

The Practitioner

The Nurse Practitioner Association of
New York State – Syracuse Chapter

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

During the holiday season, let us pause and reflect upon that which we have to be thankful. In addition to our health and our family and friends, we should give thanks for our profession. Although there is still much work to be done, nurse practitioners have made great strides, thanks to the work of many people statewide and nationally. Thanks to all who commit their time and energy to furthering our profession.

This holiday season, we will be collecting monetary donations for Vincent House. The Vincent House Project is one of Catholic Charities' Neighborhood Centers. These centers provide a variety of human services for at-risk children and adults within the Syracuse community. Programs are designed to help alleviate the stress associated with individual and family crisis through personal growth and self-sufficiency. An array of recreational and youth development activities encourage and nurture each individual's skills and potential in a supportive and trusting environment. Please bring your contribution to the December dinner meeting. Our chapter will match whatever our members contribute up to \$250. Please be generous to this organization that does so much for our community and often goes unrecognized.

Our November meeting was very well attended. Many thanks go to Dr. James Fagin who had an excellent presentation on the allergic respiratory diseases that most of us in primary care see extensively.

I want to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Through the hustle and bustle of the season, take time to rejuvenate yourself and focus on that, which is important to each of you.

*Respectfully submitted,
JoAnn Romanzi Herne
Chapter President*

Welcomes Members and Non-Members To the December 11, 2007 Meeting

Sign in @ 5:30 pm
(Members \$5, non-members \$10, students n/c)
Speaker & dinner @ 6:00 pm
Meeting @ 7:00 pm

“Heart Failure Guidelines”

Presenter

Dana Zabarowski, NP

Sponsor

Medtronic

Location

The Genesee Grande
1060 E. Genesee Street
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RSVP by Friday, December 7, 2007

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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES November 13, 2007

JoAnn Herne called the meeting to order at 7:45pm.

- I. **Review and approval of 10/9/07 minutes.**
- II. **President's Report**—JoAnn Herne
 - a. Message Map—JoAnn will put synopsis in newsletter

- b. COPD Conference—May 9th and 10th, 2008--at the Sagamore

III. **Treasurer's Report**—Lisa Cico

- a. Checking Account Balance—\$18,234.91, minus \$960 (check written tonight to Webmaster).
- b. Savings Account Balance—\$9,956.59

IV. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Conference**—Nancy Mitchell—May 30th at the Sheraton—planning committee meets 3rd Tuesday of every month at University's Breast Cancer conference room.
- b. **Membership**—Catherine Tomaiuoli—currently 183 members, new members names announced.
- c. **Nominating**—Catherine Tomaiuoli—ballots are out; email Cat or Dorothy Morse if you have not received them. Winners will be announced next month.
- d. **Special Events**—Deb Body—6/14/08 Golf Tournament, Janet Lottermoser to take over this in the next year or two. Gift certificate given to Deb for her significant contribution to our chapter. She thanks the chapter. State has paid for our tickets (\$3 each) for those NP's who staff the booth. Tote bags from our state conference will be given to those NP's as well. We would like the NPANYS to handle the paperwork for the fair. Deb is negotiating for the correct size booth.
- e. **By-laws**—no report. If someone is interested in helping, please let Margie Wade or JoAnn Herne know.
- f. **Historian**—Helen O'Neill—JoAnn will get pictures and articles to Helen.
- g. **Legislative**—next year will be legislative dinner. If interested in helping on this committee, let Sherri Loucks or JoAnn know.
- h. **Job Box**—VA looking for per diem NP in compensation and pension. If interested, contact Diane. Hutchings looking for psychiatric NP's.

V. **Old Business**

- a. IRS/Tax situation—Lisa meeting with Dan Gallagher. She found paperwork that acknowledges us as a non-profit

organization, and they will also work on our tax report end of December.

- b. **January elections**—ballots due back 11/30/07.
- c. **Website development**—completed—check it out!
- d. **Compensation for board members**—officers will have ½ of state dues paid (\$100), as will Special Events chair. Other committee chairs will have ¼ of state dues paid (\$50). Will need to attend board meetings.

VI. New Business—

- a. Christmas Giving—will give to Vincent House (of Catholic Charities, for pre-school and school age children)—they need money, rather than working off a wish list. Can write a check to Vincent House and give to JoAnn.

JoAnn Herne adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Meryl Lefkowitz, NP

JOB BOX

No submissions

UPCOMING ANNOUNCEMENTS

No submissions

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