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ABOVE LEFT: Home Run Derby participants danced to the Village People's YMCA as the successful evening drew to a close. ABOVE RIGHT: Dressed in their favorite team jerseys, nursing students at the Home Run Derby danced while fellow NSNA members sang on stage. BELOW RIGHT: The Board of Directors encouraged fellow nursing students to "twist and shout" while raising funds for the Relief Fund. The Board was enthusiastic in its rendition of The Beatles' version of the popular rock n' roll song.

MidYear Highlights

The "Home Run Derby" attracted an enthusiastic and generous crowd at the Foundation of the NSNA's fundraiser on Friday, November 3, 2006 at the Atlanta Hilton Hotel, GA, during NSNA's 24th Annual MidYear Conference. Attendees raised over \$3,000 for the Disaster Relief Fund, which benefits nursing students and nursing schools affected by natural and man-made catastrophes. Founded after the 2005 hurricanes that devastated the Gulf Coast Region, the Fund has distributed over \$15,000 since its inception.

Students danced, sang karaoke, and enjoyed an indoor batting cage while chapters challenged each other to raise money for the Fund.

The Foundation also presented two workshops at the MidYear Conference: "Navigating the FNSNA Scholarship & Grants Program" and "Fundraising for the Disaster Relief Fund: How to Get Your Chapter Involved in Fundraising." At the former, attendees learned about the FNSNA undergraduate scholarship program as well as other scholarship resources. The fundraising workshop featured the Board of Directors, who spoke about their recent trip to New Orleans and the guideline booklet they're developing for chapters and individuals interested in contributing to relief efforts in the wake of a disaster. ©

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The Foundation was created in honor of Frances Tompkins, the Association's first Executive Director.