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Report from the NLN Summit

The 2007 NLN Education Summit has come and gone, and I am happy to report that Kentucky was well represented. Though there were almost 1700 nurse educators in attendance, I saw many familiar faces from home as I walked through the crowds each day. The presentations were quite interesting and informative. Several presentations focused on the use of technology in nursing education to create active learning experiences for our students including the use of simulation and PDAs. I brought home many good ideas to try at our school, and I know many others from across the state did the same. Everyone was there to share their experiences and gain new knowledge to enhance our teaching and our students' learning opportunities. It was a re-energizing experience to say the least. It was good to hear others validate our efforts. I hope you will all plan to attend the Summit this year in San Antonio and consider submitting a proposal for a presentation of your experiences in nursing education. We have some fabulous talent here in Kentucky, too!

I was also able to attend the pre-conference NLN constituent league meetings where I found many exciting events occurring in our fellow constituent leagues. Nearby, Indiana and Missouri are offering several educational presentations for nurse educators and invite us to join them. Watch for their announcements in your e-mail from the NLN. By the way, if you are not receiving the NLN e-mails, be sure to go to their web site (<http://www.nln.org>), log in with your member ID, and update your member profile with a current e-mail address.

Emily Piercy, KLN President

Brother Ignatius Perkins Scholarship

The Officers and Board of the Kentucky League for Nursing are pleased to announce the establishment of the Brother Ignatius Perkins Scholarship to be awarded to a Kentucky nurse aspiring to continue his or her education with a goal of becoming a nursing faculty member. Brother Perkins served the citizens of the Commonwealth well for many years through his tireless activities supporting nursing education. Though he is no longer residing in Kentucky, he continues to encourage our efforts and maintains his ties to nursing in this area. The scholarship application is available on our web site (<http://www.nln.org/clwebsites/kentucky>) and should be returned to the KLN office by May 30, 2008. The scholarship will be awarded during the annual meeting in July.

KLN Award for Excellence in Nursing Education

Innovation and student-centered concern are not new to Kentucky nurse educators. We have colleagues doing amazing things to further the interest of nurses and nursing in the Commonwealth promoting the values of the NLN and KLN and supporting realization of our strategic goals. It's time to recognize some of these achievements! During the current academic year, who is the faculty member whose significant and innovative accomplishments in nursing education deserve to be recognized? Nominations are now being considered for the Kentucky League for Nursing's Excellence in Nursing Education Award to be presented during our annual meeting in July 2008. Nominations should be submitted to the KLN office not later than May 30, 2008. Please see our website for the criteria. (<http://www.nln.org/clwebsites/kentucky>)

KLN Annual Nurse Educators' Conference

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the next Kentucky League for Nursing Annual Nurse Educators' Conference being planned for **July 31, and August 1, 2008**, at the General Butler State Resort Park in Carrollton, Kentucky! Dr. Beverly Malone, National League for Nursing CEO, will join us to discuss some of the current issues in nursing education. Get your posters ready and watch for the call coming soon. Come see what your colleagues are doing that may give you some ideas for enhancing your teaching. Join in the collaboration that occurs. There is some great talent in Kentucky, so let's share! Further details will be coming soon.

2008 NLN Education Summit

The 2008 National League for Nursing's Education Summit is planned for **September 17-20, 2008** in San Antonio, TX. This year's theme – *The Power of Diversity in Nursing Education*. Be sure to check the NLN web site for further information on this exciting and informative event! (www.nln.org).

CNE Prep Course

Are you interested in pursuing the designation of Certified Nurse Educator? The Kentucky League for Nursing and the Indiana League for Nursing are partnering to bring a nationally recognized NLN speaker to the area for a program of Certification Preparation for the Nurse Educator credential (CNE) this fall. The CNE credential is gaining increasing importance in distinguishing nurse faculty as experts in their field. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend this KLN/ILN program. The session will be in Albany, IN, on the campus of Indiana University, across the river from Louisville, on **October 10, 2008**. Watch your e-mail for further information.

**Kentucky Board of Nursing
2nd Kentucky Nurse Educator Conference**

The Kentucky Board of Nursing will present its second Kentucky Nurse Educator Conference, Saturday, **May 17, 2008**, at the Carroll Kniceley Center in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Check with the KBN for further details of this event.

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Membership Application Form**

The **Kentucky League for Nursing** is a voluntary, not for profit 501© (3) organization. Contributions of any amount will help support the mission and goals of the League. **Being a member of NLN does not make you a member of KLN.**

Individual Membership Dues \$25.00 Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Dues (*Make check payable to Kentucky League for Nursing*)
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