Collaborations, Chains and Circles

By Paula Horberg, RN, PhD, associate dean of nursing and director, Aga Khan University School of Nursing

K arachi, Pakistan—This year we celebrate Pakistan's Golden Jubilee—for independence attained 50 years ago. So when Professor Alf Melin visited Aga Khan University (AKUSON) during the nine years I have been here, AKUSON, which opened in 1980, was the first established unit of the first privately chartered university in Pakistan. Admitted to the first class were 50 diploma students—including 15 military cadets. The first director, Mrs. Winifred Herberg, Canadian, and at the Aga Khan University (AKUSON) to give the keynote speech at the First Distinguished Nurse Symposium to celebrate International Nurses' Day, it was a good time to reflect on changes and collaborations, especially collaborations that have influenced the growth and development of nursing in Pakistan and at the Aga Khan University School of Nursing (AKUSON) during the nine years I have been here. AKUSON has formed an honor society on campus and is seeking to establish a chapter in Sigma Theta Tau International. Faculty member Raffat Myles from the Royal College of Nursing in the United Kingdom; and Ms. Joette Clark, an international nursing development work, it is the most rewarding personal experiences and partnerships that are developed which are most instrumental—and rewarding—to "getting the job done" and leaving behind something sustainable."

AKUSON Graduates at AKU Convocation Ceremony

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DAY 2  Scientific Sessions  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

**SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS**
**Theme: Scholarship of Discovery**

*Morning* 6:15am  
Open House: Sigma Theta Tau International's 34th Biennial Convention 

**Afternoon** 12:30-1:45pm  
Tribute Luncheon  
Honorary Member Induction 
Recognition of Board Members 
International Committee Members  
Chapter Officers  
Virginia Henderson Tribute

**TBD**  
Panel on Nursing and Media 
Sigma Theta Tau International will bring a panel of media experts together in address the findings and recommendations of a research study conducted at the Rochester University School of Nursing. Under the guidance of Junior Board, a nationally known media consultants, researchers will analyze the representation of nursing science in the media.

**ACUTE CARE**

*Dr. Kathleen Driscoll, PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN, President of Nursing, University of California-Los Angeles*

10:00am-Noon  
34TH Plenary Board of Directors' Silent Auction

**SUSTAINABILITY**

*Dr. Kathleen Driscoll, PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN, President of Nursing, University of California-Los Angeles*

1:00-2:15 pm  
Concurrent Research Sessions  
(see page 5 for list of topics and presenters)

**PSEUDOPHYSIOLOGICAL**

*Barbara H. Massey, Coordinator for Sigma Theta Tau Canada*  
*Richard M. Hanes, Editor-in-Chief, Nursing Research*  
*Massey M., M.S., BSN, RN, PhD, R.N., School of Nursing, University of Buffalo*

2:30-3:45 pm  
Concurrent Research Sessions  
(see page 5 for list of topics and presenters)

**AIDS/HEALTH/INNUSSANCE**

*Kathy R. Kingstger and U.S. Explorers of Faith Following HIV-Infected Women*  
*JoAnn Seger, Pepperdine University*  
*Denise L. Thompson, University of South Carolina*

3:30-5:45 pm  
Concurrent Research Sessions  
(see page 5 for list of topics and presenters)

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

*Leadership Conversations*  
*Carol A. Lindeman, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, Sigma Theta Tau International President (1985-1987)*  
*Lorie S. Kelly, PhD, RN, AHN, Sigma Theta Tau International President (1983-1985)*  

4:00-5:15 pm  
ICF constitutional Center for Nursing Scholarship Tours

**RESEARCH PAPERS INVITED TO PRESENT...**

*Sigma Theta Tau International's 34th Biennial Convention*

**ACUTE CARE**

*Ma. Trinidad Balanta, University of Innsbruck*  
*Perioperative service providers of surgeries in a hospital setting*  
*Lee E. McKelvey, University of Kentucky*  
*Factors that influence the ACU Rate in a Critical Care Setting*

**METHODS**

*Barry B. Fawcett, University of Edinburgh*  
*Factors that contribute to the development of a research study*  
*Barry B. Fawcett, University of Edinburgh*

**PHYSIOTHERAPY/NURSING**

*Barbara A. King, Ph.D., M.S., R.N., C.M.F.**  
*Factors that influence the development of intervention*  
*Barbara A. King, Ph.D., M.S., R.N., C.M.F.**

**QUALITY CARE**

*Adina E. Zirgulis, University of Texas*  
*Factors that influence the development of intervention*  
*Adina E. Zirgulis, University of Texas*

**P Hoffmann**  
*Factors that influence the development of intervention*  
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**SPECIAL EVENT**

*A Visit to the City of London*  
*Factors that influence the development of intervention*  
*A Visit to the City of London*
MORNING

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS
Theme: Scholarship of Discovery

Dr. Kathleen Dracup, PhD, DNSc, MAN, UV Laser Professor of Nursing, University of California-Los Angeles

Change, Complexity, and Collaboration
The nature of nursing involves helping people through the process of change related to their health. This process is complex. Measuring the outcomes of the process and the effectiveness of our efforts as nurses is also complex. But measuring the outcomes of nursing interventions is critical to our growth as a profession in health care today.

Dr. Kathleen Dracup

Keynote sponsored by: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston

9:00-11:30am

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS
Early Bird Drawing for Sigma Theta Tau International 10K Rings

11:30am-12:15pm

Concurrent Research Sessions (See page 5 for list of topics and presenters)

12:30-1:45pm

Tribute Luncheon
Honorary Member Induction
Recognition of Board Members
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Chapter Officers
Virginia Henderson Tribute

TBD

Panel on Nursing and Media
Sigma Theta Tau International will bring a panel of media experts together to address the findings and recommendations of a research study conducted at the Rochester University School of Nursing. Under the leadership of Jennie T. Nickel, a nationally known media consultant, researchers will analyze the representation of nursing in the media.

SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL'S BICENTENNIAL CONVENTION

8:00-9:15am Scientific Sessions

Keynote Session

ICN Milestone: Dr. Roberta D. Asselin

9:15-10:00am

Plenary Session

Change, Complexity, Measuring the Outcomes of the Process and the Effectiveness of Our Efforts as Nurses

Barbara R. Tenner, RN, PhD, FAAN

10:00-10:15am

Registration & Delegated Certification

10:15-11:00am

Research Poster Session

Sponsored by The Bollinger Auerbach Foundation

11:00am-12:00pm Research Poster Session

Sponsored by Northeastern University School of Nursing

12:00-1:00pm Lunch

1:00-2:00pm

Concurrent Research Sessions (See page 6 for list of topics and presenters)

2:30-3:00pm

Registration & Delegated Certification

3:00-4:00pm

Exhibits Open

Hands-On Computer Lab
Research Poster Viewing
Board of Directors Silent Auction

4:00-5:00pm

Concurrent Research Sessions (See page 6 for list of topics and presenters)

5:30-6:30pm

Dinner & Chapter Presidents' Reception

1:30-4:30pm

Recovery Room - Poster Session

Board of Directors' Silent Auction

SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL'S BICENTENNIAL CONVENTION

DAY 3 Scientific Sessions

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

SEMINARS

ACUTE CARE

Dr. Mary Teicholz, RN, BSN, EdM, PhD, FASAHP, Sigma Theta Tau International President 1993-1994

Efforts to Improve Acute Care: A National Conference Overview

John C. Thomas, RN, PhD, FAAN

11:00am-12:00pm

Recovery Room - Poster Session

Board of Directors' Silent Auction

SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL'S BICENTENNIAL CONVENTION
CONVENTION HOTEL INFORMATION

Convention Hotel Information: All hotels are connected to the Indiana Convention Center and Circle Centre Mall via covered skywalks.

1. Westin Hotel
(Sigma Theta Tau International Headquarters Hotel)
50 South Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

- Rooms: Single/Double $105
- Triple/Quad $125
- Reservations: 800-229-3000 or 317-262-8100
- Featuring an indoor pool and fitness center. Guest rooms amenities include iron and ironing boards, speaker phones, hair dryers, and complimentary USA Today. Check-in: 3:00pm - Check-out: 1:00pm.

2. Hyatt Regency Indianapolis
One South Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

- Rooms: Single/Double $105
- Triple/Quad $125
- Reservations: 800-233-1234 or 317-632-1234
- Featuring an indoor pool and fitness center. This spectacular 20 story atrium hotel has cascading geometry, an abundance of natural lighting, and an assortment of shops and boutiques in the lobby.

3. Crowne Plaza at Union Station
123 West Louisiana Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204

- Rooms: Single/Double $100
- Triple $150
- Reservations: 800-HOLIDAY (800) 233-1234 or 800-228-3000 or 317-262-8100
- Features 276 rooms assigned on a first come, first served basis. After November 1, 1997, reservations made on a space available basis.

4. Indianapolis Convention Center

Indianapolis, IN 46204

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- Crowne Plaza at Union Station

5. The Westin Hotel (Headquarters Hotel)
50 South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204

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- Check-out: 1:00pm
- Mailing Address: 123 West Louisiana Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204
- Ph: 800-228-3000 or (317) 233-1234
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6. Hyatt Regency Indianapolis
One South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204

- Rooms: Single/Double $105
- Triple/Quad $125
- Reservations: (317) 233-1234 or (317) 631-2221
- Featuring an indoor pool, weight room and fitness center. The hotel features 276 deluxe guest rooms. Each guest room has a coffee maker, iron and ironing board, cosmetic mirror, hair dryer, and a voice messaging and dataport.

7. Crowne Plaza at Union Station
123 West Louisiana Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204

- Rooms: Single/Double $100
- Triple $150
- Reservations: 800-HOLIDAY (800) 233-1234 or (317) 231-7569
- Featuring an indoor pool, whirlpool, spa, and fitness center. Guest room amenities include irons and ironing boards, phones, hair dryers, and complimentary USA Today. Check-in: 3:00pm - Check-out: 1:00pm.

8. Indianapolis Convention Center

Indianapolis, IN 46204

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- Reservations: 800-228-3000 or 317-233-1234
- Crowne Plaza at Union Station

9. Westin Hotel

Indianapolis, IN 46204

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- Triple $150
- Reservations: 800-228-3000 or 317-262-8100
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Indianapolis, IN 46204

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- Crowne Plaza at Union Station
CONVENTION HOTEL INFORMATION

Indianapolis, IN 46204

1. Westin Hotel
50 South Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Rooms rates:
- Single/Double: $100
- Triple/Quad: $125
- Single/Double: $101
- Triple/Quad: $125

Reservations:
- Phone: (317) 231-8495
- Toll Free: 800-874-6200

2. Hyatt Regency Indianapolis
One South Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Rooms rates:
- Single/Double: $100
- Triple/Quad: $125
- Single/Double: $101
- Triple/Quad: $125

Reservations:
- Phone: (317) 231-1234 or (317) 630-1234
- Toll Free: 800-HOLIDAY (800-465-3467)

3. Crowne Plaza at Union Station
123 West Louisiana Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Rooms rates:
- Single/Double: $100
- Triple/Quad: $125
- Single/Double: $101
- Triple/Quad: $125

Reservations:
- Phone: (317) 231-9928 or (317) 631-2221
- Toll Free: 800-HOLIDAY (800-465-3467)

4. Indianapolis Convention Center

MAIL OR FAX THIS FORM DIRECTLY TO HOTEL OF CHOICE - ONE FORM PER RESERVATION

Name: 
Mailing Address: 
Phone Number: 
Other(s) Occupying Room: 
Arrival Date: 
Departure Date: 
Length of Stay: Nights:

HOTEL GUARANTEE

Hotels require first night’s deposit or credit card to guarantee your reservation. 

Check payable to Hotel Enclosed

1. Westin Hotel (Headquarters Hotel)
50 South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204
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Fax: (317) 231-9928

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One South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204
Phone: (317) 231-1234 or (317) 630-1234
Fax: (317) 231-9928

3. Crowne Plaza at Union Station
123 West Louisiana Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202
Phone: (317) 231-9928 or (317) 631-2221
Fax: (317) 236-7474

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone Number: 
Other(s) Occupying Room: 
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DAY 4  Leadership Sessions

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

MORNING

CHAPTER LEADERSHIP SESSIONS
Theme: Scholarship of Leaders
Katherine Tyler Scott, executive director of the Trustee Leadership Development, a national leadership education program.

Her presentation will engage participants in an exploration of leadership practices that will profoundly affect and shape the future.

Sponsored by: University of Akron College of Nursing & University of Cincinnati Nursing & Health

7:00am-12noon Virginia Henderson Library Hands-On Lab
8:00-9:30am Leadership Sessions Keynote
11:30-12:45pm Concurrent Leadership Sessions

AFTERNOON

1:00-2:30pm Chapter Awards Luncheon
2:30-5:00pm Virginia Henderson Library Hands-On Lab
2:45-4:00pm Concurrent Leadership Sessions
How to Organize and Run a Successful Meeting
How to Plan for Other Transitions
How to Increase and Maintain Membership Involvement
How to Revisit Your Chapter’s Research Activities
How to Succeed in Chapter Fund-Raising
How to Plan for Regional and International Chapter Award Submissions
How to Create Dynamic Chapter Newsletters
How to Develop a Chapter World Wide Web Page News
How to Manage Your Chapter’s Bylaws
How to Create a Chapter Policy and Procedure Manual
How to Get Your Chapter Involved Internationally
How to Nourish a Chapter Back in Health
How to Publish Your Work
How to Prepare a Professional Portfolio
3:00-4:45pm Registration & Delegate Certification
4:00-4:40pm Meet the Candidates/Retirement Break
4:45-6:00pm Delegate Briefing
6:00-6:00pm Chapter Historical Display Move-Out
6:15pm Birthday Party
Sponsored by: Ross Products Division/Abbott Laboratories

DAY 5  House of Delegates

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

MORNING

HOUSE OF DELEGATES
Theme: Scholarship of Community
7:30-8:30am Registration and Delegate Certification
8:00-12:00pm House of Delegates Session I

AFTERNOON

12:00-2:00pm Luncheon
2:00-5:00pm House of Delegates Session II
5:00-6:00pm Recognition for outgoing/incoming officers

7TH EVENTS

Leadership Conversations

Virginia Greensleaves Beth C. Vaughan-McNeil Fay L. Brown

Katharine Tyler Scott

34th Biennial Convention & 75th Anniversary Celebration

GENERAL CONVENTION INFORMATION

Registration Information
Registration fees include official programmed events, materials, 75th Anniversary events, and meal functions on certain packages.

Full convention with meals includes all five meal functions.

Payment must accompany registration form. Registration forms will not be processed without payment. Please fax registration forms ONLY if payment is made by check, cashier's check, or money order. Registration is based, please DO NOT mail original. The registration form may be photocopied for your convenience.

NON-MEMBERS are welcome and may register for the convention at the fees listed on the registration form.

GROUP RATES apply to the 5-day registration packages only for member and non-member categories. Group rates will be offered to five Tau Faculty from the same school of nursing/university, five staff members from the same health care setting, or five members from the same chapter. To be eligible for the group rate, all five completed registration forms must be received together with payment attached.

DAILY REGISTRATION rates are available for the convention. Registration includes educational sessions and materials. Daily registration does not include meals. Meal tickets may be purchased separately using the registration form. Registration materials will be distributed on the morning of the day registration was made (i.e., Tuesday 7:15am for Tuesday only registrations).

Please return the completed registration form and convention registration fee to "Sigma Theta Tau International", Attn: Convention Registration, 550 West North Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202 USA

Any questions regarding registration, please call toll free: 1-888-634-7575.

From 7:34-8:54, 1-317-634-1888

Do you have special needs (i.e., physical, dietary) that we can address to make your participation more enjoyable and meaningful? Please complete the appropriate space on the registration form or call headquarters at 1-888-634-7575.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY
Full refunds less $25 administrative processing fee per registration will be granted to requests received in writing at Sigma Theta Tau International prior to November 21, 1997. A $10.00 fee per registration will be charged to written requests received at Sigma Theta Tau International after November 22, 1997.

Registration Services
The Registration Services Area will be located on the first floor of the Indiana Convention Center and will be open the following days and times for you to pick-up registration materials:

Monday 4:00-8:00pm
Tuesday 7:15am-12:00 Noon 3:00pm-5:00pm
Wednesday 7:15am-12:00 Noon 3:00pm-5:00pm
Thursday 7:15am-12:00 Noon 3:00pm-5:00pm
Friday 7:15am-12:00 Noon 3:00pm-5:00pm

Recommended Dress

Awards Banquet Semi-Formal

As the temperature in each meeting room varies, it is advisable to bring a sweater to ensure your comfort during the sessions.

Day 4 Leadership Sessions

Program Planning Committee

Marian C. Eder, Del. PEO, AHN
Nancy Olness-Raymond, RN, MHS, CNP, AHN
Barbara Roberts, RN, MSN

1997 Convention Objectives

1. Describe new multimedia techniques useful in practice and education.
2. Identify various multimedia communication tools.
3. Develop multimedia communication and skills.

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

1. Acquire new nursing knowledge based on nursing research findings.
2. Translate nursing research findings for use in practice.
3. Establish a network of colleagues in one's own area of research interest.
4. Identify trends in nursing research relating to national and international health problems.

PROGRAM SESSIONS

1. Identify professional practices that produce positive health outcomes.
2. Describe innovative programming and project developments that encourage knowledge dissemination and utilization.
3. Define examples of nursing excellence achieved in various practice arenas.
4. Explore effective collaboration between nursing and other disciplines.

LEADERSHIP SESSIONS

1. Identify strategies/resources to ensure successful chapter administration & governance.
2. Establish collegial support with other chapter leaders in Sigma Theta Tau International.
3. Explore an expanded vision of the future of Sigma Theta Tau International through effective individual and chapter leadership development.

Travel Information

All three hotels and the Convention Center are conveniently located off I-70/70s (Ohio Turnpike) and I-779 (Ohio Turnpike). The Convention Center is situated one block north of the Union Station Complex. The hotel is on the west end, for the Hyatt, follow the U.S. 22/30 exit (Union St.) and take the hotel, left on 4th St. to the Hyatt. The Hyatt Motor Entrance is on the left. To reach the Westin, continue on Ohio Street to Washington (one way) turn left on Washington and continue to the Westin, one block West of Capital Street.

134th Biennial Convention & 75th Anniversary Celebration

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DAY 4  Leadership Sessions

MORNING

CHAPTER LEADERSHIP SESSIONS
Theme: Scholarship of Leaders
Katherine Tyler Scott, executive director of the Trustee Leadership Development, a national leadership education program.

Her presentation will engage participants in an exploration of leadership practices that will profoundly affect and shape the future.

Sponsored by: University of Akron College of Nursing & University of Connecticut College of Nursing and Health

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7:30-7:45am Virginia Henderson Library Hands-On Lab
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

5 House of Delegates

MORNING

HOUSE OF DELEGATES
Theme: Scholarship of Community
7:30-8:15am Registration and Delegate Certification
8:00-9:15am House of Delegates Session I

AFTERNOON

HOUSE OF DELEGATES
Theme: Scholarship of Community
12:00-2:00pm Lunch Break
2:00-3:05pm House of Delegates Session II
3:05-4:00pm Recognition for outstanding incoming delegates

Evening Events

7th Events

Leadership Conversations

Virginia Greenhaw  Beth C. Vaughn-Morrison  Fay F. Brown

7:30pm Anniversary Mixer

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6:15pm Birthday Party sponsored by: Riosis Products Division/Abbott Laboratories

GENERAL CONVENTION INFORMATION

Registration Information
Registration fees include all featured program events, materials, 75th Anniversary events, and meals. Full convention with meals includes all five meal functions.

Payment must accompany registration form. Registration forms will not be processed without payment. Please fax registration forms only if payment is made by check or credit card. If registration is faxed, please DO NOT mail original. The registration form may be photocopied for your convenience.

NON-MEMBERS are welcome and may register for the convention at the fees listed on the registration form.

DAILY REGISTRATION rates are available for the convention. Registration includes educational sessions and materials. Daily registration does not include meals. Meal tickets may be purchased separately using the registration form.

CANCELLATION/Refund Policy
Full refunds less $25 administrative processing fee will be granted to requests received at writing to Sigma Theta Tau International prior to November 22, 1997. A 50% refund will be granted to written requests received at Sigma Theta Tau International after November 22, 1997.

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The Sights...the Sounds...the Smells...

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All senses were bombarded for a group of 16 University of Alberta baccalaureate nursing students who travelled thousands of miles from the comfort of their homes in suburban Edmonton, Alberta last spring to a base camp in Comitancillo, Guatemala. The purpose of their journey was to complete a six-week rural nursing practicum.

During the six weeks, the group journeyed across dirt roads to set up health clinics in isolated rural villages and squatter settlements in Guatemala City. Skin conditions, diarrheal diseases, chest infections, parasitic infestations, and malnutrition were among the most common health problems they encountered in the women and children who attended the clinics. Mayan men were noticeably absent at most of the clinics, and indeed most households were headed by women. With limited supplies and the assistance of three-way interpreters, the nursing students provided care and health education in such topics as nutrition, hygiene, and wound care as to many as 150 people during a three- or one-half hour clinic. For many who came to the clinics, it was the first health care they had ever received — some of the people had walked three or four hours in intense heat and dust just to attend the clinic.

Since 1993, Professor Wendy Neander, of the University of Alberta Faculty of Nursing and a member of this Sigma, has supervised a group of nursing students during a senior practicum experience in Guatemala. "The Guatemalan experience presents students with a challenging opportunity," explains Neander, "that being the incorporation of the principles of primary health care that students are often unable to integrate into their nursing in Canada due to institutional constraints and, therefore, fully exercise their true abilities as nurses." Pueblo Partisans, a grassroots organization whose long term goals include improving the health and living conditions of Guatemalan residents, assists with the coordination of the seminars dealing with the most common health problems they would be likely to encounter among the many pre-trip activities.

While in Guatemala, the students learn many things about themselves—other inner strength and fortitude—and about the challenges of living in an underprivileged country. "The first impression or impact upon them is one of seeing a wasteland of misery and poverty in comparison to their home environment and country," continued Neander. "But slowly they develop the ability to recognize people have their own mechanisms for survival and issues with respect to health and illness." One of the students, Barb Bailey, discovered this first-hand. "Despite living in conditions we would find insurmountable, the people live happy lives filled with joy," said Bailey. "They have an incredibly generous nature—no matter how little they had, they were always willing to share." Bailey came away from the experience and facilitates access to the people in their own mechanisms for survival and issues with respect to health and illness. "One of the students, Barb Bailey, discovered this first-hand. "Despite living in conditions we would find insurmountable, the people live happy lives filled with joy," said Bailey. "They have an incredibly generous nature—no matter how little they had, they were always willing to share." Bailey came away from the experience and facilitates access to the people..."