



The Lap Sheet

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President's Message



Hello Fellow AORN Members!

Spring has sprung!! I am so thankful to be seeing the tulips blooming and everything starting to green up again. I apologize for the delay in this communication Newsletter. COVID 19 has changed the way my daily operations within my work place, as I'm sure it has for you too.

Throughout the past month, I have witnessed remarkable levels of nursing care unfold, incredible displays of professional unity, and an amazing sense of commitment and dedication from all those who are fighting the COVID-19 pandemic from the frontline. Day after day, nursing caregivers are rising to the challenge and showcasing the true essence of our great profession. During these uncharted and uncertain times, their hard work shines as a beacon of hope. Never before have we experienced a health crisis of this magnitude, but I assure you, **WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER.**

While the situation continues to change and evolve every day, continue to care for yourselves and your family. Call and check in on family, friends and loved ones. Now more than ever, nurses need to be present and collaborate and work together as a team — **TEAMWORK IS KEY.**

I hope your hospital leadership teams are communicating around the clock. I hope they are communicating timely and accurate information to nursing caregivers. Communicating in real-time and with transparency is the safest way to manage this situation.

With new challenges emerging by the minute, it is especially important that nursing caregivers are made aware of the steps and actions being taken by their leadership team to remedy issues and maintain safety for themselves and their patients. Up-to-date and frequent communication to nursing caregivers by nurse leaders brings caregivers together, encourages confidence, helps clarify any confusion, ensures high-quality, safe care continues, and shows ongoing support and appreciation.

Let's do our best to stay safe during this difficult time. Thank you for taking care of our patients' everyday!!

Respectfully Submitted,
Ashley Shaw, BSN, RN, CNOR

President 2019-2020

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Hospitality- Door Prizes @ 0605 - **Call to Order- Ashley Shaw 1809** - OLD BUSINESS – Quorum was met at November meeting (by the members in person and online).

BYLAWS – have been updated in ORNL and on AORNKC.ORG

National Candidates- Secretary (committees, feb meeting) **James (Jay) W. Bowers, BSN, RN, CNOR, TNCC**
Currently a clinical educator for West Virginia University Healthcare, Morgantown. Bowers has been a perioperative nurse for 27 years and a member of AORN for 26 years. He is a member of :AORN of North Central West Virginia & State Council, the Leadership Specialty Assembly, Clinical Nurse Educator Specialty Assembly, Pediatric Specialty Assembly. He has won: an AORN Outstanding Achievement in Perioperative Clinical Nursing Practice Award, George P. Heffner Medical Staff Member of the Year, an AORN National Volunteer of Year Award, and a Tacna-Peru Mayor Humanitarian Award.

Darlene B. Murdock, BSN, BA, RN, CNOR, - A clinical staff nurse IV at Memorial Hermann Health System, Houston, Texas. Murdock has been a perioperative nurse for 27 years and a member of AORN for 25 years. She is a member of: AORN of Greater Houston, the Texas Council of Operating Room Nurses, the Leadership Specialty Assembly, the Pediatric Specialty Assembly, the Retired Nurses Specialty Assembly, and Sterile Processing/Supply Chain Management Specialty Assembly.
Murdock has received: the AORN Outstanding Achievement in Perioperative Clinical Nursing Practice Award (2018), the AORN of Greater Houston Star Award for Outstanding Contribution (2017), the Federation of Houston Professional Women of Excellence Award (2014), and the AORN of Greater Houston Perioperative Nurse of the Year Award (2012).

She is a member of the AORN Board of Directors (2018-present) and a member of the Texas Council of Operating Room Nurses Board of Directors (2015-present). Voting set up at the next meeting (can bring computer)

Upcoming Events – Feb 2nd **SUPER BOWL LIV Let's Go CHIEFS!!** 🍷

Feb 22nd Vendor Fair & Education Conference

March 7th Bowling Fundraising Event - Parkway Lanes – Near 85th and Ward Parkway

March 17- Next meeting

Announcements - Marie Barrentine – had a fall just before Christmas, Please sign the card being passed around. Flowers have been sent by the chapter to help her get well soon.

Individual Grants have been awarded be sure to check your emails if you applied.

CAS (Chapter Accountability Standards) sent in and complete.

Chapter Award Entry for the year 2018-2019 ~~ Barb's Year; Entry completed - Group effort, thank you to all who helped finish it! Denice played a LARGE role !! Thank you!!

DRAWING TIME (please let Ashley or Whitney know if you're attending conference) **2 individual expo registrations (1 from foundation w/ stipulations) Jessica Gridley getting foundation grant (1 from winning chapter of the year last year Louann won)

Events at Expo: -CNOR Live Prep (\$399member/\$499 non member) ~ 2020 chapter incentives: Set up happy hour \$150 two per chapter/year ~ Retain Incentives: 80% renewal rate, new report available in February.

Financials: Regina -Marie's delegate fee going back into account, Amending Pittan on vendor fair

Nominating Committee - Melissa Tullis- Chairman; Ballot Up Date – Willingness to serve forms for VP and Secretary. **PLEASE, PLEASE, CONSIDER RUNNING FOR OFFICE (3 more) President Elect – Open**

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Charity: getting bedding **Community Service**: Melissa (In March giving to The Healing Chair- for help w/ sitting to standing)

Saturday March 14th 9-12 sorting for mission (Cindi Davis)

- One **Nursing Student Scholarship** Deadline Has Passed- no applications
- Two **CNOR Scholarships** are available in the amount of \$200.00.
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- One **Member Scholarship** is available in the amount of \$250.00.
- One **Periop 101 & Beyond Scholarship** is available in the amount of \$99.00. 04/10/20 due

Deadline to submit the CNOR, CRNFA, CSSM, Member &/or Periop 101 & Beyond Scholarship Applications is April 10, 2020

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Membership Tracy Porter- Chairman ~ Encourage peri-ops to keep participating ~ Current Membership: 363
Recruitment Incentives: 2020 not released at this time.

Fundraising Committee – Denice Bowling Tournament March 7th (sign up on Nursing Network) Ward Parkway Lanes ~ Flyers available Talk this UP!! Fundraising Committee
7 Shirts left to sale NEW Order Form Ready Did not have enough orders to place another. Ordering another round after Feb. Conference? 2nd Order would like to add AORN Kansas City Chapter to the back -> Additional \$4 Wont have back until March meeting

Education Conference & Vendor Fair ~ Sharon Williamson & Louann Huffman; Saturday 02/22 (35 registered, needing 100) -Ashely picking her up and taking to airport, taking her out to eat the night prior (Elizabeth Pincus) Flyers Available ☺ Please Sign up Tonight

Applied for Grant from Foundation.

Media/Public Relations ~ Whitney Huddleston ~ -Continue to send her stuff from your hospitals

-Go to our AORN KC on facebook under community and invite friends to “like” page

Newsletter ~ Denett Costin ~ Feb deadline 02/04 newsletter

Legislation ~ Louann : Missouri -Meeting with Dr. Patterson 01/29/20 in Jeff City, to get initiative going in MO -MONA lobbyist helping, and 2 w/ AORN -Conference call weekly to give updates

-Dr. Talboy has developed throat cancer, gave permission to share story to promote smoke free initiative, please send any testimonials share - St Luke’s got GOCLEAR award

Valerie : Kansas -Anyone who wants to go let them know

Nurse Advocacy Day in MO -> Meeting with Dr. Patterson 1/29/20 in Jeff City

Nurses day at the legislator: March 4th 2020 Both MO & KS **Deadline** for KS to register is February 14, 2020.

Deadline to For MO register is January 23, 2019 (THIS Thursday!!)

Give Val paper to show voted for national election, to receive for points for next year.

Chapter officer Town Hall ~ -CEU Opportunity for those AORN members at home ~

“Things SPD Wishes their OR Colleagues knew”

Register for webinar AORN E Chapter

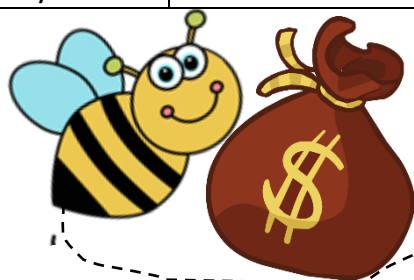
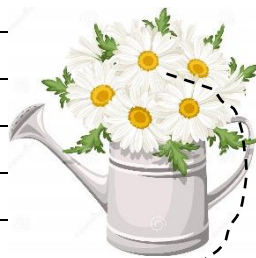
Louann accepted as CNOR coach for KC area

Meeting adjourned at 1857

www.medcomrn.com/BDI-

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: TIA KENNEDY FOR ERIN THARP, SECRETARY

DATE	SAVINGS ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
3/1/2020	Beginning Balance	\$19,185.47
3/31/2020	Interest Payment	\$0.16
3/31/2020	Ending Balance	\$19,185.63
3/31/2020	CD ACCOUNT	\$6,842.80
3/31/2020	Total Savings + CD	\$26,028.43
	CHECKING ACCOUNT	
3/1/2020	Beginning Balance	\$23,941.14
3/2/2020	Carolyn Twomey #2209 (Vendor Fair Speaker)	\$100.00
3/6/2020	Stripe P.Brizzi (205-6.25) Bowling	\$198.75
3/9/2020	Stripe: Bowling: (Morrison & Brizzi Teams\$397.50)- (Kathleen Meek Refund vendor fair:276.43)	\$121.07
3/11/2020	Sleep in Heavenly Peace (Fundraiser for January Meeting)	\$107.00
3/11/2020	Nursing Network	\$30.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (A.Shaw)	\$680.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (J.Gridley)	\$680.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (T.Kuehn)	\$680.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (A.Kling)	\$620.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (S. Secrest)	\$620.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (J.Jackson)	\$620.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (R.McDonald)	\$620.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (D.Morrison)	\$620.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (K.Blundell)	\$620.00
3/12/2020	AORN Delegate Conference Registration Refund (Ballentine)	\$620.00
3/23/2020	W. Huddleston #2238 (Vendor Fair Speaker)	\$50.00
3/25/2020	L. Spaw #2237 (Vendor Fair Speaker)	\$50.00
3/30/2020	C. Regan #2241 (Vendor Fair: Tip for food)	\$20.00
3/25/2020	Bowling Fundraiser Deposits (checks/cash)	\$2,078.00
3/27/2020	A.Shaw: Reimb. Food Bowling: Paypal w/fee (\$179.85+\$5.52)	\$185.37
3/31/2020	Ending Balance	\$32,176.59



FUNDRAISING INFORMATION

Bowling Fundraiser 2020						
<i>Date</i>	<i>Income Name</i>	<i>Income Amount Total</i>	<i>Expense Name</i>	<i>Expense Amount</i>	<i>Stripe</i>	<i>Earnings</i>
1/28/2020	W.Huddleston (Team)	\$198.75			\$6.25	
2/12/2020	Mahoney #2394	\$35.00				
2/27/2020	J.Gengler #2613	\$200.00				
2/27/2020	ISP #6573	\$200.00				
2/21/2020	Jakoi team Stripe	\$198.75			\$6.25	
2/21/2020	K.McKee team Stripe	\$198.75			\$6.25	
2/25/2020	Monarch Surgery #24562	\$200.00				
2/25/2020	Faultless #5455	\$650.00				
2/25/2020	L. Huffman #3209	\$20.00				
2/25/2020	P.Tolbert #3815	\$35.00				
2/25/2020	J. Jackson #1468	\$70.00				
2/25/2020	KC Neurology #1716	\$200.00				
2/25/2020	A. Shaw #1611	\$200.00				
2/25/2020	J. Eggers #2176	\$200.00				
2/25/2020	Cash	\$503.00				
3/4/2020	JNJ J. Laplant Stripe	\$198.75			\$6.25	
3/5/2020	D. Morrison Stripe	\$198.75			\$6.25	
3/5/2020	P.Brizzi Stripe	\$198.75			\$6.25	
3/18/2020			Ward parkway Lanes #2247	\$715.00		
3/7/2020			Sarpinos Pizza	\$191.85		
3/7/2020			Aldi Food	\$16.58		
3/7/2020			Cash Prizes	\$225.00		
3/7/2020			Sarpinos Pizza	\$179.85		
Total		\$3,705.50		\$1,328.28	\$31.25	\$2,377.22





PLEASE EMAIL VALERIE CONFIRMATION TO SHOW YOU HAVE VOTED FOR THE National candidates so you can get points for the next years point sheet!!

Email to vheckmaster@gmail.com

Thank you! Valeria Heckmaster, Credentialing Chair

DEADLINE to submit information for the next News Letter Communication is **APRIL 30, 2020** Please submit to DENETT COSTIN at odenett@hotmail.com

Thank you,

Denett Costin, RN BSN, CNOR

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

At our fourth AORN chapter meeting of the year, on January 21st, cash donations which totaled \$107.00, in addition to one large box filled with one soft pillow and nine twin size sheet sets were collected for Sleep in Heavenly Peace. SHP is an organization that builds and delivers beds to children who don't have beds to sleep in.



During the month of March, our chapter will support The Healing Chair By loaning mastectomy patients reclining lift chairs upon returning home from the hospital, The Healing Chair, a nonprofit organization provides comfort, community, support, and encouragement to aid in the women's healing and recovery.



At our January meeting, 33 empty pill bottles were collected (**please remove all labels from the bottles**) and one pound of pop tabs.

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) I can see clearly ~ old eyeglasses are needed to help others with their vision. All items will be collected at each meeting throughout the year until April 21, 2020.



Thank you,

Melissa Harber, MSN, RN-BC, CNOR, CRNFA

Community Services Chair 2019-2020

Hello AORN Friends,

Please find all five scholarship applications = CNOR, CRNFA, CSSM, Member and Periop 101 & Beyond 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 2020.

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Hard copies of all five scholarship applications will be available at the March 17, 2020 Chapter meeting.

Thank you,

Melissa Harber RN-BC, CNOR, CRNFA, CPN

Scholarship Chair 2019-2020

APRIL MEETING INFORMATION

ONLINE ACCESS ONLY

The link is :

<https://aornofgreaterkansascity.globalmeet.com/AshleyShaw>

**TOPIC: Safety in the Operating Room by Sarah Scholten
from Integra**

Evaluation can be located via survey monkey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3DNWZ3B>

Please nominate a Chapter Member for special recognition of the contributions to the world of nursing.

The elected candidate will be recognized at our ~~May~~ Banquet! (to be later in the summer)

Write a paragraph about someone who has been outstanding in your nursing world.

The contribution(s) of your nominee may be from a wide range of activities: preoperative nursing care, education, mentorship, leadership or research.

Include your name and your nominee’s name.

Send your nominations to Tracy Porter via email to bporter1@kc.rr.com

Deadline: MAY 1, 2020.

PURPOSE—The AORN of Greater Kansas City Preoperative Nurse of the Year Award is to recognize a Registered Nurse whose accomplishments reflect the goal of excellence in patient care.

CRITERIA — Current Memberships in AORN, please include enough information to indicate the knowledge and offices held, special projects involved in, either at work or in the community. Include how the nominee serves as a role model which will inspire colleagues to improve the quality of PeriOperative practice.

I, _____ nominate _____ for
the Preoperative Nurse of the Year Award for 2020. _____

Nominee’s present position: _____

Employed at: _____