College of Nursing Highlights

- Dr. Karethy Edwards received Nurse Faculty Loan Program (NFLP) funding for the grant “Preparing Diverse Nursing Faculty with a Caring Based Curriculum.”

- The College was awarded $55,000 from the Boca Raton Regional Hospital Foundation for Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center participant scholarships.

- Dr. Teri Chenot, alumna, will be inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing in October.

- Dr. Karethy Edwards accompanied 25 RN to BSN students to Oklahoma for an immersion experience with the Keetoowah band of the Cherokee nation. Students conducted health assessments of school children and implemented health promotion projects based on community needs.

- Dean Safiya George will preside over the Sigma Nursing 45th Biennial Convention in November as the Secretary of the Board of Directors.

- Jinga Oglesby-Brihm’s poster was accepted as a Rising Star of Research and Scholarship Invited Student Speaker Poster at the Sigma Nursing Convention.

Message from Dean Safiya George

What an exciting time of year as the summer semester is wrapping up, and everyone at the College is preparing for the new academic year. I have enjoyed meeting several faculty and staff in meetings, across campus and in the halls of our beautiful building, I can confidently say we have some of the most remarkable, caring and talented faculty and staff, and I am grateful for the opportunity to lead and co-labor with everyone. I am very proud of the many accomplishments that our faculty, staff and students have already made in academics, research, professional organizations and their personal lives. These are all a testament to everyone’s exceptional individual and collective qualities and work ethic.

I thoroughly enjoyed my recent visit to the Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center. It was very heart-warming to see staff and participants singing together and engaging together in other activities. The Center is clearly helping to provide a meaningful caring community for many.

I have also already had several wonderful meetings with members of our Caring Community who serve as faithful friends of nursing. I am deeply committed to connecting with our surrounding communities, continuing our collaborations, strengthening our partnerships and exploring emerging opportunities. I am energized by the College’s current impact and future potential.

I just returned from presenting at Sigma’s International Research Congress in Calgary, Canada. I shared findings from one of my recent studies that used telehealth technology to deliver group counseling to rural residents living with HIV and comorbid depression, anxiety and substance use. This work and many other presentations highlighted the importance of technology, innovation and teamwork to address the many health-related issues in our society—especially among our most vulnerable populations and communities.

This is why FAU’s Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing is so important as we continue to prepare the next generation of caring, compassionate nurse leaders.

FNP Students Participate in Service-Learning Programs

Nearly 70 FNP students participated in academic service-learning programs this summer. Community partners included Village Academy Head Start, where health screenings were completed for existing and new students in their Head Start program, and the Christ Church United Methodist Summer Camp, where health support was provided to more than 100 children, while FNP students engaged in an immersion experience in child growth and development.