



Does your chapter have a success story that exemplifies the mission and vision of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International? If so, submit your story to your regional designee for the 2008 Showcase of Regional Excellence. Use the information below to determine which of the three honor society principles your chapter's success story demonstrates. Success stories may be relevant to more than one of the principles and are not limited to the examples provided.

Knowledge

Knowledge is defined as that body of information gained from science, inquiry and research. It is developed, disseminated and transferred through and from research to improve health for all.

Examples of Knowledge successes:

- Sponsoring a translational research project
- Creating a mentorship related to knowledge
- Creative use of knowledge
- Knowledge-based programming through "fun" events
- Innovative research dissemination

Leadership

Leadership involves a social responsibility to use knowledge and collective expertise, resulting in nursing actions that transform the health of communities and environments. Transformation involves influencing the choices individuals and groups make for lasting, positive change.

Examples of Leadership successes:

- Developing a successful model for mentoring new and future members
- Presenting a chapter Clinical Nurse Leader Award
- Encouraging new member participation and leadership development through innovative initiatives
- Collaborating across chapters on programs
- Influencing policy

Service

Service is the application of knowledge and leadership to make a desirable difference for others. Commitment to service involves collective accountability and securing public trust.

Examples of Service successes:

- Presenting a chapter award for outstanding service within one's community, the honor society or profession
- Providing a patient education series
- Collaborating with other chapters, nursing organizations, hospitals and schools of nursing on a special project
- Bringing together providers, consumers, members and researchers through an innovative project
- Coordinating and/or participating as a chapter in a unique community service event

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