

# NJSNA President-Elect and Chair, Institute for Nursing

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**IFN Mission** is to preserve the heritage, principles, values, and practices of our healing profession through the support of scholarship, education, and research.

**IFN Vision** is to engender the spirit of giving to nurture the soul of nursing now and for future generations.

We are coming off the high of our Professional Conference in October and election in November. The conference brought together nurses from around the state to learn about empowering their nursing journey. We heard from nurses in all stages of their careers and from experts. The day was enlightening and inspiring.

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The Institute for Nursing (IFN) is the foundation that supports and sustains the vital work of the New Jersey State Nurses Association (NJSNA). Through your support, the IFN provides education, scholarships, and professional development opportunities that empower nurses across New Jersey to grow, lead, and elevate the profession we love.

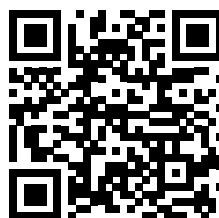
Without the generosity and involvement of our members, this essential work cannot continue.

Your contribution directly fuels programs that strengthen nursing practice and prepare the next generation of nurse leaders.

Together, we can ensure that nursing in New Jersey continues to thrive.

**Support the Institute for Nursing today – because when we invest in nurses, we invest in the future of healthcare.**

Scan the QR Code to unlock all of the IFN's exciting fundraisers!



- Old York Winery
- IFN Shoppe
- Caring & Sharing 50/50 Raffle
- Nurses Night with the Devils
- Directed Donations

## Directed Donations

Honor and celebrate a nurse today with a donation to the Institute for Nursing! Donations are always welcome online and can be made in honor of a loved one, to celebrate a special occasion, or with a personal intention. You may choose to be recognized for your gift or remain anonymous, according to your preference. Every contribution, whether one-time, monthly, quarterly, or annual, plays a crucial role in advancing our mission. Thank you for thinking of us and supporting the nursing profession.

## 50/50 Caring and Sharing Raffle

This year, we sold 903 tickets in the Caring and Sharing Raffle. We were thrilled to pull Rachel Wurmser's winning ticket on May 20, 2025. Rachel and the Institute shared the \$9030 generated by ticket sales. Thank you to all who purchased and sold tickets. Every ticket sold advances the mission of the Institute for Nursing.

## IFN Label Old York Cellars Winery and Vineyard

Indulge in delicious wine from the Old York Cellars Winery collection, now featuring updated IFN designer wine labels. With every bottle of Old York Cellars Wine adorned with our label, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to IFN! For more details and to make your purchase, visit Old York Cellars Winery and Vineyards. Your support is deeply appreciated!

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With sincere appreciation, I extend my thanks to the IFN Board of Trustees, the IFN Fundraising Committee, and its passionate Chair, Jackie Owens, for their outstanding leadership and commitment. I am equally grateful to the NJSNA/IFN staff, whose dedication and hard work make our shared success possible.

Wishing joy and peace to all who are celebrating this holiday season. ■

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# W. Cary Edwards School of Nursing and Health Professions Earns Prestigious Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter Key Award

Kelly Saccomanno, Associate Director, Office of Communications

W. Cary Edwards School of Nursing and Health Professions' Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) Honor Society of Nursing, Upsilon Rho Chapter, has been selected to receive the 2023-2025 Chapter Key Award. This marks the third consecutive time the School has received the distinction.

Established in 1991, the Chapter Key Award honors STTI chapters that demonstrate excellence in leadership and operations, membership recruitment and retention, communication and engagement, service and philanthropy. The award covers chapter activity in three-year increments.

"This recognition underscores the

commitment of our staff, students and alumni to excellence in nursing scholarship and leadership," noted Maureen Clark-Gallagher, assistant dean and director of Distance Learning at the School, who also serves as treasurer and board member of the New Jersey State Nurses Association. "Our Upsilon Rho Chapter #471 is proud to be recognized among this distinctive group of chapters worldwide, and we remain dedicated to fostering professional growth and collaboration within our nursing community."

The distinction will be formally recognized during STTI's 48th Biennial Convention on Nov. 9 in Indianapolis, Ind. ■



(From left to right) Holly Leahan, nursing program advisor and Maureen Clark-Gallagher, assistant dean and director of Distance Learning in the School of Nursing and Health Professions, proudly display the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing banner commemorating the School's Chapter Key Award.