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BARBARA LUMPKIN RETIRES FROM FNA



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **SAVE THE DATE MAKE RESERVATIONS EARLY**
- **RETIREMENT PLANS CAUSE A PUBLIC HEALTH LOSS**
- **UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA OFFERS NEW DEGREE PROGRAM**
- **SEEK POSTER RECOGNITION @ 2007 CONFERENCE**

Public Health and public health nursing experience a huge loss with the retirement of Barbara Lumpkin, Associate Executive Director of The Florida Nurses Association, Inc. (FNA). Barbara Lumpkin began the collective bargaining program for FNA and through the years requested FNA's Executive Director to

allow Barbara to take over the Legislative Program. Barbara had to develop this program from nothing. Barbara learned to navigate the Florida political landscape (certainly no easy task) and actively mentored a generation of nursing to become advocates and grassroots lobbyists for the profession of nursing and for the citizens

of the State of Florida. Public Health Nursing is just one element in the profession of nursing that Barbara believed in and supported. Each annual educational conference implemented through FAPHN, Barbara offered and planned for FNA to sponsor a reception to honor public health nurses. In Barbara's honor FNA and the Florida Nurses

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Members:

Happy New Year to all! I hope that each of you enjoyed the recent holidays. Your FAPHN Board has been busy, even in the midst of the season. For starters, we've been working on a strategic plan to help provide direction for the next three to five years. Part of that plan involves providing more visibility for our organization and to participate in state-wide issues involving nurses. So far, FAPHN Board members and general members have participated in the Florida Center for Nursing Summit that was held on October 4, 2006, in Orlando. The theme of the Summit was "Improving the Work Environment to Retain Nurses". It was a great opportunity to provide input from the Public Health Nurse perspective. If you have received and read the most recent publication of the Florida Nurse, then you know that FAPHN submitted an article to introduce and explain our organization. We will also be providing a formal letter of introduction to our new Governor and we are hopeful that we may be of assistance to the new Administration for public health and health care related issues.

Opportunities for general member involvement in the organization are many and I encourage you to explore the ways that you can participate. We need the energy of our membership to maintain the momentum in FAPHN.

Do you know of a galvanizing speaker that you and others might like to hear? Are you a "journalist" at heart? Do you enjoy creative design? Then, you have some of the skills FAPHN needs! Don't be shy! Give us a call or send us an e-mail. We look forward to hearing from you!

Stephanie Vick

President

**WE RECEIVE LETTERS:**

"Words of praise-it's GREAT! This is the best issue I have seen thus far. Congratulations."
Diana Coyle "Great job as usual to all of you. Congratulations on the IRS ruling" Carol L. Cummins "Very nice work on the newsletter." Mary Ann Loftis

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Foundation planned and provided a gala fundraiser for the Barbara Lumpkin Institute. Anyone interested in donating to the Institute may do so by mailing payment to the Florida Nurses Foundation, P.O. Box 536985, Orlando, Florida 32853-6985.

Barbara Lumpkin and

her accomplishments were well celebrated on Friday, January 26, 2007 at Leu Gardens in Orlando, Florida. It all began with a 5:30PM Cash Bar and Networking followed with a Dinner and Tributes.

Barbara did not leave FNA without helping to locate a competent person to "walk in her shoes". Barbara worked with Anna Small,

ARNP, CNM, JD who will represent FNA and the nursing profession to the Tallahassee legislators. Before Barbara left, she and Anna lobbied four bills and other issues of importance to nurses. Barbara reports that she and Anna's efforts produced house and senate sponsors for two bills; the one authorizing NP to sign death certificates and a bill placing NPs and Pas in the definition of providers who receive informed consent in Chapter 766, the Florida Medical malpractice Chapter. Senator Durell Peaden and Representative Alan Hays plan to sponsor the "Informed Consent" bill while Representative Ron Saunders and Senator Stephen Wise agreed to sponsor the Death Certificate bill. **Thank you Barbara.** Enjoy your future!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! 5TH ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE AND BUSINESS MEETING AT THE TAMP GRAND HYATT, TAMPA FLORIDA MONDAY, JULY 30-JULY 31, 2007

CHARLOTTE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PUTS AWAY BLUE TARPS!

Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda are rid of the blue tarps and unsafe facilities following Hurricane Charley on August 13, 2004. The clinics' rehabilitation required 31 months reports Pete Skiba of The News-Press. Eric Stockley, Strategy manager, told various news media that **"over 31 tons of water damaged and outdated equipment has been removed from the site."** Steven Mitnick, M.S., A.R.N.P., MBA Administrator for CCHD told the Charlotte Sun. that "we learned first-hand what the force of a Category 4 hurricane can do to buildings and trees, while at the same time we learned what the force of the human spirit can do to rally a community together." Hurricane Charley devastated the majority of CCHD facilities and delivered a double blow to the residents of Charlotte County as they and their families received services from the health department. Most of the CCHD staff responded (while victims themselves) to the Special Needs shelter caring for some of the vulnerable of the county's population. On Tuesday, January 30, 2007, the Charlotte County Health Department located at 514 E. Grace St., in Punta Gorda had its grand reopening and ribbon-cutting ceremony at its newly renovated facility. The celebration was not for reopening a building stated Mr. Mitnick, but rather "it is to honor and thank all of the people in Charlotte County who continued to work and care for the community despite their personal loss, to all the fine people from across the state who gave of their time unselfishly to help this community, and lastly to say that the guardian of public health is back and stronger than ever in Charlotte County."

Mr. Mitnick described the new design features of the facility : clinical intake offices, exam rooms, treatment rooms and nursing offices. There is a laboratory, conference room and plenty of space for files and audio visual equipment. Mr. Mitnick deliberately reduced the number of administrative offices planned pre-Hurricane Charley to make room for remodeling with a focus on patient privacy. New technology has lead to advanced communication, computerization, and the installation of state-of-the-art client record security system. In March 2007, patients will be seen and receive treatment in the new Punta Gorda facility. Jeanne Wyman, nursing director at the center, said the clinic is looking into accepting private health insurance; patients are currently being seen on a sliding scale based on income. Ms. Wyman stated to news media that the department is in the process of hiring a female nurse practitioner to perform gynecological exams and she mentioned the CCHD performs vasectomy and sterilization procedures. An addition the CCHD offers to clients is the "Dance Dance Revolution" to help promote good exercise. This is a video game in which the players must "dance" by stomping their feet on a game pad in time to the music. Mr. Stockley was reported saying, "It is now time for us to close the book on Charley and look forward to a brighter and better future." Congratulations CCHD and welcome back from the tents and portable buildings.

THE FAPHN VOICE ENTERS LEVEL OF BUSINESS MATURITY PHASE

The Board of Directors approved a motion by Treasurer Kane-Crawford to begin accepting appropriate advertisements for a minimal fee in support of and defraying some of the publishing costs of the newsletter. The minimal charge is \$25.00 for a business card size 3.5 inches x 2 inches. The Communications Committee assumes responsibility for final review of requests to advertise and whether the "to be developed criteria" is met. Treasurer Kane-Crawford submits Invoice to applicant. This issue contains the first of such advertisements.

FAPHN GOES**INTERNATIONAL**

The FAPHN website received a message on January 5, 2007, from Gemma Taylor, a citizen of Great Britain residing in England. Ms. Taylor is finalizing her studies in Primary Health Care Nursing as it is called in England. Ms. Taylor plans a trip to The United States the week of February 26, 2007, when she and her family visit her mother and father –in-law. Gemma’s in-laws reside in Poinciana, Kissimmee areas of Florida. Her desire was to meet and observe American Public Health Nursing at work; with a focus on children’s health and developmental challenges. “How is it done in America?” At the time this issue is going to press, Ms. Taylor is receiving wonderful ‘hands on’ public health nursing exposure from Osceola County Health Department under the leadership of Rose Vince and Susan Crawford. Ms. Taylor promises to submit an article to **The FAPHN VOICE** sharing her educational and mentoring experiences received from Osceola CHD. This is a wonderful opportunity for FAPHN reaching beyond the borders of the State of Florida in meeting its stated mission: *“The Florida Association of Public Health Nurses provides leadership for the nursing profession and promotes quality health care for consumers through education, advocacy, and influencing public health practices in the State of Florida.”*

THE FAPHN VOICE would appreciate an article from Osceola CHD sharing its views and opinions on this international experience.

FAPHN MEMBERS*Caring for Florida's Citizens**Caring for one another.***3rd QUARTER 2006 MEMBERS JOINING OR RENEWING MEMBERSHIP STATUS**

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Woods, Lana			



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CALL FOR CONFERENCE POSTERS

ABSTRACTS DUE JUNE 1, 2007

Purpose: *Provide an opportunity to share best practices, service projects, or research. Since this is a pilot, we will not be requiring CEU learning objectives; **only the abstract.***

When & Where: *Florida Association of Public Health Nurses, Inc. **Annual Conference** **July 30-31, 2007**
Tampa Grand Hyatt, 2900 Bayport Drive, Tampa, Florida*

Presenter Eligibility: *A FAPHN member **must be** listed on the abstract. Collaborators do not have to be members. Nursing students may be members at the student rate (\$25.00) or sponsored by a FAPHN member who holds a faculty position at a Florida institution of higher learning (BS or MS program). **Limit: One poster abstract submission per agency / institution.***

Review and Notification: *Blind review will be conducted by members of the FAPHN Education Committee.*

*Presenters will be **notified by email** of acceptance by June 25, 2007.*

Poster Set-Up & Display Times: *Presenters **provide** their own backboard / display board. Presenters are requested to **set-up on Monday, July 30 after 1:00PM** or **by July 31** between **7:30AM-8:30AM..** Presenters are encouraged to “present” their poster informally during the breaks. **Posters** need to be **removed** at 5:00PM July 31.*

Recognition: *(Note: **Posters must be up by July 31.**) Awards for the BEST PHN and BEST Student Poster will be presented on July 31 @ 4:00–5:00PM.*

SUBMIT Abstracts Electronically to: Subject Line: FAPHN POSTERS

TO: Charlotte Curtis, BSN, RN, CPM

E-Mail: Charlotte_Curtis@doh.state.fl.us

ATTACH: Identifying information & Abstract in MS Word document

Poster Abstract Submission Instructions (MS Word document)

Page One: Identifying Information

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Name of FAPHN member(s)

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Check Status: Annual \$50.00 dues for membership [one year from date of joining or renewal]

_____ Active R.N.: Full dues. Eligible for FAPHN benefits; Hold Board position. Voting privilege.

_____ Retired R.N.: Dues are half-price. All benefits of Active R.N. classification.

_____ Student R.N.: Half-price Dues. May not hold Board position and may not vote.

_____ Associate: Half-price Dues. Any individual or business entity interested in supporting FAPHN.

Eligible to receive newsletter and reduced registration for conference. Not eligible for Board position, to vote, or to receive mini-grants or scholarships.

School of Nursing: [Students] _____

Interested in Serving:: BOARD: _____ Yes _____ NO _____ Attending Conferences: _____ YES _____ NO _____

Other Interests: Circle One ↓

Committees: (Communications, Education, Conference Planning, Membership, Newsletter)

Thank you for your interest. Remember, there is NO FAPHN without you and your colleagues!!

AWARDS and SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Super OPPORTUNITY

PLEASE CONTACT THE AWARDS COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON DIANA COYLE IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN NOMINATING A COLLEAGUE OR YOURSELF.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE OF THE YEAR


PRESENTED TO A NURSE WHO HAS DEVELOPED A PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE ADDRESSING A SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY HEALTH PROBLEM BEYOND THE NORMAL SCOPE OF DAILY RESPONSIBILITIES, OR WHO HAS RESPONDED IN AN UNUSUAL OR CRITICAL SITUATION IN AN EXEMPLARY MANNER TRANSCENDING THE USUAL AND CUSTOMARY PERFORMANCE OF THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES.

OUTSTANDING PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE LEADERSHIP

THIS AWARD IS GIVEN TO A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WHO, WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS HAS EITHER PLANNED, DEVELOPED AND/OR EXECUTED A UNIQUE OR EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM ADDRESSING A SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM OR HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE COMMUNITY, INCLUDING LOCAL, STATE, OR NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR A PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTION IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

FAPHN SCHOLARSHIPS

THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND WAS ESTABLISHED TO PROMOTE EXCELLENCE IN NURSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICES AND IS AWARDED TO A NURSE CURRENTLY IN ADVANCED STUDY OF NURSING ADMINISTRATION, EDUCATION, RESEARCH, OR SERVICE/ PRACTICE OR IS STUDYING TOWARD AN ADVANCED DEGREE IN PUBLIC HEALTH.



JULY 2007

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