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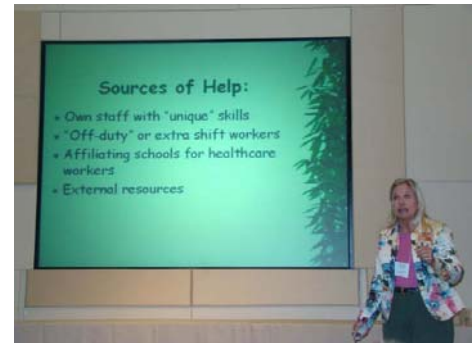
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2009 Installation Luncheon

California Endowment, January 30, 2009

Nancy Seck, RN, BSN, MPH, CPHQ challenged our members to be prepared for Mass Casualty Surge at our Installation Luncheon, January 30th, held at the California Endowment. Her pragmatic teaching style led participants to grasp the goal to save the maximum number of lives. Licensed bed capacity (70809) and space conversion (70805) issues for hospitals was discussed along with the latest California "Standards and Guidelines for Healthcare Surge during Emergencies." Participants networked as Nancy led an interactive session designed to identify how to meet care needs.

Some thoughts of interest: Did you know you can text when you can't use your cell phone in a disaster? Current preparedness means we need to consider how to function without technology. Delegation skills are critical for handling the support staff that



respond from the community. Use of headlamps for nurses who need two hands to move patients or equipment was another of the many tips. Everyone agreed this program was **too short!** Nancy donated her honorarium to OHE Scholarship Fund.

Thank you Nancy!

-Katherine Martin



Left to Right: Dwanette Judkins, Co-Chair VP Programs; Edahrline Salas, Treasurer; Debbie Reid, VP Membership; Lynette Dahlman, President Elect; Katherine Martin, President; Jo Rowan, Past President. Not Pictured: Suzie Berg-Levy, Co-Chair VP Programs; Ellen Rosen, Mary Lynne Knighten and Marilyn Rosow-Cooper, Members-at-Large

2009 Board Members Installed

Installation of the 2009 Board of Directors of OHE took place prior to the great presentation on Mass Casualty Surge by Nancy Seck.

Jo Rowan, out-going President, "passed the gavel" to Kathy Martin and introduced all new Board members present at the event. Each new Board member received a beautiful yellow rose from Jo.

It was a great opportunity to thank all OHE members for their ongoing support of the programs we provide and for giving us feedback on what is important and relevant in the current healthcare environment.

Message from the President



Message From the President Katherine Martin, RN, MSN

The primary purpose of OHE is to provide a forum for educators to network and discuss current issues relevant to healthcare education. Annually the Board plans five programs to meet this expectation. This planning started early in January as the 2009 Board met for a Strategic Planning Meeting ahead of the installation of officers. We reviewed goals in place for 2008 and measured our accomplishments. In line with our mission to provide leadership and professional support for healthcare education the Board focused on goals that would increase leadership excellence, provide service to others and focus on continuous professional development.

These strategic goals are:

1. The Board of OHE will mentor Graduate students interested in Healthcare Education to participate in program planning, implementation and evaluation.

- The work of OHE will address national issues and encourage active participation in the National Nursing Staff Development Organization.
2. The last program of each year will focus on National Patient Safety Goals including current healthcare and accreditation issues.

- Programs will be set by September 1st of the current year for the following year.
3. The financial viability of the organization will be maintained and sustained.

Dwanette Judkins, MSN, RN, Education Specialist from California Hospital joins our Board this year at Vice-President of Programs, working alongside Susie Levy, MSN, RN, from Heartfare CPR, AED and First Aid Training Center. Planning started at January's Strategic Planning meeting for our April program. The OHE Board decided to cancel the April program and move it to June due to the complications of scheduling multiple speakers. At our May 14th Board meeting we set the dates for OHE programs in 2010. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find the dates for every program as well as Board meetings, 2010.

Anticipate a needs assessment survey to identify the topics of current interest to you via email. OHE exists to meet the needs of its members, and your input is vital to our successful program planning. Indeed, the financial viability of our organization is sustained by offering stellar programs of interest to our diverse educators.

The next program is a networking breakfast where the discussion will focus on how educators are able to maintain quality education on the shoestring budgets that have been given to us. Jamie Eisenberg, Education leaders across the continuum of education will field questions from attendees.

This year I will be going to the NNSDO convention in Philadelphia to represent the interests of OHE. On Saturday, July 11, 2009, all affiliate members attending the convention

should make plans to join me at the Affiliate Networking Meeting from 7:00 to 8 a.m.

On September 11th, Donna Wright RN, MS, past president of NNSDO and nationally renowned lecturer and author will spend the entire day sharing her nuggets of knowledge regarding Competency Assessment at Glendale Memorial Hospital. Plan on signing up early for this event!

November 6, 2009 a half-day program is planned at California Hospital to focus on current healthcare trends, accreditation issues and National Patient Safety Goals at our last program of the year. Susan Hill, MS, BA, RN, Joint Commission Surveyor, will discuss the Joint Commission's NPSG re-write intent and process. Her objectives are to describe the NPSG changes for 2010 as well as describe additional Standard/Elements of Performance/ Survey changes for 2010.

...Let's do it!

Kathy Martin, MSN, RN
President OHE



Would you like to join us and contribute to our community of professionals?

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Save the Dates for 2009-2010 Events

The remainder of 2009 has some great topics for our OHE events! Here is what we have planned:

June 19:

Networking Breakfast: Providing Quality Education on a Shoestring Budget
CHLA 7:30-10:30am

September 11 :

Competency Assessment with Donna Wright
Glendale Memorial

November 6:

NPSG's with Susan Hill
California Hospital

Interested in any or all of these events? Contact
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An education isn't how much you have committed to memory, or even how much you know. It's being able to differentiate between what you know and what you don't.

~Anatole France

SAVE THE DATES!!! 2010 Dates for Programs:

January 22:
Installation Luncheon
April 16
July 8-11: NNSDO— San Diego
September 10
November 5

COPPS

COPPS, the Council of Past Presidents of OHE, consists of the most experienced segment of the organization. As the name implies, the group is comprised of all past presidents of the board of directors. These experienced professionals serve as advisors and provide continuing support and encouragement to the board.

COPPS members also play an important role with the election of the board, assisting the President

Elect with the annual officer nomination process, counting of ballots and verification of results. COPPS may select a member of the year from the board as providing outstanding service, typically presenting them with this honor at the Installation luncheon.

COPPS is chaired by the immediate past-president of the OHE board.

In an effort to show our membership the depth of our COPPS



members, we will be bringing you "Legends" in each newsletter. See page 4 of this newsletter to read about one of our COPPS members.

Lynette Dahlman

Welcome Ariel!

OHE started 2009 without a secretary to the Board. This spring Ariel Deocares expressed his intent to serve as secretary to the Board. He came to the March 19th Board Meeting to share his professional experience in healthcare education and to be interviewed by the Board. His willingness to consider the roles and responsibilities of Secretary and expand his role as a member of OHE was warmly welcomed.

Ariel Deocares, RN, MS, is Program Manager for the Versant RN Residency Program at

Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center. As a clinical educator Ariel is a subject matter expert in Interventional Radiology, Critical Care, Med/Surg, Oncology, Infection Control and PBAR. It was the unanimous decision of the Board to appoint Ariel that evening as Secretary to the Board. The secretary takes minutes of all proceedings of the Board, maintains records and archives membership rosters. A copy of the business meeting minutes are available to any member of the Organization as requested. Please join us on June 19th at CHLA to meet and greet Ariel!





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The **Organization of Healthcare Educators** was founded in 1979 as a local chapter of the American Society for Healthcare Education and Training. **OHE** is a non-profit organization that provides a forum in which healthcare education professionals can gain a broader perspective in healthcare education issues of local and national importance, and a setting in which healthcare educators can come together to network, share ideas and problem solve mutual educational objectives.

OHE Board

Meetings are open to all Members!

The Board meets every other month for a dinner meeting in Glendale or Pasadena, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. Please join us. We welcome your input and expertise.

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Remaining 2009 Board Meeting Dates:

July 12, 2009
September 13, 2009
November 8, 2009

2010 Board Meeting Dates:

March 11, 2010 May 13, 2010
July 8-11 @ NNSDO Conference
September 10, 2010 November 5, 2010

Legends Spotlight: Gail Anderson

Gail Sharon Post Anderson grew up in a farm family in the small central Nebraska community of Shelton. She was the youngest of three children and graduated Shelton High with 23 other classmates! The University of Nebraska Lincoln and Omaha campuses where she received a BSN were the big time! With her nursing license in hand, Gail spent a summer working at Mount Sinai Medical Center in NYC and then joined the year-long PEEP (Professional Experience Expansion Program for BSN graduates --- forerunner of the current day new grad program) offered by Los Angeles County Medical Center.

After "Big County" and a return to graduate school, Gail held positions at some of the most prestigious institutions in Los Angeles County during her 35 year nursing career: Assistant Director, Nursing Education at Centinela Valley Medical Center; Nursing Instructor, Los Angeles Valley College; Associate Director, Nursing Education and member of interim Director of Nursing triad, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

(CSMC); Division Director, Daily Operations and Assistant Director, Information Systems, and Manager of Case Management, Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center; and Director of Case Management and Director of Quality, Glendale Adventist Medical Center. She had the opportunity to coordinate a number of Joint Commission surveys and assist with the opening of the first Centinela tower. She participated in the joining of the Mount Sinai and Cedars of Lebanon nursing staffs in the 1976 new CSMC, an experience of a lifetime! The Nursing Education staff at CSMC reached 50 during Gail's tenure.

Degrees include BSN from University of Nebraska, MSN in medical-surgical nursing with a minor in nursing education from UCLA, and MBA from CSUN. Gail earned a CPHQ (Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality) certification. Healthcare and nursing education, management, case management and critical pathways, quality and information systems were among the specialties Gail pursued in the non-



clinical acute care setting. Professional organizations have been numerous but none were more loved or important than OHE. Gail has been a charter member of ASHET (American Society for Healthcare Education and Training), the forerunner of OHE, since the 70's. She held numerous offices including President in 1988, when ASHET and the Inservice Council of Los Angeles joined forces. As a member of the Council of Past Presidents (COPPs) she stays in touch with current issues.

Gail retired in 2002 to assist her husband of 42 years, James Anderson, with a family business. They reside in Sherman Oaks, CA, and have a son Brian, a daughter Darcy Gassel and three beautiful grandchildren: grandson Aidan, 5 and granddaughters, Skyler, 3, and Charlie, 8 months, who keep her smiling throughout her daily routines.

-Susan Shieff, RN, MS



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