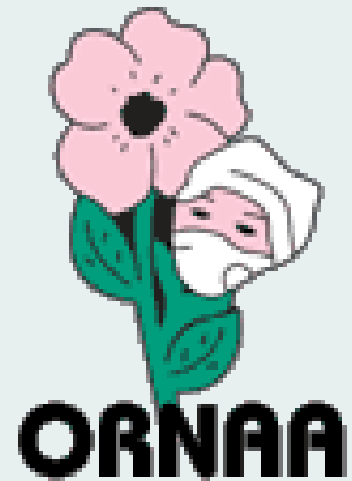


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ORNAA AWARDS NOMINATION TIME

As the 33rd ORNAA provincial conference is rapidly approaching, please take some time to consider nominating a well deserving colleague for an ORNAA award.

The Muriel Shewchuk Excellence in Leadership award recognizes ORNAA members with outstanding and consistent commitment to the specialty of perioperative nursing through leadership roles in the area of clinical excellence, supervision and/or education, or as a role model or mentor.

The Promising Star Award recognizes new nurses to the perioperative specialty, with fewer than 2 years experience. One award, per district, per year will be awarded; recognizing up to 5 Promising Stars.

Do you know any well deserving colleagues? Nominate them before September 1st. Check out <http://ornaa.org/awards.shtml> for more information.

Nominate someone today!

ORNAA WRITING AWARDS

The Snips & Snaps award recognizes contributions of scholarly papers. This is a cash award with a 1st place value of \$500 and 5 additional \$250 awards for honorable submissions. Snips & snaps also offer a \$250 award for one special article, such as a poem, personal reflection.

“ People work for money but go the extra mile for
recognition, praise and rewards”

— Dale Carnegie

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33rd ORNAA Conference Registration OPEN NOW !!!



Early Bird Draw: Register before June 30th and be entered to win 50% off your registration fee. 2 winners will be drawn!

ORIGINAL POEM: GINGER KRAUSE, NORNA



This Job

By Ginger Krause

(Inspired by two evening/call shifts in the OR)

This job is the sound of steel.

The weight of limbs.

It is blood in your shoes.

It is a husband that delivers dry socks and a side of pizza.

It is nights not spent with your own family.

This job is tears over babies that don't take a first breath.

And, thankfully, so many more that do.

It is cancer.

And more cancer.

This job is holding a hand.

And your head high to get through that case with steady hands.

The wonderment of shattered bones that come back together perfectly.

This job is a hot, scratchy mask with a runny nose.

It is an ever-growing list of "I don't ever want to get that".

Saying the wrong thing at the wrong time.

This job is gratitude for a hot, scratchy mask when the bugs are big, scary ones.

Getting the IV that no one else can.

It is saving a life and then watching one lose the fight.

It is knowing the answers, but still having so many questions.

Saying the perfect thing at the right time.

This job is a team who understands.

This job is a sense of humor that twists,

A mind that knows and

A heart that keeps you up at night.

New ORNAA Education Director

At the June ORNAA board meeting the ORNAA board voted Lauren Llewellyn (SCORNA) in as the new ORNAA Education Director. Lauren will be in this portfolio for two years.

I would like to thank the ORNAA board and the ORNAA membership for a wonderful two years as your ORNAA Education director. It has been a fun and “educational” experience for me too!

Please continue to support Snips & Snaps by sending in all your wonderful articles, it has been such a pleasure to share your words with our membership.

Courtney Donais RN, BN, CPN (C)

A Spotlight on ORNAC Standards

4.9 Supporting Learners/Orientation

4.9.1 The perioperative registered nurse shall support learners in the perioperative environment to create a safe learning culture.

It is a nurse's professional obligation to support peers in building and maintaining competencies required for safe, ethical, and effective nursing practice; to share knowledge and to provide feedback; and mentor and guide nursing students and other nurses (Canadian Nurses Association, 2004; Canadian Nurses Association, 2008).

Learners may include newly hired nurses, nurses changing specialties, or student nurses. The perioperative registered nurse must have an understanding of the learner's needs to support this learner. Exploring these needs should be considered (Meyer, Van Schalkwyk, & Prakaschandra, 2016).

The theory of adult learning identifies five central tenets (Knowles, 1975):

1. Adults move from dependency towards self-directedness.
2. People accumulate a growing base of experience that can and should be used as a resource for their learning.
3. Readiness to learn becomes focused to the developmental tasks of their roles and responsibilities.
4. Their learning becomes more focused on the things that are important to them.
5. The motivation to learn is internal or intrinsic.

An effective way to collaborate with the learner is through a supportive relationship which:

- defines learning needs;
- creates learning goals;
- identifies learning resources;
- chooses and implements appropriate learning strategies; and
- evaluates learning outcomes (Knowles, 1975).

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