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2006 PRESIDENT'S FAREWELL MESSAGE

Carole West, CEN



The year 2006 is coming to a close as well as my year as New York State ENA president. In the beginning, my hope was to leave a legacy with fond memories, but the experience has let me grow personally and professionally. You might say I became part of the legacy itself. I participated in all levels of the Emergency Nurses Association, from Chicago headquarters to our local chapter in Albany.

Associating with other professional organizations, both nursing and physician, while discussing today's medical concerns (nursing shortage, hospital crowding, emergency preparedness and violence in the workplace), I assisted in the foundation of future togetherness. It is through these meetings and conferences where I worked intensely, played with great joy, gained a vast knowledge and was able to express myself that I gained the greatest commitment to my fellow nurses. My spirit for emergency nursing remained high as did my appreciation for the Emergency Nurses Association. With all these activities in my life, I discovered I could juggle numerous ENA responsibilities, family and maintain my work obligations.

So as my torch for emergency nursing continues to flicker, I pass the flame to my fellow emergency nurses to face the challenges of today. I hope they realize that their valuable work will make a difference. The ability to control and achieve our wishes and dreams makes a better world around us. This is why I love to say, "I am so glad I chose to become an emergency nurse."

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as your 2006 New York State Emergency Nurses Association President.

Thank you.
Carole West, RN, CEN

2007 PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Sue Prezzano, CEN



2007...Wow! I can't believe it's here and I am the President of the New York State Emergency Nurses Association. This has been a goal of mine for as long as I can remember. I have realized that each attained goal then becomes a new journey and an avenue to set more goals. As I'm writing my first newsletter, I think back on my past 36 years in the Emergency Department. Of all the experiences

that have helped form my career, the one constant has been the Emergency Nurses Association. I have made life-long friends and have had colleagues to call upon whenever I had a question.

I look forward to this year with great excitement and anticipation of leading this organization into the future. My visions include bringing our voice to Albany and to our Legislatures to make differences in issues that we are all passionate about. At the end of the year ENA will be at the tip of everyone's tongue. We will be looked to for advice, encouragement and guidance.

I ask all of you, members as well as non-members, to join me in this journey. Empower your colleagues to be a voice along with over 1800 members of New York State ENA.

President-elect Laura Giles and I have just returned from Chicago where we sat with the other state presidents and presidents-elect from around the United States. What a powerful group. We have brought many ideas and visions for the future to share.

Our chapter leader orientation will be held on Friday, January 26 at the Best Western Hotel in Binghamton from 1-4pm. We are excited about this and hope that all who attend will be revitalized and look forward to their year as a leader in our organization. Please also join us for the State Council meeting on Jan. 27.

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Nassau Queens Chapter- Peggy Delaney – North Shore University Hospital

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

NYSENA sent three thousand dollars of gifts and educational materials to our troops in Afghanistan, Iraq, Saudi Arabia and Europe.

From the thank you notes,

Robyn Chalupa, Bagram AF, Afghanistan wrote :

Thank you so much for the care package.

I shared it with the folks I work with and they enjoyed it.

The medical books I sent to the medics on the front lines.

They appreciate anything that helps them do their job better.

We really appreciate your support.



2007 STATE COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meeting of the New York State Council ENA will be held at the Best Western Binghamton Regency Hotel on January 26th and 27th. All ENA members are welcome to attend the meeting.

The agenda is as follows:

Friday January 26th, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.- Chapter Leader Orientation.
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.- Board Meeting

Saturday, January 27th, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon- Committee meetings.
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.-Business meeting.

The committees are always looking for new members. This is your chance to impact emergency nursing in New York State. Committees include Conference, Communication, Membership, Government Affairs, Professional Development and Practice Issues and Injury Prevention/EMS.

Hotel information:

Best Western Binghamton Regency
1 Sabaro Drive, Binghamton, N. Y.
1-800-732-7676
Room rates \$84 per night

Other state meeting dates:

April 19-20 Saratoga Setting The Pace Conference
April 21 Saratoga Council meeting
August 11 Suffern Council meeting
November 3 Kingston Council meeting

National Meetings:

February 21-25 Boston Leadership Challenge
September 26-29 Salt Lake City National Conference

CATN TO BE OFFERED DURING SETTING THE PACE

Evaluations from previous state conferences have included requests for CATN. SETTING THE PACE 2007 will be offering CATN as a separate track. The schedule is arranged so that participants will start the course earlier than the rest of the conference, and they may register for CATN only. The dates for the course are April 19 & 20 in Saratoga Springs.

The Course in Advanced Trauma Nursing (CATN) is a 13 hour course organized around the following concepts: Oxygenation/Ventilation, Transport/Perfusion, Mobility/Sensation, Pain, Consciousness, Tissue Integrity, and Collaboration/Relationships. It uses a case study approach and critical thinking skills to correlate broad physiologic/pathophysiologic processes to specific clinical problems. Integration of case studies reinforces the application of the core concepts of the course. This course is appropriate for critical care nurses as well as emergency nurses.

Registration for this course is limited, and national guidelines recommend that participants receive course materials in advance. Registrations with course fees will be accepted as of January 1. If you would like more information regarding this program, or an advance registration form contact Marylou Killian mlk724@Yahoo.com or call (845) 454-3202.

CALL FOR DONATIONS FOR SILENT AUCTION SETTING THE PACE 2007 SARATOGA SPRINGS

We are all looking forward to this year's Setting the Pace 2007 in beautiful Saratoga Springs. There will be many dynamic speakers. CEU credits are currently being applied for.

At the conference we will be conducting our Annual Silent Auction and are currently asking for donations. The Silent Auction is a terrific opportunity to bid on and win such items as jewelry, gift certificates, and various gift baskets. It is fantastic fun, as well as a great way to support the New York ENA.

We will be collecting the donations on the 19th of April prior to the start of the auction in Saratoga. If you would like your item forwarded ahead of time, please, contact Janice M. Francischine at RNJANICE@msn.com or phone 1-516-769-5501 or 1-516-873-6598

Hope you will be able to join us for this very exciting event.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Nursing students are invited to attend the New York State ENA annual conference, Setting The Pace 2007 on April 19 and 20 in Saratoga Springs.

In addition to the educational offerings, the conference is an opportunity to network and be introduced to emergency nursing.

The New York State Council ENA provides a limited number of scholarships to nursing students who wish to attend this conference. The scholarship covers the registration fee. To apply for the scholarship, a student must send a letter indicating his/her interest in the conference and in emergency care. The student also needs to send a letter from a faculty member indicating that the student is a good candidate and would benefit from attending. Both letters should be mailed to

Mary Schmidt Roth at 255 Raymond Street, Rockville Centre, NY 11570 or email to msr4life2002@yahoo.com by March 30th.

A committee will review all candidates and awardees will be notified by mail/phone.

Please pass this information to any students you know who might be interested.

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REVERSE AUCTION TO BE HELD AT SETTING THE PACE 2007

Browse and bid on items at the reverse auction at Setting The Pace beginning April 19th at the evening opening reception and continuing on Friday April 20th at the closing reception.

- Would you like 2 tickets to Broadway show?
- Or New scrubs?
- What about jewelry, including a piece from Tiffany's?
- Look lovely with a new purse, maybe the Coach bag!
- Enjoy life with a Disney collection, a lobster set, a turkey platter holiday set, or a wine basket from Long Island.
- Keep warm and cozy with a homemade Afghan or a home spa package while enjoying a bag of books, a hurricane lamp or a bird lover's basket.
- Enhance your life with an iPod or a pocket PDA.
- Even a Littman stethoscope will be offered.
- All this and much more at the reverse auction so bid well and good luck!

Donated items may be sent before the conference. Please contact Janice M. Francischine at 516-769-5501 or by email at RNJANICE@msn.com.

Items will be accepted on the day of the auction by 3:00 p.m. All proceeds will go towards the 9/11 scholarship fund. Thank you all.



Certificate received by Mary Schmidt Roth on behalf of NYSCENA in recognition of the gifts and educational materials sent to our troops in the Middle East

CONGRATULATIONS!

New York State ENA honored its members with a raffle. Ten members were selected to receive American Express Gift certificates to thank them for their membership. Congratulations to the following winners:

Marfa Jovita - Staten Island
Carol Kaban Street - Watertown
Charlene Killen - Staten Island
Wendelyn Keller - Brooklyn
Dolly Mamaradlo - Astoria
Eileen Harding - Orangeburg
Kathleen McIntee - Webster
Chandra Ahmad - Woodhaven
Charina Adamos - Yonkers
Arlene Eastman - Brooklyn

*Enjoy your gift,
 and we hope to see you at
 a local chapter meeting soon.*

COURSE SCHEDULE

COURSE	DATE	PLACE	CONTACT
TNCC	March 3/4	NY Presbyterian	Meg Barry barryma@nyp.org
TNCC	March 3/4	Penfield Amb. Base, Penfield	Sue Knapp rknap5@rochester.rr.com
TNCC	Mar31/Apr1	Olean General	Michelle Silliker 716-373-0735
TNCC	April 25/26	Wilson Hosp., Johnson City	Alice_Sturckler@uhs.org 607-763-6022
TNCC	May 10/11	Bassett Hospital, Cooperstown	Coleen.Vesely@Bassett.org 607-547-4812
TNCC	May 18/19	Winthrop Hospital	Judy Jax 516-663-8708
TNCC	June 2/3	Montefiore Med. Center	Lisa Kosits lkosits@montefiore.org
TNCC	Sept. 6/7	Bassett Hosp., Cooperstown	Coleen.Vesely@Bassett.org
TNCC	Sept. 09	Montefiore Med. Center	lkosits@montefiore.org
TNCC	Oct. 19/20	Winthrop Hospital	Judy Jax 516-663-8708
TNCC	Oct. 20/21	Penfield Amb.	Sue Knapp rknap5@rochester.rr.com
TNCC	Oct. 24/25	Wilson Hospital, Johnson City	Alice_Sturckler@uhs.org 607-763-6022
TNCC	Nov. 10/11	TBA	Meg Barry barryma@nyp.org
TNCC renewal	April 14	Winthrop Hospital	Judy Jax 516-663-8708
ENPC	March 1/2	Wilson Hosp., Johnson City	Alice_Sturckler@uhs.org 607-763-6022
ENPC	Mar. 23/24	Winthrop Hospital	Judy Jax 516-663-8708
ENPC	April 14/15	St. Luke's, Newburgh	Mary Lou Killian mlk724@yahoo.com 845-454-3202
ENPC	May 5/6	NY Presbyterian	Meg Barry barryma@nyp.org
ENPC	May 23/24	Wilson Hospital, Johnson City	Alice_Sturckler@uhs.org 607-763-6022 (1-9:30 pm)
ENPC	June 7/8	Bassett Hosp., Cooperstown	Coleen.Vesely@Bassett.org 607-547-4812
ENPC	Aug. 2/3	Winthrop Hospital, Mincola	Judy Jax 516-663-8708
ENPC	Oct. 4/5	Bassett Hospital, Cooperstown	Coleen.Vesely@Bassett.org 607-547-4812
ENPC	Oct. 6/7	Children's Hospital, Montefiore	Lkosits@montefiore.org
ENPC	Nov. 1/2	Wilson Hospital	Alice_Sturckler@uhs.org 607-763-6022
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ENPC	Dec. 13/14	Winthrop Hospital	Judy Jax 516-663-8708
CEN Rev.	Late March	TBA, Adirondack Chapter	
CEN Rev.	June 9	TBA	Sue Knapp rknap5@rochester.rr.com

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

Adirondack Chapter will hold a CEN Review in late March. A teaching day is scheduled for October 19, 2007.

Brooklyn/Staten Island Chapter had 20 people at their meeting on February 7th. A lecture on Acute Stroke: Evaluation and Treatment was presented by Dr. Sylvie DeSouza, attending physician, The Brooklyn Hospital Center. The next meeting will be in March at Kings County Hospital Center. Their Education Day will be on May 16, 2007 at Baron DeKalb Hall in Brooklyn. Contact Audrey Dupree Stacey at 718-245-4686 (W).

Cenese Valley Chapter meeting is scheduled for March 1st at Mario D'bruce's restaurant. Meetings are scheduled for April 5th and May 3rd, place to be announced. Contact Sue Knapp rknap5@rochester.rr.com.

Southern Tier Chapter is planning a CEN Review class to encourage members to take the CEN test and to increase membership. They are also planning three educational offerings for 2007. Mary_Ellen_Jennison@uhs.org.

Nassau County Chapter meetings are scheduled for October and December. Their first meeting of the year was held on February 6th. An Education Day is tentatively scheduled for June 6th or June 13th. Contact Peggy Delaney.

Western Chapter had 2 ENPC classes in May 2006. For information for 2007, contact Cheryl Marcel at bemarcel@cs.com.

Suffolk Chapter held their first meeting of the year on February 12th. Meetings are scheduled for May 1st, August 13 and Nov. 12. Contact Connie Kraft at MondRay2@aol.com.

CALL FOR AWARDS

Is there someone who you believe is a shining star for ENA? Why not let them know how much they are valued by nominating them for one of the New York State Emergency Nurses Association awards?

The awards will be presented during the annual conference "Setting the Pace" on April 20th in Saratoga, NY. Nominations for the following awards are welcomed.

Education Award: Recognizes an ENA member who has demonstrated excellence in the education of nurses or others in the area of emergency nursing.

Special Recognition Award: Is presented to the individual who has demonstrated commitment to NYSENA and helps to promote the ideas of ENA through various special projects and efforts.

Anita Dorr Award: Is given to the emergency nurse recognized by peers for consistently being knowledgeable in emergency nursing and for presenting themselves as a caring professional individual reflective of the integrity and commitment of the woman in whose member this award is given ... the co-founder of the Emergency Nurses Association, Anita Dorr.

Ginny Hens EMS Award: This award is for the ENA member who promotes collaboration between pre-hospital care providers and NYS ENA through various activities and projects.

Certificates of Appreciation: The certificates are to recognize non-members who have assisted ENA by giving their time and

effort to various ENA activities (i.e. family members who act as models for TNCC courses, exhibitors who donate year after year)

If there is someone you would like to nominate for an award, please send the following information to the address below no later than **March 30, 2007.**

1. Nominee's name and a brief biographical sketch
2. A letter stating why the person should be considered for the award.

Mail to Laura Giles, 5021 39th Street, Sunnyside, NY 11104-4716 or email to: Lgiles@lenoxhill.net.



Denise Harris, Audrey Dupree Sealey, Sue Knapp and Sue Chalupa-Breese (left to right) relax at Binghamton reception.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Sue Prozzano, CEN



The race is on! The New York State Emergency Nurses Council is off and running! We have started 2007 with exciting ideas and plans. At our January meeting, we put our heads together to finalize plans for our 2007 conference "Setting The Pace." Our hosts for the meeting were the Southern Tier Chapter in the beautiful, but cold, home of the carousel, Binghamton.

In preparation for our conference in Saratoga Springs, Conference Chair Mary Lou Killian and her committee charged the Membership and Communication Committees with the task of promoting this educational event. As the fillies are busy racing on the harness track, emergency nurses will be picking winning educational tracks at Setting The Pace. The Course in Advance Trauma Nursing (CATN II) will be given over the two days. There are also seven other offerings, including trauma, research and traveling safety, to name a few. Look for our brochure and registration form. (A copy is included in this newsletter.) This is a conference you will not want to miss!

Another initiative of the Council is joining the State Challenge put forward by the Emergency Nurses Association Foundation. The foundation promotes emergency nursing through research and education and provides research grants and educational scholarships. Chapters will be requesting \$1 from each member as a donation to ENA F. Scholarships funded by the foundation are available to all members. This year the state with the highest donation will be eligible for scholarships to our National Convention being held in Salt Lake City, Utah. New York State earmarks most of its donation for the 9/11 scholarship fund, which provides nursing scholarships to firefighters, police officers and EMS providers.

Our next council meeting is on Saturday, April 21st, following the conference. We will continue to implement our 2007 strategic plan, including patient safety, overcrowding and ease of practice. We will begin formulating the agenda for our Legislative Breakfast to be held in January, 2008. We encourage all who attend the conference to stay for the meeting. Our members are our voice. Let's be heard!

See you in Saratoga!

Sue

**SETTING THE PACE 2007
 TO BE HELD IN SARATOGA SPRINGS**

Saratoga Springs, the site of the New York State ENA annual conference Setting the Pace 2007 is conveniently located off the Northway, and is also accessible by train. It is known as the city of "Health, Horses, and History" so, not only will participants have an opportunity to attend a conference with a variety of exciting educational programs, but there is plenty to do for fun. So come early or stay an extra day!

The city of Saratoga is known as a place to go in August for thoroughbred horse racing, but it also has year round harness racing. Gaming for people that like to test their luck is now offered, as well. If shopping is your thing, there are many interesting locally owned shops and national chain stores within walking distance of the hotel. Many of the local stores offer discounts to participants in the conference. For your dining enjoyment, there are a variety of restaurants in the area. History buffs may want to visit the site of the Battle of Saratoga and related museums, the National Dance Hall of Fame, and/or the New York State Museum of Antique Curs. For those of us that just want to be pampered, Saratoga has its world famous spas where you can go for the day. Just pop in for a facial and manicure or relax in a mineral bath.

This year's conference offers a variety of topics including Trauma, Diving Emergencies, Travel Medicine, Stroke Education, and Evidence Based Practice. In addition, a separate track of Course in Advanced Trauma Nursing (CATN) is being offered. Our nationally known speakers are recognized as experts in their fields.

Setting the Pace will be held on April 19& 20, so why not plan a mini spring break where you can learn and play, meet other emergency nurses and reconnect with old friends.

For more information contact Susan Chalupa-Breese:
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 Or E-mail rbreesc1@rochester.ny.com (See conference insert.)
 Conference Chair Mary Lou Killian



Sue Prozzano (center) discusses goals with Maria Lay (left) and Carol West.

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NYSCENA members prepare gift packs for our military.

Congratulations to Ivy Budhai Henry on winning a scholarship to next year's Scientific Assembly in Salt Lake City.

SAVE THE DATE!

**Meeting Today's Challenges while
Preparing for the Future at**

SETTING THE PACE 2007

April 19 and 20, 2007

Saratoga Springs Holiday Inn

Home of Health Springs, Thoroughbred Racing, Arts and Shopping

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Emergency Nursing Author and ENA Past President
Glenda Kelman,
Author and Dean, Graduate Nursing, Sages College*

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*CATN – Advanced Trauma; Trauma Tricks;
Evidenced Based Practice;
Critical Thinking skills;
And more. . .*

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President-elect Laura Giles (left) confers with President Sue Prezzano at State Leaders Meeting in Chicago.

Lisa Kosits (right) won quilt made by Jacquelyn Glendinning (left).



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Do you have a clinical question?

Send it to us.

One of our expert clinicians will answer it in a future newsletter.