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Hello fellow wesTpan members!

I cannot believe spring is almost over! I hope you have all been able to get out and around a little more this year! You all deserve a break from the hard work you've done for the past year.

We are working on a submission for the Blue Bonnet Award and the Outstanding Region Award this year. This is a great opportunity for you creative folks out there to help put together a power point of the region activities! Jessica has done an excellent job in the past and could use some fresh eyes for the project this year.

Remember, we have the Member Spotlight being added to each newsletter. If you, or someone you know, would like to be mentioned in the Spotlight please send us a picture and a short bio, and we will include it in the next newsletter. We have some other great things planned for our region this year. We are still working on the details of some of it, so stay tuned...

This spring, ASPAN held its 40th Annual Conference virtually in April. There was a lot of good information and lots of CEUs to be earned. It went very well as a virtual conference, but I am hoping next year, it will be in person! I would recommend attending the conference next year!

Would you like to organize something with the other PeriAnesthesia nurses in your area to benefit your community or organization? If you would like to get something started, but are not sure what to do, please let us know. We will help you with ideas or answer any questions you may have.

Again, if you have any ideas for activities or educational opportunities for our region, submit them. If you are interested in becoming more engaged in our regional activities, please contact us. We would love to have suggestions and any help from you. Also, if you have any articles you would like to write or

student papaers for the newsletter regarding perianesthesia nursing, please feel free to do so.

Please go to the ASPAN website at <u>http://www.aspan.org</u>, the TAPAN website at <u>https://www.tapan.org</u>, and the wesTpan website at <u>http://tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com</u> for information about our organization. You can

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also get ideas about ways to get more engaged and involved. Any time you can give will be greatly appreciated! Your efforts are awarded through scholarships available at the region, state, and national levels. Check it out of contact leadership for more information.

Thank you for all you do!! Make sure to spend some time with family and friends this summer!

Sincerely,



Trina Mora, MSN, RN, CAPA, CPAN January 1 – December 31, 2021

Invite your colleagues to join ASPAN today! To thank you for your recruitment work, a **variety of awards** are available for members who participate.

You can obtain promotional materials and membership applications by contacting ASPAN's National Office toll free at 877-737-9696 or emailing: <u>dhanisch@aspan.org</u>. Request as many copies as you like, and be sure to place your name as the recruiting member on each application you distribute.

Campaign Awards

- Five names (one from each Region) are randomly drawn each quarter. Winners receive an award of their choice from <u>Tier One.</u>
- Recruit 4-9 new ASPAN members in 2021 and receive an award of your choice from <u>Tier One</u>.
- Recruit 10 or more new ASPAN members in 2021, and receive an award of your choice from <u>Tier</u> <u>Two</u>.
- The Recruiter of the Year, the individual who recruits the most members during 2021 will win one free year of ASPAN membership (*non-transferable*), one free 5-day registration to the 2022 ASPAN National Conference (*non-transferable*), and a commemorative plaque.

(image and text direct from <u>https://www.aspan.org/Members/Member-Get-A-Member-Campaign</u> accessed 3/14/2021)

Congratulations!!

Jessica Herrera has achieved her CAPA certification. She now holds both CAPA and CPAN status. Way to go Jessica!! If you are considering testing, she would be a great resource for information on how to obtain your cerftification!



Component Development Institute: In Person and Virtual!

Kansas City, Missouri -November 13, 2021

Let's gather again for a fun-filled weekend of learning and net-working with your colleagues! Meet with ASPAN and component leaders. Discover new skills and be part of bringing Perianesthesia Nurses Togeth-er – The Importance of Human Con-nection, Power of Community! Online registration will open on ASPAN's web-site by late summer. Stay tuned!

Visit www.aspan.org

for more information and registration (Breathline 2021.Vol 41 (3) pg 3)

<u>\$\$ wesTpan quarterly</u> <u>Financial Report</u>

Report as of April 6^{th} , 2021

INCOME (including dues, fundraising, donations, etc): \$271.26

EXPENSES (reimbursements, meeting expenses): \$ 258.00

BALANCE: \$3197.64

wesTpan Region Officers

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Save the date ... 2021!

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<u>Willingness to Serve</u> TAPAN and wesTpan websites are *always* ready To take Willingness to Serve forms! Show how much you care for your patients and your profession By filling out a form found on the websites under the "forms" tab

August 15th

Fall 2021 Newsletter submission deadline Submit events, pictures, congratulations, and even jokes to admin@tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com

July 1st- September 15th <u>ABPANC Fall Exam Registration Open</u>

Check out the website at: <u>www.cpancapa.org</u> Be sure to review the new rules for testing and recertification.

September 15th- November 15th <u>Fall CAPA CPAN exam dates</u> Visit the ABPANC website at: www.cpancapa.org

September 25th, 2021 <u>TAPANs 45th Annual State Conference</u> Expected to be a virtual event- visit website for updates Visit <u>www.TAPAN.org</u>

November 13th, 2021 <u>Component Develpoment Institute: In Person and Virtual</u> Visit website for updates Visit <u>www.aspan.org</u>

<u>Anytime, Anyday</u> Visit ASPAN.org to see a list Of webinars and on-demand modules available anytime



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Contributions to *What's TAPANing* are encouraged. All articles and comments relevant to Perianesthesia care must be double spaced and typed. The author is responsible for providing appropriate references for accuracy and reliability of information.

Submission Deadlines:

Feb 15th - Spring newsletter May 15th - Summer newsletter August 15th - Fall Newsletter November 15th - Winter newsletter

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Member Meeting

Mark your calendar for date and time. It is always great to hear from members, let your voice be heard! Instructions will arrive via email prior to the meeting. You are already a member, join the meeting! Duration expected is less than 1 hour.



Sunday, August 15th at 3 PM (CST) Zoom meeting

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