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MARCH - Women's History Month

In 1911 in Europe, March 8 was first celebrated as International Women's Day. In many European nations, as well as in the United States, women's rights was a political hot topic.

But with the economic depression of the 1930s which hit on both sides of the Atlantic, and then World War II, women's rights went out of fashion. In the 1950's and 1960's, after Betty Friedan pointed to the "problem that has no name" – the boredom and isolation of the middle-class housewife who often gave up intellectual and professional aspirations – the women's movement began to revive. With the "women's liberation" in the 1960s, interest in women's issues and women's history blossomed.

In 1978 in California, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women began a "Women's History Week" celebration. This week was chosen to coincide with International Women's Day, March 8th. The response was positive and many schools started to host their own Women's Week programs.

A couple of years later, the United States Congress passed a resolution establishing National Women's History Week. Then shortly after that, President Jimmy Carter signed a document at the White House in Washington on February 28, 1980 proclaiming March 2-8 as "National Women's History Week."

This recognition encouraged even wider participation in Women's History Week. Schools focused for that week on special projects and exhibitions honoring women in history. The National Women's History Project began distributing materials specifically designed to support Women's History week.

In 1987, at the request of the National Women's History Project, Congress expanded the week to a month, and the U. S. Congress has issued a resolution every year since then, with wide support, for Women's History Month. The U. S. President has issued each year a proclamation of Women's History Month.

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MARCH



UPCOMING EVENT

RN Gathering

Thursday, March 30, 2017

(come right after your work shift)

Day Shift: LaMarimba

7:30pm 411 Barton Blvd
Rockledge

Night Shift: Malibu's Sports Grill

7:30am 165 Barton Blvd.
Rockledge

FOOD PROVIDED!

Sponsored by:

Wuesthoff RN Unit, FNA, Local 713

Free CE Course

1 CE

Nancy J Brent, JD, MS, RN

Protect Yourself

Know Your Nurse Practice Act

- List four provisions included in most nurse practice acts.
- Identify the types of violations included and rights afforded the nurse licensee in most practice acts.
- Analyze how current issue of state nurse practice acts affect the nurse licensee.

<http://ce.nurse.com/course/CE548/protect-yourself-know-your-nurse-practice-act/>

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CONTRACT CORNER

Steward Health Care System, LLC Who?

Our contract negotiations have been postponed until March 2017 due to Wuesthoff Medical Center being sold to Steward Health Care System, LLC (“Steward”). We will inform our RNs by a text message when bargaining dates are schedule. If you are not receiving texts messages from us, please email your cell phone number to wuesthoffrns@gmail.com.

So, who is Steward? Steward is the largest fully integrated health care services organization and community hospital network in New England. Headquartered in Boston, Steward is one of the five largest employers in Massachusetts with more than 17,000 employees in more than 150 communities.

Steward is comprised of Steward Medical Group, Steward Healthcare Network, and Steward Hospital Group. Steward Medical Group provides approximately 1 million patient encounters per year at 152 sites and manages homecare and hospice with 300,000 and 35,000 encounters respectively. Steward Healthcare Network, a fully integrated care management company, has 3,000 physicians, with approximately 4 million patient encounters per year and affiliates or joint ventures with approximately 30 urgent care centers. Steward’s Hospital Group includes Norwood Hospital, Saint Anne’s Hospital in Fall River, St. Elizabeth’s Medical Center in Brighton, Carney Hospital in Dorchester, Good Samaritan Medical Center in Brockton, Nashoba Valley Medical Center in Ayer, Holy Family Hospital in Haverhill and Methuen, Morton Hospital in Taunton, and New England Sinai Hospital in Stoughton.

Steward has acquired three hospitals from Community Health Systems in Florida: Wuesthoff Medical Center in Melbourne, Wuesthoff Medical Center in Rockledge, and Sebastian River Medical Center in Sebastian.

To find out more about Steward go to www.steward.org



LOCAL 713



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LITTMANN STETHOSCOPE GIVEAWAY!

Sign-up a new member on a membership application and both you and the RN who signs a membership form will receive an entry to win a fantastic stethoscope! Be sure that the new RN member list your name (on the electronic membership form as referred by). Names will be drawn for the Stethoscopes during Nurses Week, May 2017.

JOIN US – MOVE FOR CHANGE – AND SIGN AN RN ON AN ELECTRONIC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION. SEE OUR WEBSITE: www.nursesunionyes.org