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# Setting the Pace

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## 2009 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sue Chalupa Breese



I want to thank each and every one of you for all your help through my journey as President of New York State Emergency Nurse's Association. I have learned so much! We've shared so many good times together that will always be remembered. You may not realize how much your tremendous support and insightful suggestions mean to me.

I also want to thank you for the kindness that you've shown, for being there to support me in ways that you may not realize, and for always being there when I needed a listening ear; for praying, offering hope, and for showing me how much you cared. They say it's better to give than to receive. I am grateful for all the time you spent giving.

Again, thank you so much for your help. I greatly appreciate the assistance you have provided me and the growth we have seen with the NYSCENA.

What a fantastic year it has been for NYSCENA! As the year comes to an end, it is a just time to reflect on some of the happenings of 2009 for New York State Council Emergency Nurse's Association.

In January, the state council meeting was held at the Grand Hotel in Poughkeepsie, NY.

- We had discussions on topics such as 501c3 status, Procedures, Bylaws, General Assembly, Website, PayPal™, Historian, the Volunteer Leadership Model, and ENAF Foundation.
- The board members have been working on moving NYSCENA from a 501c6 to a 501c3 status to be able to embrace the national ENA pathway.
- A Bylaw and Procedure "ad hoc" group was formulated to update these guidelines to bring NYSCENA current to the times.
- The National ENA Board discussed reducing the number of delegates to the General Assembly as a cost reduction measure. Though the proposal was a uniform reduction in the number of delegates across the organization, it may have resulted in an undue reduction of representation for NYSCENA. This process continued until the National meeting in Baltimore and was the subject of much discussion and amendment.
- An "updated" website was approved and much work went into its development.
- Our Historian has not changed in many years- Thank you Kathy Conboy. (I won't say how many years...)
- A new Volunteer leadership model rolled out to help enable all members stay up with topics of interest.

In April, the state council meeting was held at the Holiday Inn in Saratoga Springs, NY.

- The meeting followed the NYSCENA annual conference, "Setting the Pace," which was a great success. Check NYSENA.org

to view pictures from the conference and the wonderful list of very knowledgeable speakers from whom one could choose to learn. Our national president Bill Briggs was in attendance and gave us an upbeat informational timeline of national happenings!

- Yes, I did say "check out the website", as it was implemented prior to the conference with much behind the scene work by this president and a million THANKS to our site "guy" John from Grey Goose.
- NYSCENA member Marylou Killian was a co-sponsor with Carlene Kincaid of MA, who authored a 2009 General Assembly Bylaw Amendment: ENA General Assembly Delegate Allocation; a bylaw designating the number of delegates for the General Assembly.
- NYSCENA did support this Bylaw Amendment, which was passed by the General Assembly.
- NYSCENA Bylaws were voted on and placed on the website for everyone's perusing.
- The 501c3 status remained unchanged.

In August, the State Council meeting was held at the Holiday Inn Express, Stony Brook Long Island, NY.

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## 2010 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Deb Taylor



### LEADING INTO THE FUTURE:

Congratulations to all the new state and chapter leaders in New York State ENA. As you lead emergency department nurses and the patients they serve into the future, may you strive to enhance emergency nursing practice. As we, the New York State Council, lead into

the future in 2010, we have many exciting activities planned and hope you will join us. On January 26th, 2010 the New York State Council ENA will be meeting in Albany with State Assembly and Senate members. Please plan to join us to speak with our legislators on emergency nursing practices that affect us daily. The evening of January 25th, we will meet at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and will dine with the New York State Trauma Society, who will join us as we meet the legislators the following morning. On April 22-23 we have our annual Setting the Pace conference in Saratoga Springs; we have many great speakers joining us. On August 14th, we will be in Newburg, NY and on October 23rd, we will meet in Batavia, NY. The Emergency Nurses Association, whose motto is "Safe Practice, Safe Care," is celebrating 40 years of service in 2010. As emergency department nurses, we face many current issues such as violence in the workplace and overcrowding. Each day is challenging and we touch many lives in many ways. Every day is new, and yet the same challenges continue. We are leaders, each one of us, and I encourage you to strive to THRIVE in your day to day practice.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2010 NEW YORK STATE OFFICERS

*New state officers were elected at the November 14 NYSCENA meeting in Fairport. Congratulations to the new president-elect Mickey Forness, secretary Sandi Tetler, and board member Mary Ellen Jennison. The 2010 state officers are:*

President — Deb Taylor -Western  
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President Elect — Mickey Forness - CHATT  
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Director at Large — Mary Ellen Jennison-Southern Tier  
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[www.nysena.org](http://www.nysena.org).  
Click on Contact Us.

**Deadlines for the 2010 newsletters:**  
**February 5, May 7, Sept. 3 and Nov. 5, 2010**



**ENA IS GOING GREEN!**

**This newsletter is now printed on recycled paper.**  
**Paper contains 30% post-consumer recycled fiber.**

**Do you have a clinical question?**

*Send it to us.*

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

## CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

Cheryl Marcel, Western Chapter

Carbon monoxide (CO) is an odorless and colorless gas. As such, it is not always evident when it has become a problem in the home. The symptoms can mimic flu-like illness and in this flu season can be easily misdiagnosed. Often people who have a mild to moderate problem will find they feel sick while in their home. They might feel a little better outside in the fresh air but will have recurring symptoms shortly after returning indoors. If triaging a patient, ask if other members of the family have recurring bouts with flu-like symptoms. As listed below, the symptoms can be vague, and easily attributed to different disease processes. Be sure to ask if the family is using alternate heating sources, or even gas powered generators that are not vented outside.

Besides having a professional come into the home to check appliances, a carbon monoxide detector is helpful to keep a constant watch over the levels of carbon monoxide in the home throughout the year. Many are available that plug into an electric outlet. Some of the fire companies and the gas company can be called on site to check for CO presence.

### Symptoms of Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

Low levels of carbon monoxide poisoning can be confused with flu symptoms, food poisoning or other illnesses and can have a long term health risk if left unattended. Some of the symptoms are the following:

- Shortness of breath
- Mild nausea
- Mild headaches

Moderate levels of CO exposure can cause death if the following symptoms persist for a long time:

- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Light-headedness

High levels of CO can be fatal, causing death within minutes or may cause coma or irreversible brain damage due to oxygen deprivation. Carbon monoxide attaches to the hemoglobin of the red blood cell and blocks its capacity to carry oxygen. DO NOT use pulse oximetry as a means of measuring CO levels. It is NOT accurate.

If you suspect CO poisoning at home, remove your family immediately to outdoors and open all windows and doors. Any combustion appliances should be turned off.

A simple blood test will be able to determine if carbon monoxide poisoning has occurred, but may take a long time in the lab. A relatively inexpensive finger probe monitor is now available and gives immediate CO readings in the ER. Keep in mind if the patient is a smoker, his/her levels may be normally elevated. If the levels are elevated more than normal for the patient, current treatment options recommend hyperbaric oxygen treatment. Consider administering 100% O2 in the interim before treatment.

## Congratulations to...

**Laura Giles**, who has assumed the Secretary/Treasurer position on the ENA Foundation Board.

**Marylou Killian** for being named to the National ENA Course Administration faculty.

**Lisa Kosits**, who had a poster presentation at the Scientific Assembly.

**Dawn Fletcher**, a nursing student at Genesee Community College in Batavia, who will graduate in December and attended her first ENA meeting on November 14.

## FROM THE CHAPTERS

**Adirondack** held a TNCC and an ENPC course in November. **CHATT** participated in a blood drive. See article in this newsletter.

**Genesee** held their Teaching Day on October 13, 2009 with 50 attendees. There are three magnet hospitals in their area, which has increased membership and attendance.

**Lower Hudson** will host a conference "Neuroscience Emergencies Across the Age Continuum" on February 27, 2010. An injury prevention program is under development for 2010.

**Manhattan Bronx** held their Fall Gala on November 17 at Mt. Sinai with Terry Foster as a speaker. Membership has increased to 500. Their new website is nysenamb.org.

**Mark Twain** has 53 members.

**Mid Hudson** held a CEN Review on October 14. A Christmas party is scheduled for December 18. Their website is under construction.

**Mohawk** sponsors many injury prevention programs-Think First, Helmets and Bikes, Car Safety and Pedestrian Safety.

**Nassau Queens** held their Christmas party on December 1 at Luigi's in New Hyde Park. They collected toiletries for homeless shelters. Senior Safety is their focus for injury prevention.

**Southern Tier** held their Teaching Day on October 1. Topics at their September 9 meeting were CO Dangers and Infection Control. They are working on a chapter website. Elections are planned to be held online.

**Suffolk** held their Holiday party on December 9. A Mock Trial is being planned for March, 2010. One day TNCC classes are planned for April and November. Two day TNCC classes are planned for March and August.

**Western's** membership is now over 100. A Carbon Monoxide lecture was presented on October 10 and a DKA lecture on December 10. A presentation by attorney Sally Brood, RN "Anatomy of a Lawsuit" is scheduled for February, 2010.

## NYSCENA 2010 MEETINGS

**January 25, 2010** Albany Crowne Plaza  
Meeting begins at 10 am.

Call 518-462-6611 for reservations. Rooms \$149/night

**January 26, 2010** Legislative Breakfast from 8 am to 11 am in the Legislative Office Building.

**April 22 & 23, 2010** Saratoga Springs  
Setting the Pace 2010 Conference

Call 518-584-4550 for reservations. Rooms \$139/night

**April 24, 2010** NYSCENA Meeting

**August 14, 2010** Newburgh. Details TBA

**October 23, 2010** Holiday Inn, Batavia  
Call 585-344-2100 for reservations. Rooms &70/night

Please contact the NYSCENA secretary, Sandi Tetler if attending the Council meeting. sandi@tetler.net

All New York State members are welcome to attend the meetings. **Bring a friend!**

## COURSE SCHEDULE

COURSE	DATE	PLACE	CONTACT
TNCC	Jan. 29, 2010	Elmira	Mary Ann Teeter 607-737-44426 mteeter@aomc.org
TNCC	Feb. 4	Cooperstown	coleen.vesely@bassett.org 607-547-4812
TNCC	March 6-7	Rochester	Sue Knapp rknapp5@rochester.rr.com
TNCC	April 10-11	NY Presbyterian	Meg Barry barryma@nyp.org
TNCC	May 6-7	Genesee	sbreese@rochester.rr.org
TNCC	May 6-7	Lower Hudson	Helen Keating efkhk@msn.com
TNCC	May 11-12	Buffalo	westernnewyorkena@verizon.net 716-774-1050
TNCC	June 2-3	Cooperstown	Jessica Castner coleen.vesely@bassett.org 607-547-4812
TNCC	June 5-6	Montefiore Med. Center	lkosits@montefiore.org
TNCC	Sept. 18-19	NY Presbyterian	barryma@nyp.org
TNCC	Oct. 28-29	Cooperstown	coleen.vesely@bassett.org 607-547-4812
TNCC	Nov. 13-14	Rochester	rknapp5@rochester.rr.com
TNCC	Nov. 20-21	Bronx	lkosits@montefiore.org
ENPC	Jan. 8, 2010	Syracuse	Patti F. Petrangelo petrangp@upstate.edu 315-464-2972
ENPC	Jan. 9-10	Rochester	rknapp5@rochester.rr.com
ENPC	Feb. 25-26	Winthrop Hospital	jjax@winthrop.org
ENPC	Feb. 27-28	NY Presbyterian	barryma@nyp.org
ENPC	March 23-24	Buffalo	Jessica Castner 716-774-1050 westernnewyorkena@verizon.net
ENPC	May 6	Cooperstown	coleen.vesely@bassett.org
ENPC	May 11-12	Lower Hudson	Helen Keating efkhk@msn.com
ENPC	August 4-5	Cooperstown	coleen.vesely@bassett.org
ENPC	Sept. 16&23	Mid Hudson	mlk724@yahoo.com
ENPC	Oct. 2-3	Montefiore Med. Center	lkosits@montefiore.org
ENPC	Oct. 9-10	Rochester	Rknapp5@rochester.rr.com

## DISCOVER THE ARTICLE YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD IN YOU!!! SETTING THE PACE 2010 TO OFFER A WRITING FOR PUBLICATION WORKSHOP

Featuring

**Gail Pisarcik Lenehan, RN, MSN, EdD, FAEN, FAAN**



Have you ever thought about writing for publication but something held you back? Then the Writing for Publication workshop at Setting the Pace 2010 is for you. This workshop will help you decide what to write and to which publication and section of the publication you should submit your article. There are over a hundred specialty nursing, general nursing and allied health journals, as well as many nursing magazines. The lecture will describe the writing process and review the publication process. Common mistakes that authors make will be reviewed. Discussion will include tips and pearls of wisdom to make writing and publishing understandable and doable. Specific examples of articles and processes from Emergency Nursing, EMS journals and other specialty and nursing journals will be used. Participants will be given suggestions on how to make their ideas publishable and rejection proof! Ms. Lenehan was the Editor in Chief of the Journal of Emergency nursing for 25 years and currently is an editor of American Nurse Today.

Coleen Vesely

As your 2010 State Chair for TNCC/ENPC, I would first like to thank the New York State Council ENA for their confidence in my ability to carry out this important function. I will do my utmost to ensure you have the most current and accurate information on the courses that are so important for the care of our critically ill or injured patients.

Second, I want to thank all the members and instructors of New York in advance for continuing to provide these courses and submitting all necessary post-course paperwork in a timely fashion.

To contact me or send the post-course paperwork, please use the following email and snail mail address:

Coleen.vesely@bassett.org  
 Coleen Vesely, RN, BSN, CEN, CPEN, MEP  
 Trauma & Stroke Program Coordinator  
 Bassett Healthcare • 1 Atwell Road  
 Cooperstown, NY 13326

PLEASE NOTE THE CORRECT SPELLING OF MY NAME. If you misspell it, the email will not work. Snail mail will still be delivered.

*Here is some of the important information as a review for course directors:*

1 – Where is the Administrative Procedure Manual found? The most current (updated November 2008) copy of the Administrative Procedure Manual can be found on the ENA webpage, www.ena.org under both the TNCC and ENPC pages. CATN Administrative Procedures are under the CATN-II page.

Please be familiar with your responsibilities, procedures for settling disputes and who/how someone can challenge a course.

2 – What course paperwork do I need to send? Within 30 Days of a course the following post-course materials need to be sent to the ENA National Office via a traceable delivery service (i.e., UPS, certified mail, etc.): All Course Evaluation/Multiple-choice Examination Answer Sheets  
 Summary Performance Report Form and Course Roster  
 Final Faculty Roster  
 Instructor Candidate/Instructor Evaluation Forms, as necessary  
 Appropriate re-test materials once all re-tests are completed. Do not withhold returning the course materials while waiting to complete any re-tests.  
 Post-course paperwork for the State Chair include copies of the following:

Course evaluations  
 Summary Performance Report  
 Final Faculty Roster  
 Appropriate re-test materials once all re-tests are completed  
 Please make sure the course number is on all returned materials.

**ATTENTION CHAPTER TREASURERS**

Annual reports are due to the NYSCENA treasurer by December 31, 2009. If the report is not received by Jan. 30, The State Council will begin the deactivation process for the chapter. As a 501 (c) 3 organization (still in the court), the state must submit all chapter and state information to the IRS. Quarterly revenue and expense reports must also be submitted to the state treasurer, who will email a form to improve the reporting process.

Send reports to: Rosa T. Waldroff, RN,  
 144 Dikeman Rd., Pittsford, NY 14534.

SAVE THE DATES  
 APRIL 22 & 23, 2010  
 FOR  
**SETTING THE PACE 2010**  
*"MEETING TODAY'S CHALLENGES WHILE PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE"*  
 SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y.  
 FEATURING  
 DIANE GURNEY, RN, MSN, CEN,  
 SUE HOHENHAUS RN, MA, FAEN  
 GAIL LENAHAN, RN, MSN, EdD, FAEN, FAAN  
 ANN MARIE PAPA RN, MSN, CEN, NE-BC, FAEN  
 & OTHER NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SPEAKERS  
 TOPICS: CPEN Review, Publishing Workshop, Therapeutic Hypothermia- the nuts and bolts, Recognizing and Diffusing Potential Violent Outbursts in the ED, Oncology and the Emergency Nurse a Case Study...AND MUCH MORE  
 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:  
 JEAN WALSH: (845) 431-8715/JWalsh@sfhnc.org

**MEMBERSHIP RAFFLE WINNERS**

In celebration of Emergency Nurses Week, NYSCENA randomly selected an ENA member from each chapter to receive a one-year membership. The winners are:

Laura Stahl	Genesee Valley
Marcy Teal	Mohawk
Jill Conklin	Lower Hudson
Alex Houghtaling	Western
Sheryl Burke	Suffolk
Virginia Signorelli	Mark Twain
Nick Kenhart	Southern Tier
Tina Carbino	Adirondack
Vincent Blaides	Brooklyn/Staten Island
Charles Eaton	Central
Deborah Weaver	Chatt
Elsa Burke	Nassau/Queens
Andrea Batista	Manhattan/Bronx
James Cawley	Mid Hudson

**LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST**

Sue Prezzano

The Biannual Legislative Breakfast will take place in Albany on January 26, 2010. We will be meeting at dinner the evening prior with the New York Division of the American Trauma Society to review talking points for the breakfast. This is your opportunity as an emergency nurse and a constituent to speak directly to your representatives. The New York State Council will have a regular council meeting on Monday, the day before the breakfast at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Albany. We will meet at 7am Tuesday morning and proceed to the Legislative Office Building for the 8 am breakfast.

Everyone is welcome to attend. It is important that as an association we have good representation. Bring your colleagues for a rewarding experience. You do not have to be a council member to attend. *For more information, contact Sue at Tnc136@aol.com.*

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- Multiple NYSCENA Procedures were discussed and voted on, but the procedures' were not completed in their entirety at this meeting.
- A "Dress" code was incorporated for General Assembly Delegates.
- A second dress shirt for delegates was discussed and voted on. The design on the navy blue shirt will have Statue of Liberty/ Niagara Falls emblem stitched.
- 501c3 status remains unchanged.
- New York State received the second place award for donations to the ENA Foundation, coming in behind NJ by just \$163.

In November, the State Council meeting was held at the Woodcliff Spa and Hotel, Fairport, NY.

- 501c3 status-continued delays, remains unchanged.
- Multiple NYSCENA Procedures were discussed and voted on; all Procedures are completed and will be placed on the website!
- A new NYSCENA banner was hung at the council meeting- and the induction of new NYSCENA officers by President Sue Chalupa-Breese was officiated in front of it.
- Election of NYSCENA officers- Mickey Forness as President Elect, Sandi Tetler as Secretary, and MaryEllen Jennison as Director at Large.

Deb Taylor was inducted into the position of President and received the gavel to assume her post.

- THANKS were given and plaques presented to all Board members for their hard work.
- All General Assembly Delegates received a navy blue polo shirt with a NYSCENA embroidered emblem.
- NYSCENA Tiffany jewelry donation for the national conference auction made a large profit for the ENAF.
- The Legislative breakfast will be held on Jan 26, 2010 -talking points will be about NY scorecard and more!

*Laura Giles was elected as Secretary/ Treasurer for the ENAF board.*

*Mary Lou Killian was named to the National ENA Course Administration faculty.*

*WOW !! What a year 2009 was...!! THANKS*

Sincerely,  
 Sue Chalupa Breese • 2009 President • NYSCENA

*"One can never pay in gratitude; one can only pay 'in kind' somewhere else in life." - Anne Morrow Lindbergh*



*2010 Pres. Deb Taylor with Family*



*Laura Giles is Thanked for Her Many Years of Service on the Board*



*Sue Chalupa Breese (2nd from L) with new 2010 NYS ENA Officers (L to R) Sandi Tetler, Mickey Forness, Deb Taylor and Mary Ellen Jennison*

**ANNOUNCEMENT TO ALL ED NURSE MANAGERS**

Mickey Forness

As the leader in your department, you are constantly seeking the latest information to share with your staff. Your membership in ENA gives you the outstanding opportunity to network with other managers regarding important current issues of importance to your staff. A listserv of managers is available through the national organization that allows for this direct contact. Many questions and topics are constantly under discussion. Sharing of forms and policies can be timesaving. As new clinical topics evolve, information can be sought from other managers who have been involved in these issues. This special benefit for nurse manager members is an invaluable tool for you in the development of practice in your department.

**NEW YORK STATE ENA AWARDS**

Nominations for the annual NYS awards to be presented at the Setting the Pace conference to be held in Saratoga in April are now being sought. We all work with outstanding individuals who are very deserving to be honored for all they do. This is the opportunity to share these heroes with all the ENA members in our state.

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-Presented to an individual who has demonstrated commitment to NYSCENA and helps to promote the ideas of emergency nursing through various special projects.

Anita Door Award-Presented to an emergency nurse who is recognized by his/her peers for consistently being knowledgeable in emergency nursing and for presenting him/herself as a caring professional individual, reflecting the integrity and commitment of the woman in whose memory the award is given...the co-founder of ENA, Anita Dorr.

Ginny Hens EMS Award-This award is given to an ENA member who promotes collaboration between prehospital care providers and ENA through various activities and projects.

Certificates of Appreciation-Given to non members of ENA, who have assisted ENA in any variety of special activities.

If you are aware of someone special who is deserving of one of these awards, please submit the following information to the address below no later than April 1, 2010.

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

Mail to: Mickey Forness  
 118 S. 19th St. • Olean, NY 14760  
 Email: mickeyforness@yahoo.com

## EMERGENCY NURSES WEEK CELEBRATIONS 2009

New York Presbyterian/Columbia celebrated Emergency Nurses Week 10/11-10/17/09. On Monday and Tuesday, community health outreach events in the hospital's lobby provided educational information and free health screenings for the public. Over 120 blood pressure screenings were performed and more than 200 attendees received handouts and teaching about common medical conditions evaluated in emergency rooms every day.

On Wednesday, a special Emergency Nurses Day breakfast was hosted by the department. Invited guests and speakers included senior hospital leadership who praised emergency room nurses for their dedication and hard work and gave words of encouragement to continue in support of the organization's mission and values. Andria Castellanos, SVP and Chief Operating Officer told the group to "relax, reflect, recharge and continue to deliver excellent emergency nursing care".

The Emergency Department presented a fundraising donation of \$3500 to the Medical Center Neighborhood Fund during a luncheon on Thursday. The Neighborhood Fund grants charity awards to local organizations that provide vital services for citizens of Washington Heights and Inwood communities. Lisa Hogarty, SVP and Chief Operating Officer of Columbia University Medical Center accepted the donation on behalf of the Neighborhood Fund. To end the week of celebrations, speakers from the Bronx/Manhattan chapter of the Emergency Nurses Association visited to congratulate the staff.

Submitted by Melaney Gordon, RN, NYP/C Adult ED



To celebrate Emergency Nurses week, **Nassau Queens and Suffolk Chapters** delivered cookies to each Emergency Department in their respective chapters.

If your chapter or organization celebrated Emergency Nurses Week in a special manner, please submit a description of your activity to [pparker39@optimum.net](mailto:pparker39@optimum.net) for publication in the next newsletter.



During Emergency Nurses Week, **CHATT chapter** held a food drive in the Olean General Hospital Emergency Department. Donation of non perishables benefited Genesis House, a homeless shelter for families and women, located in Olean, NY. Director Lenore Lounsbury was very pleased that Genesis House was chosen to be the recipient of the nurses' generosity.

Submitted by Jacquie Glendinning

## CHATT CHAPTER ASSISTS WITH BLOOD DRIVE

CHATT Chapter members Jacquie Glendinning, Mickey Forness, Tom Sampson, Kris Powell and Shannon joined the American Red Cross during their 9/11 blood drive. ENA members, along with Kellie Shea, Laurie Klimczyk, Kelly Wilber, and Angela Langdon either donated blood or time to the drive, making it one of the most successful in the community, with a total of 302 units of blood collected.

Red Cross coordinator Melissa Riehle was pleased with the turnout and hopes to partner with CHATT chapter at next year's 911 blood drive. Thanks to all!!!!



## Thank You TO NEW YORK STATE DELEGATES

Thank you for your involvement as a delegate in Baltimore for New York State ENA. The time that you spent away from your family and loved ones demonstrated your commitment to emergency nursing and our organization. Words cannot fully express how inspired I become when I am in the presence of other nurses who are as passionate as I am about emergency nursing. It was an honor for me to introduce our delegation. Please accept this as a token of my appreciation and gratitude for your active involvement. Even though I will no longer be president, I hope to join you in the journey of increasing the strength and presence of the New York State ENA delegation at the General Assembly.

With Greatest Thanks,  
Sue Chalupa Breese • NYSCENA President 2009

THE FOLLOWING  
NEW YORK STATE EMERGENCY NURSE'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERS WERE DELEGATES AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN BALTIMORE.  
CAROL ALLEYNE-FARRIS-PASCALL, IVY BUDHAI HENRY, SUE CHALUPA-BREESE, BARBARA CLASEN, KATHY CONBOY, LIZ COURTNEY, DAN DENNIS, JOY DOSER, JOANNE FADALE, MICKEY FORNESS, LAURA GILES, JACQUIE GLENNINNING, GINNY HEBDA, LYNN HELMSORIG, JUDY JAX, MARY ELLEN JENNISON, KATRIN KEANE, HELEN KEATING, MARYLOU KILLIAN, SUE KNAPP, LISA KOSITS, MARIA LAY, JOE MALENDIA, CHERYL MARCEL, SUE McALLEN, JILL McLAUGHLIN, MAGGIE MILLER, ROSEANN MOHNEY, JENNIFER MONDESIR, STEVE OLSON, CATHY PAGE, PHYLLIS PARKER, SUE PREZZANO, PAULINE RICHARDSON, MARTHA REID, BRIDGET ROMANI, SANDIA STOECKEL, DEB TAYLOR, MARY ANN TEETER, WENDE TEFEL, SANDI TETLER, VIRGINIA TUFARO, ROSA WALDROFF, JEAN WALSH, AND CAROLE WEST.



2009 New York State Emergency Nurse's Association Delegates in Baltimore

**Western Chapter** ENA held their meeting on Emergency Nurses Day, which recognizes nurses across the nation for all they do. Each meeting attendee held up a sign that read "Everyday Heroes." One lucky person held the winning number on the back of her sign and was awarded \$20. The lucky person was Joanne Fadale, a retired nurse manager from ECOMC, Buffalo, NY who has been an "everyday hero" for over 30 years.

Submitted by Cheryl Marcel