

helping nurses

HEAL, LEAD AND LEARN

• SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR NURSING

MAJOR GIFT FELLOWSHIPS AND SOCIETIES

Transform your passion for nursing into the pinnacle of your personal philanthropy.

Perhaps you've achieved your Virginia Henderson Fellowship, and you're wondering where the next steps in your philanthropic path might lead. Maybe you're contemplating how you

might have a considerable impact on a nursing organization or the profession. Or, maybe you would like to influence a particular aspect of nursing through an endowed gift. The Sigma Theta Tau International Foundation for Nursing's Major Gift Fellowships and Societies provide opportunities that enable you to **significantly impact nurses and nursing.**

Your gifts enable the honor society to provide activities and opportunities to its members. These programs include a variety of **educational activities, the wonderful electronic library, nursing research grants and leadership development programs.** In addition, in most instances, the principal of these gifts is preserved, providing for future nurses and the profession.

Sigma Theta Tau Fellow

The *Sigma Theta Tau Fellowship* recognizes gifts of \$20,000 or more, over and above the Virginia

Henderson Fellowship. These gifts may be given in a lump sum or installment increments, typically paid over five years, to support nursing scholarship, leadership or the honor society's future. When the pledge is initiated, you will receive a specially designed *Sigma Theta Tau Fellow* pin.



Upon pledge completion, your gift will be celebrated permanently with a 12"x12" brick paver engraved in your name and placed in the walkway outside headquarters. You also will receive a personalized, framed *Sigma Theta Tau Fellow* plaque.

Fellows are recognized in a variety of honor society and foundation publications and as members of the foundation's Heritage Society, receive invitations to elegant biennial events.

“It is important to make the most of the blessings, gifts and talents we each have been given, to honor them in each other, and to share them freely with others.”

ROSEANNE MOODY
Billye Brown Fellow



Additional Information About Planned Gifts

A copy of the life insurance policy ownership/beneficiary designation form or page of your will that cites Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing Foundation as the gift recipient is the only backup documentation required. If you decide to designate the foundation as an estate beneficiary, you may utilize the following language:

"I give, devise and bequeath (the sum of \$_____ /or _____ percentage of the residue of my estate) to the Sigma Theta Tau International Foundation for Nursing, a nonprofit organization (tax identification number 35-1908863) based in Indianapolis, Indiana, to be used in the furtherance of its charitable mission to support the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International to develop professional excellence in practice, research, scholarship and leadership to enhance world health."

If you wish, you may go on to designate a specific area of support: research, scholarship, the honor society's future or organizational operations. And, if your gift is \$50,000 or more, you may conclude by stating:

"I wish to be recognized as one of the organization's Billye Brown Fellows and receive all appropriate recognition at this level. In addition, I would like to designate that ten percent of my gift be redirected by the Sigma Theta Tau International Foundation for Nursing to my honor society chapter, _____ (chapter name)."

Philanthropic Caring Society

Contributors of \$50,000 become members of the *Philanthropic Caring Society*. Gifts may be designated to support operations, scholarship, leadership or the honor society's future, and they may be given in a lump sum or over a five-year timeframe. In addition, you will receive ongoing updates about the program that your gift supports.



When a gift is pledged, you are honored in foundation and honor society materials and invited to the biennial Heritage Society dinner. Upon the gift's completion, you will be listed in honor society materials associated with the designated gift and recognized permanently at headquarters on a special *Philanthropic Caring Society* plaque.

Billye Brown Fellow

In appreciation of past honor society President Dr. Billye Brown's efforts to support and sustain the organization's future, the foundation created the *Billye Brown Fellowship*. Individuals who register **planned gifts** — gifts given through a will, irrevocable life-insurance policy, trusts and so forth — **valued at \$50,000 or more will be recognized permanently as Billye Brown Fellows.**



These gifts benefiting future nurses may be restricted to scholarship, leadership or the honor society's future, and **up to ten percent of the gift may be designated for one or more chapters.**

You will receive a specially designed *Billye Brown Fellow* pin, and your name will be listed on a plaque at headquarters. In addition to recognition in foundation and honor society materials, you will be invited to the biennial Heritage Society dinner.



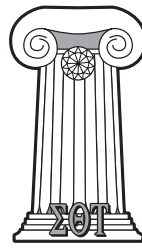
“I consider a contribution of money or time to the honor society as a contribution to improve the future of the nursing profession.”

BILLYE BROWN
Virginia Henderson and
Sigma Theta Tau Fellow

The Pillar Society

Your lifetime of giving to the foundation is recognized through membership in this esteemed society. Members of the Pillar Society are recognized for **combined cumulative cash gifts and irrevocable planned gifts (at present value) totaling \$100,000 or more**. Pillar Society donors are recognized during the Heritage Society dinner, listed in foundation and honor society materials, and honored with a plaque at headquarters.

This distinction also will be bestowed upon donors posthumously when their planned gift, combined with their lifetime cash contributions, achieves \$100,000.



“In addition to my Virginia Henderson Fellowship, I chose to become a Billye Brown Fellow to support the honor society’s vision. I see it as an investment in the future of nursing.”

JANE KIRSCHLING
Virginia Henderson and Billye Brown Fellow



Yes! I am interested in learning more about these major gift opportunities.

- ☐ I would like to receive a call from staff to discuss my giving options.
- ☐ I would like to speak with an independent planned-giving consultant.
- ☐ I would like to receive a copy of the foundation's gift acceptance policies.
- ☐ I am interested in becoming:
 - ☐ a Sigma Theta Tau Fellow
 - ☐ a Philanthropic Caring Society member
 - ☐ a Billye Brown Fellow (I included a copy of the page in my will that cites this gift or a copy of the beneficiary designation form of my irrevocable life insurance policy)
 - ☐ a Pillar Society member

Contribution options:

- ☐ I included a check made payable to the STTI Foundation for Nursing.
- ☐ I would like to make a multi-year pledge. Please contact me about pledge terms and payment options (credit card, checking account deduction, payment booklet).
- ☐ I would like my gift to benefit:
 - ☐ The scholarship of nursing through research
 - ☐ Leadership development programs
 - ☐ The honor society's future
 - ☐ Organizational operations
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Alternate Phone: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Thank you for supporting the Sigma Theta Tau International Foundation for Nursing. Together, we can help nurses heal, lead and learn!



I wanted to give back to my chapter. The Billye Brown Fellowship allowed me to do that. I believe in the work of the honor society at both the international and local levels. And, I want to be a part of the honor society's mission.

DONNA ZAZWORSKY
Billye Brown Fellow

Named Endowments

Individuals who pledge within five years time or bequeath \$100,000 to the foundation have the opportunity to name and endow a program. This means you will be recognized as a *Pillar Society* member and that the program will be named after you. The investment earnings (approximately five percent annually) of your gift will be utilized for program operations, and the gift's principal will be invested and preserved in a segregated endowment. As a result, the program you support will be self-sustaining and permanent.

If you wish to name and endow a special nursing program, foundation staff recommends that you consult with the honor society's chief executive officer and the foundation's director. In doing so, you may feel assured that you are providing for a program that is pertinent and relevant to the honor society's mission, as well as ensuring that the gift will be used according to your intent. To be accepted, the gift must fit within the mission and purpose of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International.

Additional Information

Please contact a member of the foundation staff via telephone at 888.634.7575 (US/Canada), +1.317.634.8171 (International) or via e-mail (foundation@stti.iupui.edu) for a confidential conversation about your gift plan. Staff members will prepare an agreement letter specifying the honor society's commitments to you and detailing your contribution method. To view additional gift options and parameters, please consult the foundation's gift acceptance policies (available online at www.nursingsociety.org/giving).

If you need additional help constructing your gift plan, staff also can refer you to a skilled planned-giving consultant utilized by the foundation. This independent consultant will represent your best interests for your future and your gift.

For all of your charitable gifts, the foundation encourages you to consult with your own personal income-tax advisor, financial planner or estate-planning attorney. This will ensure that you maximize your gift to its fullest potential so that both you and the charities of your choice receive the most benefit from your generous gifts.



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