

NIPISSING CHAPTER

President's Report:

The Nipissing Chapter of the GNA has had a successful year. We have attracted new members to our Executive and to our educational events.

We have a great Executive; unchanged from October 2010:

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| President | Kathy King |
| Secretary | Amanda Souter |
| Treasurer | Tamara Chapman |
| Membership | Debbie Colborne |
| Past President | Cheryl Sheppard |
| RPN Rep | Marsha Belanger |
| Student Rep | Sherry Davison |
| Professional Advocacy | Renée Madigan |
| Education | Maureen de Jourdan & Judy Borden |

Financial Report: Tamara Chapman

We have a balance of \$1900.00 as of May 12, 2011.

Membership: Debbie Hewitt Colborne

Our regular membership has increased by 2 members. As of April 30, 2011, the Nipissing Chapter has 93 members, of whom 22 are nursing students. There are 18 lapsed members with email and phone information.

Meetings:

- 2 executive meetings since October 2010
 - Event planning sub-committees meet as required
 - Executive meeting planned for June 15
- 1 educational session: Seniors Integrated Mental Health Services (March 2011)
 - Well attended at the new regional hospital
- Nursing Week dinner: *Sharing Memorable Moments in Gerontological Nursing* (May 2011)
 - Not well attended; have identified several factors
 - Loss of \$250.00

Political Advocacy:

- Email sent encouraging members to submit a postcard to MPP; requesting more funding for LTC
- Email sent encouraging members to vote in Federal election

New Initiatives:

- Thanks to our Student Representative – Sherry Davidson:
 - GNA name tags for executive and guest speaker to wear at public events
 - GNA, Nipissing Chapter pamphlet developed and PowerPoint presentation enhanced
- For Nursing Week, an email was sent to all members to celebrate gerontological nurses

- Student Representative, Sherry Davidson is planning a recruitment event for PN and BScN students in fall 2011
- Increasing use of Nipissing Chapter Gmail account

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy King, President