As we celebrate the 30th birthday of the founding meeting of the American Holistic Nurses Association on January 17, 1981, we have asked those that were there at the beginning and those who have offered leadership along the way to offer their intentions for the next 30 years.

**Founding Members**

* = Life and Founding member  
+ = Deceased

Bamberg, Dorothy  
Blom, Elaine  
Brady, Marcella  
Brickman-Williams, Noelle  
Cline-Keene, Jeanneane  
Cunningham, A. Eileen  
* Dossey, Barbara  
“To capture the essence of caring and healing leading to healthy peoples living on a healthy and peaceful planet.”

Elliott, Rebecca  
Ericson, Lisa  
Estes, M. Diane  
* + Evers, Dee  
Guthrie, Diana  
“For AHNA to support and encourage more Schools and Departments of Nursing to teach a section in holistic nursing or a concentration in holistic so that on graduation would be considered a Nurse Practitioner in Holistic Nursing”

Hatcher, Margaret  
Herda, Leanne  
“My dream, and vision, for AHNA is to continue the spirit of holistic health as we celebrate our 30th Anniversary in action. I recommend concentrated effort/focus to educate/involve Health Personnel in Nursing Schools & Health Care Facilities. This would expand our vision across the country, and beyond, significantly.”

Hilborn, Mary  
Kazemekas, Lynn  
* Keegan, Lynn  
Kipnis, Gayle  
Livingston, Mary  
“We continue to grow not only in numbers, but in strength...and through this massive growth that we continue to reach out and support all nurses through their own healing processes while they reach out to heal others.”

Martin, E. Jane  
“To reach across the globe with the same empowering message for nurses and other health care providers everywhere--holistic health care for all is within our grasp; let us seize the moment and lead the way!”

* + McGuire, Charlotte  
Pfeifer, Anna Margaretha  
Rew, Lynn  
Roth, Sue  
Saylors-Clarkson, Shirley Mae  
Shealy, Mary Charlotte  
Sidell, Susan
Smith, Carole
Steige, Patricia
Stover, Paula
Taunt, Judith
Turner, Judith
VanAsten, Yvonne
Vaupel, Jeannette

“May the spirit and practice of holism awaken in every nurse beginning with the educational process and carry through their career and every day life so that all who they touch respond to the healing presence with higher good.”

Past Presidents

1980-1985 - Charlotte McGuire
1985-1987 - Lynn Keegan
1987 - Patricia Midboe
1988-1989 - Lynn Keegan (Filled unexpired term of previous President)
1989-1991 - Lynn Keegan
1991-1993 - Veda Andrus

“All nurses are practicing nursing within a holistic-integrative, caring-healing healthcare culture, with AHNA serving as the nursing organization that upholds the standards of care, values, ethics, and vision for the next generations of nurses.”

1993-1995 - Sharon Scandret-Hibdon
1995-1997 - Noreen Frisch
1998-1999 - Sue Collins

“To form a more loving and collaborative world.”

2000-2001 - Merla Hoffman

“To model holistic nursing.”

2001-2003 - Charlotte Eliopoulis
2003-2004 - Rev. Deanne Aime

“AHNA WILL HOLD SACRED SPACE TO EMPOWER NURSES---THAT THEY MAY DWELL IN THE SPIRIT AND SHINE HEALING LIGHT THROUGHOUT ALL ASPECTS OF NURSING EDUCATION...PRACTICE... AND RESEARCH”

2004-2005 - Sonja Simpson
2005-2007 - Carla Mariano

“(1) become the primary professional nursing organization in the United States, providing the blueprint for nursing practice, education and scholarship/research within a caring/healing framework
(2) partner meaningfully with other disciplines and constituencies to bring quality, available, affordable, humanistic holistic health and wellness care to all society
(3) be a leading force in creating national and global policy for the wellbeing of all persons and the planet
(4) be the national and international model for human and ecological wholeness and healing fostering the sacredness and connectedness of the human family and all life in the Universe.”

2007-2009 - Lucia Thornton
2009-2011 - Mary Hines
2011-2013 – Glenda Christiaens
2013-2015 - Peggy Burkhardt
2015-2017 – Carol Ann Drick

“To have all nurses discover their holistic roots and actualize healing and caring in all their relationships.”

Current President
2017-2019 – Lourdes Lorenz-Miller

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