



A Stitch in Time



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Diary dates

**Education nights
Wednesday 1845**

17 August 2005
16 November 2005

Seminar day

Saturday
22 October 2005

AWMA conference

15-18 March 2006
Canberra

Education Meeting
Wednesday 17 August 2005
**Pressure Ulcers:
The PUPPIES Experience**

Trade display & light refreshments 1845
Education meeting commences 1930

**Guest speaker: Beth McErlean
PUPPIES project officer**

All Welcome
Non members \$5.00 Members & students free
*SAWMA is a multidisciplinary association and is
non-partisan in its approach to wound products*

Education night venue: Enterprise House
136 Greenhill Road, Unley (Undercover parking on site)
30m west of Unley Road. Enter off Greenhill Road between Unley Road and Salisbury Street.

SAWMA Seminar Day
“Gold, Silver & Myth”

Saturday 22 October 2005 **Robson Lecture Theatre, RAH**

Key note speakers: Dr Michael Woodward & Dr Keryln Carville

SAWMA members & UG students	\$45.00	ASTN or SASVN members	\$55.00
Non members	\$125.00		

Registration forms available on web site & at August SAWMA education night

The book is written in the first person because the author Edwina M Connell used Elinor's own descriptions gathered from letters and written reports to form the basis of the text. Edwina interviewed all living descendents and significant people in Elinor's life and gathered photographic records in order to be fully informed before writing the book. The references are acknowledged and the archival box number is given in the back of the book. Attention to detail has ensured accuracy of the events in Elinor's life. After Edwina's untimely death the author Teddy Jones inherited the manuscript of ten chapters and she has superbly woven the story of the two fictional student nurses into the book, thus bringing it to completion.

The language in the book is descriptive and allows the reader to visualize details of Elinor's work, family and social life. Some of the passages provide the reader with poetic details of the scenery that made such an impression on Elinor. Specially selected photographs provide a pictorial glimpse of Elinor. A full figure photo of Elinor in her apron and cap is on the dustcover along with two other small photos. The main photograph of Elinor then becomes an important feature of the book in that it occurs on the first page of each of Elinor's chapters. Also included prior to the introductory chapter is a 1979 portrait of Elinor and her dog by Laura Gilpin held at Amon Carter Museum Fort Worth Texas.

Too little is written about nurses and the influence that they can have on health outcomes and life. Often popular fiction depicts women as student nurses who develop relationships with doctors, marry them and ride off into the sunset. This biographical/fiction book depicts a true-life story of a dedicated nurse who was an inspirational leader in all avenues of life.

This book is a very good read and I recommend it to you. It is available by ordering from most bookstores
ISBN 0-86534454-X soft cover approximately \$47.00
ISBN 0-86534-444-2 hardcover approximately \$53.00

**Judith Manning RN RM BEd (Nursing) MA (Women's Studies)
Past President SAWMA**

Wound education programs offered in South Australia

University of South Australia School of Nursing & Midwifery

Wound Management Program (9 credit points). Distance education, either on-line or external mode. Commences first Monday of each week as the participant chooses. Credit may be granted on application in the School of Nursing and Midwifery's accredited programs. Cost on application. Enquires: Tal Ellis Ph 8302 2673.

Carmen George. Clinical Nursing Specialist Services

Sessions, study days, mini courses in Wound Management. All designed to meet the needs of your organisation. Also sessions on stoma care and continence management offered. For more information and costs contact Carmen George. Ph 0414 226 779.

RDNS

Five day internal Wound Management Course. Can be completed as a certificate or 3 unit credit option within the School of Nursing, Flinders University of South Australia. RDNS also offers individualised education programs, sessions and workshops to suit your organisation.

RDNS Master Class in Wound Care runs twice a year and is a full day seminar for practitioners with some prior experience in wound management. Topics vary.

For further information and costs contact RDNS Education Centre Ph 8292 6780.



President's report

It is hard to believe that we are now half way through 2005 and our one day seminar "Gold, Silver and Myth", on October 22nd 2005 is drawing closer. A special thank you to our Seminar Program Coordinator, Judith Manning who has worked tirelessly to ensure the success of the day. National speakers include Dr. Michael Woodward and Keryln Carville. Other noted and experienced speakers ensure that the program will be both informative and stimulating. The Registration closing date is October 10th. Enquiries can be directed to Michael Arthur, SAWMA pager 8378 8884.

For our November education meeting, the guest speaker will be Greg Duncan, a lecturer in Pharmacy Practice from Monash University. Greg also teaches in a number of wound care programs and is highly regarded as an expert in his field. He will be presenting 'Evidence based practice and its application to wound care' and 'Drugs that can affect wound healing'.

This will be a wonderful finale to our 2005 education program.

Regards



Margi Moncrieff



Publication review

**A Stone For Every Journey Travelling the Life of Elinor Gregg RN.
Edwina McConnell and Teddy Jones. Sunstone Press USA 2005**

The book was launched in Adelaide, South Australia on 18 June 2005

Edwina McConnell was a Visiting Professor to the School of Nursing University of South Australia 1990-2000. She was also an invited speaker on two occasions at SAWMA Educational meetings and one of her research workbooks was used in a SAWMA Seminar.

Stone for Every Journey is the fascinating biography of a Registered Nurse who had an adventurous life, was a leader who inspired those around her and significantly influenced health policy in the 1920's - 40's.

The book begins in 1922 when Elinor went to Rosebud. She was employed on a contract to survey the health needs of the Indian communities on reservations in South Dakota and then implement changes that would improve their health. After two years she became superintendent of a nursing service that employed Registered Nurses to provide health education and care to the Indians across USA. Elinor also served in WW1 and she recalls within the book details of life in a base hospital. The book also describes Elinor's leadership role in the community after her retirement.

The book covers the social history relating to the period of Elinor's life from 1922 to late 1960's. The book explores some of social issues of her time via the introduction of two student nurses (fictional characters) who as part of a subject of study are required to interview a nurse. This allows Elinor's story to be told and to discuss the social changes that occurred during her lifetime. It also allows the rich contribution that Elinor made to community life to be explained.

South Australian Society for Vascular Nursing (SASVN)

Study Day

'Peripheral Vascular Disease'

Saturday 13 August 2005

Enterprise House
136 Greenhill Road, Unley SA

Enquires: Sheri Sandison 8276 9666 pager 2996

SASVN members \$40 Non members \$70

Important dates:

2005: SASVN Education nights

2006: 15-18 March: AWMA 6th

national conference

'Matrix of Wound Care'

Canberra

www.awma.com.au


2008: 3rd World Union of Wound

Healing Societies Meeting

Toronto, Canada

This newsletter aims to share information about contemporary issues in wound management. We welcome your contributions, resources, tips, case studies etc.

Submit contributions to the editor
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