

Reception honors President Morin

A champagne-and-strawberries reception honored Karen H. Morin, RN, DSN, ANEF, president of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI), during the American Organization of Nurse Executives Annual Meeting and Exposition in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.

Honor society CEO Patricia E. Thompson and about 130 other guests attended the 10 April reception. Past board members in attendance included Anna Alt-White, Karen Grigsby, Tim Porter O'Grady, Dan Pesut, Peter Buerhaus and Linda Everett.

The following initiatives, Morin said, are among the honor society's efforts to improve world health through nursing.

STTI, in partnership with the International Council of Nurses (ICN) and supported by the Elsevier Foundation, will host the [Global Summit on Nurse Faculty Migration](#) 27-30 June in Geneva, Switzerland. Nurse experts will identify realistic, measurable steps to address the problem of faculty migration.

The honor society's newest leadership academy, the [Nurse Faculty Mentored Leadership Development](#) program, funded by The Elsevier Foundation, will launch 19 April. STTI's expanded geriatric nursing offerings include a free [geriatric pain Web site](#). The pain site is part of STTI's new [Center for Nursing Excellence in Long-Term Care™](#), developed in collaboration with the Hartford Centers of Geriatric Nursing Excellence.

During the [21st International Nursing Research Congress](#) 12-16 July in Orlando, Florida, STTI will induct several outstanding nurse researchers into the newly created International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame. The event is supported by Wiley Blackwell Publishing.

STTI will offer Leadership Summits this year in [Atlanta, Georgia](#); Indianapolis, Indiana; and Arlington, Texas.



From left: President Karen Morin, Tim Porter-O'Grady of Tim Porter-O'Grady Associates, Wendy Jo Wilkinson of METI, Tom Doyle of METI, Judith Mitiguy of Gannett Healthcare Group



Michelle Troseth of Elsevier, CEO Pat Thompson, Victoria Rich of Penn Nursing Science



Amanda Keighley and Tom Keighley of the Royal College of Nursing

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The honor society and the World Health Organization (WHO) are working on an implementation and evaluation plan for “Global standards for the initial education of professional nurses and midwives.”

STTI awards more than \$100,000 annually in [research grants](#). Morin recognized METI for its commitment to provide a \$10,000 nursing research grant in simulation for 2011.

Also at the reception, authors of three recently published STTI books signed copies of their books: Gary Scholar, author of *Fit Nurse: Your Total Plan for Getting Fit and Living Well*; Vicki Hess, author of *The Nurse Manager's Guide to Hiring, Firing & Inspiring*; and Kimberly McNally and Liz Cunningham, authors of *The Nurse Executive's Coaching Manual*.

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Vicki Hess, author of *The Nurse Manager's Guide to Hiring, Firing & Inspiring*

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