



Kentucky League for Nursing

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Presidents Message

KLN Members,

As we have passed the midpoint of most of our fall semesters, the cooler air and decreasing daylight have arrived to remind us that Autumn is here and winter is not too far behind. I hope everyone is taking extra care of their mental and physical needs. Being healthy and sound in body and mind helps sustain the goals we want to accomplish as individuals, as teams, and as an organization.

With the shorter days I have been reflecting on this last year. COVID is still around, and hospitals, nursing homes, and nursing schools are still in crisis, and as President I wonder have we done everything we could have done to support our nurse educators. To answer this question, I looked at the NLN's and KLN's strategic goals for guidance. An organization's strategic goals should guide the organization in everything they do. Do most people even know what our goals are? These are the strategic goals for KLN as well as how we are meeting them.

GOAL 1: Enhance the NLN's national and international impact as the recognized leader in nursing education.

Drive initiatives to build inclusive excellence in the nurse educator and the environments in which they work.

- Provide monetary scholarships for service-learning projects.
- Provide scholarships for CNE Credentialing.
- Provide two PD offerings per year for nurse educator and student communities.
- Recognize outstanding innovative nurse educators at the annual conference/meeting.

Advance excellence, innovation, and integrity in nursing education across all types of nursing programs for diverse learner population.

- Provide 2 educational offerings per year for nurse educators and student communities.
- Recruit nationally known experts in their fields for PD Offerings.

Promote the preparation of a diverse nurse workforce that contributes to health care quality and safety.

GOAL 2: Lead a diverse, sustainable, member-focused organization that engages, empowers, and is responsive to nurse educators across the career continuum.

Establish a prominent role in the education and professional development of its members by shifting to a highly personalized dynamic experience.

- Survey the membership and attendees at annual conference and PD offerings
- Continue to provide an online suggestion box that encourages written evaluations for all PD Offerings.
- Maintain up to date, accurate information on current events on league website. Strengthen the value of membership through an integrated offerings portfolio for

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President's Message continued,

Strengthen the value of membership through an integrated offerings portfolio for nursing education and the community at large.

- Offer innovative products and services tailored to the unique needs of learners, faculty, and administrators.
- Explore and initiate opportunities for professional development using the league website.

GOAL 3: Be the voice of nurse educators and champion their interests and partnerships in political, academic, and professional arenas.

- Expand opportunities for the professional advancement of nurse educators.
Assign Board Members to maintain contact with other professional organizations, attend meeting and political events, and report back to the board at monthly meetings.
- Advocate for equity and recognition in the advanced practice role of nurse educators.
Assign one KLN Board of Directors members to attend the Education Committee meeting and one member to attend the Nursing Practice Committee meeting of the Kentucky Board of Nursing.
- Cultivate, expand, and sustain alliances with interprofessional and influential organizations.
Assign Board Members to maintain contact with one other professional organization and report monthly to the Board.

GOAL 4: Promote research that generates evidence about nursing education and the scholarship of teaching.

- Promote the continuous development of faculty as educator-scholars.
Increase submission of podium and poster presentations by 15%
Explore offering and incentive for conference presenters.
Include student presentations in the call for abstracts
- Advocate for and channel resources to support nursing education research.
- Assist with the transformation of nursing education through the development, design, and advancement of research initiatives.

The spring and fall conferences meet some of the goals. We started Coffee chats quarterly. We surveyed members at the Fall CE offering on the following

1. What do you see as the most important concern of nursing in Kentucky?
2. How do you envision the Kentucky League for Nursing having an impact on that issue?
3. In what ways could the Kentucky League for Nursing serve its members better?

More to come on the results of the survey.

We offer scholarships that very few educators or students apply for. We find it difficult to find members to present podium or poster presentations.

Though I want to say more, I have written too much already. But if you have additional thoughts or ideas, please let me know. My email address is luann.reed7138@gmail.com

Dr Lu Ann Reed
KLN President



Legal Nurse Consultant

What is a legal nurse consultant? A LNC is a licensed registered nurse who performs a critical analysis of clinically related issues in a variety of settings in the legal arena.

- Applies knowledge acquired during the course of professional nursing, education, training and clinical experience to the evaluation of standard of care, causation, damages, and other clinically related issues in cases or claims.
- Applies additional knowledge through education and experience regarding applicable legal standards and/or strategy to the evaluation of cases or claims.
- Critically analyzes healthcare records and medical literature, as well as relevant legal documents and other information pertinent to the evaluation and resolution of cases or claims.
- Develops case-specific work products and opinions for use by legal professionals or agencies handling cases or claims.*

What are the desirable skills for a LNC? Drive, analytical skills, attention to detail, communication skills, writing skills.

Where do LNCs work? LNCs may work as an independent contractor, in a law firm, in the insurance industry, and in corporate settings.

Is there a certification exam? There is a voluntary certification exam. However, you must have 2,000 hours of experience before taking the examination.

What does MCC's class cost? \$630 tuition and fees; approximately \$260 textbook

What is the time commitment? The class is covered in 16 weeks with one-week break in the middle of the semester. Each week, the students will read approximately 50 pages in the text, listen to accompanying lectures, and participate in a discussion board. There are approximately 6 assignments and 4 tests during the semester.

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The 19th Annual Nurse Educator Conference and Meeting

SAVE THE DATE. The annual conference will be held May 18-19, 2023. Our tentative conference theme will be “Nurse Educators as Leaders: Making A Positive Impact On Healthcare Quality.” We are planning an event that will be packed full of content to assist participants to re-group, re-focus, and re-energize.

May 2022 Conference Memories



KLN Annual Conference May 18-19, 2023

Poster Presentation and/or Podium Presentations Applications are available at <http://www.kyleaguenursing.org>. Submission applications due by April 15, 2023.



KLN OPPORTUNITIES

**At the May 2023 Conference, there will be 4 Leadership positions open including
President-Elect, Treasurer, and (2) Board of Directors**

Elections for these positions will be held at the Annual Business Meeting on May 18, 2023

Responsibilities of Board of Directors include:

Attend monthly ZOOM Board meetings August – April each year.

Attend and assist at the annual May meeting/conference each year.

Other duties as assigned for the three-year obligation.

To stay up-to-date regarding what is new with KLN, visit our website:

<http://www.kyleaguenursing.org/>

Watch your email for KLN announcements

Upcoming Events

Winter Quarterly Coffee Chat–November 16, 2022, 8:30 a.m. EST

KLN Cookbook Available Now

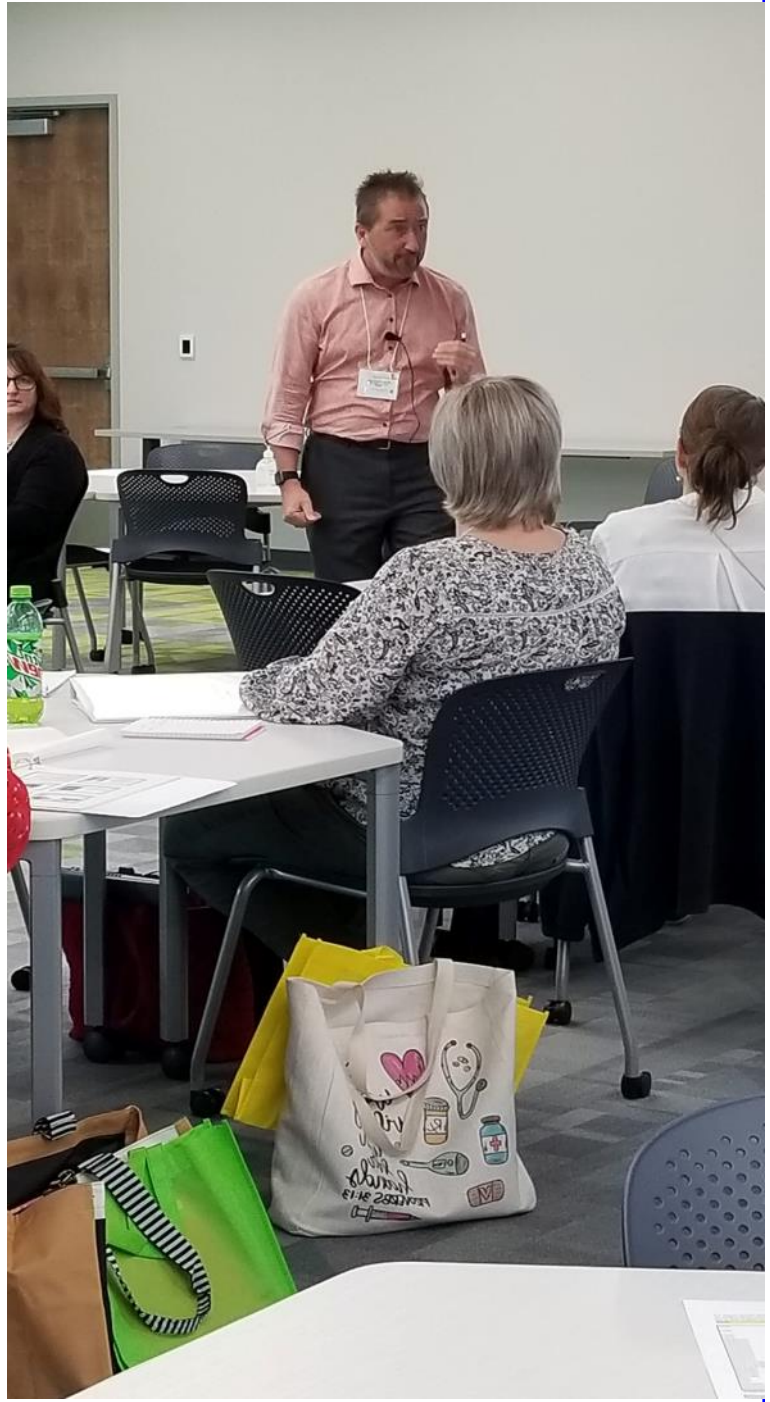
Donations for Silent Auction being accepted for May 2023 Conference



October 2022 CE Conference with Dr. Keith Rischer, RN



*Pumpkin Carved by Chef Justin Lewis at Galen



Special Thanks to Galen College of Nursing for hosting this event

**Connect with peers at the KLN Conference****SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES (Deadline April 15, 2023)**

For information about Scholarships visit: <http://www.kyleaguenursing.org>

- **KLN Nursing Faculty Scholarship—Graduate Education**
- **KLN Nursing Faculty CNE Scholarship—Certified Nurse Educator Exam**
- **Helen Watts Lester Carpenter Memorial Scholarship - Service Learning or Medical Missions Project**
- **Kentucky League for Nursing Research Scholarship**
- **Jo Ann Maurer Wever Excellence in Teaching—Nursing Education Award**
- **NurseThink Faculty Scholarship**

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**Kentucky League
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- \$250—members of KLN who register before 4/1/23
- \$275—members of KLN who register after 4/1/23
- \$125—student members of KLN (See KLN website to apply for student membership)
- \$290—non-members who register before 4/1/23 (Includes KLN Membership)
- \$315—non-members who register after 4/1/23 (Includes KLN Membership)
- Presentation materials will be available on the KLN website.
- \$25—printed materials—Check for “Yes” _____
- KLN reserves the right to cancel or alter the program if unanticipated circumstances necessitate change.