



**FOUNDATION** of the NSNA®

**Foundation Updates**

Running for the Future of Nursing



**Ken Dion**, MSN, MBA, RN, is the current treasurer of the Foundation of the NSNA® (FNSNA®); and past NSNA® treasurer (1990-91). An avid supporter of nursing students, Ken ran in the San Francisco Half Marathon on July 26, 2009 to raise money for nursing scholarships. Over the course of his training for the half marathon, he heard about **Eileen Bowden**, a school nurse who died after saving the life of a softball coach who collapsed at the school where they both worked in Santa Clara, CA. Eileen valiantly performed CPR until the paramedics arrived to take him to hospital; however, shortly after she collapsed herself and died after the paramedics left.

Ken dedicated his run to her memory and with the support of many generous donors, including NSNA® members, over \$3,200 was raised! The funds will be dedicated to the Eileen Bowden Memorial Scholarship,

which will be awarded by the FNSNA®. Please visit Ken's website <http://charity.decisioncritical.com> to learn more about Eileen's story and to support scholarships for future nurses. We all need to support our future nurses!

**Very Special Thank You**

Sylvia Rayfield & Associates (Pensacola, FL) and the University of Pittsburgh have been long time supporters of the National Student Nurses Association® (NSNA®). FNSNA® would like to thank them for continuing their support by contributing to the Forever Nursing Capital Campaign.

**Get Ready for the Masquerade Fundraiser at MidYear!**

This year's MidYear Career Planning Conference ends on Halloween, so what better time to hold a masquerade ball fundraiser? Join your fellow nursing students, faculty, and the NSNA® Board of Directors on Friday, October 30, 2009 for an evening of laughter, dancing, and scary excitement to help raise funds for scholarships. Awards for the best costumes

will be presented. For more details see the Foundation page on [www.nсна.org](http://www.nсна.org). Watch the website, and broadcast emails for further details.

**Apply for an FNSNA® Scholarship**

The 2009 FNSNA® scholarship application is now available on [www.nсна.org](http://www.nсна.org) (click on Foundation) or you can email the Foundation at [nsna@nsna.org](mailto:nsna@nsna.org), ATTN Scholarship Information. Awards range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and funds may be used for tuition, books, and academic fees. Scholarship recipients and sponsors will be recognized during NSNA's® 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Orlando, FL on April 7-11, 2010. For specific eligibility requirements please see the Foundation section on the website.

**Scholarships Awarded by FNSNA:**

**General Program** – Approximately \$125,000 is awarded annually to nursing and pre-nursing students who meet the eligibility requirements. Membership in the National Student Nurses' Association® (NSNA®) is not required; however some scholarship sponsors require NSNA® membership for eligibility.

**Career Mobility Scholarships** – Career Mobility Scholarships are awarded to nursing or pre-nursing students who are registered nurses (RNs) enrolled in RN-to-BSN and RN-to-MSN completion



**In Memory of Frances Tompkins**

The Foundation was created in honor of Frances Tompkins, NSNA's® first Executive Director.

programs; or licensed practical/vocational nurses (LPN/LVN) enrolled in programs leading to RN licensure.

***Breakthrough to Nursing Scholarships***

– Awarded to racial and ethnic minority students underrepresented in the nursing profession.

***Specialty Nursing Scholarships*** –

Awarded to students interested in pursuing specialized areas of nursing practice. Refer to the Eligibility Checklist at the end of the application for list of specialties.

***McKesson Scholarships*** – Open to all students enrolled in accredited programs leading to RN licensure.

***Promise of Nursing Scholarships*** –

Promise of Nursing scholarship funds are raised at regional gala events sponsored by Johnson & Johnson's Campaign for Nursing's Future. Scholarships are awarded to qualified applicants attending nursing programs in selected regions throughout the country. (Check the website for the eligible regions). ∞

**The Foundation of the National Student Nurses' Association General Scholarship Program awards \$125,000 annually. We sincerely thank the following sponsors who have generously supported the scholarship program for the 2009 - 2010 academic year.**

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