

AORN Greater Houston #4407 Pacemaker Newsletter



June 2009

June 16, 2009 Education Session

Normo-Thermia in the OR by Erik Jarvis of OR Solutions

May meeting will have contact hours for this continuing nursing education activity and it has been applied for through the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses, Inc., an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation(1.0 CE)

Thank You
Trey Lozes of Covidien
for sponsoring our May 2009 meeting!

National Time Out Day

Every Day is Time Out Day.

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June 17, 2009

Take the opportunity to recognize National Time Out Day and remind every member of the surgical team how critical it is to take time out for patient safety. Confirm correct patient, correct procedure, and correct surgical site before every invasive procedure.

Wrong-site surgery and other preventable mistakes still occur too frequently in US operating rooms. That's why in 2004, The Joint Commission released the Universal Protocol urging that a "time out" precede every surgical procedure to verify the correct patient information prior to incision. In support of the Universal Protocol, AORN began sponsoring National Time Out Day to raise awareness about the importance of requiring the entire surgical team—including physicians, nurses, and surgical technologists—to pause before all invasive procedures to communicate as a group and confirm key information about the patient and procedure to help prevent errors from occurring.

Announcement!

• Meetings are the third Tuesday of the month at the VA DeBaKey Hospital. No meetings in December, July & August

Next Meeting:
June 16, 2009

Induction 2009-2010 Officers

430pm – Journal Club
530pm – Business
630pm – Education

Michael E DeBaKey VA Hospital
2002 Holcombe Blvd
Houston, Tx 77030

Go to main entrance to the hospital. Proceed straight ahead to main elevators and go to fourth floor. Signs will be posted. For help call Nancy's- cell 281-798-1843

Journal Article to be reviewed comes from the February 2009 AORN Journal titled:

Do Surgical Personnel Really
Need to Double Glove?
Vol 89, Issue 2, Pages 322-332

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Chapter Meeting Tuesday May 19th, 2009

Meeting Called to order by President Trish Rodriguez at: 17:38

- Welcome

Minutes:

Read, Corrected, and Approved by a reading committee.

Chapter Reports:

- Stephanie Lackey Membership Chair reported:
 - 538 Members
 - Quorum met
 - 7 visitors, no Students
- Education Report was given by Fred Perry:
 - Program: The US Health Care Crisis: What Nurses Need to Know About Health Care Reform - Dr. Ana Malinow - Baylor College of Medicine
 - Next Meeting: June 16th, 2009
 - Normo-Thermia in the OR
 - Dinner will be hosted by John Walowski of Insulfo
- Treasure Report was reported by Judy Swanson
 - April beginning Balance is \$45,719.01
- TCORN report was given Trish Rodriguez:
 - No updates at this time
- Please update your memberships.
- Legislative Report was given by Joanne Oliver
 - Some companion bills have gone to the senate
 - Grassroots please sign up by calling 1-800-755-AORN
 - Practice environment
 - Mandatory overtime
 - School nurse
 - Anesthesia assistants
 - Find out who your state senator and representative is
- Ad hoc Committee reports:
 - Federation: Joanne Oliver reported that Trish will be the honoree at the September Gala
 - Next meeting is the last Monday in July
 - Journal Club: Trish Reported
 - Tonight's journal club article will be presented next month
 - Debbie will post next month's journal article on the internet web site
 - Public Awareness: No report
 - Scholarship: Beverly Anderson reported that there have been several applications
 - Applications are available on the web site
 - Policy and Procedure: Beverly reported that she has sent copies to the chair persons and by September these revisions should be able to be published at that time
 - Nominating Committee Chair Karen White presided over the election for the slate of candidates and the tellers committee
 - Officers for 2009-2010 will be the following
 - Nominating Committee
 - LaSandra McMorris
 - Emerald Smith
 - Board of Directors
 - Stephanie Lackey
 - Patricia Rodriguez
 - Treasurer
 - Judy Swanson
 - Secretary
 - Cheryl Marsh
 - President Elect
 - Candace Scheresky
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 - Nancy Allen
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 - Debra Belgard
- Trish announced the winner of the door prize was Bonnie Eaton from TCH Congratulations!!!

Meeting Adjourned at 18:10

Respectfully submitted by:

Candace Scheresky

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Please take survey for deciding meeting location and day of week for 2009-2010 year.
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- www.aorn-greaterhouston.org
- www.tcorn.org (ONLY \$15 TO JOIN)
- www.aorn.org
- www.fhpw.org
- <http://www.texasnurses.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=7http://www.aorn.org/PublicPolicy/AORNAdvocacy/>
- www.capitol.state.tx.us/Home.aspx
- www.texasnurses.org
- www.tnadistrict9.org
- www.legis.state.tx.us/

AORN Journal Club Article to be reviewed can be found in the February issue of AORN Journal. The meeting to review the article will be at 430pm at the VA Hospital on May 19th. Look for Yvonne Damico (ydamico@tmhs.org) and Carrie Claffey (cclaffey@tmhs.org) who will be leading the discussion on this timely topic for our practice. The article can be found in Journal or on the website at www.aorn-greaterhouston.org.

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By Janet Thomas-Copeland

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