



# PeriOperative Potpourri

## New Orleans - Chapter 1902

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## President's Message

By the time you read this, nine delegates will be traveling to Boston to attend AORN's Global Surgical Conference & Expo bringing together 10,000 perioperative nurses and exhibitors for five days of learning, networking, and inspiration. By the time we return home, we will also be bringing back AORN's next President, Nathalie Walker. It's very exciting to get ready for this Expo, but amazing to also be preparing for the 2018 Expo here in New Orleans!

We will be busy conducting AORN business, awarding outstanding member for their excellence in perioperative nursing, and voting for next year's AORN leaders. Get to know the candidates for AORN's 2017 national election by reading their bios and election statements and watching their election address videos:

<http://www.aorn.org/about-aorn/governance/voting-matters/meet-the-candidates>

Also, learn how to earn 0.5 CEs *just for viewing* the videos!

[https://aorn-public.sharepoint.com/Videos/Candidates/Wheeler\\_Open.mp4](https://aorn-public.sharepoint.com/Videos/Candidates/Wheeler_Open.mp4)

Remember, it's one member, one vote. Use the *Power of You* to make your voice heard. Vote!

Best Wishes for a great Holiday, and we'll see you next on April 26<sup>th</sup>, at Ochsner Kenner, 7th floor MOB auditorium for an exciting presentation earning 1 CE, from our partners at Molnlyke!

Yours in Service,

**Ramie K. Miller, MSN, RN,  
CNOR  
AORN of New Orleans  
Chapter 1902 – President  
Louisiana Council of AORN  
Chapters - Chair/Elect**



# Chapter 1902 Event Calendar 2016-2017

## Monthly Meeting Dates

May 24<sup>th</sup>-Social

June 28<sup>th</sup>-Installation Dinner

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## Next Meeting

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April 26<sup>th</sup>-Ochsner Kenner

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

## Answers to the PeriOp Challenge

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# Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, MBA, RN, CNOR

## National Legislative Forum

### Purpose

This group is a membership assembly convened via monthly conference call by AORN Government Affairs staff to coordinate and support AORN's health policy initiatives. The National Legislative Forum is open to all AORN members with an interest in health policy and legislative affairs.

### Initiatives

1. Continue to strengthen and expand state-level relationships
2. Advance RN Circulator legislation
3. Protect perioperative nursing scope of practice
4. Seek reimbursement parity for RNFAs
5. Advocate for safe work environments (smoke evacuation and safe patient handling)
6. Provide advocacy training to AORN members
7. Ensure perioperative nursing voice in federal reform efforts

To join the National Legislative Forum email your name, chapter affiliation, and state to Danielle Glover via [dglover@aorn.org](mailto:dglover@aorn.org) requesting to be added to the National Legislative Forum email list to receive monthly conference call reminder with agenda and calls login information.

### Publish Date: March 8, 2017

[Senate bill 31](#), which would require an RN Circulator for the duration of a procedure in every Vermont operating room, unanimously passed out the Senate Health and Welfare Committee last week after AORN worked with stakeholders on an amendment to make the requirement applicable to ASCs in addition to hospitals. AORN Government Affairs Manager, Danielle Glover, and AORN member Christina McCaffrey [previously testified](#) in the Committee in support of S.31. The bill then went to the [Senate floor](#) for vote where it passed on March 3, 2017. Prior to the Senate floor vote, AORN and ANA-Vermont asked members to contact Senators to encourage them to vote in favor of the legislation. The communication from constituents and practicing professionals was impactful.

Now that S.31 has made it out of the Senate, the House will take up the legislation in the coming months.

AORN Government Affairs will continue to advocate for S. 31 and it's companion bill, H126, and provide updates on their progression. If you are interested in helping with this bill or want to learn how to become involved in legislative efforts in your state, please contact Danielle Glover at [dglover@aorn.org](mailto:dglover@aorn.org).

Please check out the resources on the AORN web page on Advocacy tools [AORN Government Affairs - Advocacy Tools and Resources - Association of periOperative Registered Nurses](#)

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## Membership Information

### Please remember to renew!

Total Members – 185

Standard – 120

Lifetime – 11

2/3yr - 20

Retired – 11

Associate – 3

Student Members – 20

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](http://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](http://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

Shirley Broussard  
Caroline Conway  
Johanne Craighead  
Mary Jo D’Amico  
Rosalie Gonzales  
Mary Kay Harvey  
Susan McPherson  
Monica Molinaire

### May

Rosa Flores-Castellon  
Maura Fuentes  
Sharon Guardina  
Rebecca Harris  
Roxanne McNally  
Tracy Narcisse  
Lori Noel

## Member News

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

# 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!!!*



## Louisiana Council of AORN Chapters

### Future Meeting Dates:

Saturday, April 1, 2017, Boston, at the AORN Surgical Conference & Expo. Date and Place TBA

Saturday, July 15, 2017, Lafayette

Saturday October 14, 2017 Shreveport (Sam’s Town) in conjunction with North Louisiana’s Seminar

## Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, Continued from page 2

Advocacy Tools and Resources [Add to Favorites](#) [Share](#)

+ Advocacy Tools and Resources

+ My State

+ Policy Agenda

Take Action

The Association of periOperative Registered Nurses promotes and responds to legislative, regulatory and policy issues that impact the practice of perioperative nursing and patient safety in the surgical environment. We believe an informed membership makes the perioperative industry stronger and our patient’s lives safer, which is why we have put together these advocacy tools and resources for you.

### Take Action Tools

Let your voice be heard, take action to support AORN's legislative priorities for perioperative practice.

**Actions**

2 advocacy campaigns →

**Find Officials**


Look up and contact your officials.

ZIP Code

Please check out the resources on the AORN web page on Advocacy tools [AORN Government Affairs - Advocacy Tools and Resources - Association of periOperative Registered Nurses](#)

**Respectfully Submitted by,**

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



# Did You Know?

**AORN** has developed scenarios of high-priority topics with the goal of promoting and facilitating clinical learning through multidisciplinary simulation.

**Each scenario includes:**

- Overview of the situation involved
- Learning objectives for the simulation
- Information for participant preparation and set-up
- A sequence of simulated events with skills checklist
- Algorithm of actions to be taken during the event
- Debriefing questions and actions
- Additional resources specific to each scenario (pictures, test answers, etc)

**Simulation Scenarios:**

- Active Shooter within the Perioperative Environment
- Anaphylaxis and Anaphylactic Shock
- Difficult Airway
- Difficult Airway: Pediatric Patient
- Fire in the Operating Room
- Hemorrhage
- Malignant Hyperthermia
- Venous Air Embolism
- Create Your Own Simulation Scenario

This content is a member benefit. Here is the link <http://aorn.org/education/staff-development/simulation-scenarios>

Respectfully Submitted by,

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





# **AORN GLOBAL SURGICAL CONFERENCE & EXPO**

## Chapter 1902 will send nine delegates to the 2017 Conference

- Ramie Miller
- Sharon Guardina
- Mary Anne Toledano
- Mandy Martin-Sanchez
- Melissa Guidry
- Sheila Ostrow
- Roxanne McNally
- Frances Hughes
- Christal Cook

## 2017 AORN National Ballot

**OFFICE                      CANDIDATE                      STATE/COUNTRY**

President-Elect (1 to be elected)	Stephanie S. Davis	TN
Treasurer (1 to be elected)	J. Stephen Balog Jane Flowers	SC MD
Board of Directors (4 to be elected)	Vicki Barnett James (Jay) Bowers Vangie Dennis Laura Gayton Brenda G. Larkin David Reinhart Jean Yee	GA WV GA MO WI GA NY
Nominating and Leadership Development Committee (2 to be elected)	Elizabeth A. Austin Stephen Born Nanette Hamley-Hanauer Karen M. Knapp Shirley Pollard Ramsey Nikki Washington	FL AUS FL MI KY TX



## APRIL AORN Meeting

Ochsner Medical Center Kenner

7th Floor MOB Auditorium

April 26th

4:30pm

# Spring

**1 CEU sponsored by Molnlycke—  
Pressure Ulcer Prevention**

Sponsored by  
AORN Chapter 1902

# Save the Date

## SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017

8am until 1pm

Meyer Building

1919 S. Braeswood Blvd., Houston, TX 77030

**FREE PARKING!**



AORN of Greater Houston #4407

Presents

# Leadership Symposium

**'Nursing Leaders Emerging in a Changing Culture'**

Vendors are Welcomed!

Application will be made for 4 CE's with the Association of perioperative Nurses, Inc. The Association of perioperative Nurses, Inc. is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.



**1. What is the reversal agent for opioids?**

- A. Diphenhydramine
- B. Flumazenil
- C. Hydrocortisone
- D. Naloxone-Opioid

**2. What should be used to clean and disinfect environmental surfaces in the OR suites?**

- A. Alcohol
- B. EPA-registered disinfectant
- C. High-level disinfectants
- D. Liquid chemical sterilants

**3. What storage medium should be used for an avulsed tooth when the tooth cannot be immediately replanted in the patient?**

- A. Carbonated water or soda
- B. Milk or Hank's Balanced Salt Solution
- C. No storage medium is recommended
- D. Plain water



**Did you know that you can donate to the AORN Foundation with every Amazon purchase without any extra cost to you?**

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Using an electrosurgery device on 1 gram of tissue = inhaling the smoke from 6 unfiltered cigarettes in 15 minutes.



**GO CLEAR AWARD™**  
Surgical Smoke-Free Recognition Program

## Want to get more involved in the chapter? We are looking for volunteers!

Chapter 1902 has the following positions available:

- 1 President-Elect
- 1 Treasurer
- 2 Board Members

Please let Ramie Miller or Mandy Martin-Sanchez know if you are interested.



## Chapter Willingness-to-Serve Form (Sample)

Officer/Board/Delegate Willingness-to-Serve Form	
Chapter #	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I am aware of the eligibility requirements and responsibilities for this position and I have received a copy of the job description.</li> </ul>	Indicate position:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I am willing to serve the Chapter in the position indicated for the term indicated on this form.</li> </ul>	Indicate term of office:
<b>Eligibility requirements: (all requirements must be fulfilled)</b> 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)
<input type="checkbox"/> Attended at least six Chapter meetings. (January – December of previous year)	<input type="checkbox"/> Activity record is attached.
<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)
Signature:	
Date:	
Name (please print):	
Address	
City	State                      Zip
Email:	
Work phone:	Home phone:
Return 'Willingness-to-Serve' form by _____ to	
_____ Nominating Committee Chair	



**Saturday, May 6, 2017**

# LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

Presented by AORN of Greater Houston

***"NURSING LEADERS EMERGING IN A CHANGING CULTURE"***

## Schedule of Events

- 0700 Registration and Vendor Table Viewing
- 0745 Welcome
- 0800 The Time is Now: The Move to Transformational Leadership
- 0900 The Professional Nurse Leaders: Your Role
- 1000 Break/Vendor Table Viewing
- 1030 Nursing Leadership
- 1130 Lessons in Leadership
- 1230 Expert Panel Review (Q&A)

## Elite Sponsors

- Allen Medical/R Wolf
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- Stryker



## LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM

0800-1300

## Registration

- Early bird \$40
- After April 15 \$45
- Group Rate 5+ \$35
- At the Door \$50
- Students \$20

## Vendors

**ARE WELCOMED!**

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