

June 2010

*The Greater North Carolina Chapter of the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses*

Dear GNCCARN members

It is hard to believe a year has already passed. It has been an honor to serve as your president. As an organization we will continue to advance the quality of rehabilitation nursing service throughout the community. As our Mission states, we do this by:

- Offering education opportunities which promote an awareness and interest in rehabilitation nursing and improve the expertise of personnel on all levels;
- Facilitating the exchange of ideas in rehabilitation programs; and
- Representing and promoting the objectives of the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses

We have a great regional network of rehabilitation nurses. Just recently the Region III Conference was held in sunny Florida. Everyone attending reported that it was a fantastic conference for education, networking and just plain fun. Another exciting opportunity to get to Florida is ARN's 36th Annual Educational Conference. It is just around the corner September 29<sup>th</sup> - October 2, 2010 at the same location in Florida. *Don Kautz, PhD RN CRRN CNE* a member of GNCCARN will be giving the Keynote session; *Create the Art, Science, and Magic of Rehabilitation Nursing*. For a brief Youtube preview of the conference you can go to:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OuxvZcyboNI> . Registration is now open!

We have a great chapter and I'm proud to be a part of GNCCARN. I hope to continue to be a part of GNCCARN and the rehabilitation network. Thanks you for the opportunity to serve as your President.

Respectfully,

Beth Hubbartt

## Region 3, Orlando Florida- Judy Motsinger

As usual, the last conference I went to was my favorite. I joined the other Region 3 members to visit Mickey and Minnie in Orlando and it was not a disappointment.

Since I took the 3 oldest grandgirls and a daughter, son in law, sister and brother in law you may wonder how I made it to the classes. Does the fact that we were there 4 days during a heat wave before the conference began give you a clue??

I love my family but duty awaited and I even attended the Region 3 meeting Friday morning led by Director Lisa Pervin. Region efforts and accomplishments were discussed. We are one of the most active Regions. ARN Healthcare Site will stay updated with health reform info and we have a Lobbyist, Jeremy, who works to protect and increase our say. Efforts are being made to increase our workforce, support Rehab Research and Education and support brain injury initiatives.

We had 40 vendors and several good meals of course. The speakers covered strokes and intervention, (awesome slides) bilateral joint replacements (new table to position the patient so he/she would not have to flip over for second hip), pharmacology, (not about drugs but the effect on a body and how everyone should have labs to see how drugs affect them).

One of the vendors lectured about mobility and standing devices which are available. Demonstration below.



Don Kautz was there to present difficult discharges and shared information about families who took people home with BIG CHALLENGES. He also will be the Keynote speaker for nationals and had the group make a video to advertise this fall's conference in Orlando.



Pitt sent a vendor and the Charlotte Chapter had 2 members present. Halina Craig won an Ipad touch but would not share it with several of us who offered to take her door prize home with us.



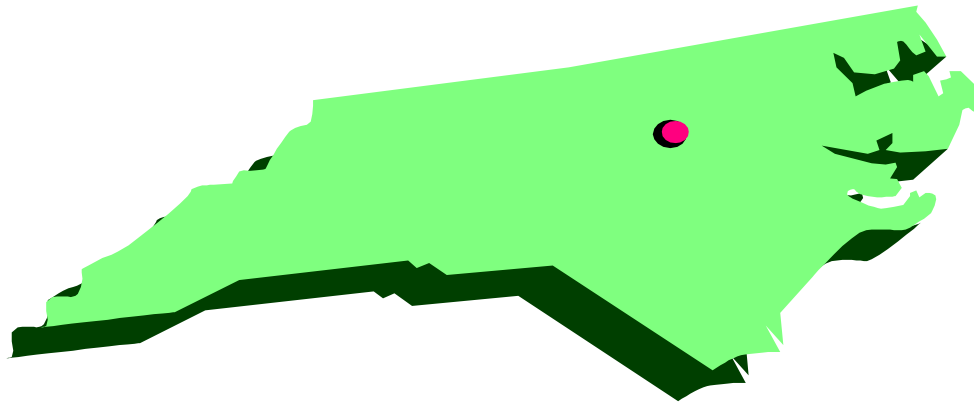
We had fun.

ARN Elections Open June 1-30, 2010

Our Chapter nominations will be mailed or emailed soon.

President elect, secretary and 2 board seats need to be filled. Please send self nomination paragraph about yourself to [motsinger@mindpring.com](mailto:motsinger@mindpring.com). Many meetings are at conferences, in Raleigh or simply emails. We need your help to stay a strong chapter.

Beth, Denise, Tammy and Janie have joined forces to offer the middle of the state a chance to meet and enjoy mobility and neuro lectures, see a Telestroke robot in action, and hear Don speak of discharges and how to make the impossible, possible. Please join us at the J. Paul Sticht Center, part of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center..



## *Calendar*

June 18, 2010 at the Sticht Center, WFUBMC, Winston Salem

Neurorehabilitation: A Nursing Perspective

36th ARN Annual Educational Conference taking place September 29 - October 2, 2010, in Orlando, FL.

[Register Now](#) and Save \$100     [rehabnurse.org](http://rehabnurse.org)

October 21 and 22, 2010. CRRN prep course hosted by PCMH, Greenville, NC

April 14 and 15, 2011 GNCCARN Spring conference at Wrightsville Beach

Spring 2012 Greenville/ Spartanburg Area will host the Region 3 conference with SC Chapter.