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THE YEAR, 2011-2012

President Valre Welch led the organization through continued financial challenges in the struggling economy by working toward lowering expenses and increasing revenue in an effort to improve SUNA’s financial situation. The Board of Directors fully supported this effort with a series of initiatives undertaken to meet this goal. In spite of these great financial challenges SUNA continued to meet the organizational mission. A new strategic plan was developed to bring SUNA into the 21st century. The mission and vision statements were revised to reflect the goal of SUNA being recognized as the authoritative source for urologic nursing education at all levels.

We had another big change for SUNA when Tony Jannetti, our Executive Director since 2003, decided to step down. Tony will continue to be an advisor and consultant to SUNA as well as continuing in his position on the Board of the Foundation. We are grateful for all the expertise and knowledge that he shared with SUNA over those years. Cyndee N. Hnatiuk, EdD, RN, CAE, was appointed our interim Executive Director while we were in the process of selecting our new executive director.

SUNA membership as of 10/19/2011: 2,376
Corporate Sponsors: 12 Corporate and 15 Sustaining Active SUNA chapters: 38. The Greater Metro Atlanta Chapter, The Twin State Chapter, and the Treasure Coast Chapter were dissolved. The N. Louisiana Chapter is on inactive status and the New England Chapter was removed from Chapter Rescue.

The Board of Directors remained focused on the Strategic Plan to guide their time, energy and finances. Under the area of cultural diversity, the Global Alliance of Urology Nurses (GAUN) now includes SUNA, British Association of Urologic Nurses (BAUN), European Association of Urology Nurses (EAUN), Australia and New Zealand Urological Nurses Society (ANZUNS) and Urology Nurses Association of Hong Kong (UNA-HK). Leaders from BAUN and EAUN were represented at the Annual Conference to exchange ideas, share and develop resources and competencies.

SUNA continues to be the authoritative organization for urologic nursing education. There has been significant interest and growth for the Advanced Practice Track at Annual Conference. The Cystoscopy Workshop and Advanced Practice Hands-on Workshop and Diagnostic Imaging, under the direction of Jeff Albaugh, were well attended. There were additional presentations on urodynamics and clinical issue topics. In addition to contact hours, CMEs were awarded to our PA colleagues.

The Cystoscopy Guidelines Task Force chaired by Heather Schultz and Sue Flick, completed their extensive and comprehensive educational document this year. This will provide excellent instructions and resources for the APRN’s currently performing cystoscopies and for those who will be adding this to their practice in the future. These guidelines will be available in the near future.

The popular UDS Course, with Tamara Dickinson, as the Course Director, was again offered at the Symposium with updates made in response to last year’s evaluations. Revisions provided the latest ICS information and consistency in terminology. Christy Kreig, the Certification Review Course Director, worked with Amy Driscoll to develop an online anatomy and physiology course which was added to our Online Library as a prerequisite for those attending the certification review course.
The Scope and Standards of Practice task force led by Debbie Hensley and Amy Driscoll finalized the Urologic Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice document, this was approved by the ANA in June 2012. This approval is a significant accomplishment both for the task force and for urologic nursing. Approval means that the ANA recognizes urologic nursing as a nursing specialty.

Three of our members Vic Senese (treasurer), Mary Anne Wasner and Lee Ann Boyd were members of the AUA/SUNA task force which wrote the White Paper on the Incidence, Prevention and Treatment of Complications Related to Prostate Needle Biopsy. A report on this paper was presented at the Annual conference.

The Core Curriculum for Urologic Nursing is moving ahead. Diane Newman, DNP, BCB-PMD, FAAN and Jean Wyman, PhD, APRN, BC, FAAN, as the co-editors have almost completed the process of assembling the authors and reviewers. The Planning committee for the Core Curriculum, which included, Jane Hawks, Susanne Quallback, Jill Freeman, Peggy Ward-Smith, Phyllis Shelton, and Valre Welch, along with, Carol Ford and Ken Thomas from A.J. Jannetti, met with Jean and Diane to develop the outline and scope of the content for the Core Curriculum in February 2012. This is anticipated to be at least a 2 year project. When completed this will provide a comprehensive resource reference for all urologic nurses

SUNA has increased its presence on the web and through our website. The website is being updated to be more readily navigable with increased relevant functionality for members. Specific tabs for APRN resources, certification review articles and chapter resources have been added to our website. Facebook is also utilized for important announcements and links to articles and information. SUNA members are kept up to date with regular email blasts and online issues of the Uro-Gram. There were four free continuing education offerings in SUNA’s Online Library.

Legislative Chair, Francie Bernier, kept SUNA active and involved in the Nursing Community initiatives and legislative issues. SUNA supported the Joining Forces initiative, which targets military veterans and their families, A Million Hearts and several bills to continue and increase financial support for nursing education and research.

The SUNA Foundation continues to thrive under the leadership of Ardeth Hale. The 2012 Symposium raffle fundraiser raised $2820.00 and the 5th annual silent auction raised a total of $7,100. The Foundation continues to award multiple scholarships each year. In addition, The Foundation and SUNA each provided $5000 for a total grant of $10,000 to CBUNA.

SUNA works collaboratively with many other nursing organizations. We continue to strive to strengthen our relationship with the AUA. Dr. Lawrence Ross is the AUA liaison to SUNA.

**2012 Annual Symposium: Incontinence and Pelvic Floor Disorders**

Our Annual Symposium is dedicated to providing education for members with focus on optimizing care for our patients and professional development. More than 300 urologic nurses and health care professionals attended the 2012 Symposium, held March 1-3, 2012 in San Francisco. A symposium favorite, the Urodynamics Course, offered basic urodynamics training. Planning committee included Monica Davis, MBA, MSN, CRNP, Katharine O’Dell, PhD, CNM, WHNP, Peggy Hayes RN, CURN, Carolyn North, RN, CURN, Joanne Robinson, PhD, GCNS-BC, and Alis Panzera, DrNP, CRNP.

**The 43rd Annual Conference**

Providing educational sessions for every practice level, SUNA drew more than 400 urologic healthcare professionals to Washington, DC, November 1-5, 2012 for its Annual Conference. The Metropolitan Washington DC SUNA Chapter was the conference host chapter. Multiple and diverse topics were presented. One of the most popular sessions was the Advanced Practice Workshop which allowed attendees to rotate among multiple hands-on stations. The overall conference was reviewed and approved for 14.25 contact hours plus additional contact hours were available for preconference workshops and 19 CME. There were 58 exhibitor booths and 29 corporate sponsors. The planning committee included Chairperson Fran Foley, MHCA, RN, CURN, Lee Ann Boyd, MSN, RN, ARNP, CUNP, Fran Bryant, BSN, RN, Barbara Broome, PhD, RN, FAAN, Craig Barber, MBA, RN, CURN and Irene Stazzone, RN, CURN.
LECTURESHPs

ARTHUR T. EVANS LECTURESHIP sponsored by the AUA
Awarded to Lee Ann Boyd, MSN, ARNP-C, CUNP
“The Perils of Urologic Prosthetics”

PATRICIA PUTETTI MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP sponsored by the Columbia Presbyterian Chapter of SUNA
Awarded to Mari K. Olsen, BSN, RN, CURN and Suzanne M. Leckness, BSN, RN
“Robotic Cystectomy: Implications for Nursing Care”

PAST PRESIDENTS LECTURESHIP sponsored by the SUNA Past Presidents
Awarded to Donna J. Carrico, WHNP, MS and Michelle A. Schaffrath, MSN, BSN, RN, BSW
“An Innovative Healthcare Delivery Model for Urologic or Pelvic Pain Conditions”

WYLAND LEADBETTER LECTURESHIP sponsored by the Upper Midwest Chapter of SUNA
Awarded to Christy Cindy Dobmeyer-Dittrich, BSN, RN, CURN and Glenn Sulley, BS, RN
“The Secrets to Our Success with Sacral Neuromodulation for Voiding Dysfunction”

RUSSELL CHURCH MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP sponsored by the Western Region of SUNA and T-DOC
Awarded to Jane Hawks, PhD, RN, BC, FAAN
“Writing for Publication: Helpful Hints”

VANCE CASELMAN LECTURESHIP sponsored by the Great Lakes Chapter of SUNA
Awarded to Cheryl LeCroy, MSN, RN and Betsy Omeis, BSN, RN
“Urodynamics is Like a Box of Chocolates-You Never Know What You Will Get”

IAN THOMPSON MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP sponsored by the Great Lakes Chapter of SUNA
Awarded to Mikel Gray, PhD, CUNP, CCMN, FAANP, FAAN and Shelly King, MSN, CPNP
“Advanced Urodynamics Interpretation”

RUTH HUGHES LECTURESHIP sponsored by the Greater Houston Chapter of SUNA
Awarded to Leanne Schimke, MSN, NP-C, CRNP, CUNP
“Urological Care for Multiple Sclerosis Patients”

AWARDS

RON BRADY CAREER MOBILITY SCHOLARSHIP
Presented to Tamara Dickinson, RN, CURN, CCCN, BCB-PMD

SUSZETTE MCKAY MEMORIAL EXCELLENCE IN UROLOGIC NURSING
Presented to Amy Saunders, BSN, RN

MACFARLANE AWARD
Presented to Karl Gunnerson, BSN, RN, CNOR, CGRN, CMLSO, CURN and Brenda Madsen, CURN.

SUSAN E. HEALY PEDIATRIC NURSING EDUCATION AWARD
Presented to Valre Welch, MSN, CPNP.

NOVICE LITERARY EXCELLENCE AWARD
Awarded to Bruce Turner, BN (HONS), and Philippa Aslet, BA (HONS) for their manuscript on nurse practitioner-led prostate biopsies, which appeared in the November-December 2011 issue.

CATHERINE-ANN LAWRENCE LITERARY EXCELLENCE AWARD
Awarded to Katharine O’Dell, PhD, CNM, WHNP-BC, Shanna Atnip, MSN, WHNP-BC and Leslie Wooldridge, MSN, GNP, BCIA, F-AGS for their manuscript series on pessaries that appeared in the May-June 2012 issue

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER AWARD
Awarded to Phyllis Sheldon, MS, RN, CNS-BC, CUCNS.
FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS
Awarded to Darla Cleaves, BSN, RNFA, CURN, CNOR
Louise Nora, CURN, CUNP
Julie Wells, RN

1st COMPLIMENTARY REGISTRATION FOR LABORIE URODYNAMICS COURSE
Awarded to Kristel Lambeck, BSN

CHAPTER ENHANCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP
Awarded to Chicago Metro Chapter.

SUNA CHAPTER AWARDS:

Little Chapter with a Big Heart: West Texas Whirlwinds
Most Improved Chapter: Central Oklahoma Chapter
Chapter with Best Communication: Upper Midwest
Chapter with Exceptional Educational Programs: Mississippi Valley
Chapter with Exceptional Contributions to SUNA: Syracuse
Chapter with Exceptional Community Activity: Great Lakes

REGIONAL MEMBERS OF THE YEAR AWARDS:

Northeastern Region: Marianne Borch, BSN, RN, CURN
North Central Region: Charlene Vollmer, BSN, RN, BC
Southeast Region: Randee Regan, BSN, RN, CNOR
Western Region: Denise Kramer-Levien, RN, CURN

CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD was presented to CHICAGO METRO.
PRESIDENTS TROPHIES

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO UROLOGIC NURSING
Awarded to Heather Schultz, NP and Sue Flick, MSN, RN, CNP, CCRP

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUNA
Awarded to Debbie Hensley, BSN, RN, CURN.

Pictured Left to Right, Debbie Hensley, Valre Welch, and Heather Schultz

President Welch expressed appreciation to outgoing SUNA leaders-
Amy Driscoll, Immediate Past President
Cheryl LeCroy, Northeast Regional Director
Cindie Neufeld, Western Regional Director
B.J Czarapata, Long Term Care SIG leader
Kris Greene, Inpatient/Outpatient SIG leader
Myra Joseph, Urodynamics SIG leader

At the close of the successful Annual Conference President Welch passed the gavel to incoming president Deborah Hensley
CONFERENCE PHOTOS

Opening of Exhibits
Silent Auction was huge success and raised $7,100

Conference Hall with members attending lectures.