



Dear AORN members,

HAPPY NURSE'S WEEK!!

It seems like we've been away for such a long time. So many events have occurred since our last meeting. On March 23rd, the majority of the San Antonio AORN 4409 delegates arrived in New Orleans. The classes were informative and fellow OR nurses from other parts of the state and country were friendly and generous with sharing their techniques and methods. I look forward to sharing the information with my colleagues in our AORN chapter and at my hospital. A few weeks after the Expo, we met on April 9th at Pappasitos for our Spring Mixer. We celebrated our recent CNORs and sold our first batch of Fiesta Medals. We thank our sponsor Christina Huff with Acelity for a generous evening of food, drink and camaraderie. On April 29th, we met at the Bridge on the corner of 9th and Austin to feed the homeless. At Tom Stringer's suggestion, hot dogs were the selected meal. The homeless were served by AORN members Criselda Sanders and her husband and her mom, Susan Kanwischer and her husband, Herb Laing, Tom Stringer, Lori Minor, Vanessa Lewis, Ellen Ott, Jackie Kennedy and her children, Diane Leclair, Ruben Barrios and myself. As you are already aware, we have traditionally scheduled the "feed the homeless" event on the 5th Sunday in months with five Sundays. However, since we are off during the summer, it may be difficult to try to get the members together for July. Therefore, the next available 5th Sunday of the month is September 30th. Please put this date on your calendars. As you can see, we had a gathering of not just AORN members but their families as well. Good job AORN # 4409.

We have so many things to do and decisions to make and only have a month to do it. The Willingness Forms were sent out or made available to each member at the last 2 meetings. We still have openings, the Secretary, 3 Board of Directors and a President Elect. Remember, we are here as past officers to help you succeed in your professional growth in AORN and in your work area. Our AORN chapter needs you. Please consider running for an office.

We have a budget set for 2018-2019. It'll be the first time our organization will follow a pre-determined budget.

We gave the AORN Foundation \$500 in March at the Expo. The Gift Card donation brought in \$500.

Speaker for Monday May 14, 2018 is:
Donna Houchen, Clinical Account Manager
Hologic Inc. Novasure, Myosure, Aquilex
Dinner Sponsor: YES
Topic: TBD