

JANUARY PROGRESS NOTES

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Special points of interest

- Key Invites you to meet your Congressman. Contact him and help make a difference.
- New Year brings new changes.
- Cardinal Health provides dinner and music at the Holiday gathering.
- Check out the calendar with January's Events!

President's Message

Dear AORN Colleagues,
Happy New Year to all of you!!! I hope that 2007 brings you and yours the desires of your hearts.

Cardinal Health rose to the occasion one more time by providing the AORN of Central Ohio with a fabulous Christmas celebration of good food, music entertainment and educational offering. I would like to thank everyone who made our December meeting a success. Our silent auction was so much fun. You can feel the spirit of giving from the donors and the gratitude of the recipients in the air. Our guest from the Indianapolis chapter was impressed.

You should be proud of the members of your Board of Directors. Even through the busy Holiday Seasons, they are hard at work bringing our chap-



ter's projects and objectives into fruition. Your delegation to the 54th Annual AORN Congress is complete with a total of eight (8) delegates and two (2) alternates. Thanks to the successful fund-raising and stable management, we are financially stable to partially support all of our delegates.

The application I received for the CNOR/RNFA scholarship is encouraging. Remember, our chapter offers two (2) \$100.00 scholarships every year. It is not yet too late to apply. It is also not too early to put

your name in the Willingness - to - Serve form for the next slate of officers for the 2007-2008 term and the different committees.

Let us dress in ready **red** for the New Look for the New Year as the theme of our January 8th meeting. Dr. Wesley Harnish is our "for your eyes only" expert.

There are more new and exciting topics in-store for you in the next monthly meetings. I encourage all of you to come and join in the fun. Bring a friend or colleague with you. There is power in numbers. Remember the \$5 fee for non-members is now waived! See you all soon.

Sincerely,
Cecilia Garrabrant, RN,
CNOR

Happy New Year—2007
Get ready for another exciting year with the
Central Ohio AORN Chapter!

Kay's Legislative Corner Kay Ball, RN, MSA, CNOR, FAAN

Get Politically Involved Today

The November elections are over, new and incumbent legislators are getting settled in, and now it's time once again to let our nursing voices be heard. Nursing is the number one trusted profession and our elected officials want to hear our thoughts and (hopefully) support our issues. It's time to connect. Write to your Congressman and U.S. Senator, write to your State Representative and State Senator. They are thrilled when they hear from us. I'd like to highlight one of our Central Ohio legislators in this message as I work closely with him as a Legislative Liaison for the Ohio Nurses Association.

Congressman Pat Tiberi: Republican, 12th district (this is his 4th term). In this 110th Congress that began in January, Congressman Tiberi is planning to work closely with his Republican

colleagues and the Democrats who now are the majority in the U. S. House. He also is hoping to be assigned to the Ways and Means Committee that reviews potential healthcare legislation including Medicare issues. If so, he will convene a health committee of community members to discuss solutions to today's healthcare concerns. His previous work has not gone unnoticed. Tiberi was termed as "an able and diligent lawmaker" by the publication *Politics in*



We look forward to working closely with Congressman Tiberi in support of patient safety issues and nursing concerns.

America 2006 as he has an impressive list of accomplishments as he represents areas of central Ohio.

Congressman Tiberi was born and raised in Columbus and is the son of immigrant parents who came from Italy. He graduated from Northland High School and then Ohio State University where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Journalism and also was a member of the OSU Marching Band. In 2005, he received an honorary Ph.D. in Humanities from Capital University in 2005. He worked for 8 years as an assistant to Congressman John Kasich. Congressman Tiberi and his wife Denise are the proud parents of 3-year old daughter Angelina.

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Thank You

We owe Cardinal Health a big Thank You for providing us with an excellent dinner and superb entertainment during our holiday meeting in December at Cardinal Health HQ. Music was performed by Lone Raven which was "an eclectic blend of Celtic, World, and Original music." Dinner, soft drinks, dessert, and even the educational offering were all provided by Cardinal Health. It was a pleasant, relaxed evening! Many Thanks.



AORN of Central Ohio
Presents
***NEW ADVANCES IN
INTRAOCULAR LENS SURGERY***

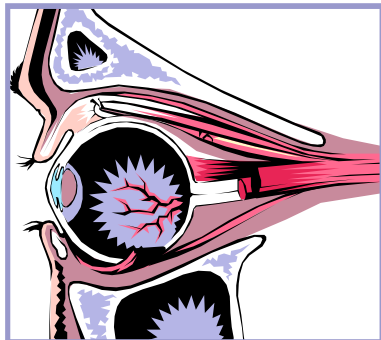
Speaker: Wesley J. Harnish, MD

Objectives:

1. Educate the healthcare professional on the latest technology in intraocular lens surgery.
2. Discuss the various types of intraocular lenses.
3. Review the pathophysiology of intraocular lens disorders.
4. Identify appropriate candidates for intraocular lens surgery.
5. Describe the care of a patient undergoing intraocular lens surgery.

Tuesday, January 9, 2007

Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital
500 South Cleveland Avenue
Westerville, Ohio 43081



PROGRAM

6:30-6:50PM	Refreshments
6:50-7:00PM	President's Welcome
7:00-8:00PM	Educational Offering

Join your AORN colleagues to help celebrate
"A NEW LOOK OF A NEW YEAR" ...
show off your most outrageous, funny, or stylish eyewear!!!

Think **RED** and donate **BLOOD** during the month January!!!

1.0 Contact hour for this continuing nursing education activity have been applied for through the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses, Inc., an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Activities that are approved by AORN are recognized as continuing education for registered nurses. This recognition does not imply that AORN or the ANCC Commission on Accreditation approves or endorses any product included in the presentation.

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January 2007

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
National Glaucoma Awareness Month	1	2	3	4	5 Wear RED or Silly Glasses to AORN	6
7 National Blood Donor Month	8 GO BUCKS!	9 AORN Meeting 6:30 MC St. Ann's	10	11	12	13
14 National Birth Defects Prevention	15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	16	17	18	19	20
21 Cervical Health Awareness Month	22	23	24	25 Donate Blood to help others	26	27
28 Thyroid Awareness Month	29	30	31			