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New Orleans - Chapter 1902

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President's Message

I never thought our beloved Saints would be 1 and 3 going into Sunday's game against the Bucs! I will still proudly wear the black and gold, will cheer for the Boys and will not say "there's always next year!" It is frustrating though!

Our September meeting was heart warming for those who attended. Goldie Huguenal Baker discussed the process of being chosen as one of the 75 nurses honored in the book "The American Nurse". Goldie has many years of nursing experience. After retiring, she returned to work at University as a patient liaison assisting families during their most difficult times, just one of her many responsibilities. Goldie, thank you for your service - you are truly an example of lifelong learning. Thanks to Ann Burghardt-Dieck, the program was approved for 1.2 CEU's and everyone left with their certificates in hand! Plus, our future is in good hands - Ann's students assured everyone found the parking garage and accessed the building without difficulty.

We will be choosing the delegates to represent our chapter at the AORN Congress in Denver, CO in March 2015. Our chapter can submit 8 delegates. If you are interested and qualify, through the point system to be chosen as a delegate, please submit the willingness to serve form. The information and form is located within the Newsletter.

The planning committee is in full swing with organization of the January seminar. This meeting will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2015 at East Jefferson General Hospital Conference center. The seminar will continue our goal of lifelong learning through educating us in the business of nursing. A vendor fair and silent auction are part of this day. I ask you to notify your vendor representatives and encourage them to participate. The information packet is included in the newsletter. Also, if you have any items for the silent auction, please submit. This project is our main fundraiser this year and will support delegate funding plus other chapter activities. Thanks to Nathalie, Sharon, Ramie, Frances, Linda and Ann for working on this project.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, 2014 at 430p. Louis Judson with Incision will present "Preventing Electrosurgical Burns". The program is for 2.0 CEU's. Please mark your calendars. I look forward to seeing you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Guidry



Chapter 1902 Calendar

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

October 22nd - at EJ

November 19th - Social

December - No Meeting

January 28th – Ochsner
Jeff Hwy

February 25th – Pre-Expo
Potluck

March 7-11 – Expo in
Denver

March 25th – ILH

April 22nd – VA or
Children's

May 27th – VA or
Children's

June 24th – Installation
Banquet



Other important dates:

September 1-7, 2014
[National Clinical Nurse
Specialist Week](#)

September 21-27, 2014
[National Surgical
Technologists Week,](#)

Education

These Continuing Education programs are in the September AORN Journal – check them out . . .

- 1.5  Back to Basics: Preventing Surgical Site Infections
LISA SPRUCE, DNP, RN, ACNS, ACNP, ANP, CNOR
- 1.6  Back to Basics: Environmental Cleaning
LISA SPRUCE, DNP, RN, ACNS, ACNP, ANP, CNOR;
AMBER WOOD, MSN, RN, CNOR, CIC, CPN

Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, MBA, RN, CNOR

I attended the first Senate debate Tuesday Sept 30th ~ Senator Mary Landrieu and Col Maness spoke last night at Kenner City Hall. The GOP candidate, Bill Cassidy, did not show, instead sending Hollis of Covington to speak on his behalf. Two (2) televised debates are scheduled on Oct 14 and Oct 29.



Nathalie Walker MBA, RN, CNOR
AORN of New Orleans, DOB
Legislative Chair

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Current Membership

Please remember to renew!

Total Members - 180

Lifetime – 5

2/3yr - 24

Retired – 7

Associate – 4

Student Members - 30

APSNA – 1

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

Invite all Perioperative nurses to our meetings!

AORN 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/ipdeducationwebinarcaendar>



<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:

October

Michelle Benoit
Micah Bertrand
Yasmin Cain
Roberta Carew
Linda Demoruelle
Kim Ferrer
Shawn Garvey
Penny MengeDarlene
Russo
Jennifer Ryan
Ashlee Taravella
Yolanda Washington
Patsy Whitehorn

November

Lauren Damico
Myra DiGange
Sharon Findley
Bill Ford
Jodi Kennedy
Stephanie Wall
Gretchen Wyble
Pamela Zimmerman

Membership News

ILH : Carrie Thomson is the new Clinical Educator for the OR.

**If you have news from your facility
please send any updates to
mtoledano@ochsner.org**

Meeting Minutes - from the secretary:

PLEASE REVIEW September Chapter MEETING MINUTES ON PAGES 4 & 6 for approval.

The September chapter meeting took place on September 24th at Delgado. Melissa Guidry, President, called the meeting to order at 4:44 pm. Melissa thanked Ann Burghart-Dieck for arranging this meeting. Ann introduced the speaker Goldie Baker-Huguenel, RN. She is one of the nurses in the documentary "An American Nurse" project by Carolyn Jones. Carolyn was asked to interview nurses for this project. Her director Lisa Franks helped her put this project together. They traveled the country to interview nurses. The DON at University suggested she be interviewed for this project. Goldie was at Charity Hospital before, during and after Katrina. Goldie was interviewed by Carolyn. Only 75 nurses were chosen to represent nurses. Goldie was one of the 75.

Goldie has been a patient liaison at University since 1994. She is certified in bereavement counseling. She helps families deal with a medical crisis. She locates next of kin to notify them of crisis. She helps families deal with the death of loved ones. Bereavement counseling, sympathy cards, listens to family members, works with pastoral care and nursing staff. She is non-judgmental in her care of families. Some have been mothers of murderers. She has learned to cherish life, because it can be taken away so quickly. The best thing to say to a bereaved family is "I am so sorry for your loss." Don't say "I know how you feel." Listening without judgment is the best thing to do.

Melissa thanked Goldie for such an inspiring presentation and thanked Ann for working hard to get the CE credits for this meeting. She asked everyone if they had any corrections for the September meeting minutes that were in the September newsletter. There were no corrections and a motion was made by Frances Hughes and were seconded Mary Anne Toledano.

Treasury Report: Sharon Giardina reported that the chapter has \$4212.47 in treasury.

The bylaws changes were posted in the August newsletter for review. Melissa asked if anyone had any changes or additions. Nathalie Walker made a motion to approve the changes. Sharon Giardina seconded the motion.

Committee Reports:

Education: Mandy Sanchez is out of town so there is no education report.

Legislative: Nathalie Walker reminded everyone that there is an election in November. Please don't forget to vote. Louisiana nursing license renewal will be available online in October. Don't forget to renew your RN license with LSBN.

Newsletter: Mary Anne Toledano had nothing to report.

Student membership: Ann has recruited 37 student members since she started. First she talks to students in a group and gives them an overview of the OR. Students that join AORN with a student membership get an OR tour. She shows them how to scrub their hands and gowning and gloving. She explains the bovie, drapes, preps, etc. and the entire process from pre-op to post-op. Ann gives the Delgado students the opportunity to see OR nursing. A side of nursing that they may not see otherwise in a two year program.

Young Professionals: Carrie reports that the committee has been disbanded. The blog she started is very time consuming. If anyone would like to take over please let Carrie know.

Ways and Means: Sharon Giardina reported that she is working on the seminar on January 17th. Letters for vendors are available to hand out. (They are the last pages of this newsletter.) Paypal will be available for vendors to sign up. Speakers are getting lined up. Contact Sharon for recommendations.

TRIVIA CORNER FROM THE

PERIOP INSIDER

weekly newsletter



For a TB patient, where should the disposable bacterial filter be placed?

A single-use, disposable bacterial filter should be placed between the anesthesia circuit and the patient's airway.

Placing a bacterial filter between the anesthesia circuit and the patient's airway prevents contamination of the anesthesia equipment and release of tubercle bacilli into the room.

Does wearing gloves replace hand hygiene?

Wearing gloves does not replace hand hygiene. One study found a 15% rate of colonization from methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)-positive patients to health care personnel's hands after removal of gloves. Another study found a 17% rate of colonization from MRSA-colonized patients to gloves of health care personnel.

How often should OR humidity levels be checked?

Relative humidity should be maintained within the HVAC design parameters. The facility needs to determine the frequency of monitoring in consultation with accrediting agencies.

How often should reusable cleaning materials be changed?

How often should reusable cleaning materials be changed?

Reusable cleaning materials should be changed after each use. Disposable cleaning materials should be discarded after each use.

Using a dirty mop or cloth on a clean area or to clean for multiple patients may increase the possibility of cross-contamination.

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

AmazonSmile. You shop. Amazon gives.

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. Go to <http://smile.amazon.com/>

Meeting Minutes Continued:

Nathalie has speakers lined up. West Levesque, Linda's son, will talk about wills and successions. There will be a speaker to discuss retirement planning. There will be four sessions. Nathalie will help anyone who wants to give a presentation.

Community Outreach: Sharon Giardina brings food, non-perishable items, socks, spray deodorant only (used by multiple people), shampoo, eye glasses, hotel shampoos to the homeless shelter at St. Joseph's Catholic church on Tulane Avenue. Our chapter is keeping it local.

The 60th Louisiana Association of Student Nurses convention is in Lafayette on October 9th through the 12th. Nathalie Walker and Carrie Thomson will have a table set up on Friday, October 10th from 4-10 PM showcasing OR nursing.

Melissa Guidry announced that Ross Cunningham, a past chapter president and a member, lost his wife on September 6th. Melissa sent a card and a donation to the Michael J. Fox Parkinson Foundation.

Our next meeting will be on October 22nd at East Jefferson General Hospital at 4:30 PM. Louis Judson with Incision will be presenting a program on preventing electrosurgical burns for 2.0 contact hours. Park in the Hudson garage and the meeting will be on the first floor.

Sharon Giardina collected for the 50/50 raffle. A total of \$16 was collected. The winners, Jamie Johnson and Frances Hughes, each received \$8.

Nathalie Walker announced that she put out an offer to any Delgado nursing student that reached out to her. The first student that replied would get a free membership to our chapter for one year. Jeremy LoCicero was the winner and he was signed up at the meeting.

Melissa reminded attendees that anyone interested in being a delegate for congress 2015 needs to fill out a willingness to serve form.

Melissa asked if anyone had some new business. No new business was presented. Melissa adjourned the meeting at 6:15.



Check out our "Cover Girls."

Ramie Miller and Carrie Thomson were photographed at the 2014 Congress in Chicago and will be in the 2015 Candidates Handbook for the next Congress in Denver 2015.

Community Outreach Project:

Sharon Giardina brings non-perishable items, hotel shampoos, etc. to the homeless shelter at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Tulane Avenue. Please bring any of the following items to the next meeting:

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

Thank you!

AORN CHAPTER OF NEW ORLEANS

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September 24, 2014

Dear Professional Medical Representative:

The AORN Chapter of New Orleans cordially invites you and your company to partner with us in our Vendor/Product Awareness Fair and Educational Seminar being offered to the perioperative community throughout the New Orleans and the surrounding area. Our chapter values the innovative progress of the Medical Companies and wish to share the new products, as well as, revisiting the time proven products to our perioperative healthcare professionals.

This event will be held in conjunction with an educational seminar for perioperative professionals. The event is scheduled for Saturday, January 17, 2015 (half day seminar) and will be held at East Jefferson General Hospital. Exhibits will be open for the participants during the seminar breaks. Tables will be available at \$200 each. The educational seminar will be approved for CEU's for perioperative professionals.

Your participation in this event will make it possible for all attendees to attend the educational seminar and the exhibits at a minimal charge. Exhibit/sponsor fees will be used to help defray the costs of the chapter's educational offerings and scholarships throughout the year. Such sponsorship will be recognized in our chapter newsletter.

Space is limited; so please reserve your registration early

As you know, educational meetings such as these serve as a major fund raising effort for our local chapter. We would appreciate your consideration and continued support of our efforts. Please complete the attached form and return. Should you need, our tax ID # is 74-2653852. A signed W 9 form is attached. Also, again this year, vendors can pay for their exhibit table through pay pal by going to:
www.aornofneworleanschapter1902.com.

Thank you for your support!

Respectfully,



Sharon Guardina, RN, BSN, CNOR
Chair, Vendor Exhibits
AORN Chapter 1902 – New Orleans

AORN Chapter 1902 – New Orleans Medical/Surgical Exhibit

Registration Form

Company _____

Sales Representative(s) attending seminar

Mailing Address

City, State _____ Zip code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Number of Tables _____ Electricity required: Yes ___ No ___

Type of Sponsorship:

_____ Exhibitor table - \$200 each

_____ Breakfast / refreshment sponsor ---- \$ _____

_____ monetary donation only ---- \$ _____

Payments payable to:

AORN Chapter of New Orleans

Remit to: Sharon Guardina, RN, BSN, CNOR

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Pay pal is available.....aornofneworleanschapter1902.com

Form **W-9**
(Rev. October 2007)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.**

Print or type
See Specific instructions on page 2.

Name (as shown on your income tax return) NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER 1902 - ASSOCIATION of OPERATING ROOM NURSES	
Business name, if different from above	
Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) 13450 STONELAKE DRIVE	Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code FOLSOM, LOUISIANA 70437	
List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number
or
Employer identification number
74 : 2653852

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person <i>Shawn Guardia</i>	Date ▶ <i>1-17-15</i>
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,

Delegate Information/Willingness-to-Serve Form

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Delegates shall represent the local Chapter at the annual National Conference meetings. The Chapter is entitled to elect at least one delegate and one alternate, based on total active membership. The alternate delegate has the same responsibilities as the delegate. An alternate delegate is one who shall be seated in the delegate section only in the absence of the delegate. Once an alternate has been moved up to delegate status, the status is maintained for the duration of the Conference. Total delegate numbers are determined by our National Association.

Election of Delegates - Eligibility

1. A delegate and alternate delegate must be a current member of AORN. Delegates are chosen on a point system.
2. A delegate and alternate delegate should have attended at least six (6) general meetings the previous year, based on ten (10) meetings a year.
3. A delegate and alternate delegate must have active participation on a local AORN committee the previous year.
4. The President and President-elect are automatically delegates and the President-elect shall act as Chairman of Delegates. Other eligible members must fill out a "Willingness to Serve" form on or by the designated meeting.
5. The number of eligible persons receiving the highest number of points will be selected as delegates and the next number of highest points will be the alternate delegate.
6. Eligibility requirements may be waived in lieu of insufficient candidates.

Provisions for Delegates

1. Delegates are required to fulfill all duties at the Conference. Failure to do so will result in the delegate returning a prorated amount of their funding to the Chapter. This amount is determined based on the number of mandatory delegate activities.
2. If an alternate is selected, they will be funded their Conference registration.
3. If the alternate needs to be seated as a delegate at the Conference, the alternate will be funded the prorated amount of the unseated delegates' funding.

Credentials

1. Chosen delegates/alternate must indicate their status as either delegate or alternate on their Conference registration form.
2. Delegates shall register at delegates' booth with the following:
 - a. Current RN registration/licensure.
 - b. Current AORN membership card.
 - c. Official delegate authorization letter from National Headquarters.
3. Delegates are required to wear official badge at all business meetings of the Association.

Responsibilities

1. Delegates and alternate delegate shall become familiar with and adhere to directions forwarded from National Headquarters, prior to attending the National Conference.
2. Attend all business sessions and special delegate activities at the Annual National Congress.
3. Delegates shall seek information on all issues under discussion, and act in the best interest of the Chapter.
4. Delegates are encouraged to vote as recommended by the Chapter on all issues and for National Officers.
5. Shall relate to members from other areas and evaluate them in light of their leadership potential so that the Chapter may submit names of prospective candidates for an elected national office.
6. Attend educational and scientific meetings and exhibits at the National Congress.
7. The Delegates Chairman shall give a meaningful report to the Chapter following attendance at the National Congress, and submit a written report for publication in the Chapter newsletter.
8. Delegates designated to any Annual Congress shall continue in their office as delegates for the purpose of any special meeting of the National Association that may be called until the delegates are duly designated for the next Annual Congress and likewise for the local Chapter that they may be called until the delegates are duly designated for the next Congress.
9. Delegates must attend pre-Congress Meetings, called by the Chairman.

GUIDELINES FOR DELEGATE SELECTION

1. Chapter membership for a pre-determined time before Congress.
 2. Attendance at a given number of monthly meetings for the year preceding.
 3. Active participation in Chapter affairs, service on a committee, program participant, etc., for a year previous to selection.
 4. The President and President-Elect are automatically delegates.
 5. Assignments as a delegate may be an incentive award for a member other than an officer, if that person has contributed greatly to the functioning of the Chapter.
 6. The amount of money that is available from the treasury will determine how the Chapter funds its delegates. Funds are distributed by the Treasurer prior to Congress.
 7. Delegates are required to fulfill all duties at Congress. Failure to do so will result in the delegate returning a prorated portion of their funding to the Chapter. This amount is determined based on the number of mandatory delegate activities.
 8. Any delegate/(s) failing to fulfill obligation in regard to voting and attendance at meetings may not serve as delegate for one year.
 9. Headquarters recommends points system as the only fair way to choose delegates.
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Name: _____

Our point system is based on:

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- _____ 1 - per meeting Chapter meetings
- _____ 5 - (active) Chapter officer
- _____ 4 - (active) Chapter Committee Chairperson
- _____ 2 - (active) Chapter Committee person
- _____ 1 - per meeting Chapter sponsored workshop
- _____ 5 - per meeting Education presenter
- _____ 1 - Publishing in Chapter Newsletter
- _____ 5 - Publishing in AORN/professional journal
- _____ 5 - State Council Officer
- _____ 5 - Specialty Assembly Officer
- _____ 5 - AORN National Committee
- _____ 3 - Officer in another Nursing Organization
- _____ 8 - AORN Elected Officer
- _____ 5 - Poster Presentation (Research)
- _____ 3 - Poster Presentation (Clinical)
- _____ = TOTAL POINTS