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President's Message

I did bid farewell in my last President's Message but, due to editorial deadlines, I was still the President when this letter was submitted. I thought I would take the opportunity to introduce the new ORNAC President. While Margaret will remain involved with the Executive, it will be in a more advisory role.



As memories of another successful National Conference begin to fade we look to the future. For ORNAC it holds much promise under the leadership and guidance of Marcy and with the continued efforts of the volunteer Board and Executive.

What can I tell you about Marcy? We first met in the fall of 1998 when Marcy attended her first Board Meeting as a representative of BC. What a glorious start – in Quebec City, in a board room showcasing the most spectacular view of the Plains of Abraham. Marcy jumped right in... signing on to committees and offering her views.

Tomorrow is a new day with new thoughts and mysteries to be discovered. ORNAC is growing and evolving as any "baby" does. With Marcy at the helm the changes will be varied as well as valuable. Please welcome, encourage, and assist her as you did me. 🍁

Margaret Farley
Past President, ORNAC

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It has been my pleasure to be part of the ORNAC team with Margaret Farley at the helm. Margaret has done an admirable job as President. Many of you will recall that she unexpectedly took on the role of President Elect due to a sudden resignation on the executive. She has been a wonderful role model and her easy-going attitude and zest for life has been an asset to this organization. I can't thank her enough for all her guidance and encouragement. ORNAC's bylaws have been changed this year, and the role of Past President has been modified. While Margaret will remain as part of the executive, it will be in a more advisory role.

ORNAC moves forward, and the coming term promises to be one of change and uncertainty. I feel we must be advocating for our patients like never before. I look forward to the challenge, and I take this opportunity to commend all perioperative registered nurses in Canada. You strive everyday, in the face of great adversity, to bring the highest standard of care to your patients.

In today's electronic world I am only an email away (president@ornac.ca) and I encourage you to keep in touch. Send me an email with your ideas, concerns or just to say hello. I look forward to the next term with great enthusiasm! 🍁

Marcy McKay
President, ORNAC

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