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Welcome to the first issue of RNNews, the newsletter for Radiology nurses. RNNews is distributed to ARNA members nationwide, and will include topics of national interest. In addition to this, each state chapter is encouraged to submit articles so that we all have a better understanding of what our fellow nurses around the country are doing and what they're concerned about locally. Events and projects that your chapter is involved with may not have been thought of by another, and reading about it in RNNews may spark someone's interest. We need to keep informed on what other chapters are doing, to promote understanding and unity in our organization.

RNNews will include information on subjects that are chapter oriented, such as chapter meetings, educational programs, special awards, graduations, ARNA scholarship awards, national committee updates and personal interests.

Send articles for RNNews to Robert Steel, RN, AS 225 Berger Street Somerset, NJ 08873-3362. The next newsletter will be published at the end of April, so any submissions to be considered for inclusion in that issue must be received by Friday, April 12. Remember to include your telephone number in case we have a question about your article.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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ANA Project

The American Nurses Association (ANA) has launched a quality indicator project. Among the project components are the Nursing Report Card for Acute Care Settings (ANA, 1995), Nurses Quality Outcomes Project, a continuing education program on quality indicator measurement, and a request for planning proposals for use of the quality indicators identified by ANA. As nursing focuses on quality research, it is important that all nursing organizations be aware of the ongoing quality research efforts of other nursing groups so that the profession as a whole can build on those efforts. At the fall Nursing Organization Liaison Forum (NOLF) meeting, the membership asked that an effort be undertaken to pull together information on

association-conducted research and leading researchers in quality of care in the specialty nursing practice areas. Surveys were mailed to all specialty nursing organizations, including ARNA to obtain basic information regarding the extent of quality of care research being conducted by them. The compilation of this information will be shared with NOLF member organizations and will help the profession to identify expert researchers in the area of quality, as well as identifying current research projects. We'll keep you informed of their progress.



Nurses Day

May 6, 1996 is National Nurses Day. Show your solidarity, dedication and commitment by wearing your pin. If possible, organize events using the theme "Registered Nurses are Indispensable" to demonstrate the strength and abilities of nurses to the community. Show your pride!

DC March

Friday, May 10 1996 is the date for the 2nd Annual Nurses March on Washington. Last year over 35,000 nurses descended on the Nation's capital. All interested nursing organizations are being asked to arrange for bus transportation to help bring nurses to Washington to show support and help focus attention on nursing and health care concerns.

Beverly Wins Award

Congratulations to Beverly Case, RN, of Tolland CT. Beverly won the 1995 ARNA Editors Award in December for her article in Images. She received a cash award of \$50 and her name will be engraved on the ARNA Editors Award plaque. All members are encouraged to submit articles to Images. Who knows, you could be the next winner of the Editors Award!

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VWMP Needs Your Help

On November 11, 1993, the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project (VWMP) dedicated the first memorial in the nation's capital honoring military and civilian women who served our country. The bronze statue portrays three women and a wounded male

thousands of women who served during the Vietnam war.

While heroic women paid a heavy price in Vietnam, there remains a price yet to be paid on the Vietnam Women's Memorial. The total ten year budget for the memorial effort was under 4 million dollars. A bank loan of \$550,000 for the remaining cost of construction, design and landscaping of the memorial enabled

its obligation on the remaining cost of the Memorial. American women answered their country's call and now America is called to help meet this challenge.

To make a donation or to get more information on "Sister Search," contact;
The Vietnam Women's Memorial Project, 2001 S Street, NW, Suite 302, Washington, DC 20009, (202) 328-7253

"Sister Search" is a program designed to locate the military and civilian women who served their country during the Vietnam war and provide a network for them to facilitate hope and healing.

soldier, and stands near the wall of names at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC. Designed by sculptor Glenna Goodacre, the Memorial transformed the Mall on dedication day. Its unveiling hushed voices and brought calm. Its quiet grace, strength and dignity reflect that of the

dedication to take place on Veteran's Day, 1993. The current balance on the loan is \$325,000. Funds are also being raised to meet the VMWP's program objectives of education, research and Sister Search.

There is no government funding. The VWMP is faced with the challenge to meet

ARNA Needs Your Help

Show your support for ARNA and help them raise money by purchasing a polo shirt, sweatshirt, coffee mug or pen, all with the ARNA logo. This is your organization... let's help keep it strong !

For further information please contact Betty Rohr, 2021 Spring Road, Suite 600, Oak Brook, IL 60521

Chapter News

NJ Chapter members; please keep May 10th open for our Spring Education Meeting. Watch for a flyer and a detailed brochure to be mailed shortly which will contain further details.



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