

# Sigma Theta Tau



## Gamma Alpha Chapter News

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### **DR. JAN NICK HONORED RECEIVES DANIEL J. PESUT SPIRIT OF REVELAL AWARD!**



Gamma Alpha member Jan Nick is the 2013 recipient of an International Award for Nursing Excellence, the Daniel J. Pesut "Spirit of Renewal" Award. This award was established through an anonymous planned gift to the STTI foundation. The \$2,500 stipend is awarded to one nurse leader whose efforts to renew self and others exemplifies purposeful reflection in practice, mindful understanding of human interrelationships and display of an appreciative, futuristic vision for the practice of nursing. Criteria for the award includes service to others through civic, professional and/or community engagement, scholarly habits that stimulate reflective practice in self and others, commitment to the development of knowledge, learning and service; organizational contributions fostering professional growth, development and renewal in others, mentoring, and coaching and raising the spirit of colleagues, self and other associates. CONGRATULATIONS DR. NICK. Gamma Alpha Chapter is proud of you! Jan will accept her award at this year's Biennium convention.

## OFF CAMPUS MASTER'S STUDENTS INDUCTED



Front row: Joe Rey Dayaban, Gilden Mae Galang Back row: Wyban Nellas, Judith Belete, SreyPeon Tun, Dr.Mark Carr, Joyosthie Orbe

Completion ceremonies for the off-campus Master's program commenced July 29, 2013 in Muak Lek, Sariburi, Thailand on the campus of Asia-Pacific International University. Eighteen students in this cohort met the qualifications for Sigma Theta Tau membership. All students in this cohort worked very hard over the last 4 years and now are proud alumni of Loma Linda University. These graduates are primed for leadership roles in their schools of nursing throughout the world. May God Bless all their future endeavors!

*“Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.”*

Theodore Roosevelt




**COME AND SEE "ESCAPE FIRE: The Fight to Rescue American Healthcare"**

**ESCAPE FIRE** exposes the perverse nature of American healthcare, contrasting the powerful forces opposing change with the compelling stories of pioneering leaders and the patients they seek to help. The film is about finding a way out. It's about saving the health of a nation.

Join us on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 from 5:30-7:30 at the Randal Visitors Center (next to Del Webb Library) for viewing and a panel discussion.

**SUPPER WILL BE PROVIDED** to the first 50 attendees.



A FILM BY MATTHEW HEINEMAN & SUSAN FROEMKE

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JEANNETTE CASOULIS, NY TIMES CRITIC'S PICK


A One-Day National Screening Event  
**September 17<sup>th</sup>**

Join the Conversation at  
**EscapeFireMovie.com**

Tweet @escapefire and #rescuehealthcare

LOCATION:

TIME:

 Institute for Healthcare Improvement  
Open School

# 6th Annual Believe & Walk scheduled Sunday morning, October 6, 2013



Gamma Alpha members have participated in this annual community event since its inception. Over 10,000 people participated last year, raising over \$500,000 for cancer care in the Inland Empire. If you plan on participating, we ask you to let us know, and if possible, join us for a group picture on the steps of the Smiley Library at 7:30 AM SHARP on Sunday morning October 6. It is advisable to register before September 30. Sign in and pick up your materials at the Redlands Mall parking lot on Friday, October 4. For more information, please visit the Believe and Walk Website at:

[http://www.believeinlandempire.com/site/TR?fr\\_id=1050&pg=entry](http://www.believeinlandempire.com/site/TR?fr_id=1050&pg=entry)

Even if you are walking with another team—if you are a Gamma Alpha member, **PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU ARE PARTICIPATING!**

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# **2013 Nursing Odyssey Conference Scheduled OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 1 IN SAN DIEGO**

**Handlery Hotel Mission Valley**

**950 Hotel Circle North San Diego, CA 92108**

THIS IS THE 18TH YEAR OF OUR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL CHAPTERS ANNUAL INNOVATION AND RESEARCH CONFERENCE. This year's theme is "Voices of Nurses: Past, Present and Future". Each year our conference is more exciting and well attended. Our poster sessions have grown remarkably. Students from schools throughout the region have a place to network and learn. A conference brochure will be sent to you via a separate email. We hope to see as many of you as possible in San Diego this year! You will love the fellowship and the food! Come for one day or both days. You will be inspired!



# Upcoming Events

August, 2013—Odyssey Planning Committee, date TBA

September 7, 2013, 5:30-7:30PM—Movie and Panel Discussion, “ESCAPE FIRE”

October 6, 2013 7:30AM —5th Annual Believe and Walk for a Cure 5K/10K run, downtown Redlands, CA

October 31-Nov 1, 2013—Nursing Odyssey, 19th Annual Regional Research/Innovation Conference, San Diego, California Handlery Hotel

November 16-20, 2013—SIGMA THETA TAU BIENNIUM CONVENTION, Indianapolis, Indiana

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