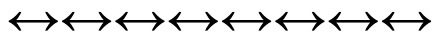


UT Arlington PhD in Nursing News

NOVEMBER 2007

First PhD in Nursing Graduates

PhD candidates, Maxine Adegbola and Gloria Carr, have set dates for the defense of their dissertations. The defense is open to the public. Dr. Elizabeth Poster, Dean of the School of Nursing, is hosting a reception to honor our PhD graduates prior to graduation on Thursday, December 13, 2007. The reception will be held in the Carlisle Suite in the University Center at 5 PM with graduation to follow in Texas Hall at 7 PM. Doctoral students, SON faculty, and staff are invited to join the Dean at the reception to honor our graduates. The family and friends of our graduates will also be invited.



Tuition and Fee Payment for Spring 08 Semester Due January 9

Effective in Spring 2008, registration for courses will be cancelled if tuition is not paid by January 9. Tuition and fees for classes added after January 9 must be paid by January 14.

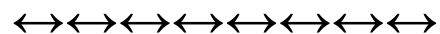
Dr. Diane Snow Named as Distinguished Alumni of Duke University School of Nursing

Dr. Diane Snow graduated with her BSN from Duke University in 1967. Since 1979, she has been a faculty here at UT Arlington School of Nursing. She currently is a Clinical Professor and serves as Director of the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program. Earlier this semester, she received the President's Award at the International Nurses Society on Addictions Annual Conference for her work in substance abuse as a researcher, faculty, and practitioner. Despite her busy schedule, she serves as a mentor to doctoral students and interviews potential students



Upcoming Events

- **Nov. 2:** Brown Bag at Noon, Dr. Donelle Barnes speaking on her research with Cuban immigrants
- **Nov. 12:** Dissertation Defense for Maxine Adegbola, 1 PM, in PKH 655
- **Nov. 16:** Start Your Day with Your Mentor, 8 AM
- **Nov. 16:** Brown Bag at Noon, Renee Manworren speaking on Chinese culture
- **Nov. 26:** Dissertation Defense for Gloria Carr, 5 PM in PKH 655
- **Nov. 30:** Brown Bag at Noon to celebrate end of the semester
- **Dec. 12:** Sigma Theta Tau Induction and Research Day
- **Dec. 13:** PhD in Nursing Graduation Reception, 5 PM, Carlisle Suite, UC
- **Dec. 13:** Graduation, 7 PM, Texas Hall
- **Jan. 4 & 11:** Orientation for New Students
- **Jan. 14:** First day of spring semester
- **Jan. 18:** Brown Bag at Noon, Semester Kick-off



Welcome back, Debbie Berry!

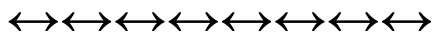
Debbie couldn't stay away. We are delighted to have Debbie Berry back as a half-time staff person for the PhD in Nursing Program. She will work with Dr. Bond to support the mentoring program and provide support for our recruitment efforts.

Executive Summary of the Annual Report

The PhD in Nursing Program's annual report for 06-07 has been submitted to Dean Poster and university administrators. As a group from September 1, 2006, through August 31, 2007, students received \$67,697 in financial support from the Nurse Faculty Loan, Hermann's and Dean Fellowships, and traineeship funds.

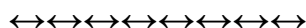
Ever wonder why you are tired? PhD students completed 493 semester credit hours and attended 10 Brown Bag lunches during the 06-07 year. Many of you have also presented, published, and made contributions to the discipline of nursing. Here are the grand totals for last year. We are proud of you!

- o 10 students had 23 manuscripts accepted and/or published
- o 13 students made more than 47 presentations scholarly or research presentations (3 international, 17 national, 2 state, 11 regional, and 12 local)
- o 18 students attended more than 59 local, state, national, and international professional conferences



Mary Lou Bond Fellowship FUNdraising Event

On September 21, in the Carlisle Suite of the University Center, friends and colleagues gathered to honor and roast Dr. Mary Lou Bond. To the background of Kathy Daniel on flute and Mary Cazzell on piano, the attendees ate, drank, and bid on items in the silent auction. Not only are our students musically talented, they have other artistic talents as well. Kristina Ibitayo read two poems that she wrote about being a doctoral student and being mentored by Dr. Bond. Kristina, Tami Wright, Kathy Daniel, Susan Baxley, Glenda Daniels performed a choreographed rap song that Tami wrote in honor of Dr. Bond. Many thanks to Vivian Lail-Davis, Susan Baxley, Kathy Daniel, and Dr. Carolyn Cason for planning the event and doing all the work behind the scenes.



Sponsors for Brown Bags

Do you know an individual or employer that would be willing to buy lunch for one of our Brown Bags? The cost ranges from \$150 to \$225, depending on the menu. We cannot use grant funds or academic funds for this purpose and would love to have sponsors. Interested persons should contact Dr. Wendy Barr (barr@uta.edu).

Mentoring Workshop

Friday, October 26, was a full day for mentors and mentees. The workshop presenter was Dan Kirkpatrick, Colonel, USAF (Ret), clinical instructor at Wright State University College of Nursing, and Manager of the Workforce Development Program, Homeland Emergency Learning and Preparedness Center. Dan did a master's thesis on mentoring to complete his MSN degree from UT Arlington MSN Program. Throughout his military career as a chief nurse in Air Force hospitals and deployments, he added to his knowledge of mentoring by benefiting from effective mentors and being a mentor. During the workshop on the 26th, he shared his expertise grounded in real-life examples. Thanks to all the mentors who attended one of the sessions. Thanks to all the students who attended as well.

Poetry Published

Kristina Ibitayo's poem *Thought Builders* was published in the Fall 2007 Southern Connections, the Southern Nursing Research Society Newsletter.

Professional Presentation

During the summer course, Scientific Products, Lori Spies developed a manuscript on infectious diarrhea. In September, she shared her knowledge during an invited presentation of the paper at the Texas Nurse Practitioners Annual Conference in Addison.

**Thank you for keeping us informed of your accomplishments.
Submit information to Dr. Gray by December 1 for inclusion in the next newsletter.**