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Lyle Morrison Creelman : 1908-2007



Born in Upper Stewiacke, Nova Scotia, she moved with her family to British Columbia as a child. Her first brief career was as a teacher, but when she graduated from the nursing program at the University of British Columbia in 1936, she immediately entered the public health sector. A Rockefeller scholarship in 1938 took her to Teachers College at Columbia University in New York for a master's degree. During the early 1940's she worked with Metropolitan Health in Vancouver, first as a supervisor then as director, and served on the board of directors and as President of the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia.

Her international role began at the end of World War II, when she was invited by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA) to be chief nurse in the British Zone of occupied Germany. Her job was to organize nursing services to help care for millions of people of many nationalities who had been displaced during the war.

Following her work with UNRRA she was the field director for an extensive study of public health services in Canada conducted by the Canadian Public Health Association and was co-author, with Dr. J. H. Baillie, of a highly acclaimed report used for many years as a reference for public health professionals in Canada.

Canada's first nurse to serve with the World Health Organization (WHO) was Lyle Creelman, whose dedication to *health for all* at the international level remains an inspiration to Canadian nurses two generations later. In 1950, she was invited to become a nursing consultant in maternal and child health in WHO's newly formed Nursing Unit and, in 1954, she became WHO's second Chief Nursing Officer, a position she held until her retirement in 1968.

During her work with WHO she visited many countries and collaborated with nurses from many nations. She also recruited many well-prepared nurses to initiate international projects that could later be carried on independently by the host country. She recognized the importance of national self-sufficiency in health care and

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Sheila Zerr, AGM 2007

President's Message

The 17th annual general meeting of the B.C. History of Nursing Group was held April 12, 2007 at the CRNBC building with 27 in attendance. The Presidents' reports from Ethel Warbinek and Kathy Murphy outlined a busy year of activities by the executive. The reports from 10 active committees also demonstrated the many efforts made by the history group to preserve and promote the history of nursing.

A special memorial tribute was made to Janet Gormick followed by recognition of the retiring executive members, Faye Meuser and Inga von Maydell. The planning session that followed the meeting identified the objectives for the group to strive for in the coming year.

B.C. History of Nursing Group: Objectives for 2007-2008

1. Coordinate fundraising needs and develop skills in order to apply for appropriate resources.
2. Develop the Virtual Museum Project.
3. Coordinate display presentations with other similar groups. (VGH Alumnae, St. Paul's, Royal Jubilee, Military Museum).
4. Develop a plan to amalgamate the Biography, Oral History and Pages of History committees and provide information for the Archives Committee and the College of Nurses library.
5. Clarify with the CRNBC the status of the constitution and by-laws regarding Professional Practice Groups.
6. Develop the criteria for honorary membership in the B.C. History of Nursing Group.

Prepared at the History of Nursing Planning Session April 12, 2007.

We have a busy year ahead as we plan for the future. We will strike a task force to review our constitution and by-laws and to examine our role within the College of Registered Nurses of B.C. This group will work over the summer to present a draft for the executive to consider during our fall meetings.

The support received from the many members taking part in the annual meeting gives evidence of the interest and dedication to nursing history. We will keep working toward the many challenges and accomplishments ahead.

Sheila Zerr
President - Part I

EDITORIAL BOARD

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Lois Blais, Diana Bright, Lynne Esson, Beth Fitzpatrick (Chair), Beverly Leipter, Naomi Miller, Sarah Barker, Ethel Warbinek, Sheila Zerr

The HofN newsletter is published four times a year: submissions are welcome. Please submit articles and news by September 15th to Ethel Warbinek, warbinek@telus.net.

President Report November 2006 to April 2007

Throughout the past six months the members have been working on the many ongoing activities of the group and have been addressing the objectives set at the summer 2006 workshop. Progress has been made in all of the goals which were:

1. Website Development/explore the Virtual Museum Project/organize joint meetings with other nursing archival groups to discuss joint projects.
2. Recognize a nurse through the National Parks Canada award system.
3. Explore ways to raise the Scholarship Fund to \$25,000.
4. Plan the annual High Tea at Hycroft (April 20, 2007).
5. Develop criteria for our Honourary Life membership nomination.
6. Develop contact and linkages and a network to publicize BC nursing history.
7. Maintain the quality of our newsletter.

Our group has been well represented at the CRNBC Leaders Conference, the Professional Practice Group council meetings, and at the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch annual meetings. The group was present at the CRNBC AGM held on May 9, 2007. Many individual members have also been invited to present in a variety of venues.

Guest speakers attended two of the executive meetings to share their knowledge regarding the development of a Virtual Museum.

It is such a pleasure to work with such an enthusiastic and creative group.

Kathy Murphy
President –Part II

Kathy Murphy, AGM 2007



President's Report - May 2006 - October 2006

We had couple of extremely busy months in planning for the Florence Nightingale opera – Florence: The Lady with the Lamp. Three groups came together to sponsor the opera: UBC School of Music, UBC School of Nursing and the BC History of Nursing Group. Two performances were held - Friday evening May 12th, and a matinee on Saturday May 13th. Both events, held in the Old Auditorium at UBC, were to an almost sell-out crowd. History of Nursing members and friends, dressed in historical costumes, added to the ambience. A specially designed Florence Nightingale note card was produced by the History Group and was popular.

In June, we planned and hosted the 19th Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for the History of Nursing (CAHN). The theme was Frontline Nursing: Historical Milestones. It was an outstanding success with 77 attending and a lot of work for the planning committee, chaired by Sheila Zerr. A gala dinner was held at the Wall Centre where we were royally entertained with excerpts from the Opera.

A successful summer meeting was held on July 13th at the home of Glennis Zilm. Twenty members attended and several goals were set for the coming year.

The top three were: Organize joint meetings with other nursing archival groups; Explore our virtual museum project; Re-view website service and get quotes from other webmasters. (See Kathy's report for more information)

We continue to have displays at the UBC School of Nursing and at CRNBC's library, foyer and Board Room. The newsletter is our main means of communication and the editors are to be commended for the high quality of the publication. Our membership continues to grow and we welcome the increasing number of students sponsored by our members.

Members of the executive and the various committees are thanked for all their hard work and dedication.

Ethel Warbinek – President: May-October, 2006

Lyle Creelman cont'd from page 1

Lyle Creelman (right) with colleague in uniforms of the UNRRA in the German Occupied zone, 1945



used her superb administrative abilities to put this philosophy into practice. She was a frequent advisor to the International Council of Nurses and on her retirement from WHO, an editorial in *ICN Calling* recognized her many contributions stating “in these fourteen years, she has probably achieved more for nursing throughout the world than any other nurse of her time.”

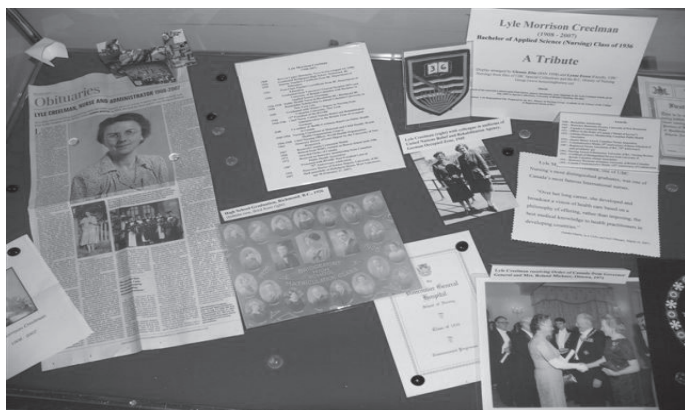
Following her retirement in 1968, she was commissioned by WHO to help study maternal and child health services in South-East Asia. She received many tributes, including recognition from nurses associations at provincial, national and international levels and honorary doctorates from the universities of British Columbia and New Brunswick.

The government of Canada awarded her the Canada Centennial Medal and the Medal of Service-Canada, and she is a member of the Order of Canada. She also received the Jeanne Mance Award in 1974, the highest honour of the Canadian Nurses Association.

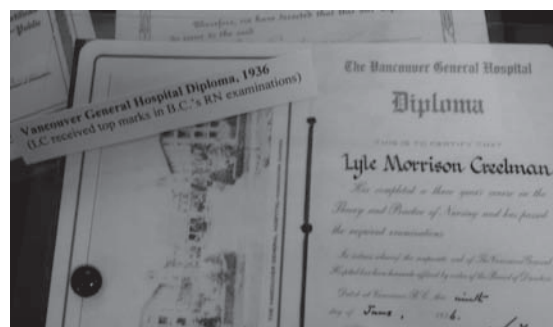


Lyle Creelman receives the Order of Canada from the Governor General and Mrs. Roland Michner Ottawa, 1971

Lyle Creelman died peacefully at Hollyburn House a senior’s residence in West Vancouver, at the age for 98. Though never married, she is survived by many nieces and nephews.



Items in the display case in the School of Nursing



Lyle Creelman VGH diploma, 1936 (she received top marks in B.C.'s RN exams)

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT AGM : April 12, 2007

Glennis Zilm, HON AGM 2007

It has been a pleasure to serve this year as Vice-President, and, fortunately, I have not had to assume the main vice-presidential role of "standing in" for the President. I have, however, had three other main duties.

Note Cards

In April, following the death of Janet Gormick, I took over supervision of the note cards. We had (and still have) a huge "inventory" of cards, with more 850 packages of the various cards and more than 1500 unpackaged single cards in the new printing of the Florence Nightingale window cards. At the end of 2006, we still had an inventory of more than \$7,000 in cards – and many of these are becoming dated. (For example, all cards refer to Registered Nurses Association of B.C. rather than College of Registered Nurses of B.C., and some packages are getting "shop-worn" from storage in basements and handling when being transported for sale).



On a more positive note, we had sales of more than \$1,500 in 2006, and we sold out, with a profit, the Florence Nightingale opera cards. I would like to thank all those who assisted with sales of cards – particularly Kathy Murphy who has done a wonderful job on overall sales, and Jackie Ratzlaff who contributed so much to the success of the Florence Nightingale cards. Our goals for 2007 for the cards are: (1) reduce overall inventory, (2) sell out the remaining Christmas cards, and (3) reduce inventory of Lennie cards by putting them on sale during 2007.

Nominations for Parks Canada "Persons of National Historic Significance"

Following the meeting of the Canadian Association for the History of Nursing last May, the Executive approved a suggestion that the B.C. History of Nursing Group nominate some B.C. nurses for the national listing of "Persons of National Historic Significance" maintained and supported by Parks Canada (Historic Sites and Monuments Board). The listing up to March 2004 contained the names of more than 588 Canadians, each of whom have made "an outstanding or lasting contribution to Canadian history." (Nominees must have been dead for at least 25 years). However, few of those listed were women and only four were nurses. After approval of the Executive, I began collecting evidence so that we could nominate Jean Matheson, Laura Holland, and Ethel Johns.



Task Force on a Virtual Museum Project

Although this is a more recent chore, I have taken on the Chair of a task force to help us decide how to proceed with a virtual museum project on our website. Those assisting on the committee are Beth Fitzpatrick and Michele Rooney and our part-time archivist Tracey Krause.

Report Submitted by Glennis Zilm

Glennis Zilm, Sheila Zerr, Beverly New

CRNBC History of Nursing Editorial Board Annual Report for 2006

The Editorial Board held three meetings in the past year: one meeting was cancelled because many Board members were busy with the CAHN/ACHN conference. Two new members joined the Board: Diana Bright from Naramata and Sarah Baker from Saanichton. We welcome them and look forward to their participation.

Four issues of the History of Nursing News were published this past year on tabloid sized paper. The quality of the photographs is markedly improved with newer technology. Editors for the year were Beth Fitzpatrick (Spring issue), Ethel Warbinek (Summer HON AGM report), Lynne Esson and Sheila Zerr (Fall CAHN/ACHN report), and Naomi Miller (Winter issue.) A huge thank you to these editors who spend many, many volunteer hours working on the newsletter.

We could not publish a quality newsletter without the assistance of Anita Warbinek and Julie Lees who assist us with the design and graphics and Genelle Leifso who faithfully supplies us with the mailing labels.

Cost of publishing the newsletter continues to increase. Based on an average printing of 185 newsletters the cost is still under \$2.50 per issue. We are attempting to offset the inevitable increases in postage, paper and printing by continuing to use Publications Mail (\$.54 per issue) and sending newsletters by e-mail to our student members and to those who wish to receive complimentary copies (about 50).

If you visit our website (www.bcnursinghistory.ca) you will note that we are now members of the Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN). Information about our group is posted on the CHIN website along with thousands of other Canadian heritage groups and this free CHIN membership gives us access to some funding sources.

We have had two guests (Gabrielle Moore and Jon Whipple) speak to our group about virtual museums. A Virtual Museum Task Force, headed by Glennis Zilm, is now actively working on plans for a virtual exhibit. Members of the task force are Tracey Krause, Michelle Rooney and Beth Fitzpatrick. Archivist Tracey Krause has designed a new format for making our archival holdings more easily searchable on our website.

Finally, thank you to all the members of the History Group who regularly submit news items, book reviews, stories and articles for publication. This is much appreciated.

Beth Fitzpatrick, Chair, Editorial Board
Submitted at the April 2007 History of Nursing AGM



Group of Nursing Sisters attending the Freedom of the City ceremony for the 12th Vancouver Field Ambulance at Vancouver City Hall, April 14, 2007



HON AGM held at CRNBC April 12, 2007

Member News

Margaret Scaia is currently working on archival material related to Nursing Sisters.

Margaret Scaia and Brenda Flynn are taking special courses at the Centre for Excellence in History of Nursing at the University of Ottawa this summer.

Dr Sonya Grypma - SSHRC Postdoctoral Research Fellow, UBC School of Nursing, "Canadian Nurses Interned under the Japanese in China 1941-1945 Advisor: Geertje Boschma. Current Projects: Canadian Nursing History: Cultures of Colonialism & Nationalism. SSHRC Study through AMS History of Nursing. PI: Meryn Stuart. My book: "Healing Henan" Canadian Nurses at the North China Mission 1888-1947 will be published in Fall 2007 (UBC Press).

Linda Quiney is beginning work with Geertje Boschma and Sonya Grypma on a Photo History of Canadian Nursing.

Erica Roberts – renewing MSN student at UBC working on a thesis study: An oral history study of gerontological nurse educators' experiences in developing gerontology. Originally a gift membership from Helen Niskala.

Dianna Ritchie passed away in hospital on March 21, 2007. Dianna was a former member of the HON group and at one time the membership chair. She had been living at Arbutus lodge for some time.

Judy Arlene Learning passed away at home on January 21, 2007. Judy was a member of the History of Nursing group for the last 2 years sponsored by the University of Alberta gift membership.

Irene Goldstone member of the History of Nursing Group and an adjunct professor in the UBC School of Nursing was presented with the CRNBC's Nursing Excellence Award of Distinction at CRNBC's AGM May 9, 2007. The award recognizes registered nurses who excel in a variety of nursing practice areas including teaching, administration, clinical practice and research. Recipients of this award must be experts in more than one area. Our heartiest congratulations!

Committee Reports

Program Committee : AGM April 12, 2007

1. May 12 and 13: the very successful Opera "Florence, The Lady with the Lamp" produced by UBC opera students and Director, Nancy Hermaston. Prior to the afternoon performance May 13 we hosted a luncheon at the Vancouver Lawn Tennis Club inviting Royal Jubilee Alumni and Military Nursing Sisters.
2. June 8-10 we hosted the very successful CAHN Conference "Frontline Nursing," 77 registered for the conference, 74 for the banquet.
3. A super energy charged luncheon/workshop in July at the home of Glennis Zilm to focus on our goals for 2007/2008.
4. November 10 we hosted a "Remembrance Day" luncheon at the Vancouver Lawn Tennis Club where 42 attended including 10 Military Nursing Sisters, 9 retired and one active military nurse.
5. April 20: Tea at Hycroft, showcasing our authors.

Respectfully submitted by,
Lenore Radom



*Nurses Week 2007
Kathy Murphy, Frances
Affleck, Cheryl Entwistle*



Hycroft Tea, April 2007

ORAL HISTORY REPORT : AGM – APRIL 12, 2007

Committee members: Delcie Hill, Isobel McDonald, Inga Von Maydell, Sheila Zerr, Ethel Warbinek (Chair)

Interviews completed:

Barb Carroll	Delcie Hill
Louise Hemming	Ethel Warbinek
Joan Lansdell	Delcie Hill
Margaret Mainwaring	Ethel Warbinrk
Marlyn McLean	Inga Von Maydell
Jessie Middleton	Inga Von Maydell
Dorothy Proudfoot	Delcie Hill
Celia Runka	Delcie Hill

Interviewed by

*Ethel Warbinek,
HON AGM April 2007*



Nine interviews were summarized and the cassette tapes placed in the CRNBC library.

Joan Andrews, CRNBC librarian, was consulted and the decision was made to try in the future to save the interviews on CD's rather than on cassettes as most nurses do not have cassette players. As far as can be determined at this time, CD's - particularly gold quality ones - will last longer than cassettes. The gold CD's will be placed in the archives at the College and silver ones placed in the library. The transition to CD's will take some time.

Biographical files

Many thanks to Faye Meuser and Linda Lidster who organized the biographical files received from Janet Gormick last summer. Copies were made for the CRNBC Library. Since that time, five biographical files have been received.

Report submitted by,
Ethel Warbinek

NOMINATING REPORT : AGM – APRIL 12, 2007

The members below have agreed to let their names stand for a two year term of office:

Secretary	Lynne Esson
Treasurer	Sheila Oxholm
Member at Large	Sandra Broad
Membership Chair	Genelle Leifso

*Lynne Esson,
HON AGM April 2007*



Remaining on the executive for one more year:

President	May 2007 to October 2007	Sheila Zerr;
	November 2007 to April 2008	Lois Blais
Vice President	Glennis Zilm	
Member at Large	Isobel McDonald	

We express our appreciation and gratitude to two retiring members of the executive: Inga von Maydell who has been our faithful secretary for several years and our hard working and dedicated treasurer, Faye Meuser.

Report submitted by,
Beth Fitzpatrick and Ethel Warbinek

B.C. HofN DISPLAY REPORT: AGM APRIL 12, 2007

Members: Sheila Zerr (Chair), Lenore Radom, Glennis Zilm/Ethel Warbinek/Lynne Esson – UBC

CRNBC Displays

Boardroom Display Case, Lobby Mannequin, Library, Bulletin Board and Display Table

The “Celebrate School of Nursing Alumnae” revolving display, initiated in September 2003 is now complete with the last display from Royal Inland Hospital in Kamloops September 2005 to February 2006. The following roster outlines the rotation of displays at CRNBC:

Sept.	–	Nov. 2003	RJH Alumnae
Nov.	–	Feb. 2004	“Honour roll” alumnae honour roles of military nurses.
Feb.	–	May 2004	VGH
May	–	Sept. 2004	St. Joseph Hospital/Sisters of St. Ann, Victoria
Sept.	–	Feb. 2005	St. Paul’s Hospital
Feb.	–	Sept. 2005	Royal Columbian Hospital
Sept. 05	–	Feb. 2006	Royal Inland Hospital Kamloops
Feb.	–	June 2006	Florence Nightingale
June 06	–	Jan. 2007	Labor of Love: A memoir of Gertrude Richards Ladner 1879 to 1976
Jan. 07	–	present	The history of “Cardinal Signs”



*Lenore Radom
HON AGM April 2007*

The History Group mannequin that has always stood in the CRNBC lobby has been placed in a back corner of the library.

Library Historical Corner

A section of the library has been designated for historical purposes. This section of the library now holds the Memorial Nursing Portrait Collection on permanent display. Also on display, two albums of “Pages of History” and the Oral History Collection. There is also a section of nursing history books catalogued with historical labels. A miniature doll tribute to Janet Gormick added to this collection in 2006. A miniature doll tribute to Faye Meuser has been sponsored and will be added in 2007.

UBC display

The displays at UBC are managed by Lynne Esson, Ethel Warbinek and Glennis Zilm. Displays have featured UBC’s first graduating class, UBC Nursing Undergraduate Society, 85th Anniversary of the UBC School of Nursing, Books published by UBC Faculty, Celebrating 100 Years of the Canadian Nurse Journal, *Lest we Forget* and Florence Nightingale, The History of Cardinal Signs, and tributes to UBC authors and scholarships such as Margaret Jensen. Glennis Zilm has initiated a nursing history display in the School’s Learning Resource Centre. This display includes a mannequin showing various nursing costumes and a table of historical materials that provides the opportunity for students to enjoy “hands on” books and artifacts for their review and study.

This is the last report I will submit as chair of this committee. After more that five years as chair I ask that you accept my resignation. I will be happy to assist with displays on occasion but will not longer chair this committee.

Report submitted by Sheila Rankin Zerr,
Chair, Display committee

ARCHIVAL REPORT: APRIL 2006 TO APRIL 2007



*Lois Blais, HON
AGM April 2007*

Members: Don Ransom, Helen Niskala, Michelle Rooney, Marjory Ralston, Lois Blais (Chair). Two meetings held.

Our goal is to have a provincial history of nursing centre in the Lower Mainland that is linked online with other agencies and/or schools of nursing in the province holding nursing artifacts or other archival materials. The provincial centre will be an archival museum with easy access for nurses and the general public. It will house our provincial nursing archives, oral history tapes, biographies of our nursing leaders and artifacts that we have collected. It will also include a virtual museum online and will maintain an online catalogue of artifacts and other archival items held by the B.C. History of Nursing Group, as well as those held by other B.C. agencies.

Our Objectives

The Archival Committee initiatives are the second most important function of the History of Nursing Professional Practice Group of the RNABC. The long-term objective is to establish a "Home of Our Own" as outlined in our goal above.

Short-term Objectives for the year 2006/7:

1. To maintain the processes and collections for the archival donations to the B.C. History of Nursing Group: and, to maintain, to continue and to update the database.
2. To begin clearing the UBC office of the nursing books and transfer books to the UBC Archives as a storage strategy for our collections.
3. To hire a new archivist.
4. Review and update the Finding Aid for general collections.
5. Review the B.C. History of Nursing Policy and Procedures manual and add the policy and procedure for PPG's.
6. Collect documents and completed transfer forms from executive members and committee chairs and add to intra-archival material.
7. To determine the best way to care for and store the collection of uniforms in the collection.

Outcomes of Above Objectives

1. Two archival meetings were held at the UBC Office through 2006/7.
2. The B.C. History of Nursing Archives continues to receive requests for information though the B.C. History of Nursing website and voice mail in the UBC Office. Receiving donations from groups and individuals is one of the main functions of the Archives. Continuation of inputting into the database is ongoing.
3. There has been no action taken on the movement of the books from the History of Nursing Office to the UBC School of Nursing to the UBC Library Special Collections.
4. Tracy Krause was hired as the History of Nursing PPG Archivist in May 2006.
5. Review of the Finding Aid and Policy and Procedures Manual is in progress.
6. Collection of documents and completion of transfer forms within the History of Nursing PPG is in progress and ongoing.
7. A decision on how to care for the uniforms was passed by the executive and action on this decision will occur in 2007/8.

Plans

The Archives Committee is always a work in progress. We continually receive materials and collections from nurses, their families and colleagues, which has built our collection to a considerable valuable archive. Over the years more nurses and the public have become aware of our archival collections, materials and process,

thereby gaining a presence among the nursing community. The plans for our website will include pictures and information taken from the archival material which will add further presence of our group.

Thank you goes out to all who have donated to the Archives and to the committee members: Don Ransom and Helen Niskala, Michelle Rooney and Marjorie Ralston who help maintain the workings of the Archival Committee. A special thank you goes to Tracey Krause (Archivist) for her insight, knowledge, organization and interactive skills.

Report submitted by,
Lois M. Blais, Chair.

PAGES OF HISTORY REPORT: AGM APRIL 12, 2007

Committee: Sheila Zerr (Chair) Lenore Radom, Sandra Broad

Funds: Funds raised go to the Archival Fund of the History of Nursing.

Pages to date: Complete – 77; to complete – 8

Display album: Three duplicate display albums of the first 76 pages of history now complete. It is now necessary to go into a 3rd album. One set of albums has been placed in the CRNBC library. The other 2 sets of albums are available for display at conferences etc. The original first 77 pages will placed in the archival collection.

On Going project: The flyer promoting the pages of history has been revised to correlate with the web page description of the pages project and request for sponsors. A section of the web page is devoted to the pages project and a system to rotate different pages on the web page is under development.

The committee will continue to work on promotion of the project and will consider increasing the \$25.00 cost of a page of history.

Report submitted by
Sheila J. Rankin Zerr, Chair

Financial Report : AGM April 12, 2007

1. General Account Cash in bank 1,572.41
Archival Account Cash in Bank 9,543.41, GIC's Total 48,320.00
Scholarship Account Cash in Bank 3,656.44, GIC's Total 19,892.65.
Conference October 2006 Account closed October 2006, disbursements as follows:

CAHN	4,000.00
Scholarship	2,000.00
Archival	1,743.00
2. Proposed Budget for 2007 presented
3. Archival Account proposed for 2007 is based on the hope that donations to the account will equal that of the previous two years. It may be necessary to deregister a GIC which matures in December 07 to meet the expense of the development of the Virtual Museum. Archival Account received a transfer of 1,743.00 from the 2006 Conference Account.
4. Scholarship Account received a transfer of 2,000 from the 2006 Conference Account.
5. Thanks to Winifred Waterhouse and Cheryl Entwistle for reviewing the 2006 accounts.
6. CRNBC Treasurer's Report Forms are complete for the three accounts and will be forwarded to the college after the AGM.



Sheila Oxholm and Kathy Murphy at the HON AGM, April 12, 2007

Submitted by Sheila Oxholm

REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: AGM April 12, 2007

In 2006, membership was at a record high with 167 members at year end. It is encouraging to note that there has been a steady increase in members – 1999 (85), 2003 (130), 2006 (167).

As of April 10, 2007, current figures are:

	<u>2007 (to date)</u>	<u>2006 (year end)</u>	
Honorary	5	Honorary	5
Full	50	Full	64
Affiliate	37	Affiliate	41
Student	32	Student	5
Total	124	Total	16

Genelle Leifso
HON AGM April 2007



I am optimistic that our current membership will continue grow. Previously some members have renewed their membership while attending the CRNBC AGM. This year our AGM is not associated with that event. And so, membership renewals will continue to trickle in.

You will see that we have many student members. The disparity between 2006 and current student members is due, in part, to new memberships taken out late in the year which are extended to the following year. Most of these memberships are due to the generosity of current members. In particular, I would like to acknowledge Dr. Helen Niskala who sponsored seven students and Drs. Shirley Stinson, Phyllis Giovannetti, and Janet Ross Kerr who also sponsored 13 students. It is wonderful that in this way nursing history in B.C. is shared with the next generation of nursing leaders. After receiving a gift membership, I am observing that some students continue on as student members and on graduation become full members.

I would again like to thank the Executive for their support and patience with me in this role. As well, I would like to express my thanks to Faye Meuser, our Treasurer, who worked so closely with me in tracking new and renewing members. Her successor, Sheila Oxholm, is continuing this tradition.

As we continue to “discover, disseminate, and preserve Nursing history in British Columbia,” please keep enthusiastically recruiting new members for the HON group.

Respectfully submitted
Genelle Leifso, Chair

Scholarship Report: AGM APRIL 12, 2007

Scholarships were awarded in 2006 to:

Nerrisa Bonifacio, a UBC Master’s student, who is examining “The evolution of family visitation in the post-anaesthetic recovery room.”

Georgia Ioannou, a Master’s student in the Grand Canyon University online Program, who is studying “Emergency preparedness and disaster management: the nurses role in international health care.”

Erica Roberts, a UBC Master’s student, who is completing “An oral history of nurse educator’s experiences in developing gerontological nursing”.

Kathy Murphy
Chair, Scholarship Committee

CAHN 2006 Conference Planning Report: AGM April 12, 2007

Committee

Sheila Zerr (Chair), Beth Fitzpatrick and Linda Lister (Displays), Faye Meuser (Treasurer), Lois Blais (General Program and AV), Lenore Radom (Registration), Lynne Esson (Academic Program), Jackie Ratzlaff (Social), Cheryl Entwistle (Social)

Theme

Frontline Nurse: *Historical Milestones St. Paul's Hospital – Vancouver, B.C.*

Date

Thursday June 8, 2006 – Registration/ Welcoming social and addresses

Friday June 9, 2006

AM opening Hannah by Dianne Dodds
concurrent paper sessions
Box Lunch CAHN General Meeting
PM concurrent paper sessions
Evening – Banquet/Opera

Saturday June 10, 2006 – concurrent paper sessions and the Hannah Lecture by Glennis Zilm - Closure



Sheila Zerr

Call for Abstracts: We received and accepted 25 abstracts. Geertje Boschma assisted Lynne Esson with paper selections.

Social: Cheryl Entwistle and Jackie Ratzlaff planned the opening social on Thursday evening that was open to the public and the Nightingale opera/dinner Friday evening, also open to the public. Jo Scott developed conference image/and David Roberts set design of cards and program.

Hotels: Lois Blais was responsible for general conference details such as accommodations. A block of rooms was available at the Wall Centre. Other options available on inquiry.

Mailing List: Lenore developed a master mailing list – new information sent out as it is developed. Lenore also arranged catering.

Plans for Conference Promotion: Special spoons used as door prizes and gifts, to promote conference. Nursing contacts from around the province were sent posters and flyers to help with promotion.

Budget: Faye Meuser managed finances and showed a profit of \$8,200.80. The profit was shared equally with CAHN.

Displays: Beth Fitzpatrick and Linda Lister managed an outstanding display and sale table. This proved to be the central gathering space throughout the conference.

Report submitted by
Sheila J. Rankin Zerr, Chair

Borders, boundaries and political context in nursing and health care history

An International Conference devoted to Nursing History Research
will be held in Toronto, Canada, June 5-7, 2008

Call for Abstracts

The conference is organized by the Canadian Association for the History of Nursing/Association Canadienne pour l'Histoire du Nursing and co-sponsored by the Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto, the School of Nursing, Ryerson University, the School of Women's Studies, York University, the Allemang Centre for the History of Nursing, and the AMS Nursing History Research Unit.

Aiming for a critical understanding of connections between health and nursing, the conference welcomes papers that explore borders, boundaries and the political context in nursing and health care history. The conference seeks to explore the history of nursing practice, religious and missionary roots of modern nursing, as well as critical questions on the history of specialty areas and regions of practice. Looking at critical and under-examined areas of nursing's past, questions of practice, power and health policy will be examined. How did local, regional and global contexts of health care shape nursing practice? How did colonial, imperial and political regimes impact on health care practice and administration? How did communities respond to special needs, difficult behaviour and vulnerability? How did nurses influence or participate in (inter)national health politics? What tensions arose over claims of knowledge, skill and identity? Priority will be given to abstracts addressing these themes.

The conference brings together scholars from many different countries and many different areas of nursing and health care history. We especially welcome abstracts from students. CAHN/ACHN will seek to provide some financial assistance to students who present papers.

The two Hannah Lecturers for the conference will be:

Karen Schultheiss, Assistant Professor of History at the University of Illinois, Chicago,
author of *Bodies and Souls: Politics and the Professionalization of Nursing in France 1880-1922*.

Catherine Choy, Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies at the University of California Berkeley,
author of *Empire of Care: Nursing and Migration in Filipino American History*.

Please submit a one page abstract on completed research by e-mail of no more than 300 words. State the title of the paper at the top, and at the end list name, institutional affiliation or city, contact information, and whether you are a student. Let us know if you would like your e-mail to be published along with the abstract, and if you have any audio-visual or other special requirements. Abstracts will be peer-reviewed.

Submit abstracts to geertje.boschma@nursing.ubc.ca

Abstracts must be received by Nov. 15, 2007. Notification of acceptance will be sent out by Feb.1, 2008

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Women's History Network of British Columbia 2007 Conference

Vancouver, BC, October 12 & 13 , 2007

Theme

Women, Health and Healing: Historical Perspectives on B.C. Women and Healthcare

Call for Papers and Presentations (Deadline June 30, 2007)

The Women's History Network of British Columbia invites proposals for papers and oral or visual presentations on the theme of B.C. women's historical role in the provision of the varied dimensions of health care. This includes professional and auxiliary nursing, midwifery, related therapies such as dietetics or physiotherapy, and traditional healing practices, or other healthcare services. The conference will examine the myriad ways in which B.C. women have contributed to essential healthcare services in the home, hospital and other locations, wherever their services were required.



Location

The Conference will begin Friday evening, October 12, 2007, with a reception and interactive event at a central Vancouver historical site (details to follow) and continue all day Saturday, October 13 at Providence Healthcare Learning Centre, St Paul's Hospital, 1081 Burrard Street, Vancouver with conference papers and presentations.

Deadline for proposals – June 30, 2007

Contact

Proposals of maximum 350 words for papers or presentations of 20 minutes in length should include contact information and a brief biography.

Please submit proposals by e-mail attachment or post to:

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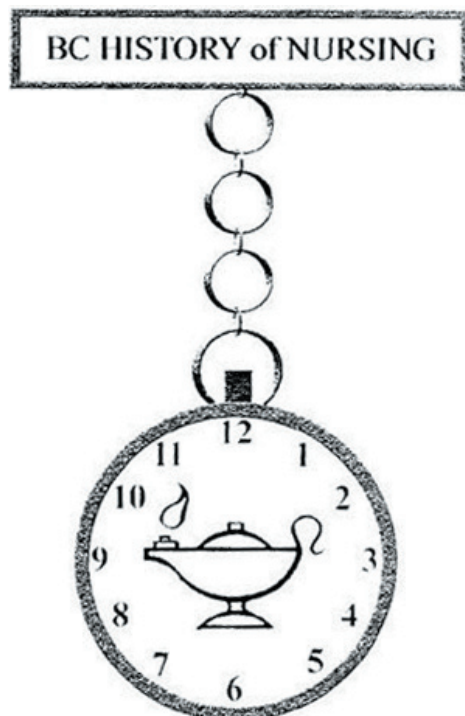


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