

First Student Scholarship Showcase spotlights undergraduate and graduate work

The College hosted its first annual Student Scholarship Showcase in March 2005. The event provided an opportunity for all nursing students – from undergraduate through doctoral levels – to share knowledge and present it to fellow students.

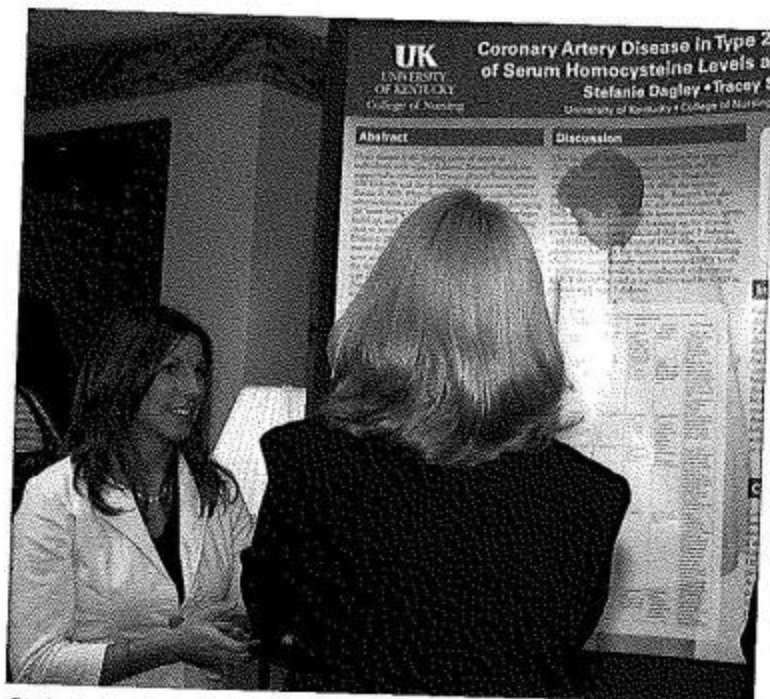
Molly Johnson, B.S.N., R.N., C.P.O.N., a student in the master's program, gave the keynote address titled, "From Brainstorming to the Boardroom: How to Get Your Evidence Into Practice," which focused on a project she did on the pediatric oncology unit at UK Children's Hospital, looking at the protocol they were following for central line dressing changes.

Assistant Professor **Mary DeLetter**, faculty co-chair of the showcase, said, "I'm overwhelmed by the professionalism and quality of the papers and posters today."

Two winners were announced for each academic level (one winner each in the podium presentation and poster presentation categories). Winners each received a plaque and \$100 (denoted by an asterisk).

Nine students made podium presentations of papers they had recently written:

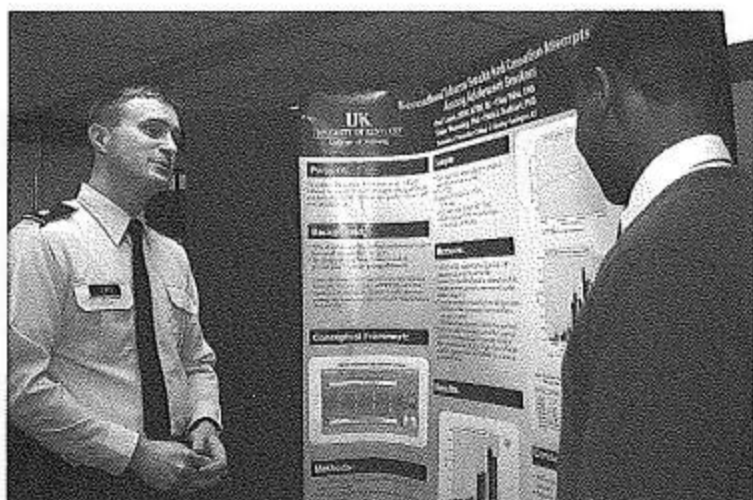
- Christina Knox**, B.S.N., R.N., M.S.N. student: *Issues Related to Children Participating in Clinical Research*
- * **Demetrius Abshire**, junior B.S.N. student: *Children's Self-Reports of Physical Activity as a Trigger for Asthma Episodes*
- Lindsey Connor**, senior B.S.N. student: *Motherhood and Rheumatoid Arthritis: A Guide for Health Professionals*
- Sukjai Charoensuk**, M.S.N., R.N., Ph.D. candidate: *Factors Influencing Depression in Thai Adolescents*
- Ashleigh Ohlmann**, sophomore B.S.N. student: *How Culture May Affect Health and Health Care*
- * **Frances Hardin-Fanning**, B.S.N., R.N., M.S.N. student: *Nursing Therapeutics to Enhance Sleep Onset*
- * **Marla De Jong**, M.S., R.N., Ph.D. candidate: *Anxiety, Depression, and Functional Status Are the Best Predictors of Health Status for Patients With Heart Failure*
- Shannon Raymer**, B.S.N., R.N., M.S.N. student: *Family Presence During Resuscitation and Invasive Procedures: A Literature Review on Patient and Family Perspectives*
- Chizimuzo "Zim" Okoli**, M.S.N., R.N., Ph.D. candidate: *Hair Nicotine as a Biomarker for Exposure to Second-Hand Smoke*



Stefanie Dagley, pictured here, and Tracey Spafford, both senior B.S.N. students, won first place for their poster, *Coronary Artery Disease in Type 2 Diabetes: The Use of Serum Homocysteine Levels as a Diagnostic Tool*.



M.S.N. student Fran Hardin-Fanning won first place for both her paper presentation and her poster. Her paper was titled, *Nursing Therapeutics to Enhance Sleep Onset*, and her poster was titled, *Cardio-protective Properties of the Mediterranean Diet*. Julie Sebastian, assistant dean for advanced practice nursing, presented the award.



Ph.D. candidate Paul Lewis discusses his poster, *Secondhand Tobacco Smoke and Cessation Attempts Among Adolescent Smokers*, with fellow Ph.D. candidate Zim Okoli.

Additionally, 19 students presented posters:

Robin D. Dennison, M.S.N., R.N., C.C.N.S., D.N.P. student:

Providing Evidence of Competence: Development and Use of a Professional Portfolio; and Medication Safety: Development of an Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Model

* **Lynne A. Jensen, M.S., A.R.N.P., B.C.**, Ph.D. student: *Gender Differences in Knowledge, Attitudes and Beliefs About Heart Disease; and Women's Interpretation of Prodromal Cardiac Symptoms*

Corey Southworth, Bryan Yankey, Lindsey Page, Aliceson Trimpe, Sarah Danhouer, Kristen Stumph, and Leann Hisle, junior B.S.N. students: *Catch the energy! FISH! At Central Baptist Hospital*

Judy Schreiber, M.S.N., R.N., Ph.D. student: *Spiritual Belief Systems Expectations: Impact on Anxiety and Depression*

* **Frances Hardin-Fanning, R.N.**, M.S.N. student: *Cardioprotective Properties of the Mediterranean Diet*

Terre Ament, M.S.N. student: *The Problem with Domestic Violence*

Peggy Riley, M.S.N., R.N., Ph.D. student: *Influences of Culture on Domestic Violence in Rural Eastern Kentucky*

Dean Scott Treadway, Ph.D., R.N., Ph.D., 2005: *A Feasibility Test of the Systemic Terraced Exercise Protocol in Fourth Grade Children*

* **Stefanie Dagley** and * **Tracey Spafford**, senior B.S.N. students: *Coronary Artery Disease in Type 2 Diabetes: The Use of Serum Homocysteine Levels as a Diagnostic Tool*

Sandra Amshoff and **Megan Popielarczyk**, senior B.S.N. students: *Farm Exposure, Work Practices, and Perceived Danger as Reported by Farm Children and Their Parents*

Paul Lewis, M.S.N., A.P.R.N.-C., Ph.D. candidate: *Secondhand Tobacco Smoke and Cessation Attempts Among Adolescent Smokers*

The College thanks the faculty and students who organized the event: Assistant Professor **Mary DeLetter** and Lecturer **Jessica Rice**, co-chairs; **Leslee Bertram** (B.S.N. student); Assistant Professor **Steve Browning**; Assistant Professor **Pat Burkhart**; Lecturer **Karen Butler**; **Debra Hall** (clinical nurse researcher, UK Hospital); Lecturer **Gina Lowry**; **Esther Kenworthy** (M.S.N. student); and **Marla De Jong** (Ph.D. student). Thanks also to the judges: Associate Professor **Sharon Barton**; Lecturer **Diane Chlebowy**; **Debra Hall**; Associate Professor **Terry Lennie**; Lecturer **Diane Murrell**; and Lecturer **Wanda Lovitz**. Finally, thanks to Dean **Carolyn Williams** for her generosity and support in making the program possible.

Brockopp advocates for women in science and engineering

Dorothy Brockopp, assistant dean for undergraduate studies, in her role as chair of the University of Kentucky President's Commission on Women, will present a paper with Mindy Issacs and Pam Bishoff titled, *Creating Chemistry for Success: Women Faculty in Science and Engineering*. The paper will be presented at the Ninth International Interdisciplinary Congress on Women, June 19-24, 2005 in Seoul, Korea.

Faculty member volunteers as health care education and clinic development consultant in India

Associate Professor **Sharon Sheahan** participated in a working vacation trip to India for two weeks in February 2005. She consulted on health care education and clinic development issues for Reaching Indians Ministry International (RIMI), an organization that is developing college and seminary sites including medical and nursing schools throughout India.

Sheahan was one of six people who traveled to Bombay, Nagpur, Calcutta, New Delhi, Agra, Siliguri, and Darjeeling, which is located in the Himalaya mountains 30 miles from Nepal.

She discussed basic health issues with local congregations and teachers in the schools.

Highlights of the trip included visiting Mother Teresa's clinic in Calcutta and a satellite site in Siliguri.

