

**The 106th Annual Meeting of the Iowa Nurses Association**  
**“Growing As A Nurse”**  
**Iowa Event Center – Polk County Convention Complex**  
**Des Moines**  
**October 17-19, 2010**

The theme this year is “Growing as a Nurse”. The planning committee believes learning spans over a lifetime; we never stop learning and convention is one means to provide nurses with education to ensure quality, safe patient care.

**Keynote Address**

The keynote address was presented by American Nurses Association Nancy Hughes MS, RN, Director of the American Nurses Association’s Center for Occupational and Environmental Health, who addressed **“Growing as a Professional - Addressing Workplace Violence”**. This information contained discussion on the problems of workplace violence including bullying and lateral violence as well as solutions for staying safe in the healthcare settings.

**Continuing Education**

Continuing education presentations were offered during the conference for a total of 7.5 hours of possible CEU credits. The topics included: **“Nurses Working Smarter: - Designs and Changes”** focusing on the LEAN processes being implemented in large and small hospitals across Iowa. **“Iowa Needs Nurses Now”** will provide a panel discussion regarding the nursing shortage and the nursing needs of Iowa now and in the future. Monday education opportunities concluded with Lynn Boes’ **“Iowa Legal Update for 2010”**. To round out convention education, Tuesday, Mary Rexroat presented **“Iowa’s Health Care Associated Infection Prevention Grant Work”** describing the plan Iowa has related to health care associated infections.

**Business Meeting**

The three sessions of the Annual Business Meeting were chaired by Ginny Wangerin, INA President. Sessions were held on Monday and Tuesday. Flu shots were offered during the Convention through the Polk County Public Health Department.

**Reports**

The Convention Handbook provided a written report to the membership at the business meeting. The following were available to answer questions on each of these areas:

Board of Directors and the Iowa Council of Nurses – Ginny Wangerin  
Executive Director’s Report- Linda Goeldner

**Committees of the Association**

Bylaws Report – Greta Degen  
Nominations Report – Peg Murphy  
Resolutions Committee report – Becky Lewis

**Committees of the Board**

Finance Committee report – Jane Krogmeier  
Economic and General Welfare Commission – Linda Salvini  
Membership/Public Relations Committee – Rhonda Carney  
Public Policy Committee and Political Action Committee – Judy Collins

**Reports of the Regions**

Northwest Region – Jann Ricklefs  
Northeast Region- Lisa Rettenmeier  
Southwest Region- Brian Cooley  
Central Region- Rhonda Carney  
Southeast Region- Jean Ohlen

**Iowa Nurses Foundation** – Jan Neal

**Iowa Board of Nursing** – Lorinda Inman

**Iowa Department of Public Health** – Julie McMahon  
**Iowa Association of Nursing Students** – Dan Sterner

### **Resolutions**

Members debated several proposed resolutions at the business meeting. As a result, resolutions were adopted:

#### **New Resolutions**

1. Health Literacy

#### **Updated Resolutions**

2. Care for Persons with Severe Mental Illness (revision of 1994)
3. Patient Cost and Safety in Long Term Care Administration of Prescription Drugs for Veterans (revision of 2004)

### **Elections**

Election results for INA Board were:

Secretary: Howard Butcher, Iowa City

Treasurer: Brenda Wilhelm, Letts

Director At-Large Public Policy: Judy Collins, Davenport

Director At-Large Resolutions: Becky Lewis, Cedar Rapids

Nominations Committee: Lisa Skemp, Iowa City; Lori Mann, Keokuk; and Joann Wedig, Davenport

Thanks were offered to retiring officers/board members; officers/board members continuing to serve; INA staff and the statewide Convention Planning Committee for the work done during the year and for the successful convention.

**2011 Annual Meeting will be Sunday-Tuesday, October 16-18 at the Coralville Marriott, Coralville, IA**

### **Mentoring Social with Iowa Association of Nursing Students**

Over students attended the mentoring social lunch, hosted by INA members. The event provided an opportunity for nursing students to learn more about their profession by speaking with INA members. Tables were set up by practice areas and included pediatrics, community/public health, parish nursing, medical/surgical, obstetrics, nursing education, critical care/ambulatory surgery, psych-mental health, occupational health/infection reporting, nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, nurse anesthetist, and home care. Thanks to all members who mentored students in their professional career explorations.

### **Iowa Nurses Foundation Silent Auction and Raffle Fundraisers**

Iowa Nurses Foundation held a silent auction during the business meeting hours. INF collected \$1,855.50 from the silent auction, \$2,240.00 from the raffle, \$2,250.00 from the Honor Tables for a total of \$6,270.50. The funds will be used for scholarships and to support educational activities of the membership, as well as fund administrative support for INF activities.

### **Iowa Nurses Foundation Recognition Dinner**

INF hosted the recognition dinner held on Monday evening, October 18.

The following, honorees were recognized:

## **2010 Iowa Nurses Association Award Recipients**

### **Teresa Christy Award**

*The Teresa E. Christy Award is presented to the registered nurse who, as a member of the Iowa Nurses Association, has demonstrated professional commitment to the improvement of health care and the interrelationship of nursing education, nursing practice, and nursing research.*

Mary Ann Fahrenkrug, MSN, RN of Davenport

### **Edith E. Ruppert Award**

*The Edith E. Ruppert Award is presented to the Iowa nurse who, as a member of the Iowa Nurses Association, is judged to have contributed significantly to the improvement of nursing and the professional organization.*

Judith R. "Lynn" Boes, RN, BSN, JD of Adel

### **Friend of Nursing Award**

*The Friend of Nursing Award is presented to recognize individuals or groups of individuals who are not registered nurses and have made significant contributions to the profession of nursing and to the health care of Iowans.*

Erica Abell-Holland of the Des Moines Register

David Jakeman of the Fort Dodge Messenger

### **Iowa Nurse Foundation Scholarship Awardees**

Carol Lamoureaux Lewallen of Spencer

Sarah Beattie of Grimes

Bailey Bittner of Indianola

Kyle Dick of Iowa City

### **100 Great Nurses Scholarships – An activity of Iowa Nurses Foundation**

*Fundraising for the 100 Great Nurses Recognition included funds for scholarships. Criteria development and selection was coordinated with INF Board.*

### **2010 Region Nurses of the Year Award Recipients**

Region 1-NW..... Fran Sadden, Sioux City

Region 2-NE ..... Michelle Ficken, Independence

Region 3-SW..... No award

Region 4-Central..... Coni Campbell, Montour

Region 5-SE..... Chad Ware, Walker

### **Honor Tables at Convention**

Northeast Region Honors..... NE Region Members

Northeast Region Honors.....NE Region Nurse of the Year: Michelle Ficken

Southeast Region Honors..... SE Region Nurse of the Year: Chad Ware

Central Region Honors..... Edith Rupert Awardee: Lynn Boes

Central Region Honors..... Central Region Members

Jan Neal Honors..... INF Board Members

Ginny Wangerin Honors..... INA Loyal Members

Northwest Region Honors..... NW Region Nurse of the Year: Fran Sadden

The Neal Family Honors ..... Jan Neal

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