



LORNE FLOWER MEMORIAL AWARD

Lorne Flower was a medical industry representative who had a special relationship with Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada (ORNAC). Lorne had previously been active in amateur sports associations and used his experience to assist ORNAC as it was being formed. Lorne worked closely with Valerie Shirreff, ORNAC's first President, and many others to help develop the new Association. Lorne was the first Chairman of the National Exhibitor's Advisory Fund, and through his lengthy leadership in this role, contributed to the establishment of a financial foundation for ORNAC.

Lorne continued to support ORNAC throughout his career, and many knew him for his kindly manner and warm smile. In September of 1984, Lorne proposed and wrote a column entitled "Instrument World" for the newly launched Canadian Operating Room Nursing Journal, discussing instruments, including their use, function, history and where they could be obtained, no matter who the supplier or company.

In recognition of Lorne Flower's contribution to the founding of and subsequent support of ORNAC his son, John Flower, generously created the Lorne Flower Memorial Award. Criteria for the Award was developed in conjunction with the Flower family and is administered by the ORNAC Awards Committee. The purpose of the Award is to recognize the talents, knowledge and contributions by an individual to the ORNAC Board. Lorne Flower's contributions to ORNAC shall be recognized in through recognition of another dedicated individual associated with ORNAC – a past or present ORNAC Board / Executive member who has made an outstanding contribution to ORNAC. The Award is conferred on National Conference years, and may include a monetary award, certificate and / or pin, according to funding.