



PeriOperative Potpourri

New Orleans - Chapter 1902

April 2019

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President's Message

Hello Chapter 1902 Members,

This association has established professional perioperative education and member support as a value we strive toward.

This past March 27th our chapter meeting received compliments for both the professional and educational value attendees experienced.

Our meeting was sponsored by Nick Maggio with Xomed who presented the scientific evidence of the off loading and improvement in prevention of perioperative skin breakdown.

The presentation of the basics for AORN Guideline review and the process for guideline implementation was well received.

The official meeting included discussion of the upcoming inclusion of Louisiana as a compact state and the implications for our individual practices.

The meeting then moved to viewing and participating in the AORN Online Townhall.

Again the importance of each member has a VOTE, our national election of officers is currently underway online and will be concluded next week at our annual AORN Expo and business meeting.

If you have any issues you would like to discuss with the delegates who will be representing you at the conference please reach out to any officer and we will be certain to communicate your views with the other delegates.

I look forward to our next meeting in April at Touro Hospital where will be including a review of our business conducted at the AORN Expo.

Respectively,

Christal Cook, MSN, RN, CNOR
President- AORN of New Orleans, Chapter 1902



Chapter 1902 Event Calendar 2018-2019

April 24th, Touro, Coliseum
Room, 5 pm

Monthly Meeting Dates TBA

*Per member request,
we have a new meeting time:*

5 PM

*ALL meetings start at
5 PM unless otherwise noted*

Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, MBA, RN, CNOR

Legislative News

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Key Federal Legislation

Federal - HR 6

Opioid Bill
Support

Federal - HR 959

A bill to amend title VIII of the Public Health Service Act to extend advanced education nursing grants to support clinical nurse specialist programs, and for other purposes.
Support

Federal - HR 4174

A bill to amend titles 5 and 44, United States Code, to require Federal evaluation activities, improve Federal data management, and for other purposes.

Advocacy is the act or process of pleading for, supporting, or recommending a cause or course of action. Advocacy may be for persons (whether as an individual, group, population, or society) or for an issue, such as potable water or global health. (ANA Code of Ethics -2015)

Every day, in countless large and small ways, you make the world a better place. These moments of everyday advocacy change lives by elevating the voices of vulnerable people, and improving conditions for those around you.

As the largest group of health professionals in America, and consistently the highest ranked in terms of ethical behavior by the public, nurses are in a unique position to influence the direction of both the profession and healthcare.

Louisiana became the 31st state in the nation to enact the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC) on May 31, 2018 when Governor John Bel Edwards signed Senate Bill 202 into law. After discussions with the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners with whom we are collaborating, the implementation date for both agencies has been set for July 1, 2019. We will keep all licensees apprised of our progress through email, The Examiner, and website announcements. Until implementation, RNs licensed in Louisiana hold single state licenses, not Compact multistate licenses and are not authorized to

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Membership Information

- Student Members – 7
- Standard – 152
- Lifetime – 18
- 2/3yr - 29
- Retired – 8
- Associate – 2
- Total Members – 218**

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:

April

- Donisha Barnes
- Nina Baudier
- Micah Bertrand
- Shirley Broussard
- Stephani Carcamo Palacios
- Mary Jo D'Amico
- Mary Kay Harvey
- Nora Lambert
- Serena Ledet
- Monica Moliniare
- Jean Stoy
- Tracey Taplin
- Mary Anne Toledano
- Stephanie Turner
- Jamie Williamson

May

- Cory Bruner
- Yulia Calderon
- Danilo Castillo
- Caroline Conway
- Corinne Dabezies
- Leah Hadley
- Jasmine Mayse
- Cathy McDonald
- Tracy Narcisse
- Jennifer Toruno
- LaToya Vaughn

Member News



Please see page 9 for
important
AORN
membership dues
information.

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



Meeting Minutes - from the secretary:

Submitted by: Mandy Martin-Sanchez,
Secretary, Chapter 1902

The chapter meeting was held on March 27,
2019, at East Jefferson General Hospital.

Continuing Education Presentation:
Back to Basics: Guideline Review and
Commenting presented by Christal Cook.

* Christal referred the membership to an article that was previously published in the AORN Journal. A review of the process to provide feedback on proposed AORN guidelines as they are published review and comments was presented. The steps on creating a guideline were also discussed. Christal stressed that this was an opportunity for every perioperative nurse to participate in strengthening the guidelines.

Nick Maggio, Xodus Medical, provided a brief presentation on the Pink Pad XL for the group.

Call to Order: President Christal Cook called the meeting to order at 5:44PM.

Old Business:

* AORN Surgical Conference and Expo: A reminder that the chapter is sending nine delegates to Expo, which is being held in Nashville April 6th – 10th, 2019.

* Voting is now OPEN: Voting is now open to elect the next leaders of our national organization. Vote now! Your opportunity to have a voice in the selection of officers for 2019-2020 ends at midnight on April 9th.

Chapter Elections: Nominations are now being accepted for the Chapter 1902 elections. Nominations will close 30 days after April newsletter is published (see the Willingness to Serve form in this newsletter). Offices to be filled this year include: President-Elect, Treasurer and Two Board of Director.

Officer Reports:

Treasurer: Debits: \$3.00. Credits: \$440 for membership rebates. Balance: \$6390.18. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:57 PM.

Virtual Town Hall Meeting: Members were encouraged to stay for the Virtual Town Hall Meeting. The webinar was projected onto the screen for all participants to view.

The agenda included:

* Highlights of the AORN Global Surgical Conference and Expo (the conference app, forums, and an OR of the future demonstration)

* Discussion of and decisions on two position statements; Both statements were approved.

- AORN Position Statement on Perioperative Registered Nurse Residency Programs
- AORN Position Statement on Perioperative Registered Nurse Circulator Dedicated to Every Patient Undergoing an Operative or Other Invasive Procedure.

* A hint of updates to the Surgical Attire Guideline

* Passage of a smoke evacuation in Colorado

* A reminder to vote for national AORN leadership

**** Chapter Hospital Liaisons ****

UMC-Elaine Stock

VA-Stephanie Walls

Tulane-Linda Levesque

Ochsner Main-Susan Overman

Ochsner WB-Kelly Acosta

Lakeview-Christal Cook

Children's-Judy Montello

Touro-Cheryl Johnson

Ochsner Kenner-Shari Fourcade

We would like to encourage a member from **Crescent City Surgical, East Jefferson, West Jeff and Ochsner Baptist** to volunteer as a liaison from one of these facilities to assist with providing information to your peers. If you are interested, please email Melissa Guidry at guidrymelissa@yahoo.com or call her at 504-442-9747.

Thanks to those members listed above who have volunteered - you are greatly appreciated.

Don't forget to vote in the 2019 election.

The polls are open until April 9th.

Click on the link below for more information.

<https://www.aorn.org/about-aorn/governance/voting-matters>

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!!!

Treasurer's Report:

Previous balance: \$ 5953.18

Deposits:
\$ 440.00

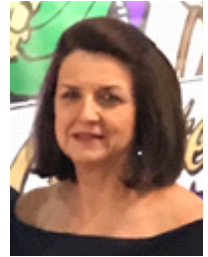
Expenses:
\$ 3.00

Ending balance: \$ 6390.18

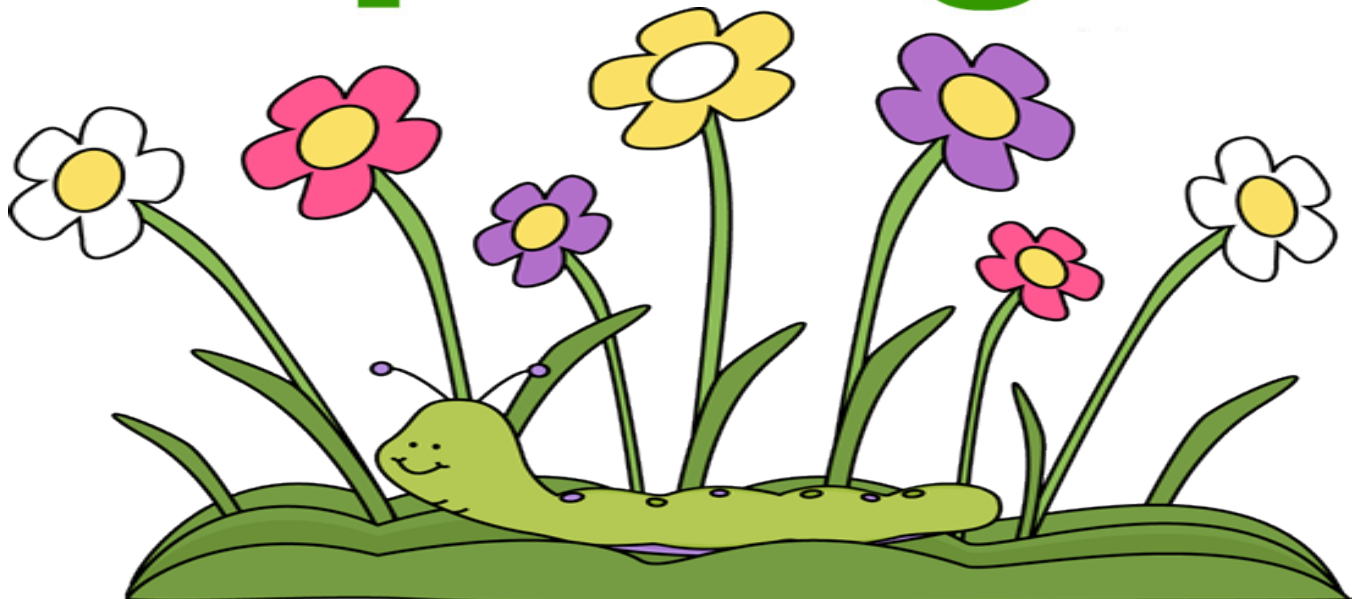
Form 990-N for exempt organizations filed on 7/13/2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Guidry, Treasurer
AORN Chapter 1902



Welcome
Spring



AORN Membership Increases

Since 1949, AORN has united and empowered surgical nurses, healthcare organizations, and industry to define standardized perioperative practice. As the world's largest perioperative professional association, we are dedicated to solving the challenges that impact surgical teams and patients every day.

With an ever-evolving healthcare environment (medical advancements, facility mergers, workforce demographics), AORN must invest in the future and advance nursing best practices with major initiatives, including delivering robust tools and resources, implementing new technology and content delivery options, and expanding member benefits, services, and programs.

To support AORN's work, plan for continued success, and provide the best member experience, the Board of Directors approved a \$10 membership dues increase, effective July 1, 2019 as outlined below.

Membership Type	Current Dues	Dues Starting 7/1/19
1-Year Member (Standard/Associate)	\$160	\$170
2-Year Member (10% Savings)	\$288	\$306
3-Year Member (20% Savings)	\$384	\$408
Lifetime Member (Best-deal)	\$1,000	\$1,600
AORN / APSNA	\$225	\$235

Leader, New to Profession, Retired, and Student membership dues remain unchanged.

While this dues increase will impact many members, we know that an AORN membership is one of the most valuable investments you can make with benefits including: award-winning *AORN Journal*, 200+ CNE contact hours, guideline implementation tools, ANA affiliate membership, conference and local event discounts, chapter membership, live and recorded webinars, tool kits, salary calculator, federal and state advocacy, and much more.

Thank you for being an integral part of AORN. Together, we will shape the future of perioperative nursing and ensure a safe environment for staff and members.

Sincerely,

Linda Groah, MSN, RN, CNOR, NEA-BC, FAAN
Executive Director/CEO

Stephanie Davis, MSHA, RN, CNOR, CSSM
AORN President

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practice in any other state by virtue of their Louisiana single state license. Additionally, nurses wishing to practice in Louisiana who hold Compact multistate licenses from another state must still apply for a Louisiana single state license.

Websites of interest

<https://link.zixcentral.com/u/f301ab69/RHHDqZR6RGQ1abePI9hPQ?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.aorn.org%2Fgovernment-affairs%2Fpolicy-agenda>

<https://link.zixcentral.com/u/c971f920/ONVHDqZR6RGQ1abePI9hPQ?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.lsnb.state.la.us%2FNursingPractice%2FLaws%2CRules.aspx>

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<https://link.zixcentral.com/u/a915d928/Nj9JDqZR6RGQ1abePI9hPQ?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.lsnb.org%2F>

Please remember to vote!

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Respectfully Submitted by,

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



** Chapter Elections **

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Officer/Board/Delegate Willingness-to-Serve Form

2019

AORN of New Orleans Chapter #1902

<input type="checkbox"/> I am aware of the eligibility requirements and responsibilities for this position and I have received a copy of the job description.	Indicate position: <input type="checkbox"/> President-Elect (2 years) <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer (2 years) <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors x 2 (2 years) <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating Committee x2 (1 year)
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<input type="checkbox"/> I am willing to serve the Chapter in the position indicated for the term indicated on this form.	Indicate term of office: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> 2 years
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Eligibility requirements: (all requirements must be fulfilled)

Place a check in the box to verify each requirement.

<input type="checkbox"/> Maintained active membership status. (January – December of previous year)	<input type="checkbox"/> Attended two meetings during fall of current year. (September, October, November)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Attended at least six Chapter meetings. (January – December of previous year)	<input type="checkbox"/> Activity record is attached.
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<input type="checkbox"/> Served on at least one committee. (January – December of previous year)	<input type="checkbox"/> Served on Board for one term. (Applies only to President, President-Elect, or Vice President)
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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name (please print): _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Work phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Return ‘Willingness-to-Serve’ form by: **April 1, 2019**

TO:
Sharon Guardina RN, BSN, CNOR
Nominating Committee Chair
sguardina@att.net

**** CHAPTER ELECTIONS ****

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A “Willingness to Serve” form can be found in this Newsletter. Please consider serving your chapter and being active in your professional organization.

The officers of this Association are President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer and Board of Directors with responsibilities outlined in the Chapter Policy Manual.

The President-elect is elected every year and serves in that capacity for one year and then automatically becomes President for a term of one (1) year.

The Treasurer and two (2) members of the Board of Directors are elected in the odd numbered years for a term of two (2) years.

The Nominating Committee is an elected committee of the Chapter and shall be elected in the manner provided in the bylaws. The committee shall consist of two (2) active members elected for a term of one (1) year. The chairman of this committee is automatically the immediate past president.

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Responsibilities

1. Observes and assists the President in preparation for the duties and responsibilities of that office.
2. Represents the President and the Chapter at other professional meetings as delegated by the President.
3. Acts as a member of the Board of Directors with full power and responsibility of that office.
4. Serves as a member ex-officio on standing and special committees and may chair committees as delegated.
5. Serves as the Chairman of the Delegates at the Annual AORN Surgical Conference and Expo.

TREASURER

Responsibilities

1. Signs all checks as approved by the Board of Directors.
2. Presents financial statement at each board meeting and business meeting.
3. Collects all money from fund raising projects and deposits immediately.
4. Chairs Ways and Means Committee.
5. Verifies automatic deposit against membership renewal on monthly statement.
6. Maintains tax-exempt status through annual filing of the IRS 990 form.
7. Provides a yearly financial report to the AORN Chapter Relations Coordinator to include Income and Expenses.
8. Participates in the annual fiscal audit with two members appointed by the President.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Responsibilities

This committee shall:

1. Present a ballot to the membership for Officers, Board members, State Council alternate, and Nominating Committee at the monthly meeting (April) prior to the election meeting.
2. Select qualified candidates for each office, considering the individual’s active participation in, attendance at meetings, and contribution to the organization. The committee shall take into consideration the various hospitals and the private surgical nurses, so that equal representation may be assured. The committee shall take into consideration transferred members who have been active in other Chapters.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Definition

The Board of Directors is composed of the officers and members elected by the membership. The Board of Directors is charged with the overall responsibility of conducting the affairs of the Chapter.

Philosophy

The philosophy of the Board of Directors is to act in the best interest of the membership by conforming to the purposes for which the Association was formed as outlined in the bylaws.

Responsibilities

The Board of Directors shall:

1. Direct the business and financial affairs of the Chapter.

Individual Responsibilities

1. Serve on committees as assigned.
2. Be expected to attend all Board of Directors' meetings. If a member finds that it is impossible to fulfill this obligation, the member shall be expected to submit a resignation. If a member becomes non-functioning and does not resign voluntarily, an unexcused absence from two consecutive meetings means automatic resignation.
3. Keep oneself well informed on the activities of the Chapter and AORN, Inc.
4. Conduct oneself in accordance with the position held, so as to reflect prestige upon the Chapter.
5. Arrive promptly for meetings and come prepared to discuss items of business. Board members must attend a majority of monthly meetings.
6. Accepts and completes special assignments as made by the President.
7. Advise the President when on vacation or of other travel activities, as the President should know where and how to contact each member of the Board of Directors at all times in case an emergency.

AORN of New Orleans Chapter Candidates for Office

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President Elect: _____

Treasurer: Melissa Guidry

Board Member: Nora Lambert

Susan Overman

Nominating Committee: Ramie Miller