President's Message

How time has flown; it seems like just yesterday when I was standing before you, my esteemed colleagues, accepting my term as President of the Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing. My presidential theme concerns our “legacy,” I utilized the term “legacy” as an acronym in my presidential address in Tampa, and I would like to update you on the progress that our organization has made since my acceptance speech.

L - Look back at what we have achieved: 30 years of imaging excellence.

At my first board meeting, the board of directors thought it fitting that we celebrate our 30th anniversary with a gala in Chicago, in March 2011, to reflect on our organization from its creation to present day. With this task in mind, Sharon Lehmann (President 2008-2009) volunteered to chair our 30th Anniversary Celebration and Organization’s History in collaboration with previous ARIN presidents and current members. Recently ARIN was privileged to receive articles from Mrs. Charlotte Godwin, one of our founding members. Mrs. Godwin’s daughter stayed in contact with Ron Wardope (ARIN Secretary) through his affiliation with Johns Hopkins Imaging Department. Stay tuned for more news on the upcoming 30th Anniversary celebrations.

E - Explore our future: where will ARIN be in 2011?

As we all know, it is not easy for us to pack up and head to either the Spring Convention or the Fall Symposium to attend the Imaging Review Course. Kathy Schaeffer, one of our Past Presidents, had the goal of making the Imaging Review Course more readily available to our members and institutions. She recognized the need to market this invaluable asset not only for those staff who wanted to become Certified Imaging Nurses but as a tool for all imaging nurses from novice to expert.

Kathy has recently taken on the role of chairing the newly formed Imaging Review Course Committee with the goal of reviewing and revising the course as well as making it available to institutions across the country. It is my great pleasure to inform you that the Imaging Review Course will be going on the road in the upcoming months. Kathy Schaeffer, Imaging Review Course Faculty, will be presenting the Imaging Review Course in Elmhurst, New York, August 7–8, 2010. Ellen Arslan, Master Faculty, will be heading to Fort Wayne, Indiana, in September to present the second Imaging Review Course. Stay tuned for updates in the upcoming editions of ARIN Vision for Kathy and Ellen’s experiences with taking the show on the road. As always, anyone interested in having this course presented locally should contact the National Office.
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G - Go after our goals: ARIN becomes an international association that reaches out as the resource to our imaging peers throughout the U.S. and even in other countries.

As you may recall, I set the organization a lofty goal of increasing our membership in March from 2000 to 3000 members by March 2011. Since then we have increased our membership to approximately 2127 members. Remember, there are incentives out there for those who join and for multiple memberships. Here is a reminder of what is offered to you and your peers who are not yet members:

• ARIN national members who recruit three new members will receive a complimentary one year membership.
• ARIN national members or ARIN chapters who recruit ten new members will receive a free convention registration. Perhaps you could split this registration with one or two more peers and join us in the Windy City next March for our 30th year celebration.
• For our international members, those of you who recruit three new members will receive a complimentary one year membership; recruit ten new members, and you will receive a free convention registration.
• To assist you with the recruiting process, we are also pleased to announce our Group Discount Incentive. When five or more individuals join at the same time, each individual will be eligible to receive a $20 discount off their first-year dues.

I implore you to further your commitment to our imaging membership by engaging your peers to join our organization.

A - Achieve more recognition in the imaging world: continue and expand our alliances.

ARIN is constantly looking out for new opportunities to align ourselves with other organizations with the goal of enhancing our exposure in the healthcare community and working together to promote patient safety and meet our membership’s educational needs. One of those alliances will be coming to fruition on August 22nd at the Gaylord Hotel in Washington, D.C., as part of the AHRA Annual meeting. AHRA and ARIN are partnering to present an all-day workshop “Leadership in Imaging Nursing.” This workshop is dedicated to enriching and increasing your knowledge-base in topics such as budgeting, human resources, project management and cultural differences. Two of our previous presidents, Joanna Po and Kathy Schaeffer, have worked with the AHRA planning committee to create this amazing educational opportunity. As you know, we as imaging nurses need to work alongside our imaging administrators to assist them with the further development of the role of the imaging nurse whether it be creating a nursing cost center or assisting with new projects. This is an amazing opportunity for you to further enhance your knowledge-base. For more information please, visit the AHRA website.

C - Cultivate our organizations and celebrate our successes.

By "cultivating our organization," my vision includes further increasing the number of ARIN chapters. In May, board members, chapter presidents, and the Chapters Committee participated in our first townhall meeting. We discussed many issues facing the chapters such as actual location of some chapters and their inability to promote educational opportunities via the traditional one-day programs. The group spoke about webinars and online educational forums. Brenda Wickersham, board liaison to the Chapters Committee, continues to work with this group to further increase the number of chapters and provide chapters the tools necessary to assist them with offering educational opportunities for their membership. As you know the more local chapters we as an organization maintain, the more we will increase our influences in our nursing profession.

As part of our ongoing efforts to reduce costs to our membership for the convention, while still providing an excellent educational program, Sharon Lehmann, Past President developed the motto “Go Green, Go Lean” as part of her strategic planning during her Presidential term, 2008-2009. After the January 2009 board meeting, we made the following changes: on-line voting thus reducing the mailing expenses, no longer provide a massive binder with all presentations for both the Spring Convention and the Fall Symposiums. This measure not only reduces our paper consumption but also prevents overweight baggage costs at the airport! I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and congratulate Sharon on this process that she initiated as a result of her vision; ARIN recently received a check from the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR) in the amount of $14,000, which proves that by reducing our overhead at conferences, we can indeed increase our bottom line.

Y - Yield the Rewards: improve patient care in the imaging world and promote imaging nursing.

Every day we are tasked with promoting patient safety. With this in mind, I requested that during my tenure the board would create two new Position Statements. The first “Safety in the Treatment of the Bariatric Patient in the Imaging Department”: Brenda Wickersham is working along with colleagues who work in Bariatric Centers on creating this document. Every day new imaging equipment weight limits are increased to support our bariatric population. With this in mind, we should have the knowledge-base to assist our teams, our nursing technologist, and non-licensed personnel in caring for these patients. Not only with the hopes of obtaining the best images or examination but to promote patient safety for this population of our patients. The second, “Patient Positioning in the Imaging Department”: Christy Lee and Janelle Ramsborg, current board members, are working with their colleagues to create this document. As our procedures become more technically difficult and prolonged, the importance of correct patient positions cannot be stressed enough.

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ARIN 2011 Call for Nominations for Officers

Karen L. Green, MHA, BSN, RN, CRN
ARIN Immediate Past President

With the 2010 Tampa Convention and Installation of Officers behind us, it is time for ARIN to begin its quest for nominees for the 2011 Board of Directors. As Immediate Past President, it is my pleasure to serve as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee’s mission is to present a full slate of candidates representing all geographical regions of our country. Having broad representation brings about numerous ideas and offers options related to clinical practice and collaboration.

To fulfill our mission, the Committee seeks volunteers and verifies their eligibility in order to present a full ballot to the Board of Directors for approval. We are in the early stages of this process and offer this article for you to begin thinking about your fellow imaging nurses and who would offer the best new leadership to ARIN in 2011. Self-nominations are always welcome!

This coming year, we are seeking candidates for President-Elect, Secretary, Board Member, and Nominating Committee member. Think about your local chapter leaders, or perhaps you have enjoyed serving on a committee or task force and would like to become more involved. Or you would just like to make a difference! ARIN is entering into an exciting time in our 30th year, with our membership campaign, educational material development, and our liaison opportunities with many professional organizations.

Qualifications for the positions identified include: active membership in ARIN for one year, possessing an active role or knowledge of radiology/imaging nursing, and having the time to fulfill the responsibilities of the office. More information related to each position may be found on the ARIN website at www.arinursing.org and look to the left drop down boxes for ‘Committees’ – Nominating Committee.

It is difficult to believe that my tenure on the ARIN Board of Directors in coming to a close. Now it is your turn to serve and offer your inspiration, insight, and guidance to continue to position ARIN in a positive direction for the future. I strongly urge you to look within yourself and look closely at your colleagues. Talk to a current board member who holds the position you are interested in, or email me directly at klgreen725@aol.com with your question. I can assure you that while you will work hard, you will enjoy this experience, develop new friendships, and broaden your professional horizons, all while being an integral part of the future of imaging nursing.

Please follow the directions on the next page or complete the electronic form and submit your name today! Remember… electronic balloting will again occur this year!

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I would like to also announce some changes to our ARIN board. As many of you know, Chris Keough was unable to accept the President-Elect position due to her acceptance of a position outside of imaging, thus leaving this position vacant. Sarah Hawkins resigned her three-year board membership as well, due to her acceptance of a position outside of imaging. I am pleased to make the following announcements: Linda McDonald, ARIN Treasurer 2010-2012 accepted the President-Elect position; Brenda Wickerson three-year board member accepted the Treasurer 2010-2012 position; Cheryl Jaglowski has accepted the one-year board member position.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all of our upcoming Fall Symposium, October 2-3, 2010, at the Hilton Hotel Post Oak, in Houston, Texas. The fall planning committee once more is committed to enhancing your imaging knowledge with such topics as MRI Angiography, Bariatric Patient Safety in the Imaging Environment as well as many more relevant topics. I am excited to catch up with the many members that I have had the pleasure of meeting over the past six years as well as to meet new colleagues with the goal of further enhancing our organization and continuing the legacy of imaging nursing.

Mag Browne-McManus, RN
ASSOCIATION FOR RADIOLOGIC AND IMAGING NURSING CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

President-Elect: The functions of the President-Elect are to fulfill duties in the absence of the President, monitor committee activities, and perform other duties as prescribed by the Board of Directors or as delegated by the President. Travel is required and expenses are reimbursed as set by ARIN policy. Three-year commitment: first year as President-Elect, second year as President, and third year as Immediate Past President.

Secretary: The Secretary shall record and review the minutes for all Board of Directors and Membership business meetings of the Society. Travel is required and expenses are reimbursed as set by ARIN policy. Two-year commitment.

Board Member: Board members direct the business and financial affairs of the Association, establish policy, foster the growth and development of the Association, and engage in strategic planning. Board members serve as liaisons to ARIN committees. Travel is required and expenses are reimbursed as set by ARIN policy. Three-year commitment.

Nominating Committee Member: The Nominating Committee oversees the elections process, solicits and screens applicants, and presents a slate of candidates to the membership for voting. The business of the Nominating Committee is conducted via e-mail and conference calls; travel is not required. Two-year commitment. Members of the Nominating Committee may not be run for office during their term on the Committee.

NOMINATION AND CONSENT STATEMENT

A candidate must have been an active member of ARIN for a minimum of one year preceding nomination. In addition, the President-Elect should have served at least one year as a member of the Board of Directors or served as a chairperson of an ARIN national committee for a minimum of one year prior to nomination. Nomination does not guarantee that a person’s name will appear on the final slate.

Full Name__________________________________________ Credentials____________________________

Current Position________________________________ Work Phone ___________________________

Affiliation________________________________________ Home Phone ___________________________

Address________________________________________ Fax _________________________________

City________________________________________ State______________ Zip _____________________

E-mail________________________________________

I am willing to serve in the office of ____________________________ if selected for nomination and elected by the membership.

Signed, __________________________________ Member, ARIN Date ___________________________

A complete candidate packet includes this completed form along with the following:

1. A one-paragraph biographical statement that includes the following information:
   • Your professional educational background
   • Your current job title and a brief description of your current responsibilities
   • Past ARIN positions, committees, or projects in which you were involved

2. A 250 word statement for inclusion with the ballot describing what you hope to achieve through the office you seek and what you hope ARIN would achieve through your service

3. A passport type photo for inclusion with the ballot (digital format is preferred)

4. Your curriculum vitae or resume

5. Verification of RN state licensure

Return your COMPLETE CANDIDATE PACKET to the ARIN National Office by September 30, 2010 via one of the following:

Mail: ARIN National Office
      7794 Grow Drive
      Pensacola, FL 32514

E-mail: arin@dancyamc.com
      Fax: (850) 484-8762
Check It Out:

ARIN member, Kathleen Gross, MSN, RN, BC, CRN was the guest editor for the June 2010 Perioperative Nursing Clinics issue (Vol 5, No 2). A wide variety of topics related to Interventional Radiology are presented in this issue that are not only of interest to perioperative nurses but will be of interest to you the interventional radiology nurse. It is amazing how often our paths cross over into other areas of the hospital. The issue covers contrast induced nephropathy, radiation safety, overview of embolotherapy agents CO2 subtraction angiography, evidence based acute management of sepsis- rapid intervention in the critical hours, local anesthetic use, UFE and related care, vertebral augmentation, treatment options for superficial venous insufficiency, and hybrid interventional radiology-which really means redesigning a room in the OR so the interventional radiologists and surgeons can do procedures together.

Kathleen, I am in awe of the tremendous amount of work that had to go into pulling this issue together and how well you have represented Interventional Radiology.

Thank you, 
Sharon Lehmann, MS, RN, CNS
Vision Editor
American Stroke Association Liaison Update

Gail Love, RN, CRN

Woman and Stroke

Stroke is the leading cause of serious long-term disability in the United States. Every year about 795,000 people experience a new or recurrent stroke, with approximately 55,000 more women than men having a stroke. It is felt that women have greater longevity than men therefore putting them at greater risk. Women have greater loss after stroke with poorer functional outcome possibly due to their increased age and treatment delay. In-hospital delays are greater for women than for men with longer wait times for emergency room triage including door-to-scan time. Additionally, 30% of women are less likely to receive I-TPa within the four hour treatment window. Delay may be due to presentation of symptoms; women tend to live alone with symptoms being unwitnessed, greater prevalence of afib and stroke severity. Women are less likely to have pre-stroke diagnostic testing then men, mostly because women are generally the caregivers and do not take the time to care for themselves.

Similar Stroke Risks Men and Women:

- Family history of stroke
- High blood pressure
- High cholesterol
- Smoking
- Diabetes
- Overweight
- Sedentary lifestyle

Unique Stroke Risks to Women:

- Birth control pills
- Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT)
- Thick waist and high triglycerides: post-menopausal women with a waist larger than 35.2 inches and triglyceride level higher than 128 mg/l may have a five-fold increased risk for stroke.
- Pregnancy
- Early menopause before age 42

Stroke symptoms in both men and women:

- Sudden numbness or weakness of face or extremity(s)
- Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding
- Sudden trouble seeing with one or both eyes
- Sudden trouble walking, loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden severe headache with unknown cause
- Sudden face or limb pain
- Sudden hiccups
- Sudden general weakness
- Sudden chest pain/head pain
- Sudden shortness of breath
- Sudden palpitations
- Non-specific or non-neurological symptoms

40% of women are more likely to report at least one non-traditional symptom and more likely to have mental status changes. When unusual medical symptoms arise, see your physician.

Several preventive measures can be taken:

1. Check your blood pressure regularly.
2. Check your pulse making sure your heart rate beats are regular.
3. Do Not Smoke. However, if you are a current smoker, there are many programs available to assist in helping you to quit.
4. Drink alcohol in moderation.
5. Know your cholesterol number.
6. If you are a diabetic, manage it.
7. Exercise, even a brisk walk 30 minutes a day can help improve your health and stroke risk.
8. Maintain a healthy weight.
9. Lower your salt (sodium) and fat content in your diet.
10. Be aware of your circulation; if your pump (heart) is not properly working it affects many other organs. If you have blood disorders such as anemia or sickle cell for example, manage them properly.
11. If you have any stroke symptoms listed above, Seek Medical Attention Immediately.

Many preventative health screenings for women (including timeline of when to have the screenings performed) can be found at www.HealthyWomen.org.

Everyone needs to spread the word about stroke risks and symptoms, especially among women to increase stroke recognition, and treatment in the future. The elderly, especially, have to remember that if they do not care for themselves, they will not be able to care for their loved ones. If you live alone, have a family member, friend, or neighbor check on you regularly. You can also do the same for someone you know who lives alone. Be proactive with prevention rather than waiting until it is too late.

Information can be found at the following websites:  www.Stroke.org  www.strokeassociation.org
# Stroke Risk Scorecard

Each box that applies to you equals 1 point. Total your score at the bottom of each column and compare with the stroke risk levels on the back.

## Risk Factor

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<th>Caution</th>
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<td>Smoking</td>
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<td>I’m trying to quit</td>
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<td>Diet</td>
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<td>Exercise</td>
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I have stroke in my family | Yes | Not sure | No |

Score (each box=1)

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**TO REDUCE YOUR RISK FOR STROKE:**
1. Know your blood pressure. If high, work with your doctor to lower it.
2. Find out from your doctor if you have atrial fibrillation.
3. If you smoke, stop.
4. If you drink alcohol, do so in moderation.
5. Find out if you have high cholesterol. If so, work with your doctor to control it.
6. If you are diabetic, follow your doctor’s recommendations carefully to control your diabetes.
7. Include exercise in the activities you enjoy in your daily routine.
8. Enjoy a lower sodium (salt), lower fat diet.
9. "Ask your doctor" how you can lower your risk of stroke.
10. KNOW THE SYMPTOMS OF STROKE:
   - If you have any stroke symptoms, seek immediate medical attention.
   - Symptoms include:
     - Sudden numbness or weakness of face, arm or leg - especially on one side of the body.
     - Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.
     - Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes.
     - Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.
     - Sudden severe headache with no known cause.

   **If you have experienced any of these symptoms, you may have had a TIA or a stroke – call 911 immediately!**
   - 1-800-STROKES
   - 1-800-787-6537
   - www.stroke.org

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*If your RED score is 3 or more, please ask your doctor about stroke prevention right away*

*If your yellow score is 4-6, you’re off to a good start. Keep working on it!*

*If your green score is 6-8, congratulations! You’re doing very well at controlling your risk for stroke!*
Robin Kirschner Presented With ARIN's Radiology Nurse of the Year Award

The Radiology Nurse of the Year Award was established in 2006 by the ARIN Board of Directors and is presented to an ARIN member in recognition of outstanding radiology nursing practice as demonstrated through leadership, mentorship, and ongoing professional development. ARIN presented the Radiology Nurse of the Year Award to Robin Kirschner, EdD, RN, CPAN, CRN, on Tuesday, March 16, 2010, during the Presidential Address and Membership Luncheon at the ARIN Convention in Tampa, FL.

Robin is the Senior Nurse Manager for Medical Imaging, Angiography & Nursing Services and the Outpatient Treatment Center at Banner Desert Medical Center in Mesa, AZ. Robin has been a member of ARIN since 2004 and is a member of the Grand Canyon Chapter. She was a contributing author for the ARIN Core Curriculum, served on the ARIN Nominating Committee, and volunteered for the forming Evidence Based Practice Committee.

Robin was nominated for the award by colleagues at Banner Desert Medical Center who describes Robin "as a wonderful, inspirational leader who promotes the concept of caring and nursing professionalism throughout our department and for those she touches within our organization." ARIN is proud to recognize Robin as the Radiology Nurse of the Year.

Award & Scholarship Opportunities

Nominate an ARIN member or submit a self-nomination. Deadline to submit is October 31, 2010.

Radiology Nurse of the Year Award
The Radiology Nurse of the Year Award is presented to an ARIN member in recognition of outstanding radiology nursing practice as demonstrated through leadership, mentorship, and ongoing professional development.

Dorothy Budnek Memorial Scholarship
The Dorothy Budnek Memorial Scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to ARIN members who have returned to school to advance their nursing education. The recipient will receive a scholarship in the amount of $600.00. Individuals who have been members of ARIN for at least three years are eligible to apply for the Dorothy Budnek Memorial Scholarship.

Helen Malenock Award
The Helen Malenock Award was established to provide financial assistance to a radiological nurse who is interested in becoming a member of ARIN. The recipient will receive a complimentary one year membership in ARIN.

Charlotte Godwin Scholarship
The Charlotte Godwin Scholarship was established to provide assistance for members to attend the annual Spring Educational Meeting. The recipient will receive a complimentary registration for the annual meeting and a cash scholarship of $200.00 to defray the expense of attending the meeting.

CRN Exam Scholarship Award
The Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing CRN Exam Scholarship Award was established to provide financial assistance to ARIN members who are seeking to become certified radiology nurses. The recipient will receive a complimentary registration for the CRN Exam.

Download the award/scholarship application www.arinursing.org or contact the ARIN National Office for an award/scholarship application.

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Healthcare Wish List: Fiscal Year 2011

Valerie Linke, RN

The Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing (ARIN) is a member of The Americans for Nursing Shortage Relief (ANSR) Alliance. The “Alliance” is a group of healthcare providers, supporters, and related organizations. The Alliance serves as a representative and facilitator for all of these organizations to Congress in general and healthcare policy making in Washington, D.C.

For fiscal year 2011, The Alliance, on behalf of and with the consensus of the organizations they represent, presented its yearly request to Congress. Included in this request was $267.3 million to the Public Health Service Act Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Funding. This represents approximately $21 million more than President Obama’s Proposed FY 2011 Budget. The President’s proposal was essentially “flat” when compared to 2010.

Title VIII funding provides for Advanced Education Nursing, Nursing Workforce Diversity, Nurse Education, Practice and Retention and Comprehensive Geriatric Education. The Alliance also asked for funding of the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program as well as the Nursing Scholarship Fund in order to increase the number of students who can complete their nursing education and enter into clinical practice. No matter what form Healthcare Reform takes and is actually put into practice in this country, it is clear that thousands of patients will seek primary caregivers in communities already without adequate providers. Advanced level nursing support is the key to providing adequate care in this country.

Another key focus is the adequate funding for evidence-based research, which will then shape nursing practice across all specialties. Evidence-based practice is the single most important tool in shaping safe and essential nursing care across the country.

As nurses, we should all be watchful of what occurs in our nation’s capitol. The decisions made on funding each year directly and indirectly impact the care we provide to our patients as well as impact the future of our profession. The nursing population is aging, and nurses are opting to leave for other professions. Nursing is the largest health care profession in the United States. According to the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, there were nearly 3.733 million licensed registered nurses in 2008. That is a huge voting population that cannot and will not be ignored by our elected officials. It is our responsibility to make our voices heard.

In 2004, a federally published report indicated that by 2020, there will be a shortage of 1 million full-time nursing positions. We can’t allow this trend to continue to this level! It is our responsibility to encourage our elected officials to make these budget items a priority.

Elected officials listen to their constituents and always want to know what is going on “back home.” Take a few minutes to email your local and state elected officials and let them know that support of these issues is essential. You can easily locate the email address on their individual websites or on the national congressional websites. Contacting them at either their Washington D.C. office or at their district offices will not always bring immediate gratification, but rest assured the staffers they employ pay close attention to communication from their local citizens.

In response to several emails I have received, ARIN has not taken an official stand on Healthcare Reform. Most national nursing organizations, ARIN included, have joined with the Alliance to support nursing and funding issues, reserving opinions for a time when Healthcare Reform has been spelled out by our legislators and there is more information on direct impact on nursing and our practice. Is it important to be informed? Absolutely! Is it prudent to make our personal opinions known to our elected officials? Of course!

The Public Policy Representative for ARIN is to be reappointed this fall. If you have an interest in Public Healthcare Policy making, I would encourage you to contact the ARIN Board of Directors with your interest.

Members In The News

Durham Regional Hospital Radiology Nurses were featured in a recent Advance for Nurses regional article on Diverse Duties for Radiology Nurses. This department consists of eight Certified Radiology Nurses from diverse backgrounds. They include a Chapter President, President Elect, Board Member and Co-Chair of the ARIN Chapter Committee. View the article on Diverse Duties for Radiology Nurses at http://nursing.advanceweb.com/Article/Radiology-Nurses-Handle-Diverse-Duties.aspx?prg=15
## Recently Certified Radiologic Nurses

The Radiologic Nursing Certification Board (RNCB) would like to recognize the following individuals who passed the certification exam held on March 17 and May 8, 2010.

| Name                | City, State     | Name                | City, State     | Name                | City, State     | Name                | City, State     | Name                | City, State     | Name                | City, State     | Name                | City, State     |
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| David W. Allan      | Virginia A. Clancy | Curt B. Howard     | Anne S. Montinola | Virginia A. Clancy | Oak Hill, VA    | Chandler, AZ       | Woodlands, TX    | Susan B. Rhodes    | Clayton, NC     |
| San Carlos, CA      | Curt B. Howard  | Anne S. Montinola   | Susan B. Rhodes  | Clayton, NC        | Curt B. Howard  | Virginia A. Clancy | Oak Hill, VA    | Curt B. Howard    | Anne S. Montinola | Susan B. Rhodes    | Clayton, NC        | Curt B. Howard  | Anne S. Montinola | Susan B. Rhodes  |
| New Haven, CT       | West Milton, OH  | Orange, CA          | Robert C. Morello | Niagara Falls, NY   | West Milton, OH  | Cynthia L. Jaker | Orange, CA     | Robert C. Morello | Niagara Falls, NY   |
| Eun Kyung Bae       | Fe A. Cruz       | Maureen S. Kennedy  | Alina Nadeau     | Uniontown, OH      | Fe A. Cruz       | Maureen S. Kennedy | Tuolumne, CA    | Alina Nadeau       | Uniontown, OH      |
| Rochester, MN       | Sugarland, TX    | Maureen S. Kennedy  | Alina Nadeau     | Uniontown, OH      | Sugarland, TX    | Maureen S. Kennedy | Tuolumne, CA    | Alina Nadeau       | Uniontown, OH      |
| Kimberley C. Baltau | Karen Deliman    | Ann N. Kinney       | Gary G. Osantowski | Granville, MI | Karen Deliman    | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Ann N. Kinney | Gary G. Osantowski | Granville, MI |
| Santa Clarita, CA   | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA | Capistrano Beach, CA |
| Jeanne R. Barber    | Julie M. Duff    | Sheri L. Kollar     | Erica L. Parlante | Charleston, SC     | Julie M. Duff    | Sheri L. Kollar | Tallmadge, OH | Erica L. Parlante | Charleston, SC     |
| Huntington Beach, CA | Mesa, AZ         | Tallmadge, OH       | Erica L. Parlante | Charleston, SC     | Mesa, AZ         | Julie M. Duff | Sheri L. Kollar | Tallmadge, OH     | Erica L. Parlante | Charleston, SC     |
| Sherry L. Basline   | Sherry A. Elbert | Barbara L. Korynas  | Dawn E. Pattengale | Rockford, IL | Sherry A. Elbert | Woodlands, TX | Barbara L. Korynas | Zephyrhills, FL | Dawn E. Pattengale | Rockford, IL | Sherry A. Elbert | Woodlands, TX | Barbara L. Korynas | Zephyrhills, FL |
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Symposium program is in development; visit www.arinursing.org for updates soon!
Oncology Nursing Society

On December 11, 2009, I was pleased to represent ARIN at the Oncology Nursing Society headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA. ONS brought together nurses from eighteen different nursing specialty organizations to discuss possible collaborative opportunities to meet the needs for cancer-related resources for non-oncology nurses. The gathering was funded by a grant from Susan G. Komen for the Cure. The participating nurses represented the American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nurses, National Association of School Nurses, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, Hospice & Palliative Care Nurses Association, Association of Rehabilitation Nurses, National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists, American Society for Pain Management Nursing, Rheumatology Nurses Society, American Association of Critical Care Nurses, Sigma Theta Tau International, Academy of Medical Surgical Nursing, Emergency Nurses Association, Society of Urological Nurses and Associates; Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nurses Society; National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women’s Health; American Academy of Nursing, and ARIN. Discussion resulted in identifying possible immediate and long-term collaborative opportunities. Development of journal-related resources, conference-related resources, web-related resources, advocating oncology content in school of nursing curricula, working with students on capstone projects in DNP programs, and local collaboration between organizational chapters were identified as immediate opportunities. Long-term collaborative opportunities identified were educational resources offering clinical best practices and evidence-based practice, shared speaker bureaus, research-related resources, and development of a web-based database that nurses could consult for information. Future collaborative meetings and projects will be established based on organizational interest and funding. Each participating organization agreed to bring this information back to their board of directors. ONS leadership and project team members will contact the group when next steps are ready to be pursued.

Linda McDonald, BSN, RN, CRN

The Year 2009 Treasurer's Report

Linda McDonald, BSN, RN, CRN

The economy has not improved and we are all feeling the pinch. ARIN is no exception. The Board has taken measures to reduce expenses. We reduced the length of the annual conference to 3½ days. We have gone green by the board printing their own materials, and the membership printing their own handouts. This not only saves money on printing, but on shipping as well. Our Vision newsletter has moved to an online newsletter and voting has also moved online. These are just a few of the many measures to save money that have been implemented.

Our expenses exceeded our income in 2009 by $13,678. Even though this is an operating loss, our efforts to control expense were successful. In 2008, our expenses exceeded our income by $40,000, so we experienced a 66% improvement in 2009. Fiscally successful years in the past have enabled us to weather these financially difficult times.

ARIN revenue comes from a variety of sources. The largest portion, 50%, comes from the membership in the form of dues. The remainder is from other sources such as publications, certification, the convention, Fall Symposium, the Journal and some other minor miscellaneous sources. We were very pleased that the 2009 Fall Symposium in Philadelphia resulted in a small profit.

ARIN expenses also come from a variety of sources. The annual convention and administrative costs are our largest expenses. As nursing professionals, we all have our paid jobs and even though many volunteer hours are spent on the “unpaid job” of leading the organization, it is necessary to have a professional organization management company to maintain the daily operations. Conventions are very costly to undertake, but necessary to meet the needs of ARIN members.

The board is constantly vigilant of our fiscal responsibility in leading this organization. We have and will continue to evaluate all expenses and revenues and do our best to maximize our revenue and minimize our expenses. ARIN has also taken measures to ensure that ARIN funds are safe; insured and invested funds are at the lowest possible risk. We will continue to do our best at being fiscally responsible for your organization during these financially trying times. Please contact me to address any questions or concerns at any time.

Poster of the Year Award

At the 2010 Spring Convention held in Tampa, FL, Evelyn Barza, MPH, BSN, RN, CNOR from Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Chicago, IL received the poster of the year award for her poster on the Nursing Role in the New Interventional Radiology Patient Scheduling Process. Her co-presenters were Christina Baumrucker, BSN, RN; Jen Smith, BSN, RN and Ellen Kruk, MHA, BSN.

ABSTRACT: In September of 2007, Northwestern Memorial Hospital’s Department of Interventional Radiology implemented a new process in patient scheduling. This process integrates nursing assessment and judgment to determine if a requested procedure can be completed. To implement this process, a new nursing role was established called the co-pilot. The co-pilot works with the board and scheduling personnel to screen cases before they are scheduled. This process serves as a double check to avoid wrong procedures on wrong patient and reduces last minute delays in cases. It also saves time for the IR MD by allowing the co-pilot to approve routine procedures.
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As part of the REASN project (Resourcefully Enhancing Aging in Specialty Nursing), the following new resources are available from the below specialty nursing associations:

American Academy of Nursing/ Expert Panel on Acute and Critical Care/American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN) (65,000 members):

AAN and AACN collaboratively developed a web-based course “Best Practices for Elder Care” which launched November 2009. The course focuses on acute and critical care nursing specialty. The framework for the content is based on the theme ”Health Care Environments for Older Adults – Creating a Culture of Caring.” The Best Practices for Elder Care course is an online, self-paced program consisting of four units of instructional content, four units of interactive case studies, and one 17-question self-assessment unit. The course is available through the AACN web-site at www.aacn.org/eldercare and available through the AAN web-site home page http://www.aanet.org/4a/headlines/headlinedetails.cfm?id=230

American Society for Pain Management Nursing (ASPMN) (1,628 members) ASPMN developed a curriculum to prepare hospital nurses to become Geriatric Pain Management Resource Nurses. ASPMN presented at the NICHE Conference in April 2010. ASPMN has made the Nurse Exemplar Award in Pain Management of Older Adults a permanent award, and developed the first specialty practice series Try This issue, Try This SP1: Assessment of Nociceptive versus Neuropathic Pain in Older Adults

Association of PeriOperative Nurses (AORN) (42,000 members): AORN developed a Confidence-Based Learning (CBL) Module, “Perioperative Care of the Older Adult,” available on the AORN web site at http://www.aorn.org/Education/ContinuingEducation/ConfidenceBasedLearning/PerioperativeCareOlderAdult/. The course provides guidance to the perioperative nurse in promoting optimal outcomes for the older adult through recognition of the physiological, cognitive/psychosocial and sociological changes associated with aging. The CBL module utilizes a mastery approach, and the student takes the program until they earn 100%. More information about the AORN Confidence-Based Learning program is available at http://www.aorn.org/docs/assets/2C0A5D6C-D140-0B9D-0CAB99262E0418EE/CBLbrochure1.pdf

Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) (32,000 members):

ENA, in collaboration with a multi-disciplinary advisory group, developed the Practical Guide to Safer Handoff of Older Adults between Long-Term Care Facilities and Emergency Departments.

The purpose of this guide is to provide nurses in emergency departments and long-term care settings, and emergency medical services (EMS) professionals with tools to ease the development of standardized communication processes that respond to local needs. In addition, ENA developed a sample Patient Handoff/ Transfer Form. The Guide and forms are available at http://www.ena.org/practice/practpriority/geriatric/Pages/SaferHandoff.aspx

Infusion Nurses Society (INS) (5,600 members): INS held a webinar, Infusion Therapy in the Older Adult on December 8, 2009 that focused on the changes that occur in body systems during the aging process and how these changes impact the provision of infusion therapy in the older adult. Strategies to improve success in performing peripheral catheter insertion as well as administering infusion therapy in the older adult are discussed. The webinar is archived on the INS web-site at http://eo2.commpartners.com/users/ins/session.php?id=3541.

Preventive Cardiovascular Nursing Association (PCNA) (6,000 members): PCNA developed a new section of the association’s Online Medical Forms Guide to provide information on behavior change and adherence with a special focus on older adults ( http:// www.pcna.net/members/exams/forms_guide_intro). The updated guide has been well received with over 50,000 downloads. PCNA has developed two Try This Specialty Practice series issues, Try This SP3: Cardiac Risk Assessment of the Older Cardiovascular Patient: The Framingham Global Risk Assessment Tools and Try This SP4: Vascular Risk Assessment of the Older Cardiovascular Patient: The Ankle-Brachial Index (ABI)

Global Vision Statement on Care of Older Adults

34 national nursing organizations, including 27 specialty associations and seven members of the Coalition of Geriatric Nursing Organizations (CGNO) have endorsed the Specialty Nursing Association Global Vision Statement on Care of Older Adults. The Hartford Institute welcomes additional endorsing organizations. You can view the Statement at http://consultgerirn.org/uploads/File/REASN_Global_Vision_Statement.pdf

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## Associated Sciences Program at RSNA 2010

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Ronald Wardrope, RN, CRN  
ARIN Secretary

The ARIN Board of Directors met in January, and at the 2010 Spring Convention for a pre-conference meeting as well as a post conference meeting. We have also held monthly conference calls and will meet during the Fall Symposium in Houston, TX, in October 2010.

Election results:
• Margaret Browne-McManus, BAHS, RN President
• Christine Keough, BSN, RN, President-Elect
• Linda McDonald, BSN, RN, CRN, Treasurer
• Janelle Ramsborg, MBA, BSN, RN, CRN Board Member (3-year term)

Appointments:
• Linda McDonald, BSN, RN, CRN President-Elect
• Brenda Wickersham, MAV, RN, CRN Treasurer (2-year term)
• Christy Lee, MSN, RN, CRN, Board member to complete Chris Keough's term (1 year)
• Cheryl Jaglowski-Ho, RN, TNCC, CEN, CRN Board member to complete Sara Hawkins term (2 years)

• Christine Keough, BSN, RN, CRN, announced at the January Board Meeting that she would be stepping down from the Board as she was pursuing a career in peri-operative field; she will still remain a member of ARIN and assist as needed. Thank you, Chris, for all your hard work and for working with the SIR task force in developing a sterile procedure competence. Chris will remain in ARIN and assist with the task force till the procedure is published by SIR.

• Sara Hawkins, MSN, RN, CRN announced at the January Board meeting that she would be stepping down from the Board effective at the 2010 Spring Convention as she will be accepting a job outside of Radiology. Thanks for all her help in setting up and maintaining the ARIN Facebook account.

• Linda McDonald, BSN, RN, CRN has been appointed to be President-Elect as Christine Keough has stepped down.

• Brenda Wickersham, MAV, RN, CRN has been appointed Treasurer as Linda McDonald has accepted the President-Elect Position.
• Cheryl Jaglowski-Ho, RN, TNCC, CEN, CRN has been appointed as Board Member to fill remaining term for Brenda Wickersham.

Thank you to outgoing Board Members:
• Sharon Lehmann, MS, RN, CNS - Past President
• Christine Keough, BSN, RN, CRN -Board Member
• Sara Hawkins, MSN, RN, CRN- Board Member

• Approved Houston, TX as the location for the 2010 Fall Symposium.
• Approved the Budget for 2009-2010
• In the process of reviewing and updating all policies and procedures.
• FYI: Radiology Nurses Day is the second Tuesday of April, every year.
• The ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course is the new name of what use to be the Certification Prep Class. Faculty has been chosen to teach the class at the Spring Convention and Fall Symposium. The course is being marketed to hospital, and there are two hospitals that will have the ARIN team come to their facility in 2010.
• Vision, the quarterly ARIN newsletter, will be edited by Sharon Lehmann.
• The Program Planning Committee is diligently working on the Fall Symposium and the 2011 Spring Convention. Watch the ARIN website for details.
• Collaboration with AHRA (American Healthcare Radiology Administration) with the assistance of Kathy Shreffer, Past President. A one day conference is scheduled at the Annual AHRA meeting in Washington, D.C. in August for Nurse Managers in Radiology.
• RNCB: An application has been submitted to ABNS (American Board of Nursing Specialties); when the application is approved, it will allow the CRN certification to finally become an approved certification just like CCRN.
• Core Curriculum is in the process of being revised. Chapter editors are in the process of being selected, and the process will take approx 2-3 years for the revision; then will go to print for the 3rd edition.

• The nominating committee, with Karen Green, as Chair will be asking for candidates in the near future for our annual elections; the positions up for the Board of Director’s will be Secretary (2-year term), Board Member (3-year term), President-Elect.
• Kathleen Gross, MSN, RN, BC, CRN is the editor of the Journal of Radiology Nursing; she continues to produce an excellent product for the Radiology and Imaging Nurse. Manuscripts are greatly appreciated.

ARIN Secretary's Report

ARIN continues to donate to the Nurses House, a national fund for nurses in need. For more information about the Nurses House, please go to www.NursesHouse.org.

The ARIN web site has the following items for purchase:
• Core Curriculum
• Orientation Manual
• Scope and Standards
• Justification for a Radiology Nursing
• ARIN Image Review Course
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