



IT IS THAT TIME AGAIN

Think about running for a local unit office. It is fun, educational and never dull! Learn how your union works for you in the Local Unit, across the State of Washington and across the Nation. On the job training is only one of the ways that you get the needed skills to run a Local Unit. Attendance at the Leadership Conference at Lake Chelan in September is not only informative but you earn CEUs as well. Think about running for an office in your Local Unit. Nominations will be opening the first of August. You will receive your ballot in the mail about 14 days later. Voting on the contract and holding office are privileges of dues paying members. All staff nurses are encouraged to become dues paying members. Remember, with unity comes strength and a voice in your workplace.

CONTRACTS:

Your new 2011-2014 contract is now on-line. Your individual CDs will be available in about 3-4 weeks. Be sure to watch for an announcement as to the time and place where you can come pick up your copy. It is very important that you know your rights and responsibilities under your collective bargaining agreement. The better you know your rights, the better your relationship with management will be.

ANA Needs Your Input on Workplace Hazards. Please take the survey online @

www.nursingworld.org

ALERT!!! IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE NURSING COMMISSION

The Medical Board of California recently alerted the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission about an individual fraudulently representing himself as a health care investigator in the Los Angeles area. The individual fraudulently identified himself as an investigator with the Medical Board of California when he contacts physicians requesting social security numbers and credit card numbers. He threatened cancellation of the physicians' licenses to practice if they are non-compliant with his requests. This individual is NOT associated with the Medical Board of California.

A similar scheme or the same individual could travel north along the I-5 corridor to Washington State and attempt to commit the same scam. If anyone contacts you as a Nursing Commission Investigator or Medical Commission Investigator requesting social security information or credit card information, please report the contact to your local law enforcement agency immediately, and to the Nursing Commission Unit as soon as possible.

Please direct Nursing Commission calls to 360-236-4700, or e-mail nursing@doh.wa.gov