

# UT Arlington PhD in Nursing News

**JANUARY 2007**

## **Promise of Nursing Scholarships**

The Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association (FNSNA) is pleased to announce applications for the Promise of Nursing Regional Faculty Fellowship are now available. Funding for these nursing faculty fellowships is raised at the Promise of Nursing galas sponsored by The Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future. Registered nurses enrolled in post-graduate education programs in preparation for a nurse educator role may be eligible for awards up to \$7,500 for tuition, academic fees and books for the 07-08 academic year. **Mary Cazzell**, one of our BSN to PhD students, received an award for 06-07. To obtain an online application, visit [http://www.nсна.org/foundation/scholarships/p\\_on\\_fellowship.asp](http://www.nсна.org/foundation/scholarships/p_on_fellowship.asp). Applications are due by Friday, March 9, 2007. For more information, contact the FNSNA at (718) 210 -0705 or [nsna@nsna.org](mailto:nsna@nsna.org).

## **Recognizing Leadership**

Debra Logan has been appointed Chair of The Texas Health Resources System Services Diversity Action Team. The team is developing diversity initiatives for the 900+ employees from the corporate service group.

## **News on Campus**

The new Fort Worth Center for UT Arlington is housed in the historic Sante Fe Freight Building near downtown Fort Worth. This is important for you to note since health care management faculty will offer Health Economics, a required course for those in the Clinical Researcher area of study, at the Sante Fe Station.

True scholarship consists in knowing not what things exist, but what they mean; it is not memory but judgment.

James Russell Lowell

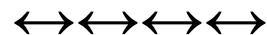
American poet and Diplomat (1819-1891)

## **Welcome Daisha Cipher!**

Daisha Cipher, PhD, will be a visiting professor with us this year. Following a B. A. in Psychology from UT Austin, Dr. Cipher earned a master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling Psychology from UTSW Medical Center. Her doctorate from Southern Methodist University was earned in 1998. She completed a post doctorate fellowship at the University North Texas in quantitative statistics. She is a member of the Texas State Strategic Health Partnership Data Workgroup that is facilitating the collection, dissemination, and analysis of health-related data. The goal of the workgroup is to use the data to improve the public health of Texans, while maintaining the confidentiality of the data. She has been an IRB member at the UNT Health Science Center.

Her passion is gerontology, having developed with Dr. Clifford the *Geriatric Multidimensional Pain and Illness Inventory*. She is currently the data director for a funded project at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Dallas.

Dr. Cipher will be teaching a parametric statistics course this spring. During the summer, she will teach the pre-requisite statistics course for the doctoral program as she did last summer. Next fall, she will offer another 3-hour course, which will include nonparametric statistics. She will have office hours on Wednesday afternoons beginning at 2 PM.

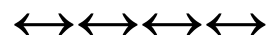


## **Returning Student**

The semester Carol Lieser is returning to the PhD Program having completed 6 hours in 2004. Welcome back!

## **New Students**

We have five new students this semester: Karen Collins, Capria Dees, Bob Lumpkin, Victorria Turner, and Lori Wastlick. Be sure to meet them and share your strategies for being successful.



## Publications/ Presentations

**Catherine Jones** will has been asked to be a speaker (again!) for the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners meeting this summer.

**Debra Logan** has an article being published this month in *Gastroenterology Nursing* on how acute care facilities can address the issue of providing culturally, linguistically appropriate services.

Dr. Phillip Rosoff, writing in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, cited a paper by **Lisa Bashore**. Lisa's paper, entitled "Childhood and adolescent cancer survivors' knowledge of their disease and effects of treatment," was published in the *Journal of Pediatric Oncology Nursing* in 2004.

## Missing in Texas: Hispanics in the Health Professions

Dr. Mary Lou Bond and Dr. Carolyn Cason are co-primary investigators on this grant from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to study factors that support and hinder the success of Hispanic students in health professions education. Data have been collected through 14 focus groups with students at UT Arlington School of Nursing, The University of North Texas School of Public Health, and The University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio. **Linda Denke, Gloria Carr, and Susan Baxley**, doctoral students, along with Dr. Jennifer Gray, have been involved in transcribing focus group tapes, analyzing data, and preparing for the dissemination of the study findings.

## Brown Bags

Brown Bags this semester will provide opportunities for students to compare notes across courses and cohorts. The topics were selected to provide critical information and networking opportunities. The first Friday is devoted to the Mentoring Luncheon. Be sure your mentors attend so we can express our appreciation for their support of you. See the red box for next month's topics.

## SNRS- 5 weeks and counting

Dr. Lauren Aaronson, RN, PhD, FAAN, a professor with Kansas University School of Nursing, will be the keynote speaker for the Southern Nursing Research Society annual conference in Galveston. Involved in the early development of the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) and most recently, a senior advisor to the Director of NINR, Dr. Aaronson is a leader in nursing research. Her keynote address will set the tone for the conference: Translational Research: Bridge or Destination? The Doctoral Student Mentoring and Networking Workshop will have 3 sections to meet the needs of beginning doctoral students through post-dissertation. In addition to having several students presenting posters, the PhD program will have an ad in the conference program and an insert in the conference bags

## Dr. Bond is a FAAN!

On November 11, 2006, Dr. Mary Lou Bond was inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing. As a FAAN, Dr. Bond is recognized as being in the top 1% of the profession. She serves the profession as an elected member of the Board of Trustees for the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS). She continues to take the lead in the study of cultural diversity in health care as the Director of the Center for Hispanic Studies in Nursing and Health. Her commitment to doctoral education was demonstrated through her efforts as the interim Associate Dean of the PhD Program in Nursing as the program when the program was implemented. We congratulate Dr. Bond and celebrate with her for this well deserved honor.

**February 9**  
Dissertation Overview

**February 16**  
What to buy: A comparison of  
bibliographic managers