President’s Corner

I am pleased to welcome you to the 2007-2008 MORNA year. I want to thank Glenda Osnach for her hard work as Secretary and agreeing to continue to help with the Gauzette. Welcome to the new board members Leah Restall President-Elect and Mike Porco as Secretary.

The board and Executive during the summer planned an exciting year for you which started off in September with a Wine and Cheese Mixer hosted by the Victoria Hospital. A March Workshop is planned again and the first planning meeting was held last week.

Over sixty members attended our October meeting. It was great to see so many members attending and taking advantage of the educational opportunity. The CRNM building is now connected to Manitoba Telehealth, so if there are MORNA members in rural Manitoba who would like to take advantage of this please contact me @ djfallis@mts.net.

I again encourage you again to invite a colleague who is not a member to join MORNA and attend a meeting. There are many benefits of being part of a professional nursing organization; you will hear new and interesting information plus an opportunity to connect with your peers. I look forward to seeing and talking with you at the MORNA Meetings.

Donna Fallis RN CPN (C)
MORNA President
CONFERENCES - INTERNATIONAL AND CANADIAN

DATES INTERNATIONAL

2009 March 14 – 19 56th Annual AORN Congress
Chicago, IL “Embrace the Future” www.aorn.org click on
Education/Educational Events - congress
2009 April 17-19 5th EORNA European OR Nurses Ass’n
Congress, Copenhagen, Denmark
http://www.eornacongress.eu/
2009 May 14 – 16 Theatre Managers and Educators
Conference, Sky City, Auckland, New Zealand “Take the
Plunge” www.tmec.co.nz
2009 May 18 – 22 Durban, South Africa OR National
Congress www.thetreasuresisters.co.za
2009 June 27 to July 4 Durban, South Africa, ICN 24th
Quadrennial Congress; “Leading Change: Building
Healthier Nations” http://www.icn.ch
2009 October 29 – 31 Perioperative Nurses College of
NZNO Annual National Conference, Nelson, New
Zealand www.confer.co.nz/periop09
2010 March 14-18 AORN Denver, CO
AORN also has many workshops available throughout
the year. www.aorn.org
2010 May 19-20 ACORN National Conference,
Perth, Australia www.acorn.org.au

DATES WINNIPEG/CANADIAN

2008 November 24 Patient Safety Curriculum: Gaining
Consensus, Calgary Alberta www.mbips.ca
2009 January 27 & 28 ISMP Canada (Institute for Safe
Medication Practices) Regina, Saskatchewan
Conferences for Acute Care & Long Term Care
www.ismp-canada.org
2009 March 11-14 The 3rd International Conference on
FASD (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder) Victoria, BC
Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice
Around the World: A Catalyst for Change. (www.cna-
nurses.ca for more information)
2009 April 26 – 29 CONA (Canadian Orthopaedic
Nurses Ass’n) 32nd Annual Conference, Kelowna BC “A
Medley of Orthopaedic Knowledge” wwwcona-
nurse.org
2009 April 28 – 30 Canada’s Forum on Patient Safety
and Quality Improvement 2009, Toronto, ON
http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/
2009 May 9 -14 CHICA-Canada (Community & Hospital
Infection Control Ass’n) National Education Conference,
St John’s, NL CHICA-CANADA
2009 May 12 – 15 Victoria BC 16th World Congress on
Disaster and Emergency Medicine; Victoria Conference
Centre www.wcdem2009.org
2009 May 23 - 24 NAPANc (National Ass’n of
Perianesthesia Nurses, Canada) 8th Annual National
Conference, Toronto, ON www.opana.org
2009 June 7 – 12 St. John’s NF for 21st ORNAC National
Conference “Come to the rock for the view from our
Atlantic Coast” www.ornac.ca
2009 Oct 15-17 AWHonn (Ass’n of Women’s Health,
Obstetric, and Neonatal Nurses) Canada. 20th National
Conference, Winnipeg, MB The Fairmont Hotel. “Open
Skies-Open Minds-Open Hearts”
www.awhonncanada.org
2011 22nd ORNAC National Conference, Regina, SK

Any of these Conferences pique your interest?
Sources of funding

1. WRHA – $500.00 each year Jan to Dec, & 3 days salary replacement, to a maximum of 6
days per year. (Those outside of the WRHA contact your local HA).
2. MNU – $200.00 per fiscal year (available to all MNU members, contact your ward rep).
   Some locals have additional educational funds.
3. MORNA members -contact your rep for funding guidelines (must have been a member in
   the previous year) or go to www.ornac.ca/chapters/MORNA/funding.phtml
**Elections for 2009**

This year we will be electing a new Treasurer and Educational Coordinator.

The duties are in the MORNA Constitution and Bylaws. Ask your MORNA rep for more information. These positions are a great way to contribute to YOUR organization.

It’s never too early to start thinking about writing the CNA Certification exam. You must register in the fall of 2009 to write in April 2010. If you are a member of MORNA & have attended 3 meetings in 2008-2009, MORNA has funding available. See the funding guidelines at [www.ornac.ca/chapters/MORNA/funding](http://www.ornac.ca/chapters/MORNA/funding)

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Change of Address for your Canadian Operating Room Nursing Journal (CORNJ) subscriptions

***Your change of address can be done directly on the ORNAC website***

[www.ornac.ca/journal/address.phtml](http://www.ornac.ca/journal/address.phtml)

Please ensure that MORNA has your correct & current address. These addresses are submitted at the beginning of each year to Clockwork. If the journal is considered undeliverable, the cover is ripped off and the journal is discarded by Canada Post. The cover is then delivered back to the publisher with a C.O.D. charge of $0.65 for each cover. ORNAC pays for all returned journals decreasing final profits. Any changes of address also need to be submitted as soon as possible to prevent any delays in subsequent mailings. Subscription problem inquiries should be directed to your MORNA executive, not directly to Clockwork/CORNJ.
Did you know there is an essay contest for a free trip to the 21st ORNAC conference in Newfoundland, June 2009? The essay must be 500 to 1500 words in length written on the theme “Why I Choose Perioperative Nursing”. Your essay must be received by January 15, 2009. Three prizes will be awarded, the 1st prize covers all expenses. See the ORNAC website at www.ornac.ca for details.

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One grant, seven awards, and one bursary are available to members of ORNAC. These are administered by ORNAC and individuals or industry representatives as noted below.

1. Cardinal Health Research Grant – value up to $5000.00 Sponsored by Cardinal Health and administered by the ORNAC Research Committee, awarded annually. Apply by March 15 of each year.

2. Awards – two of these will be awarded at ORNAC 2009 for the first time
   - Gloria Stephens Award for excellence as an Educator of Perioperative Nursing *New*
   - RMAC (RMAC Surgical Inc) Patient Safety Award *New*
   - ORNAC – Muriel Shewchuk Leadership Award
   - Isabell Adams Award for Excellence in Perioperative Nursing – deadline for submissions Dec 31, 2008
   - Lorne Flower Memorial Award – presented at ORNAC conference, deadline for submissions is January 15, of the conference year.
   - Solumed Award for Best Scientific Presentation

3. Bursary – ORNAC and Johnson & Johnson Medical Products. A bursary to assist ORNAC members in furthering their education in areas that will enhance perioperative nursing practice. Deadline for submissions is Jan 15 each year.

Go to www.ornac.ca for more information.
WRHA News Alert!

Did you know!

1. Since the last newsletter you may have seen some changes at your site. (Just in case you haven’t noticed)
   - New WRHA History and Physical Forms for patients coming for surgery.
   - Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA) Risk Assessment Guidelines and Post op standing orders.
   - WRHA Informed Consent Form and Refusal of Treatment Form.
   - Learning packages and forms are available on the external WRHA site. www.wrha.mb.ca Click on Professionals, Family Physicians, Surgery Program.

2. The WRHA Surgery Program in collaboration with Diagnostic Services Manitoba (DSM) has developed a new policy “Pathology Specimens – Acute Care Setting (Management of). DSM also has a Specimens Acceptance Policy.
   - A learning package is being developed that will address both policies.
   - Along with the above policies, DSM will be implementing new WRHA Pathology Requisitions.
   - Watch for additional information and educational sessions in the near future.

3. The WRHA OR Educators are working on standardized guidelines for Surgical Skin Preps. Watch for these guidelines and educational sessions in the near future.

4. Medical Device Reprocessing (MDR) update:
   - A Loaner Instrumentation Policy is being worked on with input from MDR, ORs, surgeons, vendors, and those responsible for finances.
   - Current Emergency “Flash” sterilization practices are being reviewed to identify areas for improvement therefore having practices more consistent with CSA standards.
   - In collaboration with the Anesthesia Program and IP&C practices for cleaning of laryngoscope handles and blades is being standardized.
   - The 2nd Annual MDR Workshop is being planned for June 29 and 30, 2009. Watch for details coming soon.
• On Saturday November 15th an Endoscopy Specialist Training Course for nurses and MDR staff was held. The course was sponsored by Olympus with 58 participants and 8 observers attending. A great deal of learning took place and interest was expressed in providing another course in the future.

5. Perioperative Orientation Session Trivia:
• 58 nurses have participated in the Perioperative Orientation since July 2006. 14 are currently doing their clinical, 39 have successfully completed the Orientation and 5 did not complete (various reasons).
• An additional 6 nurses from the Pain Clinic successfully completed a modified orientation.
• Participants are from HSC (adult), HSC (children’s), CH, VGH, GGH, SOGH, SBGH, Dauphin, Boundary Trails, Bethesda, Carmen, Altona, Portage, and HSC Pain Clinic.
• Modifications have been made to the Orientation to allow for additional participants in each session.

6. Perioperative Orientation sessions were held in September and October 2008

Participants in the process of completing their clinical experience:
Giselle Kornelsen – VGH
Gail McGimpsy – VGH
Rina DiGirolamo – GGH
Shannon Hoogsteen – Child Health
Lauren Silverside – Bethesda (Steinbach)
Rose Jimenez – SOGH
Amelia Sommer-MacDonald – Portage Hospital
Jane Stone – Child Health
Anne Marie Brazau – CH
Tammy Pike – GGH
Mary Dyck – Altona
Cindy Hunter – Boundary Trails
Christine Turnbull – Boundary Trails
Audrey Klassen - Carmen

Participants completing Pain Clinic Orientation:
Judy Tympkin
Preceptors (Alternate Preceptors) without whom the Orientations would not be possible. Thankyou!

**SOGH**
- Dale Mercier
- Glenda Osnach

**HSC Children’s**
- Karen Rodgers
- Alison Desautel

**CH**
- Jackie Radtke
- Lori Boyce

**VGH**
- Iris MacMillan
- Lorna Sinnaeve
- Pat Cuddy
- Faye Hamlin
- Cathy Schlosser
- Harold Passley
- Will Paget

**GGH**
- Leanne Moyer
- Chris McDougall

**Steinbach**
- Iva Joslin (one month)
- Nicole Lafreniere
- Pearl Plett

**Carmen**
- Allen Peters
- Lal Froebe

**Portage**
- Winnie Walsh

**Pain Clinic**
- Leah Restall

**Altona**
- June Schwartz

**Boundary Trails**
- Karen Hibert
- Lottie Froese
- Karen Cowan
- Carolyn Wiebe

Thank you to Guest speakers and Assistants!
- Brenda Claggett – Anesthesia
- Joan Porteous – Forensics
- Leah Restall – Pregnant Patient
- Cristy Pragides – Children in Surgery
- Marilyn Sequire and Carla Shapiro – Ethics
- Donna Fallis – Orthopedics
- Jackie Dutfield – Malignant Hyperthermia
- Wanda Sawa – Scrubbing, Gowning and Gloving
- Keith Harris – Tour of MDR

The next Orientation session is scheduled to begin January 5, 2009. An additional session is tentatively planned for March 2009.

Submitted by
Carol Shack Regional Perioperative and MDR Nurse Educator
## MORNA Meeting Dates 2008 – 2009

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Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada

Social Events

Sunday, June 7, 2009
Welcome Reception
Meet & Greet
Wine & Cheese
Business Casual

Monday, June 8, 2009
J&J Print Reception
An Evening at The Rooms
Business Casual

Tuesday, June 9, 2009
A Scoff, A Scuff & A Swalley
A Kitchen Party
Don your Favorite Chef Hat and/or Apron

Wednesday, June 10, 2009
FREE
TIME TO EXPLORE
OUR WONDERFUL CITY!

Thursday, June 11, 2009
Rally in the Alley
Pub Crawl
Casual

Registration Desk Hrs.

Located in the Delta Hotel lobby

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The Newfoundland & Labrador Operating Room Nurses Association in conjunction with the Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada would like to invite you to attend the 21st National Conference

June 7-12, 2009
St. John’s NL

Fresh Air, Beauty & A Unique Culture Await You!

The Depth of Perioperative Nursing . . .

21st National Conference

St. John’s, Newfoundland
June 7-12, 2009
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Registration will be done online through the ORNAC website. Cheques to be made payable to: **2009 ORNAC Conference**

**Registration Deadline:**
May 15, 2009 is final registration date on line. Following this date, payment will be accepted on site, by cheque or cash only.

**Name Tags**
Name tags must be worn to all conference functions. Lost name tags will be replaced for a $10 fee.

### Conference Schedule

**Educational Presentations**
- **Keynote Address**
  - Rex Murphy, CBC Journalist
- **New Trends in Bowel Pathology**
  - Dr. Elizabeth Dicks (RN)
- **Advanced Perioperative Nursing Practice**
  - Lois Hamlin (Australia)
- **Panel Discussion on CNA Code of Ethics**
- **New Sterilization Standards**
  - Colleen Landers
- **Advances in Pediatric Orthopedic Oncology—Stollery Children's Hospital**
- **Perioperative Nursing in a WarZone**
- **An Operating Room Mock Discovery**
- **Reducing Surgical Site Infections**
  - Maureen Spencer (ICP)
- **Robotics in the Operating Room**
- **Canadian Perioperative Research**
- **Perioperative Abstracts from across the country**
- **Safer Health Care Now – a National perspective**
  - Leadership sessions with CORL RNFA

**And much more!**
Watch the website for a full Agenda January 2009

### Hotel Accommodation

The Delta is the conference hotel. Delegates are responsible to make their own reservation. Please indicate you are attending the ORNAC Conference to ensure you receive the appropriate rate.

- Delta Hotel ...........................................1-888-367-5885
- Fairmont Hotel ........................................1-800-441-1414
- Quality Hotel Harbourview .......(709) 754-7788
- Courtyard by Marriott ........... 1-800-321-2211
- Battery Hotel & Conference Centre ..........1-800-563-0040
- Holiday Inn ...........................................1-800-933-0506

### Conference Airline

Conference Airline - WestJet QC# 5577

Booking request form - ORNAC Website
Submit forms via:
Fax: 1-800-582-7072 or email conventions@westjet.com

**See you on the ROCK!!**