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President’s Message

Autumn – The Season of Vibrant Color and a Flourish of Activity

When I think of autumn, I think of bright colorful leaves falling from the trees and covering the ground like a vibrant overcoat. When the wind blows, there is a rush of activity as the leaves swirl upward only to float to the ground once more. This excites me, because autumn is truly a time for AzNA to flourish. There are two particular activities that I would like to share with you.

First, with elections so close to us, advocacy at AzNA has been revving its engine as our political action committee addressed the propositions and vetted candidates for the August primaries and November general elections. AzNA member volunteers worked hard to know and understand the candidates and recommended endorsements to those that clearly demonstrate responsible awareness of nurses’ needs. Did you know that one in 86 Arizonans is a nurse? The elections are rocking the walls and paving the future with this AzNA activity and you can be involved and part of that future even if you are not an APRN. I think we all want healthcare to be affordable and accessible and having APRNs practice to their full scope can only get us closer to that reality.

There are many other flourishing activities going on at AzNA this autumn, too numerous to name here. So what are your autumn plans? Is it time for you to become involved in areas that you are passionate about? In areas that affect your practice? In areas that need your energy? I don’t know about you, but I want to create the future, not watch it be created and live with the consequences. I want to better the profession of nursing, not just let it happen. I want to leave the world a better, healthier place because nurses can … And that is why I am involved and active in the many flourishing activities of the AzNA.

Kindest regards,
Carol

Carol J. Stevens

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AzNA Wishes You a Happy Holiday Season

Holiday Hours:

AzNA offices will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day, November 27 & 28th

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Colleen Sweeney RN, BS

Do you love scripting? If you’re like most nurses I speak with around the country, your resounding answer is “NO!” An overwhelming number of people in healthcare DO NOT like it. But experts agree that scripting works: its effectiveness has been proven in other industries, and some research links scripting to higher patient-satisfaction scores.

Since most nurses hate it, though, I won’t even try to change your mind. Instead, I want to introduce you to an idea called “unscripting.” Please hear me out.

Some time ago, I realized that all of us are scripted. Just as most of us have a limited repertoire of foods we eat regularly, we say pretty much the same things at the same touch points. We have a tendency to favor words, phrases, and exclamations, which we call our own. Just ask anyone close to you if there is something you say all the time. Or ask someone to recall your version of, “Hello. How are you?” Another great exercise is to ask the people you live with to tell you something you say all the time. You may be surprised!

The idea of “unscripting” came to me the day I got the dreaded call—the one that starts with “Are you in charge?” Uh-oh. (That’s usually not a good sign.) The woman on the other end of the line said, “Are you the director of customer service in the hospital?” When I answered in the affirmative, she said, “Then you need to tell the admitting lady to stop wishing ‘good luck’ to every patient having surgery.” The caller asked me if luck was what was needed to get out of the hospital unscathed. I thought to myself, ‘How can this be? No one at my hospital would be that thoughtless!’

When I spoke with the admitting staff, they all realized that they said “good luck” to every patient, and, beginning to understand the effect of their well-intentioned words, they felt heartstuck. One kind employee told me that, even though she said “good luck,” she silently said a prayer once the patient turned away. Unfortunately, though, patients never heard the sweet prayers offered on their behalf—only that luck is needed to survive. I knew we could do better, so I worked with the admitting staff to “unscript” their words. “Unscripting” involves thinking about the words we use regularly and asking, “Are these the best words I could use in this situation? How might others perceive what I’m saying? What would I like said to me if I were a patient in this situation?”

Frontline healthcare professionals make it clear that they are not yet receptive to scripting, no matter how hard management tries to sell it to them. So, to fix that, maybe we can take the first step and examine our daily scripts. Instead “good luck,” you may want to suggest statements like, “We will take great care of you,” “You’re in the best possible hands,” or “We’re here for you.” Any of these lines are better than “good luck.”

We need to examine our current scripts and rid organizations of thoughtless comments that are potentially harmful to the patients we intend to heal. Let’s call it an exercise in empathy.
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Arizona Nurses Using Their Voice to Influence Public Policy

1919 – AZNA Starts Its 95 Year Journey to Advance and Promote Professional Nursing in Arizona

On June 9, 1921 the Arizona Nurse Practice Act became law. On June 14, 1921 the Arizona State Board of Nurse Examiners was created. Because the board had no money, ASNA loaned them $259 for start up costs such as a typewriter. If the State Board failed to repay the debt the typewriter would become the property of ASNA.

1921 – Nurses Association and State Board of Nursing; The Partnership Begins and is Still Strong Today!

The “Nurse Practice Act” was presented to the state legislature. Nurses from around the state were asked to contact their legislators urging them to vote “yes” on this bill. On the last day of the legislative session the bill still hadn’t been heard, so the ASNA took action.

2003 – AZNA Proposes New Law to Protect Nurses

Update to ARS 32-1636: Only a person who

Kathy Player (right) A Z N A  P r e s i d e n t , 2 0 0 1 - 2 0 0 5 and Adda Alexander, RN (left) from the Arizona Hospital and Healthcare Association speak at a press conference on the Whistle Blower Protection bill at the State Capitol in 2003. On September 18, 2003, Arizona’s Patient Safety Reporting and Nonretaliatory Policies Act became effective. The statute required that each health care institution adopt a policy that prohibits retaliation against a health professional who, in good faith, makes a report to a health care institution concerning activities, policies, or practices that a health professional reasonably believes: (1) violate professional standards of practice or are against the law; and (2) pose a substantial risk to the health, safety, or welfare of a patient.

2003 – AZNA Advocates for Title “Nurse” Protection

Update to ARS 32-1636: Only a person who holds a valid and current license to practice registered nursing in this state or in a party state pursuant to section 32-1660 may use the title “nurse,” “registered nurse,” “graduate nurse” or “professional nurse” or the abbreviation “R.N.”

Edith Snowden, RN, Chairman of ASNA’s committee of legislation, took some of her committee members down to the legislative chambers to see what they could do. Miss Snowden said in an interview “We went into the balcony (of the legislative chambers) with bags of peanuts, jelly beans and popcorn to ward off the hunger pangs. We sent word down to the Chairman of the Legislature that we were prepared to stay until our bill was passed. The legislators looked in our direction several times to see if we meant what we said. Finally at 2am the bill was passed.”

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2013: Medicaid Restoration and Expansion. 
Nurses Front and Center at the Legislature

A Message from Governor Brewer 
to Arizona Nurses

May 1, 2013

Arizona faces its most important health care issue since the creation of our unique Medicaid system – AHCCCS - thirty years ago. Twice, the voters of Arizona have supported AHCCCS coverage of childless adults up to 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. My Medicaid Restoration Plan will not only honor the will of those voters, it will also provide critical health coverage to Arizona’s working poor, create thousands of quality jobs and reduce the impacts of uncompensated care upon our hospitals and Arizona families. 

Let me thank you for the support of the Arizona Nurses Association in this important effort. I know many of you have e-mailed or met personally with your legislators as you ask for their vote in favor of restoration. But I still need your help. Your voices need to be heard!

I would appreciate it if you would contact your legislators by e-mail, by phone or by good old-fashioned letter to let them know that you support Medicaid restoration for childless adults. Share with them how the lack of health care coverage impacts your patients and leads to tragic results. Assure them that the cost-effective services provided to AHCCCS patients meet the standards of care and professionalism required for any patient.

As National Nurses Week approaches, I particularly want to thank you for your help and for the vital service and care you provide to Arizona citizens.

Sincerely,

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

AZNA Nurses Front and Center at Governor’s Press Conference

Since nurses are the most trusted profession (gallup poll for the 12 years), AzNA was asked to be front and center during press conference #2. We made sure our message was delivered.

2014 – AZNA Recruited to Support Proposition 480

As a result of our letter of support, nurses were included on the promotional lawn signs. We were told that nurses were listed first because we continuously rate the highest in local polls for trust. (We already knew that!)

2014 – AzNA became the “go to” resource after it was announced that a nurse in Dallas had been diagnosed with the Ebola virus.

Governor Brewer speaks in support of restoring and expanding Medicaid (2013). Nurses are intentionally placed behind her.

Robin Schaeffer, ED, AzNA was interviewed by 5 different local media groups the day after this announcement.
Everyone is looking for extra money and ways to stay healthy. Here’s a place to look that you may not have considered. Eating out can be one of life’s pleasures but Americans love eating out in a big way. The average American eats out between 4 and 5 times a week. The average cost of a meal is $12.75. That’s about $51 to $60 a week, per person. Here are some easy ways to cut the cost of eating out.

Drink water at the restaurant. The average glass of wine is around $7. Of course alcoholic drinks at a restaurant are expensive, but even soft drinks can run $2.50 or more. That’s $10 for a family of four or $14 for 2 glasses of wine. It adds up.

Think portion control. Share an entrée with a friend. When you are served an entrée that looks like a serving for 2 or 3 people, if you can’t share it, divide it in half right away. Ask your server for a box and take the other half home for another meal. You will be doing your wallet AND your waistline a favor.

Check out Groupon and Living Social. Both have some great deals for saving while eating out.

Eat lunch instead of dinner. If you have your eye on a special place but it’s pretty pricey, think about lunch. Many restaurants serve lunch until 3pm or 4pm.

Look for “Early Bird” or Happy Hour specials. Many places have specials at specific times of the day or week to bring customers in when it’s slow. Take advantage.

Are you above or below the national average of $51-60 per week? That’s a whopping $225 a month. Over $2,500 a year! If you use a credit or debit card for restaurant purchases, review your spending for the last few months. You may be very surprised at how much you spend and decide to use some of these tips or even cut back on eating out. The health angle for eating at home is that you know what goes into that salad. I recently had the Asian Chopped Salad at a national chain restaurant thinking I was making a smart calorie choice. It was yummy but later when I checked myself I was making a smart calorie choice. It was yummy but later when I checked www.caloriecounter.com I found it was 800 calories! You just might promote your health and be able to give yourself a raise by eating at home more often!

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As opportunities for traditional clinical experiences decrease in nursing education, Experiential Learning (EL) can provide alternatives to direct patient care. Experiential Learning is consistent with recommendations to engage in innovation models in order to transform nursing education (Benner, Surpren, Leonard, & Day, 2010, NCSBN, 2005).

The Arizona State Board of Nursing approved a proposal submitted by Chamberlain College of Nursing’s Phoenix campus to pilot an innovative EL model. As part of this model, the campus reduced the direct patient care hours in each clinical course from 96 to 48. Lab and simulation, virtual learning, and alternative activities comprised the remaining 48 hours and were specifically designed to meet course outcomes.

Activities in the skill and simulation labs complement the direct patient care student experience by presenting realistic scenarios that integrate psychomotor skills with meaning and practice. They further increase familiarity with client conditions that students may not encounter in agencies (Lisko & O’Dell, 2010). One example of a scenario utilized for senior students simulates the delivery of nursing care to multiple patients through a combination of manikins and live actors. This serves to reinforce the concepts of prioritization and delegation. In addition, the use of carefully chosen virtual learning products increases students’ abilities to transfer knowledge to real life settings. Alternative hours created by faculty specifically for each clinical course occur in multitudes of settings such as an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting or teaching newborn care to Native Health childbearing women while emphasizing health concepts.

EL components are evaluated as pass/fail. Measures of program evaluation such as the NCLEX-RN pass rates as well as persistence and student satisfaction have remained stable during the pilot. Early student feedback included the fear of not gaining proficiency in skills due to the decreased direct patient care hours, but this has become less evident as end of course surveys now contain such statements as “so realistic; learned so much.” Recent graduates stated they did not always like completing the EL hours while in the program. However, when they described their participation and experiences in the variety of clinical settings to recruiters they found the experiences “got me my nursing position.”

In summary, lessons we learned while implementing the model include planning for sufficient budgeting, providing enough lab and debriefing space, and sufficient personnel to staff the various settings. Debriefing after the EL experiences was critical. Students were provided time and specific methods of reflecting on activities they had performed to enhance learning. A non-judgmental learning environment was essential to the EL success.

The EL model has proven to be an effective way to enhance student learning while decreasing the need for clinical agency experiences for Chamberlain Phoenix. Innovative models of experiential learning within nursing can help prepare graduates for practice in a variety of settings (Spector & Odom, 2012).

References

For more information, contact Belinda Hardy, Human Resource Specialist, at (520) 663-5049.
Teri Pipe selected as 2014 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Executive Nurse Fellow

Teri Pipe, PhD, RN, dean of Arizona State University’s College of Nursing & Health Innovation, has been named a 20 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Executive Nurse Fellow for 2014. Pipe joins a select group of nurses from across the country in a three-year leadership development program that is enhancing the effectiveness of nurse leaders who are working to improve the United States health care system.

“I am honored to participate in this important program, and am passionate about making the most of this opportunity to make positive change in the health of our communities across the United States,” Pipe said.

Dr. Melanie Logue, DNP, inducted as 2014 AANP Fellow

Dr. Melanie Logue, DNP Program Chair at Grand Canyon University, was inducted as a 2014 AANP Fellow and has made highly significant, ongoing contributions to advanced practice nursing in the areas of research and policy.

Robin Schaeffer earns Certified Association Executive Status

Robin Schaeffer, MSN, RN, CNE, CAE, Executive Director, AzNA has earned the Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation. This is the highest professional credential in the association industry. Less than 5 percent of all association professionals have earned their CAE. The designation is designed to elevate professional standards, enhance individual performance, and identify association professionals who demonstrate the knowledge essential to the practice of association management.

AzNA awarded Community Partner Award

During the 7th Annual Dream Discover Deliver Awards held on October 30, 2014, The Arizona Nurses Association received the Community Partner Award given by the ASU College of Nursing & Health Innovation. This award was earned through years of dedication, volunteerism and community leadership. AzNA is proud to be selected for this award as an organization that has had significant impact on the college.

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Quick Guide to Nursing Practice

As a professional nurse, you will face many challenges throughout your career. These challenges will test your ability to influence and direct the practice of nursing. The Quick Guide to Nursing Practice provides information and resources to assist you in successfully overcoming the predictable and sometimes unpredictable challenges to your professional nursing practice.

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My name is Eric Sartori. I’m 36 and recently graduated from Glendale Community College. I was hired by a local hospital and am currently in the throes of orientation. I’m so thankful to be working as a progressive care nurse on a cardiac unit, having been hired only months after securing an Associate’s Degree.

My journey to becoming a nurse started when I recognized that one of my greatest commodities is my compassion and love for people. When I tell my patients that I was an electrician for 14 years before becoming a nurse, they often react in amazement that I’ve made such a radical career change. I agree that nursing is very different from putting on work boots and working on a job site; bending pipe and pulling wire. I like to be reminded that being an electrician has given me some unique advantages. I’m used to being aware of the invisible things that can kill a person. As an electrician, energizing the wrong piece of cable at the wrong time could be devastating if not fatal. As a nurse, giving the wrong medication or failing to wash hands between patients can have dire consequences. Failure to recognize the fears and anxieties of my patients can be disheartening and dehumanizing.

My past aside, I am driven by compassion, the opportunity to provide excellent patient care and the ability to make a difference in people’s lives in their time of need. With every step forward that I take I am grateful for and mindful of my calling and humbled by excellent instructors and preceptors who have helped prepare me for what I am doing today. It feels so good to have found a home in a profession that, in my opinion, is made up of the most amazing people in the world.

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Are you a healthy nurse and a role model for wellness? Too often, RNs neglect their own care and health, forgetting to take the advice they give their patients. Stress, fatigue, poor diet, lack of exercise and time, as well as occupational health risks, threaten nurse health on a daily basis. RNs need to practice self-care to ensure they are at their optimal health level. ANA defines a healthy nurse “as one who actively focuses on creating and maintaining a balance and synergy of physical, intellectual, emotional, social, spiritual, personal and professional wellbeing. A healthy nurse lives life to the fullest capacity, across the wellness/illness continuum, as they become stronger role models, advocates, and educators, welling/illness continuum, as they become stronger role models, advocates, and educators, and work environments, and ultimately for their patients.” Furthermore, ANA has developed the following HealthyNurse constructs:

Calling to Care
• Caring is the interpersonal, compassionate offering of self, as nurses build relationships with their patients and their families, while helping them meet their physical, emotional, and spiritual goals, for all ages, in all health care settings, across the care continuum.

Priority to Self-Care
• Self-care and supportive environments enable the nurse to increase the ability to effectively manage the physical and emotional stressors of the work and home environments.

Opportunity to Role Model
• The healthy nurse confidently recognizes and identifies personal health challenges in themselves and their patients; enabling them and their patients to overcome the challenge in a collaborative, non-accusatory manner.

Responsibility to Educate
• Using non-judgmental approaches, considering adult learning patterns and readiness to change, nurses must empower others by sharing health and safety knowledge, skills, resources, and attitudes.

Authority to Advocate
• Nurses are empowered to advocate on numerous levels, including personally, interpersonally, within the work environment and the community, and at the local, state, and national levels in policy development and advocacy.

To assist RNs on their wellness journeys, ANA, in collaboration with Pfizer Inc, created a health risk appraisal (HRA). This HRA assists participants in identifying their health, safety, and wellness risks personally and professionally. The HRA is divided into three general categories: demographics, occupational health, and health/safety/wellness. Participants can compare their personal results against ideal standards and national averages. Participants can also access an interactive web wellness portal for further resources. A heat graph allows participants to easily evaluate their results: red denotes high risk, yellow medium risk, and green low to no risk. It takes approximately twenty minutes to complete the HRA. Participation in the HRA will help to build a unique nurse-specific personal and occupational health-related aggregated data base. Secure and HIPAA-compliant, the HRA is free and available to all RNs and nursing students. Take the HRA today at www.anahra.org!

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Jean Watson –
Living Legend

Andrea Utley, RN, MSN

Nurse theorists are vital to the nursing profession. They develop, explain and enhance the profession. Without them, we risk becoming stagnant and failing to provide patients with the care they deserve. Florence Nightingale created the nursing profession based on this very principle. Known as “The Lady of the Lamp,” she developed the first Nursing Theory. Her theory states “Patients are to be put in the best condition for nature to act on them; it is the responsibility of nurses to reduce noise, to relieve patients’ anxieties, and to help them sleep.” Nursing theories underpin what we know and do as nurses.

Dr. Jean Watson, PhD, RN, AHN-BC, FAAN, Founder/Director Watson Caring Science Institute; Distinguished Professor, Dean Emerita at University of Colorado Denver, College of Nursing; and Anschutz Medical Center and American Academy of Nursing, Living Legend, 2013 developed The Caring Theory. The Caring Theory incorporates Caring Science. According to Watson “Caring Science encompasses a humanitarian, human science orientation to human caring processes, phenomena and experiences.” Caring science includes arts and humanities as well as science. I have worked in several hospitals that have incorporated this very theory into their care and personally seen the amazing results when nurses use caring science to care for their patients. When nurses provide human compassion, healing improves and health is promoted.

We are honored to have Dr. Jean Watson as our keynote speaker again at the Promise of Nursing on May 1, 2015 at the Biltmore. This event hosts thousands of nurses and celebrates the caring and healing touch they provide every day. I had the pleasure to meet Dr. Watson at a previous Promise of Nursing event and am delighted at her return. I am looking forward to hearing about her innovative work surrounding Caring Science.

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