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“A Head’s Up on Headaches” — Feb. 18 conference to address diagnosis, triggers, treatments and research for headaches and migraines

ATLANTA — A dull ache starts and then suddenly it feels like you have a rubber band around your head. Sound familiar? Whether it is that gnawing dull ache or a full-blown, knock-down-drag-out migraine, thousands of Americans suffer from headaches every day. According to the American Council for Headache Education, 95 percent of women and 90 percent of men in America experienced at least one headache in the past year. What causes headaches, how do we know which kind we have and what can we do about them?

On February 18, Atlanta’s leading nurses, physicians, clinicians and researchers will discuss this head-pounding subject at the annual Virginia Lee Franklin Memorial Conference in Neurology, sponsored by Emory University’s Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, and co-sponsored by Wesley Woods Geriatric Hospital. The conference will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the Atlanta Marriott Century Center Hotel, located at I-85 and Clairmont Road.

Experts will discuss the diagnosis of headaches, identify early symptoms and triggers of migraine headaches, examine complementary and alternative therapies for headaches, describe the pharmacologic management of headaches and discuss qualitative research on headaches in perimenopausal women.

The conference, originally initiated to benefit Emory nursing students and faculty, now draws a large audience from nurses and health care professionals. The conference also is open to members of the general public who are interested in learning more about headaches.



CALENDAR LISTING

- WHAT: “A Head’s Up on Headaches” — Annual 2005 Virginia Lee Franklin Conference in Neurology
- SPONSOR: Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University; co-sponsored by Emory’s Wesley Woods Geriatric Hospital
- WHEN: Friday, February 18, 2005
- TIME: 7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
- WHERE: Atlanta Marriott Century Center Hotel (I-85 at Clairmont Rd.)

COST: Early registration \$35, before February 8
\$45 after February 8 or \$60 at the door (space permitting)
\$25 for Emory, Wesley Woods and Neurology faculty and staff
\$10 for all students

To register, contact: Cathy Jones at 404-712-9633 or cejones@emory.edu

CE Credits: Approved for 6.3 contact hours by the Georgia Nurses Association



About Virginia Lee Franklin

Virginia Lee Franklin earned a master's degree in nursing from Emory University in 1957 and taught surgical nursing at Emory's Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing. To honor her after her death in 1981, her parents D. Murray and Katherine Franklin created the Virginia Lee Franklin Memorial Trust. In the spirit of Virginia's commitment to teaching and to the specialty of neurology, the trust supports an annual conference dedicated to the advancement of neuroscience teaching, research and practice.

About The Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing

The Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University, celebrating its centennial anniversary in 2005, is recognized as a leader in the preparation of nurses for beginning and advanced practice. Graduates of the programs are at the forefront in leadership, serving as role models for excellence in nursing practice throughout the world. The School of Nursing is especially committed to evolving nursing practice through its key values of scholarship, leadership and social responsibility. To learn more, visit www.nursing.emory.edu or call 404-727-6907.

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