

The Monitor

American Association of Critical Care Nurses
Greater Milwaukee Area Chapter



April 2022 Ed. Board Members

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Message from GMAC President Jackie Klotz

Hello 2022!! I hope all of you have taken some time in self-care. I appreciate all of you for your tireless work and care you provide to all patients; especially during your time of healing and resiliency.

Thank you to all of you!!

This year's hybrid National Teaching Institute (NTI) & Critical Care Exposition is May 16-18 in Houston and virtually June 6-8. I encourage all of you to attend. NTI delivers education, inspiration and recognition you deserve all while being flexible in its hybrid options.

Help!!

I'm needing great help in future planning of our local chapter. Unfortunately, we are experiencing great vacancies in our board positions for the upcoming fiscal year August 2022- July 2023. Please consider nominating yourself or a colleague to serve on the GMAC board or Education Committee. Now more than ever, new leaders will enable AACN-GMAC to continue advancing the voice of critical care nurses in the Greater Metro-Milwaukee Area. Being a board member or serving on the education committee is a great opportunity to represent our profession, develop leadership skills and network. I have served on the board for the last 4 years and it has been outstanding experience.

I would like to thank our Education Committee who has worked tirelessly at continuing to offer education sessions in a virtual format. Please join us at the upcoming education session via Zoom on April 19, 2022.



Board of Director Announcements

GMAC Board Elections Coming Soon!!

The following positions are open for the 2022-2023 GMAC Board. It is vital to have a President to ensure we can keep GMAC an operating chapter. Please consider nominating yourself or someone you feel serves GMAC well. Please do not nominate someone you have not already spoken to about the position or nomination. If you have any questions about any of the positions please feel free to reach out to existing board members to discuss what a position entails. Membership dues included. Requirements are to attend one board meeting every other month (at this time virtually).

1. President
2. President Elect
3. Vice President
4. Vice President Elect
5. Secretary
6. Secretary Elect
7. Treasurer Elect
8. Social Media Elect
9. Membership and Outreach
10. Membership and Outreach Elect



Treasurer

Our GMAC chapter has been virtual for the past 2 years. We are now making strides to return to normal and hopefully will have in-person meetings later this year. GMAC has remained financially stable throughout the pandemic. In December we changed banks, and now have our accounts at North Shore Bank.

Diane Dressler

2021-2022 GMAC Treasurer

North Shore Bank Checking Account: \$10,070.06

North Shore Bank Savings Account: \$40,297.99



Calendar of Upcoming Events

| Education Committee Meeting Dates Zoom 7:00 pm | Education Session Dates Zoom 7:30 pm | Board Meeting Dates Zoom 7:00 pm Open to all members and students | Monitor Publication Dates | Monitor Articles Submission Due to Caroline Brandt by for review and publication by all chapter members |
|--|--|--|---------------------------|---|
| 4/12 | April 19 | 5/10 | June 7 | 5/24 |
| 6/14 | | | | |

NTI Your Way 2022

Register Now for Live OR Virtual NTI - You choose which way you attend NTI this year

1. Attend **Live** in Houston, TX. May 16-18 (pre conference May 15). Register here <https://www.aacn.org/conferences-and-events/nti/registration-fees?tab=NTI%20Houston>
2. Attend **Virtual** June 6-8. Register here <https://www.aacn.org/conferences-and-events/nti/registration-fees?tab=NTI%20Virtual>

*** Register by April 26 to save \$90 off Live and \$30 off Virtual NTI***



Social Media

Visit <https://milwaukeeaacn.nursingnetwork.com/> for up to date info on the chapter, events, registration and more!

Pass along any interesting events, education, updates to the social media team for publication
Submit articles for publication in the Monitor



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Education Committee

Thank you for the GREAT turn out for Rich Gillard and his presentation on Elevated Serum Lactate-It's not just about sepsis! It was amazing to see so many participants. We have 1 more virtual education session this year in April. After that, we are HOPING for an IN-PERSON education session in September. We are planning to return to the in-person format! If you are interested in joining the planning committee, please reach out to us!

APRIL:
ECMO and The COVID Patient by Jennifer Guy and Amber Stempf, ECMO Coordinators at Froedtert
April 19, 2022 at 1930! FREE event for all via Zoom!
Registration link and flyer to come soon!

Thanks for all that you do and hanging in there with us!
Jaime Uecker MSN, RN, CCRN 2021-2022 GMAC Vice President



Membership and Outreach

Membership

Current Membership Total: 86

A few membership housekeeping reminders:

- Must have national AACN membership to hold a local chapter membership. National membership can be obtained at aacn.org
- Local membership is \$37 for all RN and graduate students
- Undergraduate students who hold national student memberships local GMAC membership is \$10
- Non GMAC members will pay a per session fee listed at the time of registration
- New and renewing memberships can be completed online at <https://milwaukeeaacn.nursingnetwork.com/>
- If you need membership cards for these can also be printed on the milwaukee nursing network website

GMAC Ambassadors

We continue to look for GMAC members to act as liaisons between GMAC and local hospitals for things like membership, outreach, and chapter education. If you are interested in becoming a local hospital ambassador for GMAC please reach out to the board for more information. We look forward to working with you.

Outreach

Over the last year we have struggled with how to fulfill our usual outreach efforts to local organizations. If you have any organizations or efforts that are near and dear to your heart and feel that they are in line with the efforts of GMAC please feel free to reach out to the board or contact us through the nursing network website. We would love to continue our efforts to give back to the community.