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### Greetings!

We are happy to present you with the New York State Emergency Nurses Association's latest electronic newsletter. It's packed full of information and many opportunities for our members. As always, we welcome your comments, feedback and suggestions!



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



April was a busy month as "Setting the Pace" returned to Saratoga Springs this year for our 45th anniversary. Our annual conference, "Setting the Pace" has been going strong for 35 years. There were 155 attendees. As always the conference was a great success despite a few

technical difficulties. I would like to recognize the conference committee who without their dedication and commitment it would not have been possible.

- To Kathy Conboy for coordinating the conference speakers,
- To Dawn MacMullen for organizing the vendors, we had 17 in all, their continuous support of our conference is greatly appreciated.
- Thanks to Renee Silvies for being the "on-site vendor coordinator."
- Mickey Forness and Jacquie Glendenning our "Basket Bunnies" who organize the annual silent auction. They have it down to a science. The baskets were beautiful and bigger than ever.
- Thanks to Dan Dennis and Marina Grennan for handling the registration process, who overcame printer problems triumphantly!!
- To Mr. Breese who has always been our IT coordinator at the conference, ensuring the speakers' slide presentations run smoothly.
- To all of the speakers, thank you for sharing your knowledge with us all. It's always fun to learn something new and discuss issues that impact our practice.

### National Nurses Week

National Nurses Week is always celebrated in May and this year's theme is "Ethical Practice, Quality Care." As changes take place within the healthcare environment, nurses are faced with challenges to provide safe compassionate care at all times. It is by our "Code of Ethics" that we not only practice by but also by which we live. The NYS ENA joins other nursing organizations in the celebration and appreciation that you bring to the bedside

of the patients that your care for.

Continue to be passionate about your practice. Be good to yourself and your peers, not only this week but always. Celebrate your triumphs! Happy Nurses Week!!

Sandi Tetler RN, BSN  
2015 NYS ENA President.

## State Bytes - What's Happening in Your Chapter?

The blurb about this section lets you see what is happening with other New York chapters around the state. We ask each chapter to write a little something of what they are working on, any questions they may have for other chapters, and can post any events.

**The New York State Genesee Valley Chapter (GVC) of Emergency Nurse Association (ENA)** is elated to say that seventeen members attended the annual conference at Saratoga Springs in April. This was a wonderful opportunity for networking and learning!

We, as Emergency nurses make a huge difference in a person's life in doing very small things. It's what keeps you going when it gets really hard. At the end of the day, the "things" we do really don't matter, but what we do for our patient are huge.

In talking with the many participants, this was in my thoughts and many of the magnificent speakers spoke that it's all about perception and ensuring the knowledge of emergency nursing is always in the backbone of our caring.

We made new friends and enjoy the delights of the Nurses who attended this awesome conference!

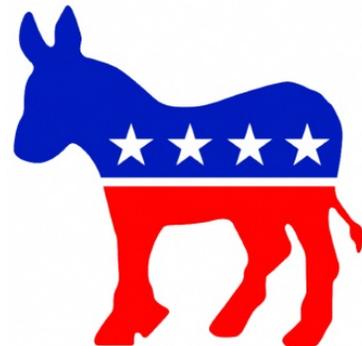
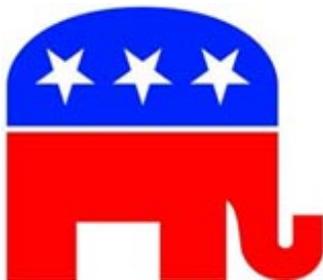
Sue Chalupa Breese  
Treasurer  
GVC ENA

**Mid Hudson Valley Chapter** - Jessica Macchiarola was recognized as nurse of excellence by Dutchess County EMS.

### **The Chat Chapter has very exciting news for New York State!**

Jacquie Glendinning has been honored by the National organization as the recipient of the 2015 Barbara Foley Quality, Safety and Injury Prevention Award . She will receive this award at the gala event on Saturday October 3 in Orlando. Jacquie currently serves as the President of Chatt chapter and is the NYSCENA President-elect. Congratulations on your wonderful award.

## Elections



Doesn't matter if you are Republican, Democrat, Independent or whatever other parties are out there! You are ENA!! It's time to begin thinking about fall elections and looking at your peers for support and ideas. On the ballot this year are one director at large, president-elect, secretary, and treasurer-elect.

We realize all these posts are voluntary but your support and effort is what keeps our state ahead of the rest.

The President-elect is a one year term, succeeding to the office of president at the expiration of their term. In the event the position of president becomes vacant, the president-elect will serve for the unexpired term and the term for which s/he was elected. The president-elect will liaison with assigned chapters and committees, s/he will help select committee chairs for the following year and work with the treasurer and chairs to develop a budget for the following year. S/he will work with the president to assure that all web inquiries are answered within 7 days. The president-elect must attend 75% of all council meetings.

The secretary position is for a two year term. The secretary maintains the membership and attendance rosters of the state council representatives, officers and committees. The secretary produces the council business minutes 30 days after the quarterly meeting and posts on the website. This position maintains a copy of the bylaws and procedures, works closely with the registration chair for Setting the Pace, and keeps an accurate record of council meetings and correspondence. The secretary must also attend 75% of all council meetings. (being computer literate is not a must, but certainly a help)

Director at large assists with the management of the council. S/he will liaison with assigned chapters and committees and perform duties as requested by the president. These may include: managing the raffles for 9/11 fund, reviewing bylaws and procedures for updating, and helping with conference issues.

All these positions require an RN license, ENA membership and active participation at the state and/or chapter level. If you are interested in running for an office, or you know someone who would be a good candidate and may be talked into running, contact Ginnie Hebda (585-346-5804 [vhebda@rochester.rr.com](mailto:vhebda@rochester.rr.com)) Be a part of the decision making in our state. Work with peers to make the changes we want/need to practice safely. Step up, speak up, run for an office. Anita Dorr wants YOU!!!

## Hot Topics for Advanced Practice Nurses

New York State Council Now has an Advanced Practice Committee to address the unique needs of Clinical Nurse Specialists, Nurse Educators, and Nurse Practitioners who work in emergency care, this column will be used to communicate these issues to members. There will also be a specific tab for advanced practice nurses to be used as a resource. The committee will be working on content for this site over the next quarter. We are looking suggestions for the content of this area please send them to: [marylou.killian@yahoo.com](mailto:marylou.killian@yahoo.com).

**ALERT: Effective September 22, 2014** all Clinical Nurse Specialists must be Licensed and Registered in by the New York State Department of Education. If you are using the title and not licensed and registered you could be subject to fines and/or disciplinary procedures. Go to the New York State Department of Education for further information the link is: [www.op.nysed.gov/prof/nurse/nurseccnscert.htm](http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/nurse/nurseccnscert.htm).

One of the challenges identified that Clinical Nurse Specialists and Nurse Practitioners face when becoming re-certified is finding the 25 CEU's for advanced pharmacology as part of their required continuing education requirements.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a few sites that were found by members of the committee. Acceptable Journals for CEU's:

- AACN Advanced Practice Journal
- Journal of Advanced Practice Emergency Nursing
- ANNC Webinars
- Net CE self-assessment test

The Advanced Practice committee is in its infancy, we welcome all APRNS and nurse educators that work in the ED to participate in any way that you can.

## A Message for Chair SETTING THE PACE - 2015 - Kathy Conboy

Over 150 attendees were able to combine professional education and some much needed fun, relaxation, and networking in **Saratoga Springs on April 16 and 17th**. It was gratifying to hear the positive comments and know that so many enjoyed this year's conference. I want to thank all our speakers for their time and expertise and willingness to share new and interesting concepts with us. With trauma, pediatrics, research, stroke, ethics, professional practice, advanced practice, injury prevention and peer addiction- we tried to cover it all!

Thank you to:

- Stephen Gomez
- Barbara Nahmias
- Ann Bentzen
- Laura Criddle
- Krista Sokolowski
- Mary Ann Teeter
- Cathy Page
- Mary Lou Killian
- Ray Mc Lean
- Kathryn D'Aquila
- Patricia Lippincott

Anyone who plans and sponsors a conference knows the challenges, and that no conference occurs with the efforts of just one person. My special thanks to Marina Grennen and Dan Dennis at registration, Dawn MacMullen and Renee Sylvies with our vendors, and of course the individual I will never plan a conference without, our "AV person" Bob Breese and his wife Sue who backs us all up!!! Mostly my thanks to all of the members of the NYSENA council, who just pitched in when asked, listened, and helped it work as it should!!

Next year we will be back at **Saratoga Springs on April 6 and 7, 2016**. The new conference committee is already beginning their work. (While I, finish CE certificates!) So plan ahead. I hope to see you there.

Kathy Conboy

## Thank You to our Vendors

The New York State Emergency Nurses would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our Vendors this year. We received a lot of support from them, and we couldn't do the conferences without them. We would like to recognize:

### **Rochester Regional Health System: Gold Sponsor**

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We had a huge turn out this year, and we hope to see you all return next year in Saratoga Springs. Thank you for all of your support!!!

**A Message from our Gold Sponsor:** Rochester Regional Health System is a proud employer of over 14,000 passionate employees. We were recently named one of America's Best Employers by Forbes; ranking #120 of 500 employers nationwide. We are lucky to be only one of two health systems in New York State on the list and the only one in Western, NY. Within our system, we have dynamic emergency nurses at Rochester General Hospital, Unity Hospital, Newark-Wayne Community Hospital, Clifton Springs Hospital and United Memorial Hospital; they range from rural community hospitals to the third busiest ED in the state! If you ever find yourself considering another opportunity,

please don't hesitate to give us a call.

Thank you so much for allowing us the opportunity to connect with you at the 2015 Setting the Pace Annual Conference. It was a pleasure meeting each and every one of you. We were inspired by your passion and enthusiasm for emergency nursing.

Again, it was pleasure meeting you all!

Warm wishes

Kaitlyn Bond  
Manager, Talent Acquisition  
Rochester Regional Health System

## SETTING THE PACE 2015 Award Winners

**Jacque Glendinning, RN NYSENA President-elect:** Had the pleasure of announcing the NYSENA award winners at the 2015 Setting the Pace state conference in Saratoga Springs. Each winner brings knowledge, skill, and input to NYSENA at both the state and chapter level. Their dedication to NYSENA is greatly appreciated.



### 2015 Winners

**Anita Dorr Award** - Sue McAllen, RN MSN (Manhattan/Bronx)



***Education award - Alice Sturckler, RN (Southern Tier)***



***Special Recognition*** - Bob Breese (ENA husband Genesee Valley)



***Appreciation Award:***

Diana Graziano, RN (Adirondack) - Colleen Bouyea-Essency, RN (Mid-Hudson)



***A very special thank you to Kathy Conboy for all she did to make  
SETTING THE PACE 2015.  
Another outstanding conference!***



## SETTING THE PACE - Basket Raffle by Mickey Fornes

Annual basket raffle held at the Setting the Pace conference held in Saratoga was a great success. In honor of the 45th anniversary of ENA, a video presentation of pictures of activities of the past years played throughout the raffle. We would like to thank Andrew Wong for preparing this presentation. Again the variety of baskets was extraordinary. Some of the unique items included, Coach Bag, many wine baskets, Entire picnic party baskets, rest and recoup baskets, many lovely pieces of jewelry, and a special basket from our national liaison Karen Wiley of Omaha steaks. The Adirondack chapter had challenged all facilities to submit an item for raffle and the one with the most tickets would win a free tuition to a CEN review. The Malta Med Emergent Care was the winner, Congratulations! The money raised will be sent to the ENA Foundation for the endowment of the 9/11 scholarship. The "Basket Bunnies" extend thanks to all who donated a raffle item and thanks to all the conference attendees who participated to make this event a success.

## New Committees for 2015

By Sandi Tetler

Committees are a part of the structure of any association that are formed to share and divide the necessary work that needs to be done to accomplish the association's goals. Several new committees have been formed to address other practice issues that had not really been addressed before. They are:

**Behavioral Health:** Behavioral Health Issues continue to be addressed and treatment sought with in the Emergency Department. The Behavioral Health Committee looks to address relevant issues that currently face today's ED nurses. It also looks to create public awareness of escalating health problems facing NYS ED and looks for positive solutions to address the problems. Marina Grennan and Maureen Chernosky are the committee co-chairs.

**Advance Practice Nurse:** The Advance Practice Nurse Committee is in its developing stages. The APN Committee includes all advance practice nurses involved and working with in the Emergency

Department. Mary Lou Killian and L Helmsorig are the committee co-chairs.

**Research, Evidence Based Practice:** The Research Committee has been charged with furthering the practice of emergency nursing by investigating best practices and promoting evidenced-based practice through research. It is also responsible for being a resource to those nurses interested in developing new nursing research and evidence based practice and encouraging their presentation at our annual conference, "Setting the Pace". Jessica Castner and A. Sealey are the new committee co-chairs.

**Strategic Implementation Committee:** Change is inevitable, and our association must change with every tide. The Strategic Implementation Committee will develop the process by which our strategic plan will be implemented. It will look to concentrate on making changes to address the issues that concern today's nursing, healthcare and also society. The strategic plan has been developed to provide a plan for stability of the association and continued success to meet our member's needs. Jacquie Glendinning our 2015 President-elect will be the committee chair.

If you are interested in getting involved in any of the committees the association has to offer, please contact any co-chair by email to get involved.

## SAVE THE DATE 2015

July 31st	CPEN Review Course
July 31st	Injury Prevention Workshop
Sept 28th - Oct 3rd	Emergency Nursing Conference 2015 in Orlando, FL
Oct 11th - 17th	EMERGENCY NURSES WEEK
Oct 14th	EMERGENCY NURSES DAY
Nov 6th	CEN Review
Nov 6th	2016 State Chapter Leaders Orientation 6-9



**September 28th - October 3rd, 2015 Orlando, Florida  
Orange County Convention Center**

## NYSENA 2015 Meetings

August 1, 2015	State Quarterly Meeting 7-4 Crowne Plaza Hotel Suffern, NY
September 28-Oct 3	National Conference Orlando
November 7th, 2015	State Quarterly Meeting 7-4 Holiday Inn 68 Crystal Run Middletown, NY

**State Council meetings are open to all members.  
For council meeting info, contact our President at: 585-775-9088**

**THE NEW YORK STATE  
PRESIDENT'S BLOG**  
[NYSENA.org/blog](http://NYSENA.org/blog)

**Board Liaison Assignments for 2015**

Any questions you wish to ask the Board, these are your liaisons:

Sandi Tetler: Brooklyn, Adirondack

Jacque Glendenning: Western, Mark Twain, Genesee Valley

Ginny Hebda: Chatt, Mid Hudson

Mary Ellen Jenninson: All chapter Treasurers

Dan Dennis: Mohawk, Lower Hudson, Southern Tier

Ivy Budhai-Henry: Nassau/Queens, Suffolks

Dawn MacMullen: Central, Manhattan-Bronx

**RAFFLE ITEMS FOR STATE MEETING 2015-2016**

JULY 2015  
OCTOBER 2015  
JANUARY 2016  
APRIL 2016  
JULY 2016  
OCTOBER 2016

SUFFOLK  
ADIRONDACK  
CENTRAL  
GENESEE VALLEY  
MANHATTAN/BRONX  
MID HUDSON

WESTERN  
BROOKLYN/SI  
CHATT  
LOWER HUDSON  
MARK TWAIN  
MOHAWK

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## Questions?

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