



EPAANN Footprints

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Letter from the President

EPAANN's First Annual Neonatal Conference "Neonatal Nursing.... A Labor of Love" was a great success!

A total of 76 nurses, physical therapists and physical therapy students attended. The speakers were outstanding!

The Conference Planning Committee worked very hard the past year in putting an excellent conference together and deserve congratulations for doing such a great job! A very special thank you goes out to Liz Smith, the conference planning chairperson, who worked tirelessly on this project. Great job Liz!

Another thank you is extended to all of our exhibitors for their time and financial support.

We want to be able to continue to offer nurses in El Paso and surrounding areas an affordable means of networking and learning about the art of neonatal nursing. We can do this with your continued support. Encourage your co-workers to join NANN and EPAANN. Annual dues and fundraising activities help to defray the costs of planning a conference and also keep down the cost of individual registration.

The March of Dimes Walk America is right around the corner on May 1. We

had a lot of fun participating last year and I hope to see you again this year!

- *Amalia Amezaga,*
President

Chapter Elections Held in September!

A motion to begin accepting nominations for the 2004 chapter officers was accepted at the July 8th meeting. New officers were elected and formally recognized during the October meeting and assumed chapter leadership in January 2004. They will serve a

two year term. Irene Jaquez will lend assistance and support to the newly elected group throughout the term as Immediate Past President.

Elected for the office of President is Amalia Amezaga. Mary Lou

McGee is Vice President. Rounding out the elections were Rosa De La Cruz for Secretary and once again, the tireless Deborah Denson for Treasurer.



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Next EPAANN Meeting:

Tuesday, April 13, 2004

Del Sol Medical Center at

7 PM, Classroom E, Second Floor

Education Calendar

April 13, 2004:

Angela Zamora, Associate Director of Program Services for the March of Dimes: "March of Dimes Programs for Mothers and Newborns"

(No CNE's available for this presentation)

July 13, 2004:

"Sucrose Use in Neonates: A Nonpharmaceutical Approach to Neonatal Pain Management"

Speaker TBA

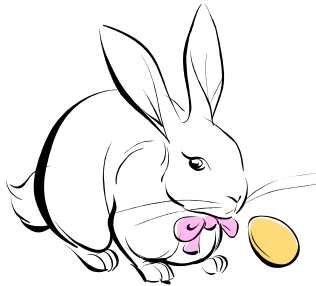
(CNE's will be provided)

October 12, 2004:

Sandra Gonzalez, NNP, Pediatric

"Necrotizing Enterocolitis: New Therapeutic Treatment Modalities"

(CNE's will be provided)



Our first Annual EPAANN Nursing Conference: "Neonatal Nursing... A Labor of Love" was a great success! The conference was held at the Radisson Suite In and we had 75 attendees. There were 16 Vendor booths that shared their product lines with us. The speaker topics such as hyperbilirubinemia,

kernicterus, neonatal pain, developmental, and legal issues regarding HIPAA and early discharge programs were very informative and enjoyed by all! A special thank you to all of my EPAANN conference planning committee members for all of their hard work in helping put together such a great conference.

— Liz Smith, RNC, MSN, CNS , Chairperson, Conference Planning Committee



Upcoming for 2005:

January 11, 2005:

"Cup feeding/spoon feeding in the NICU"

Speaker TBA

(CNE's will be provided)



Fill out the Educational Needs Survey below and return to Debbie Chasco at the next EPAANN meeting.

Educational Needs Assessment Survey

1) What presentations would you like to have EPAANN offer?

2) What local speakers would you like to have present at an EPAANN meeting?

3) What new programs are being implemented in your facility that you would like to share with others?

4) What educational needs do you feel would improve practice?

Support the March of Dimes!

The Annual **March of Dimes Walk America** for El Paso is scheduled for May 1, 2004, at Ascarate Park. Registration begins at 8:00 AM. There will be food and entertainment for everyone! This is a 6 1/2 mile walk inside the park.

Fund raising packets will be distributed at the April EPAANN meeting.

Please take a packet to your colleagues and encourage them to get out there and WALK for our babies!!!



Happy Nurses Week!

National Nurses Week

May 3– 7, 2004

Upcoming Membership Dues:

April dues:

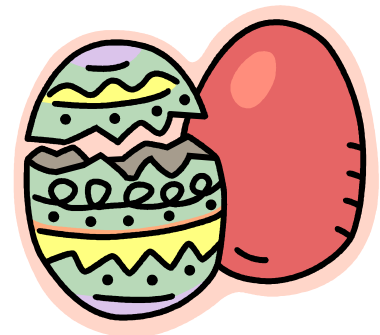
- Terry Moreland
- Liz Smith
- Alice Taylor
- Sonia Felix

May dues:

- Miriam Payne
- Eddie Romero
- Margaret Barnes

June Dues:

- Alberta Vasquez



Treasurer's Corner

The balance in the checkbook is growing by leaps and bounds. We are pleased with the revenues received from your first neonatal conference! We should be able to make this a yearly tradition.

First, lets talk about membership. We currently have 50 members that are up-to-date, or due this month, with their membership dues. We have gained a total of 10 members since September 2003, 9 new and 1 returning.

Our members are taking advantage of the \$10.00 savings and renewing for 2 years at a time. A total of 17 members have done so with their last renewal, while 11 renewed at the yearly rate of \$20.00.

We have been working hard, as a chapter, to raise revenue.

We grossed a total of \$1596.10 in Raffle Ticket sales. Congratulations to Annette Kost, one of our own, for winning the year supply of ice cream and milk from Price's Dairy. We also did our best to sell a TON of chocolate candy. To date, we have made \$968.00 in profit, just \$32.00 shy of our goal. Way to go, y'all!

The March 5th conference was a GREAT success! We had a total of 76 attendees. We still have to tie up some loose ends; however, we estimate that we made about \$4800.00 profit on the conference.

- Deborah Denson, Treasurer

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