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GVNA President's Report:

GVNA has been active in the past year as you can see from the Board of Director's Update in this newsletter. We had our Annual Spring Dinner and Awards Celebration on May 14 at the Rochester Academy of Medicine. Welcome to Shannon McCarthy-Leone who is transitioning to GVNA President. GVNA is fortunate to have her along with all members of the BOD that help with the running of our local professional nursing organization. This includes:

- Kelli Piehler (Communications) and Bryan Spong (Director-at-Large) who were recently elected to the BOD.
- Pam White (Secretary) and Laura Markwick (Programs) who were recently re-elected and will continue to serve on the BOD.
- Jen Smalls (Treasurer) and Kathy Langen (Membership) will continue to serve on the Board in their elected positions in the next year.
- Megan Murphy has agreed to serve as the Awards and Nominations BOD Liaison for the next year.

I wish to thank Erin Brand (Communications) and Kathleen Mullaney (Director-at-Large) for their service to the GVNA BOD over these past few years. Thank you all for being members of GVNA. Questions or comments can be sent to gvnassociation@gmail.com
Nancy lafrati

GVNA Board of Directors Biannual Update:

Treasurer's Report/Jen Smalls: GVNA continues to be financially solvent. Because we cut our costs down over ten years ago by going to a virtual office, we have not had to raise our annual dues in a long time and have no plans to do this in the future. This year we were able to offer GVNA Student Membership Pricing to RN-BS students.

Membership Report/Kathy Langen: Thanks to all of you for your membership in your professional nursing organization. Our membership numbers continue to be consistent over the past year at about 160 members. One of the best ways to get a colleague to join is by just talking about GVNA and asking them to join. A reminder that new graduates within one year of their initial licensure can become a member of GVNA at no cost.

Awards & Nominations Committee Report/Megan Murphy: Our Annual Spring Dinner was held on Tuesday, May 14 at the Rochester Academy of Medicine. Congratulations to the 2019 GVNA Award Winners (see page 4). Congratulations to new members of the BOD- Kelli Piehler and Bryan Spong.

Communications Committee Report/Erin Brand: Ideas for our biannual newsletter can be sent to gvnassociation@gmail.com. Please take the time to join our Facebook Page.

Legislative Report/Lillian Heindl: Our 34th Annual Legislative Reception was held on Thursday, February 28 at St. John Fisher College and this was the first time that there was Standing Room Only. A summary can be found at: <https://gvna.nursingnetwork.com/nursing-news/153121-standing-room-only-at-gvna-s-2019-legislative-reception>. Our 35th Annual Legislative Reception will be held on Thursday, February 20, 2020. Thanks to all the nursing organizations that help to sponsor this event.

Director at Large/Kathleen Mullaney: This year, GVNA has teamed up with Angels of Mercy. This organization does many great things including bringing awareness to the crime of human trafficking. Thanks to all who brought donations to GVNA events in the past year. A carload of donations was dropped off the Angels of Mercy at the end of May. Angels of Mercy is now accepting summer clothes. They are in particular need of plus-size clothes. They are also in need of women's undergarments of any size and will accept slightly used undergarments. For more information, go to <https://www.angelsofmercyny.org/donate>

Program Report/Laura Markwick: Thanks to Kathleen E. Britton who is the Director of Archives and Curator of Collections for the Rochester Medical Museum and Archives for her presentation on "What I Found in the GVNA Archives." One year ago, GVNA donated our archives to this organization for long-term safekeeping. For more information about making donations from your own personal archives, go to <https://gvna.nursingnetwork.com/nursing-news/166791-rochester-medical-museum-and-archive-what-does-the-archives-collect>. In the spring we also had presentations on: The Personality Disorder Conundrum presented by Dr. Grace Wlasowicz, Hepatitis C sponsored by Gilead Sciences, and Nutraceuticals presented by Desiree Bass, MSACN

By-laws Committee/Natalie Masco-Dixon: Minor updates to the GVNA Bylaws were proposed and were unanimously approved at our Spring Banquet. This concerned changes to Article VI/Section 4-Standing Committees/Functions of Standing Committees. Previously, the Bylaws Chair was a past president that is appointed by the Board. Now, the Bylaws Chair is the immediate Past-president of the Board. This is a minor change and the main reason for doing this is that is a good job for the immediate Past-president. The Bylaws will continue to get reviewed every 2 years, but will move to even years when we have a past-president.

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ANA-NY

ANA-NY is the professional association for registered professional nurses (RN) in New York State. Launched in 2012, ANA-NY is a constituent member of the American Nurses Association. Nurses who join ANA-NY will have membership in and receive benefits from both the state and national organizations. GVNA is an affiliate organization of ANA-NY. Thanks to ANA-NY for their sponsorship of Susan B. Anthony's Birthday on 2/13/18 in Rochester and for the sponsorship of an ad during National Nurses Week promoting both ANA-NY and GVNA. The ANA-NY Annual Convention will be in Clayton, NY from October 25-26, 2019.

On Tuesday May 7, ANA-NY hosted its first Annual Lobby Day. Seven ANA-NY members of the Legislation Committee and Board and three staff gathered in Albany. The day was organized by the new ANA-NY Lobbying firm Harter, Secrest and Emery. Lobbyists Don Mazzullo, Amy Kellogg and John Jennings provided a brief orientation and update on priority issues at the new ANA-NY office and then the group—divided into two teams completed several visits with legislators and legislative staff. The three main issues addressed in each visit included

- An introduction to ANA-NY, our membership and goals: ANA-NY as the general purpose nursing voice in New York State
- ANA-NY support for “safe staffing” but not the current bill language that calls for specific ratios in statute;
- ANA-NY support for elimination of the religious exemption for immunizations (often used for other reasons)—as a public health imperative.

GVNA Members Mel Callan, Marilyn Dollinger and Donna Tydings participated in the Lobby Day. Our lobbying team and the ANA-NY Legislation Committee continue to review issues as the 2019 session draws to a close.



WORLD HEALTH CARE CONFERENCE

In early May, Mel Callan, Marilyn Dollinger and Nancy lafrati, all members of the GVNA Legislative Committee, attended the 16th Annual World Health Care Congress in Washington DC. Thousands of stakeholders from every pro-

fession, business, service provider that touches health care looked into the future to discuss how current best practices and innovative use of technology and artificial intelligence could improve health care in the United States. The link below gives an idea of the broad range of innovative thinking and entrepreneurial initiatives that were presented and discussed over the three day conference: 5 Things to Know From World Health Care Congress 2019 by Jaime Rosenberg: <https://www.ajmc.com/newsroom/5-things-to-know-from-world-health-care-congress-2019>

Submitted by Marilyn Dollinger



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COALITION OF REGIONAL NURSING ORGANIZATIONS (CORNO)

The Coalition of Regional Nursing Organization (CORNO) meets annually in January to collaborate on issues that affect health care and the nursing profession in our area. As a group, we provide a continuing education offering in October and sponsor an Annual Legislative Reception in February.

Here is a list of the many local nursing organizations in our area. If you do not see an organization that you are a member of, please contact GVNA at gvnassocation@gmail.com.

- National Association of Critical Care Nurses/Greater Rochester Association Finger Lakes Chapter (GRAFL-AACN)
- American Nephrology Nurses Association/ Great Lakes Chapter
- Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nurses/Empire Chapter
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses/AORN Upstate New York Chapter # 3305
- Beta Chi Chi Chapter Inc. Of Chi Eta Phi Sorority Inc
- Dermatology Nurses Association of Rochester
- Emergency Nurses Association/Genesee Valley Chapter
- Finger Lakes Regional Chapter of HPNA (Hospice and Palliative Care Nurses Association)
- Genesee Valley Nurses Association
- Greater Rochester New York Association of Occupational Health Nurses
- National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists/Western New York Affiliate
- National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners/New York Upstate Chapter
- New York Finger Lakes Organization of Nurse Executives and Leaders
- New York State Association of School Nurses
- New York State Perianesthesia Nurses' Association/District 14
- Nursing Friends of the National Susan B. Anthony Museum and House
- Nurse Practitioner Association of New York/Region 2
- Oncology Nursing Society/Genesee Valley Chapter
- Rochester Black Nurses Association
- Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter #112/ Delta Sigma/St. John Fisher College
- Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter #132/Epsilon Xi /University of Rochester
- Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter #360/Omicron Beta/The College at Brockport
- Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter #405/Pi Psi/Nazareth College
- Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter #444-Tau Xi/Roberts Wesleyan College
- Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter #474-Upsilon Upsilon/Keuka College
- Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates /Central New York #109
- Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society/Central New York Affiliate

Save the date for upcoming CORNO Meetings:

- October 2, 2019 Annual CE Offering on Bullying
- January 27, 2020 Annual CORNO Meeting
- February 20, 2020 35th Annual Legislative Reception

SAVE THE DATE:

October 2nd:

Annual CORNO Offering on Civility and Incivility

October 25th & 26th:

2019 ANA-NY Annual meeting and conference in Clayton, NY

January 27th, 2020

Annual CORNO Meeting

February 20th, 2020

35th Annual Legislative Reception

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Annual Spring Dinner & 2019 GVNA Award Winners

Congratulations to all our award winners, including:

Graduate Nurse Award to Bryan Spong

Membership Award to Megan Murphy

Nurse Practice Award to Cathy Peters

Student Nurse Leadership Award to Neely Stopczynski from The College at Brockport

Student Nurse Leadership Award to Madison Seaman from St. John Fisher College

Wegmans School of Nursing



Volunteer for GVNA

We are looking for volunteers to assist GVNA in a variety of activities including events planning, membership recruitment, legislation, community service, awards, and nominations.

Please email gynassociation@gmail.com if you are interested in joining this committee or talk to a board member at an upcoming event.

GVNA Executive Board 2019-2020

President:

Shannon McCarthy-Leone

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Nancy Lafrati

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Pam White

Treasurer:

Jennifer Smalls

Programs:

Laura Markwick

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Awards and Nominations:

Megan Murphy

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Bryan Spong