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Congratulations to all Award Winners!

Opening Ceremonies

ASpan President Alphonzo Baker, Sr. presided over Opening Ceremonies. Kim Godfrey, National Conference Strategic Work Team Coordinator, welcomed everyone to Florida and ASPAN's 43rd National Conference.

Sharon Spencer sang both "Lift Every Voice" and the "Star-Spangled Banner," along with presentation of the American flag. Rev. Margaret Farr Young then offered a prayer and invocation.

FLASpan President, Collen Sibel, welcomed everyone to ASPAN's 43rd National Conference. Special guests were recognized. ASPAN past presidents were recognized. ASPAN Regional Directors presented and recognized each of their respective component presidents. The late Esther Watson was recognized and honored. First time attendees (well over 400!), military attendees, corporate sponsors, CPAN/CAPA certified nurses, and Legacy for Life members were all recognized.

Other prestigious awards were then presented by President Alphonzo Baker, Sr. and other ASPAN leaders.

ASpan President's Award

Keisha Franks (GA)

Award for Outstanding Achievement

Nereyda Leder (OR)

Excellence in Clinical Practice Award

Toni Correggio (NJ)

Ina Pipkin ASPAN Past Presidents' Distinguished Service Award

Sylvia Baker (IL)

FASpan Inductees Class of 2024

Dr. Alphonzo Baker, Sr (VA)

Maureen McLaughlin (MA)

Gold Leaf Component of the Year Award

Massachusetts Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (MASPAN)

Mary Hanna (JoPAN) Journalism Awards

The Mary Hanna Journalism Awards for the *Journal of PeriAnesthesia Nursing* were presented by co-editors Vallire Hooper and Jan Odom-Forren. The complete list of article titles and authors will appear in the July/August issue of *Breathline* and in an upcoming issue of the *Journal of PeriAnesthesia Nursing*.

Newsletter Contest Awards

1-8 pages: No entries

9-14 pages: Oklahoma Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (OSPAN)

15+ pages: Massachusetts Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (MASPAN)

Peoples' Choice: **TIE:** Texas Association of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (TAPAN) and
PeriAnesthesia Nurses Association of California (PANAC)

Recruiter of the Year for 2023

Congratulations to Alicia White, BSN, RN, CAPA, from VSPAN, for recruiting 12 new members!

Welcome Military Attendees!

We have ribbons for those who are active, retired, reserve, and veteran military attendees. Please pick them up and wear them proudly!

Moderators

If you are a moderator and do not have your packet, please pick up your packet at the registration desk ASAP. Thanks to all who volunteered as a moderator. From Valerie Watkins.

Session 305: More than a Tool: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Standardized Handoff (Wednesday 9:00 am-10:15 am)

This session will NOT be live. The speaker cancelled and we will be playing the recorded session in the room. If you would like to choose another session, please go to the ASPAN registration desk and exchange your ticket.

Support ASPAN Exhibitors!

Visit with the vendors, see the latest products, and thank our vendors for their support of ASPAN. Exhibit hours are listed in your pocket guide.

Gold Leaf Applicants

Congratulations to the following components for submitting applications for the 2023 Gold Leaf Award. It is an incredible amount of work to meet the criteria and then put this application together.

- Florida Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
- Kentucky Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
- Massachusetts Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
- Nebraska Association of Perianesthesia Nurses
- Ohio PeriAnesthesia Nurses Association
- Pennsylvania Association of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
- Rocky Mountain PeriAnesthesia Nurses Association
- Tennessee Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses

Conference Handouts

Outlines are available for downloading from the ASPAN website beginning April 8, 2024, through July 9, 2024. Attendees will have the ability to print all handouts, or only the sessions of interest to them, or save them to their devices. Please note: the individual speaker decides whether or not to allow ASPAN to post their PowerPoint presentation on ASPAN's website.

The ASPAN Shoppe

Spend some time in the ASPAN Shoppe when you are here. The Shoppe is full of items to bring home for yourself and your colleagues, including ASPAN publications and many unique ASPAN souvenirs. Hours are posted at the Shoppe.

ASPAN Development Silent Auction

While in the Exhibit Hall, visit the Silent Auction, benefiting ASPAN Development for scholarships, awards, and public awareness and education. Bid high, bid often! Don't miss that item you cannot live without!

National Conference Pins!

Commemorative conference pins are available for \$5 at the hospitality desk, the ASPAN Shoppe, and from FLASPAN board members wearing orange sashes. Get one before they are gone! They are really cool!

ASPAN Development Breakfast

Wednesday, April 17: 6:30 am – 8:30 am: Is SOLD OUT! Those with tickets can enjoy Wednesday morning by earning .75 contact hours, and honoring your friends and colleagues with *Hail, Honor, Salute!*, all while enjoying a traditional American breakfast. ASPAN Past President Regina Hoefner Notz, MS, BSN, RN, CPAN, CPN, FASPAN, will have us laughing with her talk *I Cried so Hard I Laughed*.

President's Reception

Wednesday, April 17: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm: All conference participants are invited to join ASPAN President Alphonzo Baker and other ASPAN leaders to celebrate the achievements of the past year. Music, light fare, cashless bar (use credit card or charge to your room), and dancing. Come dressed in your favorite "party attire."

Closing Breakfast, Closing Ceremony, and Closing Keynote Speaker

Thursday, April 18: 7:00 am – 10:00 am: Close your conference experience with the Closing Breakfast and installation of new ASPAN officers. Incoming ASPAN President Lori Silva, MSN, RN, CCRN, CPAN, will share her vision and inspiration going forward. See a fun recap video of the Orlando conference and preview the 2025 ASPAN National Conference in Dallas, Texas. Stay for the closing address by Darryl Ross as he speaks on *The Catalyst of Service Excellence*.

**→ The Closing Breakfast is free to full conference registrants,
but you DO need to register ahead of time on your conference
registration form and a ticket is required ←**

From Evelyn Medycki to PAPAN/ASPAN colleagues: I wish you a wonderful conference. I miss being there with you and look forward to the future of our organization.

Postconference Education

Thursday, April 18: 12:30 pm – 5:00 pm: Nancy Strzyzewski, MSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA, will present *Pillars of Successful Perianesthesia Nursing Practice*. **Additional fee.**

Conference Evaluations

Instructions for completing your session evaluations for the National Conference are included on a separate loose sheet in your syllabus. **November 1, 2024 is the deadline** for completing your evaluations.

Regional, Component, and SPG Gatherings

PAPAN: Meet and Greet **Tuesday, April 16 at 5:00 pm**. High Velocity Bar. Appetizers provided.

ASPAN Pediatric SPG: Meet and Greet **Tuesday April 16 at 7:00 pm**. Hotel Lobby Bar.

NPANA: Meet and Greet **Tuesday, April 16 at 9:00 pm**. Location is the 1st level near Market Pantry exit. NPANA includes **ALASKA, IDAHO, MONTANA, OREGON, WASHINGTON**. Come join us!

NCAPAN / North Carolina: Meet and Greet **Tuesday, April 16 from 5:30-7:00 pm**. Falls Pool Bar and Grill. RSVP Susan Knowles via text at 828-217-1353.

TAPAN: Meet and Greet **Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 pm in room 21090 East Tower 10th Floor**. Join the GroupMe for convention.

ILSPAN: Meet and Greet **Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 pm**. Poolside Bar and Grill. We'll have appetizers.

ISPAN/Iowa: Meet and Greet **Tuesday, April 16 at 12:15 pm**. Falls Pool Bar and Grill.

MOKAN PANA: Meet and Greet **Wednesday, April 17 at 5:00 pm**. Magnolia Lobby.

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News Items for *National PartiCUlArS*

Please email news items to bgodden@aspan.org. Items **MUST** be submitted by **10:00 am** to be included in the **NEXT day's** newsletter. May be edited for space and conciseness.

→ *National PartiCUlArS* will be emailed to all conference registrants and posted on ASPAN's website. The newsletter will NOT be printed ←