



# PeriOperative Potpourri

## New Orleans ~ Chapter 1902

### January 2023

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## President's Message

Hello Members,

It's a new year, y'all, which means it's time for fresh starts and new beginnings. Of course, some things will never change; ie, growing our chapter membership, planning for **Expo 2023 in San Antonio**, Chapter Accountability Standards for another year, exchanging ideas and networking, chapter meetings, educational offerings, and our annual Winter Seminar, just to name a few.

So let's keep the momentum going and the New Year ball rolling.....



**Our annual half day Winter Seminar and Vendor Fair is fast approaching and we have a great one planned. The date is January 14, 2023 at Ochsner Brent House.** The Louisiana State Council meeting will follow the Seminar. Be a part of change! **REMEMBER**, we will NOT have a January chapter meeting on the 4th Wednesday of January due to our January 14th Seminar. Please support our chapter and attend our Seminar on January 14th from 7:30am to 1:00pm. We have a great educational line-up to present that day with **5.0 credit hours**. SEE the brochure attached to the January Newsletter for further details. **ALSO**, please post the Seminar /Vendor Fair brochure at your hospitals to alert all AORN members and non-members to attend. **SEE the Seminar brochure attached for payment options.** **ATTENTION: Since our Seminar /Vendor Fair is fast approaching for**

January 14, 2023.... If you have exhibit, **PLEASE** follow up with them to make sure they have submitted their vendor exhibit fee through check or through pay pal at [www.aornofneworleans.com](http://www.aornofneworleans.com) as we are still waiting for some vendors to respond.

**Expo in San Antonio is April 1- 4, 2023.** You do not want to miss this educational packed conference. Remember Expo 2023 starts on a Saturday. **LOOK** for the AORN Expo flyers being sent by AORN through the various networking medias. Our Chapter is still looking for Chapter 1902 Delegates for the Expo in San Antonio. Please contact me (Roxanne) if you are planning to go to the AORN Expo in San Antonio and you want to be a Delegate. Our Chapter will pay your EXPO Registration fee if you are selected as a Delegate.

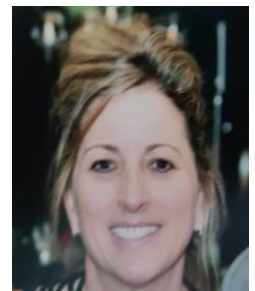
**READY, SET, and GO forward into 2023 with a "BANG" !!!!**

Let's have another GREAT year for the AORN Chapter of New Orleans.

**PEARL OF WISDOM: Be the Nurse you would want if you were a patient.**  
**UNKNOWN**

THANK YOU!

Roxanne



# Chapter 1902 Event Calendar 2022~2023

**Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>:**

Winter Seminar, Ochsner  
Jeff Hwy, Brent House  
Conference Center

**February 8<sup>th</sup>:**

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>:**

Voting Meeting

**April 1st-5<sup>th</sup>:**

Surgical Conference & Expo

**May 24<sup>th</sup>:**

Social

**June 28<sup>th</sup>:**

Installation Banquet

## AORN of New Orleans

### Winter Seminar 2023

Ochsner Brent House Conference Ctr  
1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans, LA



#### GUEST SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

"Biofilm is Everywhere!" for 1 CNE  
(8AM-9AM), Amy Williams, DNP, RN, CPAN, CSPDT, CSPM  
Senior Manager for Clinical Education Compliance for Steris

"Point of use Treatment of Medical Device" for 1 CNE  
(9:15-10:15), Robert Williams, MMHC, BA, CRCST, CER, CIS  
Clinical Education Specialist for Steris

"ANSI/AAMI ST91:2021 Updates to Endoscope Processing  
Regulations, Standards, and Guidelines" for 1 CNE  
(10:30-11:30), Amy Williams, DNP, RN, CPAN, CSPDT, CSPM  
Senior Manager for Clinical Education Compliance for Steris

"Vendor Intro with Rapid Fire" (11:30-11:45)

"Best Practices for Safe Perioperative Positioning" for 2 CNEs  
(1PM-2PM) Nicole Cook, MSN, Director of Clinical Development  
for Xodus Medical.

(Louisiana State Council of AORN Chapters Meeting to follow.)

**January 14, 2023**

7:30-8 AM Registration/  
Light Breakfast

8-2 PM Seminar (5 CNEs)

11:45-1:00 PM Vendor Fair

Rada Fundraiser Table

Door prizes

50/50

#### Registration

Register and pay online on our website.

	by 1/12/23	Day of
AORN Member	\$40	\$45
Non-Member	\$50	\$55
Nursing Students	Free	Free



Members



Non-Members

#### Register and Pay by Mail

Send name, phone number, email address &  
check payable to AORN of New Orleans to:

Shaunna Leger  
135 Adam Dr.  
Belle Chasse, La. 70037

EARN 5 CONTACT HOURS by attending the entire event; no partial credit is awarded.

# Hope to see you there!

# Vice President's Report:

## Community Service Committee:

### **PLEASE DONATE: DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT EACH MEETING**

**SECOND HARVEST:** At each chapter meeting, our chapter collects food for Second Harvest Food Bank. Second Harvest accepts nearly all types of food products (nonperishable items and produce). They prefer non-glass containers for safety reasons. Please consider nutritional food items that are low in sodium/salt and sugars.

**REBUILD CENTER of NEW ORLEANS:** At each chapter meeting, our chapter collects items needed for the Rebuild Center. Items needed are individual small toiletries, hair brushes and combs, socks, t-shirts, eyeglasses, etc.

**VENDOR FAIR AT WINTER SEMINAR:** **ATTENTION:** Since our Seminar /Vendor Fair is fast approaching for January 14, 2023.... If you have contacted one of your vendors to exhibit, **PLEASE** follow up with them to make sure they have submitted their vendor exhibit fee through check or through pay pal at [www.aornofneworleans.com](http://www.aornofneworleans.com) as we are still waiting for some vendors to respond.

**NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE:** As always, remember our Chapter web site is under construction and being updated, so AORN.org, OR Nurse Link, and our Chapter Newsletter are our only means of providing information to our members and our healthcare facilities. The web site may take several months to be functioning effectively. Please be patient!!

If you participate in Clinical Ladders at your facility and you need a record of your Chapter activities/meeting attendances, email myself or Sharon Guardina and we will be able to provide that information to you.

**THANKS..... Sharon Guardina**

## Membership Information

Standard – 155	Leader-5
Students – 107	Associate – 1
Lifetime – 24	Leader - 5
2/3yr – 26	Retired –5
Group Level 1- 11	Monthly – 4
Group Level 4-1	New to OR - 25

**Total Members – 363**

**Please bring an OR nurse with you to the chapter meetings. We ❤️ our new members!**

**Be sure your chapter membership status on “My AORN” states “Chapter 1902”.**

## Member Resources



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



[www.ornurselink.org/Pages/home.aspx](http://www.ornurselink.org/Pages/home.aspx)



<https://twitter.com/AORNofNewOrlean>  
(You are seeing it correctly; there is no “s”)

**Chapter Webpage:**

[www.aornofneworleans.com](http://www.aornofneworleans.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:**

### December

Kim Buras  
Erin Cloonan  
Naya Copeland  
Hollie Davis  
Edward Graebert  
Katina Hawkins  
Ameen Kassim  
Kailynn LaBeaud  
Ayana Lane  
Pamela Lazas  
Christina Myles  
Danielle Ohlsson  
Laura Roche  
Amy Whitmore

### January

Mary Arlt  
Chandonais Banks  
Edith Bautista  
Lauren Beadle  
Sarah Bertus  
Gwendolyn Billiot  
Kathy Brown-Pickett  
Scott Cheramie  
Douglas Christensen  
Caroline Cottingham  
Lauren Dickson  
Jodelle Dougherty  
Dominique Drago  
Laurie Gonzales  
Abigail Hinyub  
Suzanne Hoffpauir  
Caroline Jeandron  
Kelly Jenkins

LaVergne Jones  
Philip Kulas  
Wendy LaCaze  
April Lato  
Nancy Ledet  
Breigh Ledet  
Brittany Leflore  
Austin Matherne  
Alana Metrejean  
Sharonda Mitchell  
Rehema Muruthi  
Amanda Osborne  
Nicole Pinner  
Dedora Pitre  
Noah Pizzuto  
Julia Robbins  
Crixtin Rosario  
Via Schwab

## Trea\$urer's Report:

### November Checking Account Records:

Starting Balance - \$12,290.43  
Deposits: 11/15 \$500  
11/18 \$608 - AORN  
Total - \$1108  
Withdrawals: 11/15 \$16.64 Walmart  
11/18 \$240 Winstons  
Total - \$256.64  
Ending Balance: \$13141.79

### December Checking Account Records:

Starting Balance - \$13141.79  
Deposits: \$518,00  
Withdrawals: \$108.00  
Ending Balance: \$13,551.79



Shaunna Leger, BSN, RN

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# Which committee will you be joining?



**Research Committee Members**  
Chair: Michelle Delima  
Mary Anne Toledano  
Camille Perniciaro

**Nominating Committee Members**  
Chair: Mary Anne Toledano  
Karen Bonilla

**Membership Committee Member**  
Chair: Mary Anne Toledano  
Roxanne McNally  
Jennifer Foster  
Shaunna Leger

**Social Committee Members**  
Chair: Sandi Wiemann  
Sharon Guardina  
Nathalie Walker  
Karen Bonilla  
Roxanne McNally

**Education Committee Member**  
Chair: Mary Anne Toledano  
Nathalie Walker  
Shaunna Leger  
Camille Perniciaro  
Sheila Ostrow

**Community Service Committee**  
Chair: Sharon Guardina  
Roxanne McNally  
Karen Bonilla  
Nathalie Walker  
Camille Perniciaro  
Sheila Ostrow  
Sandi Wiemann

**Program Committee Members  
(Winter Seminar/Vendor)**  
Chair:  
Co-Chair: Sharon Guardina  
Co-Chair: Nathalie Walker  
Mary Anne Toledano

**Ways & Means Committee Members**  
Chair: Nora Lambert  
Jennifer Foster  
Shaunna Leger

## Willingness to Serve Form

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

### OUR POINT SYSTEM IS BASED ON:

**NOTE: JUNE 2021– JUNE 2022 was our chapter’s fiscal year and our Delegate number is based upon our membership total in June each year.**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1pt - per Chapter Meeting attended (FYI: We had 8-chapter meetings: **July 17** Board/Member at Ochsner; **August 25** meeting at Vincent’s in Metairie; **September 22** “ZOOM” meeting. **October 27** at Superior Grill; **November 17** Social at Martin’s Wine Cellar; **January 26** “ZOOM” meeting; NO meeting in **March** due to EXPO in New Orleans; **April 27** at Ruth Chris; **May 25** Ochsner Kenner) (P.S. Meeting at Vincent’s, Superior Grill, Martin’s, Ruth Chris were sponsored by Reps and members incurred no fee).

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 pt - (active) Chapter Officer

\_\_\_\_\_ 4 pt- (active) Chapter Committee Chairperson  
LIST committee(s) \_\_\_\_\_

2 pt- (active) Chapter Committee person  
LIST committee(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 1pt- per Chapter Sponsored Workshop or Event attended (ie, **December 15** “Painting with a Twist”, the Seminar/Vendor Fair **February 12**; and **June 22** Installation). Fees may incur for some events.

5 pt- per meeting Education Presenter

1 pt - Publishing in Chapter Newsletter  
LIST: Newsletter issue \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 pt - Publishing in AORN or another Professional Journal  
LIST: AORN issue or other Professional Journal and issue \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 pt- State Council Officer

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 pt - Specialty Assembly Officer  
LIST Specialty Assembly(s) \_\_\_\_\_

5 pt - AORN National Committee (CCI is not an AORN Nat’l Committee)  
LIST Nat’l Committee(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 3 pt - Officer in another Nursing Organization  
LIST organization and office held \_\_\_\_\_

8 pt - AORN Elected Officer

5 pt – Poster Presentation at Expo (Research)

3 pt - Poster Presentation at Expo (Clinical)

\_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL POINTS**

**NOTE:** Chapter Meetings/Socials (Dinner Meetings, Board Meetings at restaurants, Installations, etc.) are not counted by our chapter toward Chapter Meeting points, **if** attendance at the Chapter Meetings/Socials required members to have to pay a fee in order to attend. **NOTE:** This fiscal year, there were **no** chapter meetings, including our Installation, where members were required to pay a fee to attend. They were all sponsored meetings by our medical reps.



## Meeting Minutes – from the secretary

### AORN CHAPTER 1902 MEETING

AORN Meeting Minutes  
November 16, 2022  
Winston’s Pub and Patio

**AORN Social celebrating Perioperative Nurses Week.** Food and drink sponsored by Todd Riddell with CSI. Special thank you to Todd for supporting our local chapter and Perioperative Nurses!

**Minutes** – see newsletter

**Treasurer report** – see newsletter  
Drawing for one-year AORN membership will be done based on attendance list at the meetings since August. The winner will be notified and announced at an upcoming meeting.

The December Meeting will be on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> at Posh Paint – join us for a Wine/Design Pottery Party.

### **Pearls of Wisdom – Nora Lambert**

Be the Nurse you would want if you were a patient –  
Unknown

You have brains in your head  
You have feet in your shoes  
You can steer yourself in any direction you choose – Dr. Seuss

Respectfully Submitted,  
Melissa Guidry



**THERE WILL BE NO MINUTES FOR DECEMBER. WE DID NOT HAVE A MONTHLY MEETING IN DECEMBER, ONLY A SOCIAL EVENT AT POSH PAINT ... WINE/DESIGN POTTERY PARTY**



# ★ Chapter Hospital Liaisons ★

Baptist – Lauren Levert

VA-Lisa Hoffman

Lakeview-Christal Cook

Ochsner Kenner-Shari Fourcade

Ochsner Elmwood-Kathy Blanchard

St. Charles Surgical – Roxane Davis

Sterling Surgical Hospital – Shawn Danos-Travis

Ochsner Jeff Hwy-Rhonda Nabors/Camille Perniciaro

Children's – Christi Guillot

Touro-Cheryl Johnson

EJGH-Parastoo Rezaeimehr

UMC-Karen Bonilla

We would like to encourage a member from

**Tulane, Ochsner West Bank, Crescent City  
and West Jeff**

and **all other facilities** to volunteer as a liaison to assist with providing information to your peers. If you are interested, please email the chapter at [aorn1902@gmail.com](mailto:aorn1902@gmail.com)

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

