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New Orleans - Chapter 1902

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President's Message

I *Mustache* you a Question. What can you do to raise awareness of Men's Health issues this MOvember? For the next 30 days, champion the moustache, grow your MO, and help raise funds for men's health. Log onto the website to see what events are happening near you. <https://us.movember.com/>

Speaking of events, what do you have planned for November 6-12, Perioperative Nurses Week? AORN has some great ideas on their website. Take selfies for PNW with #periopbecause and share with AORN on social media. Find out more

here: <https://www.aorn.org/events/perioperative-nurse-week>. Nathalie is even working on getting us a Louisiana State Declaration for Periop Nurses Week, #PNW, which she'll share with us at our Social, this month, celebrating our Chapters "GOLD" achievements! We are finishing our year with a social at Zea's, in Clearview Mall, on Saturday November 12 at 6p. We will return to our excellent educational offerings on January 14th when we present our annual Winter Seminar, on "Mindfulness," at East Jefferson General Hospital. Our great speakers include: Former NLDC Chair, Vangie Dennis presenting Communication, Jay Bowers from the AORN Board of Directors speaking on Men in Nursing, and Delgado/Charity instructors Ann Dieck & Michelle DeLima presenting Team STEPPS. The final agenda will be available soon, but tickets are available now on our website! Log onto <http://www.aornofneworleanschapter1902.com/> and use our PayPal button to reserve your seat now!

While you are there, check out the

calendar for the New Year. The 2017 Surgical Conference & Expo will be in Boston (2018 will be back in New Orleans), and the exciting news is AORN Foundation's is offering grants to attend expo. The grant application for assistance to attend the AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo in Boston is now available online, and the deadline is December 4, 2016. [Scholarships & Grants](#). Another exciting change will be that the "AORN Volunteer Leadership Academy (VLA) 2017 will be held on Saturday, April 1, from 8 am-12 noon, in conjunction with the AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo 2017 in Boston. In the past, Chapters were only able to send one representative. This year, all of your Chapter officers and/or delegates can attend! Plus... this is a great opportunity to connect with your Chapter colleagues at VLA and network the entire week of Expo! Details are still being planned; however, VLA will provide at least 2.5 contact hours. Program specifics will be coming soon. Be sure to check the [AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo Information and Schedule](#) website often for the latest information."

Continue to keep up with your chapters activities by logging onto our website, visiting Facebook, and Twitter! Looking forward to seeing y'all at our social and at the January Seminar!

Best Wishes,

Ramie Miller
AORN of New Orleans – Chapter 1902
President, CNOR Coach



Chapter 1902 Calendar 2016-2017

Monthly Meeting Dates

**November 16th-Social at Zea's
on Veterans Blvd, 6 PM**

December –No Meeting

January 25th-Dinner Meeting

February 15th-Ochs Jeff Hwy

March 22nd-Potluck, Ramie

April 26th-Ochsner Kenner

May 24th-Social

June 28th-Installation Dinner

Special Events

**November 8th-14th,
PeriOperative Nurses Week**

**November 24th-
Thanksgiving**

**January 14th –Winter Seminar
@ EJGH**

February 28th- Mardi Gras

*Meetings start at
4:30 PM unless
otherwise noted*

Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, MBA, RN, CNOR

Keep up to date on Legislative Action

The National Legislative Forum (NLF) holds monthly calls for members interested in legislative efforts and trends across the country. The NLF calls will include guest speakers, topic discussion, advocacy training, legislative updates, and much more. If you are interested in participating in the monthly NLF calls, which take place on the 3rd Monday of each month at 5pm PT, 6pm MT, 7pm CT, 8pm ET, please send an email to Danielle Glover, AORN Government Affairs Manager at dglover@aorn.org and ask to be placed on the NLF email list.

By participating in the NLF, you will be able to advocate for your patients and your profession, help promote good perioperative nursing policy in your state, and have a better understanding of how legislation and regulations impact your operating rooms.

Volunteers needed!

The Mike Yenni Recall Office at 1000 Veterans Hwy needs volunteer. Please call 504-250-2621 to volunteer.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Nathalie Walker MBA, RN, CNOR
AORN of New Orleans, Chapter
1902- Legislative Chair



Membership Information

Please remember to renew!

Total Members – 184

Standard – 114

Lifetime – 10

2/3yr - 16

Retired – 11

Associate – 4

Student Members – 27

When you renew, please check your membership card to see that it states “Chapter 1902”. If your name is then not on our Roster and our Chapter does not receive the chapter dues you pay.



Please invite all
Perioperative Nurses
to our meetings!

Member Resources



<http://http://www.facebook.com/AORN>



www.ornurselink.org/Pages/home.aspx

3M has upcoming webinars at which you can obtain free CEU's.

<https://promo.3m.com/rc/3MMEDICAL/ipdeducationwebinarcalendar>



<https://twitter.com/AORNofNewOrlean>

(You are seeing it correctly; there is no “s”)

Chapter Webpage:

www.aornofneworleanschapter1902.com

Membership due to Lapse

Membership expires on the last day of your renewal month. Here is a reminder that your membership expiration is in the near future:

November

Essie Broussard
Anissa Buras
Rochelle Casaubon
Christal Cook
Myra DiGrange
Sandra Dupas
Kerry Dupre
Bill Ford
Deborah Garbee
DeJaneshia Lee
Donmeisha Murray
Cheri Pierre-Miller
Rene Toomer

December

Alycia Adams
Kay Bourg
Renauda Brisco
Katie Davis
Jeanne Feltey
Eddie Graebert
Jennifer Gray
Susie Hammant
Leslie Johns
Kelly Kuyper
Jeff Poche

Member News

EJGH: Sarah Hunsucker has accepted the evening charge position. Congrats Sarah!

UMC: Rob Villio, RN, BSN is the new Clinical Educator for the Operating Room, at University Medical Center New Orleans. Congratulations Rob!

WJMC: Mary Anne Toledano is a new hospital educator at WJMC.

If you have news from your facility
Please send any updates to
Mary Anne Toledano
at: matoledano@outlook.com



Meeting Minutes - from the secretary:

Meeting called to order at 4:46 PM by President Ramie Miller.

Continuing Education Presentation:

Ramie thanked Kim Balser, Stacy Spears and Molnlycke Health Care for providing the continuing education and refreshments for today's meeting.

Kim McCarthy, the Clinical Specialist for Molnlycke Health Care, presented the program, "Position for Prevention."

- Pressure injury prevention guidelines are established by the National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (NPUAP) establishes best practices to prevent pressure injury.
- In April of this year, the NPUAP announced a change in terminology from pressure ulcer to pressure injury.
- NPUAP Definition – A localized area of injury to skin and /or underlying tissue, usually over a bony prominence as a result of pressure, or pressure in combination with shear. In the OR, medical devices pose additional concerns.
- Key practices to prevent pressure injuries were presented. These include:
 - Understanding how pressure injuries occur. Pressure, shear, moisture and friction are external forces that are a constant threat during the perioperative period. The surgical arena is a high-risk environment due to these factors combined with anesthesia and the length of surgical procedures.
 - Assess risk factors for every surgical patient to plan and implement an individualized care plan for pressure injury prevention. Risk factors, care plan, assessments and interventions must be documented and communicated.
 - Patient risk factors include: Extremes in age (the elderly and the young, especially neonates), diabetes, CV disease, poor nutritional status, prior skin damage, medications (vasopressors, steroids, anything that alters the blood flow), immobility prior to surgery, consider ASA score and preoperative Braden Scale.
 - Intra-operative risk factors include, but not limited to, surgeries lasting greater than 4 hours, pressure from devices (positioning, tubes, drains and other devices), anesthesia

time, hemodynamic changes, hypothermia, prone position.

- Scales that can be used for screening for pressure injury risk include the Braden Scale (does not include OR factors), the Munro Scale, or Scott Triggers.
- Conduct a thorough skin assessment before and after surgery and document it. This is the baseline for the postoperative period. Perioperative pressure injuries are not obvious immediately after surgery.
- Prevent shear and friction by using safe patient handling techniques. Always LIFT the patient rather than dragging.
- Make minor changes to position every two hours as with microturns. Coordinate with anesthesia to make small changes to redistribute pressure. It is important to move the patient just enough to keep blood flow going.
- Support surfaces are important. The standard OR black mattress is not pressure reducing. Be aware of the bariatric limitations on the support surfaces in your OR. Have the vendor check mattresses to determine if the cushions are bottoming out. See product criteria.
- Use caution with positioning devices. Pressure is not redistributed with: firm, stable devices, foam with bariatric patients, molded-foam, towels and sheet rolls, IV fluid bags, pads, blankets, or pillows beneath the patient. These interfaces destroy the effects of any of the pressure-relief surfaces.
- Positioning of OR Equipment: Make sure it doesn't touch the patient. ANYTHING can cause pressure!
- Use Prophylactic Dressings to redistribute pressure, minimize shear, reduce friction, and balance the microclimate. It acts like a second skin for shear.
- Protect the heels from any pressure (the most common site for deep tissue injury in the OR). Protect heels and then sacrum. Offload and protect heels. Consider using multilayered dressing (polyurethane foam dressings) for protection, float the heels or consider a boot for offloading the heels.
- Have a pressure injury prevention program in your OR. Actively engage leadership for an effective program. It is important to trace the etiology of pressure injuries in your facility and communicate with stakeholders in your facility.

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Chapter 1902 Community Outreach Project:

Please bring non-perishable items, hotel shampoos, etc. to next meeting for the homeless shelter at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Tulane Avenue. Sharon Guardina will drop them off to the shelter.

- Small bottles of shampoo
- Non-perishable foods items
- Eye glasses
- Socks

Thank you!!!



Meeting Minutes - Continued

- Do a root cause analysis (RCA) if a pressure injury occurs. This data is useful in developing meaningful improvement strategies.
- Know and follow the pressure injury prevention guidelines established by the NPUAP and AORN. Document your assessments and interventions and communicate with the entire perioperative team.

Business Meeting:

Quorum: A quorum was established by the Secretary, Mandy Martin-Sanchez.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Anne (reporting for Sheila) gave the chapter's account balance as \$8881.99.

Old Business:

January 2017 Seminar: no report was available from Frances or Sharon. Melissa and Ramie reported:

- Confirmed speakers: Ann Dieck and Michelle, Jane Flowers, Vangie Dennis, and Jay Bowers.
- Should be working on the application for continuing education credit through Tulane;
- If any vendors are contacted, please copy Sharon on any emails so that she can follow up with them.
- PAY PAL has already been set up on the website for participant registration (\$35) and for vendors (\$200);

- The LA State Council have their meeting after the seminar.

New Business:

Silent Auction at Expo – Nathalie made a motion for the chapter to make a \$200 donation to the silent auction. Sarah seconded the motion; all members present voted in favor. Nathalie will buy something from Amazon from the chapter and send it in for the Foundation auction.

Announcements:

OR Nurse Link: Ramie encouraged all chapter members to sign up on OR Nurse Link. This will enable everyone to receive email blasts from the site.

2017 Expo Grant Applications: The AORN site has now opened the applications for Expo grants for 2017. Applications are being accepted until the beginning of December. If you are planning to go to Boston, please apply for one of the Foundation grants. This will help the chapter to conserve treasury funds if those interested in being delegates for the chapter receive grants. There will also be separate grants available specifically for members under 40 years of age (registration and \$500 paid by AORN). If you are under 40, consider applying for one of these grants.

Perioperative Nurses Week is November 6-12, 2016. Please remember to take pictures and send them to Ramie or post to Facebook page. This year there is also a digital celebration of Perioperative Nurses Week going on! AORN is encouraging

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Louisiana Council of AORN Chapters

Future Meeting Dates:

Saturday, January 14, 2017, in Metairie at EJGH, 3 PM to 5 PM,

Saturday, April 1, 2017, Boston

Saturday, July 15, 2017, **Shreveport**



Meeting Minutes - Continued

everyone to upload selfies and pictures of your periop pals on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter with #PeriopBecause and #AORN. Take a sheet of paper and write #PeriopBecause across the top in large letters and then let everyone know what you love about being a perioperative nurse. As pictures are posted, they will be shared in Periop Insider and on the AORN website. Also a link #PeriopBecause on Facebook and Twitter – I am a perioperative nurse because . . .

Assistance from AORN: AORN Board of Directors and staff want reached out to those impacted by the recent floods. For members in Baton Rouge, Lafayette, and Alexandria areas, memberships have been extended for six months at no cost to members in those areas. Chapters in the flood areas will also be provided with two complimentary Global Surgical Conference and Expo. If you live in LA and were impacted by the flood in August or if you live in Florida, Georgia, South or North Carolina and experienced hardship due to Hurricane Matthew, funds are available for membership renewal. If you are unable to pay your renewal dues, you can have a 6-month extension on your dues or tell AORN what you can afford to pay and the Foundation will match the remaining balance. Apply now because this offer is limited.

With no further business, the meeting as adjourned by Ramie at 5:48PM.

Board of Directors Meeting

Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 5:57PM.

Attendance: Ramie, Nathalie, Melissa, Mandy, Dawn, Mary Anne, Sarah, Sheila, Crystal

January Seminar

Continuing Education application: The final titles are needed for the documents along with a flyer indicating that contact hours are pending.

Items for silent auction are needed. Please give the items to Melissa or Ramie.

November Social: Saturday, Nov 12th, 6PM at Zea's in Clearview Shopping Center. This will be a social where members will pay their own way. Nursing student program (OR Tours): Ann Dieck is seeking a few volunteers and ORs for the student program. When Ann has run the tours, she usually takes eight at a time. Be aware that Delgado has no liability for this program – it is strictly voluntary. The dates that would be most convenient for the students are the Wednesday or Friday of Thanksgiving week, or any Saturday. Let Ann know date and time if you are available to host one of the tours. Ann will provide the script she has used and get the certificates for the program. The main goals are to introduce OR nursing to the students and HAVE FUN!

The Foundation's Grants are open – all Board Members are encouraged to attend.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 6:23PM.

Does your OR have a . . .



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http://www.aorn.org/events/nurse-executive-leadership-seminar?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=AORN+Informz+Emails



Louisiana Nursing License RENEWAL UPDATE

Your RN license will expire if not renewed on or before January 31st, 2017.

Renew online by visiting the new Nurse Portal here: <https://lsbn.boardsofnursing.org/>

BENEFITS of Renewing On-Line:

- FAST, EASY and Efficient.
- Available 24 hours per day, renew anywhere, anytime
- Process takes approximately 15 minutes.
- You will be directed to print out the receipt for your renewal process to keep for your records.
- You will receive an email verifying your payment was received.
- Fewer errors with online renewal.
- License will be updated within next business day
- In order to renew you will need to document compliance with re-licensure requirements for practice and continuing education. You may review the requirements at <http://www.lsbn.state.la.us/Portals/1/Documents/Forms/CEReq.pdf>.

\$50 LATE FEE IN EFFECT AS OF 1/1/2017 12:00:00 AM CST

Happy PeriOperative Nurses Week!

November 6th - 12th

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Need Volunteer Hours for Career Ladder?

The New Orleans Medical Mission needs volunteers. They meet at 625 Distributors Row on Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 9 am 1 pm. They pack inventory to get it ready for shipping to locations in need. If you need volunteer hours they would love your help. They also go on medical missions. They are collecting school uniforms and sports uniforms for Honduras. If anyone is interested in volunteering or have donations please contact Mary Morvant at Robotqueen311@hotmail.com.

The **National Pressure Ulcer Advisory Panel (NPUAP)** is proud to announce that World Wide Pressure Injury Prevention Day is to be celebrated on November 17, 2016. The objective of STOP logo 2016 World Wide Pressure Injury Prevention Day is to increase national awareness for pressure injury prevention and to educate the public on this topic. NPUAP has developed an extensive media materials package appropriate for all healthcare settings and organizations which can be downloaded by clicking on the links below.

<http://www.npuap.org/resources/educational-and-clinical-resources/2016-world-wide-pressure-injury-prevention-day/>





Raising Your Instrument IQ

Understanding equipment design, function and management, and their relationship to patient care.

Objectives

Upon completion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- ▶ Describe design considerations related to power equipment, rigid endoscopes, flexible endoscopes, stainless steel and insulated laparoscopic equipment, that impact safety, operation, maintenance, repair and budgetary requirements.
- ▶ Discuss current flexible endoscope reprocessing guidelines.

Accreditation

- ▶ Educational Dimensions is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.
- ▶ State Board: Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 08747, the District of Columbia Board of Nursing, Provider Number 50-574, the Florida Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 50-574, the Iowa Board of Nursing, Provider Number 317 and the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses, Provider Number WV97-0217RN.
- ▶ IAHCSMM has approved this course for 5.0 contact hours of continuing education.
- ▶ CBSPD has approved this course for 5.0 contact hours of continuing education.

Disclosures

1. Successful completion: Participants must complete the entire program and submit required documentation.
2. Conflict of interest: Planners disclose no conflict of interest. Speakers disclose employment by Integrated Medical Systems International.
3. Commercial company support: None.
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6. Alternative/Complementary therapy: None.



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SPD Personnel**

WHERE:

University Medical Center
Conference Center

1518-J First Floor

2000 Canal Street
New Orleans, LA. 7011

*Parking is available in garage,
directly across from conference
center, on Tulane Avenue
Daily rates apply*

WHEN:

Saturday, December 10th

Registration 7:30 am

Program 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

*Complimentary breakfast
and boxed lunches*

TO REGISTER:

Email

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by Dec. 5th all of the following:

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Job Title

Facility

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Exciting News

We are fortunate to announce that in addition to local speakers, 3 officers from our National Organization will be speakers at our upcoming Winter Seminar! Due to the recent devastation of flooding in Baton Rouge, we will join with our neighboring chapter to produce a fantastic educational offering!

Topics include: Men in the Workplace, “Why did you Chose this Costume”, “Your Leadership Potential”, and “Team Stepps, Getting Started”.

Speakers include: Ann Burghardt-Dieck & Michelle deLima, Jay Bowers, Vangie Dennis and Jane Flowers.

Mark Your Calendars Now!

SAVE THE DATE

**4th Annual Winter
Seminar**

**Speakers
Announced**

**East Jefferson
Hospital
Conference Center**

**VENDOR FAIR &
RAFFLE**



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