

The Practitioner

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

There was an excellent turn out for the first meeting of the season. It is always nice to catch up with old friends. Many nurse practitioners comment on how isolated they feel in the work place. They may be the only NP in their practice setting. The monthly meeting is a perfect venue to reconnect with their peers and to keep updated on what's happening with the profession.

The State Fair was a great success this year. Thank you to Chris Atkins for her help with organization and for her many hours of volunteering. The booth keeps getting better every year. The Syracuse Chapter had a strong presence and each NP who volunteered was appreciated. The fair seems to be our most effective public relations effort in our area.

It is time to register for the Annual State Conference which will be held in Saratoga Springs this year.

We hope to see you at the October meeting and Happy Autumn!

“Live in each season as it passes: breathe the air, drink the drink, taste the fruit.”

Henry David Thoreau

Dr. Margaret Wade DNP FNP
President-NPA NYS, Syracuse Chapter

The Nurse Practitioner Association of
New York State – Syracuse Chapter

Welcomes

Members and Non-Members
(Must be an NP or PA to attend)

To the

Tuesday, October 11, 2011
Meeting

Sign in @ 5:30 pm

(Members \$5, non-members \$15, Nurse Practitioner/PA Students -n/c)

Speaker & dinner @ 6:00 pm

Meeting @ 7:00 pm

TOPIC

**PRADAXA: EFFICACY, DOSING AND
ADMINISTRATION**

PRESENTER

CHARLES PERLA, M.D.

Sponsor

**BOEHRINGER-INGELHEIM
PHARMACEUTICALS**

Location

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MONTHLY DINNER MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

Minutes: Approved with no changes

Treasurers Report Dorothy Champney: Checking \$ 1,696.40, Savings \$ 11,032.17. It was discussed that our overall funds are less than previous years and is declining annually. Reasons

include increased money to the state for the Legacy Fund, decreased income for our teaching day, increased cost for golf tournament, decreased money from state for members dues, etc.

Of great interest our issue with the IRS has been resolved, which we are all very pleased.

Presidents Report Margie Wade: The leadership meeting reinforced that we have one mission, one organization, the new leadership team is strong and very supportive and will work well for us, and we need to continue to grow our membership, even if people are too busy to be on a committee they are contributing to our mission by becoming a member and paying dues.

President Elect by Ann Roman and Cheryl Luttinger: Due to unfortunate circumstances, the rep sponsoring next month's meeting was laid off and we are looking for a new sponsor. We will inform the board as soon as we have confirmation. Which raises the issue about the general meeting if we fail to have a sponsor we will hold the monthly meeting in a venue less costly for members to purchase their own meal.

Secretary Report Ann Roman: No issues

Conference Committee Maureen O'Hara: Thank you to the team who organized a very successful teaching day. October 18th at 5 pm at the Breast Care Center at UHCC will be the first planning session for next year's meeting. All are encouraged to join.

Membership Meryl Lefkowitz: Meryl is getting up to speed, initially had difficulty getting in to see changes but now has access and will give a full report next month. Letters are being sent to members to renew. Congratulations to Christine for passing her boards today.

Bylaws, Cathy O'Hara: No issues to report

Nominating Amy Scullion: Positions to be nominated for are Secretary, president elect and student representative

Website Dorothy Champney: We posed to the participants if anyone was interested in taking over, we would prefer it was a chapter member as opposed to paying an outside source.

Historian Helen O'Neill: Absent but placed request for photos from the teaching day and golf tournament, articles published or stories about us that have been published.

Special events Jan Lottermoser: No updates. Deb Pflugh reports that the golf tournament was a great success, the most money we have raised to date, regrettably she will be stepping down as chair due to the lack of participation from the general membership which is a great disappointment, but due to the demands of the position more help is needed.

Job Box Nancy Parsons: The web site is being kept up to date. There are several positions available at this time, briefly at Hem/Onc, NY Spine and wellness, Oneida HCC, Syracuse Community Health Center, and St. Josephs Hospital.

Precepting Cheryl Luttinger: There is a great need for primary care and family providers. Out of the 30 emails sent only 10 responded and most were specialty care. Additionally Cheryl will be stepping down from this position at the close of this year and a replacement is needed. Please send request to Cheryl at Cherlut@verizon.net.

Legislative Jane Monnell: Last meeting very successful, Death Certificate bill passed and will be enacted in January 2012, we are hopeful of the governors support, many states have moved forward with eliminating the collaborative agreement we hope to follow

Student Reps: This vacancy must be filled

Regional Report Chris Atkins: Absent

Old Business: We want to thank Lynn and Robin for being our student representatives and wish them well in their practices.

The state fair was a huge success this year, and the booth looked great

New Business: The executive board will be putting together a Pride of New York gift basket for the annual silent auction at the conference next month

Our web site: will ask the general membership if anyone is willing to take over.

Next month's board meeting will be at UHCC Breast Care Program at 5:30 pm

Motion to close the meeting by Cheryl Luttinger and Meryl Lefkowicz.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Roman

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