



**H1N1 VACCINATION CAMPAIGN in BROWARD COUNTY FLORIDA**

The campaign began October 19, 2009, in Broward County, Broward County is the 6th largest school district in the United States. This tremendous effort is a partnership with the School Board of Broward County whose mission is to ensure all parents and guardians wishing to have their children vaccinated can easily do so. As of November 19, 2009, Broward's Superintendent of Schools, James F. Notter said, "The H1N1 immunization program in Broward County Public Schools is progressing very smoothly. We are pleased to be partnering with the Broward County Health Department in providing the vaccine on a voluntary basis to all of our students." Broward County Health Department team of pharmacists, technicians and public health nurses began their concerted attack against the H1N1 influenza threat at 4:30 a.m. at an undisclosed location where the shipment of vaccine was housed following its journey from the Centers of Disease Control to the State of Florida-Department of Health, Broward CHD. Dr. Paula Thaqi is the Broward CHD Director and reports through the Public Information process that Broward County has 89 hospitalizations and 11 deaths as of December 18, 2009. The Broward County Health Department's Incident Command System remains activated and has expanded.



The in-school vaccination campaign as of December 18 has dispensed 88,527 first doses at 301 schools plus 29,909 second doses at 126 schools.

Responding to the needs of the community, Broward CHD opened an H1N1 High Risk Vaccination Clinic on 11/06/09 to replace the smaller H1N1 Vaccination Clinic at the Northwest Health Center. As of 12/05/09, the H1N1 High Risk Vaccination Clinic had dispensed 12,246 doses of H1N1 vaccine.

Working in collaboration with local municipalities, Broward CHD provided support to Community based PODs beginning 11/30/09 and as of 12/18/09, 8,686 doses of vaccine were administered.

As of 12/18/2009, Broward CHD has administered 139,368 doses of vaccine to Broward County Residents

The current World Situation/Threats are reported by the World Health Organization (WHO) of alert level of Phase 6 'pandemic.' This is based on geographic distribution and not the severity of H1N1. WHO reports that swine flu H1N1 is circulating the world.

During the week of December 12, influenza activity in the United States continued to decrease although activity is still high. There are only 14 states reporting widespread flu activity for week 48. Weekly visits to doctors for influenza-like illness, new hospitalizations for influenza and deaths from influenza continued to decline although still higher than normal for this time of year.



## FAPHN INTERVIEWS THE PUBLIC H1N1 VACCINE RECIPIENTS



**M**ATTHEW is 13 and attends Seminole Middle School in Plantation, Florida. Matthew graciously agreed to an interview about his experience with the H1N1 vaccination campaign. Matthew reports receiving the nasal vaccine. “It was cold! Made me sniff a lot! I coughed it out at first! My nose dripped on my shirt! I think a lot of kids did n’t get it.” When asked if he would rather not have gotten the vaccine, Matthew said “No, it was good..easy and I don’t think I’ll get sick now. I prefer the nose one instead of a shot!”



**K**RISTINA age 15 attends South Plantation High School and received the vaccine through injection. Kristina said, “I was so scared! I cried a lot..I mean a whole lot!” When asked what the nurses did if anything, to help her, Kristina said with a smile, “They were kind to me. They held my hand and rubbed my shoulder. I cried a lot!” When asked if she had to be held down to get the ‘shot’, she giggled and said, “No! I t really did not hurt! They put a band aid over it.” I asked Kristina if she could do it again now that she knows what to expect. She gave me her lovely smile and said, “Yes..I don’t think I would cry as much!” Asked if there was anything Kristina could think of to improve the process, Kristina replied, “ Well, I missed one of my classes and I had to make it up! Maybe we could be excused next time or adjust the schedule!”



**S**EAN age 8 attends Fox Trail Elementary in Davie, Florida and received the nasal spray H1N1 vaccine. Sean told FAPHN, “ I was a little scared. I don’t like medicine that much. Oh, and a box of the medicine fell on the floor. I wanted to help so I went to pick it up. The nurse stopped me. She said ‘Don’t Touch It’ so I didn’t. I just wanted to help her.” When asked if he understood the nurse’s instructions to not touch the box and why, Sean said, “Yeah! I might get vaccine on my hands!”



**Z**ACHARY age 15 attends St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Zachary received the vaccine and shared with me, “ It was cool! No problem!” Interviewer also received a few shrugs of the shoulder and a half smile.

FAPHN interviewed several parents about the Vaccination Campaign. Each parent expressed appreciation for the efficiency of the process. They spoke of the news media and many Public Announcements. The children came home from their respective schools with verbal messages. The forms came to the home for parents to review and sign. The parents stated they had just 2 days to return the form and an automated message arrived on telephones the same day as they received the forms. The children demonstrated accurate knowledge as to which date each would receive the vaccine. The parents praised the team work by volunteer parents, other volunteers and the professional folks. One parent reported he had apparently processed his form wrong. The school called and gave assistance to the parents on completing the form so the child would not loose out on the scheduled vaccine administration date and time. The follow-up with those children receiving a second dose went just as smoothly and in most cases the process was ahead of originally scheduled dates and times.

FAPHN reporter tried to uncover suggestions for improvement of this process however, all contacts and efforts resulted in extreme satisfaction! REACH AROUND AND PAT ONE ANOTHER ON THE BACK FOR A TRULY GRAND EFFORT! Public Health Nurses did another excellent job!

**Quote:** *“In order that people may be happy in their work, these 3 things are needed: They must be fit for it. They must not do too much of it. And, they must have a sense of success in it!”*

John Ruskin, English Author, Poet and Art Critic

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◊**FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL INFORMATION:**

**M**EMBERS! Thank you for your financial support. FAPHN is surviving only through your faithfulness and belief in the importance of an organization like ours! Even the I.R.S. recognizes FAPHN as a publicly supported charity instead of a private foundation. New regulations from the I.R.S. [as of September 9, 2008] classifies an organization as a publicly supported charity when it can reasonably be expected to be supported by the public. I bet you never thought of your membership dues in this light! FAPHN begins its 8th year now! ALL BECAUSE of YOU!! We need you to continue helping like this because NOW, FAPHN must report to I.R.S. [had a grace period the 1st 6 years] On Schedule A attached to Form 990 that it meets the public support test by showing proof of public support. As Treasurer, I take care of the forms and other documents required, however, with MEMBERS or some other funding source (which we do not yet have) I need YOU! Maybe you'll even talk a colleague into joining?

Cash on Hand as of November 30, 2009	\$18,767.14
AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIP FUND:	5,514.49
Executive Checking Account	1,500.00

Donations can be made [as small as \$10.00] on the FAPHN WEB site using a credit card. You can send FAPHN a check or call me and I will process your credit card over the telephone. All donations are earmarked for the Awards/Scholarship FUND! Remember, the Scholarship Amount was increased to \$1,000 at the September 2009 Board of Directors Meeting held in Naples, Florida.

OUR FAPHN MEMBERS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE.....and, SERVING YOU IS THE **BOARD'S TOP PRIORITY!**



I want you to know that the first premise of the voluntary Board of Directors is to represent your interests and public health nursing in a professional and responsible manner..Each Board member uses their own time and resources to keep FAPHN going. The second premise is to be good stewards of our members' dues! We appreciate the trust placed in us by renewing your membership in FAPHN! *Merry Christmas to you! Happy New Year, too!*

Most Sincerely, Amalia Kane-Crawford, Treasurer

**REMINDER FAPHN BENEFIT!**

As of February 26, 2009, FAPHN is able to process your membership dues and other money activities such as donations, purchase of fundraiser items and conference registration when YOU decide you would rather use a credit card instead of paying with cash or personal check.

The cards we are able to process are American Express, Discover, Master Card and Visa. Contact Treasurer Amalia Kane-Crawford on Florida Cell number (561) 634-0776 or e-mail [flintstonecrawford@comcast.net](mailto:flintstonecrawford@comcast.net).

This has been a request of the membership for several years. We are not able to implement this process electronically from the FAPHN WEB site yet..it does cost money and as long as you pay your dues and recruit new members for FAPHN this too will be accomplished. Thank you for your support and plans to continue supporting FAPHN. Please keep telling us what you want. This is YOUR organization and ours [the Board of Directors].

**4TH QUARTER 2009 NEW AND RENEWING FAITHFUL MEMBERS**

Acevedo, Graciela	Allen, Annie	Allen, Lesley	Alonso, Jorge	Givens, Juanita
Arnold, Jo-Ann	Arnspiger, Kimberly	Baez-McCartney, Kim	Barber, Bertie	Bateman, Barbara
Bean, Maryanne	Bello, Joseph	Benemelis, Yaima	Benoit, Dominique	Bourdeau, Claudette
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Denizard, Maureen	Dolan, Jean	Etienne, Marie	Felipe, Yessy	Finlay Kirkland, Nellie
Francis, Clarice	Fraser, Marva	Fulwider, Deborah	Gaspard, Mireille	Gerson, Eferildia
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Yeater, Kathleen	York, Joan	Zakaryan, Virginia		

*Dear new and renewing members..the Officers and Directors-at-Large on the FAPHN Board **thank you very much** for your support. One of the goals of the Membership Committee this year 2009-2010 is to recruit and retain membership. We welcome your thoughts, actions, and ideas. Membership Committee members are Mary Haas, Amalia Kane-Crawford, Mary Ann McCarty, Connie Wolfe, Lynne Vickery and Chairperson Cynthia Whetsell.*

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE IN THE MAIL! PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES AND RETAIN YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS.**

**CONTACT TREASURER AMALIA KANE-CRAWFORD FOR INFORMATION**

## THE FAPHN LEGACY PROJECT

Reported by Chairwoman Dr. Kim Curry, Ph.D., ARNP

**D**r. Kim Curry reports on the progress by the FAPHN Legacy Task Force as it begins its 3rd year of documenting the history of Florida public health nursing. How did Florida public health nursing evolve? Who were and are the nurse leaders and innovators? What were their contributions? These are the questions that the FAPHN Legacy Task Force attempts to address. Founded by a group of FAPHN members in 2007, our group is passionate about finding out about and honoring the many incredible accomplishments of prominent nurses in Florida public health history.

**H**ere are a few of the things the task force is doing to support FAPHN members:

- Contributing to the FAPHN web page with historical facts and nurse profiles
- Staying in touch with the Office of Public Health Nursing, Department of Health
- Providing representation on the Public Health Museum task force for the Sowder building in Jacksonville
- Completing a Career Journey referral form and sample questions to be used by those interested in conducting biographies of prominent public health nurses

**O**ur group is compiling a list of oral histories we'd like to complete. The histories will be posted on our FAPHN web site. If you look in the Legacy section of the web site now, you'll see the career journey of Dolores Wennlund, an incredible woman who was the Chief Public Health Nurse in Florida during the turbulent 1970s and 1980s! Her accomplishments were numerous and she is an example of the leaders that have gotten us this far! There are so many important contributors in our history and we are committed to publicizing them. They are a source of pride for all of us!

**W**e even hope that our efforts may somehow be an inspiration to other nurse specialty groups. We don't do enough to sing the praises of those in our profession. We are surrounded by nurses who have dedicated their lives to directly improving the day to day lives of their communities. They deserve our recognition! If you have any suggestions for public health nurses whom you'd like to see profiled, please use the Career Journey Referral Form located on the WEB site. Submit suggestions to Kim Curry [[kcurry@ut.edu](mailto:kcurry@ut.edu)] In this holiday season, let's each take a moment to recognize a public health nurse who has made a difference!

## SCHOOL MILK CAMPAIGN VICTORY

Reported through Foods & Water Watch

**S**chools can now source organic milk or rBGH-Free milk produced without artificial hormones! Over 30,000 petition signatures were delivered to Congress and over 2000 calls from activists made to Congress. The schools will not become the dumping ground for milk produced with artificial growth hormones! The recombinant bovine growth hormone (rBGH) injected into cows to make them produce more milk can cause health problems for the cows, and may be linked to cancer in humans! So, spread the word! BUY ORGANIC MILK for our children in schools! CAUTION! All USDA Labeled Companies might not be enough protection!

**FAPHN MEMBERS, CAN YOU HELP?****INFORMATION NEEDED!!****SUNLAND TRAINING CENTERS STUDY 1960'S TO 1980'S**

Dr. Kim Curry, Assistant Professor of Nursing at the University of Tampa, is conducting research on the history of the Sunland Training Centers in Florida. Dr. Curry is interested in speaking with any nurses who were employed by or have direct knowledge of the Operations of the Sunland Centers. If you know of any nurse, physician, or allied health worker who worked at the Sunland Centers, or anyone else who may have knowledge or documentation pertaining to Sunland Training Centers, any and all information or referrals would be appreciated!

Contact: E-mail: [kcurry@ut.edu](mailto:kcurry@ut.edu)

Telephone: (813)-334-9028 (cell)

**JULY 29, 2009****ANNUAL REPORT WEBINAR RESULTS**

**Y**ou may recall, FAPHN presented its Annual Report for the first time by WEBINAR! This decision came about as the result of facing these difficult economic times along with the approaching historic pandemic of H1N1 where most of you would be wrapped up with preparations on handling the public's demands and administering the vaccine. Not that you had the need for any more to do, the back to school vaccines were still required so you were faced with *Over The Top* busy!!!!

**A**tribute to most of FAPHN members is the interest and participation you gave to the Board by registering for the WEBINAR. An open Invitation went via e-mail to 210 members and of this number 74 members clicked on the link July 29, 2009. We discovered later that many of the 74 had others in the room or office location. The computer system identifies through telephone call-in therefore there are many in attendance over and above the numbers listed here. The BOARD was pleased to have so many members interested! While nothing can really replace the face-to-face conference meetings, the Board is pleased with this first effort in "thinking out of the box" and learning newer technology to help us reach the goals. Various comments received support this planning and initiative. There was a period during the 90 minutes program when the WEBINAR Organizer [that would be me!] experienced challenges. Feedback noise from some phones, and background noise from someone whose phone was not muted came through in a disruptive manner. I also shared unintentionally my e-mail list when attempting to keep the Annual Report pages turning for all participants. I believe that will not happen again as I think I have progressed a bit beyond that technical challenge!

**K**ee in mind, FAPHN purchased only one license for one year! This means to attendees only 25 can have their phones un-muted in order to speak! Sometimes, un-muting some and muting others I discovered the technology was not so helpful. We apologize if you wanted to say something and could not. You should have had the capability to type your question/comment and push the hand icon indicating we should respond to you. Please let us know your thoughts as we move ahead. Thank you to all who attended!

Reported by Amalia Kane-Crawford, Editor

**FAPHN BRAGGS**  
The following article printed in The Florida Nurse December newsletter issue .

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# PARTNERS IN NURSING

## Florida Association of Public Health Nurses (FAPHN)



The FLORIDA ASSOCIATION of PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES (FAPHN) announces the results of their July 2009 election for Officers and Directors to the Board of Directors. Outgoing President Stephanie Vick announced Election results at the 2009 WEBINAR, July 29, 2009. The new Board is: **Officers:** President Cynthia Whetsell, President-Elect Naomi Benton-Brown, 1st Vice President Dr. Kim Curry, 2nd Vice President Judith Nuland, Secretary Connie Wolfe, Treasurer Amalia Kane-Crawford and Past-President Stephanie Vick. **Directors-At-Large:** Paula Dorhout, Ethel Edwards, Hanna Hunter, Linda LaComb-Williams, Marie McMillan, and Cherise Martin.

FAPHN presents annually two awards and two scholarships. This year the **Public Health Nurse of the Year is Patricia Frank, RN** who led the state in planning and exercising preparedness plans in Region 3 and expanded these plans to include other regions; setting an example of professionalism in preparedness training. The **Outstanding Public Health Nursing Leadership Award** was presented to **Maria Stahl, MSN, RN**, Nursing Director at Brevard CHD. The **RN to BSN \$500 Scholarship** was presented to **Penny Osborne-Dockery, RN** from Brevard CHD and the **Advance Practice \$500 Scholarship** awarded to **Joanie Cruce RN**, Nursing Director at Taylor CHD. FAPHN has issued a total of \$6,000 in seven years to assist with scholarships to nursing students.

FAPHN is grateful to **Diana Coyle**, Nursing Director (recently retired) at St. Johns CHD. Ms. Coyle joined FAPHN in 2003 and participates devotedly on the Board, on the Awards and Scholarship Committee, and on the Mini-Grant Review Committee lending her leadership, skills and passion. Diana reports a total of \$18,169.52 paid by FAPHN to Mini-Grant projects in five years. FAPHN survives because of member participation *as exhibited* by Diana Coyle. **THANK YOU, DIANA.**



Diana Coyle

FAPHN, the University of Florida College of Nursing and Public Health Nursing miss a true veteran and pinnacle of professional nursing. **Dr. Nancy Tigar** retired in June 2009 from her position and career at the University Of Florida College Of Nursing and relocated to the State of New Jersey. Florida's loss is the gain of New Jersey. **Dr. Nancy Tigar** practiced in several locations in the United States and served with USAID in Vietnam. Dr. Tigar's passion has been in teaching public health to nurses. While on faculty at the University of Florida, Dr. Tigar sought and obtained funding for the first Masters of Science in Nursing-Public Health Nursing program in the State of Florida. The first graduate of this new MSN in PHN program was in the Spring 2009. The program obtained by Dr. Tigar has immense value in combating the public health nursing shortage and increasing the competency of the public health nursing.

Share with us **CONGRATULATIONS** to the Awards and Scholarship recipients. Perhaps you will share with us the tremendous feelings of pride and achievement we have as we **celebrate the life and passion of Dr. Nancy Tigar.**



**FPHA 2009 Meeting**  
**Dr. Tigar (R) with Dr. Brubeck. (L) Naomi Benton-Brown, Linda LaComb-Williams, Cindy Whetsell**

## **HAVE YOUR CAKE and EAT IT TOO...WHY YOU SHOULD BELONG TO FNA**

Article submitted by the Florida Nurses Association

**Why Should You Belong to FNA?** As in, quite possibly, what is FNA? FNA is the **ONLY** state organization that advocates for nurses, regardless of nursing specialty or practice setting. Nurses are the gateway to a healthier Florida—especially public health nurses—so FNA works to advocate for a safer and healthier workplace for nurses and, ultimately, a safer and healthier Florida. *The mission of FNA is to serve and support all registered nurses through professional development, advocacy and the promotion of excellence at every level of professional nursing practice.* This mission is accomplished by providing excellent member benefits and services, a Foundation that funds the future of Florida nursing through grants and scholarships, a legislative program that empowers nurses to make a true difference in healthcare and workplace programs—all geared towards bettering work environments for nurses.

**Why SHOULD you belong to FNA?** FNA Membership guarantees you the best return on your investment for professional growth and career potential. Everyday, your dues support the professional and educational advancement of nurses in Florida, as well as help shape the future success of the nursing profession.

Most importantly, FNA membership makes the voice of Florida nurses stronger in so many different ways. Just by becoming a part of FNA, *you are making a difference in the future of nursing* –which may be the most important reason for you to join—because you will be making a difference in your own future. Maintaining your FNA membership is also important because it gives the profession a voice. *The more people that join and maintain their membership, the louder that voice will be!*

**Why Should YOU Belong to FNA?** FNA offers members many benefits and resources, such as: ANA membership & district membership; FNA/ANA professional publications; Lobbyists in Tallahassee; Reduced fees for American Nurses Credentialing Center certification; Networking, leadership and learning opportunities; Reduced liability insurance rates; Reduced rates at FNA/ANA conferences; CE Discounts; and much more. Public Health Nurses also receive benefits such as contract negotiations; Grievance Resolution; and Legal Representation (when appropriate). Not only do you receive the member benefits listed above, there is FNA staff dedicated to professional practice advocacy.

### **FNA is Devoted to its Members**

Each program and service is designed with member needs in mind. FNA staff is eager to assist you as you address the challenges of your association and your own professional growth.

### **Still wondering why you should join FNA?**

Certain words should stick out as you read this that will help you answer that question, words like: **ADVOCATE, EMPOWER, FUTURE OF NURSING, ADVANCEMENT, DEVOTED, OPPORTUNITIES.** These are the values that have pushed FNA through the years and will continue to do so into the future. Be a part of this movement, join FNA today! Questions? Email [membership@floridanurse.org](mailto:membership@floridanurse.org)

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

A link to Public Health Foundation: [phf\\_e-news@phf.org](mailto:phf_e-news@phf.org) PricewaterhouseCoopers' Health Research Institute predicts Community Health as a new social responsibility in 2010 with new focus from employers, healthcare leaders, community leaders. A major Boost in government funding expected!

E-Mail: membership@faphn.org Web Site: http://www.faphn.org

**FAPHN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**FIRST NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LAST NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address (HOME):** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

**Position Title/Credentials:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail: (Personal):** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Professional)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**BENEFIT OF 3 OR MORE APPLICANTS JOINING FROM SAME EMPLOYER: 10% DISCOUNT!!**

**CHECK MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY:** Annual dues \$50.00 | one year from date of joining or renewal]

\_\_\_\_\_ **Active R.N.:** FULL dues. Eligible for FAPHN Board position and voting privileges

\_\_\_\_\_ **Retired R.N.:** HALF-Price Dues: Eligible for same benefits as Active R.N.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Student R..N.:** HALF-Price Dues: Student may NOT hold Board position and may NOT vote.  
Eligible for scholarships if all scholarship criteria are met.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Associate Member:** 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. Not eligible to vote in elections or on Board Motions. Not eligible to receive mini-grants or scholarships.*

**MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES:** Please check your area of interest !!!

**Serve on FAPHN BOARD:** YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ *Mentoring Provided*

**Serve on Committees:** Annual Conference Planning: \_\_\_\_\_ Bylaws: \_\_\_\_\_ Communication: \_\_\_\_\_

Education: \_\_\_\_\_ Historian: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominating \_\_\_\_\_

Legacy Project Task Force \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Participate!!! Come and Learn with us!! We thank you!!**

**FAPHN MEMBERS!**

**PLEASE READ** and select the committee of your choice. Contact any Board Member if you have questions and if you will participate.

## FAPHN HAS 11 COMMITTEES

***ALL COMMITTEES COULD USE YOUR SKILLS***

***WILL YOU PLAN TO JOIN A COMMITTEE??***

**ANNUAL MEETING:** Plan and implement annual meeting and conference in conjunction with the Board of Directors.

**AWARDS and SCHOLARSHIPS:** Committee receives and recommends to the Executive Board the names of those persons who have rendered outstanding service in the field of public health nursing within the State of Florida for special recognition or presentation of an award by the Association. Award categories are: PHN of the Year and PHN Leader of the Year. Scholarships are two: R.N. to BSN and Advanced Degree. Effective 2010, both **Scholarships are valued at \$1,000.**

**BYLAWS:** This Committee shall: (a) assist Executive Board, the Board of Directors and general membership with questions regarding the interpretation and application of the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or the rules and regulations duly adopted by the Executive Board and the Board of Directors; (b) assist and advise any member, the committee or Board in the preparation or editing of a proposed amendment to the Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation prior to presentation of such amendment to the appropriate body.

**COMMUNICATION:** The Committee shall be in charge of maintaining and updating the newsletter, brochure, and website of the Association. (<http://www.faphn.org>)

**EDUCATION:** The Committee shall review, recommend, promote and develop continuing educational programs and activities in the field of public health nursing, which promote the purpose and objectives of the Association. The Committee shall also have and perform such other powers and duties as may be designated by the Executive Board; such as Mini-Grants, Poster Call, and Regional Events.

**HOST CITY (ANNUAL CONFERENCE):** Members who reside in proximity to the host city work in conjunction with the Annual Meeting and Annual Conference Committee to plan and implement conference.

**PHN HISTORY and LEGACY TASK FORCE:** The Task Force shall preserve the historical information about Public Health Nursing in Florida by locating and protecting historical documents, artifacts and memorabilia; capturing memories and recollections with oral histories; and disseminating information collected through multiple media and forums.

**MEMBERSHIP:** This Committee shall; (a) recommend to Executive Board ways of gaining new members and retaining existing members; and, (b) perform other duties and responsibilities as delegated by the Executive Board.

**MINI-GRANT:** Members shall receive, review and assign weight to proposals before recommending to the Executive Board. The proposals should promote public health nursing practice that impacts positive health outcomes.

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**FAPHN HAS 11 COMMITTEES*****ALL COMMITTEES COULD USE YOUR SKILLS******WILL YOU PLAN TO JOIN A COMMITTEE??****Continued from Page 11*

**NOMINATING:** The Committee shall prepare a ballot from the active membership roll, as certified by the Membership Committee. The ballot should consist of no less than 2 nominees for each office to be filled by vote of the eligible members of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall prepare, certify, and forward the ballot to the Executive Board no less than 30 days prior to the date set for the mailing of the ballot to the membership.

**POSITION PAPER DEVELOPMENT:** The Committee shall investigate and research the process of developing a position paper and report to the Board within six months of committee inception. The Committee shall solicit, prioritize and report to the Board issues of public health importance received from the general membership

Each committee has members listed who signed up last year. Please let us know you are still interested by e-mailing President Cindy\_Whetsell@doh.state.fl.us or telephone (239) 285-1186. The majority of committee meetings are conducted by conference call and activities supported with individual committee work.

**FAPHN SPOTLIGHT SHINES ON****PHN JOSEPH BELLO**

The FAPHN Board of Directors randomly selected a membership number! That number is 81 and belongs to PHN Joseph Bello in the Miami Dade CHD Refugee Assessment Program. CONGRATULATIONS JOSEPH! FAPHN understands Mr. Bello works in TB program and has been with Miami Dade CHD since March of 2008. Thank you Mr. Bello for your dedication and service to public health nursing and clients.

**BULLETIN BOARD of INFORMATION**

**FPHA** announces plans for **2010 Annual Education Conference**. The location is the Sarasota Hyatt, the second week in August 2010. Theme not yet announced. Precise **dates for FPHA are August 8-13, 2010**.

**FAPHN Board** currently discussing and planning best option for FAPHN members; whether to join FPHA as in the past or consider other options. By all means, let us hear from you as to your thoughts!

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*The minimum donation is \$10.00 when using the **DONATE NOW** button!!! FAPHN accepts **American Express, Discover, MasterCard and Visa NOW!***

*FAPHN reserves a supply of polo shirts, pad folios and limited supply hand calculators each with imprint of the FAPHN Logo available for you as part of fundraising.*

*Contact Treasurer with questions. All donations will be acknowledged on FAPHN web site and/or in direct mail response to donor.*

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