

AORN 1411

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- ICORN Group webpage: <https://hub.aorn.org/periopcorner/s/group/0F9Ux00000000zMKAO/icorn-illinois-state-council>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AORN1411/>

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Nominating committee

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Education: Chic Duffy

Geri Weissmann

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## 4CNE SEMINAR & VENDOR FAIR

### 4 CNE Seminar Vendor Fair ICORN Meeting

**When:** Saturday, November 8, 2025

**Where:** Ascension Alexian Brothers  
800 Biesterfeld Rd, Elk Grove  
Village 60007

**Time:** 7am-3pm

**CHAPTER AORN 1411**

**4CEUs**

**Vendor Fair & ICORN Meeting**

**Saturday, November 8, 2025**

**7:30 AM – 3:30 PM**

Ascension Alexian Brothers,  
Elk Grove, IL

Scan QR code to RSVP!

Email [cherryalcedo.aorn1411@gmail.com](mailto:cherryalcedo.aorn1411@gmail.com) for questions.

Join us for a day of innovation, networking, and fun!

## 4 CNE Seminar & Vendor Fair 2025Nov8

(Breakfast & Lunch Included)

|                |                                                                                                                                                    |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                | Help support fundraising efforts!!! Split-the-Pot / Auction / ICORN Pins                                                                           |
| 7-8            | Registration / Vendor Visit / Auction                                                                                                              |
| 8-9            | Education 1 CEU: Unlocking Magnet Potential: Showcasing Magnet Potential Excellence<br>Speaker: David Reinhart, DNP, MBA, RN, CNOR, FAAN           |
| 9-10           | Vendor Visit<br>Split-The-Pot<br>Auction                                                                                                           |
| 10-11          | Education 1 CEU: Can Implicit Trust in Our Teams Lead to Medical Errors<br>Speaker Jamie Ridout, MSN, MBA, RN, CNOR, NEA-BC, CASC                  |
| 11-12<br>Lunch | Vendor Visit<br>Split-the-Pot<br>Auction closes @12nn                                                                                              |
| 12-1           | Education 1 CEU: Standardization of Tissue Management n the O.R.<br>Speaker: Philip Maslana, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, CNOR                               |
| 1-2            | Education 1 CEU: It's a Wonderful Life! How Your Nursing Care Has Impacted the World Around You<br>Speaker: William Duffy, MJ, BSN, RN, CNOR, FAAN |
| 2-3            | ICORN Meeting                                                                                                                                      |

## AORN Chapter 1411

### AORN Chapter 1411 NWSCC

#### Business Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** October 14, 2025, Tuesday

**Meeting called to order:** President Kathy Bradley at 6:00 (CST) PM

**Officers present:**

**President-Elect** - Cherry Alcedo

**Treasurer** - Tey O'Meara

**Other members present:** Sheila Aiello, Chic Duffy, Pam Nuspl, and Geri Weissmann

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from September approved as written.

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Income:**

|                              |                    |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Chapter Rebate for September | \$ 90.00           |
| Vendors Payment (x8paid)     | \$ 2,390.67        |
| Attendees payment (X19)      | \$ 380.00          |
| Split the pot in September   | \$ 32.50           |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>\$ 2,860.67</b> |

**Expenses:**

|                                                  |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Recurring Donation to AORN Foundation in October | \$ 10.50        |
| Square Card hardware                             | \$ 58.99        |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>\$ 68.49</b> |

**Checking Account balance**      **\$ 7,084.32**

**Savings Account balance**      **\$ 5,001.94**

#### **Education**

The dinner/education, "*Mastering Modern Sterile Techniques: A Deep Dive into the New AORN Guidelines*", sponsored by Aerobiotix held on Sept 22nd, had 24 attendees. A big **thank you** to speaker Dr Hudson Garrett, Adjunct Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases from the University of Louisville School of Medicine.

During the live event, a chapter fundraising opportunity, split-the-pot chances, generated \$32.50. Congratulations to the winner! Thank you to all members who attended.

**Membership:** Current chapter member count as of October is 148. Chic Duffy sent out notifications to those with expiring/expired memberships. There are 22 soon to expire and 133 with expired membership.

Encourage colleagues to avail of the \$1 trial membership for 2months. [aorn.org](http://aorn.org)

If you know any of your staff or colleague who need to change their membership to 1411, please contact AORN's chapter services: [cs@aorn.org](mailto:cs@aorn.org)

**Old Business: Opportunities for fundraising**

1. Will continue the Split-the-Pot chances during face-to-face events/meetings.
2. Continue to sell T-shirts. Kathy Bradley will put the remaining shirts on Facebook Marketplace.
3. FMSC DEI event was attended by 20 volunteers. Cherry sent AORN the synopsis of this event.

**New Business:**

Cherry, current chapter PE, will ask vendor/s for a December dinner/education for the chapter. More to come!

**Vendor Fair: November 8, 2025 at Ascension Alexian Brothers**

- Cherry will extend the registration date until October 30th for both vendors and attendees.
- Cherry received 15 payments by Zelle and Tey received 4 payments. As of October 14, there are 26 attendees registered.
- There are a total of 8 paid vendors so far. Edwards Life Science will sponsor the breakfast and Stryker will sponsor the lunch. We are hoping to get more vendors before the deadline.
- Cherry will oversee putting signs for directions to the conference room, set-up of the conference room classroom style, and set-up of vendor tables.
- Geri will bring utensils for the food and paper tablecloth and cash box for the registration table. Cherry will also bring some linen for back up.
- Tey will bring vendor signs, extension cords, chance tickets, and honorarium gift cards for the 4 speakers at \$50 each.
- Venue set-up will start at 6:45 am.

**Surgical Expo 2026 in New Orleans April 11-14:** Registration is now open. Please reserve your hotel room ASAP as they get filled very quickly, especially the ones closer to the convention center.

**ICORN:** Chic will send reminders to IL chapter presidents thru social media platforms. Donations are from different IL chapters as well as from individual members. Donations are in the form of themed auction baskets and gift cards.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm

Respectfully Submitted by,  
Estela O'Meara  
Treasurer, Chapter 1411

## IL Council of peri-Operative RNs \_ICORN

**Date: October 11, 2025, Saturday 10:00 AM**

Meeting called to order by: Chairperson Chic Duffy at 10:00 am

Officers present:

Secretary- Tey O'Meara

### **Attendees:**

1401 Tiana Dunlap, Marge Mehas, Carlo Butacan

1403 Marilyn Shigley

1410 Amanda Warwick

1411 Carlo Butacan, Chic Duffy, Tey O'Meara

1424 Nancy Risner

Quorum reached with 5 chapters present.

**Minutes:** September minutes approved as written.

<https://hub.aorn.org/periopcorner/s/group/0F9Ux00000000zMKAQ/icorn-illinois-state-council>

**Treasurer's Report:** Current Balance: \$3,031.56. Annual fee for per IL chapter remains \$20/year. Dues are paid during the Spring meeting. Fees may be paid electronically or by mail to Jennifer Gregg 555 E Capri Drive, Palatine IL 60074.

### **Fundraising Future Plans:**

- ♦ Top Golf, Schaumburg
  - Monday-Thursday 4pm-8pm at \$43.50/hour. Sunday-all day
  - Charged per bay with a 3-hour minimum for 4-6 players. Pricing is per person.
  - Choose your own menu with choices of: The Premium, Smokehouse BBQ, Fajita Fiesta or Ultimate Bites with prices ranging from \$46-27 including unlimited fountain soda, iced tea, coffee and water.
  - All season venues featuring fully covered bays with heaters and misters.
- ♦ Stoney Creek Golf Club at 5850 W 103<sup>rd</sup> St. oak Lawn (708-857-2433), Brian Dober- General Manager. Marge Mehas is waiting for more information for this venue
- ♦ Sweatshirt fundraising is still to be determined. More details to follow.

### **Fall Fundraising Revenue Plan:**

- ♦ Themed auction basket donations from:
  - 1401 Chicago Chapter Tiana Dunlap
  - 1403 Rockford Marilyn Shigley
  - 1404 Central Illinois Antonacci/Vortman
  - 1406 South Suburban Chicago Lynn Kohles
  - 1410 Southwest Illinois AmandaWarwick/Cathy Fenton
  - 1411 Host Chapter Kathy Bradley
  - 1416 Twin City Illinois Crystal Bricker

- 1418 North Regional Illinois Jennifer Gregg
- 1424 AORN of Maywood Nancy Risner
- ♦ Gift card tree for donated gift cards:
  - 1401 Tiana Dunlap
  - Donation of wine bottles, Tiana Dunlap is donating gift cards from Target, Starbucks and Amazon, 1411 Starbucks cards, and 1410 gift cards from Cracker Barrel.
  - Baskets for auction-\$25-35 each. Chic will create the auction lists.
  - Cathy Fenton will give a personal donation.
  - TBD: **1402 Southern Illinois** Jamie Carver (will ask the board), **1413 Graue Mill** -president not listed in AORN map. Their chapter is included in the "Rise to 25" leaderboard, **1425 Urbana Champaign** Kathryn Swan listed as president in the AORN map but not found in Nursing Network, **1427 Rush University Medical Center**-cited in AORN map but no registered president.
  - Split-the-pot for 3tix/\$5. The winner gets half and ICORN gets the rest of the money.
  - \$20 fee for members (\$25 for non-members) includes 4CE, breakfast and lunch. Please read the flyer for more details.
  - So far 12 Vendors have made a commitment to attend. Edwards Life Science will sponsor the breakfast, and Stryker will sponsor the lunch.
  - Final logistics for the event will be finalized by the host chapter (1411).
- ♦ **Zander CNOR Review Course**
  - March 14-15, 2026 at Ascension Alexian Brothers Kennedy Conference Room, 800 Biesterfield RD Elk Grove Village 6007.
  - Fee -\$295, 16.0 contact hours provided. Meals on your own
  - After attending you will receive 120 days of access to a recording of the class, an invitation to a virtual study group, and 200 practice questions to help you prepare for the exam.
  - Has higher passing rate than AORN review course.
  - For further information you may contact Wendy Zander at E-mail: [wendy@perioped.com](mailto:wendy@perioped.com) or by Phone: 803-271-0744

**Chapter Accountability Standards** is due December 31, 2025. Please make sure you update your list of officers in Nursing Network. AORN manually updates the current presidents of the chapter in the AORN map. <https://www.aorn.org/membership/aorn-chapters/find-a-chapter>

**Sign-up to become an AORN Surgical Expo Ambassador** [aorn.org](https://www.aorn.org)

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 am CST.

**Submitted by:**

Estela O'Meara, ICORN Secretary

## AORN Chapter Officer Town Hall Meeting

### COTH Business Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date: Thursday, October 16, 2025, at 7 pm CST**

- **Opening Announcements**
  - Kerilyn Johnson, MS, Sr. Manager, Chapter & Community Engagement
  - Darlene Murdock, 2025-2026 AORN President
    - AORN HQ: focusing on finances
    - Board of Directors: lots of travel, guidelines workshop, board meetings
  - October is Filipino-American History & Breast Cancer Awareness Month!
- **Happy Sterile Processing Week!**
  - October 12-18, 2025
- **AORN Expo 2026: Lighting the Pathway**
  - AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo registration is now open!
  - April 11-14, 2026, New Orleans, LA
  - Register by October 31, 2025, for a chance to win a free 4-night hotel stay
  - Group registration rates & registration refundable up to 4 days before
  - The AORN Foundation Expo grant application deadline is November 30, 2025
  - Meeting space available at the expo to host a chapter meeting
    - Request form: [bit.ly/expo2026\\_chaptermeetings](https://bit.ly/expo2026_chaptermeetings)
  - Chapter challenge
    - The chapter with the highest percentage of members registered will win a \$500 donation to your chapter.
- **Happy (almost) Perioperative Nurses Week!**
  - November 9-15, 2025
  - AORN Website Treasure Hunt
    - Prizes include 2 AORN memberships, free attendance at AORN Expo 2026, a free copy of AORN 2026 guidelines, and an AORN Foundation tribute vase
  - Show your periop pride! Celebrate your team, honor a mentor or friend, and be an advocate
- **AORN Guidelines Workshops**
  - Local one-day workshops welcoming ALL members of the perioperative team
  - Guidelines, education, case studies, hands-on demonstration, & networking
  - 4 continuing education credits
  - Closest local workshop: Milwaukee, WI, October 25, 2025
  - Register at [aorn.org/workshops](https://aorn.org/workshops)
  - Stryker Officer Dinner: Dine Before Guidelines, Milwaukee, WI, October 24, 2025
- **Other Upcoming Events**

- Leader Exchange: Successful Creation of a Smoke Management Program (free!) on October 22, 2025, at 1 pm ET
- Leader Exchange: Expanding Robotic Surgery Access, Utilization, & Growth (free!) on November 13 at 1 pm ET
- OR Leadership Essentials: Finance & Operations Series On-Demand
- Southeast Reconstruction Summit: One-day total joint arthroplasty event on November 22, 2025, in Alpharetta, GA
- AORN Foundation Fundraiser: Virtual Bingo on November 8, 2025, 7 pm ET
- Certification Grants open November 1, 2025
  - Encourage coworkers to get CNOR!
- **Molnlycke Health Care**
  - Lisa M. Grubb, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, CWCN, C/DONA, CPHQ
  - Pressure injuries & surgical site infections
  - “Total Protection, OR Prevention” poster for preventing pressure injuries
    - Cards with each position to be laminated in OR
  - Postoperative dressings
    - Ideal dressing: allows visibility, gentle, skin protective, flexible, waterproof, adhesive, absorbent
    - Molnlycke has a product for this!
  - Molnlycke Clinical Learning Hub
    - Podcasts, webinars, e-learning, clinical evidence, consensus documents, & patient guides
    - [sheila.mays@molnlycke.com](mailto:sheila.mays@molnlycke.com) for educational & CE opportunities
- **Nursing Network: Showing you around the Chapter Officer Group**
  - Kerilyn Johnson, MS, Sr. Manager, Chapter & Community Engagement
  - AORN Chapter Officer Group on Nursing Network
  - [Kjohnson@aorn.org](mailto:Kjohnson@aorn.org) for any questions
- **Chapter Relations Updates**
  - Delegates & Voting
    - 2 categories of members: voting & non-voting
    - All RNs who are AORN members are voting members
    - All voting members vote in elections for leadership & on AORN business during the House of Delegates.
  - Chapter Membership Challenge: Rise to ‘25
    - Grow your chapter membership by 25% by the end of 2025
    - Trial memberships are \$1
    - Year-end totals will include all memberships from January through December 2025
    - September winners: Chapters 4306 (TN) & 7100 (Saudi Arabia)
  - 2025 Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Chapter Project



- The organization your chapter chooses should support a diverse and or underrepresented community group
- All events must take place by December 31, 2025
- Chapter Excellence Awards
  - Chapter excellence award applications are now open until December 31, 2025
  - Each winner will receive 1 2027 Expo registration
- 2025 Chapter Accountability Standards
  - One change: removed ranges
  - Chapter Accountability Standards Survey will be sent out by November 1, 2025 & to the Officer group on Nursing Network
  - Only ONE officer per chapter should complete the survey
  - All surveys must be completed by December 31, 2025
- **Upcoming Chapter Officer Town Hall Meetings**
  - Thursday, November 13, 2025, 7 pm CST
  - Thursday, January 22, 2026, 6 pm CST
  - Thursday, February 19, 2026, 6 pm CST
  - Thursday, March 19, 2026, 6 pm CST (expo edition)

“One always measures friendships by how they show up in bad weather.” ~Winston Churchill

Submitted by:

Brianne Jensen, BSN, RN, CNOR  
Secretary



Registration Now OPEN \_New Orleans Global Conference



*Registration is Open!*

**WIN A *FREE* 4-NIGHT HOTEL STAY**





**AORN | GLOBAL SURGICAL CONFERENCE & EXPO**

April 11-14, 2026 | New Orleans, LA

- Register by Oct. 31 for a chance to win a 4-night hotel stay
- Spread registration cost into affordable monthly payments
- AORN Foundation grant application deadline is Nov. 30

[aorn.org/surgicalexpo](https://aorn.org/surgicalexpo)



**Periop Nurses' Week****November 9-15****Theme: Safe Surgery Together: #PeriopProud**

AORN Members & Non-Members,  
share the gifts you've been empowered with, to our new budding colleagues!

Your wisdom,  
stemming from an understanding of peri-operative knowledge,  
counseled by mentors,  
strengthened and fortified through skill sets developed to perfection,  
with faith in your practice,  
that was/is/will be feared  
by multidisciplines in healthcare & beyond!

**THE PERIOP RN POWERED TEAM!!!****HAPPY PERIOP NURSES WEEK!!!**