

2016

Convention Update

If you didn't attend the annual convention, you missed out. Here is a recap of the happenings:

Keynote Address Panel

"**Culture of Safety**" was the theme of the 112th Annual Meeting held at the Courtyard Marriott in Ankeny, IA. The feature presentation was the panel discussion "**Managing the Needs of the Mental Health Patient in the Emergency Room**" with Darcy Koehn, RN, MA, ARNP as Moderator; Edmund Piasecki III, RN, ARNP, Amanda Jilover, RN, MSN and Vicky Gehrls, RN.

Continuing Education

In addition to the Keynote Panel presentation, additional continuing education presentations were offered during the conference for a total of 6.9 hours of possible CEU credits. The topics included: "**Iowa Nursing Law: Legal Update 2015**" by Lynn Boes, RN, BSN, JD; "**Nurse Work Hours and Fatigue**" by Angela Shalla, DNP, RN; and "**Iowa Board of Nursing Disciplinary Process**" by Kathleen Weinberg, MSN, RN and Doug Bartels, BA.

Business Meeting

The sessions of the Annual Business Meeting were chaired by Jann Ricklefs, INA President. The Business Meeting sessions were held on Thursday, October 13th, 2016.

Reports

The Convention Program 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** – Jann Ricklefs; **Committees of the Association** - Bylaws Report – Jann Ricklefs; Nominations Report – Julie Schilling; Resolutions Committee Report – Lisa Caffery; **Committees of the Board** - Finance Committee report – Elaine Boes; Membership/Public Relations Committee – Andrea Wilhite; Public Policy Committee – Sue Whitty; **Reports of the Regions** - Northwest Region – Mary Kovarna; Northeast Region- Margie O'Neill; Southwest Region- Nancy James; Central Region – Pam Deichmann; Southeast Region- Darcy Koehn; **Iowa Nurses Foundation** – Lorinda Inman.

Resolutions

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

2016 Resolutions

1. Reduce Nurse Fatigue to Promote Safety and Health, Lisa Caffery, MS, BSN, RN-BC, CIC, FAPIC
2. Revised ANA Position Statement on Immunizations, Lisa Caffery, MS, BSN, RN-BC, CIC, FAPIC
3. Alternative Tobacco Products, Vapor Products & Nicotine Addiction, Rosemary Holland, RN, BSN
4. Words Matter, J.R. "Lynn" Boes, RN, BSN, JD

Elections

This year electronic voting online was conducted for the first time. Election results for INA Board were:

Board of Directors:

Secretary: Kimberly Hermie, BSN, RN

Treasurer, Anne Cook, RN

Public Policy Chair, Carol Chesterman, RN, MSN
Resolutions Chair, Virginia "Ginny" Wangerin, PhD, RN, CNE

Nominations Committee

Brian Cooley
Brenda McAllister
Terri DeClerck

Iowa Nurses Foundation

Christina Peterson

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.

The 2017 Annual Meeting is TBD at this point and time.

Iowa Nurses Foundation Silent Auction and Raffle Fundraisers

Iowa Nurses Foundation held fundraiser of the raffle tickets with the prizes being Apple Watches this year. The winners of the Raffle were:

Sherri Kerr of Hull
Gretchen Wheelock of Sioux City
Peg Murphy of Galena

The Foundation collected \$ 1700 from the raffle, \$ 345.00 from donations, \$180 from Silent Auction and \$4530.00 from registrations for a total of \$ 6,755. The funds will be used for scholarships and to support educational activities of the membership, as well as fund administrative support for INF activities.

Region Dine Arouds

This year Northwest Region (IA01), Southwest Region (IA03), Central (IA04), and Southeast Region (IA05) held their dine arouds at the hotel.

Iowa Nurses Foundation Awards Program

On Friday afternoon the Awards Program was held and the following Awards and Scholarships were presented:

2016 Iowa Nurses Association Award Recipients

2016 Region Nurses of the Year Award Recipients

Region 1-NW..... Diane Smith, Akron
Region 2-NE Peg Murphy, Galena
Region 3-SW None Awarded
Region 4-Central.....Andrea Wilhite, West Des Moines
Region 5-SE..... JoAnn Wedig, Davenport

Teresa Christy Award

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

Sharon Guthrie, PhD, ARNP, CPNP, NCSN, RN-BC, of Robins

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.

Nan Ambrosy, DNP, ARNP, PMHCNS/PMHNP, RN-BC, of Waterloo

Iowa Nurses Foundation Scholarship Awardees

This scholarship is awarded to further the education of practicing registered nurses who are members of the Iowa Nurses Association in their final year of a nursing program and based on the individual’s professional goals, career plans, academic standing, professional and personal references.

Terri DeClerck of Davenport
Jeanne-Marie Fournier of Cedar Rapids

American Nurses Foundation Scholarship to Iowa Nurses Awardees

Leadership: Terri DeClerck of Davenport
Underrepresented Group in Nursing: Emily Mushumi of Ames

Mike Anderson Scholarship

The Iowa Nurses’ Foundation is a vehicle for money donated by Mr. Gerald Hugh “Mike” Anderson for scholarships for students interested in nursing education. The scholarships are only available to students at Grand View, Des Moines Area Community College and the University of Iowa College of Nursing

Rachel Brandt of Davenport
Jacquelyn Brungardt of Fort Dodge
Emily Mushumi of Ames

HALL OF FAME

A new recognition award was created in 2016

Mary Moser, RN

Mary passed away March 27, 2016. She was a very active member of the Association including service as an INA Board member, Past INA President, Past ANA Board Member, ANA Delegate, Parliamentarian and numerous other committees and Association activities.

Judith “Judy” Collins, RN, MSN, ARNP

Judy has served as INA President twice, Public Policy Chair, ANA Delegate and other numerous Association activities.

THANKS TO OUR 2016 EXHIBITORS & SPONSORS

- Iowa Poison Control Center..... Sioux City, IA
- Gideon’s InternationalJesup, IA
- Mount Mercy University Cedar Rapids, IA
- Iowa Lions Eye Bank Coralville, IA
- Drake Law School Des Moines, IA
- Graceland University..... Independence, MO
- Universal Pediatrics..... West Des Moines, IA

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