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Message from Missouri State ENA Council



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Missouri State
Council President

Dear ENA Colleague:

I have great news to share..... As of July 1, we have the largest Missouri ENA membership in our history. I am proud to share we are 579 members strong! Please accept this as a special invitation to each of you to attend Chapter and State Council meetings to participate in the many activities which encompass Missouri ENA. There are multiple committees and activities at the both the State and Chapter levels which would definitely benefit from your involvement and participation as a member.

Your participation is vital to the continued growth and success of ENA in Missouri. As the Missouri State Council ENA moves ahead in 2007 we are focused on important and challenging opportunities.

- Increasing the active participation of Missouri ENA members at the chapter and state levels.
- Increasing Missouri ENA visibility and participation in legislative efforts related to Trauma and EMS. This brings up the salient point of maintaining active involvement with our EMS colleagues as they work to create and support legislation. As well, we need to lend creative and innovative thinking to support trauma funding for our Missouri trauma centers.
- Providing an informative and successful Combined Clinical Conference on Emergency Care in August. Missouri ENA is partnered with our colleagues in Missouri ACEP and the Missouri Emergency Medical Services Association to bring you a quality education conference. While it's too late to recommend speakers for 2006, it's an optimum time to contact your Chapter or State Council to recommend top notch speakers for 2007.
- Continuing to promote and increase the number of TNCC/ENPC Provider and Instructor Courses offered in Missouri. I'm proud to share Missouri continues to rank in the top five states across the U.S. in the provision of TNCC courses.

We have great news for our TNCC instructors. The TNCC rollout has been completed at National and each state has sent a designated group of State Faculty to the training sessions. You will be receiving information related to your participation in the update in Missouri, which will begin in October, 2007 and must be completed no later than April, 2008. The updated course has become more "user friendly" than ever before, while still including all of the pertinent educational information needed.

I invite and encourage you to attend Chapter and State Council meetings to participate in the many activities which encompass Missouri ENA. You as a member are a vital and key component of ENA. Your State Council meets quarterly. And yes, what you've heard is true, the State Council meetings are long but they truly include the business of and planning for ENA in Missouri. All State Council meetings, with the exception of the August meeting, are held at Lake

Regional Hospital in Osage Beach. The August meeting is partnered with the Combined Clinical Conference at Tan-Tar-A and will be held on Thursday the 9th at 3:30 p.m., following the last conference session of the day.

We have a "blockbuster" Combined Clinical Conference on Emergency Care planned in August with the latest updates, lots of interesting topics and new speakers. Our National ENA president, Donna Mason, will be speaking on Thursday and it's an excellent opportunity for you to meet and talk with her. It's not too late to make arrangements to

attend. The registration price is right (and includes a continental breakfast and hot lunch all three days). You can contact any of the State Council officers or Chapter presidents for information if you haven't already received a conference brochure. I hope to see each of you at the conference and at our Chapter and State Council meetings.



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Joan Eberhardt, RN, BSN, MA, FAEN
President, Missouri ENA



Trauma Report

by Helen Sandkuhl

As most of you know by now, TNCC is in the process of an update. This summer, 10 State Faculty members attended the TNCC Update Rollout course in Chicago, Illinois. Missouri has the 4th largest group of current TNCC instructors nationwide (291), therefore allowing this number of members to attend.

Beginning in October 2007, the TNCC State Faculty Instructors who attended this course will begin teaching a approximate 8 hour update course for all the current instructors throughout the state of Missouri. If you are a TNCC Instructor you will be receiving a letter that outlines where and when these courses will occur. Every TNCC Instructor is required to attend one update course before April 30, 2008 at which time everyone will be required to teach to new material. If you are a current ENA/TNCC Instructor and have not received a letter from the Course Operations Committee detailing our update plans by mid-September, please contact Helen Sandkuhl, RN, MSN, FAEN at helen.sandkuhl@tenethealth.com.

WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR TNCC UPDATE COURSE INFORMATION!

Also, watch for updates in this newsletter. Thanks for all your support and time you use fro you busy schedule to teach.

TNCC State Faculty

St. Louis/Columbia Area:

Helen Sandkuhl, Chairperson, Course Operations

Joan Eberhardt

Judy Marlow

Jan Kaminsky

Springfield/Joplin Area:

Chris Hoag-Apel, Co-chair, TNCC

Tony Mitchell

Jim Gillam

Gail Carroll

Kansas City Area:

Lori Davis

Annette Behney

Cheryl Phillips



Educational Opportunities Offered by Missouri ENA

Trauma Nursing Core Course: Provider and Instructor
Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course: Provider and Instructor
Course in Advanced Trauma Nursing
Certified Emergency Nurse Review Course
Injury Prevention Provider Course

For classes near you go to www.missouriena.org
or

www.ena.org



Missouri State Council Meetings

Thursday August 9, 2007 Tan-Tar-A at Combined Clinical Conference
Time and Meeting Room TBA (State Election of Officers to be held)

Friday November 2, 2007 Annual Strategic Planning Meeting;
Bull Pen Cafe, Osage Beach, Mo 10:30 am

Saturday November 3, 2007 Lake Regional Hospital, Osage Beach,
Mo. 10:30 am

CEN Review Courses

Where: North Kansas City Hospital

Lewis & Clark Room

2800 Clay Edwards Drive

North Kansas City, Missouri

When: September 13 and 14, 2007

Cost: \$200 per person (includes course material and lunch)

Instructor: Pat Clutter, RN, CEN, FAEN

Contact: Lori Davis, RN, CEN

(816) 691-5245

Lori.Davis@nkch.org

Where: Oasis Convention Center

2550 North Glenstone Avenue

Springfield, Missouri

When: August 16 and 17, 2007

Cost: \$200 per person with late fee of \$210 after August 6

Instructor: Pat Clutter, RN, CEN, FAEN

Contact: Gail Carrol RN, CEN

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Chapter Reports

Greater KC Chapter

by Lori Davis President

The Greater Kansas City Chapter is excited to make everyone aware of the reformation of the Special Interest Group (SIG) for ED Nurse Managers and Directors in the area. This group has proved invaluable in the sharing of information among area ED managers. It immediately follows the bi-monthly meeting of the chapter, at approximately 12:30. At the last meeting on June 12, Cheryl Phillips, ED Manager at Liberty Hospital and Chair of the this committee led the discussion on the following topics:

State Wide Psych Task Force, patient flow to alleviate length of stay and holding inpatients, Joint Commission items such as medication reconciliation and pharmacy reviews, and new ID bracelets for unidentified patients.

ALL ED MANAGERS ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND TO LEARN HOW YOUR COLLEAGUES ARE HANDLING THE LATEST AND GREATEST ED MANAGEMENT PROBLEMS!

It is like attending the ED Leadership Conference in your own backyard...

Ozark Chapter

The Ozark Chapter of ENA had its annual summer pool party/meeting on Monday, July 16, 2007 at Pat Clutter's house. We drew 2 nurse interns names which we will be paying the registration fee for the Combined Clinical Conference held at TanTarA, August 7 thru 10. The winners were Rachel Well from Cox North, and Lisa Owens from Cox South.

We also decided to pay an active ENA member's way to the Scientific Assembly in Salt Lake City. The recipient of this is Larry Faulkner.

There will be an ENPC course held at St Johns on August 23rd and 24th in Springfield,

Cox will be having a TNCC course on September 10 and 11.

We are busy planning our CEN review course being held on August 16 & 17.

We are still working on the "Last Minute Trauma Credits" seminar to be held on November 16th, 2007 at the Oasis Convention Center in Springfield, MO. Some of the topics that we have include vascular trauma, family in during resuscitation, & a former FBI agent



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Committee Reports

Combined Clinical Conference

by Carol Pettit

Combined Clinical Conference--Are You Ready? It's the 21st year for CCC and we have a wonderful program planned! With everything from A to Z, Anatomy to Zoonotic diseases, we've got it for the Emergency Nurse. Our current ENA National President, Donna Mason will be joining us to speak. Take advantage of this rare opportunity in our area. So, load up the family and come to Tan-Tar-A, that offers all of the things people love to do on vacations, and with the price of gas it's close to home. It's a time to meet with peers from all over, to learn and to have fun. We are looking forward to seeing you there!!



Tan-Tar-A; Don't You want to be here?

Membership

by Ginny Myerscough

The Membership committee has been very busy. We have sent out a questionnaire to all current members in Missouri, as well as the nominations from for State Awards. See Page 6 in this issue. These awards will be presented during our state meeting at the Combined Clinical Conference at Tantara on August 8, 2007. Please take time to nominate your colleagues. We hope to receive loads of nominations.

We are in the process of a membership drive that runs from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007. Members which successfully recruit new members will receive monetary prizes. They are as follows: 1-4 members=\$25, 5-10 members=\$50, and 10+ members=\$100.

In the near future, there will be a DVD sent to all of the hospitals in the St. Louis area from their chapter. It will contain information about the Missouri State Emergency Nurses Association to be used as a recruitment tool. If anyone has questions, feel free to call me at 314-968-0785.

The committee is beginning work on a book that would be distributed to new members. They are looking for a history from each chapter, along with the current officers, committee chairs and co-chairs with contact information. Anyone interested in providing information for the book, it would be much appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO "GINNY" FOR HER RECENT APPOINTMENT TO THE NATIONAL NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE. WAY TO GO!!!



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Injury Prevention

Injury Prevention Report

by Brenda Bowman, Chair and Lori Davis, Co-chair

PRIMARY SAFETY BELT PARTNER

The Missouri Emergency Nurses Association received a letter from the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety on June 18, 2007 that we would like to share with you. It is in regard to our support for the passage of a primary seat belt law that would allow officers to stop vehicles when they observe safety belt violations - like all other Missouri traffic laws.

Dear Primary Safety Belt Partner:

It was quite a ride this year on the Primary Express and on behalf of the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety, nay I say "THANK YOU" for making that trip possible. You and your partners from every corner of the state managed to advance our Primary Safety Belt further through the legislative process this session than in any other year since our current secondary enforcement law was enacted in 1985.

Sadly, opponents in the House of Representatives stopped "Primary" just short of final passage, but that shouldn't detract from the progress and successes you achieved. Your participation in the largest "grass roots" effort we have ever mounted paid off as your elected officials received hundreds of e-mails and phone calls.

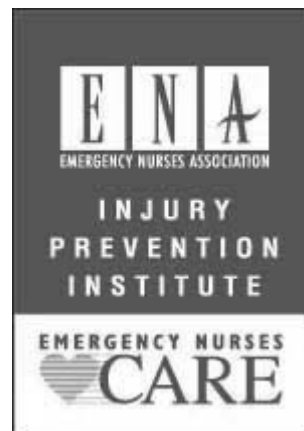
Regional Coalition meetings and rallies across the state, a strong Task Force Steering Committee, media attention characterized by numerous positive editorials, radio and TV interviews were all part of the mix, but in the final analysis it was YOUR willingness as an individual to contact YOUR legislator that accounted for the success.

Many of you may be wondering...where do we go from here? The answer is an obvious, further than we went this year, by building on the momentum we now enjoy. The MCRS and the Primary Safety Belt Task Force Steering Committee are both meeting later this month to explore strategies designed to exploit our grass roots support opportunities.

You will be hearing from us again soon.

INJURY PREVENTION REPORTING

Please report the community education that you are presenting. Whether you are checking child safety seats, holding bike rodeos, or assisting with seat belt checks, your local numbers are important and count for the Missouri ENA. Please forward your numbers to Brenda Butler at bbutler@sehosp.org.



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BATTLE OF THE BELT

The Missouri Emergency Nurses Association is proud to announce their continued partnership with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MODOT) and the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety for the 2007 "Battle of the Belt". This is a safety belt competition between Missouri High Schools. The schools compete to increase safety belt use among students, thereby saving lives. All area high schools are invited to participate in the competition which runs from September 6 to December 31, 2007. There are 3 components to this year's competition:

1. Seatbelt checks/education program
2. Public Service Announcement concept submitted via storyboard
3. Public Service Announcement concept submitted via video

More information including Battle of the Belt Resource Kits and Pledge cards can be found by logging onto the following website:

www.savemolives.com

Each of the nine MODOT districts across the state have a recourse ENA member assigned to help provide speakers and programs for school assemblies and presentations. If you are interested in helping, you can contact Brenda Butler, at Bbutler@sehosp.org.

