

Message from ORNAA President



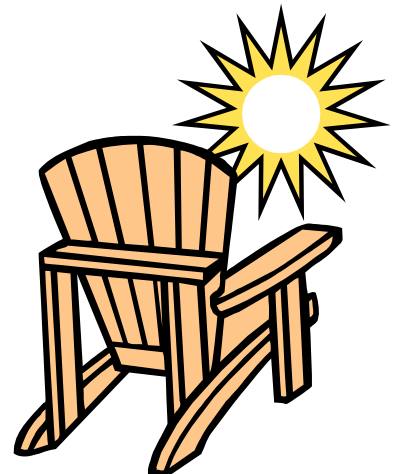
“Be the change you want to see” ~ Gandhi

Summer is almost here finally!! There are changes everywhere around us. The current and predicted rate of change in society in general, and healthcare in particular is phenomenal. Our own association, ORNAC, is also going through this change by way of the strategic plan and implementation currently taking shape. We can no longer remain where we are if we are to be the “Leaders in Perioperative Practice and Patient Safety”.

It was Gandhi who said, “be the change you want to see“. So it all starts with self reflection. Reflect on your skills, practice, and what positive change you can bring to your patients, team, and yourself. Our professional responsibility requires us to plan, evaluate, implement, and reflect . Lets take time this summer to reflect on the many changes in our lives and work, and plan to make positive changes that will reconnect us to our patients, team members, and our inner selves.

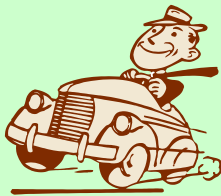
Enjoy the summer.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Barbara Mushayandebvu RN CPN(C)
ORNAA President



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2011-2012 Membership Drive

Get your renewal form from your hospital representative and return it to them during the summer months. Beat the September rush!!

Membership Registration/Renewal Fee - \$50.00

Late Registration (after Sept 30) - \$75.00



Distribution of \$50.00 ORNAA Membership Fee

\$15.00 - to member's district

\$10.00 – to ORNAC

\$12.72 – to CORNJ

\$12.28 – to ORNAA

a portion of which is then distributed to districts annually for education funding

- **Share your inspirations, stories, and poems with other ORNAA members. Submit an article to 'Snips and Snaps' and you may qualify for a writing award!! Submit all articles electronically to education@ornaa.org Next newsletter deadline is November 15, 2011.**
- **Reminder: Please submit nominees for the [Muriel Shewchuk Leadership Award](#) and the [Promising Star Awards](#) (Deadline: October 1, 2011) Let's celebrate and honour those hardworking colleagues around us!**
- **Look at the online events section at www.ornaa.org for district meeting information.**

What's New - ORNAC Review

ORNAC Strategic Planning

- The final draft of the strategic plan was adopted at the May board meeting.
- The operational plan of the strategic plan was also adopted with a governance meeting scheduled for September 2011
- Contact your ORNAA board members for more info on this very important issue for your organization

ORNAC 2011 National Conference: May 8 - 13 in Regina, Saskatchewan

- Wow what a great time was had by all!!! Congratulations to the Saskatchewan group for a job well done
- Presentations will be available online (www.ornac.ca) to download shortly.

ORNAC 2013 National Conference Move

- Now being held in Ottawa, April 22-26 2013. It was also announced that this will be held in conjunction with the IFPN (International Federation of Perioperative Nurses) meeting. It will be a phenomenal experience!! Mark your calendars.
- A heartfelt thank you to the following people who had committed to planning the conference and had put in time and soul to that end: Barbara Mushayandevu, Bev Reach, Jan Hogge, Gloria Nemecek, Kim McLennan-Robbins, Patricia Chrystian, Diana Mabbett, Tracy Rice and Fran Costigan

ORNAC Board 2011 - 2013

- ◆ President - Karen Frenette
- ◆ Past president - Bonnie McLeod
- ◆ President Elect - Rupinder Khotar
- ◆ Secretary - Sue Styles
- ◆ Treasurer - Candice Franke
- ◆ Executive Director - Catherine Harley

Submitted by,

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UPCOMING EVENTS

ORNAA Provincial

29th AB Provincial - NORNA hosting - "It's Not Easy Being Green"

Edmonton, AB

October 26 - 29, 2011

Colleen Marcotte, Conference Chair colleen.marcotte@albertahealthservices.ca

ORNAC Conferences

23rd National Ottawa, ON April 22 - 26, 2013

International

AORN New Orleans, LA March 24 - 29, 2012



Message from ORNAA Education Director

It sure is hard to believe that summer is almost here! Due to the seemingly never-ending Alberta winter, I hope everyone has planned their much deserved holidays, vacations, or 'staycations'.

I encourage all ORNAA members to submit personal reflections and original, referenced research articles to "Snips & Snaps". We all can benefit greatly through our fellow perioperative nurses' experiences and advanced knowledge.

I also encourage each and every one of us to celebrate the profession of perioperative nursing and our colleagues through submitting nominations for the Muriel Shewchuk Leadership Award and the Promising Star Awards. These are awarded in October at the Annual Conference.

Please take the time to look over this volume of 'Snips & Snaps' and all it has to offer. Included is pertinent information for operating room nurses across Alberta. Feel free to contact the ORNAA Education Director directly if you have any suggestions, questions, or concerns regarding the newsletter.

I welcome you to visit the ORNAA website frequently, as it is meant to provide you with updated district information, awards and bursary information, events, and of course "Snips and Snaps".

****NEW**** to the website is the 'Photo Gallery'

which contains all 2010 Provincial Conference Photos for perusal at your convenience! Looks like we all had a GREAT time!

In October the 29th Annual ORNAA Conference, hosted by NORNA, will be taking place in Edmonton. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to seeing many new and familiar faces. It should be both a fun and educational event!

As I "pass on the torch" of Education Director to Esther Park, I would like to thank all ORNAA members for making my time in this role both enlightening and fun.

I wish you all a safe, enjoyable, and HOT summer!!

Kind Regards,

Kara Utri, ORNAA Education Director

Please submit all snips and snaps articles electronically to:

education@ornaa.org

***Include your full name,
district and, if applicable,
the references***

Next newsletter deadline: November 15, 2011

District Reports

NCORNA - Pamela Rooney

NCORNA has 182 members of which 3 are honorary, with one associate member. We have had meaningful dinner meetings with good attendance, including: A Female Prospective on Cardiovascular Disease – Dr Heather Cox, Obesity, and Sleep Apnea. Most sites are using the new AHA consent, but, most still have problems. Covenant health is developing their own consent, and in the meantime they are still using their own, although many surgeons still have difficulty with switching to Covenant's (still covers blood and body fluids). Grey Nuns has started Cochlear Implants. Hired two new perioperative positions, will finance them through the ORNAC approved perioperative course, and practicum with a year commitment following. Misericordia has had many Mat leaves, but, now that the temporary leaves are ending, they are worried about permanent positions. RAH will be running their own 6 week Perioperative course (not ORNAC approved) which will be followed by a 6 month clinical, expenses paid. In Leduc, there will no longer an assigned call. If a room runs late, will be asked to stay or cases cancelled. We hope everyone has a happy a healthy summer.

NORNA - Colleen Marcotte

Current membership is 43 members from Fort McMurray, Yellowknife, Seba Beach, and Grande Prairie; with more that are interested. We have a logo for NORNA that is jpeg ready. We had 8 members that went to the National Conference in Regina. Cookbooks are still selling well; we have almost sold all of this printing. Unfortunately, we have only had two Educational Sessions. We are hopeful to have another Educational Session before the end of June or beginning of July. Our members from Fort McMurray are organizing it. The conference committee has been extremely busy. Posters will be available soon. Encouragement has been given for members to attend the 2011 Annual Conference. It has not been officially confirmed, but I have been assured that 2 operating rooms will close.

On behalf of NORNA, I would like to remind all that the dates for the conference are October 26-29, 2011 and that Personal Development/Vacation days should be requested for the dates.

CORNA - Kara Utri

Current membership: 35 Members, with 1 Honorary. CORNA Annual Spring Workshop on April 16, 2011 consisted of the following speakers: Aaron McNaught – “Waking up to Life”; Carole Ann LaGrange & Colleen Paluck – “Lab Value Interpretation and the Surgical Patient”; Dr. Alayne Farries – “Laryngospasm in the Anesthetized Patient”; Doug Hill – “Meeting the Challenge of Medical Care without Blood Transfusion for Jehovah's Witnesses”. CORNA May 17, 2011 Dinner Meeting had the following speakers: Terry Kawahara & Cindy Johnson – “Heart Failure”.

One CORNA member attended the National ORNAC Conference in Regina. CORNA will provide funding in accordance to ORNAA guidelines. CORNA has discussed at length focusing on retaining and increasing membership numbers for the upcoming year. Next meeting: September 13, 2011 in Red Deer. Wishing everyone a great summer!

SCORNA - Lucia Pfeuti

Current membership number for SCORNA is 135 members including 2 honorary members. Our last meeting was on March 22, 2011 with Sherry MacGillvray, Trauma Services Coordinator for ACH who spoke about the Southern Alberta Trauma Services Program. It was a very interesting and informative 1-hour for all those who attended. It has been fairly quiet since our last meeting, but we are looking forward to hearing all the stories, news and updates from those who were able to attend the National Conference in Regina this May. Our next general meeting will be our Annual Dinner Meeting and once again will be held at the Officers Mess at Fort Calgary on June 7th. The speaker will be Dr. Liane Belland and she will be speaking "On scopes, shakes & Sauv Blancs - The complete Kiwi advanced laparoscopic experience". We will also be having elections for the positions of Treasurer and Secretary.

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Is there someone you would like to congratulate?

A new achievement or milestone in your district or facility?

Something interesting you would like to share with the membership?

Email this information to education@ornaa.org

2012 CNA CERTIFICATION

Exam Date: April 21, 2012

Initial Certification Application Deadline:
November 18, 2011

Certification Renewal Application Deadline:
November 30, 2011

For more information go to
<http://getcertified.cna-aiic.ca>

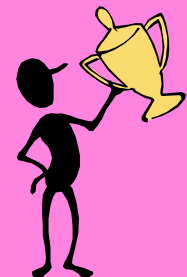
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MEMBERSHIP FORMS:

District Treasurers, please send your membership forms to:

Pam Rooney
992383 Street
Edmonton, AB
T6A 3N3

*** Please ensure that all forms are legible and completed in FULL, including CARNA registration number, CNA Certification number, and mailing address ***



**To find out information
on how to nominate a colleague
for an award go to
www.ornaa.org**

*The ORNAA Executive
wishes all members a...*



**Interested in becoming more active in
your local district??**

**→ Do not hesitate to speak with your local
ORNAA Representatives for more
information!!**

**Curious about what happens at the
Executive level??**

**→ Observers are always welcome at
ORNAA Executive Meetings!!**

