President's Message - What a busy& active month our chapter has had. We started as we embraced action with a fun, successful trivia night led by Libby Nasche. A special thank you to our vendors **Faultless** Linen, **Molnlycke** -Shannon Beck, **Innovative Medical Industries**-Phillip Rayl, **Innovative Surgical Products**-Keith Odenahl & **SMS**-Brian Bodenhammer & to our generous participants and workers; with your support we raised \$2700 for our chapter.

Thank you to **Buffalo Filter** for sponsoring our October meeting. What a great chapter meeting we had on surgical smoke. We had a nationally known speaker and the biggest meeting attendance close to 70 members. And next month we present an extremely pertinent topic with a new Joint Commission Regulation UDI, unique device identifier, on Tuesday, November 14 at 5:30 at NKCH. Thanks to Denice Morrison for organizing these programs. Remember to invite a friend to the meeting. Meeting attendance is required to be eligible for chapter funding to Expo.

Twenty one members -including 3 of our new members-took an expedition to the Kansas City Zoo to explore surgery and animal care at the zoo. Thank you to Dr.Kirk Sudemeyer for this excellent and informative presentation. Thank you to Marie Staples and Denice Morrison for organizing this engaging activity.

Congratulations to our chapter 2601 as a first place winner of the Chapter Challenge the top in recruiting new members & with that we earned \$1000. A big thank you to all who recruited new members and a warm welcome to our 20 newest members: Jamie Black, Victoria Reaves, Tessa Plattner, Kimberly Ford, Meredith Kopp, Kara King, Bree Honer, Carolyn Higgins, Roxian Jarboe, David Deines, Anessa Langford, Shelly Bosworth, Angie Niemeier, Sandra Rice, Saundra Youngblood, Theresa Everhart, Venda Young, Patricia Lindsey, Michelle Atkinson, & Tessa Leiber. A meet and greet wine tasting for new members is planned for Saturday, November 18 from 2-4 at Cooper's Hawk on the Plaza.

The nominating committee is seeking members to fill chapter positions. Please consider serving your chapter as a President Elect, Vice President, Board member, or on the nominating committee. If asked, please say YES!

We have our preliminary list of delegates to Expo in New Orleans, March 24-28, 2018: Chris Blackburn, Cindy Davis, Sharon Williamson, Julia Jackson, Denett Costin, Libby Nasche, Valerie Heckmaster, Debra Shields, Andrea Gunther & Amber Kling. These individuals qualified for chapter funding by their service to our chapter. **Congratulations!!**

I invite any member who has not attended Expo to apply for the 1st time attendee. Please get application form from our website: aornkc.org. Applications are due December 2, 2017.

Congratulations to Denice Morrison for her article on retained foreign bodies in the Special Outpatient Surgery Edition of Staff & Patient Safety – October 2017, "The Horror an Heartbreak of a Retained Foreign Object" Kudos to Denice for her research and this excellent article which looks at the subject from the perioperative nurse perspective. This article can be found at:

http://magazine.outpatientsurgery.net/h/i/3713798278-special-outpatient-surgery-edition-staff-patient-safety-october-2017

How pertinent is this article as we come toward Perioperative Week and recognition for our role in keeping the patient safe! Perioperative week is November 12-18. Every person deserves a Perioperative Registered Nurse for their surgery. We have received proclamations from MO and KS governors. Information about our role in the Operating Room has been submitted to the following newspapers around the area. If you see an article in your local paper, please bring it in. We'd like to put a book together. We would also like to know what your work did for Perioperative Nurse Week her in Chapter 2601. Please send photos to Marie Barrentine or Louann Huffman to be compiled for the PowerPoint for Tuesday meeting.

If you know a student interested in perioperative nursing, encourage them to apply for our student scholarship, due in January. Members take advantage of our other scholarships available on the website.

Save the date and make plans to attend our annual Workshop and Vendor Fair on February 24, 2018 at SJMC. Plans are underway for this excellent 5.75CE opportunity. Flyers are available soon.

I am gladdened by your participation and thank each and every one for your continued contributions to make our KCAORN Chapter 2601 the best chapter! Thank you for embracing action with mind, body and spirit! We take a break for the Holidays. I wish you happy holidays and the blessings of the season. See you again in January!

Louann Huffman, BSN, RN, CNOR

President 2017-18 louannhuffman@gmail.com

BUSINESS MEETING October 17, 2017 Meeting started at 5:50pm. **Hospitality**-Phyllis VanHorn- McAllister's Dinner provided by Buffalo Filter. Total members: 68 new members-3, guests-0, ambassadors, Periop 101 members-0 The September business meeting minutes were in the October Newsletter. Are there any corrections or additions? Marie has one change on the activity point sheet statement. Delete: The 12 delegates and 1-1st time attendee(total 13) will be chosen to attend and the nominees will be determined by the activity sheets. Expo is March 23-28 in New Orleans, LA chapter delegates to Expo will be chosen based on the activity point sheets. Expo is March 24-28 in New Orleans, LA. Minutes will be changed and filed with the change. Theme for year: Embrace Action: Mind, Body and Spirit. We did that to support hurricane victims through Heart to Heart. We did that with the Chapter Challenge - Winner of 1st place - wine and cheese party, location to be announced. Welcome to our 20 newest members. Jamie Black, Victoria Reaves, Tessa Leiber, Tessa Plattner, Kimberly Ford, Meredith Kopp, Kara King, Bree Honer, Carolyn Higgins, Roxian Jarboe, David Deines, Sandra Rice, Anessa Langford, Shelly Bosworth, Angie Niemeier, Saundra Youngblood, Theresa Everhart, Venda Young, Patricia Lindsey, Michelle Atkinson, - you helped us win 1st place in the Chapter Challenge. Congratulations and thank you! We did that with a fun and successful **Trivia Fundraiser**: Trivia Event- Libby Nasche, report, \$2705.28 is the total raised from the event. Great job, everyone! Community Service-Melissa Harber- Get Your Rear in Gear-Colon Cancer Coalition. In honor of Andy's Army we need to be proactive and raise awareness of this disease. Pill bottles, cell phones, pop tops, and diapers are still being collected. Diapers can be from open packages, they go to happybottoms.org. Treasurer Report-from Valerie Heckmaster- checking total: \$21,094.62, CD total: \$6826.00, savings total: \$19, 167.87 **Membership**: Barb Adkins-Current membership: 343 members. 1st time Attendee to Expo applications available, application due by 12/2/17 and winner will be notified 12/5/17. The first time winner must agree to be a delegate to attend the mandatory sessions at congress and vote for our chapter. We send 13 funded delegates at \$1200 each. 2 standing delegates President Louann Huffman, and President elect- Barbara Adkins. 10 delegates for the points sheet eligibility and 1 first time attendee. Expo is March 24-28th in New Orleans, LA. Credentials committee: Marie Barrentine- Activity Sheet- Marie announced our 10 Chapter delegates. These are the names of the members who have qualified by their participation at chapter meetings and activities, on committees or on the board to be sponsored as a delegate for Chapter at Expo in New Orleans, March 24-28. This has been determined from the activity point sheets verification. Chris Blackburn, Sharon Williamson, Denett Costin, Cindy Davis, Libby Nasche, Julia Jackson, Valerie Heckmaster, Debra Shields, Andrea Gunther, Amber Kling. Congratulations!! Nominating Committee: Megan Jackson-Chair: Offices to be elected- President Elect, Vice President, Secretary, BOD x2, and Nominating Committee x3. Please answer yes to if called to serve. Three have committed to serve: Melissa Tullis-Nominating committee, Libby Nasche-Board and Ashley Shaw for President Elect. Other Fundraising: gift cards-Deanna Still available to get for the holidays, Pay today and get cards at November 14 meeting. Public Relations/Media and social event/zoo-Tracy Porter: The location of the after event of the zoo has been changed from Governors Stumpys and will be announced prior to the event. Look for email for the information. Legislative- Perioperative Nurse Week-Linda Jackson: the proclamation from the governor of Missouri has been given, waiting on the governor of Kansas for their proclamation. This year periop nurse week is Nov.12-18. AORN has banners and posters available on line. Scholarships-Melissa Harber: There is still a \$350 scholarship for an undergrad nursing student interested in the OR. This application is due January 13, 2018. There are CNOR, CRNFA and members who are attending school scholarships available. Applications due by April 13, 2018. For more information, see website: aornkc.org. These member awards will be given out at May banquet. Conference/Vendor Expo- Barb Adkins, February 24, 2017 at SJMC . \$45 check/MO or \$50 online. 5.75 CE's, great speakers from 8-14:30. Door prizes, breakfast, lunch and drinks provided. Vendors are available from 7-11 for all needs for the OR. Flyers will be available at the November Business meeting. Banquet-Bucky Will: Tuesday May 1st, at Brio on the Plaza. \$35-\$40/person, cash bar. More details to follow. Newsletter- Denett Costin-Deadline is October 30 PeriOp 101 & Program-Denice Morrison, The PeriOp 101students are presenting at the Workshop and are still waiting to hear if their poster will be presented at Expo. Karen Morrow announced that Denice Morrison has an article on retained foreign bodies in the Special Outpatient Surgery Edition of Staff & Patient Safety - October 2017, "The Horror and Heartbreak of a Retained Foreign Object" Kudos to Denice for her research and this excellent article which looks at the subject from the perioperative nurse perspective. This article can be found at: http://magazine.outpatientsurgery.net/h/i/371379827-special-outpatient-surgery-edition-staff-patient-safety-october-2017 Tonight's Program is a nationally known speaker, Robb Scroggins, RN and clinical manager for Buffalo Filter speaking on Surgical Smoke. Next KC AORN Business meeting will be November 14, 2017 @ NKCH on UDI, Unique Device Identifier, with speaker provided by Cerner. Meeting adjourned at 6:45.

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Kuehn, Secretary

DATE	SAVINGS ACCOUNT &	AMOUNT
10/1/2017	Beginning Balance	\$19,167.87
10/31/2017	Interest Payment	\$0.33
10/31/2017	Ending Balance	\$19,168.20
10/1/2017	CD ACCOUNT	\$6,826.00
10/31/2017	Total Savings + CD	\$25,994.20
	CHECKING ACCOUNT	PPPP
10/1/2017	Beginning Balance	\$21,094.62
(10/4/2017	Stripe - S. Beck (Trivia) (\$203.50-\$6.20)	\$197.30
10/11/2017	Stripe - B. Bodenhamer (Trivia) (203.50-6.20)	\$197.30
10/11/2017	AORN Chapter Challenge Reward - 1st Place	\$1,000.00
10/14/2017	ReadyTalk #2078	\$45.91
10/14/2017	Trivia Reimbursement VH #2079	\$182.64
10/17/2017	LEAF (Trivia Facility) #2080	\$150.00
10/17/2017	Trivia Reimbursement LH #2081	\$342.63
10/17/2017	Great Lakes Scrip Center (GC fund.) #2082	\$2,787.67
10/18/2017	Trivia Cash Deposit	\$1,088.00
10/18/2017	Trivia Checks Deposit	\$820.00
10/18/2017	Trivia - Innovative Medical P. Rayl #1186	\$300.00
10/18/2017	Trivia - Innovative Surgical S. Boan #6273	\$200.00
10/18/2017	Workshop Registration - D. Rogers #7613	\$45.00
10/18/2017	Workshop Registration - P. Tolbert #3094	\$45.00
10/18/2017	CNOR Prep Course Donation	\$800.00
10/19/2017	September Chapter Rebate	\$581.75
10/19/2017	Nursing Network	\$7.00
10/24/2017	Gift Card Fundraiser Deposit (Cash/Checks)	\$3,068.00,
10/24/2017	Gift Card Reimbursement LN #2083	\$100.00
10/28/2017	Ticket Roll & Cooper Hawk mt/gt TP #2084	\$258.90
10/28/2017	Friends of the Zoo Donation #2085	\$100.00
10/31/2017	Ending Balance	\$25,462.22



the Lap Sheet

December 20, 2017 Denett Costin odenett@hotmail.com





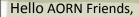
The Hospitality Committee would like to thank John Deuser, VOLKER MEDICAL LLC and Robert Scroggins, BUFFALO FILTER Filtration Group for providing our meal and program for

our October meeting. Our Program on Hazards of Surgical Smoke, was presented by Robert Scoggins of Buffalo Filter, was very interesting, informative and members earned 2 CEU's.

The November meeting will be held at North Kansas Hospital. Be sure to get your ticket as you enter for the free drawings.

Dinner will be ready at 5:30. Business meeting 6 – 6:45 with education to follow.

Respectfully, Carol Regan RN, CNOR Hospitality Chairman, 2017-18



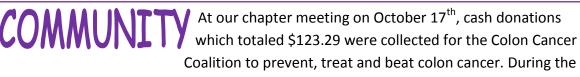
Please find all four scholarship applications = Nursing Student, CNOR, CRNFA, & Member scholarships on the following website, www.aornkc.org Click on the Scholarships link and then click on and open the scholarship you are interested in applying for in 2018.

One Nursing Student Scholarship is available in the amount of \$350.00.
 Deadline to submit the Nursing Student Scholarship Application is January 12, 2018.

- Two CNOR Scholarships are available in the amount of \$200.00.
- One CRNFA Scholarship is available in the amount of \$250.00.
- Two Member Scholarships are available in the amount of \$250.00.

Deadline to submit the CNOR, CRNFA &/or Member Scholarship Applications is **April 13, 2018.** Hard copies of all four scholarship applications will be available at the November 14, 2017 Chapter meeting.

Thank You, Melissa Harber, Scholarship Chair



month of November, our chapter will support the Kansas City Zoo: Adopt a Wild Child program. Sponsorship helps pay for

food, exhibits and enrichment toys, which are given to the animals for stimulation.

As you upgrade your cell phone, don't forget to bring in your old, used cell phone(s) currently being collected for SAFEHOME (Support for Survivors of Domestic Violence). Two and ½ milk gallon

containers full of pop tabs were collected for the Ronald along with 68 empty pill bottles (with the label removed)

Domestic Violence). Two and ½ milk gallon McDonald House Charities ~ sip, sip, sip, for Medical Missions and seven packages of

diapers were collected for Happy Bottoms – Diaper Bank in Kansas City. Twelve pairs of eyeglasses were donated to help others with their vision. All items will be

collected at each meeting throughout the year until April 17, 2018.

Thank you, Melissa Harber, MSN, RN-BC, CNOR, CRNFA Community Services Chair 2017-2018







Attention All New Members:

WELCOME to AORN Chapter 2601 of Greater Kansas City!

The board would like to invite you to a Meet and Greet for all new members. We are saving the date for Saturday November 18th at Cooper's Hawk Winery and Restaurant (4686 Broadway, KCMO 64112) on the Plaza from 2-4 pm. It will be a gathering to ask questions about National AORN, our local chapter and how to become more involved and make this chapter even better. You will meet the current board members, committee chairs. **JOIN US** for a

Please RSVP to Tracy Porter, RN - tracy.porter@shawneemission.org 913-632-9325

great networking opportunity.

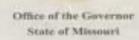


Govenor's Proclamations for PeriOperative Nurse Week





Nurse



Proclamation

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses specialize in the cure of patients immediately before, during, and after surgical intervention; and

WHEREAS, from traditional hospital-based operating rooms to ambulatory surgical centers and physicians" offices, perioperative nurses work to provide the best care possible for surgical patients; and

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses assess individual patient needs prior to surgery by preparing the operating room and patient for surgery and making a plan for the care patients will receive after surgery; and

WHEREAS, surgical patients rely on the skills, knowledge, and expertise of perioperative registered nurses, who uphold a long tradition of improving surgical safety and the quality of patient care; and

WHEREAS, Perioperative Nurses Week recognizes the contribution perioperative registered nurses make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession.

NOW THEREFORE, I. Eric R. Greitens, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim November 5 - 11, 2017, to be

PERIOPERATIVE NURSES WEEK IN MISSOURI

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 21" day of September, 2017.



STATE OF KANSAS



TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS

WHEREAS, perioperative registered nurses specialize in the care of patients immediately before, during, and after surgical intervention, and

WHEREAS, serving in settings from traditional hospital based operating rooms to ambulatory surgical centers and physicians' offices, perioperative nurses work to provide the best care possible for surgical patients; and

WHEREAS, perioperative registered nurses assess individual patient needs prior to surgery and then prepare the Operating Room in collaboration with the Surgeon, Scrub Technicians and Anesthesia Team, and

WHEREAS, surgical patients rely on the skills, knowledge and expertise of professional Perioperative Registered Nurses who uphold a long tradition of improving surgical safety and optimal outcomes of patient care, and

WHEREAS, perioperative nurses week recognizes the contribution perioperative registered nurses make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession

NOW, THEREFORE, I Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby recognize November 12-18, 2017, as

Perioperative Nurse's Week

In Kansas,

DONE:

At the Capitol in Topeka

under the Great Seal of the State this 19th day of

October, A.D. 2017

BY THE GOVERNOR ...

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State





Our group had a wonderful tour of the Kansas City zoo medical facility, thanks to Dr. Kirk Suedmeyer. He is passionate about the care of the animals today and in the future; this is evidenced by all the detailed recording of information about all aspects of all animals. It was absolutely amazing the things we learned in those magic four hours about animal care. Be sure to join friends of the zoo with your tax deductible membership. Go to Kansas

City Zoo.com/membership and also watch the animal cams to see the penguin, orangutan, and polar bear live. I am so glad we had this marvelous opportunity thanks to those that made the arrangements.

Marie Barrentine, vice president AORN Chapter 2601

Thermal image to see if the infection is all gone from the elephant's ear





3D model to better study the animal



Thermal image of our group

Congratulations Denice

On your article published in Outpatient Surgery!

The Horror and Heartbreak of a Retained Object

Nurses with firsthand experience of retained surgical items carry deep emotional scars.



Category: Outpatient Surgery > Patient Safety

hat does it feel like to be connected to a case that results in a retained surgical item? It can rock a nurse to the core. A couple of years ago, I sent an email to about 150 surgical nurses in my hospital. I said, If you've ever been involved in a retained-item event and are willing to talk about it, I'd like to hear from you.

More than 20 nurses came forward with stories, many based on experiences elsewhere. The words they used were heartbreaking. Even if the event had nothing to do with them — if a patient had just shown up to have an object removed — they felt grief and despair.

Several cried as they re-lived the experiences. One nurse said she'd seriously thought about leaving the profession. Most said the experience had strengthened their resolve to be better nurses.

It was eye-opening. You can talk and talk about preventing retained items, but the stories they told humanized the issue, and that made other nurses sit up and listen more intently. I know what it's like to be in a busy operating room, and I know that retained objects are completely preventable if we take our time and count correctly. The key is to



FULL COUNT Retained objects should never happen, but prevention requires time and attention.

always stop and pay full attention at that point of the surgery. Otherwise, anyone can ma And when mistakes happen, they're devastating.

To read the rest of the article, please view from the link below – courtesy of Outpatient Surgery.net

http://www.outpatientsurgery.net/surgical-facilityadministration/patient-safety/the-horror-and-heartbreak-of-aretained-object--staff-patient-safety-17



Pictures from a fun Trivia Night!!



A Special thank you from Heart to Heart International for our contribution to help the hurricane relief efforts. Thank you all for your generosity in helping others in need!



Greater KC AORN Chapter Meeting

November 14, 2017

Susan Morris from Cerner Corporation

Speaking on:

Unique Device Indentifier & Meaningful Use 3



The Why, What & How

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 **North Kansas City Hospital 2800 Clay Edwards Drive**

2.01830 North Kansas City, MO 64116

Health Services Pavilion - Prairie View Room

Dinner: 5:30 pm

Speaker: 6:45 – 7:45 pm



See you next in January 2018!