

## *A Message from the President...*

**G**reetings to the members of the Delta Tau At-Large Chapter! Also, a special welcome to our new members, inducted at our 27th Annual Ceremony on April 22, 2007 at Eastern University. In celebrating superior achievement, leadership qualities, creative work, and high professional standards, the new inductees were given encouraging words by our keynote speaker, Anne C. Muller, Region 12 Mentorship Chair for Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI).

As my tenure as President draws to a close, I want to share my reflections of being a member of this chapter and the incredible influence it has had on my life. I became actively involved in 1996 when the chapter was seeking a vice president for Holy Family and I wrote myself in (voluntarily!) as a “write-in” candidate. A very warm and welcoming executive board greeted me “as the new kid on the block.”

At that time, our chapter consisted of two schools and our executive board was comprised of nursing educators, students, and largely clinicians. Not long after, Mary Wombwell suggested that I apply for a “leadership extern” program with the international branch of STTI. I had just started my masters program and continued to work per diem and thought, “why not? It couldn’t hurt and I probably won’t be chosen.” Sure enough, I was selected and had the opportunity to work with nursing leaders from around the world. This was exciting, especially as a student in “sponge mode” soaking up every opportunity to learn.

Through the years and the opportunities the chapter has bestowed on me, I have met many local, state, regional, national, and international nursing leaders. The many colleagues I have met on the chapter executive board are my friends who have completed masters and doctoral programs and have transitioned through several nursing roles, as well as life roles. These individuals have been tremendous mentors for me both professionally and personally. Our chapter has blossomed from a two-school chapter, to a chapter that represents four incredible institutions. I would urge all of you to take advantage of the opportunities that membership in Delta Tau and STTI presents to you—especially this year’s Biennial Convention being held in Baltimore, November 3-7, 2007 (check [www.nursingsociety.org](http://www.nursingsociety.org) for more information). Since Pennsylvania now requires continuing education, why not share some fun and friendship in Baltimore! You never know whom you might meet!

It has been a great pleasure serving in the capacity as President of this chapter. I have experienced many salient moments and encourage our new members to become actively involved to experience the same. No matter where you are in your nursing career Delta Tau and STTI are here to support you. Again, THANK YOU for allowing me to represent you. May LOVE, COURAGE, and HONOR guide you in all that you do! I look forward to seeing many of you at future Delta Tau events!

**Eileen M. Alexy, PhD, APRN, BC**  
**President, Delta Tau At-Large Chapter**

**2007~2008**  
**CALENDAR OF**  
**EVENTS**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2007**  
**ANNUAL TRI-STATE**  
**CONSORTIUM BRUNCH**  
**LOCATION: EMBASSY**  
**SUITES HOTEL**  
**PHILADELPHIA**

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2007**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**EMBASSY SUITES**  
**HOTEL**  
**FOLLOWING TRI STATE**  
**BRUNCH**

**\*JANUARY 2008**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**HOLY FAMILY**  
**UNIVERSITY**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**JANUARY 30, 2008**  
**ALL SCHOLARSHIPS &**  
**AWARD APPLICATIONS**  
**DUE!**

**\*WEEK OF**  
**MARCH 24, 2008**  
**PRE-INDUCTION PIZZA**  
**PARTIES**

**APRIL 6, 2008**  
**28TH ANNUAL**  
**INDUCTION CEREMONY**  
**HOLY FAMILY**  
**UNIVERSITY**

**\*JUNE 2008**  
**ANNUAL PLANNING**  
**MEETING**  
**NEUMANN COLLEGE**

**\* DATES TBA**

*27th Annual Induction Ceremony  
Welcome to our new members...*



**EASTERN UNIVERSITY**

YOUNG SOO BANG  
 ANDREA L BARNES  
 MIRIAM A. BECK  
 MARGUERITE C. BROWN  
 EUN YOUNG CHO  
 ELENA MERCEDES COMBER  
 MARC E. GOLDMAN  
 CYNTHIA L HARTNET  
 GYO GYOUNG KIM  
 BETTY J. MININGER  
 CATHI M. SHERIDAN  
 ELAINE C STEIGMAN  
 MEGAN L. STROHECKER  
 TIFFANY SIDRA TAYLOR

**HOLY FAMILY UNIVERSITY**  
**UNDERGRADUATE &**  
**GRADUATE STUDENTS**

HAGIT M. ARWAS  
 INEZ. L BRANDON  
 ANA CAROLINA CACERES  
 KRISTANN M. CHMIELEWSKI  
 JENNIFER A. CICALESE  
 KATHRYN J. CIRRINICIONE  
 JOHN L DACRI  
 AMY DALTON  
 MARY KATE DALTON  
 ANGELIQUE C. H. DESHIELDS  
 BRANDI LYNN GREEN  
 ALAYNA M. HACKERT  
 LISA M HOEY  
 JAMILA H. HOPEWELL  
 RAQUEL P. HOWARD  
 VICTORIA J. KROESCHE  
 DONNA A. LEONE  
 ALEKSANDRA LICINA  
 NADIA MADACKEL  
 RICHARD W. MALIZIA  
 KATRINA D. MANN  
 JOLLY C. MARIAM  
 ANNMARIE MCCORMICK



# 27th Annual Induction Ceremony



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**UNDERGRADUATE &**  
**GRADUATE STUDENTS**  
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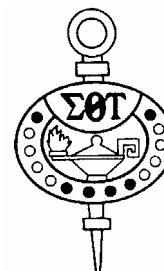
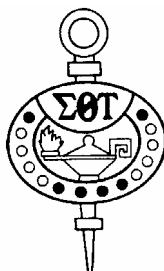
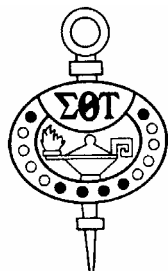
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 MABEL H. SIWIEC  
 LAURA SNARE  
 JACLYN SOKOLSON  
 MATTHEW T. STRICKER  
 BENCY A. THOMAS  
 ADRIANE M. WAGNER

KIMBERLY A. BRACEY  
 GWENDOLYN U. CARTER  
 MARIANN KERR

**NEUMANN COLLEGE**  
**UNDERGRADUATE &**  
**GRADUATE STUDENTS**

DARLENE BOOSE  
 CHRISTINE CREDIDIO  
 DONNA L. DELFERA  
 NICOLE GHEEN  
 JESSICA J. LYLE  
 CAROLINE J. MCLHENNEY  
 PIERRE J. MCKENZIE  
 LISA M. MOSCO  
 CHRISTIN M. MURRAY  
 LAURIE E. ROBINSON  
 REBECCA S. SHRIVE  
 MICHELE O. STREHLAU  
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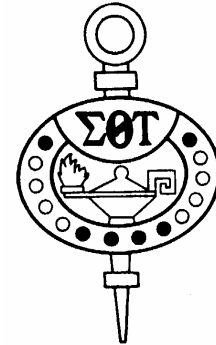


## 27th Annual Induction Ceremony

### **MMACULATA UNIVERSITY** **UNDERGRADUATE &** **GRADUATE STUDENTS**

CAMMIE BENFORD  
LISA CHIARADIO  
JASON DULIMBA  
LISA MICHELE DURFEE  
CHERYL ESPOSITO  
DEANNA L. FREUNDLICH  
ALICE LEISCH GUARINO  
BETHANN C. HABERMEHL  
MARY-JO KERNAGHAN  
BETH KOSEK SCHWARTZ  
RICHARD KUNTZ  
CATHERINE McDONNELL  
DEBRA LYNN MOUNT  
MARY ANN O'CONNELL  
CHERYL SCOTT  
CHERYL A. SWIFT  
JACQUELINE TUBENS  
CHRISTINE MARIE VEIGHT

CINTHIA CORNELL  
KATHLEEN GERHART-GIBSON  
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### **COMMUNITY NURSE LEADERS**

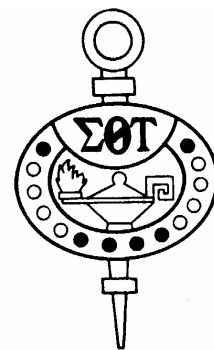
LENA ATWELL  
ELEANOR A. BUTSICK  
MARGARET CARSLEY  
LUCIA KUBIK  
MARY M. MANTEY  
PAULINE MENDER  
GERALDINE REMY  
IMOGENE BERNICE TAYLOR  
DIANNA LEE TUCK-MCCOLLUM



# 27th Annual Induction Ceremony



***SPECIAL RECOGNITION  
FIRST MOTHER/DAUGHTER  
INDUCTEES***  
  
**COMMUNITY NURSE LEADER  
BERNICE TAYLOR & HER DAUGHTER  
TIFFANY TAYLOR**



***2007 PRESIDENT'S AWARD  
WINNER***  
  
**SARA ELDRIDGE**



## Annual Induction Ceremony

On April 22, 2007, Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large held its twenty-seventh annual induction ceremony. Eileen Alexy, President presided over the Ceremony. Anne C. Muller, Region 12 Mentorship Chair for Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) gave the keynote address.

The induction ceremony took place at Eastern University McInnis Auditorium with a reception following outside the auditorium. The year's ceremony was a special one with mother/daughter inductees Tiffany and Bernice Taylor making Delta Tau chapter history. This marked the first time a mother daughter team were inducted into the chapter. Tiffany Taylor was inducted as an Eastern University Undergraduate student and her mother Bernice Taylor was inducted as a Community Nurse Leader.

A total of ninety nine new members were inducted into the Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large family.

There were no undergraduate, graduate or research awards given this year. However Sara Eldridge, Secretary Delta Tau Chapter and public health nurse with the Temple University, College of Health Professions-Department of Nursing, Nurse Family Partnership Program was the recipient of the President's award.

On behalf of Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large, the executive board once again wishes to congratulate all our new members.



Eileen Alexy, President Gwendolyn Carter-Graduate student @ Holy Family University and Mary Wombwell, Holy Family Faculty Counselor

## Scholarship and Grant Monies Available

Delta Tau Chapter-at-Large will award one Graduate and one Undergraduate Scholarship each in the amount of \$1000 during the 2007-2008 year. Additionally, we will award one Research Grant in the amount of \$1000. The Graduate Scholarship and Research Grant Awards will be given directly to the recipient to be used toward his/her graduate course of study and research. The Undergraduate Scholarship Award will be deposited into the student's account at his/her school.

In order to be eligible for the *Undergraduate Award*, the applicant must:

1. Be currently enrolled as a nursing student at Eastern University, Holy Family University, Immaculata University or Neumann College.
2. Agree to a 1 year service commitment to the chapter
3. Completed all JUNIOR level nursing courses
4. Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA or 3.25
5. Submit a short essay.
6. Submit one copy of official transcripts.
7. Submit a faculty recommendation.

To be eligible for the *Graduate Award*, the applicant must:

1. Be an active member of Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large (paid dues are up-to-date)
2. Agree to a 1 year service commitment to the chapter
3. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25
4. Completed 1/3 of graduate program requirements.
5. Submit a short essay.
6. Submit one copy of official transcripts.
7. Submit a faculty recommendation.

To be eligible for the *Research Grant*, the applicant must:

1. Be an active member of Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large (paid dues are up-to-date)
2. Submit Proposal Abstract (limited to 4 pages)
3. Present a poster presentation at induction ceremony

Deadline for all applications is **January 30, 2008**. The recipients of the Undergraduate, Graduate, and Research Awards will be acknowledged at the 28th Annual Induction Ceremony. To receive an application and further instructions for any of these awards, please contact your faculty counselors (Chris Jackson, EU, Kathryn Hayes, HF, Marge Lacey, IU, Sheila Cunningham, NC) or visit our website: <http://deltatau.libertynet.org> and click on Calendar of Events to download an application.



### *School Spotlight: 25 Years of Educating Nurses at Eastern*

The nursing department of Eastern University has come a long way in 25 years! What started with two full time professors and one chair has grown to seven full time professors and too many adjunct professors to count. 25 years ago, there were about 30 part time students. Now, all of the students are full time – enrollment in January was 160!

Eastern's nursing department has also changed with the times. Seeing a need for nurses returning to the profession, a RN refresher program was started in 2005. Four years ago, the Korean nurse program was organized when David Black, PhD, president of Eastern University, and Stephanie MacTavish, the vice-president of Asian Affairs, realized that, while there was a shortage of nurses here, there was a surplus of nurses in Korea. In addition, a new nursing informatics certificate program was offered for the first time in 2004. In 2005, Eastern began its second-degree nursing program.

Christina Jackson, who started as an adjunct nursing professor in 1984, believes that the success of Eastern's nursing program is due, in part, to its size. "It's a smaller program, which means there's more intimacy and harmony [among the teaching staff]. We all get along well, and the students sense that."

Elizabeth Wilcox, the founder of the program, would be proud to see the accomplishments of the program. As one of the first RN-BSN programs in the area, the department of nursing was initially offered in the College of Arts and Sciences as a traditional undergraduate program. Now, the program is part of The Campolo College of Graduate and Professional Studies and accelerated classes are offered. To meet the needs of the student community, the Department of Nursing now offers classes in Olde City Philadelphia, Pottstown, Phoenixville, Rydal Park, Valley Forge, Lankenau Hospital, Genesis Healthcare, and Pinnacle Health System in Harrisburg.

Mary Boylston, the current chair of the nursing department, has wonderful goals for the future of the nursing program. "We want to make an impact on the nursing shortage by educating students from a Christian worldview. We want our graduates to be leaders rather than accept the status quo. I would love to see a graduate program and a traditional nursing program."

Submitted by Lucia Kubik  
Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large member



**Sigma Theta Tau  
International**

Delta Tau Chapter~At~Large  
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(07-08)**

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*Assistance Needed For  
Delta Tau  
Community Service Project*

**D**ear Colleagues,

At this time we are asking for contributions for our Annual Community Service Project .

If you can spare \$5.00 or \$10.00, it would go a long way towards helping some worthy nursing students.

Please send checks and make them payable to:  
Delta Tau Chapter-At-Large. Donations should be mailed to our treasurer:

*Dr Kathleen McMullen  
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We appreciate your support for this project.

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