ALASKA NURSES ASSOCIATION

Celebrating 50 Years
AaNA PRESIDENTS

1950-2003
Elizabeth Fritz / Anchorage 
Office Nurse 
1951-53

Trudy Jurgeleit / Seward 
Public Health 
1953-56

Kitty Gair / Juneau-Douglas 
Public Health 
1956-60
Bernadine Mutch/Anchor Point
1960-62
Public Health

Helen Graves/Anchorage
1962-67
Psychiatric

Claudia Cass/Anchorage
1967
Hospital
Jean Frank/Sitka-Mt. Edgecumbe
1967-69
School

Ruth Benson/Fairbanks
1969-73
UAF-Student Health

Arne Beltz/Anchorage
1973-75
Public Health
Mona Raven/Anchorage  
1975-79  
UAA School of Nursing

Margo Piazza with ANA President Barbara Nichols  
1979-80

Kay Lahdenpera/Anchorage  
Public Health  
1980-81
Mindy Law/Anchorage
Public Health
1980-83

Janet Lamm Buness/Wrangell
Nursing Administration
1983-85

Jackie Pflaum/Anchorage
UAA School of Nursing
1985-87
Connie Trollan/Juneau
ANP/Public Health
1988-89

• Patti Hong/Anchorage
  UAA School of Nursing
  1989-93
• Wanda Ferris/Anchorage
  Administration
  1993-95
Gail McGuill/Anchorage
Health Care Administration
1995-97

Theresa Lyons/Fairbanks
Entrepreneur
1997-99
Louise Blanton
1st Executive Director, 1960-64

Mona Raven
Outgoing ED Betty Kester (1964-75)
Interim ED Lucille Garrison
Carol Dilliplate, 1978-1981

Arlys Loew
Ann Cannon
Administrative Assistant
c1989 - 2000
Diane O’Connell, Labor Director
Camille Soleil, Executive Director
Rolanda Watson, Administrative Assistant

Valerie Baffone, Labor Program
AaNA NURSE EDITORS
• 1951-53  Betsy Fritz, Anchorage
• 1953-56  Ruth Cooper, Seward
• 1956     Kitty Gair, Juneau
• 1956-58  Margaret Field, Seward (AKRN received award for best feature/news story and honorable mention for excellence in 1958)
• 1958-59  Phylis Smith & Nancy Dale, Ketchikan
• 1959-60  Philis Smith
• 1960-61  Ann DeGrazia
• 1961     Louise Blanton
• 1961-69  Elva Scott, Anchorage (AKRN received awards for best feature, general improvement & best article in 1966, best feature in 1968)
• 1969-72  Kitty Gair, Juneau/Douglas
- 1972  Helen Hartigan
- 1972-75  Lucille Garrison & Jennievive Westwick, Fairbanks
  (award for best article in 1972)
- 1978-79  Pat Steige & Karen Willoughby, Anchorage
- 1979-81  Margaret Baldwin & Gail Moses, Anchorage
- 1981-85  Ruth Benson, Fairbanks
- 1985-86  Daryl Young
- 1986-89  Megha Hammaker
- 1989-95  Kathy North Trautner
- 1996  Nicky Thude
Governor Hendrickson signs the Nursing Mandatory Licensure Law in 1953 with Kitty Gair (far right) in attendance
Rie Munoz illustrates “Nursing in the North 1867-1967”
Helen Graves at right

The Alaska Nurse receives AJN award for best article by a nurse member, 1968
The Arne Beltz Building, Anchorage

1st Alaska RN Licensee
(Helen Hendricks, Ketchikan, 1943)
and 5000th Alaska RN Licensee
(Karen Willoughby, Anchorage, 1973)
Doris Southall and Mona Raven, Homer Doris received lifetime AaNA membership in 1974

Arne Beltz receives AJN Award for Best Feature Article by a member, 1972
Martin Buser champions AaNA’s “I Did It By Two” Immunization Campaign (Marcy Custer, PHN, Anchorage)
Geneva Craig, Anchorage Named 1994 Woman of Distinction by Soroptomist International
Patti Hong and Peggy Hayashi
YWCA Women of Achievement
1996

Jeanne Wolf, Jan Wills, Kay Lahdenpera Arne Beltz
YWCA Women of Achievement
(Jeanne in 1991, Kay in 1998)
AaNA CORONATIONS
AROUND THE STATE
2nd AaNA Convention, Juneau, 1953
Jeannie Ohls, 1976

Ruth Benson
1982 – Petersburg Welcome
Mary Richards, Jean Frank, Bernadette Knight, Jeannie Ohls, Doris Southall
Juneau 1967

Mona Raven
Kay Lahdenpera
Homer

Mary Richards, Ivy Caudill, Doris Southall
Sitka
Jeanne Wolf
on Clem
Tillion’s boat,
Halibut Cove

2 unidentified nurses with
Vera Longbottom and Kate Morris

Martha Valliant
Margaret Ecklund and Wanda Ferris enjoy the 2000 AaNA Convention in Anchorage.

2002 AaNA Convention
Jackie Pflaum, Pat Senner, Wanda Katinszky, Becky Bolling Barbara Miller
Always the fund-raiser!
Wanda Katinszky

Convention Tools!
ANA VISITS ALASKA
Jo-Ellen Elliot with Clair Martin, Dean UAA SON

Barbara Nichols with Margo Piazza

Ann Zimmerman
Mary Mallison, AJN editor and ANA President Lucille Joel, 1990

ANA President Virginia Trotter-Betts, 1994
Leah Curtain with Gail McGuill

Beverly Malone with Gail McGuill and Pat Senner
MEETINGS, MEETINGS
District I meeting at the 5005th Hospital, Elmendorf AFB, 1953

District 3 Meeting, Juneau
AaNA Meeting, Juneau
Kitty Gair far left
Trudy Jurgeleit, 3rd from left
AaNA BOD meeting, 1990
Justine Muench, Megha Hammaker,
Violet Rice, Marge McKelvey,
Barbara Miller

AaNA BOD 1992
Barbara Miller, Tracy ___,
Linda ___, Justine Muench,
Kathy Andress, Carolyn Smith,
Patti Hong, Carol Bromley,
Nancy Bayer, Marge McKelvey
AaNA DELEGATES
1996 ANA BIENNIAL CONVENTION

Helen Graves and Claudia Cass

Front: Claudia Cass, Helen Graves, ______
Middle: Bernadine Mutch, ______
Top: ______, Elva Scott
Ruth Benson, Fairbanks, is elected to the ANA Board of Directors (c1980)
Barbara Nichols, ANA President

Shirley Davies and Ruth Benson in Atlantic City, 1976
Gail McGuill, Kay Lahdenpera

Marge McKelvey, Patti Hong, Judy Petersen, Dawn Pope
Kansas City, 1991
Peggy Ormsby-Tipton, Teresa Lyons, Jackie Pflaum, Wanda Katinzsky, Mo Hillstrand
Washington DC, 1998

Clair Denney, Wanda Ferris, Patti Hong, Janet Buness, Gail Stewart, Jackie Pflaum
Washington DC, 1992
1960  Anchorage Community College establishes LPN program
      (Effie Anderson Graham, Director)

1973  1st graduating class, Alaska Methodist University
      (Beulah Miller, 1st Dean, Effie Anderson Graham, 2nd Dean)

1973  1st graduating class, Anchorage Community College
      ADN Program (Lorraine Carlson, Director)
Clair Martin, Dean UA, A SON and ANA President Jo-Ellen Elliot

Laura MacLachlan, Dean, UAA SON
Nancy Creason, Interim Dean, UAA SON

Tina DeLapp, Director UAA SON
DIRECTORS

CONTINUING EDUCATION

DIRECTORS
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<td>Norma Monsen</td>
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LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY
The first Nurse Practice Act passed by the Territorial Legislature in 1941
Governor Hendrickson signed the Nursing Mandatory Licensure Law in 1953
Dolores Zeis on the right

Patti Hong and Anna Webb discuss campaign strategy with Senate candidate Tony Smith
Kay Lahdenpera introduces Senator Arliss Sturgelewski, longtime friend to nursing

Candidate Jim Duncan with Kay Lahdenpera, Anna Webb, Carolyn Smith, Marie McQueen
Teresa Lyons with Governor Tony Knowles and Lt Governor Fran Ulmer

Legislative Committee Chair Jackie Pflaum with Jack Heesch, former AaNA Lobbyist
Teresa Lyons with candidate Jim Duncan

Pat Senner and Debbie Thompson with gubernatorial candidate Fran Ulmer, 2002
WE’VE SAID FAREWELL TO

- Bernadine Mutch (1985)
- Nellie McCray (1995)
- Helen Hendricks (~1996)
- Doris Southall (1996)
- Pam Ledwon (1996)
- Donna Thompson (2002)
- Kitty Gair (2002)
- Kathy Purinton Andress (2002)
THANKS TO NURSE LEADERS, AaNA HAS A STRONG FOUNDATION ON WHICH TO BUILD
HERE’S TO THE NEXT 50 YEARS!

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