



January 2010 NEWSLETTER

The Quad Cities Area APN/PA Alliance provides members with educational, networking, and professional opportunities while promoting the advancement of its members. The QCA APN/PA Alliance fosters public and medical community awareness and understanding of the professions.

February 2010 QCA APN/PA 'Members Only' Annual Winter Symposium

Get out of the cold and take an African Safari at the Annual Winter Symposium. This "member's only event", will be held at the Waterfront Convention Center, Bettendorf, IA on February 4th, 2010 (Please see the enclosed flyer). Becoming a member is easy. Fill out the enclosed membership form, or visit our website at www.qcaapnpa.org, download the membership form, and mail to the Alliance. You can also join/renew membership at the February meeting.

KEY INFO:

Date: Thursday, February 4, 2010

Location:

Waterfront Convention Center
2021 State Street
Bettendorf, IA 52722

Topic: Practices in HPV Disease

Speaker: Dr. Lee Shulman

See flyer for more information.

Presidential Note from Danita Harrison.

Happy 2010!
In the past decade we have not only seen many changes in politics but also the recognition and acceptance of nurse practitioners and physician assistants (fortunately for the better!) One can anticipate the next decade will have changes too, but as providers we do run

the risk of losing ground in politics, insurance and payor issues. You already provide good health care, but all of us need to help spread the word that NP and PA alike provide a great service to healthcare!

February is our annual **Winter Symposium** plan to come as soon as the doors open! It will be at the brand new Bettendorf Convention Center! We are offering tables to drug reps that want to sponsor a table: (encourage your reps to contact LaShon Moore at Imoore@scottcountyiow.com)

The reps look forward to meeting you and sharing information.

*Bring your business cards to the Winter Symposium for a "CARD SWAP"

This will be an easy way to pick up each other's business cards for not only referrals but to support each other as well!

I am pleased to announce your new board for 2010:

Danita Harrison -Pres.

LaShon Moore Vice- Pres.

Renee Elmer -Sec.

Shirley Williams- Treasurer

Board Members:

Beth Carlson

Kim Deppe

LuAnn Olson

Brenda Banker

Brenda Borkgren

Jayne Gilmore

I want to thank the outgoing members: Kathy Sparbel, Sara Nyquist, Diane Boelens for all of their hard work. Also a big thank you to everyone that ran, it was a close vote! Thank you!

Marketing Committee –

Congratulation to Tricia Michna, the 2009 Thomas Candler Scholarship recipient. Ms. Michna was awarded the scholarship at the [September](#) membership meeting. She is currently working as a pediatric intensive care nurse, and has completed the first year of her masters studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Ms. Michna is looking forward to practicing as a PNP by 2010 in primary care or continuing in the area of pediatrics.

Sincerely,
Lashon Moore, ARNP, WHNP-BC

Membership Committee – As you saw from the February meeting announcement, it’s membership renewal time!! You can tell the most recent year dues have been paid by looking at your address label (look for the year- i.e. 08 or 09). If your dues are not current you may complete the enclosed membership forms.

Please complete the membership form (both sides) and bring them to the February meeting or mail directly to the Alliance address. Please also include one of your business cards with these forms. You may also submit any ongoing changes in your contact information to Renee Elmer at

renelmer@gmail.com . This will help keep our records current.

Research Corner –

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the research participants who assisted me in my recent study on APN genetic integration into clinical practice, resource needs, and barriers. I presented preliminary findings at the International Society of Nurses in Genetics annual meeting in San Diego in October, and am in the process of writing a manuscript for publication. I hope to have the opportunity to share these findings with you at a later date. One key finding was the need for reliable genetic information and usable internet based genetic resource sites. I have compiled selected resources on genetics/genomics, which I thought it might be of benefit to you.

Regards,
Kathy Sparbel

AUTHOR! AUTHOR!

We have a diverse and talented membership – please share your news, new programs, activities, updates with your colleagues. Toot your own horn and send items of interest so they can be included in future newsletters! The Alliance is YOU – help keep it strong and vibrant!

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