

## *Congratulations to Our ABPANC and ASPAN Award Winners*

### ***CPAN®/CAPA® Breakfast ABPANC Award Recipients***

Six hundred certified nurses attended the annual CPAN/CAPA certification breakfast yesterday morning and with the help of speaker Deb Gauldin, RN, the attendees were entertained and provided with suggestions on how to jump-start the day feeling sincerely appreciated and celebrated as the amazing people they are and for the important work they do.

Also, as promised in yesterday's issue of *PARTiCULARS*, ABPANC is pleased to announce that Vonda Fitch, RN, CPAN, CAPA, who works in the Same Day Unit of Carlsbad Medical Center, Carlsbad, New Mexico, is the recipient of the 2010 Advocacy Award. Please read her heartwarming story on the ABPANC web site at [www.cpancapa.org](http://www.cpancapa.org). Congratulations!

This year's *Shining Star Awards* were presented to the following components:

- AzPANA
- FLASPAN
- MeSPAN
- MASPAN
- NAPAN
- NPANA
- OPANA
- PAPAN
- TAPAN

Inductees into the 2010 *ABPANC Leadership Circle* are:

- Day Surgery Unit and PACU – Rush Copley Medical Center, Aurora, IL
- PACU – North Country Health System, Newport, VT

The recipient of the first *Item Writer of the Year Award* goes to Linda Smith, RN, CPAN, CAPA.

**Congratulations to all our recipients!**

### ***National Conference Opens with a Band***

ASPAN strutted to new heights yesterday as a marching band and stilt walker opened the 29<sup>th</sup> ASPAN National Conference. President Terry Clifford inspired us with her and our accomplishments as we look to the future.

### ***ASPAN Awards - Congratulations***

*ASPAN President's Award* was bestowed posthumously on **Nancy Phillips RN CPAN 2010 Award for Outstanding Achievement**  
**Dolly Ireland MSN RN CPAN CAPA 2010 Excellence in Clinical Practice Award**  
**Teresita Santiago BSN RN CPAN Distinguished Service Award of the Past Presidents' Council**  
**Evelyn Medycki RN**

### ***Mary Hanna Journalism Awards***

The Mary Hanna Journalism Awards were presented yesterday, a full listing of winners and titles will appear in the next issue of *Breathline*.

### ***Gold Leaf Award***

Congratulations to the Ohio component for winning the prestigious *Gold Leaf Award*. Well done OPANA!

### ***ASPAN SPG Meetings***

Today's ASPAN Specialty Practice Group (SPG) meeting schedule:

#### **12 – 1:45 pm:**

Publications SPG meets in Balcony I  
Advanced Degree SPG meets in Balcony J  
Pain Management SPG meets in St. Charles Suite

Geriatric SPG meets in Balcony K

#### **5:30 – 7:15 pm:**

Preop Assessment SPG meets in Salon A-D  
Pediatric SPG meets in Bissonet  
Management SPG meets in Salon E-H

### ***12 Step Meeting***

Tuesday and Wednesday in the Bonaparte Room on the fourth floor from 5:05 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Questions: Sue O'Day @ 504-529-7211

### ***Silent Auction***

Silent Auction hours continue during exhibit hours. Stop by and bid on your favorite items. The auction will end at close of exhibit hours Wednesday at 8:30 AM. Don't miss the chance to have the winning bid!

### ***Newsletter Contest***

Please be sure to stop by board near the registration desk to view the newsletters submitted for the contest. Vote for your favorite in the People's Choice contest. Your ballot is in your registration materials.

**Remember: Look, don't take!** If anyone has removed a newsletter from the board, please return to the Preservation Hall registration desk.

### ***Development Luncheon***

A reminder that there are still tickets left for the ASPAN Development Luncheon on Wednesday from 12- 1:45 pm in Galleries 1-3. Please visit the Preservation Hall registration desk.

### ***Component Get-togethers***

**CBSPAN** – all members are invited to Happy Hour at the Crescent City Brewery on Decatur Street from 6-8 pm.

**CSPAN** – lunch at Napoleon House @ 500 Chartres Street (within walking distance of the hotel) on Tuesday at 12 noon. Sign up on the bulletin board or call Diane Stadmeier.

**INSPAN** – appetizers and drinks in the Marriott lobby and *fifty5* Tuesday at 6 pm. Signup is posted on the bulletin board, or contact Charlotte West at the Marriott.

**ISPAN** – gathering at 5:00 pm Tuesday in *fifty5*, appetizers will be provided.

**MOKANPANA** – component meeting at noon on Tuesday in the Bonaparte Room.

**NPANA** – please join us Tuesday at noon for fun & friendship at *fifty5* on the hotel 1<sup>st</sup> floor.

**RMPANA** – breakfast meeting Tuesday at 7:00 am at Arby's on Canal Street (right next to the Marriott) for fun & fellowship.

**TAPAN** – group picture Tuesday at noon, meet in the lobby near the registration desk.

**VSPAN** – meeting on Tuesday at Palace Café, meet in the lobby at 6:15 pm and we'll walk together. Please sign up on the message board or call Karen Schaeffer at 703-508-2328.

**VT/NHAPAN** – get-together on Tuesday at the Red Fish Grill at 7:00 pm. All members welcome!

### ***Research & Successful Practices Posters***

The Research and Celebrate Successful Practices Poster Grand Rounds starts bright and early at 7:00 am this morning. Research can be found on Balconies L-N and CSP will be held in Galleries 1-3.

### ***Exhibit Hall***

Posters not your thing? Don't forget to visit with the vendors in the Exhibit Hall. A cash breakfast will be available in Preservation Hall from 7-9:00 am.

### ***Ticketed Sessions***

Today marks the start of the educational track sessions. You must be ticketed to attend any session, please be sure you have the tickets for the sessions you registered for, lost tickets will not be replaced.

### ***Mission Opportunity***

Cascade Medical Team (HELPS INTERNATIONAL) to Guatemala every year. Next mission Feb. 26-March 9, 2011. Call Tamara Orlando 541-953-4462 or visit their web site at [www.cascademedicalteam.org](http://www.cascademedicalteam.org)

### ***The words of the 13th century Persian poet Rumi:***

Your way begins on the other side,

Become the sky.

Take an axe to the prison walls,

Escape,

Walk out like someone suddenly born to color.

What can you see when you look with eyes that are open to beauty? Enjoy the conference and may you find the time to be aware and appreciate the sweetness of an ordinary moment.

### ***Cajun Word of the Day:***

Nurse: La garde malade