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"Show Me...We Care"

Fundraising Campaign Launched to Reach Out to Joplin Nurses!

After the EF5 tornado hit Joplin, Missouri on May 22nd, 2011, many of us probably shared the same desire to help not only the Joplin community, but also to find a way to help our fellow nursing colleagues who selflessly cared for those in need, despite their own personal experiences with the devastation.

The Greater Kansas City Chapter wishes to recognize and honor these nursing heroes by sending several St. John's Hospital critical care and progressive care nurses to the AACN National Teaching Institute (NTI) in Orlando, Florida May 20-24, 2012. By attending NTI, we hope these nurses will be uplifted, rejuvenated, and empowered to continue with their important work. Nominations are being accepted in Joplin and the selection process will be handled through the GKCC Board. Announcements will be made at the next 2012 Visions Symposium in Overland Park, Kansas.



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Our Chapter has already pledged \$5,000 towards this effort. We are presenting a challenge to individuals, other Missouri AACN Chapters, and all regional critical care and progressive care units to match our pledge with another \$5,000 for a total of \$10,000 in funds! We appreciate your efforts in getting the word out.

To donate, please visit the Chapter website (www.aacngkcc.org) "Help Joplin" tab. Donations can be made securely online via PayPal or via check or money order to the Chapter's mailing address: PO Box 10113, Kansas City, MO 64171. Donations are being accepted through Friday, March 9th, 2012. Visit our website frequently to find out about our progress!

How Is My VISIONS \$\$ Spent?

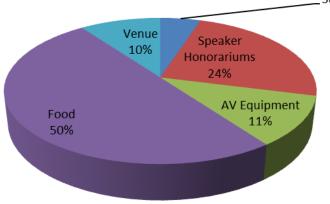
The Visions Committee is hard at work again, securing speakers, negotiating fees, planning details, etc. for the 2012 Visions Symposium on March 8-9, 2012 at Ritz Charles in Overland Park, Kansas.

You may already recognize that putting on a large event costs dollars. We make every attempt to secure sponsorship from vendors and educational grants to limit the cost passed on to the participants without compromising the quality of the offerings and venue.

In the spirit of transparency, we thought it would be interesting for our membership base to see "where your registration dollars for Visions go." The \$22,000 cost for ~130 participants was distributed as follows. Note that the food represents 50% of the cost. It is very limiting to us that many venues will not allow outside catering; thus, the food cost is largely nonnegotiable. This chart also does <u>not</u> include the additional \$7000 in educational grants and/or sponsorship received, as well as the additional printing costs covered by a vendor.

My Visions Registration Fees





UPCOMING EVENTS

MECHANICAL VENTILATION Basics and Beyond

By Lynelle Pierce, MSN, RN, CCRN

Tuesday, January 24th, 2011 St. Joseph Medical Center

0730 Registration ● 0800 Class ● 1215 Adjourn

~Fees Apply~ CE Hours Pending Approval See Registration Form Attached

2012 VISIONS SYMPOSIUM

Thursday & Friday March 8th and 9th, 2012

Ritz Charles Overland Park, Kansas

Stay Tuned for Registration Info
"Discounts apply to local members
& early bird registration"

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Next Due Date January 12th, 2011 2-Day Visions Scholarship

Next Due Date
February 9th, 2011
Certification Exam Scholarship & 2 NTI Awards

~See attached scholarship application packet~



Special Thanks to Speakers and Coordinators of Educational Events

Twice a year, the Greater Kansas City Critical Care Consortium Hospitals plan the entry level **Critical Care/Progressive Care Courses (CCC/PCC)**, attended by nurses with a minimum of 3 months experience in critical care or progressive care. There is no cost for attendees from hospitals that are part of the consortium. In return, the expectation is for each hospital to contribute resources towards the classes.

Many nurses from the consortium group of hospitals volunteer their time and resources to make this happen. In addition, the speakers are locally identified from within the consortium with no expectation of compensation for their preparation and presentation time. We would like to recognize the following individuals for making the 2011 CCC/PCC successful.

SPRING 2011 Planning Committee & Site Coordinators

Ashley Peacock (coordinator), Shalan Stroud (coordinator), Willa Carroll, Joey Barton, Vivian Porter, Sandra Merritt, Cheryl Buntz, Barb Flakus, Armida Torres, Polly McNeece

SPRING 2011 Speakers

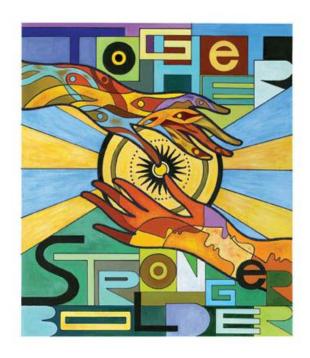
Juli Hogan (NKCH), JoAnn Jenkins (KCVA), Mary Benson (NKCH), Stephanie Lininger (SMMC), Cheryl Rader (Saint Luke's), Jim Waterman (KUH), Tammy Brown (SMMC), Kay Carpenter (SJMC), Karen Luken (SMMC), Polly McNeece (Research), April Kimball (NKCH), Jen McKenna (OMH), Maria Fox (KUH), Ben Wano (KUH), Jana Braklow (OMC), Craig Shipley (KUH), Mellissa Ott (MTN), Akiko Kubo (KUH), Amanda Gartner (KUH)

FALL 2011 Planning Committee & Site Coordinators

Ashley Peacock (coordinator), Shalan Stroud (coordinator), Barb Flakus (coordinator), Willa Carroll, Joey Barton, Vivian Porter, Shalan Stroud, Laura Barnes, Cassandra Showalter, Cheryl Edwards, Alisha Studer

FALL 2011 Speakers

Karna Stuchlik (SLELS), JoAnn Jenkins (KCVA), Mary Benson (NKCH), Stephanie Lininger (SMMC), Kristen Sollars (Saint Luke's), Cheryl Rader (Saint Luke's), Tammy Brown (SMMC), Kathleen Henderson (SJMC), Michael Ballinger (Saint Luke's), Polly McNeece & Cheryl Edwards (Research), April Kimball (NKCH), Jen McKenna (OMC), Susan Hanson (Saint Luke's), Dianne Studer (NKCH), Mellissa Ott (MTN), Jana Braklow (OMC), Jane Dunham (CTMC)



In addition, the Greater Kansas City AACN Chapter coordinates the **Certification Review Course for CCRN and PCCN** twice a year.

The Education Chair and Chair-Elects coordinate

The Education Chair and Chair-Elects coordinate this offering. Local expertise is utilized for speakers/presenters.

The fall review course was offered on November 14th and 21st and hosted by St. Joseph Medical Center. We had 32 participants. We would like to thank the following individuals for your time and effort.

Tammy Carroll, Education Chair
Caryl Goodyear-Bruch, Education Co-Chair Elect
Heather Nelson, Education Co-Chair Elect
JoAnn Jenkins, Site Coordinator for Day 1

NOVEMBER SPEAKERS

Maria Fox Marci Ebberts Kay Luft JoAnn Jenkins Jim Waterman Akiko Kubo Amanda Gartner





MEMBER APPRECIATION GATHERING!

Since "going local" in July 2011, we have had great appreciation for the 63 local members who have supported this transition to a Chapter With Walls. On December 1st, we hosted a networking and local member appreciation gathering. Each local member was also encouraged to bring a nurse colleague or two!



In the photos: Jessica Judy, Angie Foster, Kay Luft, Cheryl Rader, Janell Huskey, Sandra Merritt, Susan Lacey, Mary Stahl, Nancy Haynes, Akiko Kubo, Caryl Goodyear-Bruch, Devin Bowers, Sam Evans, Jenn McNiel, Ruth Kitchen.

Overall, we had almost 20 nurses join the festivities that included light appetizers and a cash bar. A visit from **Mary Stahl**, a local GKCC member and our AACN National President was a nice surprise.

Kay Luft introduced our "Show Me...We Care" Fundraising Campaign for Joplin, Missouri. **Angie Foster** led the drawing for 1-day free registration at the 2012 Visions Symposium. **Devin Bowers**, Children's Mercy PICU Nurse Manager, was our lucky winner! **Janell Huskey** from North Kansas City Hospital was the lucky recipient of the AACN President's Theme Ornament "Together, Stronger, Bolder". Congratulations, ladies!

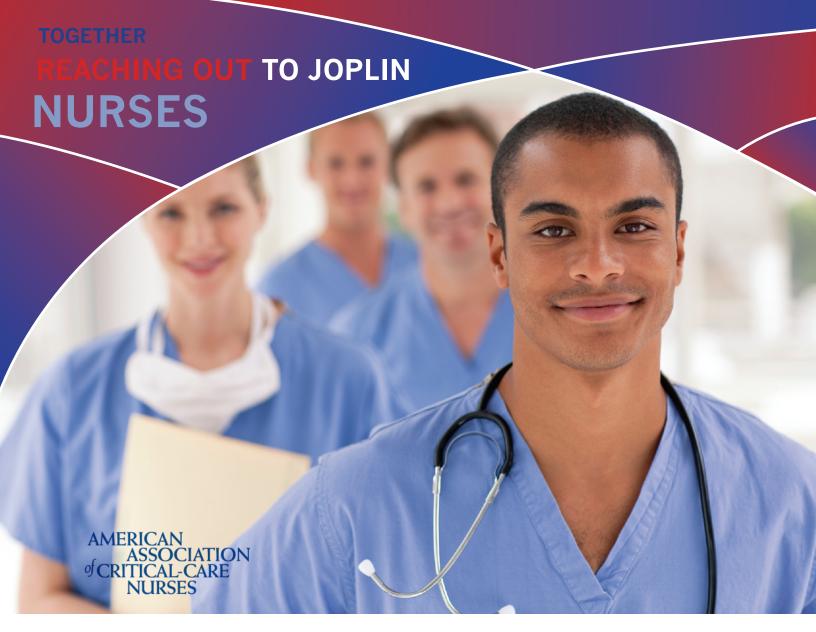
Thank you to each and every local and national member for supporting the Greater Kansas City Chapter. We wish you a Blessed Holiday Season. Stay safe, and we look forward to reaching out to you again in 2012!

MEET THE BOARD

President > Kay Luft
President Elect > Akiko Kubo
Secretary > Laura Sanders
Treasurer > Cheryl Rader
Treasurer Elect > Brad Strecker
Education Chair > Tammy Carroll

Communications Chair > Cheryl Buntz & Jessica Judy Communications Chair Elect > Jennifer McNiel Membership > Barb Meyers Scholarships > Nancy Haynes Historian > Angelia Foster





On May 22, 2011 Joplin, MO experienced an EF5 tornado that destroyed St. John's Hospital and devastated the entire community. Our thoughts go out to our fellow nurses who selflessly cared for those in need, despite their own personal experiences with the devastation.

In honor of those nurses who worked tirelessly and with great courage throughout the impact of the tornado and the days that followed, we ask you to join the Greater Kansas City Chapter of the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses in our efforts to send Joplin nurses to the 2012 AACN National Teaching Institute and Exposition.

Together. Stronger. Bolder.

Your donation will be combined with other donations from across the bi-state area, with the goal of matching the GKCC AACN \$5000 pledge.

To donate, please visit the AACN GKC Chapter website, click on the donate button below for secure pay through PayPal, or send your donations to the Chapter's mailing address.

All donations must be received by March 9, 2012.

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Presents

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Mechanical Ventilation: Basics and Beyond with Lynelle Pierce, MSN, RN, CCRN

Lynelle Pierce, MSN, RN, CCRN is a nationally known speaker and expert in critical care nursing. She has significant expertise in mechanical ventilation and weaning. Lynelle's book is in its second edition and is THE ventilation resource for the acute and critical Currently, she is a Critical Care CNS at University of Kansas Hospital.

Registration Form

Registration fees are as follows, and include course materials and refreshments.

Please make checks/money orders payable to GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER AACN.

CHECK ONE:

Chapter AACN MEMBER	\$25.00
Nat'l AACN MEMBER	\$30.00
Non-member	\$45.00
Nursing Student	\$10.00

Verification of Chapter and National AACN membership required if box checked.

NAME _____ ADDRESS:_____ CITY_____ ST____ ZIP_____E-MAIL____ LIC. #_____ ST____ AACN# EXP

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$

Complete the registration form above and mail with your payment to:

> Caryl Goodyear-Bruch 3024 Viking Court Independence, MO 64057

January 24, 2012 7:30 am - 12:15 pm St. Joseph Health Center Abell/Lorenz Room Kansas City, MO

This seminar is designed for the critical care and progressive care nurses working with patients receiving mechanical ventilation.

Shedule

07:30 Registration

07:50 Welcome and introduction

08:00 Mechanical ventilation

10:00 Break

10:20 Weaning

12:00 Closure and evaluations

12:15 Adjourn

Seats are guaranteed only for paid registrants. For questions or further information please call Caryl at 816.804.1642.

Registrations will be accepted at the door on a space-available basis. Cancellation requests received prior to 1/20/12 will receive a refund less a \$5.00 processing fee.

Registration may be transferred to another participant, please call for details. GKCAACN reserves the right to cancel the offering if there is inadequate registration.

2011-2012 Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN Scholarship Packet



Thank you for requesting a scholarship packet from the Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN. If you should have any questions please contact Nancy Haynes, Scholarship coordinator at 816-932-2235 or nhaynes@saint-lukes.org.

Enclosed you will find the application form, the scholarship due dates, additional criteria for The Julie Wooden Gates NTI scholarship, and the point system for scholarships.

Key points to remember:

- You may only apply for **one** scholarship during the July July board year.
- You may not apply for a scholarship if you've received **that** specific scholarship last year; however you may apply for a different one.
- The completed scholarship information, including the completed point section, must be received by the due date. Please send electronically to nhaynes@saint-lukes.org.
- The application must be complete, with all the required areas addressed.
- You may need to show proof for point application from the following:
 - o CEUs from programs
 - o Copy of National AACN membership
 - Copy of AACN certifications
 - o Copy of program if coordinator or presenter.

Nancy Haynes, RN, PhD, CCRN Scholarship Coordinator

Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN Scholarship Due Dates

July 1st, 2011 – June 30th, 2012



Scholarship	Date Due
Bobbie Leeper Scholarship (Greater Kansas City CCRN Review Course and Exam): Cost of the course and the exam for AACN members (Exam cost \$220). One awarded.	October 13, 2011
Visions – 2 day Spring Symposium Scholarship: • Cost for AACN members. • One awarded.	January 12, 2012
AACN Certification Exam Scholarship – CCRN, PCCN, CCNS, CMC, or CSC: Cost of the exam for AACN members). Two awarded.	February 9, 2012
AACN National Teaching Institute (NTI): • \$500 each • Multiple awarded	February 9, 2012
Julie Wooden Gates NTI Award: • See additional criteria • \$750 • One awarded	February 9, 2012
The Dr. Janet Pierce Evidence Based Practice / Research Scholarship Award: • \$250 • One awarded	April 12, 2012
Academic Completion Scholarship: • \$500 • One awarded	April 12, 2012

Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN Scholarship Application Form

Name:	Credentials:	
Address:	E-mail address:	
City:	AACN National #:	
State: Zip:	RN License #:	
Home Number: ()	Work Number: ()	
Scholarship applying for:	Institutional Affiliation:	
How long have you been an AACN	Date Submitted:	
Local/National member?		
Do you have other funding sources available	Have you applied or received scholarship funds	
to you?	from the Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN	
	before? When?	

Please address the following questions on a separate sheet and attach to this application.

- 1. Describe your <u>current</u> involvement, contributions and support to the Greater Kansas City Chapter of AACN.
- 2. List the ways you have contributed overall to the profession of critical care nursing.
- 3. Specifically, how do you plan to use the scholarship funds? (ie.) airfare, lodging, registration, books, etc.?
- 4. Describe how you plan to use the award to enhance <u>your</u> practice in critical care nursing.
- 5. Describe how you plan to use the funding from the award to enhance the practice of others.

Send completed form to: nhavnes@saint-lukes.org

Nancy Haynes, Scholarship Chairperson 2712 NW Cliffview, Lee's Summit, MO 64081

Scholarship winners will be chosen based upon application completeness, depth of thought put into each question, and award points. All awards require membership in National AACN. Supporting documentation of activities may be requested. Please retain a copy for your personal records. If you have questions regarding the application process, please feel free to contact Nancy Haynes at her work number (816) 932-2235.

Julie Wooden Gates NTI Award Criteria \$750.00

In addition to completing the Greater Kansas City Scholarship Application please note the additional criteria for this scholarship.

- ❖ Who should apply? A "seasoned" Critical Care Nurse that has not attended an NTI before.
- ❖ Please briefly answer the following two questions/issues:
 - 1) Describe a situation in which you were especially proud of what you do as a nurse
 - 2) Share one of your favorite anecdotes from your practice as a nurse

Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN Scholarship Points

Please note - points to be accrued within one year of scholarship application due date



Activities	Points Available	Points Awarded
		Activities section points to be completed by the individual requesting the Scholarship
Certification: CCRN/PCCN	10 points	
Attending "quarterly" educational	5 points per each	
programs	program	
Attending Visions	5 points	
Attending Certification Review Class	5 points	
Attending Critical Care Course	5 points	
Attending Progressive Care Course	5 points	
Attending Local Board Meetings	5 points per each meeting	
Serves on national AACN Workgroups	5 per each Workgroup	
Serves on Greater Kansas City Chapter AACN Board	15 points	
Serves on Educational Committee	5 points	
Serves on Visions Committee	5 points	
Serves as Hospital Representative	5 points	
Presenter at Chapter Educational	10 points per each	
Activities (Visions, Quarterly program, Certification review class, Critical Care	presentation	
Course, Progressive Care Course)		
Course Coordinator: CCC, PCC,	10 points per each	
Certification, Visions, Quarterly Program	presentation	
Written an article for the Newsletter	5 points	
Response to Questions		Completed by the Scholarship chair and/or designees.
Contributions to Critical Care Nursing	5, 3, or 0 points	
How would the award enhance your practice?	5, 3, or 0 points	
How would the award enhance the practice of others?	5, 3, or 0 points	

Join us in Orlando May 19-24, 2012

NTI is the premier clinical education conference and trade show for <u>ALL</u> nurses who care for acutely and critically ill patients.

NTI Registration fees

(same since 2006!)

Member \$420 Nonmember \$540

• • • After April 5 • • •

Member \$496 Nonmember \$616

Get up-to-date info

on registration, course offerings, housing and conference highlights at

www.aacn.org/nti

NTI conference brochure will be available in January 2012.





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