Forty years of tradition and loyalty to Nursing

In 2004, the article "Revista da Escola de Enfermagem da USP – 36 anos zelando pela qualidade do trabalho na Enfermagem" (Revista da Escola de Enfermagem da USP – 36 years looking after work quality in Nursing)^(a), written by our Board, was published. In that article our periodical's trajectory was recounted, as well as the different types of collaboration we had had, the indexations we had and our classification by the Coordination of High-Level Personnel Training (Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior, Capes). We drew a panorama of the articles submitted to Revista da Escola de Enfermagem da USP(REEUSP) in the period between 2000 and 2003, with types of articles classified by thematic area, number of authors that published in the past five years according to the institution of origin, distribution of Brazilian authors who submitted articles according to the region in Brazil, and the difficulties we faced for maintaining a publication with the desired quality by our Institution.

In this year of 2006, the REEUSP celebrates 40 years of uninterrupted existence. Today it is indexed in 12 databases and its regularity continues as usual, uninterrupted and with no delays. The average number of articles per volume is 50, and the percentage of research articles per volume is 60%. The proportion of authors from our own Institution has increased from 25% to 30%. The Editorial Board's profile in percentages today is: 13.3% (institutional), 60.0% (Brazilian) and 26.7% (international). Regarding the authors' profiles we have: 59.79% (PhD nurses), 25.77% (other professionals) and 14.44% (Graduate students). With the aim of improving, giving visibility, giving access and continuing to contribute to the diffusion of the representative production of Nursing research, our periodical is now available though our own portal – http:// www.ee.usp.br/reeusp –, through Capes' Portal de Periódicos (http://www.periodicos.capes.gov.br/portugues/index.jsp), and through SIBInet (http://www.usp.br/sibi), making available to the researcher free and immediate access to our articles' full texts.

This November, REEUSP achieved the classification "International B" in the Qualis/Capes program. And, on the 58th Brazilian Congress of Nursing, held between November 5 and November 11, 2006, in Salvador, Bahia, it was included in the portal of Nursing journals, the Virtual Health Library – Nursing (Biblioteca Virtual em Saúde – Enfermagem), at http://enfermagem.bvs.br, in which Brazil's main Nursing periodicals are available in full text using the SciELO methodology.

It was thanks to the support of the University of São Paulo's Nursing School direction, with the inestimable participation of our Editorial Board and with the priceless collaboration of ad hoc consultants, that we managed to reach the point in which we are now: 40 years of struggle and of contributions to Brazilian and international Nursing. We thank all readers for their continuing support. We thank the authors who believed in REEUSP. And, as members of the Editorial Board, we are aware that our greatest mission is to qualify the care for human beings through constant reflection and research about our practice.

"(...) It depends on us, if this world can still be fixed In spite of what Man has been doing, if life is going to survive (...)"

(Ivan Lins/Vitor Martins)

Happy 2007 to all of us!

Much peace, health, harmony and accomplishments.

⁽a) Silva MJP, Ângelo M, Castilho V, Egry EY, Rocha SMM, Trezeniak P. Revista da Escola de Enfermagem da Universidade de São Paulo – 36 anos zelando pela qualidade do trabalho na Enfermagem. Rev Esc Enferm USP 2004;38(1):109-13.