



January AORN Meeting

Thursday, 1/12/2016 at 6:30 pm

Presented by Aesculap

'All You Need to Know About Rigid Containers'

Wise Guys Pizza – 2408 E53rd Street

Davenport, Iowa

Teleconferencing available for the meeting

Remember to bring toiletry items for donations to shelter

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The Thursday, November 10th, 2016 meeting was held at Wise Guys Pizza 2408 East 53rd Street Davenport Iowa.

President Sue Goddard-Gerrald called the meeting to order at 6:34pm. Sue discussed the availability of Ready Talk at the chapter meetings. Members unable to physically attend the meeting can phone in and listen in on the meeting agenda/discussion. Those members using Ready Talk would identify themselves and would receive confirmation of chapter meeting attendance. They would not be able to receive CEU's for the educational program offered at the meeting. The cost of using Ready Talk is \$0.04/minute. 45 minute meetings would cost the chapter \$1.80 per participant. Ready Talk was available for the meeting but we did not have anyone sign in. For the 2 meetings where Ready Talk was used, we were charged \$2.26 and \$1.23. Sue has paid AORN and will be reimbursed.

Secretary's report: The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed with 2 corrections. Becky Gluesing, secretary, will make the appropriate corrections. This has been done.

Treasurer's Report: Becky reported that the checking balance is \$4800.52 with \$91.21 in savings. A check was given to Sue Goddard Gerrald for \$103.49 to cover the Ready Talk expenses and fees for CEU's.

Membership: 49 members. We have gained 7 new members who have completed the Periop 101 class through Genesis Health System.

3 nurses were able to take advantage of the ½ price membership grants from the Foundation

Education: Peggy Siebert from Halyard Health was to be our speaker for the evening but was unable to be there.

In January Aesculap will present a program on rigid container sterilization. The March presentation will be by Medtronic on Smoke Evacuation in the perioperative setting

2017 Surgical Conference and Expo will be held April 1-5 in Boston. Applications for Foundation grants are open until December 4th. Registration fees are \$595 until the end of January when they go up \$100. Also groups of three or more will receive a \$35 reduction in registration fees. President Sue Goddard-Gerald has applied for the conference chapter packet for

further information on the Surgical Expo and Conference 2017. This enters our chapter into a drawing for free tickets to tourist attractions in Boston.

A high level discussion was held concerning funding for delegates and alternates. It was decided the chapter would allocate \$1000 each for up to 3 attendees.

Bylaws & Policy: The bylaws will need to be reviewed.

Legislative Report: President Sue Goddard- Gerald sent letters outlining Perioperative Nurse Week to our local legislators and the local newspapers

Fundraising: The nut sale fundraiser is in progress. Orders have been received. The nuts will be delivered before Thanksgiving with payment due on delivery. Details will be reported at the January meeting.

It seems the raffle has much better results when not held near the nut sale period. We will plan to hold that again in conjunction with Nurses Week in May. We are also investigating resurrecting the golf outing. If done in conjunction with an educational offering we should be able to enlist vendor support. A morning CEU offering, followed by lunch and a golf outing could be a possibility. Mike Curry is looking into sponsorship. More to follow at the January meeting.

Old Business: Don't forget your items to donate to our community outreach program – toiletry items for a local shelter

New Business: Thanks to President Sue Goddard-Gerald for distributing the Perioperative Nurse Week lapel stickers.

AORN has partnered with Medtronic to introduce the Go Clear program promoting a smoke free environment in perioperative areas. They plan to create a comprehensive Surgical Smoke Free Recognition Program including educational opportunities from Pfiedler. The brochure and program specifics have been requested.

Respectively Submitted,

Becky Gluesing, Secretary/Treasurer, Chapter 1408

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<http://www.genesishealth.com/careers/nursing/aorn/>