

Meet Your New ASPAN Board of Directors

Welcome to Seattle!

NPANA, your National Conference host Component, wishes you a wonderful Conference and adventurous visit to our great Northwest! We're so glad you came!

Opening Ceremonies Today

President Kim Kraft BSN RN CPAN opens ASPAN's 30th National Conference in Conference Center 6ABC with Keynote Speaker Donna Cardillo, who will tell us *Success is a Journey, Not a Destination*.

Celebrate ASPAN's 30th Anniversary

Join our 14,000 plus ASPAN members in celebrating 30 years of professional growth and member contributions to perianesthesia practice. Stop by the ASPAN booth and visit with the nurses who were the catalysts in ASPAN and have a slice of birthday cake during today's Exhibit hours!

Congratulations to our newly elected ASPAN Board of Directors 2011-2012:

Vice President/President-Elect:

Sue Carter BSN RN CPAN CAPA

Treasurer:

Katrina Bickerstaff BSN RN CPAN CAPA

Region 1 Director:

Deborah Bickford BSN RN CPAN

Region 3 Director:

Martha Clark MSN RN CPAN

Region 5 Director:

Tanya Spiering MSN RN CPAN

Director for Education:

Nancy Strzyewski MSN RN CPAN CAPA

Director for Research:

Kim Noble PhD RN CPAN

Nominating Committee Members:

Connie Hardy Tabet RN CPAN CAPA

Regina Hoefner-Notz BSN RN CPAN CPN

Becki Hoyle RN CPAN CAPA

Jennifer Kilgore BSN RN CPAN

Nancy Zarczynski RN CPAN

CPAN®/CAPA® DAY

Congratulations to the over 9,000 CPAN/CAPA certified nurses throughout the country! ABPANC celebrates with a luncheon for CPAN and CAPA certified nurses in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton Hotel. The luncheon requires a ticket. Doors open at 12:00.

ABPANC Announces New Officers

Congratulations to new ABPANC President Elect Deidre Cronin and the following on their election to the ABPANC Board of Directors: Laura Williams, Annette Brancati, Pat Bouchard and to re-elected Cheryl Coleman.

Certification Coaches

If you are interested in becoming a Certification Coach—please consider at-attending the ABPANC lecture, “Coach the Coaches,” today, Monday, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in the Convention Center, Room 603.

Exhibits Grand Opening

Join President Kim Kraft at 5 pm in the Conference Center 4F for the ribbon cutting for the Exhibits Grand Opening. As you visit vendors, please thank them for their valued support of ASPAN and perianesthesia nursing.

Check out the Silent Auction—all bids benefit ASPAN Development. At the ASPAN and ABPANC booths, leaders can answer professional questions or provide CPAN/CAPA information.

Be sure you take a chance on the Wheel of Standards! Drop by to see what all the fun is about, all proceeds benefit ASPAN Development.

Get Your National Conference Pin

Come to the NPANA Hospitality table across from the 4th floor registration desk to get your **Conference pin**—a beautifully designed blend of ASPAN and the great Northwest, it's a lovely souvenir of this year's conference. Hospitality hours are posted at the registration desk.

Components Meet and Greet

MASPAN - MASPAN members are invited to a wine and cheese reception Monday, 6:30-8:30 PM. Invitations with details will be available at Component Night or see Kathi Saball.

OPANA - Please contact OPANA President, Nancy McGushin at (740) 243-5616 before 6:00 pm if you are interested in joining your Ohio colleagues for dinner this evening.

PANAC - Component will get-together Monday evening in the Sheraton Hotel Lounge at 7:00 pm.

TSPAN - Look for the "ORANGE Shakers" to locate the Tennessee group at the Monday morning opening session and the Thursday morning closing session!

VSPAN - Get together for lunch on Tuesday, April 5th at 11:45 AM at the Cheesecake Factory on Pike Street (across from the Convention Center). RSVP: Barbara at 703-462-4599.

Components Plan Pictures

NPANA - Tuesday 4/5, 11:45 AM on the Convention Center Main Entrance, Stairs.

TAPAN - Tuesday, 4/5, Convention Center 3rd Floor North Lobby.

ASPAN Regional Component Leadership All Meetings on Monday evening:

Region 1: 5:30-7 pm, Convention Center **602**

Region 2: 6-8 pm, Convention Center **613**

Region 3: 6-8 pm, Convention Center **611**

Region 4: 6-8 pm, Convention Center **612**

Contact Terry Clifford for information

Region 5: 6-8 pm, Convention Center **614**

Specialty Practice Groups (SPG) Meet

Specialty Practice Groups meeting today in the Sheraton Hotel from **7:15-8:30 pm:**

Geriatrics - Cedar room

Informatics - Willow B room

Pediatrics - Aspen room

Publications - Willow A room

You must be a member of the SPG to attend the annual meeting.

12 Step Meeting

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday 5:05 - 6:00 pm.

Contact information and meeting room will be posted on bulletin board.

ASPAN Shoppe til you Droppe

Something for everyone can be found in the ASPAN Shoppe. Whether shopping for yourself or friends, you will find something to enhance your practice, celebrate a coworker's success, or remember Seattle. Located on 4th floor Convention Center by escalators, the shop, is open 8:00 am - 9 am, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, and 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm.

Looking for Additional Contact Hours?

See what your peers are doing to improve their practices in these selected poster presentations.

Tonight, ***Celebrate Successful Practices Oral Presentations*** (Part 1) offers 1.25 contact hours, 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm; Part 2 presentations are **Tuesday evening**, 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm for 1.0 contact hour. ***The Research Oral Presentations*** are 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm in Conference Center 6C for 1.25 contact hours. View all of the ***Research and Celebrate Successful Practice*** Posters at Grand Rounds Tuesday morning, at 7:00 am in Conference Center 4F with team members on hand to share information and answer questions.

Dream Walk for Development

Fish mongers and flying fish greeted participants and Candace Taylor, Development SWT Coordinator, in the Sheraton Lobby to begin yesterday's Dream Walk to Pike's Place Market. Fresh air, beautiful views of Elliot Bay, and Flying Fish, oh my!

New Online CPAN/CAPA Practice Exams

Practice Exams are available for online CPAN and/or CAPA certification study. Access to the practice exams is on the ABPANC website, under the Certification tab. A new methodology for constructing the Practice Exams allows a virtually unlimited number of 50-question practice exams available to take! Each practice exam costs \$35 and contact hours may be earned. From January 3, 2011 through December 31, 2011, you can buy one practice exam and get another one free!

PartiCUArS submissions

Please submit all items for ***PartiCUArS*** to the box at the registration desk **before 12 noon** daily.

Due to limited access to e-mail during conference, items submitted by email for inclusion in the next day's issue may not be received in time to be included. Thanks!