

The 107th Annual Meeting of the Iowa Nurses Association
“Leading Nursing to All It Can Be”
Coralville Marriott
Coralville
October 16-18, 2011

Keynote Address Panel

“Leading Nursing to All It Can Be” was the theme of the 107th Annual Meeting held at the Coralville Marriott in Coralville, IA. The changing health care environment needs nurses to take leadership roles and chart the course for the future. This can be achieved by safe nursing built on sound principles and policies, evidence based and technological nursing education. The Keynote Panel of Cheryll Jones, RN, PNP, ARNP; Ann Rhodes, RN, MA, JD and Dolores Hilden RN, Ph.D. addressed recommendations from “**The Future of Nursing**”, a collaborative initiative project by the Institute of Medicine and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Objectives for the initiative work is to reconceptualize the role of the nurse, to redesign nursing education, to develop innovative solutions for delivery of care, and to attract and retain well prepared nurses in multiple care settings. Cheryll Jones addressed the Policy Recommendations of the report, Ann Rhodes addressed the nursing practice proposals and Dolores Hilden addressed the nursing education recommendations.

Continuing Education

In addition to the Keynote Panel presentation, additional continuing education presentations were offered during the conference for a total of 7.5 hours of possible CEU credits. The topics included: “**When the Right Thing Does Not Get Done at Work: Recognizing Moral Distress and Navigating Your Way through it**” by Rebecca Porter, RN, PH.D, ARNP. “**Palliative Care: The Culmination of Holistic Nursing Care**” by Anne Zook, RN,MS, CHPN and Deb Groath, DNP, ARNP, ACHPN concurrently presented with “**Prevention of Healthcare Associated Infections**” by Barb Livingston, RN, BSN, MPH, CIC. The day long offering of continuing education concluded with Lynn Boes, RN, BSN, JD presenting “**Iowa Nursing Law: Legal Update for 2011**”.

Mentoring Social with Iowa Association of Nursing Students

Over 65 students attended the mentoring social reception hosted by the INA Membership Committee, chaired by Rhonda Carney. The event provided an opportunity for nursing students to learn more about their profession by speaking with INA members. Thanks to all members who mentored students in their professional career explorations. Drawings were held for special offerings.

Business Meeting

The three sessions of the Annual Business Meeting were chaired by Ginny Wangerin, INA President. The Business Meeting sessions were held on Monday and Tuesday.

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 – Brenda Wilhelm

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- Peg Murphy

Southwest Region- Nancy James
Central Region- Rhonda Carney
Southeast Region- Jean Ohlen

Iowa Nurses Foundation – Liz Swanson

Iowa Board of Nursing – Lorinda Inman
Iowa Department of Public Health – Pam Deichmann
Iowa Association of Nursing Students – Amber Nerdig

Resolutions

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

New Resolutions

1. Elimination of Healthcare Associated Infections. By Linda Opheim, Lisa Caffery, Barbara Livingston and Pam Deichmann.
2. Youth Access to Indoor Tanning in Iowa. By Jill Klein and Judith Collins

Reaffirmed and Updated Resolutions

3. Impaired Nurses (Reaffirmation of 2005 Resolution # 5) By. Betty Lord Dinan
4. Restraint of Trade Against ARNPs (Reaffirmation of 2005 Resolution #14 and 2000 Resolution # 3) By Diane Anderson and Lynn Boes

Proposed resolution on Diabetic Care in the Schools (Reaffirmation of 2010 Resolution #6) was withdrawn to rewrite and include more chronic conditions of school children in the resolution next year.

Elections

Election results for INA Board were:

President: Patricia Freeland, Windsor Heights
Vice President: Robin Carmichael, Brooklyn
Director Staff Nurse At Large: Kelli Taylor, Bouton

Nominations Committee: Julie Schilling (will chair in 2013), LaVone Sopher, Lisa Rettenmeier
Iowa Nurses Foundation: Pam Hill, Christina Peterson, & Darcy Koehn

ANA Delegates and Alternates:

Delegates: (Iowa can send seven): Patricia Freeland, Des Moines; Lynn Boes, Adel; Ginny Wangerin, Clive; Mary Moser, Hudson; Judith Collins, Davenport; Greta Degen, Des Moines; and Colleen Brems, Iowa City.

Alternates: Meriel Demuth, Clarion; Lynettia Felling, Marengo; Roberta Lavin, Dubuque; and Andrea Tatkon-Coker, Mason City.

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.

2012 Annual Meeting will be Sunday-Tuesday, October 28-30th at the Iowa Events Center (former Vets Auditorium building), Des Moines, IA Convention Hotel will be the Quality Inn & Suites adjacent to the Center.

Iowa Nurses Foundation Silent Auction and Raffle Fundraisers

Iowa Nurses Foundation held a silent auction during the business meeting hours. INF collected \$1,571 from the silent auction, \$2,045 from the raffle, \$2,500.00 from the Honor Tables for a total of \$6,116. 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 17 at the Coralville Marriott. The following, honorees were recognized:

2011 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.

Elizabeth "Liz" Swanson, Ph.D., RN, of Iowa City

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.

Virginia "Ginny" Wangerin, RN, MSN, Ph.Dc of Clive

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.

Linda Kubik Goeldner, FACHE, CAE of Des Moines

Iowa Nurse Foundation Scholarship Awardees

Kelley Blackburn of Urbandale

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.

Kelley Blackburn of Urbandale

Amanda Sieve of Carroll

Michael 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 University, Des Moines Area Community College and the University of Iowa College of Nursing.

Jill Ahlers of LeMars

Samantha Ferguson of Center Point

Lindsay Rodewald of Clive

2011 Region Nurses of the Year Award Recipients

- Region 1-NW Karen Johnson, Fort Dodge
- Region 2-NE Jan Neal, Waterloo
- Region 3-SW Nancy James, Creston
- Region 4-Central Megan Berryhill, Newton
- Region 5-SE Margaret "Peg" Hyndman, Coralville

Honor Tables at Convention

- Northwest Region Honors NW Region Nurse of the Year - Karen Johnson
- Northeast Region Honors NE Nurse of the Year – Jan Neal
- Northeast Region Honors NE Region Members
- Southwest Region Honors Retiring Members
- Southeast Region Honors SE Region Nurse of the Year – Peg Hyndman
- Southeast Region Honors Teresa Christy Awardee – Liz Swanson
- Central Region Honors Edith Ruppert Awardee – Ginny Wangerin
- Central Region Honors Central Region Nurse of the Year – Megan Berryhill
- Tarbox Family SE Region Nurse of the Year – Peg Hyndman

INA Honors Friend of Nursing Awardee – Linda Goeldner

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