Happy Nurses Week, Sky Lakes Nurses!

ONA members delivered goodies over 3 days to celebrate Nurses Week!

Last Monday the nurses received Reese’s Pieces since, “We love our nurses to pieces”.

Wednesday chips and soda were delivered because, “You’re all that and a bag of chips” and “So-da the bomb”.

On Saturday nurses were given smores, since “We wish we had smore nurses like you”.

Through the hard work of ONA volunteers, 230 goodies each day were delivered to day and night shift nurses and support staff. The following people were involved in making this happen:

- Kathy Fitzgerald
- Gerry Fitzgerald
- Matt Sikes
- Ashley Chen
- Brent Powers
- Kristin Tyson
- Tessa McConnell
- Bre Ardolino
- Megan Romero
- Bobijo Wheelock
- Jaime Nealy
- Michelle Bradon
- Monica Meier
- Julian Underwood


Family Birth Center’s Scheduling Committee Moves Forward

After many hours toiling over possible scheduling matrixes, the hard working Family Birth Center (FBC) Scheduling Committee met with FBC Clinical Managers on Monday, May 6 to start collaborating on schedules that will work best for the nurses and lead to sustainable work/life balance.

ONA and FBC nurses have high hopes that this shared governance model will open the door to improving morale and nurse practice on the unit.

What is this “Shared Governance” Anyway?

“Shared governance is collaboration, whether in scheduling staff, educating new staff, or implementing...
Evidence-based practice. It involves teamwork, problem-solving, and accountability, with the goals of improved staff satisfaction, productivity, and patient outcomes. It is working together to make decisions that affect nursing practice and patient care. It is working with other disciplines for the good of the patient. It is collaborating to improve nursing practice.” said Lisa Bonsall, MSN, RN, CRNP.

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ONA Supports Local OEA

Our Future Nurses Are In Your Classroom

Sky Lakes nurses, Aletta Mannix, Misty Gravum, and Beth Justman all came out to support local Oregon Education Association (OEA) educators on May 8.

Aletta Mannix spoke at the rally pointing out the crossover of nursing and teacher professions and how we can work together to support one another.

The local city school teachers hosted full day of action supporting an increase in revenue to fully fund schools, including counselors and nursing staff.

ONA member, Misty Gravum created awesome shirts for the nurses and their families to wear. They were featured on the ONA Facebook page, drawing requests from nurses throughout the state on how to get their own ONA for OEA t-shirts.