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What's TAPANing

The Official Newsletter of the West Texas and Panhandle Region

Hello fellow wesTpan members! Happy Fall wesTpan Members!

I can't believe it is already fall and school has started! Seems like summer went by way too fast! I hope all of you and your loved ones have been staying well throughout the continuing pandemic.

Don't forget to check out our Member Spotlight. 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. Everyone deserves their time in the spotlight for the work they do!

We continue to look for additional liaisons from other parts of our region, so if you are interested, please contact us. Liaisons are needed for every area in the wesTpan region. We would love to have suggestions and any help that you can give.

Please keep in mind that the TAPAN State Conference will be virtual on September 25th. Details to follow. Hope you can attend!

Are you interested in organizing an event with the other PeriAnesthesia nurses in your area to benefit your community or organization? If you have any ideas for activities or educational opportunities, please send an email to admin@tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com. 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.

Please go to the ASPAN website at <http://www.aspan.org>, the TAPAN website at <https://www.tapan.org>, and the wesTpan website at <http://tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com> for information about our organization. You can also get ideas about ways to be more engaged and involved. Any time you can give will be greatly appreciated!

Thank you for all you do every day for your family, friends, coworkers and communities! I hope you and your loved ones stay healthy and safe. 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

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Join the

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group on Facebook!

Pictures, comments,
events are posted regularly!

Member



Member CAMPAIGN

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: dhanisch@aspan.org. Request as many copies as you like, and be sure to place your name as the recruiting member on each application you distribute.

ATTENTION!!!

There is now a special additional award for recruiting a new member during the period of September 1st through December 31st 2021!

Go to <https://www.aspan.org/members/Member-Get-A-Member-Campaign> to get information and claim your rewards!!

Campaign Awards

- Five names (one from each Region) are randomly drawn each quarter. Winners receive an award of their choice from **Tier One**.
- **Recruit 4-9 new ASPAN members in 2021** and receive an award of your choice from **Tier One**.
- **Recruit 10 or more new ASPAN members in 2021**, and receive an award of your choice from **Tier Two**.
- **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 <https://www.aspan.org/Members/Member-Get-A-Member-Campaign> accessed 3/14/2021)

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 Together – The Importance of Human Connection, 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

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Scholarship Opportunities!!

Check *THIS* out!! There are many scholarship opportunities available to you as an ASPAN member! Don't miss out! Start planning now to submit your information for these important member benefits.



ASPAN Scholarship/Award Program includes money for BSN, MSN, and PhD tuition, ASPAN National Conference, CPAN or CAPA Certification, Humanitarian Missions, and even the Nurse in Washington Internship. Applications and information will be available at ASPAN.org this coming February. Research grants are also available for many types of research projects. This is free money for you to use as a member of ASPAN.

There are also opportunities through the state level. The Texas component membership provides scholarships for advanced degree education and continuing education, grants for Medical Mission trips, and research. Information for these awards can be found at TAPAN.org. Part of the dues you pay every year for membership goes toward providing money to help nurses like you learn and teach from home, at school, and abroad.

The region can help as well. West Texas and Panhandle region offers scholarships as well. The information and application is available at our website. Please email admin@tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com with any questions about any of the opportunities listed above.

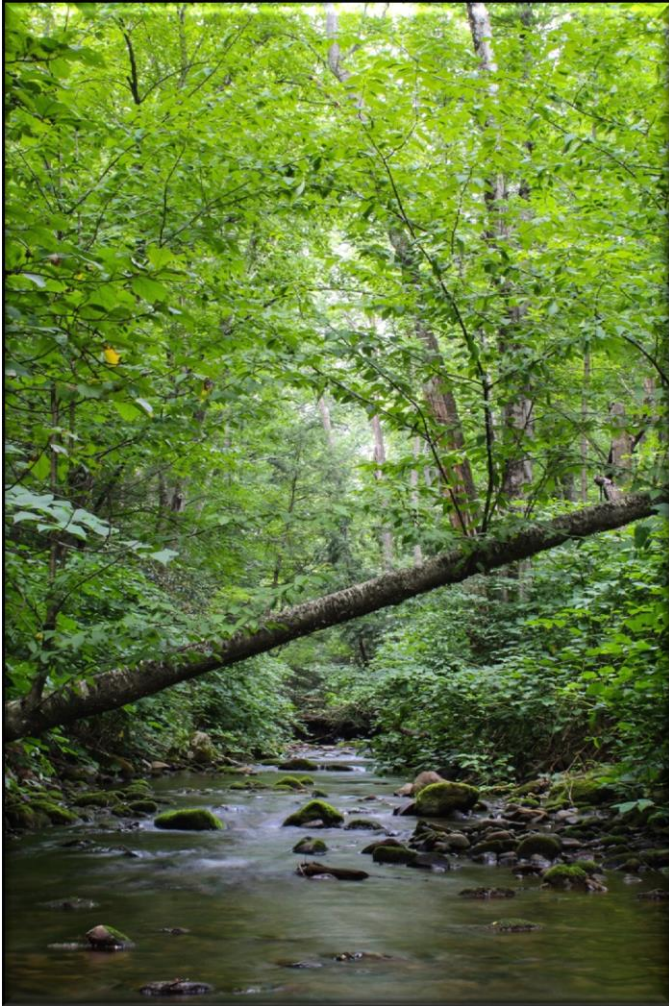
Last, but not least, ABPANC offers scholarships for those of you looking to get certified as CPAN and /or CAPA. Visit their website for requirement and application information. What have you got to lose? There is plenty of financial help out there for you, take advantage of it.



TAPAN's 45th Annual State Conference September 25th, 2021

This event is planned to be a virtual event. Details are still being worked out as of this printing. Keep your eye out for emails and updates on the TAPAN website. The state conference is always stuffed with great, valuable information that you can put into practice immediately as well as an awesome review to brush up of things you already do every day. All this is available to you for the comfort and safety of your home or office. Hope you will attend!

Take a moment....



(Photo courtesy William Tollett)

The world may not stop for you when you need it
But you have the power to take a moment
A moment that makes a difference
A difference for your patients
For your spouse
For your parents
For your children
For your pets
For all that is important to you
For yourself
For your sanity
Take a moment that makes a difference

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Save the date...2021!

24/7/365

Willingness to Serve

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

July 1st - September 15th

ABPANC Fall Exam Registration Open

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

September 15th - November 15th

Fall CAPA CPAN exam dates

Visit the ABPANC website at: www.cpancapa.org

September 25th, 2021

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Visit www.TAPAN.org

November 13th, 2021

Component Development Institute: In Person and Virtual

Visit website for updates

Visit www.aspan.org

November 15th

Fall 2021 Newsletter submission deadline

Submit events, pictures, congratulations, and even jokes
to admin@tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com

Anytime, Anyday

Visit ASPAN.org to see a list

Of webinars and on-demand modules available anytime



Hendrick Medical Center:

Summer donation drive for Noah Project in Abilene. Noah Project's mission is **Empowering victims to become survivors, and working to end domestic violence and sexual assault.** Many people in Surgical Services at Hendrick donated items to help these people who often leave a dangerous situation with very little to call their own. The pictures below show some of the

people at Hendrick with some of the donations provided.



In this picture are: Patricia Campbell, Alexis Hansen, Kat

Tollett, Barbette Labaro, and Nya Musa (TTUHSC nursing student).

Many diapers were given to Noah Project as many people they help are infants and children. Pictured at right are: Dawn Royalty and Joe



Hubbard.

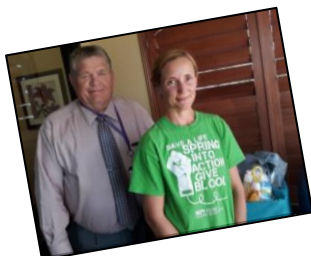
To left are Elaine Dement and Regina Raitt. And to the right are ASPAN members Linda Jacques and Vicky Lessing.

Below: Don Cox, Noah Project



Executive Director, accepting donations

brought by Kat Tollett. Each expresses appreciation for the other's work in helping people. And a huge thanks to all who gave their time and gifts to this cause!



Editor's Note:

What's TAPANing is the official Newsletter of West Texas-Panhandle Region.

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

Photos are property of the editor unless otherwise noted. Send comments, suggestions, and/or submissions (including individual achievements!) to admin@tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com



*****Share the news from your area! Send your top sTar-bits to be included in ***
What's TAPANing to admin@tapan-westtexas-panhandle.com**

Member Meeting

Mark your calendar for date and time.

It is always great to hear from members, let your voice be heard!

Instructions and agenda will arrive via email prior to the meeting.

You are already a member, join the meeting!

Duration expected is less than 1 hour.



Sunday,
September 19th at
3 PM (CST)
Zoom meeting

NOTE NEW DATE!



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