

RNFOO 2006 Awards & Scholarships

RNAO Interest Group Awards and Scholarships

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL

CHILDBIRTH NURSES INTEREST GROUP (CNIG) SCHOLARSHIP (\$1000)



JACLYN MUIR - Jaclyn was also awarded the Dorothy Ferguson Scholarship. Jaclyn's dedication to and involvement in neonatology and child/family nursing are previously mentioned.

GRADUATE LEVEL

CHILDBIRTH NURSES INTEREST GROUP (CNIG) SCHOLARSHIP (\$1000)



LORI IVES-BAINE - Lori is also the recipient of the Prenatal and Parenthood Education Services Award. Lori is described as a "key resource for nurses throughout the province" in relation to the care of perinatal children and families at the end of life. Her commitment to the care of infants and families is previously described.

MARGARET MYERS DIABETES CLINICAL PRACTICE AWARD – DNIG (\$1000)



RUTH LOWNDES - Ruth is a student in the PhD Nursing program at the University of Toronto. Her area of clinical interest is diabetes education. Ruth is striving to improve outcomes for those with mental illness who have or are at risk of developing diabetes. Her research focus is the diabetes management of women who have mental illness and who are residents in group homes. Ruth plans to pursue a research career and focus on further developing knowledge to inform diabetes education in Canada.

DR. HILDEGARD E. PEPLAU AWARD – MENTAL HEALTH NURSING INTEREST GROUP (MHNIG) (\$1000)



ANGELIQUE BENOIS - Angelique is enrolled in the combined Master of Science/Nurse Practitioner program at New York Stony Brook University School of Nursing, focusing on mental health. Her goal is to work as an Acute Care Nurse Practitioner to provide outreach mental health care to children in under serviced and vulnerable communities. Angelique is predicted "to make a valuable contribution to child and adolescent mental health nursing". She has earned public recognition and the respect of colleagues as evidenced by the nomination for the Toronto Star's Nightingale award.

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PROVINCIAL NURSE EDUCATORS INTEREST GROUP (PNEIG) AWARD (2 RECIPIENTS - \$1500)



KATHLEEN WHITE-WILLIAMS -Kathleen is a student in the PhD Nursing program at the University of Alberta. Kathleen's research is focused on facilitating the skill acquisition and knowledge utilization of undergraduate nursing students. Long-term, she plans to employ knowledge utilization strategies to mobilize change in nursing curricula with respect to skill acquisition, knowledge utilization and decision-making to keep pace with societal requirements. Kathleen is described as "a positive and dynamic faculty with a reputation for excellence in nursing education ... with enormous potential to influence nursing education in Ontario".



BERYL CABLE-WILLIAMS -Beryl is a student in the PhD Nursing program at the University of Alberta. Her areas of clinical interest are end-of-life care and elder care. She is concerned about the paucity of research related to caring during the protracted living-dying interval that characterizes the end-of-life of those with chronic progressive illness or frailty. To help address these concerns Beryl seeks partners in her community who share similar research interests. Beryl is considered to have "vast potential to contribute now and in the future to the discipline and practice of nursing".

ONTARIO NURSING INFORMATICS GROUP (ONIG) SCHOLARSHIP (2 RECIPIENTS - \$750, ALL EDUCATION LEVELS)



ANNE KERR - Anne is enrolled in the Masters of Sciences in Nursing Program at the University of Ottawa. Her primary area of interest is continuity of care with a focus on improving transitions between care settings for long-term residents who require hospitalization. She has been instrumental in addressing gaps in communication as a student as well as in her role as Clinical Utilization Case Coordinator. Anne is in the process of ensuring that all nursing staff have access to the Internet on their units and has recommended several links to educational sites to be included in the hospital's Intranet.



SHARON PATON - (ONIG) -Sharon is also the recipient of the Margaret Avery Memorial Scholarship. Her interest in innovative approaches to distance and online learning for nurses is previously mentioned.

ELSEVIER CANADA BOOKAWARD (GIFT CERTIFICATE \$500)

This new annual award has been generously made available by Elsevier Canada to an undergraduate student who has successfully completed at least one year of a nursing program and demonstrates high academic standing and commitment to the profession.



MARK DINGA - Mark is completing his second year of the Brock University Loyalist College Collaborative Nursing Program. He is described as a knowledgeable and skilled novice practitioner and a role model for fellow students. Mark has already begun to achieve his goal to include men and fathers as an important part of healthy families and communities. One of his projects involved working with the local Ontario Early Years Centre in a fathering initiative program to assist with their transition to the parenting role.