American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses

Congratulations Certified Nurses!!

**It’s CPAN and CAPA Day!**

Congratulations to the over 8,000 CPAN/CAPA nurses throughout the country. Today’s recognition began with a 6:30 AM celebration breakfast. Barbara Bancroft, RN, MSN, PNP, started the day with a hilarious trip down memory lane that highlighted the advances in nursing and medicine over the past 30 years. ABPANC presented the Advocacy Award to an outstanding CPAN or CAPA certified nurse, to be announced in PArtiCULars.

**Opening Ceremonies**

ASPAN President, Susan Fossum, BSN, RN, CPAN, opens the 27th Conference at 9:00 AM in Texas A & B, with a Texas-sized welcome. Keynote speaker, Suzanne Gordon, BA from Newton, MA, presents “From Silence to Voice: Placing Nursing Center Stage.”

**Exhibits Open Tonight**

The Exhibit’s Grand Opening is from 5:00-7:00 PM in the Longhorn Hall D. As you check out the latest patient care products and visit with the exhibitors, thank them for their support of ASPAN and perianesthesia nursing. Special thanks to these ASPAN sponsors:

**Arizant**, **Hill-Rom**, **Stryker**, for their support.

Enjoy the available cash bar and snacks.

**New Release Book Signing!**

Jackie Ross, Editor of Certification Review for Perianesthesia Nursing, and chapter authors will be on hand during Monday’s exhibit hours at booth 323 to sign the new edition and answer questions about writing for publication.

**First Timer’s Orientation**

If this is your first time attending an ASPAN National Conference, we want you to get the most out of the experience. Please join us from 12:15 to 1:15 PM in Texas Ballroom D.

**Representative Assembly Rounds Up 2008-2009 Board of Directors**

ASPAN’s President Susan Fossum announced the 2008-2009 Board of Directors:

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**Nominating Team for 2008-2009:**
Michelle Honeywell, RN, CPAN
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Wanda Rodriguez, MA, RN, CCRN
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There are no limitations in what you can do except the limitations in your own mind...Don’t think you cannot. Think you can.”                      — Darwin P. Kingsley
New Nurse Educator SPG Meets Today
The founding meeting of this latest Specialty Practice Group (SPG) occurs at 12:15-2:00 PM in Dallas 6. Bring your lunch and meet other educators. For more SPG meeting times, see Tuesday and Wednesday in the “2008 Pocket Guide.”

Rustle-up Extra Contact Hours
Tonight begins the first of a series of presentations by new ASPAN speakers who honed their skills at the 2007 ASPAN Speaker Development Workshops. There is no additional fee, but seating is limited to the first 40 people at each session: Monday and Tuesday from 7:00-10:20 PM and Wednesday 1:00-2:00 PM.

ASPN Committees to Meet at Texas C
Following the Component Leadership meeting at 2:00-3:15 PM, ASPAN Committee Chairs meet at 3:30 with their committee members for introductions and planning.

ASPN Shoppe in Dallas 1-2
Open Monday from 12:00 noon to 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, the ASPAN Shoppe announces what’s New for Texas: ASPAN picnic blanket, golf/exercise towel, fanny packs, USB drives. Back by popular demand: embroidered logo patches. Grab bags for $1 or $4 have surprises inside! Scrubs are on sale. Register for the daily drawing: one entry per purchase. Winners will be posted on the Message Board.

ASPN Development Dream Walk
Hiking the lakeside trail, 172 walkers rose early to raise a total of $4,310.00. Another $5,712.00 was pledged. Congratulations! The Northwest Component with 32 had the most participants. The winner of the Dream Walker Award will be announced later this week.

Development Luncheon Last Chance
A limited number of tickets are available until noon for Wednesday’s ASPAN’s Development luncheon.

Message Board beats Smoke Signals
Post messages to friends or component meetings on the Message Boards next to the Registration Desk.

Component Corner Corral
Hawaii Aloha to all 17 Hawaii Nurses at the 27th National ASPAN Conference.
ILSPAN “Night-Out” planned for Tuesday, 7:00 PM. See the sign-up sheet on the Message Board.
MASPAN will gather on Tuesday 5:30-7:00 PM at the Glass Cactus lower back deck. Note time change.
Northwest See Tuesday’s PARTICULARS for time and location of annual get-together dinner.
RMPANA will get together 6:30 AM, Tuesday morning for coffee at the Java Coffee Shop.

12-Step Meeting
Set for Monday 5:05-6:00 PM in Fort Worth 1. Check Message Board for contact information.

Western Hospitality
Not sure where to shop or eat in Grapevine? Restaurant lists, shopping and sightseeing information at the Convention and Visitors’ Bureau (CVB) kiosk on the ground floor of the Convention Center entrance. The Gaylord Texan operates a complimentary shuttle service to and from historic downtown Grapevine, Grapevine Mills Mall and the Bass Pro and Outdoor World store. A schedule is available at the CVB kiosk and Transportation Desk in the hotel.

Silent Auction
Set in Longhorn Hall D, many unique items are just a bid away—or two or three bids Check daily to rebid—you deserve to win! Join the frenzy of final bidding early Wednesday morning. The Silent Auction benefits ASPAN Development and benefits ASPAN members.

ABPANC News
Computer-Based Testing Coming to ABPANC. New Board of Directors elected:
President-Elect: Patrick Jones
Secretary-Treasurer: Lori Crosby
Directors: Betty McMullin, Kathy Paskewitz, and Anthony Pridemore.
Chair-elect ECC: Bonnie Crumley-Aybar

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