



RNFOO NEWSLETTER

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Bev Moir, Honourary Life Member, 2006

At the Gala in May 2006, Beverley Moir was presented with an Honourary Life Membership in recognition of her leadership and commitment to the Registered Nurses' Foundation of Ontario.

Bev Moir was an active member of a small group of individuals who led the revitalization of the RNFOO in the mid to late 1990s. Bev served as the 1998 Gala Fund-raising Co-Chair with Kay Arpin and together they and their planning team launched the successful annual Gala, which continues today to be the centerpiece of the Foundation's fund-raising activities....and a not-to-be-missed annual event that nurses and friends of nursing look forward to each spring.

Beginning in October 1998, Bev served for 6 years on the Foundation's Executive team as Vice-President, President and Past President. In these roles Bev brought a great deal of energy, commitment, innovative ideas and enthusiasm to her Board work. In particular, her role in helping the Foundation to focus on its fund-raising activities was instrumental in laying the base for more financial stability for the Foundation and for the larger and more numerous awards and scholarships available today.

Bev was also helpful to the organization in recruiting corporate sponsorship for the Gala, attracting new Board members, and hiring the first Administrative Coordinator. She led the formalization of the name and logo change and created the annual Visioning process and the first Strategic Plan for the re-invigorated RNFOO.



Bev is a Senior Investment Executive and Financial Planner with ScotiaMcLeod and highly respected in her industry. She is a Certified Investment Management Analyst and a Fellow of the Canadian Securities Institute. Before entering the financial services industry, Bev worked for many years in health care including a period as Director of Administration at The Hospital for Sick Children where she served from 1987 to 1991. A graduate of Queens University BScN program, she earned a Masters in Health Services

Administration from the University of Alberta. Her career includes many varied nursing and patient care administrative roles, dating back to the late 70's.

Bev has served for several years on the boards of Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre and Women's College Hospital. She continues to serve as a Governing Council Member of the Sunnybrook & Women's College Hospital Foundation. In her personal life, Bev is the proud mother of eighteen-year-old James. In October 2005, as part of Jean's Marines, she completed her first 26 mile run, the Washington Marine Corp Marathon in Washington, DC.

We are pleased to welcome Bev to this wonderful group of accomplished, generous and dedicated volunteers and thank her so much for her visionary leadership. As a result of the dedication and commitment of the Foundations' Board of Directors, Honourary Life Members, and Volunteers, and the many generous donations received from Donors, the RNFOO is able to provide more and better scholarships to the many Ontario women and men who are advancing their nursing education each year.....education that ultimately makes such a difference to the delivery of high quality health care to Canadians.



Investing in nursing....celebrating 35 years

President's Message

Taking time to reflect on RNFOO's accomplishments is a natural process as my term as President draws to a close. RNFOO has made significant progress during the past two years towards reaching our vision as the leading provider of nursing awards and scholarships in the Province. Two important accomplishments include an expansion of our Donor Relations Program and an increase in the awareness of RNFOO within the Province.

First, we had significant growth in financial donations to support Infection Prevention and Control education. We successfully granted awards to 15 Infection Control Practitioners (ICPs) from the Molson Canada SARS Memorial Fund to support their Certification. Significant funds remain to support many more practitioners. As well, we are very excited that RNFOO will launch The Rolling Stones / CPI Scholarship for The Advancement of Professional Practice in Infection Control this fall. These scholarships are available to support any health care practitioner who is able to demonstrate that their professional practice will result in preventing and controlling infections, thereby significantly influencing the health of Ontarians. This fund is substantial, so

help us spread the word of its existence and encourage practitioners to look for the details at www.rnfoo.org. In addition, over the past two years we have received a number of bequests. These bequests are noteworthy as they strongly position the Awards and Scholarship Program for the future. I wish, on behalf of RNFOO to publicly thank all these donors for their generosity and commitment to investing in nurses and nursing.

Second, we expanded our profile of RNFOO both as a source of funding for academic studies and as a charitable organization. A redesign and expansion of RNFOO's website enabled us, not only, to increase our profile, but also, electronically provide all the information required to apply for awards and scholarships. Our recent launch of an on-line donation process through Canada Helps has broadened our sources of funding within and beyond the nursing community. Collaboration with the Community and Hospital Infection Control Association (CHICA) enabled us to profile the Molson Canada SARS Memorial awards directly with CHICA's members through their website, journals and their annual conference. A secondary benefit was a broader profile of RNFOO within the province itself.

As RNFOO moves forward under the capable leadership of Dorothy Ferguson as President and Janice Waddell as Vice President, there will be continued focus on marketing of the organization to donors, nursing and the academic community. Expansion into a new and comprehensive donor database and the launch of a fall event will further diversify RNFOO's opportunities for growth. Stay tuned for more exciting years ahead. Be sure that you are on our electronic mailing list!

I wish to thank all of RNFOO's donors, supporters, volunteers, Executive and Board members for their loyalty and many contributions to RNFOO during my time as President. All of you have played important roles in our successes. Now, as I assume the role of Past President and with my recent relocation to Eastern Ontario, I look forward to new and different opportunities where I may influence RNFOO's important work of investing in nurses and nursing.



2006 RNFOO AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS RECIPIENTS

Louise Rudden	Regina Borowska Scholarship	\$1000
Jaclyn Muir	Dorothy Ferguson Scholarship	\$1000
Kirsten Eisinga	Jennifer Award	\$4000
Jennifer Akeroyd	Jennifer Award	\$4000
Archna Patel	Jennifer Award	\$4000
Edward Jason Santos	Jennifer Award	\$4000
Sharifa Sumar	donnerwheeler Nursing Career Scholarship	\$5000
Ancy Sookraj	RNFOO Gala Scholarship	\$2000
Karla Dozzi	RNFOO Gala Scholarship	\$2000
Sheila O'Keefe-McCarthy	RNFOO Gala Scholarship	\$2000
Mark Dinga	Elsevier Canada Book Award	\$ 500
Sharon Paton	Margaret Avery Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Lisa Crawley-Beames	Kathleen Howe Mitchell Scholarship	\$4000
Eileen Mantini	Jan Metcalfe Award	\$1000
Karen LeGrow	Jan Metcalfe Award	\$1000
Lori Ives-Baine	Prenatal and Parenthood Education Services Award	\$2000

2006 RAO INTEREST GROUP AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS RECIPIENTS

Jaclyn Muir	Childbirth Nurses Interest Group (CNIG) Scholarship	\$1000
Lori Ives-Baine	Childbirth Nurses Interest Group (CNIG) Scholarship	\$1000
Ruth Lowndes	Margaret Myers Diabetes Clinical Practice Award (DNIG)	\$1000
Angelique Benois	Dr. Hildegard E. Peplau Award - Mental Health Nursing Interest Group (MHNIG)	\$1000
Kathleen White-Williams	Provincial Nurse Educators Interest Group (PNEIG) Award	\$1500
Beryl Cable-Williams	Provincial Nurse Educators Interest Group (PNEIG) Award	\$1500
Anne Kerr	Ontario Nursing Informatics Group (ONIG) Scholarship	\$750
Sharon Paton	Ontario Nursing Informatics Group (ONIG) Scholarship	\$750

Visit www.rnfoo.org for more information on our 2006 Awards and Scholarships winners.

Spreading the Wealth

Warren Buffet's recent decision to make a significant donation to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation generated wide publicity, in part because it represented a clever solution to a problem. Previously, he had stated a desire to limit the amount of money he leaves his children. While he wants them looked after, he doesn't want to leave them so wealthy they won't have a desire to earn their own way in life. His problem became what to do with his money now and when he passes away. In Buffet's case, rather than establish a private foundation with its attendant need for infrastructure and succession planning, he chose to donate to an existing foundation whose values he shared.

- While most are not in a position to donate as much as Mr. Buffet, with strategic forethought it is possible to define your charitable giving approach and create an enduring legacy simply, conveniently and cost-effectively. You may be familiar with making annual donations to support your favourite charity. How do you go beyond an ad hoc approach and build an enduring legacy? Here are some of the ways you can donate:
- Designate a charity as a beneficiary in your will and leave them a donation of cash, securities or other property;
- Name a charity as the beneficiary of your insurance, pension plan, RRSP or RRIF; or

- Set up a donor-advised fund, which is similar to a small scale version of a private foundation.

What is a Donor-Advised Fund and how does it work?

Let's say you, your family or friends decide to make a donation to a registered charity such as the RNFOO on an ongoing basis. Using the vehicle of a donor-advised fund, you name your fund and, each time a charitable gift is sent to the charity of your choice, it is made in the name of your fund. The initial donation to establish the donor-advised fund can be cash, stocks, bonds, mutual funds or insurance. Most companies require a minimum amount of \$25,000 to establish a fund, with subsequent donations much smaller. You receive an immediate tax receipt for the donation, and it can be carried forward up to five years. Also, recent federal budget changes eliminating the capital gains tax on the donation of publicly-listed securities has sparked more interest in gifting appreciated securities.

Having created your donor-advised fund, you retain the right to advise the program administrators on how the income from your donation is to be allocated each year. Donor-advised funds are becoming increasingly popular because of their flexibility they allow for the support of different charities each year if desired, and they provide continuity because your

children or other family members can be named as successors to continue a multigenerational tradition of philanthropy.

The Canadian tax system ensures that a portion of our wealth will be used for the general welfare of our country. Our system allows Canadians, in part, to decide if our social capital is given to the Canada Revenue Agency or to charity. As mentioned, there are opportunities to intentionally pass on our resources to a societal issue or community that reflects our values and beliefs. Develop an informed strategy to guide your approach. The ultimate goal of philanthropy is to maximize your contribution and ensure that your well-placed gift has an impact.

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2007 Awards and Scholarships

The 2007 Awards and Scholarships season is fast approaching. The deadline for applications is February 28, 2007. The RNFOO website is currently being updated with the 2007 list, one that includes a number

of new awards and scholarships! In addition, changes to the application process will mean the end of paper submissions as all applications will be sent electronically. If you or someone you

know is in a nursing educational program at the baccalaureate, masters or doctoral level, we encourage you to visit the website at www.rnfoo.org to review the Awards and Scholarships available for 2007.



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DON'T FORGET THE GALA WEDNESDAY MAY 2, 2007



Smitiuch & Young LLP Support Julie Hall Scholarship for Neuroscience Nursing:

For a parent, few moments in life can be more devastating than hearing that your child has been involved in a serious car accident. This moment can be even more distressing if your child has suffered a brain injury.

As lawyers who represent victims who have been seriously injured in accidents, we have witnessed the anxiety and fear faced by loved ones following a traumatic event. We have also witnessed the long and hard roads faced by accident victims.

We are continually impressed by the significant level of compassion and care displayed by the nurses during these difficult times. In fact, we continually hear from our clients what a difference it makes to have knowledgeable and compassionate nurses involved in the care of their family members.

In short, nurses can and do make a difference in a person's recovery following a traumatic event. We see it all the time.

At our law firm, Smitiuch & Young LLP, we understand the importance of education and research in the neurosciences, including brain injuries and diseases such as Alzheimer and Parkinson's. It is for this reason that we have chosen to support the Julie Hall Scholarship for Neuroscience Nursing. Although we never met Julie, we are sure that she shared the many positive attributes that have been displayed by nurses to our clients and us.

Michael Smitiuch & Stephen Young are partners at the law firm Smitiuch & Young LLP located in Toronto. They are dedicated to helping individuals throughout Ontario who have been seriously injured in car accidents or other incidents. They can be reached at 1-866-621-1551 or www.smitiuchyoung.com.

Note: The Julie Hall Scholarship for Neuroscience Nursing is new for 2007. Established in memory of Julie Hall, RN it provides an opportunity to a Registered Nurse who wishes to pursue education at the baccalaureate, masters, or doctoral level with an interest in any aspect of the broad speciality of neuroscience nursing.

GALA 2006 Raffle Prize Winners

Dorothy Ferguson	Kim Tardo	Gail Beagan
Madonna Gallo	Gail Donner	Eira Shwarzman
Elsabeth Jensen	Pat Lee	Carolynn Gludish
Betsy Jackson	Rainka Joshi	Logan Kennedy
Kathleen MacMillan	Carolyn Sibbick	Margaret Kerr
Jane Moser	Kim Hunter	Debbie Driver
Linda Harris	Alix McGregor	Gail Beagan
Jason Santos	Rivie Seaberg	Nancy Rudyk
Sonia Judy Filman	Madonna Gallo	Ruth Foggett
Susan Putham	Jim Elliott	Leah Karima Velji
Dimi Dragieva	Cindy Wasylin	Diana Raymond-Watts
Diana Raymond-Watts	Barb Mildon	Carmen James-Henry
Helen Wills	Jane Best	Jim Elliott
Kim Hunter	Bill Wade	Carmen James-Henry
Susan VanDeVelde-Coke	Brenda Elsbury	Linda Cooper
Ruth Lee	Lesley Bell	Martha Schroder
Patricia Jappyloker	Tara Kathy Margaret Malone	
Alix McGregor	Carolyn Sibbick	

Part of a workplace fundraising campaign?

You can still donate to RNFOO. On enrolment forms such as the United Way you can designate RNFOO as your charity of choice. All you need to know is the Registered Charity number. RNFOO's is 88911 3445 RR0001.



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