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NATIONAL PRESIDENT-ELECT HAILS FROM NEW YORK STATE!

Congratulations are in order for Joan Ernst R.N. M.S. CEN. At the National General Assembly held in New Orleans, LA., Joan was elected to the position of President-Elect. This is the first time that N.Y.S. will have an EDNA member rising to the position of National President.

In the past two years as Region I Director, Joan has worked very hard both for NYS. as well as the other thirteen states. Her energy and enthusiasm seems to be endless. She has set high goals and standards for herself and her Region.

The NYS. Council and the state membership wish Joan success in her endeavors for the next two years and pledge our support to complete the many projects we know she already has in mind.



REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

I would like to thank all the New York Chapters and members for their financial and personal support in my election as National President-Elect. It is heartwarming to know that your constituents support you. I promise you will not be disappointed in my performance.

The kind of people represented in New York EDNA are nationwide and I know together we will continue to make great strides in the years to come. I have identified some areas I intend to concentrate my efforts on:

1. Recognition and full acceptance of EDNA by the American Nurses Association as a specialty
2. Increasing the Membership
3. Active participation in legislative issues
4. Coordinated educational programs for all
5. Research conducted by nurses
6. Promotion of active exchange of ideas
7. Communication, Communication, Communication

Please give some thought as to which areas you would like our organization to concentrate its efforts. Keep me informed of your wishes. In this way your organization can work for you.

Joan Ernst

THE COUNCIL

The Council met Dec. 2&3, 1982 in Rochester N.Y.. Zana Coates, Chairperson reported on correspondence form National. She also reported that a new membership roster has been received and will be distributed to Chapter presidents. Concern was expressed regarding the Brooklyn Chapter. They do not have representation to the Council. The Brooklyn area has one of the largest membership listings and their voice is needed on the state level.

Joan Ernst, announced that there will be a change in the National Awards System with more awards to be added for presentation at the National Assembly.

The Public Information committee K. Arnold and M. Gmelch (Nassau-Queens) presented a draft of the brochure "About Your Emergency Care" for the councils review. The committee has been working on this project as a means of public education.

Fran Sikso (Adirondack) reported that her membership to an Albany Legislative Forum has been received. She will be attending the meetings to help keep the Council informed of legislative issues concerning nursing.

The Nominating Committee reported that several nominations were received for the upcoming election of the Council. The candidates and their qualifications appear in a separate article.

The remainder of the meeting was spent discussing the NYS Annual Conference. (See separate article).

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

-Kathryn Clancy

The nominating committee reviewed chairman-elect nominations at the December meeting of the NYS Council. The nominees selected to run for the office were as follows, Virginia Hens, R.N., Bonita Shaw, R.N., CEN., A-EMT-II and David Eaker, R.N., B.S., CEN., CCRN., AEMT-II.

All the nominees possess excellent qualifications for the demanding position of Chairperson-Elect. The Council membership will benefit from any one of these fine candidates. The selection will be a difficult one. Virginia Hens, R.N.

I started my nursing career by graduating from the University of Rochester school of Nursing in 1959. I have been involved with Emergency Nursing since 1972. My present position is patient care coordinator for the Emergency Dept., Out Patient Dept. and Hemodialysis at the Millard Fillmore Hospital, Buffalo, N.Y.

In EDNA since 1978, I have served in the following positions; President Western NY Chapter 1982-84, president elect '81-'82, WNY membership chairman, WNY ways & means chairman, WNY conference planning committee, WNY delegate to National General Assembly 1980-1982, WNY delegate to the NYS Council 1981-1983, presently NYSC historian, NYSC conference planning committee.

My professional goals are to: 1. Promote excellence in Nursing care and to nurture professionalism in the delivery of this care 2. Raise the image of "Nursing" through public awareness and education.

I reside in East Aurora, N.Y. and am a wife and mother of four sons.

Scratch

Bonita Shaw, R.N., CEN., AEMT-II

My nursing career began in 1960 with graduation from WCA Hospital School of Nursing in Jamestown, N.Y. Since that time I have worked full time in Hospitals from Texas to New Jersey. For the past 14 years I have been employed back home at WCA Hospital working the last 8½ yrs. in the Emergency Dept. As part of my job, nursing supervisor of the dept., I coordinate advanced training for EMT'S in our area.

I have been on Chautauqua county EMS council since 1977 and the Regional EMS Council for the past few years. I am currently the regional representative to the NYS EMS Council.

In 1975 the NYSC of EDNA was founded. I served as the secretary. Also in 1975 Chatt Chapter was founded and I served as the president. Currently I am Sec-Treas. of Chatt Chapter and Secretary of the revitalized NYSC of EDNA.

I work with my husband Charles in Shaw's Auction Co. and am a licensed salesperson in his Real Estate firm. I am enrolled in a B.S. program through St. Joseph's College. I enjoy music, tennis and bowling.

David Eaker, R.N., B.S., CEN., CCRN., AEMT-II

Education- Alfred University BSN matriculated scheduled to finish 1983
S.U.N.Y. Jamestown Comm. College -Associate Nursing 1978

-Associate Humanities 1969

S.U.N.Y. College at Fredonia B.S. Math 1971

Professional Objective - Continuing study and practical experience leading to a position of leadership and responsibility

Work - current position staff R.N. ICU/CCU, Intra-aortic balloon pump team

past positions- staff R.N. E.D., EMT, E.D., Nurses Aide Geriatrics

I am also part of a team that will start 1983 operating a MICU at WCA. In 1976 I joined EDNA as an EMT and have continued as as R.N. I have served as president and vice president of Chatt Chapter, and have assisted in the planning of many teaching days. I have been a Chatt Delegate to the NYSC since 1978. I am presently the NYSC Treasurer, NYSC Bylaws chairperson, and working on the NYSC conference planning committee. I volunteer my services as a CPR Instructor - Trainer and as a member of the Lions Club. I enjoy cross country skiing, jogging, cooking and wine making.

The above information was supplied by the candidates.

MEMBER SHIP DRIVE

- Doreen Mulholland

The NYSC, in an all out effort to increase membership has planned to hold its meetings in the cities identified to have great potential for a chapter to flourish.

The Western NY chapter organized a very successful meeting Dec, 2, 1982 in Rochester. National EDNA members and the nurses from the Rochester hospitals were invited. The response was positive. In fact the council hopes to receive their application for charter very soon.

The next area the council will be approaching is the Mid Hudson Valley. The Binghamton Chapter is sponsoring the arrangements to hold the next Council meeting in Newburgh Feb. 3, 1983. We hope to stimulate interest in that chapter again.

I am compiling informational packets, one for local chapter presidents

to help them encourage better attendance at meetings and the other for Head Nurses/Supervisors of the Emergency Departments in the 382 hospitals in our state. This packet will inform them of EDNA and our state activities.

Hopefully this will prove fruitful and New York State will top the membership list during a time when National Leadership is from our state.

Membership Statistics	May 1982	533	state	members
	Dec. "	509	"	"
	Jan. 1983	726	"	"

Since May 1982 we have gained 217 members. Keep up the good work!

SETTING THE PACE '83

-Bonita Shaw, Conference Chair

Setting The Pace "83 will be a new experience for conference attendees. It is being held in the eloquent old Gideon Putnam Hotel at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Old charm prevails with dining in style. A special feature this year is a price for the hotel, which includes meals. The hotel is located in a lovely park with tennis courts and spring baths. A "Night at the Races" is planned at the Saratoga Race Track.

The program will be one day on issues confronting nursing such as Free Standing Emergency Centers, Legislation and Computers. The other day will be a presentation by Judith "Ski" Lower on the new concepts of Emergency Trauma. These two days of education should be a rewarding experience for all.

I am looking forward to the conference with great expectation. Hope to see you there.

SCIENTIFIC ASSEMBLY

- Marge Brodbeck

Several members from New York State attended the National Assembly in New Orleans, October 27-31. This meeting gives opportunities for excellent educational programs, input into the national office and interchange of problems and ideas from individual members.

On Wednesday, the Leadership workshop began with a general session and continued with individual sessions concerning such topics as; Motivating Members, Conducting a Successful Conference, Legislation, How to Write a Newsletter, etc.

On Wednesday evening the NYSC hosted a Cocktail party for Joan Ernst, our Regional Director and candidate for President Elect. We had a very successful evening with many members coming to meet Joan and give their support.

The most exciting part of the assembly came on Thursday when Joan was elected to another term as Region I Director and then to President - Elect. We are very gratified with her success and look forward to an exciting future for EDNA.

The Scientific Assembly afforded us many excellent educational programs from classroom programs to technique sessions and a mock trial.

We found New Orleans to be a very colorful and exciting city. Bourbon Street, the French Quarter, and the Mississippi Riverboats gave us vivid memories of New Orleans.

The 1983 Assembly will be held on October 17-21 at Anaheim, California. Please make an effort to attend, It's an experience you'll never forget.

NATIONAL ELECTION

Congratulations are extended to the officers elected at the 1982 General Assembly.

President	Gail Nicoll (Arizona)
Vice-President	Valerie Novotny-Dinsdale (Washington)
President-Elect	Joan Ernst (New York)
Secretary	Linda Larson (Colorado)
Treasurer	Cindy Brown (Georgia)

Emergency Medical Services

Congratulations! Zana Coates, NYSC Chairperson has been elected to the office of New York State Emergency Medical Services Chairperson. The NYSC of EDNA takes pride in her success and wishes her well in her future endeavors. Her election is another first for NYS/EDNA. In the History of the EMS council an EDNA nurse has not assumed this position.

The Manhattan Bronx Chapter announces the officers for the 1982-83 year.

President	Meredith King
President-Elect	Nancy Martin
Secretary-Corresponding	Vi Ayalon
Treasurer	Kathryn Clancy
Secretary-Recording	Karen Volk

The Suffolk County Chapter announces the officers for the 1982-83 year.

President	Cathleen Mickaliger
Vice-President	Dorothy Walker
Secretary	Dorothy Perron
Treasurer	Gloria Mancuso

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

March 26, 1983

"Terrorism" presented by the WNY chapter. To be held at the McKinley Park Inn, Blasdell N.Y. contact Wanda Hackney 50 Hewitt Ave, Buffalo N.Y. 14215 for information

April 19, 1983

"Forensic Medicine-Clinical Implications for the Emergency Nurse" presented by the Manhattan-Bronx Chapter. To be held at Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City contact the chapter for information

April 23, 1983

"Neurological Emergencies" presented by the Chatt Chapter. To be held in Jamestown, N.Y. contact the chapter for information.

EDUCATION continued

May 6 & 7, 1983

"Setting the Pace '83" sponsored by the New York State Council of EDNA. To be held in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. at the Gideon Putnum Hotel. Contact Bonita Shaw chairperson for details RD 1 Box 422A Randolph N.Y. 14772

Oct. 17 - 21, 1983

National Scientific Assembly sponsored by National EDNA. To be held at the Marriot Hotel, Anaheim, Calif. Details to follow in later newsletter issue.

NEW YORK STATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Joanne Fadale, NYS Chairperson-elect announces a change in the committee members of New York State. She would like the active participation not only of the Council members but of any interested New York State member. If any member desires an appointment to a state committee for the 83-84 fiscal year, please submit a letter of intent to her by May 1, 1983. Letters are to be forwarded to Joanne Fadale
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