

What's TAPANing

The Official Newsletter of the West Texas and Panhandle Region

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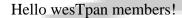
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Information and Editor's note

Join the
wesTpan Region
group on Facebook!
Pictures, comments,

events are posted regularly!





I hope you have had a great Spring this year. Summer is finally here and hopefully it won't get too hot! With the social distancing going on, hopefully we can all still enjoy the summer!

If you have any activities to benefit the community during the COVID-19 crisis, be sure to take pictures and send them to us. We will include those in the next newsletter.

If you are interested in organizing an event with the other PeriAnesthesia nurses in your area to benefit your community or organization, please let us know. If you would like to get something started, but are not sure what to do, we will help you with ideas or answer any questions you may have. Also, if you have an article you would like to write for the newsletter regarding PeriAnesthesia nursing, please feel free to do so.

Unfortunately, the ASPAN National Conference in Denver, Colorado this year was cancelled due to COVID-19. Please go to the ASPAN website for registration information for webinars regarding the sessions missed at the national conference. 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 find ideas about ways to get more engaged and involved. Any time you can give will be greatly appreciated!

We will be conducting a general membership meeting sometime soon. We are waiting for the COVID-19 crisis to slow down first. We will send an email and place a post on Facebook when the date, time and place is finalized.

Thank you for everything you do every day for your family, friends, coworkers and communities! I hope you have a great summer and can stay safe and

healthy.

Sincerely,



ASPAN Member-Get-A-Member Campaign

It's not too late to participate in the ASPAN Member-Get-A-Member Campaign, which runs from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. Invite your colleagues to join ASPAN today! To thank you for your recruitment efforts, there are a variety of rewards:

- Tier One (Recruit 4 9 members) \$25 Amazon Gift card, ASPAN Member Pin, or ASPAN Team T-Shirt
- Tier Two (Recruit 10 or more members) \$50 Amazon Gift card, ASPAN Zip Pullover, or ASPAN 2019-2020 Standards
- Tier Three Recruiter of the Year (Recruits the most members for the calendar year) Complimentary basic registration to the next ASPAN National Conference, complimentary 1-year ASPAN membership, and a commemorative plaque to be presented at National Conference.

You can obtain promotional materials and membership applications by contacting Doug Hanisch at the ASPAN National Office toll free at 877-737-9696, extension 215 or email dhanisch@aspan.org. Request as many copies as you like and make sure to put your name as the recruiting member on each application you distribute.

(article from Breathline vol.39 issue 36 November/December 2019 p.3)

\$\$ wesTpan Financial Report \$\$

Report as of February 2020

INCOME (including dues, fundraising, donations, etc): \$135.63

EXPENSES (reimbursements, meeting expenses): \$ 118

BALANCE: \$2093

Congratulations goes to...

From Felicia Selman MSN, RN, CAPA and TAPAN President:

"It is with great honor and pride to share with you two winners of the **ASPAN 2020 ABOVE & BEYOND RECOGNITION**. Linda Allyn, BSN RN CPAN CAPA (Hill Country and South Texas Region) and Jessica Herrera, BSN RN CPAN (West Texas-Panhandle Region).

Linda has served in multiple leadership roles in TAPAN including President (2015-2017) and Immediate Past President (2017-2019). Linda is the Coordinator for ASPAN Credentials SWT.

Jessica is the Vice President/President Elect for West Texas-Panhandle Region and one of the dedicated leaders that is moving West T Panhandle forward. Jessica has attended several ASPAN Leadership/Component Development Institute, she has volunteered her time at ASPAN National Conferences in the role of hostess.

Also, lets congratulate Susan Norris, BScN RN CAPA, (UGCR) ASPAN Regional Director, Region Two, was reelected for another two year term as Regional Director. "

Great work Jessica!! This is a prestigious award from ASPAN!

The ASPAN Above & Beyond Service Recognition Awards are given to individuals in recognition of exemplary service to ASPAN and/or their component. Recipients of this honor/award demonstrate an attitude of excellence, teamwork, and go "Above and Beyond" the expectations of their job/duties. (ASPAN.org accessed 5/25/2020)

We are so proud of all you do for our region and for the state and for all perianesthesia nurses! Keep up the good work!



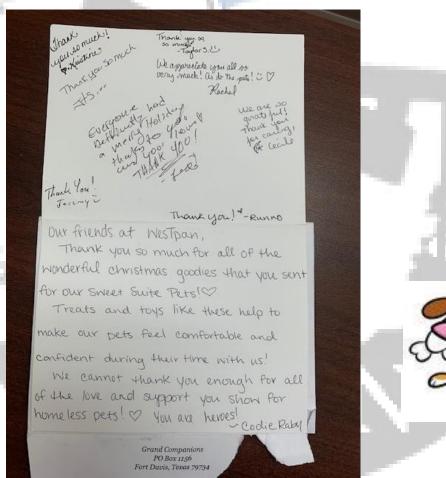


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Midland Memorial Hospital:

Midland Memoral Hospital perianesthesia staff hold a donation drive every December to gather supplies for animals at a local shelter. This is the thank you note from Grand Companions for the Paws for a Cause donation drive held in December 2019. Doing good for the community, including the furry community!







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

Save the date...2020!

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

January 1st- March 15th

ABPANC Spring Exam Registration Open

Check out the website. Be sure to review the new rules for testing and recertification. ABPANC has made changes which took effect in July 2018.

March 15th- May 15th Spring CAPA CPAN exam dates

For more information, visit the ABPANC website at: www.cpancapa.org

August 15th

Fall 2020 Newsletter submission deadline

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

July 1st- September 15th

ABPANC Fall Exam Registration Open

Check out the website. Be sure to review the new rules for testing and recertification.

September 15th- November 15th Fall CAPA <u>CPAN exam dates</u>

Visit the ABPANC website at: www.cpancapa.org

October 9-11, 2020

TAPAN's 44th Annual State Conference

In San Antonio, TX

Visit www.tapan.org for updates

April 25-29, 2021

2021 ASPAN National Conference

In Orlando, Florida

Visit www.aspan.org for updates

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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

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