

INAUGURAL MESSAGE FROM GAPAN's NEW PRESIDENT

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Greetings from the President,

Can you believe it is almost the end of the year? Time goes faster and faster, doesn't it? It seems like we just returned from Seattle and the New Year is just around the corner. Our very own Chris Price is President of ASPAN, and is keeping in touch with all the members. She wrote a very motivating Thanksgiving message, please take time to read it. I am sure it will encourage you!

I also want to take time to thank all of you who are so diligent to keep working and growing, changing and caring in your practice. We are the angels that keep the patients calm before and after surgery, making safety a goal in everything we do. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you in the Georgia Association of PeriAnesthesia Nurses component.

The board is preparing to meet for our yearly retreat, and we would like to hear from our GAPAN nurses any comments or concerns they are having presently, so we may address them at the meeting. Thank you, Janice Wilson, for finding a place for our retreat--you are the best! It is a working weekend! We count on your support, wisdom, and dedication to continue doing the best you can to serve those entrusted to your care. Thank you in advance for any suggestions that you send.

Now is the time to start encouraging those with whom we work that do not belong to GAPAN, to start attending and checking out what our organization is about, what we have to offer, and how we can stimulate change that makes a difference in our patients lives.

We are the voice of peri-anesthesia nursing. We are strong as long as we have the participation of those with ideas on how to change to serve those in our care. Are there any pressing needs that you see in your practice? What challenges are you encountering? How can we as a Board of Directors help you meet your patient's needs? We thank you in advance for your insight and ideas. You may email me at jnetter1954@yahoo.com or you may submit your suggestions to any board member with whom you work.

Also, Board Members, thank you for your kind service and enthusiasm to serve this organization. I ask you to look around you for our future leaders. Encourage

them to become a part of the “voice” we have for our practice. Together, we can make a difference. This last year’s theme “Beacons for Change” truly described your role in peri-anesthesia nursing. Submit your items to Janice Wilson or me for the agenda, when we meet in January. I do realize it is a busy time of the year, but a quick note is all we need to serve you the best we possibly can.

I love this year’s PANAW logo; it is truly a picture of who we are. Be empowered

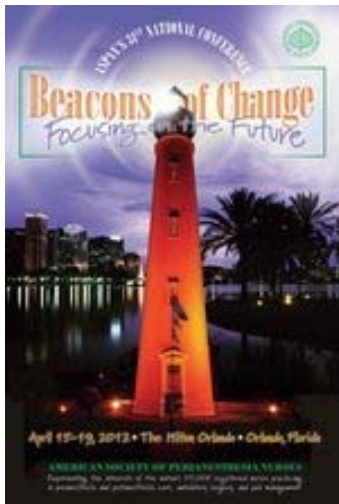


and inspired as we push on toward the goal of safety and quality care. Again, thank you for all that you do!

Bless you all,

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