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A quick update from your AAOHN representatives concerning you the members and the organization

**NEW Members** - Please join with us and welcome the following NEW members. -

* + Kathleen Marie McPhaul
  + Shelly Lee Canton
  + Boniface Dobo
  + Gregory Kellough
  + Holly Thompson
  + Marie Guirlene Pierre
  + Jessica Crosby

**Do you have some great news you would like to share with your members – Please contact us (contact information at the end of newsletter) so we can continue to support and congratulate our members.**

**In Memorial**

* **Pam McCarthy – longtime member of PA chapter and past board member of PA passed away. Her kind and supportive personality will be greatly missed.**

**Sad News**

* **Philadelphia chapter is dissolving into the PA chapter**

**Chapter Updates**

* **DELAWARE** 
  + **Hosted a meet, greet and learn in September – GREAT turnout and POSTER presentations**
    - **Local university BSN students attended – opportunity to learn about the best specialty of nursing**
  + **Have interactive meeting planned in January for all Nurse Practitioners in Family Practice to assist with care of OH patients**
  + **Tim McLaughlin has joined their Education Committee**
* **MAINE annual meeting will be 12/6/17**
  + **Please contact Debra Werts, president, at** [debra.werts@martinspoint.org](mailto:debra.werts@martinspoint.org) **for further information**
* **NY 2018 conference –** <https://nysaohn.nursingnetwork.com/>**or contact Patricia Sadowski at** <sadowski_patricia@yahoo.com>
  + **June 8, 2018 – East Syracuse, NY**
* **PA 2018 conference -** [www.PAAOHN.org](http://www.PAAOHN.org)
  + **March 7-9 – Lancaster, PA**

**NEAOHN Updates**

* **2018 conference will be hosted and held in New Jersey**
  + **Check** [www.neaohn.org](http://www.neaohn.org) **for more information**
* **Nursingnetwork.com – Organization/site NEAOHN has partnered with for an up to date and FREE website**
  + **Does your state want/need to partner – Contact NEAOHN webmaster Carol Parks for more information**

**AAOHN Updates**

* **NEW editor for Workplace Health and Safety Journal**
  + **Dr. Lisa Pompeii, PhD**
  + **Are you a journal article reviewer?**
    - **Publon Questions answered**
      * **Yes, you should register – it is free**
      * **You will receive credit for reviewing the articles when you are registered**
        + **More questions – contact Meredith Pond, Publishing editor, at** [Meredith.Pond@sagepub.com](mailto:Meredith.Pond@sagepub.com)
  + **NOT a journal article reviewer**
    - **Why NOT – great way to get to be the first to see an article in your area of specialty**
    - **Contact the new Editor and apply**
* **FREE webinars for members will continue through 2018**
* **Annual Conference**
  + **April 16-18, 2018**
  + **Reno Nevada – Peppermill resort**
  + **Same CNE’s less time away from work**
* **Possible change in DUES structure**
  + **Have you participated in the discussion?**
  + **Do you have any questions/suggestions/thoughts about the possible changes?**
* **Don’t forget to vote**
  + **AAOHN will be sending out a ballot very soon**
    - **Ballot coming out week of February 11, 2018 – WATCH YOUR MAILBOX**
  + **We are your representatives so you should VOTE**
* **Yolanda and Steve participated in the NYU DNP advisory board meeting in December**
  + **NYU is interested in building their student ranks and expanding the understanding of Occupational Health Nursing as a viable career choice**
    - **Suggestions were to have students to submit to present either posters or podium discussions at the local, state and national OH conferences; advertise on the local, state websites; NYU being a vendor at conferences. We are open to other suggestions to present to NYU.**
* **Interest in Total Worker Health – check out the following website**
  + <https://www.twhsymposium.org/>

**Collecting old nursing books**

* **Yolanda is collecting old nursing books to be sent via the University of Pittsburgh to third world countries – if anyone has she will be attending the PA conference in March and would be happy to drive them back to Pittsburgh**

**Fellowship Opportunity**

* AACN is pleased to announce a new fellowship opportunity focused on **occupational safety and health through the CDC’s National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory (NPPTL)**. Funded by the CDC’s National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), this fellowship provides the opportunity to work with a national organization on a project that will monitor personal protective equipment (PPE) usage as it relates to hazards within a hospital setting.  The fellow will assist in all aspects of the clinical research from design to implementation, including survey design, preparation of regulatory material, collecting and analyzing data, and contributing to translational science.  This fellowship opportunity is open to Master’s level nurses, including recent and soon-to-be spring 2018 graduates looking to gain valuable experience working on a very high profile project between CDC/NIOSH and partnering stakeholders.  This fellowship term is a 12-month period beginning in July 2018 and is located at NIOSH headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA.  [View the fellowship announcement](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__www.aacnnursing.org_Portals_42_Population-2520Health_NIOSH-2DFellowship-2DAnnouncement.pdf&d=DwMFAg&c=HS1CjnFyfzCL6mp0nkGYYw&r=_3w-vbuEs4ryoqUTtBSfz9xrS2VoPuY7GrJL9hWLuOs&m=S6RdLAy6rLrdIHZVPTEubVm0gTahfyM6asrVNCjFBbk&s=dJbSAnbf4x20uBFHxaGLWTyKN-g2tyv6JmsvwHdgguI&e=) for background, eligibility, and application information.

* Applications for the fellowship are due **Friday, February 2, 2018**.  Visit the [AACN-CDC Public Health Fellowship Program](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__www.aacnnursing.org_Population-2DHealth-2DNursing_AACN-2DCDC-2DPublic-2DHealth-2DFellowship-2DProgram&d=DwMFAg&c=HS1CjnFyfzCL6mp0nkGYYw&r=_3w-vbuEs4ryoqUTtBSfz9xrS2VoPuY7GrJL9hWLuOs&m=S6RdLAy6rLrdIHZVPTEubVm0gTahfyM6asrVNCjFBbk&s=e7ECAvZ_PDj2RLuqRvcnmZCTw_97-8aBpDsGsKK5jmg&e=) webpage or contact the CDC Project Manager Allison Jacobs at [ajacobs@aacnnursing.org](mailto:ajacobs@aacnnursing.org).

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**We are available for local meetings either in person or via phone/skype – Please help us to get your voice heard**