



January AORN Meeting

Thursday, 1/14/2016 at 6:30 pm

Nancy Dach from 3M to present

'Addressing Process Variability to

Reduce the Risk of SSI'

Wise Guys Pizza - 2408 East 53rd St

Davenport, IA

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The November meeting was held at the Holiday Inn & Suites, Elmore Road, Davenport, Iowa on Saturday, November 7, 2015. The meeting was held after an educational program presented by Stryker Medical regarding suction devices used for fluid containment and safe evacuation of surgical smoke.

Vice-President Julie Shafer called the meeting to order at 12:25 pm, after the educational offering, with 4 members present. President Sue Goddard-Gerrald was out of town attending the AORN Guideline Implementation Conference in Chicago. Meeting attendance was disappointing, as some chapter members that attended the educational offering did not stay to participate in the business meeting.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed with three corrections. 1. President Sue Goddard-Gerrald made corrections to the hospital captains and their phone numbers giving the corrections to Julie Shafer to present at the meeting. The changes are reflected in on first page of the January 2016 newsletter. 2. Under fundraising, January 18, 2016 is the date of the fundraiser scheduled to be held Monday evening at Pizza Ranch in Bettendorf, IA. January 16 was incorrectly printed. 3. Under New Business, this sentence was corrected to read "Several possibilities were discussed with the decision made to donate personal care items (delete household items) to the Food Pantry at Hope Church in LeClaire." After three stated corrections, the September meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Julie was unable to obtain a current report, but stated that the balance in checking as of February 28th is \$3,295.19, with \$91.21 in savings.

Membership: 34 members. We anticipate 10 new members will be joining the chapter after completion of Peri-Op 101 at Genesis.

Education: Julie stated that the next meeting tentatively will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2016. Julie wants to combine the January 18th fundraiser and the meeting if that was agreeable to the President.

ByLaws & Policy: Public comment on the AORN website regarding Guidelines of Processing Flexible Endoscopes is open. Please provide comment on the guidelines before 11/22.

Our Policy Manual has been updated thanks to Secretary/Treasurer Becky Gluesing and will be submitted to National this month. Thank you Becky!!

Legislative Report: Massachusetts: Proposed Senate bill 1155 requires certification and continuing education for central service technicians working in ASCs and hospitals. AORN supports this bill.

South Dakota: Bill passed requiring RN circulators must be present in the operating rooms of both hospitals and ASCs, effective October 11, 2015. Definition includes: “requires use of a circulating nurse in each operating room for the duration of the procedure.” Thirty states have passed laws requiring RN circulators. Iowa has not passed the RN circulator law. Illinois passed RN circulator law for ASCs, not hospitals.

Nebraska: Considering registration (licensing) of surgical technicians.

Fundraising: Nut sales are slightly below last year’s volume. Julie ordered the nuts from TerriLynn Fundraising on 10/30/15 and expects delivery before the November 20th delivery date. It’s important to remember that the nuts take at least 3 weeks from date of order to arrive and sales tax on nuts is exempt to non-Illinois residents.

Sue Siltman spearheaded the Perioperative Nurse’s Week raffle. It was discussed that it was challenging to sell raffle tickets along with having the nut fundraiser. It was decided to only hold one fundraiser during the holidays, the nut fundraiser. Sue Siltman collected monies from the raffle and stated that Unity Point would draw names this week for prizes. Perioperative Nurses celebrate their week on November 8-14, 2015.

Monday, January 18, 2016 (Martin Luther King Day) at Pizza Ranch in Bettendorf. Volunteer members bus tables and serve guests for a percentage of the restaurants profits that day. Please join us in this new fundraising event. We need 12-15 volunteers. Sue Godderd-Gerrald will be the point of contact with Lori Halligan. Lori is the Marketing Coordinator at Pizza Ranch. This fundraiser took 12 months to get on the schedule at Pizza Ranch, so please volunteer your time for a great cause! Call Sue ASAP to get on the volunteer list.

Perioperative Nurses Week: Sue Godderd-Gerrald submitted Perioperative Nurse’s Week letters to the editor. The letter was printed in the North Scott Press. Emails were sent and received from Representative Norlin Mommsen (DeWitt) and Iowa Senator Rita Hart recognizing OR nurse’s and their role in the perioperative arena. Thank you Sue!

Old Business: Food Pantry at Hope Church expressed their gratitude and appreciation of AORN Chapter 1408 helping assist those in need with donations of personal care items. Hope Church would like volunteers to help with Thanksgiving and Christmas box distributions. Hope Church is also providing meals at Humility of Mary Shelter one day/month. Feminine products and socks are needed.

Accountability Standards for the chapter have been written and submitted to Deb Warren at National. The Policy Manual will be submitted at the end of this month. Thanks to Sue Goddard-Gerrald and Becky Gluesing.

New Business:

Two delegates are needed to represent our chapter for AORN 2016 Surgical Conference and Expo. Conference will be held in Anaheim, CA from April 2-6. Sue Goddard-Gerrald would like to have an active member go in her place since she attended last year. This is an opportunity for enrichment, learning and value to the chapter. Jayni Weber has expressed interest in attending.

Educational program provided today by Stryker Medical. Thanks to Bob Swift from Stryker Medical for bringing a half day of perioperative education with free CEUs to Davenport.

Respectively Submitted,

Julie Shafer, President Elect /VP