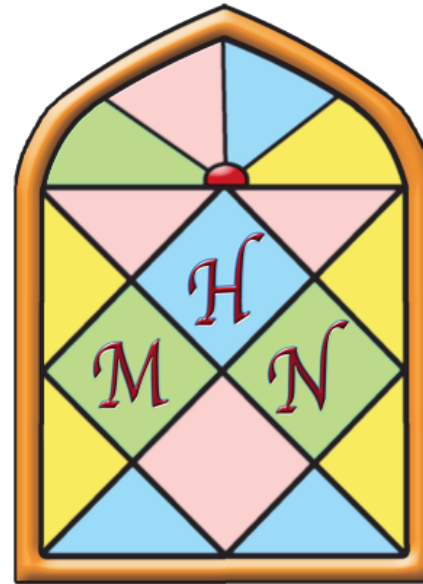


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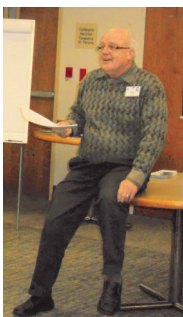
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## A NOTE OF GRATITUDE FROM REV. DR. DICK CATHELL

As Administrative Liaison for the last 3 years, I am still awed by the miracle of our continued growth despite budgetary limitations. I'm filled with gratitude for the Divine graces which have blessed us -- more than can be stated here! For instance our webmaster, Dr. Charles Nelson, donated more than \$4,200 in services; the St. Luke's Foundation donated more than \$5,000 for educational programs; the Jean Billings Tischler Memorial Education Fund, begun by Tisch Lynch, FCN, used most of \$2,000 to help train 31 new students and is now replenished; Copy Source saved us more than \$1,100 in printing costs; Hesselgrave Bus Services gave a \$400 discount for a round trip to Seattle for a regional conference; our Advisory Board donated over \$350 in one meeting; and the hospital print shop is printing our training manuals as a courtesy, saving us \$450 for each class. Last, but certainly not least, our Faith Community Nurses have donated the most. This year the value of their services was over \$640,000.

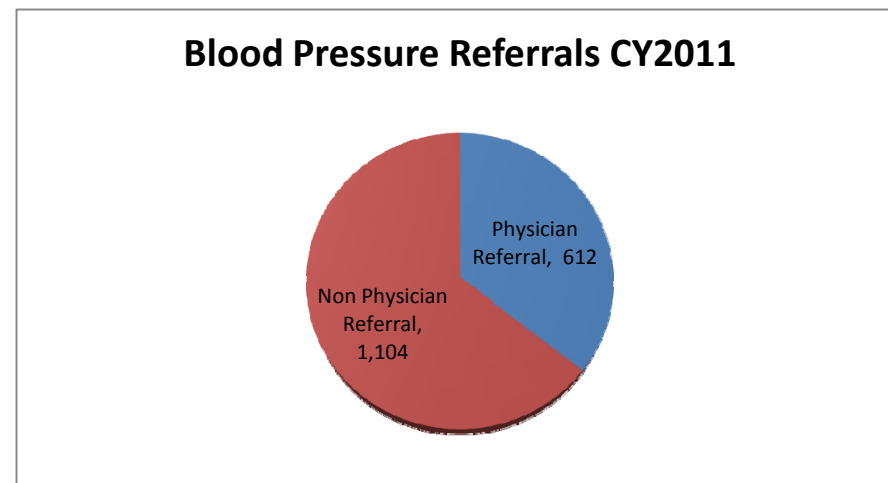
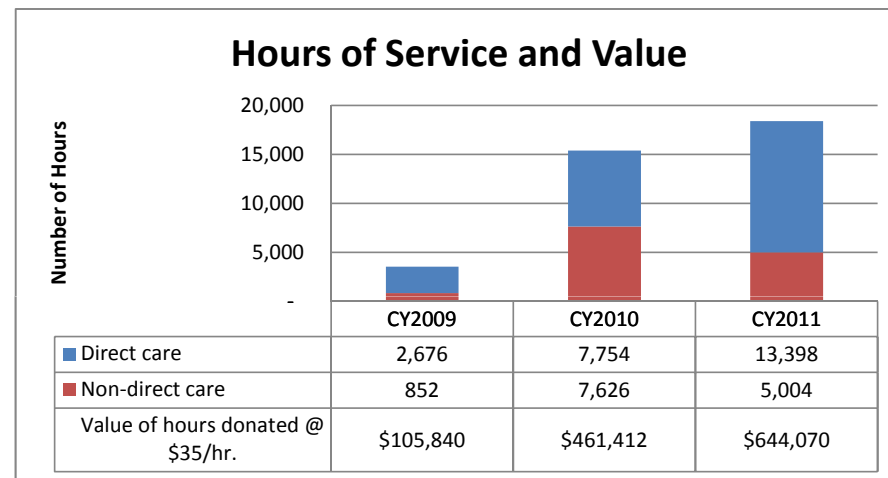
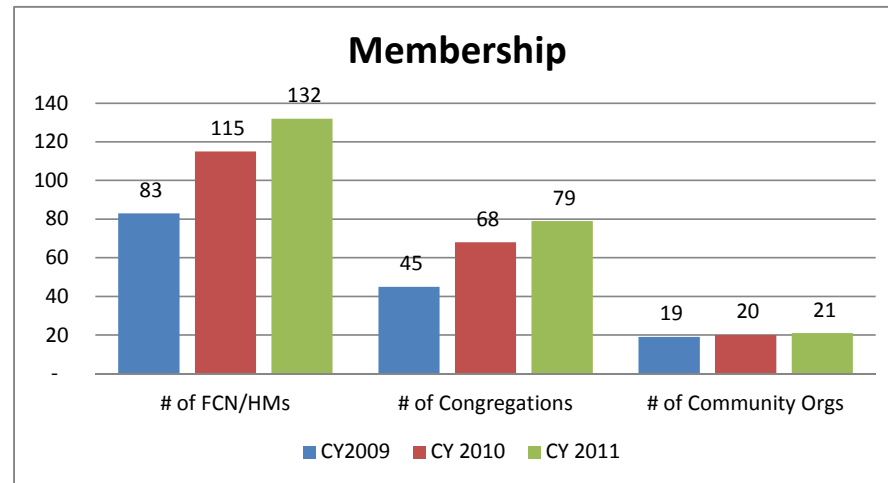
Partnerships have increased in 5 programs: 1. Dr. Shelly Zylstra from Northwest Regional Council, through a grant, enabled Lynn Hardaway, FCN to become a trainer for "Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions". 2. We are working with Whatcom Alliance for Healthcare Access as part of a grant proposal regarding care transitions. 3. The HMN is part of the newly established Accountable Care Organization in Whatcom County and Jeanne Brotherton, FCN is representing us in the consortium. 4. We were recently invited by Yves Vimignon, M.D., M.P.H., of Oregon Health and Science University, to partner in their Care Transitions network. 5. We are continuing to work closely with the Northwest Parish Nurse Ministries in Portland, and their new director, Deborah Patterson, M.Div., Ph.D.



We are sustained by a spirit of generosity and collaboration that fills our hearts with abundant gratitude.

*Dick*

...teaching a section of the *Fundamentals Of Faith Community Nursing* course, one of my favorite roles.



SERVICE

Yearly Comparisons

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<b>Membership</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
# of FCN/HMs	72	83	115	132
# Congregations	40	45	68	79
# Community organizations/agencies	0	19	20	21
<b>Hours of Service &amp; Value</b>				
Direct contacts	N/A	2,676	7,754	13,398
Non-direct contacts	N/A	852	7,626	5,004
<b>Value of hours donated @\$35/hr (2011)</b>	N/A	\$105,840	\$461,412	\$644,070
<b>Pts. Served at Blood Pressure Clinics</b>				
# B/P Clinics	N/A	120	421	1,176
# of patients served	N/A	1,560	3,320	4,008
# B/P's taken	N/A	108	2,328	2,808
B/P referrals to HCPs for high B/P	N/A	156	252	612
Other B/P referrals	N/A	204	480	1,104
<b>Total B/P referrals</b>	N/A	360	732	1,716
<b>Contributions</b>				
St. Joseph Medical Center	\$76,000	\$14,000	\$16,000	\$16,000
St. Joseph MC Foundation	N/A	N/A	\$4,000	0
St. Luke's Foundation	N/A	N/A	\$5,000	\$5,565
Jeanne Billings Tischler Educ Fund	N/A	N/A	\$2,000	\$2,110
Community contributions	N/A	\$1,830	\$5,700	\$2,906.36
<b>Total contributions:</b>	\$76,000	\$15,830	\$32,700	\$26,581.36
<b>Website traffic: Nov. only</b>		<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
Unique visitors per month	N/A	44	185	299
Pages viewed per month	N/A	450	824	948
Document downloads per month	N/A	1	12	75
<b>Total site traffic per month</b>	N/A	451	836	1023

## FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH COMMUNITY NURSING CLASS



Our fall 2011 Faith Community Nurse/Health Minister basic prep course had 16 graduates, bringing our total number of people trained in this program to **40**.

Students came from Whatcom County, other parts of Washington state, Oregon, and British Columbia.

Our next class will be in spring of 2012 and we anticipate another full complement of 16 eager students.

For more information about the course, go to [www.healthministriesnetwork.net](http://www.healthministriesnetwork.net) OR contact Jeanne Brotherton, RN, FCN, MEd at [fcnprepcourse@gmail.com](mailto:fcnprepcourse@gmail.com).

## NEWS



**Jeanne Brotherton**, Ed. Coordinator and **Dotty Marston**, Outreach Coordinator received the *Carol Story Parish Nurse of the Year* award from Northwest Parish Nurse Ministries in Portland, representing a 7-state area. **Dick Cathell**, Administrative Liaison admires award.

**Karen MacKay**, RN, BS, FCN became the first Care Transition Referral Coordinator for the Health Ministries Network of Faith Community Nurses and Health Ministers who make post-hospital visits.



**CHCC** hired 4 Faith Community Nurses to assist their rehabilitation patients transitioning home. CHCC is the first skilled nursing facility to contract with *Care Transitions* trained FCNs, a program which can reduce re-hospitalizations by 30%

St. Luke's Foundation sponsored our **annual retreat** which was held at the Chrysalis. Melanie Springer, M.A., L.M.H.C. inspired us with the health benefits of "Nurturing Thankful Hearts".



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