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Greater Milwaukee Area Chapter



2020-2021

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THIS
is OUR
MOMENT

AACN 2020-2021 Theme

This Is Our Moment, when the world celebrates us as the most trusted profession, it has also learned that the care we give every day as acute and critical care nurses is unique, and it cannot be replaced.

~Elizabeth Bridges, AACN President

Message from GMAC President Patrick McNally



AACN's theme for this year is "This is our Moment-All-In!" This is a fitting theme for our current environment. Critical Care Nurses have always been "All-In"; however, we have been at the forefront of nursing over the last year. Our innovation and adaptability has been instrumental for developing nursing practice.

The GMAC Board completed their strategic planning meeting in August. We have an outstanding team that will lead us through the next year. Our goal over the next year is to engage and remain relevant with our members. You will see more virtual offerings as we adapt to our current environment.



Message from GMAC President Patrick McNally, ctd.

Our Education Committee has been working diligently to offer education options via Zoom. This is a new process for our team. Please be patient as we become comfortable with this format over the next few months. This will allow GMAC to continue offering CEU's to our members.

Lastly, we would like to thank everyone for continuing as GMAC members. You may receive a phone call from one of our Board Members over the next few months. We want to engage members to ensure we are meeting your needs.

Thanks!

Patrick

Patrick McNally MSN, MA, RN, NE-BC



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Treasurer's Report

GMAC Treasure Chest

Welcome to the start of another year. We have learned to adapt and expect the unexpected. GMAC is blessed to be financially stable. We will continue to strive to maintain stability as we adjust to virtual meetings and no vendor presence. As a board, we are cognizant of giving our members more for their money. We thank you all for sticking with us and being patient with this new "normal" path. We are all in this together!!

Jaime Uecker

2020-2021 GMAC Treasurer

Thank you to Kelly Carter, Patti Weisser, and Amanda Hug for assisting in completion of our yearly audit!

Wells Fargo

Checking \$7,833.00

Savings \$18,433.39

Baird Investment

\$22,294.38



Calendar of Events

Thank you for your patience as we learn what GMAC life looks like amidst COVID-19.

NTI 2021 will be Virtual!

Click [HERE](#) for the announcement from AACN.

GMAC Events

Monitor Distribution	Educational Sessions	General Board Meetings	Educational Board Meetings
September 14, 2020 December 14, 2020 March 14, 2021 June 14, 2021	September 15, 2020 October 20, 2020 November 17, 2020	October 6, 2020 January 12, 2021 March 9, 2021 May 4, 2021	September 28, 2020 See Next Page
TIME:	Virtual, 1930-2030	1800-2000	Virtual, 1830



Education Committee

Education Session Update

We received communication from Ascension Wauwatosa hospitality services confirming that Ascension Administrators have cancelled all meetings at their sites through the end of 2020.

So now what? The AACN-GMAC Board has purchased a *ZOOM* membership to support their work and education sessions. The Education Committee is planning to continue to provide our membership with quality education programs with CE offerings – via *ZOOM* through December 2020. Register for future events via GMAC website to receive links to the next Zoom Meeting.

Future Education Sessions

Next Education Session:

October 20, 2020

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Topic: Developing a Culture of Resilience – based on Resilience Model (mental strength, well being, stress awareness, high quality relationships)

Speaker: Paula Davis-Laack

Next Education Session:

November 17, 2020

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Topic: “This is Our Moment –*All In*”

Speaker: AACN President Liz Bridges



Your Help is Needed

The Education Committee is looking for members to help plan the 2020-2021 education sessions. This is a ground-breaking year as we seek to broaden our horizons and provide on-line sessions.

Next Meeting

September 28, at 1830, Via Zoom

If interested in joining, please contact either Valerie Kolmer (valerie.kolmer@att.net) or Beth Hammer (bungalowhome@sbcglobal.net).



Membership & Outreach

Welcome back to another year with GMAC. We are honored to have you back with us this year and if you are looking to join us for the first time, we look forward to seeing you virtually this year!

Membership

A few membership housekeeping reminders:

- AACN membership is required for any GMAC membership
- GMAC annual membership is \$37, students \$10
- Non membership fees individual session fees will likely look different this year as we are changing our platform to virtual with monthly 1 hour sessions versus bi monthly 2 hour sessions with dinners included --> stay tuned more to come on this
 - Potential payment option, for non GMAC members, coming this fall that would be linked to online registration for monthly sessions.
- New and renewing memberships can be completed on the GMAC website at <https://milwaukeeaacn.nursingnetwork.com/>
- Print membership cards from <https://milwaukeeaacn.nursingnetwork.com>
- Please share with colleagues about this amazing professional nursing organization!
- Changes to Bulk Membership: Click [HERE](#) for details

Ambassadors

GMAC is looking for hospital local ambassadors to assist with membership and outreach at your hospitals. If you are interested in hearing more about what this position entails, please reach out to Caroline Brandt via Nursing Networks.

Outreach

Outreach this year may look a little different as well due to our current national and local circumstances. Stay tuned for information coming soon on our fall outreach. If you have any ideas, locations, charities that you feel GMAC should support, please feel free to contact us through nursing networks contact form at <https://milwaukeeaacn.nursingnetwork.com/contact>

If anyone is interested in joining the Outreach Committee, please feel free to email Caroline Brandt (caroline.brandt@att.net) for more information!