a wonderful celebration. You will be receiving more information about these events and the other exciting activities that we have planned in the upcoming and future issues of the Newsletter.

This year we will also be working with each of our participating schools more closely to educate the students about Sigma Theta Tau and the benefits provided to them. Shortly you will be receiving a survey to solicit information about topics, activities, etc. that would be of interest to you as members and to determine —continued on page 9

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Nu Xi at Large Wins 5th Chapter Key Award at Biennial Convention

July Maxworthy, DNP, RN, Past President, accepted the fifth Chapter Key Award on behalf of Nu Xi at Large Chapter at the 41st Biennial Convention in late October. The award is given to a high performing chapter based on selection criteria established by the Board of Directors. Nu Xi at large is among a small group (21 Chapters!) which have won this award five or more times since its inception. The Board is currently working on plans to implement the new President’s Call to Action (available on the www.nursingsociety.org website) to meet new criteria which will be written in the coming year. Global action and philanthropy are likely to be emphasized as key goals within the organization. Members interested in working on task groups or committees to support the chapter are encouraged to contact President Anna Mullins at: amullins29@comcast.comcast.net

2012 Election News

Candidates are still being sought for key positions for the Nu Xi at Large Board of Directors beginning in July, 2012. Open positions include: Vice President-Holy Names, Vice President-CSUEB; Secretary; Leadership Succession Committee (1 position); Governance Committee Chair. Please contact Juli Maxworthy, Chair of the committee for more information.
Abby Heydman, PhD, RN Elected to Role as Region One North America Coordinator

Abby Heydman, PhD, RN, Past President of Nu Xi and current Newsletter Editor, was elected to the position of Region One North America Coordinator at the recent 41st STTI Biennial Convention. In this role, Abby will work to coordinate and support the work of 27 chapters in eight states (Hawaii, Alaska, California, Nevada, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington) and two Canadian provinces (British Columbia and Alberta). This work includes assistance to smaller chapters which are struggling to maintain financial and membership stability, and sharing of best practices across chapters. Nancy Gibbs, MS, RN, also a Nu Xi member and President-elect, served as the previous Region One Coordinator. Recently, the Regions were reorganized to provide more support to international chapters. Four international chapters which previously were part of Region One (Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, and Singapore) have been grouped together to form a new Asia Region.

Suzanne S. Prevost, PhD, RN, COI Elected President STTI

Suzanne S. Prevost, PhD, RN, COI, has begun her term as the 29th president of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI). Prevost will lead the 125,000-member, global organization for the next two years and will call on members to “Give Back to Move Forward” with technology. Read her 2011-2013 Presidential Call to Action on the STTI website: www.nursing.society.org
Nu Xi at Large Member Achieves Certification in Thanatology

With continued aging of the population and families reporting growing challenges with dealing with end of life issues for aging parents and family members, nurses have a unique opportunity to provide support in dealing with death and dying. A Nu Xi member, Dr. Joan Bard, RN, DEd, FCN, CT, Associate Professor, SMU, has had a long term interest in aging, faith community nursing, and death and dying. She has taught a course, Foundations of Death, Dying and Bereavement, at SMU to undergraduate students for several years. To increase her knowledge to prepare and assist nurses in working with families and patients, Joan was recently certified as a Thanatologist. Thanatology focuses on the study and care of the psychological, social and spiritual needs of the dying, as well as their families and loved ones. The Association of Death Educators and Counselors (ADEC) acknowledges a Certified Thanatologist (CT) is one who has attained a high level of education and has verified knowledge and skill sets to work specifically with the dying, related to spiritual, social, and human behavior aspects of end of life care. Certification attests to experience in the field and the completion of educational programs that provide such knowledge/skill sets. Continuing education programs are available from ADEC for nurses and other professionals interested in adding to their professional competencies in working with individuals and families who are dealing with death and dying.

Applications for Nu Xi Research Grants due March 15, 2012

Denise Liu, PhD, RN, Director of the Research Committee, has announced that $3,500 is available for research grants this year. Applications are due on March 15, 2012. Please contact Denise Liu for more information: denise.liu@csueastbay.edu Graduate students (master's or doctoral) faculty members, and clinicians are encouraged to apply for support for research or pilot project funding.

Stubblefield-Rowland Memorial Scholarship To Be Awarded

On Wednesday, October 27, 2011, just before she was to leave for the STTI Biennial Meeting in Dallas, our Nu Xi at Large President, Anna Mullins, received word that her aunt, cousin, and the cousin’s three grandchildren (all under age six) had been killed in an car accident caused by a drunk driver. After consultation with Anna and her family, a decision was made to establish a special scholarship to be awarded to a deserving student this year to honor the memory of those lost in this tragic accident. Members of the Board of Directors and other members have provided gifts to fund this memorial scholarship which will be awarded in Spring 2012 to a student at one of our three nursing programs. Selection criteria will be developed by past Nu Xi Presidents Juli Maxworthy, Bobbie Richards, and Fay Bower and will be approved by the Board before the scholarship is awarded. Should you wish to contribute to this fund, checks should be sent to Treasurer Nancy Haugen, Treasurer-Nu Xi at Large, Samuel Merritt University School of Nursing, 3100 Summit Street, Suite 3440, Oakland, CA 94609. Please make checks out to Nu Xi at Large, noting on your check that the funds are for the Stublefield-Rowland Fund. Deadline for receipt of gifts is March 15, 2012.

Rho Alpha Chapter Sponsors Costa Rica Trip

Rho Alpha Chapter is looking for a few adventurous spirits to join its (Dominican University) members who are headed for Costa Rica, March 1-10, 2012. “Women & Children’s Health Care in Costa Rica” will include educational visits, cultural experiences, and recreational activities. Highlights of this trip are volunteer days at the elderly center, the orphanage, & the children’s hospital. We will also visit the indigenous people of the Caribbean coast & the Cachabri Indian Village & offer volunteer health assessments. The Poas Volcano National Park & La Paz Waterfall are 2 nature sites we will visit. Recreational time
includes snorkeling and a canopy tour. Members of the community are welcome to join us. Please contact (1) Dr. Luanne Linnard-Palmer (luanne.linnard-palmer@dominican.edu), or (2) Dr. Olivia Catolico (olivia.catolico@dominican.edu)

**Nu Xi Awards Student Scholarships**

Nu Xi at Large awarded six scholarships to students at our sponsoring schools this year. Two of the award recipients are highlighted below.

**Dorsa Barzin** has an anticipated graduation date of December 2012 from the Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing - Case Management program at Samuel Merritt University. Having moved here from Iran with her family, Ms. Barzin has come a long way, struggling to learn a new language, becoming culturally competent, finding the right path to take to become successful and to achieve her dreams. She strives to learn the skills necessary to become the best Nurse Case Manager possible and hopes to someday open a non-profit public health clinic in the Bay Area helping those in underserved communities.

**Kaiulani Kaleialii-Tu’ua** is enrolled in the BSN program at SMU. She is a full-time student with a part-time job as a babysitter and finds it challenging to balance work and school with all of the tasks set forth for a college student. Being raised in a single parent household, K.K. has worked since the age of 16 and has helped to contribute to her family’s income. Nu Xi scholarship funds will help to relieve some of her financial hardships. After graduation in December, 2012, she hopes to work in pediatrics in the Bay Area at Children’s Hospital or Kaiser Permanente, Walnut Creek.

**Collaborative Nu Xi at Large Research Conference, Fall 2012**

A collaborative evidenced-based practice research conference, to be co-sponsored by Nu Xi at Large and the Washington Hospital Nursing Research Committee will be held in September at Washington Hospital Healthcare System in Fremont. Denise Liu, Associate Professor, CSUEB, chairs the Nu Xi Research Committee. More information on this upcoming conference will be available in the June newsletter and through special electronic mailings to Nu Xi members. Abstracts and posters will be accepted for consideration. For more information, contact: denise.liu@csueastbay.edu

**Members Urged to Complete a VIP Profile & join STTI Circle**

Nu Xi members who are interested in more involvement in STTI are encouraged to complete a Volunteer Interest Profile (VIP) on the STTI website. Completion of the profile will enable you to indicate your preferences for the kind of involvement you would like to have in the Honor Society, including committee work, reviewing applicants for various awards, reviewing grant proposals, etc. Officers who are seeking volunteers to assist with international committee work use this vehicle to select participants. In addition, members are urged to sign up on The Circle, the new social networking site for STTI members. You can post a photo and a profile which can be viewed by other members, if you desire. Members will also find the Chapter website here with the most recent issue of the newsletter, photos of recent events, and the Chapter History. Go to the Circle at: http://thecircle.nursingsociety.org/NuXi-Chapter/Home/

**Annual Fund Progress Report**

Nancy Haugen, PhD, RN, Nu Xi treasurer, reports that funds are currently being raised through the Nu Xi Annual Fund to support scholarships and research awards. Members who have not yet made a contribution may do so until June 1, 2012. Checks should be sent to: Dr. Nancy Haugen, PhD, RN, Treasurer, Nu Xi at Large/Assistant Professor, Samuel Merritt University, 3100 Summit Avenue, Third Floor, Oakland, CA 94609. Funding student scholarships will be our highest priority this year. As you are all too aware, these are tough economic times for all of us and our partner schools tell us that the financial challenges for students have never been greater. The recession has had a huge impact on the availability of part-time jobs for students and scholarship support from hospitals has declined as the labor market for nurses has weakened. Contributions to our chapter are an investment in the future of nursing and a way to express gratitude for mentors and nursing colleagues who have encouraged and supported us and who have modeled so many of the values of Sigma Theta Tau.
Second Annual Florence Stroud
Black History Month Conference Series

Theme: Joining Forces: African American Nurses Answering the Call to Serve Military Families

Friday, February 10, 2012
8:00 AM – Continental Breakfast
9:00 -5:15 Speakers & Breakout Sessions
5:30 -6:30 PM Reception

6 Continuing Education Units for this course through Provider Number 11632 UCSFSON

UCSF Mission Bay Conference Center
Robertson Auditorium
1675 Owens Street
San Francisco, CA 94143-3008

Health Professionals: Advanced Registration: $100; On-Site Registration: $120;
Students: Advanced Registration $50.00 On-Site Registration $70.
Make Checks payable to: UC Regents
Please complete a separate registration form for each attendee.
All registration forms must be accompanied with full payment.
For registration form or more information, contact:
Dr. Shirley Manly-Lampkin at 415-476-9710 or by email at shirley.manly-lampkin@ucsf.edu

This event is co-sponsored by Nu Xi at Large

Nu Xi at Large Annual Business & Membership Meeting

Tuesday, March 6, 2012
5:30 PM  Business Meeting
6:00 PM Continuing Education Program
Gourmet Pizza & Drinks Provided!

Topic: Clinical Applications of Genetics and Genomics

Upon completion, the participant will be able to
1. Articulate the difference between genetics, genomics, and epigenetics.
2. Discuss how this burgeoning area of science influences nursing.
3. Discuss ethical, legal, and social issues related to genetics and genomics.
4. Identify at least one issue of relevance in the field of genetics and genomics that affects you in your area of practice.

Speaker: Patricia Brennan, PhD, RN
Associate Professor-SMU, & NIH Faculty Champion in Genetics/Genomics

Location: John Muir Medical Center, Sequia 2
Enter through the main entrance, take the elevator to the basement, follow posted signs to the room.
Free Parking

1 Contact Hour Continuing Education Credit

The California State University East Bay is approved by the California board of Registered Nursing as a provider of continuing education in nursing (Provider # 11258). A registrant who attends this workshop will earn a total of one contact hour.
Japanese Healthcare Professionals Consult & Share

This year Samuel Merritt University (SMU) has played host to several faculty and healthcare professionals from Japan. In early February, 2011 the University welcomed Minako Ito, RN, PHN, MSN, a professor from St. Luke's College of Nursing in Tokyo. During her visit, Professor Ito observed students in the (BSN) program conducting collaborative practice in a variety of clinical settings. The nursing students demonstrated nursing care with the mannequin-patients in a computer-simulated medical-surgical scenario.

In April, Dr. Tomoko Inoue, a professor and the chair of the Graduate School of Health Care Science at Tokyo Medical and Dental University, contacted SMU Associate Professor and Director of the SMU Case Management program Fusae Abbott, DNsC, RN, for consultation. Dr. Inoue is the chair of the National Licensure Examination Committee at the Ministry of Health, Labor, and Welfare in Japan. “Dr. Inoue has received a three-year grant from the Japanese government for her project, Development of Postgraduate Educational Program for Mid-Level Providers (Advanced Practice Nurses) and the Innovation of a Healthcare Delivery Mode,” explains Dr. Abbott. “This is a $100,000 grant and Dr. Inoue is looking at our University to help shape the development of this healthcare project.” The physician-driven healthcare delivery system in Japan is facing multiple challenges due to changes in demographics and lifestyle among the Japanese people, resulting in an increased number of people with chronic conditions. A shift in delivery of healthcare services is necessary from hospital-based acute care to community-based out-patient and home health services. “Mid-level practitioners [in Japan] could play a pivotal role in the new delivery model,” explains Dr. Abbott.

Due to the collaborative work between Drs. Inoue and Abbott, this past November the SMU School of Nursing welcomed professors and health care professionals, Toyoaki Yamuchi, MD, RN, FNP, ND, PhD, Professor, and Rika Mitoma, RN, Ph.D, Professor, both from the Department of Nursing at the Nagoya University School of Health Sciences and Yoshiko Sasaki, RN, PHN, PhD, Associate Professor and Rumi Maeda, RN, MSN, Assistant Professor, both from Tokyo Medical and Dental University. During their stay the visiting professors had the opportunity to observe teaching techniques of SMU faculty used in the BSN health assessment lab, an FNP advanced health assessment lab, and simulation education.

Future plans for collaboration with Japanese universities include the involvement of several SMU faculty. Dr. Cecily Cosby is invited to give a presentation at a symposium in Japan in January 2012. The title of her presentation is “Current Issues and Future Challenges for Advanced Practice Nursing in the United States.” This will be followed by Dr. Bill Stiers speaking on simulation teaching in February 2012, Dr. Pamela Minarik in summer 2012, and Ms. Celeste Villanueva in February 2013. One of the FNP faculty members will teach an advanced health assessment lab course in spring at one of the collaborating universities in 2013.

SMU Nursing Faculty Honored

Several nursing faculty were nominated for the Strommen-Dillashaw Award, an award given for demonstrated outstanding and exemplary commitment to the University through personal and professional dedication. Nominees were honored at the annual President’s Gala in December, 2011, and included faculty members Aara Amidi-Nouri, PhD, RN; Rene Clymer-Englehart, MSN, RN; Christine Reardon, MSN, RN; Laurie Rosa, MS, RN; Paul Smith, PhD, RN; Renee Smith, MPH, RN, and Christine Donohoue, MBA, Assistant Dean for Operations.

Service awards for ten or more years of service were awarded to several SMU nursing faculty at the annual President’s Gala. Fusae Condo Abbot, DNSc, RN; Suzanne August-Schwartz, DNP, FNP; Valerie Dzubur, EdD, FNP-C; Teri Gwin, MSN, RN, GNP; Raji Menon, MSN, CRNA; and Barbara Stueble, MSN, RN were honored for ten years of service. Rye Huber, PhD, RN was honored for twenty years of service as a faculty member in the BSN, ABSN, and ELMSN programs.

SMU Students attend American Black Nurses Association

Nursing students and recent graduates (Leah Bailey, Ken Russell, and Kristina Ennix) attended the National Black Nurses Association 40th Annual Conference in Indianapolis in summer 2011. Students and SMU faculty were introduced to representatives from key health agencies such as the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and National Institutes of Health (NIH). In addition, participants attended three days of workshops on writing for publication, evidenced-based practice, and other relevant topics. (Adapted from an article written by Elizabeth Valente, SMU.)

SMU Nursing Student Selected Albert Schweitzer Fellow

Each year the US Albert Schweitzer Fellows (ASF) program competitively selects 250 students from health and human service schools to follow in Dr. Albert Schweitzer’s footsteps. Schweitzer Fellows partner with community-based organizations to identify an unmet health need, design a year-long service project with a demonstrable impact on that need, and bring the program from idea to implementation. Kenneth Russell, a stu-
Students Learn How to Staff Clinical Programs

This past fall Samuel Merritt University (SMU) nursing students in the Accelerated Bachelors in Nursing (ABSN) program provided clients in two Walden House programs with tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccinations. Walden House is a non-profit, multi-site community program in San Francisco with roots dating back to the 60’s. It is a residential and outpatient substance abuse and mental health program that also contracts with the state prison system to provide services to inmates and parolees. The clinical nursing students from the SMU San Francisco Learning Center were concerned with a recent outbreak of pertussis, better known as whooping cough, a disease that is often fatal to infants and young children. The ABSN students wanted to protect the Walden House community, especially women with children, from this preventable disease. Lucas Marchiniak, ABSN student, coordinated the vaccine administration with San Francisco County Health Department and Walden House staff. Samuel Merritt University faculty supervisor, Kate Shade PhD, RN, Assistant Professor, is proud of the work Marchiniak and the other four nursing students did to organize the event. (Modified from an article contributed by Kate Shade, PhD, RN, Assistant Professor, SMU)

Leadership Development

Dr. Audrey Berman, Dean of Nursing has developed a Nursing Executive Leadership Forum for a cohort of faculty who has expressed interest in a professional development trajectory in leadership positions as Chair or Dean. This small group of eight SMU nursing faculty is currently engaged in evening dinner meetings to meet with nursing leaders to learn about a variety of topics including managing legal issues, leadership development, establishing external partnerships, motivating faculty, championing change, conflict management, organizational theories attendant to large, complex health care organizations, and student disciplinary problems among many other topics faced by faculty in leadership positions. The goals of this program are to ensure mechanisms of succession of leadership in nursing at SMU, motivate faculty to explore their potential range of professional contribution to nursing and most importantly, to learn the practicalities and logistics that challenge organizational leaders.

CRNA Program Announces Licensure Results

The faculty of the program of nurse anesthesia report a 100% pass rate on licensure exams for 2011 CRNA graduates. Established more than 15 years ago, the CRNA program maintains a long term relationship with Kaiser Permanente, which provides clinical sites and forgivable loans for CRNAs who seek employment after graduation.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY EAST BAY

Great news! Our nursing program was recently accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) effective February 14, 2011 the date of our CCNE visit.

CSU East Bay has been very successful in the implementation of the ADN to BSN program. This program allows community college students to take an upper division Leadership course in the spring semester of the community college ADN program. This course is offered online and students cross register on both their home campus and at CSU East Bay the host campus. The CSU East Bay cost is waived while the student is paying community college fees. After completion of the spring leadership course, students matriculate into the BSN program which can be completed in one year of full-time status. In Fall, 2011 CSUEB admitted 33 students into the ADN to BSN cohort and approximately 50 RN to BSN students. For this coming Fall, approximately 60 ADN to BSN students and 150 RN to BSN students have applied. Returning to school appears to be very popular right now among associate degree RN’s during this economically challenging time.

Enrollments in the CSUEB pre-licensure program hold steady at 130 admissions per year. The department of nursing has received over 800 applications for this program for Fall, 2012.

California State University, East Bay invites applications for the position of Chair, Department of Nursing and Health Sciences (Position: 11-12 NURS-DEPTCHAIR-TT). The Department, within the College of Science, is an accredited BSN program with two tracks: pre-licensure and RN to BSN. Program graduates have a history of strong NCLEX performance. Qualifications required include an earned doctorate in nursing or a master’s degree in nursing with a doctorate in a related field; possession/eligibility for California RN license; experience teaching nursing at the university level; educational leadership experience; program development skills; a record of successful grantsmanship; multicultural teaching experience and/or educational preparation. Rank, salary, and tenure will be commensurate with experience. CSU East Bay is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Submit a letter of application, CV, graduate transcript, and three letters of reference to: Dr. Carolyn Fong, Chair, Department of Nursing & Health Sciences, CSU East Bay. 25800 Carlos Bee Blvd., Hayward, CA 94542; Phone: 510-885-3481; Fax: 510-885-2156. Email address: carolyn.fong@csueastbay.edu

Patricia Brennan RN, PhD, Assistant Professor, SMU and Celeste Villanueva CRNA, MSN, Assistant Professor, SMU. Podium presentation at the International Meeting on Simulation in Healthcare, Curricular Innovations from Practice to Ivory Tower - A Sep sis Education Project for Nursing with Potential Inter-professional Collaborations. Society for Simulation in Healthcare, February 1, 2012, San Diego.

Loretta Camarano, RNC, PhD, Assistant Professor, SMU. Podium presentations at the American Society for Reproductive Medicine Annual Meeting. IVF: An Historical Perspective and Reducing the Risk of Multiple Birth: Single Embryo Transfer, October 15, 2011, Orlando, Florida

Marc Code, CRNA, MSN, Assistant Professor, SMU, was recently elected to the Board of Trustees for the California Association of Nurse Anesthetists, the professional organization who represents 1,500 CRNAs in California.

Cecily Cosby, FNP, PhD, Professor, SMU. Podium presentation Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Current Issues and Future Challenges for APRNs in the United States, January 2012.

Pamela Eiselman, RN, MSN, Assistant Professor, SMU, received the Roberta Scofield Award from Oncology Nursing Society in November 2011.


Julie Maxworthy, DNP, MSN, MBA, RN, CNL, CPHQ, has been chosen to be the Chair for the Sigma Theta Tau International Foundation Board. Her term will be from 2011-2013. Her previous role was Chair of the Fellows Committee for the Foundation Board as well as President of Nu Xi At Large.


Anna Mullins, DNSc, RN, Executive Director of the California Nurses Foundation, and President of Nu Xi at Large Chapter, has been appointed to the California Health Professions Education Foundation. A unit of the California State Government, the Foundation provides scholarships and loan repayments to aspiring and practicing health professionals who agree to practice in a medically underserved area. Scholarships are offered to health professional students attending a California accredited college or university. Loan repayment programs are offered to graduates pursuing a health professional career to assist in the repayment of educational debt. Scholarships and loan repayments are offered to students and graduates from the following professions: medicine, nursing, dentistry, mental health, and allied health.

Bobbie Richards, MA, RN, Assistant Professor & Preceptorship Coordinator—Precandidate Programs, SMU, has been appointed Chair of the Awards for Region One North America for Sigma Theta Tau International. In this role, Bobbie will provide information to assist chapters seeking international awards and will serve on judging panels for international awards.

David Rose, CRNA, PhD. Assistant Professor, SMU. Publication: Lee J, Rowen D, Rose DD. Bronchial Thermoplasty, a Novel Treatment for Severe Asthma Requiring Monitored Anesthesia Care. Journal of the AANA, Vol. 79, No. 6, December 2011.
SHARON SWAIN, MSN, RN, Clinical Nurse Educator, California Transplant Donor Network, recently published an article, The role of clinical nurse educators in organ procurement organizations, in the January 2012 issue of the journal, Progress in Transplantation. Sharon also presents two abstracts at the 11th Congress of the International Society of Organ Donation and Procurement (November 27-30) in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The first, a poster session, was titled “A moment of silence: Honoring the gift of life”. The moment of silence is a dedicated, purposeful ‘pause’ conducted in the operating room just prior to the organ recovery and in the presence of hospital OR staff, OPO staff and transplant surgeons. A brief and meaningful statement selected by the donor family describing their loved one is shared by a coordinator, followed by 15 seconds of silence. The second abstract, an oral presentation, was titled “Intentional, goal directed training in an Organ Procurement Organization to improve job satisfaction, retention, and performance”. Sharon received an award for abstract excellence from The Transplantation Society (travel grant $1000).


KAREN WOLF, RN, PhD, Professor, SMU, has been appointed to be a member of Medicare Task Force on Interprofessional Practice, National Academies of Practice. Fall 2011.

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Nu Xi at Large Induction & Installation of Officers 2012

Nu Xi at Large members are invited to the annual Induction Ceremony to be held at Holy Names University, Market Hall, on Saturday, April 28, 2012
10:00 AM Orientation for new members
11:00 AM -1:00 PM Ceremony with Reception to Follow
Speaker to be announced
For more information, contact Dr. Marcia Canton, Vice President, HNU (drcanton@pacbell.net)

A silent auction and raffle will be held to benefit our scholarship and research fund. Auction items will include the opportunity to bid on a one week stay at a beautiful home in Sea Ranch and the raffle will provide you an opportunity to win a motorized bicycle or a beautiful hand crocheted holiday throw. Please contact Shirley Dostal, Auction Committee Chair, (shirleydostal@comcast.net) for more details, regarding placing a bid on the vacation, purchasing a raffle ticket, or to contribute something for the auction.

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