

Conference Meeting

2nd Monday of the month @ 7pm

January 12, 2026

Attendees: Sue Breese, Mel Wilson, Dawna Scheich, Carolyn Dixon, Linda Yonkin, Mary Ann Teeter, Eileen Breckenridge, Mary Harwood, Mickey Forness, Kathy Conboy, Lilia Hageman-Sheehan, Lisa Kelly, Sue Kossowsky, Dawn MacMullen

Excused- Jonathan Green, Vepuka Kauri, Louise McEvoy, Maryanne Portoro, Marina Grennen

Speakers – Chair Jonathan Green, Co Chair Vepuka Kauari –

speakerchair@nysena.org

- There have been responses from speakers with contracts
- Speaker Chair Jonathan and Co-Chair Vepuka will collaborate
- tracks times have been set- 1-5 Wed,9-530 Thurs,9-100 Fri

CNE - Chair Linda Yonkin – cnechair@nysena.org

- Just waiting for speakers – Have some responses
- Factual statement of what is required from a speaker for CNE process
Disclosure of Financial relationship, Name and Credentials of speaker, Title of topic, Description of topic, Learner strategy/objectives, References

Exhibitors- Chair Maryanne Portoro, Co Chair Jonathan Sangas -

exhibitorchair@nysena.org

- Sponsor Opportunities – see website - **exhibitors@nysena.org**
- Contract on NYSENA website
- Has 7 exhibitor already signed up
- Registration/late: \$550.00 - January 1, 2026 – April 12, 2026

- ? Stryker bringing 18 wheeler scenario trailer – more to come
- Confirmed evening time slot and times for exhibitors

Posters – Chair Mary Harwood, Co Chair Marina Grennan –

posterchair@nysens.org

- Link on website to view posters
- Will keep posters on website like we do for exhibitors for the year
- Email posters out ahead of time to attendees with scavenger hunt/ quiz attached
- \$100.00 visa card x 2 for poster winners
- Sue to bring purple folders for certificates
- ? turn a poster into a resolution- TBD
- Encourage posters to submit at National ENA- How to...Marina
- Marina's journey – poster to National

Raffle - Chair Mickey Forness, Co Chair Lisa Kelly –

rafflechair@nysena.org

- Multiple items so far-committed
- NYSENA bracelet- Maryanne Portoro donation- purple/white/NYSENA
- Picture of items – Maryanne Portoro to send out pictures of raffle items on constant contact after 1st of year

Party- Chair Dawn MacMullen, Co Chair Sue Kossowsky –

partychair@nysena.org

- Emergency Lights and Western Nights – Name of party
- ?unable to obtain tote bags
- ? mechanical bull ? – Louise/Carolyn
- ? Face painting – MaryAnn sent link
- Line dancing class -Eileen confirmed a with line dance instructor
- ? Card games
- ? Horse race
- ? photo booth- much discussion, cost of photo booth
- ? jail – sheriff for jail ? Mr. Breese deputy or ? Eileen's SIL – discussed decorations for a jail bar
- ? Duck draw
- Bandanas – costly and most people have but still looking into obtaining with embroidery
- Dawn has beads for donation for bracelets
- ? food – BBQ / cornnot totally decided yet- Dawn /Sue / Sue will go thru menus

Welcome Wagon – Chair Louise McEvoy, Co Chair _____ -

welcomewagonchair@nysena.org

- What to do in Saratoga Springs
- Research – Welcome
- Paint and sip
- Bowling
- ? mechanical bull – party?

Educational Incentive Program – Chair Mel Wilson, Co Chair Jinessa Rosado –

educationalincentive@nysena.org

- 26-1st time RN, 7 students
- Mel/Jinessa will reach out to

Registration – Grey Goose Graphics overall conference personal for conference / speaker support, Chair Lilia Hageman-Sheehan

- **Font size of registered attendee list will be 12.5 bold**
- **Greeting of attendees**

OTHER-

- Registration – Would you like to purchase a Henry wear...to include clothes wear to order- Tshirts/sweatshirts etc..Link will be on registration From Henry vendor, who will bring to conference, last date to order April 5, 2026
- ? Add to APP – opportunities to contribute towards foundation/ raffle such as Henry vendor, bracelet, raffle, just plain donation
- IPADS- for ENA membership / discussion personal cell phones but have QR code for attendees to use
- Honor Guard- Carolyn again confirmed- Award Gala Dinner
- Registration to have donation for items for teenagers
- Registration to have dress info r/t to gala/party and classrooms
- Email include confirmation of registration for NYSENA STP , to include Raffle, Donation of personal items for teenagers, Bracelet sale, Henry wear, so new attendees have awareness and understands-
- Scholarships for 2027, No return on investment with nursing students, + 1st time RN attendees, target 1st time RN,
- Confirmed - Email from registration- have name of who registered ,welcome from Team to Setting the Pace 2026, include what they registered for- if answered yes attending adding in Gala Award Dinner, Western Party, POCUS, APP etc...
- Looked at new conference badge- will be similar to National ENA
- Will have on it what Attendee registered for- such as gala,party,council meeting, POCUS
- Holiday Inn Hotel- use code **ENA** when making reservations/ cost of rooms \$149.00
- # tag – across all platforms
- Hand Written Thank you notes
- Color of lanyards for easy recognition
Red = Speaker

Blue = Board Member

Green = Conference Committee Member

Yellow = 1st time RN Attendee

Pink = educational incentive

Purple = Attendee

Black = Exhibitors

White = extra ticket purchase

- Discussed cost of conferences and #s for food etc, why no at the door registration
- Ensure to register for all/any events an attendee would like to attend on the registration form
- Codes coming for special registration-

Wednesday

Morning - Council Meeting 9-11am

Afternoon - Conference starts at 1pm

Evening - Honor Guard /Awards / Dinner – Formal type dinner

After awards Gala- Dessert / coffee or cheese / or something else - with exhibitors

Thursday

Day- speakers

Evening -Emergency Lights and Western Nights party

Friday- ½ day

Day-Speaker

Raffle

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Breese

Chair Conference 2026