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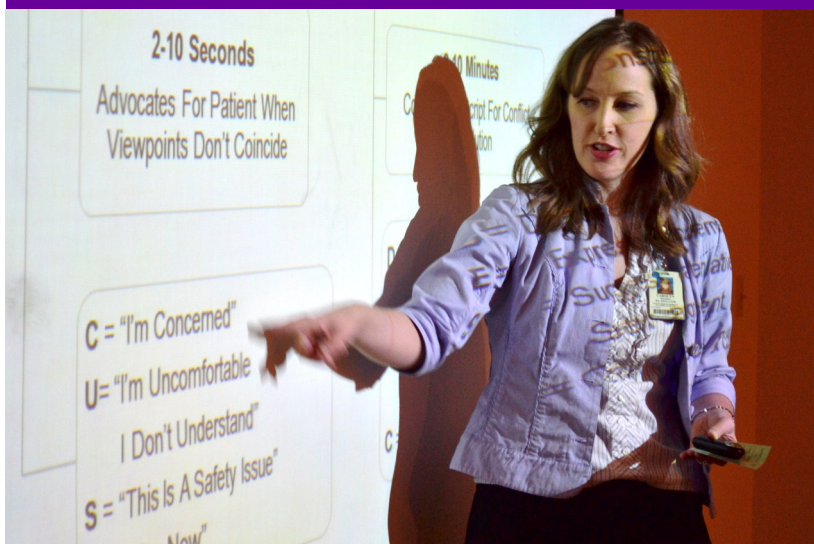
OSAKA FUNDRAISER SPECIAL EDITION

Gamma Alpha hosts 34 Japanese Nursing Students from Osaka
For a 3-day workshop on nursing in the United States



After six months of planning, our guests from Japan arrived on Sunday, October 16, 2011 to be ready for their 3-day seminar on American nursing held on the campus of Loma Linda University. The students are in their second year of a two year associate degree program in nursing. The seminar was coordinated by members of the Gamma Alpha Chapter. In exchange for the seminar, Jekei College (where the students hail) paid a fee to our chapter for the three days of instruction. A huge debt of gratitude goes to everyone who participated in this successful endeavor. The students had a wonderful opportunity to enjoy all that Loma Linda has to offer!

Classroom Seminars and Tours



Carolyn Davidson MS RN, Gamma Alpha secretary gives instruction on "TeamSTEPPS."

We wish to extend a heartfelt THANKS to our tireless interpreters, Jennifer Uyeda MS FNP and Isaac Assami RPT.



Jan Nick PhD, CNE, ANEF an active Gamma Alpha member presented, "Evidenced-Based Practice for the nurse at the bedside."



Dr. Monica McKenzie (right) gave a lecture on the history of Loma Linda, and Creation Health with the help of Jennifer Uyeda MS, FNP as interpreter.



The students learned about advanced practice roles from (left to right) Eric Molina CRNA, Hannah Sandy FNP and Maureen LeDansuer CNS



Student enjoyed tours of the Proton treatment center, Heart and Surgical Hospital, the anatomy lab, Zapata Rehabilitation institute, East Campus healing gardens, PossAbilities, Mary's Mercy Center Homeless Shelter, and our Mobile Telemedicine Vehicle.



Above: Students are welcomed at the Heart and Surgical Hospital. Below: Zapata Rehabilitation Center





Despite fighting jet lag at about 2PM every afternoon, these students were incredibly engaged in their learning.

Above: Time for a stretch!

We would also like to thank the following people for their help and support during the project:

Eileen Fry-Bowers for her lecture on “The Future of Nursing,” Renee Reiswig for her talk on “Nurse Case Management,” Ruby Sun for helping to coordinate the student cultural exchange with our LLU students, Dean Herrmann for allowing us to use classroom space at West Hall, and a very special thanks to Jackie Paik and Esther Alonzo-Neal for coordinating day three of the seminar introducing the role of the nurse in the community with visits to a homeless and battered women’s shelter.



Ready to visit the anatomy lab!



We love Loma Linda University School of Nursing!