



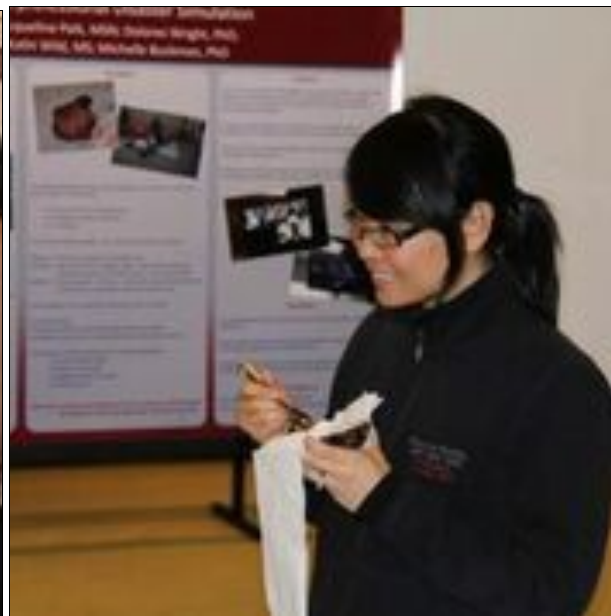
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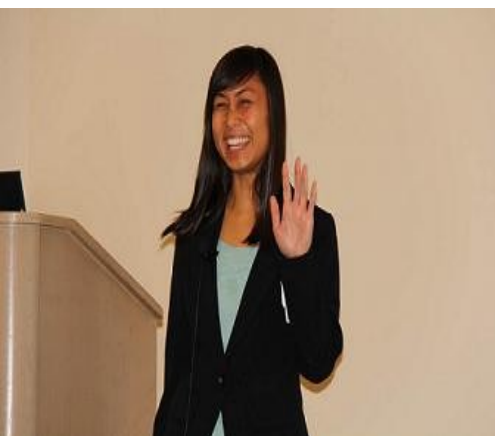
Summer 2015

"Championing Nursing Excellence"

### 16th Annual Evidenced-Based Practice and Nursing Research Conference



Gamma Alpha Chapter helps sponsor this annual conference held during Nurses' Week at Loma Linda University Medical Center. This year's May 7 theme was: "Caring for the Whole Person Through Research". Chapter members participated with both podium and poster presentations. The conference is designed to support, encourage and increase knowledge of the nurse regarding current evidenced based practice and nursing research studies and collaborative practices.



## **Member Presentations at Research Conference**

### **Podium Presentations**

Asma Taha PhD RN—Nurses Experience in the West Bank: A Thematic Analysis

Alison Geslani MS CNS—Heart 2 Heart: Improving Health Failure Education from Hospital to Home

Lisa Roberts DrPH FNP—Beyond Borders: Acculturation and Mental Health in a Asian Indian Community

Eileen Fry-Bowers PhD RN—Research and Evidenced-Based Practice: Nuts, Bolts, and Next Steps

### **Poster Presentations**

Asma Taha—Hyperosmolar Therapy in Treating Pediatric Severe Traumatic Brain Injury: Mannitol Vs NACL

Debra Clausen—Using Evidenced-Based Practice to Increase Insulin Knowledge Among Inpatient Nurses

Elsie Crowninshield—Scripted Hourly Rounding: A Pilot Project

Lisa Roberts—Pigs Feet and Dishpan Hands: Interactive NP Education

Kim Buck—The Use of Text Messaging as a Communication Tool to Enhance Compliance and Decrease BMI in Hispanic Pediatric Patients

Cherie Pefanco—Psychometric Evaluation of the Self-Care Self-Efficacy Assessment Tool

Fayette Traux—Predictors and Barriers to Latent Tuberculosis Infection Treatment Acceptance among Vietnamese's Immigrants.

Eileen Fry-Bowers—Maternal Coordination of Care for Low-Income Latino Children at Risk for Developmental Delay

## 39th Annual Gamma Alpha Chapter Induction Ceremony



**Inductees:** Jonathan Avilar, Erin Banks, Brooke Bauer, Jordan Beuler, Jennifer Buchheim, Elizabeth Cambray, Trevor Carstens, Kamila Clark, Rosabelle Contreras, Adriana Cornejo, Carols Cox, Ignacio Diaz, Joyce Ekong, Jonathan Garcia, Lynne Gladstone, Katherine Hall, Kristin Hamill, Judith Harer, Megan Haynes, Courtney Holzhauser, Lauren Horinouchi, Jennifer Hunt, Annika Jensen, Sarah Johnson, Brittany Jerugens, Katherine Kim, Rachel Krumheuer, Nadine Martins, Genesis Medina, Roxanne Nava, Jacqueline Paik, Alyssa Paquini, Julie Pimental, Evie Purdom, Margarette Rhamie, Charlene Robbins, Marine Rodgers, Roberto Rodriquez, Karissa Rosales, Novindy Sangari, Kathleen Schaefer, Anin Shepherd, Jennie Sondakh, Lauren Spence, Cynthia Tan, Samantha Tarbet, Elaine Taylor, Courtney Tran, Gaea Umali, David Valenzuela, Patricia Vatelina, Kristian Wuysang, Gwendolyn Wysocki, Lauren Yamaguchi, Christine Yoo, Yitao Zhao



## Induction Ceremony Highlights



Keynote address was given by well-known nurse researcher: A. Nyamathi, PhD, ANP, FAAN who presented on: "International Engagement Using Leadership Skills in Everyday Practice and Research"



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### **Friend of Nursing Award**

Alexander Zoros, MD



### **Excellence in Writing Award**

Vaneta Condon PhD RN



### **Excellence in Leadership Award**

Eileen Fry-Bowers PhD JD RN  
CPNP



### **Excellence in Education Award**

Asma Taha PhD RN





## 2015-2016 Gamma Alpha Chapter Board Members

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**8th Annual Believe and Walk for a Cure, Sunday, October 4, 2015**

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Join as a “New Participant ”

Choose STTI Gamma Alpha Chapter from dropdown menu “Choose an Existing Company ”

Click “Search for a Team, ”

Click on “Join ” in the Team Gamma Alpha-STTI box

**WE HAVE TEAM TEE SHIRTS! TO GET YOURS CONTACT: [ederrico@llu.edu](mailto:ederrico@llu.edu)**

## **Region 2 Nursing Research & Innovation Conference ( Odyssey )**

Thursday & Friday, October 15 & 16, 2015 at the Doubletree Hotel, Ontario, CA

**“ Population Health and Nursing ’s Role: Ethics, Leadership & Global Action ”**

Registration is on-line this year at: Eventbrite:

<http://www.eventbrite.com/e/stti-odyssey-conference-2015-tickets-15789566017?aff=es2>

**43rd Biennium Conference Sigma Theta Tau International, November 7-11, 2015, Arias Resort & Casino, Las Vegas. Nevada.**