



## President's Address

Rebecca Nichols, RN, MSN, CCNS, ANP-BC



Rebecca Nichols

Last week the US Supreme Court upheld the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act with a vote of 5 to 4, mandating the requirement that most Americans must obtain healthcare insurance or pay a penalty. Citing Congress' legality in levying taxes, the Court determined that the requirement for healthcare insurance is, in essence, a tax and therefore not unconstitutional. Additionally, the Supreme Court upheld the Medicaid expansion as an option for states rather than a mandate to maintain Medicaid funding.

Under this portion of the act more people will have access to Medicaid while others may be eligible for government subsidiaries to cover the cost of insurance. The benefits of increasing the number of insured persons are obvious; improved primary care to create a healthier

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## SDNF Corner

### Practicing Goodness, Joy, and Grace

Mary Claire May, SDNF Board Public Member  
& Arlene Horner, MS, RN, GCNS

Like all nurses, Arlene Horner, MS, RN, GCNS and a 2011 SDNF scholarship recipient is a lifelong learner. With an undergraduate nursing degree from Augustana College and a master's in nursing from South Dakota State University, Horner is currently at the midpoint of the University of Minnesota's Post-MS DNP program path and was asked to reflect on her experience thus far. "The work of the DNP is to translate scientific theoretical knowledge into solving practice problems. I hope to focus in the coming year on the application of knowledge into meshing the practice of geriatrics and integrative health. How might that look? It isn't a 'pill for every ill.' Hopefully it will be a more holistic approach into the complex and often fragile needs of the older adult." Of her current courses, Health Policy Leadership has been particularly timely and fascinating as the details and effects of the Affordable Health Care Act evolve.

A lifelong South Dakotan, Arlene has worked as a nurse in various capacities in the Sioux Falls area, most notably in the community with the VNA and currently with Sanford Medical Center (SMC) as a Gerontological Clinical Nurse Specialist. Horner's core population for care is the older adult. "I like to hear about an elder's personal story. They have a crystallized intelligence that is remarkable." Her goal is to promote an environment of

expertise and care that is elder friendly. Horner enjoys a presence in the community and coordinates Sanford's participation in Meals on Wheels. She is a board member of the Minnehaha Sertoma Club and has served on the boards of the SD Alzheimer's Association and the Sioux Falls Health Department & Falls Community Health Clinic.

Arlene finds that support from one's employer, family, and friends is essential for nurses when they return to school and try to balance family, work and school. She appreciates the support and kindness shown by husband Pete and their adult daughters as well as the support of family, friends and SMC. Additionally, Arlene takes the advice of German-born Canadian author Eckhart Tolle, *The Power of Now* and *A New Earth*, of using "One Conscious Breath" as a way to be more present and to focus on the moment. "Nurses are so very busy and harried in their practice. Nurses could try 'One Conscious Breath' while they wash hands prior to seeing a patient. This may help to become more present with the patient."

"I am inspired by ordinary people and things in our daily lives. I make it a point to look at the sky every day. South Dakota has spectacular skies." Horner recently found the following "My Rules on Life" from Alison Page to contain a powerful message that is meaningful and something that each of us can strive to attain. Arlene, the lifelong learner, has adopted the Page Rules for Life: Assume Goodness, Choose Joy, and Proceed with Grace.

### South Dakota Nurses Foundation Awards 2012 Scholarships Carman Timmerman, EdD, RN SDNF Scholarship Committee

July 15th is a big day for South Dakota Nurses Foundation—and for those RNs applying for its scholarships. The 15th marks the application deadline for SDNF's three scholarships.

After careful review and a degree of elation, the Scholarship Committee made its recommendations to the SDNF Board. So now we are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2012 South Dakota Nurses Foundation scholarships:

**Marianne M. Stenvig Scholarship \$750**  
Philip Boettcher Rapid City SD

**Rita H. Walsh Scholarship \$1000**  
Eric Curtis Dallas SD  
Mary Ann Gengler Sioux Falls SD  
Angela Smithhart Sioux Falls SD

**SDNF Scholarship \$1000**  
Suzanne Campbell Rapid City SD

Earlier I mentioned that the Scholarship Committee was elated as we considered the scholarship applicants. The applicant pool was first-rate, and the committee wanted all of the applicants to know that we were impressed with them and that we appreciated the effort it took to prepare and assemble the materials for submission.

In the next few months, look for articles in the *SD Nurse* highlighting the 2012 South Dakota Nurse Foundation scholarship recipients. And just in case you might be thinking of applying for these scholarships in 2013, you can check out the SDNF scholarships' criteria on the South Dakota Nurses Association website. Go to [www.sdnurses.org](http://www.sdnurses.org), click on South Dakota Nurses Foundation link and then click on Scholarships.

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US. We were all taught that prevention is the best gift we can offer our patients to give them a long productive life and safe healthcare dollars.

Passed in 2010, the Affordable Care Act utilizes a multi-tiered approach to allow for gradual, but necessary changes to occur over a several year period. It is easy to see how the public may be confused by these changes and with opposing viewpoints publicized on the nightly news it is hard to know what is true and what is biased. As a healthcare provider, it is essential that we understand the changes that have already been enacted as well as give our patients credible information about those mandates yet to be put in place.

For clear, nonpartisan information about the Affordable Care Act one may go to [healthcare.gov](http://healthcare.gov) to read the entire bill, important timelines and key points. The American Nurses Association has been a strong supporter of the act and information can be obtained from the ANA website, [nursingworld.org](http://nursingworld.org). If you would like to learn more, you can also contact the SDNA office and be directed to a Government Relations Committee member to find out what the act means for South Dakotans.

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## SDNA PAC

Julie Dangel, PAC Chair

This year will be another busy time legislatively speaking. With that in mind for our voice to be heard by legislators we will need to increase our coffers. As of July 10th, 2012, we have \$1267.68 in the bank for PAC. We have already had candidates requesting our support. As always your donation to the cause is appreciated. All PAC funds stay in state to support the state candidates that are sympathetic to nursing issues.

I am working on being able to serve you a southern breakfast of biscuits and sausage gravy; however I need to obtain permission from the facility to do this. I will bring carrot cake and cheese cake for sure. From there I am not sure what kind of fundraising activities we will have, but as usual it will either be tasty or fun!



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# Report on the ANA Constituent Assembly, June 12, 2012

**Brittany Novotny, JD, MBA**

Brittany Novotny attended the ANA Constituent Assembly on June 12, 2012 in National Harbor, Maryland. The focus of this meeting was largely to prepare for the ANA House of Delegates (HOD). During the Constituent Assembly, the discussion centered on ANA's proposed governance for the 21st century, including the many proposed bylaws amendments (see below).

## Report on the ANA House of Delegates, June 15 & 16, 2012

**Julie Dangel, Thomas Stenvig and Ardelle Kleinsasser**

Julie Dangel, Thomas Stenvig, Ardelle Kleinsasser and Brittany Novotny attended the ANA House of Delegates (HOD) on June 15 & 16, 2012, in National Harbor, Maryland. The focus of the historic meeting included consideration of extensive bylaws amendments to streamline ANA governance through major restructuring in an effort to better serve members and build membership while reducing costs and making optimal use of technology in doing the work of ANA.

About 450 voting delegates from ANA's constituent and state nurses associations (C/SNAs) and Individual Member Division (IMD) approved several measures that reflect the association's focus on updating its governance structure and policy development processes. These measures are part of a larger and continuing effort to position ANA and its C/SNAs

to serve members and the profession at large. Changes will go into effect at various times. During the HOD meeting, nurse delegates voted to:

- **Retire the House of Delegates, Congress on Nursing Practice and Economics, and the Constituent Assembly and replace them with a Membership Assembly and Professional Issues Panels:** Comprised of representatives from ANA's constituent and state nurses associations, its organizational affiliates, and the IMD, the new Membership Assembly will serve as ANA's governing and voting body. The Assembly will elect, advise, and direct the ANA Board of Directors on emerging environmental trends as well as determine policy and positions for the association. The new body will meet annually as opposed to the previous biennial HOD meeting schedule. Nurse delegates also voted to dissolve the Constituent Assembly, comprised of C/ SNA presidents and executive directors, and effective March 2013, the 60-member Congress on Nursing Practice and Economics.
- **Create ad hoc Professional Issues Panels comprised of volunteer nurse subject matter experts:** The new panels will help ANA respond more quickly to emerging policy and practice issues. The ANA board will create and dissolve panels as needed. The panels will be comprised of nurses whose specific areas of expertise are needed at a given time.
- **Move to a smaller Board of Directors:** The Board of Directors will be reduced from 15 members to nine members, including four officers and five directors-at-

large, one of whom will be a staff nurse and the other a recent nursing graduate. The new board will ensure that ANA can quickly address the emerging needs of ANA members, prospective members, and the nursing profession. This change will go into effect in 2014.

- **Update ANA's language to better reflect the purposes and functions of the national association:** Delegates voted to approve new language in ANA's governing bylaws that says the association will "advocate for workplace standards that foster safe patient care and support the profession." This change, along with a modification to a reference about advancing the "welfare" of nurses, updates language to better reflect ANA's current broad programmatic work related to workplace standards and the advancement of nurses' interests.

Delegates also considered changing ANA's membership structure from the 1982-adopted federated model, in which organizations, such as state nurses associations, are ANA's "members" to a structure where individual nurses are the members. Delegates voted to refer this proposal back to the board for additional consideration and information gathering purposes. It is anticipated that the proposal will be brought to the Membership Assembly for consideration.

Several reference reports were also considered and passed by the HOD. The first reference report approved concerned the rights of registered nurses who handle hazardous materials. It was resolved that registered nurses will practice in health care facilities where hazardous drug handling practice guidelines are in place and promoted per NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health) Guidelines. In addition, it was resolved that health care facilities will educate nurses who handle hazardous materials about reproductive and developmental effects associated with handling these drugs. The third reference report concerned workplace violence. The HOD approved the reference recommendation to petition OSHA (Occupational Safety & Health Administration) to ensure that workplace violence prevention programs are in place. This would include management support and employee participation, risk assessment and surveillance and hazard controls including environmental, architectural, security control, training and education, post assault programs and record keeping. The fourth reference report approved was regarding safe staffing. The HOD resolved to advocate for a nurse-led staffing process which includes minimum nurse-to-patient staffing ratios, collection of nursing sensitive data, and penalties associated with non-compliance. Delegates also re-elected Karen Daley from Massachusetts to serve another two-year term as president of ANA.

Thank you, South Dakota Nurses Association Members, for giving us the opportunity to participate in the ANA 2012 HOD, which will be the last such national gathering of ANA as we know it today. Also, we wish to thank SDNA for your financial support to attend this meeting.



Click here [bit.ly/P2Wwpa](http://bit.ly/P2Wwpa) to view the proposed changes online.

### 2012 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SDNA BYLAWS

(Last revision October 2010)

The SDNA Bylaws Committee

| CURRENT SDNA BYLAWS   | PROPOSED SDNA BYLAWS CHANGES   | RATIONAL/COMMENT   |
|---|--|--|
| 1. Page 2, Article II Membership Section 6 Member Rights Item a 1:<br>Participate in the elections of the SDNA Board of Directors, the SDNA Nominations Committee, the SDNA Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates, one SDNA District Leadership Team, and the Core Issues Task force; | Revise this sentence to read:<br>Participate in the elections of the SDNA Board of Directors, the SDNA Nominations Committee, the SDNA Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates, one SDNA District Leadership Team, and the Core Issues Task Force Chair; | Editorial change.  |
| 2. Page 3, Article II Membership Section 6 Member Rights Item b 1:<br>Participate in the elections of the SDNA Board of Directors, the SDNA Nominations Committee, one SDNA District Leadership Team, and one SDNA Council Leadership Team;   | Revise this sentence to read:<br>Participate in the elections of the SDNA Board of Directors, the SDNA Nominations Committee, one SDNA District Leadership Team, <del>one SDNA Council Leadership Team</del> and the Core Issues Task Force Chair;       | Outdated language. There is not an SDNA Council Leadership Team. The SDNA is only divided into Districts.  |
| 3. Page 3, Article II Membership Section 7 Annual Meeting Item b:<br>Notice of the annual meeting, the order of business, and the proposed rules for conducting business shall be published and delivered to the Membership at least one month prior to the date of the meeting;        | Revise this sentence to read:<br>Notice of the annual meeting, <del>the order of business, and the proposed rules for conducting business</del> shall be published and delivered to the Membership at least one month prior to the date of the meeting;  | The order of business and proposed rules for conducting business are published in the Annual Book of Reports. This document is distributed at the Annual Convention. It is not mailed to membership in advance of the Annual Convention. |
| 4. Page 8, Article VI Districts and District Leadership Section 2 Composition Item c:<br>Members who wish to belong to a District other than the one in which they reside shall so notify the SDNA office at least thirty days prior to the SDNA annual meeting.                        | Revise this sentence to read:<br>Members who wish to belong to a District other than the one in which they reside shall so notify the SDNA office <del>at least thirty days prior to the SDNA annual meeting</del> .                                     | A member who would like to belong to a District other than the one in which he or she resides can contact the office at any time to make this change.  |
| 5. Page 9, Article VI Districts and District Leadership Section 5 District Leadership and Leadership Duties Item b:<br>District leadership teams shall consist of at least six SDNA Members, who shall be:  | Revise this sentence to read:<br>District leadership teams shall consist of <del>at least six</del> SDNA Members, <del>if possible</del> , who shall be:   | It is not always possible for a District to elect six members to its leadership team. This change in language would provide flexibility to those Districts that cannot fill all six positions.   |

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| 6. Page 12, Article VIII Standing Committees Section 2 Composition Item a:<br>a. Standing Committees shall be the:<br>1. Executive Committee<br>2. Government Relations Committee<br>3. Nominations Committee<br>4. Membership Committee<br>b. Business requiring action by a Standing Committee may be conducted by mail or other media. Such action shall be subject to ratification at the next regular meeting of the Committee.<br>c. Each district will have a designated representative on each of the standing committees.  | Revise this section to read:<br>a. Standing Committees shall be the:<br>1. Executive Committee<br>2. Government Relations Committee<br>3. Nominations Committee<br>4. <b>Bylaws Committee</b><br>5. <b>South Dakota Continuing Nursing Education Committee</b><br>6. Membership Committee<br>b. Business requiring action by a Standing Committee may be conducted by mail or other media. Such action shall be subject to ratification at the next regular meeting of the Committee.<br><del>c. Each district will have a designated representative on each of the standing committees</del>   | Three committees added to Standing Committee list because these committees are standing committees.<br><br>This provision conflicts with other provisions of the Bylaws. Each District does not have a representative on each of the standing committees. For instance, the Executive Committee is comprised of the five officers of the Board as stated in the Bylaws on p. 12, Section 3. Each district does not have a representative on this committee. |
| 7. Page 13, Article VIII Standing Committees Section 4 Government Relations Committee Items a & b:<br>a. Government Relations Committee shall be composed of a Chair, to be elected in accordance with ARTICLE XI, and at least eleven GRC Members with a minimum of at least one member from each District. GRC membership positions will be filled on a voluntary basis. This Committee shall:<br>b. The Government Relations Committee shall<br>1. Strive to influence development of social policy and passage of state legislation and regulations consistent with SDNA's priorities, positions, and policy agenda;<br>2. Undertake activities and provide mechanisms through which SDNA Members are informed of emerging social issues and state legislative and regulatory activity and through which SDNA Members are supported in individual and collective exercise of their civic rights;<br>3. Develop and participate in coalitions whose aims are designed to monitor and/or achieve the SDNA priorities and policy agenda with Board approval;<br>4. Support the Chair in fulfillment of the duties described in ARTICLE V, Section 8- | Revise this section to read:<br>a. <del>The</del> Government Relations Committee shall be composed of a Chair, to be elected in accordance with ARTICLE XI, and at least eleven GRC Members with a minimum of at least one member from each District. GRC membership positions will be filled on a voluntary basis. <del>This Committee shall:</del><br>b. The Government Relations Committee shall be responsible for:<br>1. <del>Strive to influence</del> <b>Influencing</b> the development of social policy and passage of state legislation and regulations consistent with SDNA's priorities, positions, and policy agenda;<br>2. <del>Undertake</del> <b>Undertaking</b> activities and provide mechanisms through which SDNA Members are informed of emerging social issues and state legislative and regulatory activity and through which SDNA Members are supported in individual and collective exercise of their civic rights;<br>3. <del>Development and participate</del> <b>participation</b> in coalitions whose aims are designed to monitor and/or achieve the SDNA priorities and policy agenda with Board approval;<br>4. <del>Supporting</del> the Chair in fulfillment of the duties described in ARTICLE V, Section 8- | Editorial changes made to provide consistent language relative to other committee sections.   |

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# District News

## District 1, 2, & 3

District 1, 2, and 3 has not met during the summer months, but plans on starting up again in September. Information on that meeting will be sent out to members later this summer. Positions for officers will be opening up, so members are encouraged to let Kay Foland or Marie Cissell know if they are interested in serving as a district officer.

Fall meetings will continue to be on the third Tuesday of the month. Plans are under way for special topics to be presented at some of the meetings. Plans are under way to have a presentation from an Air Force nurse in September. Dessert with the Legislator will also happen in November.

If you are new to Districts 1, 2, or 3 and have questions about opportunities, or you are looking for a place to share your talents to support nursing, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marie Cissell RN, MS  
President District 1, 2, & 3

## District 4

SDNA District 4 meeting was held on May 7, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at Presentation College cafeteria. The District members enjoyed a wonderful pot luck.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Discussion of the price of the SDNA cookbook, and dates and times to proofread the cookbook.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion of members in each category for the SDNA awards. The District 4 Nurse of the Year will be Sue Fischer.

SDNA Leadership Opportunities from the District have the following members to be on the ballot: Government Relations Committee Chair-Carrie Clausen Hansen, Nomination Committee-Jeanne Chappell, Education Committee Members-Diana Hayes, and American Nurses Association Delegates: Deb Kuschel, Amanda Banker, Kathi Pieper, and Barb Goehring. There was discussion for Co-Chairs for the First Aid Booth at the Brown County Fair on August 14-19, 2012. School Supplies for students of the Cheyenne Indian Reservation in Eagle Butte, SD will be collected at the First Aid Booth at the Brown County Fair and also the Volunteer desk at Avera St. Luke's. SDNA Convention "Nursing's Future: Legacies to New Possibilities" is October 7-8, 2012 in Brookings, SD. The Featured speakers will be Kathleen Calzone, a Senior Nurse Specialist speaking on "Genomics: Throughout the Healthcare Continuum: Implications for Nursing Practice" and Holly Hoffman from the reality TV show "Survivor." District 4 members are to bring items for silent and live auction to the convention.

The next meeting will be Monday September 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at Presentation College cafeteria.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Goehring, RN  
District 4 President

## District 5 & 7

We are preparing for the 2012 Dakota Fest event to be held in Mitchell. Members of District 5 and 7 will be assisting with Farm Safety and Sun Safety education for families attending this event. District nurses will be staffing the First Aid booth at the Dakota Fest which is a three day event.

Friends and fellow SDNA members said good bye to Gloria Thompson in her retirement party as AA Program Director of Dakota Wesleyan University Nursing Department. Gloria has been an active member and an excellent mentor to new members of SDNA. Gloria received a nursing quilt from her nurse colleagues at Dakota Wesleyan. The quilt was made by Karen Wolter, fellow SDNA member.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pat Sudbeck, RN, BSN  
District 5 & 7 President

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| <p>8. Page 13, Article VIII Standing Committees Section 5 Nominations Committee</p>   | <p>Add this sentence, adding Item e:<br/><b>e. The Nominations Committee shall be responsible for duties in accordance with ARTICLE XI Section 2..</b></p>  | <p>Added for clarification and consistency.</p>  |
| <p>9. Page 13, Article VIII Standing Committees Section 6 Bylaws Committee Items a &amp; b:<br/>a. Composition: The Bylaws Committee shall consist of at least five SDNA Members, appointed by the Board of Directors for two-year terms, with three Members appointed in odd years, and two Members appointed in even years.<br/>b.—Responsibilities: The Bylaws Committee shall:<br/>1. Interpret these Bylaws;<br/>2. Receive and prepare proposed amendments to these Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation, report them to the Board of Directors, and submit them to the SDNA Membership at their annual meeting;<br/>3. Review Bylaws to determine conformity with Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the American Nurses Association;<br/>4. Determine a regular schedule to review these Bylaws and report findings to the Board of Directors.<br/>5. Be accountable to the membership.</p> | <p>Revise this section to read:<br/>b. <b>Composition:</b> The Bylaws Committee shall consist of at least five SDNA Members, appointed by the Board of Directors for two-year terms, with three Members appointed in odd years, and two Members appointed in even years.<br/>b.—<b>Responsibilities:</b> The Bylaws Committee shall be responsible for:<br/>1. Interpretation of these Bylaws;<br/>6. <b>Receive and prepare Receipt and preparation of</b> proposed amendments to these Bylaws or Articles of Incorporation, report them to the Board of Directors, and submit them to the SDNA Membership at their annual meeting;<br/>7. Review of Bylaws to determine conformity with Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the American Nurses Association;<br/>8. <b>Determine</b> Review <b>regular schedule to review</b> these Bylaws <b>every two years</b> and report findings to the Board of Directors.<br/>9. <b>Be accountable Accountability to the</b> membership.</p> | <p>Editorial changes made to provide consistent language relative to other committee sections.<br/><br/>Existing language for frequency of bylaws review is imprecise.</p>   |
| <p>10. Page 14, Article VIII Standing Committees Section 7 South Dakota Continuing Nursing Education Committee Items a – c:<br/>a. This Committee shall:<br/>1. Assess, plan, implement, and evaluate continuing education activities for SDNA;<br/>2. Select two members to serve on the North Dakota CNE NET Committee. Each Member will serve a two year term;<br/>3. Assure that the ANCC Commission on Accreditation standards and guidelines are utilized in planning continuing education activities for nurses<br/>4. Serve as a resource for Districts, Members, and others on CNE activities and issues</p>   | <p>Revise this section to read:<br/>a. <b>This Committee shall be composed of four Members. Three Members will be elected in accordance with ARTICLE XI for two-year terms, with two members being elected in odd years, and one member being elected in even years. One Member who actively practices in academia and/or continuing education will be Board-appointed to Chair the Committee for a three-year term.</b><br/>a. b. This Committee shall be responsible for:<br/>1. <b>Assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluate evaluation of</b> continuing education activities for SDNA.<br/>2. <b>Select two Members to serve on the North Dakota CNE-NET Committee. Each Member will serve a two-year term;</b></p>   | <p>Editorial changes made to provide consistent language relative to other committee sections.<br/><br/>Outdated language. The North Dakota Nurses Association no longer has a CNE NET Committee.</p>  |
| <p>b. This Committee shall be composed of four Members. Three Members will be elected by the ballot for two-year terms, with two members being elected in odd years, and one member being elected in even years. One Member who actively practices in academia and/or continuing education will be Board-appointed to Chair the Committee for a three-year term.</p>  | <p>2. <b>Assure Assurance</b> that the ANCC Commission on Accreditation standards and guidelines are utilized in planning continuing education activities for nurses<br/>3. <b>Serve Serving</b> as a resource for Districts, Members, and others on CNE activities and issues.<br/><b>e.—This Committee shall be composed of four Members.—Three Members will be elected by the ballot for two-year terms, with two members being elected in odd years, and one member being elected in even years.—One Member who actively practices in academia and/or continuing education will be Board-appointed to Chair the Committee for a three-year term.</b></p>  |  |
| <p>11. Page 14, Article VIII Standing Committees Section 8 Membership Committee Items a – b:<br/>Composition:—The membership Committee shall consist of five SDNA members, appointed by the SDNA Board of Directors for two-year terms, with three members appointed in even years, and two members appointed in odd years. The committee shall elect its own chairperson.<br/>a. Duties: The Membership Committee shall:<br/>1. Monitor trends in membership, and<br/>2. Develop and implement activities to promote recruitment and retention of Members at the District and State levels.</p>  | <p>Revise this section to read:<br/>a. <b>Composition:</b> The <b>M</b>embership Committee shall consist of five SDNA members, appointed by the SDNA Board of Directors for two-year terms, with three members appointed in even years, and two members appointed in odd years. The committee shall elect its own chairperson.<br/>b. <b>Duties:</b> The Membership Committee shall be responsible for:<br/>1. Monitoring trends in membership, and<br/>2. Development and implementation activities to promote recruitment and retention of Members at the District and State levels.</p>  | <p>Editorial changes made to provide consistent language relative to other committee sections.</p>   |
| <p>12. Page 14, Article IX Representatives at ANA Meetings Section 1 ANA House of Delegates and CAN Delegates Items a – c:<br/>a. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates and CAN meetings shall be elected from the SDNA/ANA members for staggered two-year terms in accordance with ARTICLE XI of these Bylaws. The President's name shall appear on the ballot for a Delegate position during the SDNA President's election year.<br/>b. The ANA Delegate with the highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Delegate. The ANA Delegate receiving the second highest number of votes will be appointed to the</p>   | <p>Revise this section to read:<br/>a. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates <b>and CAN meetings</b> shall be elected from the SDNA/ANA members for staggered two-year terms in accordance with ARTICLE XI of these Bylaws. The President's name shall appear on the ballot for a Delegate position during the SDNA President's election year.<br/><b>b.— The ANA Delegate with the highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Delegate.—The ANA Delegate receiving the second highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Alternate Delegate.</b></p>   | <p>Outdated language. The Center for American Nurses is no longer a separate entity. Its services and products have now been integrated into ANA.</p>  |
| <p>position of CAN Alternate Delegate.<br/>c. Vacancies in the delegation shall be filled by duly elected Alternates. Vacancies in the Alternate Delegate positions may be filled by action of the Board.</p>   | <p>b. Vacancies in the delegation shall be filled by duly elected Alternates. Vacancies in the Alternate Delegate positions may be filled by action of the Board.</p>   |  |
| <p>13. Page 16 Article XI Elections Section 4 Procedure for Nomination and Election Item a:<br/>a. Elections will be conducted electronically or by mail ballot. Positions to be elected by the qualified Membership are:<br/>1. President<br/>2. Vice President<br/>3. Secretary<br/>4. Treasurer<br/>5. Chair of the Government Relations Committee<br/>6. Board of Directors-District Presidents<br/>7. Nominations Committee<br/>8. Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates</p>   | <p>Revise this section to read:<br/>a. Elections will be conducted electronically or by mail ballot. Positions to be elected by the qualified Membership are:<br/>1. President<br/>2. Vice President<br/>3. Secretary<br/>4. Treasurer<br/>5. Chair of the Government Relations Committee<br/>6. Board of Directors-District Presidents<br/>7. Nominations Committee<br/><b>8. South Dakota Continuing Nursing Education Committee</b><br/>9. Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates</p>   | <p>Added because South Dakota Continuing Nursing Education Committee members are elected.</p>  |
| <p>14. Multiple references to ANA House of Delegates and Constituent Assembly</p>   | <p>Changes references from House of Delegates to Membership Assembly. Delete references to Constituent Assembly.</p>  | <p>Needed to maintain compliance with the newly adopted ANA Bylaws. Changes to ANA Bylaws adopted by the House of Delegates eliminated the ANA House of Delegates and Constituent Assembly and created the ANA Membership Assembly. The SDNA Board of Directors has recommended these changes.</p> |
| <p>15. Page 14 Article IX Representation at ANA Meetings<br/>SECTION 1. ANA HOUSE OF DELEGATES AND CAN DELEGATES<br/>a. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the ANA House of Delegates and CAN meetings shall be elected from the SDNA/ANA members for staggered two-year terms in accordance with ARTICLE XI of these Bylaws. The President's name shall appear on the ballot for a Delegate position during the SDNA President's election year.<br/>b. The ANA Delegate with the highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Delegate. The</p>  | <p>15. Page 14 Article IX Representation at ANA Meetings<br/>SECTION 1. ANA HOUSE OF DELEGATES AND <b>CAN MEMBERSHIP ASSEMBLY</b> DELEGATES<br/>a. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the ANA <b>House of Delegates and CAN meetings</b>Membership Assembly shall be elected from the SDNA/ANA members for staggered two-year terms in accordance with ARTICLE XI of these Bylaws. <b>The President's name shall appear on the ballot for a Delegate position during the SDNA President's election year.</b><br/>b. <b>The SDNA President, by virtue of his or her election to office, shall serve as a delegate to the ANA Membership</b></p>  | <p>An election process for ANA Membership Assembly Delegates is needed due to recent changes in ANA Bylaws (referenced above). SDNA will have two delegates to the ANA Membership Assembly. The SDNA Board of Directors has recommended these changes.</p>   |

## District 8 & 9

District 8 and 9 members continue to meet and prepare for hosting the 2012 SDNA Convention.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Paula Carson  
District 8 & 9 President

## Thank you for your support to District 1-3 Spring Fling!

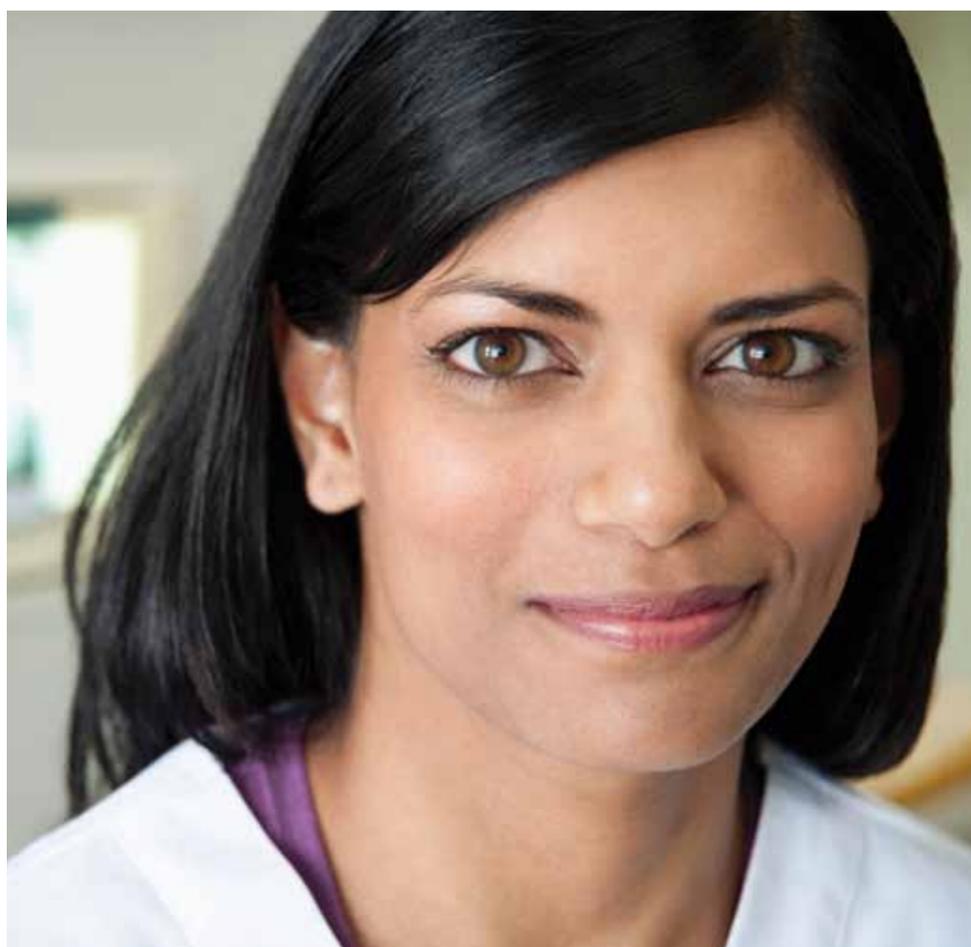
*Lesley Wilkinson*

District 1-3 hosted a “No More Mundane Mondays” event at the Elk’s Theatre in Rapid City in April. Lani White chaired the committee that put together a presentation on the perception of nursing in the media. Clips from movies like Pearl Harbor and TV shows like Hawthorne and Mercy showed generally positive portrayals while other images in TV shows and advertisements showed negative stereotypes of nurses as being subservient and naughty. The clips brought a lot of chuckles from the audience of approximately 30 attendees and generated a lively discussion. The importance of protecting the image of nurses to ensure the continued trust of patients and colleagues was a common topic in the discussion. Appetizers, wine, beer and other beverages were served during the social time before the presentation.

iPad raffle tickets were sold prior to the event and at the door and the winner was drawn at the end of the evening. Dr. Kay Foland’s niece, Sarah Foland was the winner of the iPad. Proceeds from the raffle yielded \$1,154.53 for the districts’ annual fundraising effort. Two new members also joined SDNA during the event. Thank you to everyone who attended the event and bought raffle tickets! Sponsors of the event were: Black Hills Surgical Hospital, Midwest Solutions and South Dakota State University. Special thanks to the committee members for all their hard work securing the venue, preparing the presentation, obtaining door prizes and other donations, and for preparing food and event set-up. Committee members were: Lani White, Kay Foland, Linda Wolden, Linda DeLong, Peggy O’Sullivan, Stephanie Orr, Dawn Warren, and Carla Texel.

Districts 1-3 are planning additional events for this fall as part of their effort to be more active and offer more events/benefits to members.

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| <p>ANA Delegate receiving the second highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Alternate Delegate.</p> <p>c. Vacancies in the delegation shall be filled by duly elected Alternates. Vacancies in the Alternate Delegate positions may be filled by action of the Board.</p> <p><b>SECTION 2. ANA CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY</b><br/>The President and the Executive Director or designated Alternates shall represent SDNA at meetings of the ANA Constituent Members.</p>  | <p><del>Assembly. The SDNA Vice President, by virtue of his or her election to office, shall serve as the Alternate Delegate to the ANA Membership Assembly. If both the President and Vice President are unable to attend the Membership Assembly, the Delegate shall be a member of the Board appointed by the Board. The ANA Delegate with the highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Delegate. The ANA Delegate receiving the second highest number of votes will be appointed to the position of CAN Alternate Delegate. The remaining Delegate to the Membership Assembly shall be elected at large. The candidate for Delegate to the ANA Membership Assembly with the next highest number of votes shall be declared elected as Alternate Delegate.</del></p> <p>Vacancies in the delegation shall be filled by duly elected Alternates. Vacancies in the Alternate Delegate positions may be filled by action of the Board.</p> <p><b>SECTION 2. ANA CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY</b><br/>The President and the Executive Director or designated Alternates shall represent SDNA at meetings of the ANA Constituent Members.</p>  |  |
| <p>16. Page 16 Article XI Section 4 Procedure For Nomination and Election</p> <p>c. At least thirty days prior to the annual meeting, the Nominations Committee shall mail one ballot and two return envelopes to each eligible SDNA Member. Ballots for SDNA/ANA members and SDNA Only Members shall be printed on two different</p>   | <p><del>e. If elections are conducted by mail ballot:</del></p> <p>1. At least thirty days prior to the annual meeting, the Nominations Committee shall mail one ballot and two return envelopes to each eligible SDNA Member. Ballots for SDNA/ANA members and SDNA Only Members shall be printed on two different</p>  | <p>Current bylaws allow for elections to be done electronically. However, there were no provisions in the bylaws regarding electronic elections. This bylaw change would provide a timeframe for conducting electronic elections that mirrors the timeframe for mail elections. Many of the specifics of how electronic elections will occur will depend upon the technology SDNA is able to utilize as it undertakes electronic</p> |
| <p>colors of paper. The smaller of the two return envelopes shall be marked “ballot.” The larger shall be addressed to the SDNA office and shall bear the return address of the Member;</p> <p>f. A replacement ballot shall not be given to any Member for any reason;</p> <p>g. Ballots shall be returned to the SDNA Executive Director at least two weeks before the first day of the annual meeting. The Secretary shall place the unopened envelopes marked “ballot” in safekeeping and deliver them to the Committee of five Tellers that was appointed by the Board;</p> <p>h. The Tellers will open the ballots and count the votes cast. A plurality of votes cast by those entitled to vote shall constitute an election. Candidates for Delegate to the ANA House of Delegates with the next highest number of votes shall be declared elected as Alternates;</p> <p>i. The Tellers will deliver the election results to the SDNA Secretary, who will announce the results at the annual meeting;</p> <p>j. Elections that result in a tie vote shall be determined by lot at the annual meeting.</p> | <p>colors of paper. The smaller of the two return envelopes shall be marked “ballot.” The larger shall be addressed to the SDNA office and shall bear the return address of the Member;</p> <p>2. A replacement ballot shall not be given to any Member for any reason;</p> <p>3. Ballots shall be returned to the SDNA Executive Director at least two weeks before the first day of the annual meeting. The Secretary shall place the unopened envelopes marked “ballot” in safekeeping and deliver them to the Committee of five Tellers that was appointed by the Board;</p> <p>4. The Tellers will open the ballots and count the votes cast. <del>A plurality of votes cast by those entitled to vote shall constitute an election. Candidates for Delegate to the ANA House of Delegates with the next highest number of votes shall be declared elected as Alternates;</del></p> <p><del>f. If elections are conducted electronically:</del></p> <p>1. <del>The electronic balloting procedure shall open voting at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting and close voting at least two weeks before the first day of the annual meeting.</del></p> <p>2. <del>The Tellers will review the electronic election results.</del></p> <p><del>g. A plurality of votes cast by those entitled to vote shall constitute an election.</del></p> <p><del>f. The Tellers will deliver the election results to the SDNA Secretary, who will announce the results at the annual meeting;</del></p> <p><del>g. Elections that result in a tie vote shall be determined by lot at the annual meeting.</del></p> | <p>elections. The SDNA Board of Directors has recommended these changes.</p>   |



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# 2012 SDNA Annual Convention

## Paula Carson, District 8 and 9 President

Before there was Letterman, before there was Leno, before there was Conan—There was Johnny Carson—the TV host of *Tonight Show*. Go back in time with me—After the 10 o'clock news, TV viewers watched Johnny's monologue of the day's events as well interviews with the show's guests—One re-occurring guest was Carnac the Magnificent, one of Carson's altered egos, self-proclaimed to be the *all-seeing, all-knowing, and part-time owner of a gas-station*. During each visit, Carnac placed a hermetically sealed envelope to his turbaned forehead and called out a list of words. When pressed for the significance of these terms, he assured the viewers that the terms related to the topic written on a slip of paper, secured within the envelope. Often the list of words stretched the viewers' imagination for how such terms were possibly related. After he spoke the words aloud, this sealed envelope was opened and the card with the written topic was announced. With creativity and a light sense of humor, Carnac did connect the list of words.

Now let us return to the present and allow me to use a similar format here. What do Genetics, Nursing Legacies, SIM/QSEN, Ethical Encounters, Experts' Development in Child Abuse Recognition, and a Nicaragua Survivor have in common?

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## 2012 Convention Agenda

### Sunday, October 7, 2012

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| 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Board of Directors Meeting   |
| 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Registration<br>Welcome— <i>Mayor Tim Reed</i><br>Presentation of Colors – SDSU ROTC   |
| 1:15 PM - 2:30 PM  | <b>Keynote Address</b><br>“Survivor/Never Give Up”— <i>Holly Hoffman</i>   |
| 2:30 PM - 2:45 PM  | Break  |
| 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM  | <b>Educational Breakout Sessions</b>   |
|                    | 1. “Using CUSP to Combat CLABSI”— <i>Alyssa DeJong, RN, BSN, CCRN &amp; Lola Twedt, RN, BSN, OCN</i>   |
|                    | 2. “Elevating the safety and reliability of medication administration through barcode scanning of medications at the bedside”— <i>Erica C. DeBoer, RN, MA, CNL, CCRN</i> |
|                    | 3. “Ethical Decision Making with Case Study Application”— <i>Timothy Rynearson, M.Div., S.T.M.</i>   |

- Genetics—How is this rapidly growing knowledge area demystified and used by the practicing nurse?
- Bar code scanning—How is this commonly used retail tool used to keep patients safe at the bedside?
- SIM, Informatics, and QSEN—How will these tools be using together help in optimizing nursing care?
- RBC—What does an enacted philosophy of Relationship-Based Care have on patient satisfaction?
- The Mayhem of Central Lines Infections—How can CUSP help safeguard our patients?
- Ethical Encounters—When facing with these events, how can nurses navigate the maze?
- Child Abuse—What have been the experts' experiences while developing the essential recognition skills?
- The Half-Century Legacies—Who cannot learn from our experience-rich nursing predecessors?
- The Right Question—How the choice nurses make affects patient mental health follow-up and treatment?
- Nicaragua Survivor—What is the nurse's fit between a reality show and reality?

In addition to the above presentations, back by popular request is the Live Auction, Opportunities to Meet the Candidates, and the SDNA Convention Business Meeting. Be sure to purchase your winning chances for Star Quilt by Doris Giago. Raffle tickets for the quilt are currently available on-line as well as at the Convention. To increase your possibilities, feel free to buy tickets using both methods. The SDNA convention is a wonderful opportunity for nurses across the state to gather, talk, share and learn from each other. Although Carnac the Magnificent, will not be attending this year, members of District 8 and 9 and I look forward to greeting each of you! See you soon!

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| 3:45 PM – 4:15 PM              | Break   |
| 4:15 PM – 6:00 PM              | SDNA Convention Business Meeting  |
| 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM              | Social and Meet the Political Candidates  |
| 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM             | Banquet and Live Auction  |
| <b>Monday, October 8, 2012</b> |   |
| 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM              | Registration  |
| 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM             | <b>Keynote Address</b><br>“Genomics Throughout the Healthcare Continuum: Implications for Nursing Practice”<br>— <i>Kathleen Calzone, PhD, RN, APNG, FAAN</i>                                 |
| 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM            | Break   |
| 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM            | <b>Educational Breakout Sessions</b>  |
|                                | 1. “Celebrating our Legacy: Stories of SD Nurses with 50 Years of Experience”— <i>Marge Hegge, RN, EdD</i>  |
|                                | 2. “Simulation Informatics Technology Enhancement (SITE): Promoting QSEN competencies I the undergraduate curriculum”— <i>Paula Lubeck, RN, MSN &amp; Lois Tschetter, EdD, RN, IBCLC, CNE</i> |
|                                | 3. “The Recognition of Child Abuse: Expert Providers' Experience”— <i>Nancy Kertz, PhD, RN</i>  |
| 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM            | Break   |
| 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM             | Awards Luncheon<br>President Address— <i>Becky Nichols, RN, MSN, CCNS</i>   |
| 1:30 PM – 2:00 PM              | Break   |
| 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM              | <b>Educational Breakout Sessions</b>  |
|                                | 1. “Relationship-Based Care: Effects on Patient Satisfaction”— <i>Jill Rye, MA, RN, CRRN, CNL &amp; Becka Foerster, MS, RN</i>  |
|                                | 2. “The Right Question Project-Mental Health: Impacting Mental Health Follow-up and Treatment Adherence by Empowering and Engaging Patients”— <i>Laura Withorne-Maloney, CNP</i>              |
|                                | 3. “The ABCs of the Million Hearts Initiative”— <i>Mary Michaels, BA</i>  |
| 3:00 PM – 3:10 PM              | 2013 Convention Invitation  |
| 3:15 PM – 3:30 PM              | Closing Ceremony  |
| 3:30 PM                        | Post-Convention Board of Directors Meeting  |



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# 2012 SDNA Candidates for Office

## Secretary

### Kay Foland

**School/College of Nursing:** PhD, University of Texas; Post-Masters NP/MSN, University of Nebraska Medical Center; BS, South Dakota State University; RN, Rapid City Regional Hospital School/Nursing

**Area of Practice:** Education; Psychiatric Mental Health

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Professor, South Dakota State University; Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, Manlove Psychiatric Group

**Personal Statement:** I appreciate being involved in the work on the SDNA BOD since I began serving as secretary and would like to continue the activities and work this Board is involved with for the next two years. Increased membership and action by the members is crucial as we continue in this profession.



## Government Relations

### Committee Chair

#### Carrie Clausen-Hansen

**School/College of Nursing:** MS in Nursing Education, Walden University; BSN, South Dakota State University; AD in Nursing, Presentation College

**Area of Practice:** Maternal Child Health; Nursing Education; Nursing School Accreditation

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Hospital-Staff Nurse/Perinatal Educator/BLS Instructor/PICC Team member, Avera St Luke's Hospital; Site-Visitor, National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC); Adjunct Faculty, Minnesota State University-Mankato

**Personal Statement:** Nursing's involvement in the legislative and political process is critical to our practice and our client's health. Awareness, advocacy, and activity in the legislative process is crucial for today's practitioners, whether or not one 'likes' politics. I believe my involvement on the GRC over more than 15 years has provided me with the knowledge and experience to follow in the footsteps of previous leaders and assure that SDNA members are informed and involved in the process.



## Continuing Education

### Committee Member

#### Megan Bierman

**School/College of Nursing:** BSN/Minor in Human Development and Family Consumer Science, South Dakota State University;

**Area of Practice:** Medical; Surgical

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Staff RN, Avera St. Luke's Hospital

**Personal Statement:** I graduated from SDSU 2 years ago and was involved in SDNA then and have since become re-involved. I am hoping to take on more of a leadership role and thought I could start by getting involved in the continuing education role. I really enjoy learning and hope to inspire others to continue their education as well. I also hope to recruit some other members to SDNA and ANA. I want to stay involved on the local level and expand to the state and possibly national level sometime as well.



#### Paula Goddard

**School/College of Nursing:** MS, South Dakota State University; BS, West Virginia University

**Area of Practice:** Public Health

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Retired Recently

**Personal Statement:** Our health care system has and continues to change dramatically. Within the health care system we have a nursing shortage yet we nurses are the largest group of health care providers. Each of us as well as all of us as a group must continue to work toward our ideal of a safer and more affordable system with quality outcomes supporting long healthy lives for the total population.



#### Diana Hayes

**School/College of Nursing:** MAN, Augustana College; BSN, Presentation College

**Area of Practice:** Geriatrics of Home Health; Nursing Instructor

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Nursing Instructor/Nursing Lab Director, Presentation College

**Personal Statement:** I believe that nurses need to get involved by helping in their professional organizations as much as possible. Attending meetings regularly, being on a committee, doing hands-on community activities, and getting involved in the political issues that affect nursing today is a way to make our voice known. Nursing has come a long way today because of professional organizations like ours. I look forward to becoming more involved in my local SDNA group.



#### Kimberly Mohr

**School/College of Nursing:** MS in Nursing Education, Grand Canyon University; BS, University of Nebraska Medical Center

**Area of Practice:** Maternal and Child Health; Nurse Educator

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Nurse Educator, Dakota Wesleyan University; Convention Planning Committee, SDNA-2010

**Personal Statement:** I am looking forward to becoming more involved in SDNA by serving as a member of the Continuing Education Committee. I have worked as a Nurse Educator at Dakota Wesleyan University since January 2007. I have a Master's Degree in Nursing Education, as well as a range of experience in Medical/Surgical Nursing, Pediatrics, and Maternal Newborn Nursing. My goal is to bring quality education opportunities that will serve a broad range of nurses in South Dakota, focusing on topics such as evidence-based practice, importance of customer service and communication in nursing.



#### Patricia S. Shaver

**School/College of Nursing:** PhD/MS, University of Minnesota; BSN, St. Olaf College

**Area of Practice:** Geriatrics; Nursing Education

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Assistant Professor, SDSU College of Nursing; Nurse Practitioner, VA Black Hills Health Care System

**Personal Statement:** South Dakota Nurses Association is the strong voice for nursing in our state through its continuing education, health policy, advocacy, networking, and legislative activities. SDNA and ANA are moving forward to implement the IOM report on The Future of Nursing; the need for continuing education for nurses is greater than ever before. As an educator with sixteen years of undergraduate and graduate teaching experience and a nurse practitioner with twenty years of experience in long term care, I will work hard to achieve the SDNA Continuing Nursing Education Committee's mission to provide quality continuing education to the nurses of South Dakota.



## Nominations Committee Member

#### Abby Bacon

**School/College of Nursing:** MSN Anticipated in 2013/BSN, South Dakota State University

**Area of Practice:** Ambulatory Care Clinic with Indian Health Service

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Infection Control Nurse/Employee Health/Immunization Program Coordinator, Indian Health Services

**Personal Statement:** I am running for a position on the Nominations Committee for a second term. I am still a newer member of the South Dakota Nurses Association, but really feel that I can contribute to



the organization with this position. I am outgoing, spirited, and passionate about the field of nursing, and I know that this is just the beginning of my future in the South Dakota Nurses Association.

#### Jeanne Chappell

**School/College of Nursing:** BSN, South Dakota State University; AD, Presentation College

**Area of Practice:** Kidney Dialysis

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Charge Nurse, Avera St. Luke's Hospital

**Personal Statement:** I have found nursing to be versatile, fulfilling and meaningful. During these difficult times of unemployed and uninsured Americans, I feel ANA and SDNA can and must continue to support a health plan that supports the most needy and vulnerable.



#### Rachelle Hartzel

**School/College of Nursing:** ADN, Presentation College; BSN, University of Nebraska Medical Center; MSN, University of Colorado

**Area of Practice:** Primary Care; Population Health; Aerospace Medicine

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Flight Commander

**Personal Statement:** While I have been an ANA/SDNA member for many years, I have only been able to participate in District/State events since returning to South Dakota in 2010. I serve in the United States Air Force, currently stationed at Ellsworth AFB, and have just returned from deployment to Kuwait. Professionalism, mentorship, advocacy, and continuing education are activities I value in my military career and in SDNA; and I would like to support SDNA in service as a Nominations Committee member.



#### Kimberly Nerud

**School/College of Nursing:** LPN, LATI, AS RN, University of South Dakota; BSN, South Dakota State University; MSN, University of Phoenix; PhD in Nursing Anticipated, South Dakota State University

**Area of Practice:** Nursing Education

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** RN-BSN Faculty, University of South Dakota

**Personal Statement:** I embrace the opportunity to take on new challenges of health reform issues and expand my knowledge of nursing education and best practices. I hope to continue to instill in future nurses and current practicing nurses the values and responsibilities of our profession. I intend to lead by example in upholding high standards for evidence-based practice, continuing research, mentoring nurses and serving my community. SDNA is a critical organization in South Dakota healthcare and will need dedicated leaders to take the nursing profession into the future.



## ANA Delegates

#### Amanda Banker

**School/College of Nursing:** PhD in Nursing Practice Anticipated in 2012, South Dakota State University

**Area of Practice:** RN - Pediatrics/ Gerontology

**Present Position/Place of Employment:** Staff Nurse, Avera St. Luke's Hospital; Nursing Supervision

**Personal Statement:** I support SDNA in its continued efforts to improve both the quality of life and healthcare for all South Dakotans. I would welcome the opportunity to advocate for my patients and fellow nurses in a more direct role as an ANA delegate.



SDNA Candidates for Office continued from page 8

Barb Goehring

School/College of Nursing: Presentation College

Area of Practice: Medical; Surgical  
Present Position/Place of Employment: Nursing Supervisor/Float Pool Nursing, Avera St. Luke's

Personal Statement: I have been a member of SDNA/ANA for 22 years. Being active in SDNA/ANA I have been able to network with nurses across the State of South Dakota concerning continuing education being required in order to get their license; strong patient advocate, workplace harassment, Medicare, Medicaid reimbursement. As an SDNA member I have been able to indirectly work with SD Senators and Representatives on health care issues. The leadership of SDNA has taught me to reach out to the new generation of nurses and teach the importance of joining a professional organization. Being a SDNA member through the years I have grown professionally in my practice. I would be honored to be your ANA delegate from South Dakota.



Deb Kuschel

School/College of Nursing: BSN, South Dakota State University; ADN, Presentation College

Area of Practice: Home Health  
Present Position/Place of Employment: Primary Nurse, Avera St. Luke's Hospital

Personal Statement: I believe need to Association to be able to keep growing in this time of medical growth and change. We need to have a big voice to accomplish. That voice is all of us working together.



Kathi Piper

School/College of Nursing: BSN, Mount Marty College; AD, Dakota Wesleyan University

Area of Practice: Medical; Wellness Screening; Patient Care System

Present Position/Place of Employment: Staff Nurse, Avera St. Luke's Hospital

Personal Statement: I am continuously amazed at the changes I see in healthcare. Although this can be a frustrating time to be involved in healthcare with all the issues related to reimbursement, it can also be exciting to see the impact nurses can have on improving patient outcomes and actually decreasing costs.



# Announcements

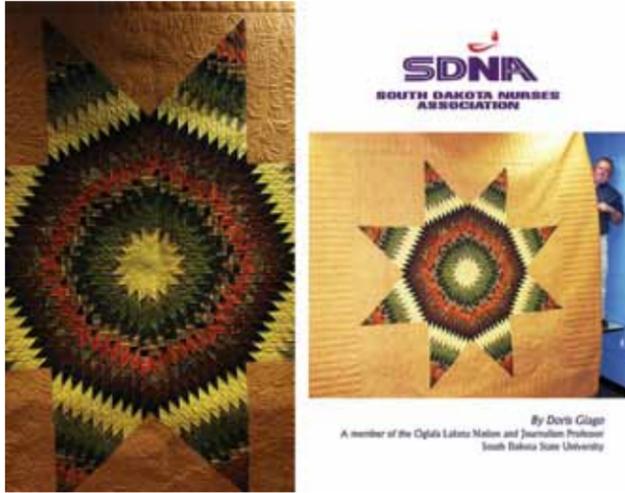
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**South Dakota Department of Health**

The South Dakota Cancer Registry has recently released a melanoma monograph. To view the report, please see <http://getscreened.sd.gov/registry> under the Data and Publications tab. Additionally, the South Dakota Council on Colorectal Cancer and the South Dakota Cancer Registry released a colorectal cancer monograph which can also be viewed at the same website.

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**Online Star Quilt Raffle**

Don't miss out on the opportunity to win the Star Quilt, created by expert quilter Doris Giago, a member of the Oglala Lakota Nation and a Journalism Professor at South Dakota State University. The King size, museum-quality *Star Quilt* features fall colors, breathtaking quilting, and includes two matching pillow shams.

Raffle tickets for the quilt are \$5 for one ticket or six for \$25. The winner will be drawn at the Awards Luncheon on Monday, October 8th, 0212. The winner does not have to be present to win. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://www.wepay.com/events/star-quilt-raffle>.

## Why Join SDNA/ANA?

Pat Sudbeck, District 5 & 7 President

As I reflect on the benefits of this organization, I bring to mind many friends and mentors I have met through the association. The friends I have made as a staff nurse and as a manager are my daily support and the friends I have made through the organization are my ongoing support when I need a time to collaborate, meditate, and recreate.

This organization permits me to collaborate with nurses from other professional backgrounds and helps me realize the issues that are staring me in the face each day. I can also share my professional weaknesses with fellow members. The members are my support and my friends. They make me think positively, learn from mistakes and laugh at myself. SDNA allows me to be myself and spread my wings as I become a better nurse, wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

The ability to meditate has been solidified with a fellow District member. Wyonne took the time to allow me to cry, pray and share in the recent loss of my son, Jason. She also shared my sorrow in the loss of her son, Jason and she took the time to be present with me as we joined our hearts to remember our sons.

The time to recreate is a long lost art due to time constraints but our district meetings and annual conventions allow us to enjoy each other. We share nurse stories that make each other laugh, cry and hug one another. We do connect with each other through humor. We have some talented nursing colleagues like Sheila Letcher who always reminds us to keep laughter in our lives.

This organization does require each member to be active. Through active participation, I have gained many skills and many friendships that will last a life time.

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Phil Olinger  
Barbara Teal  
Debra Leners  
Margaret Culhane

## 2012-13 SDNA Calendar of Events

### September

**Labor Day – Office Closed**  
September 3, 2012

### October

**SDNA Board of Directors Meeting**  
October 7, 2012

**SDNA Annual Convention**  
October 7 & 8, 2012  
Brookings, SD

**Native American Day – Office Closed**  
October 8, 2012

**SD Nurse Article Submission Deadline –  
December Issue**  
October 15, 2012

### November

**Veterans Day – Office Closed**  
November 11, 2012

**Thanksgiving – Office Closed**  
November 22, 2012

### December

**District Leadership Reporting Form  
Due to SDNA Office**  
December 1, 2012

**Christmas Day – Office Closed**  
December 25, 2012

### January 2013

### February 2013

**Nurses Day at the  
Legislature**  
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