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CHLA: Magnet Status!

March, 2008

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) made "...official..." what so many patient families, and those within the profession, have come to know — that this hospital is a very, very special place, and its nurses are, too. Notification that Children's Hospital Los Angeles had been granted **Magnet Recognition**, the culmination of an extended process that began under the leadership of Vice President and CNO Mary Dee Hacker more than three years ago, occurred in front of a large

assembly of Nursing staff. The Magnet application process was under the direction of Susan Cline, who is now operations manager in the Newborn and Infant Critical Care Unit, and it involved more than 100 nurses in the creation of a document, with addenda, of more than 3,500 pages. The Magnet Recognition Program® was developed by the American Nurses Credentialing Center to recognize health care organizations that provide nursing excellence. Only five-percent of the hospitals in the United



States have received Magnet Recognition, including Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and UCLA Medical Center here in Los Angeles, and only the very best children's hospitals throughout the country.

CHLA has an enviable reputation, not only in Los Angeles, but, increasingly, throughout the country and around the world. Clearly, it would not be as respected as it is without its nurses. Mary Dee Hacker stated: "We have enormous respect for what they do. We value them. We appreciate them."

OHE Board Member Receives High Honor from PAC/LAC

May 29th, 2008 PAC/LAC Meeting *Quality of Life for Families XII: Improving the Outcomes of Pregnancy.*

Lourdes C. Salandanan, MSN, RN-BC, NP-C received the Ellen R. Silver Award for Nursing Leadership for her "unwavering dedication and excellence in nursing, education, and leadership in the perinatal community". I couldn't quite understand why I received the award, but then I spoke with the President of the Board and she said she felt that our staff has constantly communicated the support, mentorship, and information they receive from my staff and I.



From left to right: Kimberly Uyeda, MD, MPH (President of the PAC/LAC) Board of Directors); Cynthia Fahey, MSN, RN, PHN (Executive Director of PAC/LAC); Lourdes (Jennifer Pavelka (Research and Evaluation Manager of PAC/LAC).

OHE VP of Membership in the News Once Again!

Lourdes C. Salandanan, OHE Vice-President of Membership was inducted as the president-elect of the Iota Sigma Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) Honor Society of Nursing. The induction ceremonies took place on Friday, April 25th at the Upper Turner Hall at the Azusa Pacific University in Glendora, California.

Along with her responsibilities, she has also accepted the responsibility of assisting STTI members in the Philippines in chartering a STTI chapter in the country. Lourdes is also a new STTI ambassador and is planning to meet with key nursing leaders and academicians in the Philippines and Singapore in July.

Congratulations Lourdes!

Double Recognition for Maria Aurora Suarez, CVMC

Ms. Maria Aurora Suarez was new to staff development when she joined the Citrus Valley Medical Center Education Department in 2005. At the time of her entry into our department, we knew very little about her and her abilities and yet because of earlier experiences with her and strong recommendations, we trusted that she would be an effective educator. Little did we know that she was a genuine gift wrapped gem. She has been directly involved and has been a key to the success of projects such as: the performance based nursing orientation; the rapid response team, the CVHP Critical Care Symposium, the CVHP MAP (Mentorship and Development Program), annual educational programs, and in-service coordination. This year has been very exciting for Ms. Suarez. She was surprised to receive recognition from two separate organizations at two different occasions. Ms. Suarez is the recipient of the Excellence in Education Award from the Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI), Honor Society of Nursing. She received this recognition during the Iota Sigma Chap-



Pictured above, R-L: Lourdes Salandanan and Ms. Maria Aurora Suarez

ter's induction ceremonies on Friday, April 25th. Her second surprise came during the Nurses' Week Celebrations on May 8th when she received the Nurse of the Year Award at Citrus Valley Medical Center. Her colleagues are very happy for her. Maria is a deserving, enthusiastic young lady, and excellent educator.

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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.

Remaining 2008 Board Meeting Dates:

July 24, 2008

September 11, 2008

November 13, 2008

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

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Save the Dates for 2008 Events

The remainder of 2008 has some great topics for our OHE events! Here is what we have planned:

June 27, 2008

CHLA
Greg DeBourgh, RN, EdD
"High-Impact Instructional Design: Interactive Learning Strategies & Hands-On Power-Point Workshop"*

*Program Brochure available on our website

September 26, 2008

Methodist Hospital, Arcadia Dr.
Felicita De La Cruz
"Grant Writing"

November 7, 2008

Lynette Dahlman, RN, MSN
"Facilitation Basics for the Healthcare Educator"



Other Educational Events:
NNSDO Annual Conference:
July 10-13, Minneapolis, MN

Interested in any or all of these events? Go to our Website for details!
<http://www.o-h-e.net/>

Welcome New Members!

OHE is excited to welcome 9 new members who have joined since March 2008:

- Prem Sahgal, Whittier PIH
- Lucinda Joye Bramlett, LA Pierce College
- Joanne Antall, Torrance Memorial
- Lorraine Daskal, Kaiser Permanente
- Joyce Johnson, Kaiser Permanente
- Presnida Sevilleja, Kaiser Permanente
- Frances Guzek, CHLA
- Cindy Rowlett, CHLA
- Marsha Sato, Mt St. Mary's College

Becoming a member has many benefits! Meeting peers and sharing tools and tips, networking for professional and personal success and contributing to the educational goals of our colleagues as well as the profession of Nursing.

Become a part of something outstanding!

Contact Lourdes Salandanan for Membership information:

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Or go to our website for an application.

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