President’s Message

Dear SOHN members,

As I sit down to write this the rain is falling on what is left of our 36 inches of snow and thoughts are turning toward the new growth of the coming Spring. Hopefully the Farmer’s Almanac is wrong about the March snowstorm it is predicting. Let me begin by thanking you for trusting me with the Presidency of SOHN. I am excited about the challenges of the future for nursing as a whole and specifically our specialty. I am fortunate to have the continued counsel of past and present leadership. I want to thank Past President Maggie Chesnutt for her guidance and support as well as past and present members of the Board. I am surrounded by talented people who share my commitment to move SOHN forward during these challenging times in health care and they will make my job easier.

We have already been hard at work at the Midwinter Board meeting in Chicago. Important issues at hand are maintaining our membership, filling the position of Education Director following the retirement of Lorie Sparacino, and continuing support for evidence based practice in our specialty. All are intertwined and critical to SOHN’s existence. Chester Hilton is spearheading the efforts to maintain our current membership numbers, but we need each of you, too. We must cultivate a supportive environment for our colleagues and mentor them as they encounter the challenges of our dynamic profession. On a positive note we installed two new chapters at our last Congress in Dallas and have the potential for two more this year. We need to continue this momentum.

SOHN continues to partner with other organizations by participating with AAO-HNSF in the development and revision of practice guidelines. Within our own group we are revising the Smoking Cessation Protocol and hope to have the Comprehensive ORL Nurse Course available online by the end of the year.

Lorie’s shoes as Director of Education for the past 15 years are impossible to fill, therefore, let us try on a new pair. While it would be great to have someone from our own ranks, no one has applied for consideration. I think we need to broaden the search and welcome your ideas. Quality education is the heart of supporting evidence based practice and growing our membership. We want to hear from you. Please contact me personally, any member of the Board, or Executive Director Sandye Schwartz through sohnnet@aol.com.

The education committees have been hard at work getting ready for our two major education offerings this year. The Spring Seminar Series will be held in Chicago, May 19-20. Two wonderful days of pediatric and adult content are in place so think about a trip to the Windy City. In September we will be celebrating our 40th Anniversary Congress and Nursing Symposium, “Celebrating our Past and Envisioning our Future”, in beautiful San Diego. Highlights for these activities, as well as, chapter activities and events will be available in E-NEWS, Update, and on social media. Look for SOHN on Facebook and Twitter. Our website, courtesy of Kari McConnell, has a wealth of information so take a look www.sohnnurse.com

I would echo my predecessor Maggie Chesnutt when she said “an organization is only as strong as its members”. We need you to consider joining a special interest group, participating on a committee, or volunteering at Congress. You are the lifeblood of this organization and we are in need of a transfusion. I look forward to working with you and welcome your ideas for moving SOHN forward in the next two years.

Sincerely,

Deena B. Hollingworth

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SOHN President 2016-2017
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I. Call to order – The meeting was called to order at 10:53 am by President Maggie Chesnutt
II. Welcome – By Maggie Chesnutt
III. Introduction of Guests – Officers, Board of Directors, Executive Director, Parliamentarian – Mary Huntoon
IV. Credentials Report – 237 registrants, 193 voting members, 44 nonvoting attendees, 20% quorum present - submitted by Karen Harris
V. Adoption of the Credentials Report – Adopted by consensus
VI. Consideration of the Rules – Maggie Chesnutt asked if there were any questions to the rules. None heard
VII. Adoption of the Proposed Rules – The rules were adopted by consensus
VIII. Timekeeper/Teller – Jo Ferrero, Ann Luther, Denise Wood will serve as tellers.
IX. Adoption of Proposed Agenda – The proposed agenda was adopted by consensus
X. Approval of Minutes – Maggie Chesnutt asked if there were any questions to the approved minutes – there were no objections from members, therefore the board of directors will approve the 2015 Annual Business Meeting Minutes. They will be published in the March 2016 Update. The 2014 approved minutes can be found on the meeting room tables and at Headquarters.
XI. Officer Reports – Copies available on the tables
XII. Treasurer’s Report – Ramute Kemeza delivered the SOHN 2015 Treasurer’s Report
XIII. Committee Reports – Published in the August 2015 Update.
XIV. Elections - Karen Ulmer presented the slate of candidates, Treasurer - Anne DeLeo, Ramute Kemeza; Board of Director– Vinciya Pandian, Kim Giordano, Cristie Roush; Nominating Committee - Helene Krouse, Fayann Ridgley. Speeches presented
XV. NCBOHN Report – Presented by Lucille Kingston, President. Certified – 290, 18 new, 36 re-certs. A $5000.00 donation was made to SOHN at the opening ceremony. A new CORLN practice test is now on-line. Please pass on the information. Maggie Kramper is the new NCBOHN President starting 2016
XVI. ENT-NF Report – Anne Bigelow presented information on the ENT- NF Walk. The raffle finishes this afternoon, our goal is $6000.00, currently >$4000.00. Thank you to all for the donations and we are looking for new avenues to obtain donations. Ann McKennis was presented with a gift for her continued donations and work on the raffle
XVII. Old Business – Maggie Chesnutt recognized the following chapters - Heartland Chapter for their donation to the Foundation and the Connecticut Chapter (this information was not included in the opening ceremony)

XVIII. New Business
A. Presentation of Awards
   Chapter Excellence Awards presented by Lisa Clemons and Chester Hilton – Large Chapter -Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter, Medium Chapter - Heartland Regional Chapter, Small Chapter - Birmingham Chapter
   Poster Awards presented by Vinciya Pandian and Michele Farrington Clinical
   First place – Improving Patient Satisfaction through Telephone Triage Practices in an Ambulatory Pediatric Otolaryngology Setting- Standardizing the Triage Process by L. Payne
   Third place – A Pilot Program: Using Text Messaging to Improve Timely Communication to Tonsillectomy Patients by L. Newton, N. Linkon, H. Swider & C. Sulman
   Research/EBP - First Place – A Comparison of Clinical Outcomes Between HPV+ and HPV- Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Oral Cavity by E. Sanders
   Chapter Anniversaries – 25th Chicago Chapter and 30th Maryland/ DC Chapter
   Guest Board Attendees – Kim Giordano and Cristie Roush
   Special Interest Group Leaders presented by Deborah Farragher
   Committee Chairs recognized by Maggie Chesnutt
B. Presentation of Chapter Charters – presented by Maggie Chesnutt and Lisa Clemons - Boston Chapter and Dallas Chapter

XIX. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members Cheryl Brandt, Ann DeLeo, Wendy Mackey, Ramute Kemeza, Deena Hollingsworth
Maggie Chesnutt recognized Cory Parker for her work as Administrative Assistant
Maggie recognized Lorie Sparacino for her role as Director of Education. Scrapbook and portrait presented to Lorie Sparacino. Lorie thanked Sandra Schwartz – Executive Director for all the work she provides behind the scenes

XX. Election Results – Denise Wood presented results of the election: Treasurer – Anne DeLeo, Board of Directors – Kim Giordano, Vinciya Pandian, Cristie Roush; Nominating Committee – Helene Krouse, Fayann Ridgley. Installation of officers conducted by President, Maggie Chesnutt. Maggie proclaimed that the newly elected officers were installed and wished them the best. Denise Wood moved to have the ballots destroyed, seconded by Hope Andresen. Motion carried

XXI. Announcements- Lunch provided with the exhibitors
XXII. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 pm
Thursday ~ May 19th  
**Pediatric ORL Issues**  
7:40 am – 5:30 pm  
Lois Moore-Rogers Pediatric Otolaryngology Lectureship  
**Otolaryngologic Manifestations of Down Syndrome**  
Wendy Mackey APRN-BC CORLN  
**Changing the Outcome... You Can Produce Practice Specific Educational Handouts**  
Cindy Jennings MSN CNP  
Cheryl Brumbaugh MSN CNP  
**Ouch that Hurts - General Pain Management Pharmacology**  
Tyree Smith MSN CPNP-AC APHN RN CPEN  
**CMV and Hearing Loss**  
Margaret Kenna MD MPH FACS FAAP  
~~Clinical Pearls: Case Studies~~  
**Pediatric Sinonasal Mass**  
Nina DeSell CPNP  
**Pediatric Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss**  
Victoria Albano MSN RN CPNP  
**Nasopharyngeal Glioma**  
Kristina Keppel DNP RN CPNP  
**Video Teaching for Caregivers of Children with Tracheostomies**  
Kevin Mary Callans BSN RN  
**Rethinking the Evaluation Process & Surgery for Children in Need of Tympanostomy Tubes**  
Allison Rose MSN RN CPNP  
**What Kind of Trach Suits YOU Best?**  
Jaclyn Surette BSN RN  
Daniela DiRamio BSN RN  
~~Clinical Pearls: Case Studies~~  
**Pediatric Rhinosinusitis: It’s Snot What You Think**  
Julie Chiappa MSN CRNP CORLN  
**Complementary Therapies and Cultural Considerations in Pediatrics**  
Melissa Raines MSN APNP CPNP  
Laurie Newton DNP RN CPNP

Friday ~ May 20th  
**Adult ORL Issues**  
7:40 am – 5:30 pm  
**Pharmacologic Management of Eosinophilic Esophagitis**  
Betsey Kim CRNP CORLN  
**The Role of the Nurse in Our New Affordable Care Organization World**  
Connie Yuska MS RN CENP CORLN  
~~Clinical Pearls: Case Studies~~  
**Parathyroid Cancer**  
Cheryl Brandt MSN RN ACNS-BC CORLN  
**Otology Case Study**  
Deborah Farragher MSN RN CORLN  
**Sleep Apnea in a Patient with Down Syndrome following Adenotonsillectomy**  
Kristina Keppel DNP RN CPNP  
**Susac Syndrome**  
Erin Ross DNP MS ANP-BC CORLN  
~~Seeking Publication Opportunities for Authorship~~  
Helene Krouse PhD ANP-BC CORLN FAAN  
**Atypical Migraines: A Look at Ocular and Vertigo Presentations**  
Deena Hollingsworth MSN FNP-BC CORLN  
**Middle Ear Surgery, Can You Hear Me?**  
Chester Hilton BSN RN CORLN  
Michael Case MD  
**Head and Neck Cancer: Notes on Treatment Principles, Complication Management, HPV Epidemic and Palliative Care**  
Kerstin Stenson MD FACS

**Target Audience**  
ORL nurses who seek an opportunity to enrich their knowledge and expertise in ORL nursing practice and who value the opportunity to network with colleagues from various regions.

**Program Purpose**  
Provide an educational program for ORL nurses to advance their knowledge of selected otolaryngology issues effecting adults, children and families; to present new technology and/or research; to enable network time with colleagues.

**Program Goals**  
- Examine new advances in the management of select adult and pediatric ORL problems/disorders.  
- Discuss the nursing implications in providing care to ORL patients across the age span and their families.  
- Initiate development of innovative nursing strategies for patients/families with otolaryngic problems.  
- Promote networking with ORL colleagues.

**Program Chairpersons:**  
**Adult ORL Issues**  
Michele Farrington BSN RN CPHON  
**Pediatric ORL Issues**  
Laurie Newton DNP RN CPNP  
**Director of Education**  
Lorie Sparacino MS PNP CORLN

**Cancellations**  
- You may cancel by fax, mail or email. A refund of 50 percent of the registration fees will be returned to those who notify SOHN in writing by May 2nd (COSM fees cannot be refunded by SOHN after April 15th). After May 2nd refunds for registration fees will not be issued.
Contact Hours
The Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses, Inc. is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s (ANCC) Commission on Accreditation (COA). The maximum CNE contact hours attainable for the program are 15.5 contact hours.

Special Note:
The registration for the American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology’s (ASPO) program May 20-22 this year is $100 until April 18 after that the fee increases to $150. Other Combined Otolaryngology Spring Meeting (COSM) organizations require an additional fee; registration information is available at www.cosm.md

Housing
Please make reservations as early as possible as the hotels usually sell out early. Be sure to mention you are attending the COSM meeting in order to get the group rate.
http://cosm.md/hotel-transportation/

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SOHN Member Non- Member
Early After April 18 Early After April 18
Pediatric Day –
Thursday includes special 30th Anniversary lunch $250 $300 $295 $345
Adult Day – Friday $205 $255 $255 $295
Entire Educational Program(Thursday and Friday) $425 $475 $525 $575

American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology’s (ASPO) program May 20-22
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SOHN will forward ASPO registrations received by April 15. After this date the fee increases to $150 and ASPO registrations can be obtained at http://cosm.md/

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National ORL Nurse Day — May 9th
ORL Nurses are AMAZING! They are making an impact around the country and beyond

Here are some great celebration ideas…

1. Encourage a co-worker to become a SOHN member.
2. Share an ORL Nurse Day cake with your co-workers or celebrate with an Ice Cream Social.
3. Make a donation to the ENT-NF “In Honor of...” a co-worker or a colleague.
4. Honor a fellow member with a SOHN pin or badge tac. Visit the SOHN Store for additional items.
5. Hold a luncheon and decorate your tables with ORL Nurse Day chocolate bars to make your event even sweeter.
6. Decorate work stations with balloons and banners to make your event even more festive.
7. Obtain a proclamation from the mayor of your town proclaiming May 9 as National ORL Nurse Day.
8. Distribute ORL Nurse Day stress reliever toys to promote reducing stress on and off the job.
9. Have a “spa-themed” event and give out ORL Nurse Day foot care kits.
10. Start the day with a kickoff breakfast. Serve coffee and tea in mugs or cups with an ORL Nurse Day message imprinted them available at the SOHN Store. Serve fruit, bagels, donuts and juice.
11. Share your pride!
Please let us know at sohnnet@aol.com how you celebrated this day!
Welcome to San Diego, California’s second largest city and site of SOHN’s 2016 Annual Meeting. San Diego – where blue skies keep watch over 70 miles of majestic coastline and a gentle Mediterranean climate. Bordered by the Pacific Ocean to the west, bordered by the Anza-Borrego Desert and Laguna Mountains to the east, and Mexico to the south. The diverse neighborhoods of San Diego are spread out over 4,200 square miles, offering endless opportunities for exploration or activities. Visit one of the beach communities, hike in the east San Diego County mountains. Explore the urban neighborhoods of San Diego’s downtown, from the iconic Gaslamp Quarter to the eclectic community of Hillcrest. Visit the quaint and charming island town of Coronado or the picturesque village of La Jolla. Discover the unique and vibrant San Diego and enjoy “Celebrating the Past and Envisioning the Future of SOHN”.

Program and registration information will be posted on the SOHN web site in May.

Why Attend?

• The largest gathering of ORL Nurses in the world
• The latest developments in ORL Nursing in sessions led by outstanding nursing professionals
• Connect with your peers and celebrate 40 years of ORL Nursing and leave with a new sense of renewal and an enhanced knowledge base.

SOFHN Announces 2017 Call for Candidates

Are you interested in making a difference in the future of SOHN and getting more involved in our organization? The Nominating Committee is searching for qualified, motivated candidates to lead our Society. Dynamic leaders are needed to ensure our Society’s continued growth and expertise. Consider yourself or encourage other members of SOHN to get involved at the national level.

We are seeking candidates for SOHN office commencing in 2017 including President-Elect, Vice President and Secretary, Board of Directors (2 positions) and Nominating Committee members (3 positions). To be eligible for the office of President-Elect and Secretary, a nominee must have served at least one term as a member of the Board of Directors. To be eligible for a position on the Board of Directors or as a member of the Nominating Committee, a nominee must have been an active member of the Society for at least two years preceding the election.

If you are interested in running, please contact Nominating Committee Chairperson, Karen Ulmer at kulmer@gbmc.org or SOHN headquarters at sohn1@earthlink.net Deadline for candidate submission is May 1, 2016.

Thank you for your continued interest, dedication and support of SOHN!!!

Tips for the Candidates

Position Statement – This statement is 75 words or less and must be sent to SOHN Headquarters by May 1st, so it can be included in the Update. It should list what talents you would bring to the organization and this position. Also, you can include other activities and past experiences. A letter of intent is due with the position statement. A form can be obtained from SOHN Headquarters.

• Photograph – Emailed to Headquarters by May 1st for inclusion in the Update and display at Congress.

• Speech – At the Business Meeting you will give a three minute speech, which can include your experience, length of service with SOHN, an overview of your position statement, and goals for the future.

• Mentoring – Remember you are not alone. If you are interested in running for an office in the future, get to know the chairs of committees and officers.

Contact Headquarters for more information:
386-428-1695
sohn1@earthlink.net
A Warm Welcome
To new SOHN members

Jessica Bailey  
Moody, AL

Lindsey M. Carter  
Lebanon, OH

Amanda B. Chambers  
Smithfield, UT

Daniela DiRamio  
Medford, MA

Margaret K. Dowling  
Riverside, IL

Michael E. Ferrer  
Cerritos, CA

Johan Garcia Rodriguez  
Miami, FL

Brittany Glaser  
Dubuque, IA

Miranda Green  
Aurora, CO

Kimberlee J. Hancox  
Anchorage, AK

Cherie N. Holmes  
Houston, TX

Denise A. Hutchison  
Fairborn, OH

Gabriel Kehner  
Houston, TX

Meghan L. Malone  
Baton Rouge, LA

Tami Minamyer  
Boulder, CO

Jennifer W. Moser  
Prairieville, LA

Caitlin Norris  
Rochester, MN

Alexis Palacio  
Danville, PA

Jaclyn A. Surette  
Boston, MA

Katy Torres Corpus  
Christi, TX

Jaime R. Townsend  
North Liberty, IA

Sarah S. Walters  
Nashville, TN

Roseanne Wilson  
San Antonio, TX

Kimberly A. Yerington  
Iowa City, IA

Janice A. Zerega  
Ballwin, MO

Laura A. Suttmiller  
Lakewood, OH

Kerry-Ann Walker  
South Euclid, OH

ENT-NF Wall of Honor
“to honor, to thank, to cherish the memory”

Gifts have been received in memory of:

Gwen “Cookie” Singleton  
by Ann McKennis and Carolyn Waddington

Kalynn Quinn Hensley  
by Eric Furst MD, Andrew deJong MD  
and James Manning MD

Bill Elliott  
by Deena Hollingsworth

Cynthia Mabry  
by Richard Mabry MD

Gifts have been received in honor of:

Maggie Chesnutt  
by Carolyn Thorsen

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A practice test consisting of 75 questions with a testing time of 2 hours $75

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Scroll down to NCBOHN for the CORLN exam and practice test information
New this month... Otitis Media with Effusion Clinical Practice Guideline (Update) was published as a supplement in the February 2016 issue of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. Lisa Gagnon, MSN, CPNP, SOHN member served as SOHN’s representative to the panel. This updated version replaces the 2004 guideline and identifies quality improvement opportunities and explicit actionable recommendations for managing otitis media with effusion (OME).

The American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery Foundation (AAO-HNSF) is also updating the Clinical Practice Guideline (CPG) on Hoarseness (Dyphonia). The original CPG was published in 2009, has been cited 183 times and has been viewed almost 50,000 times on the National Guideline Clearinghouse (NGC). Because the guideline is over five-years old, the NGC unpublished the guideline from the Clearinghouse on 1/22/15. SOHN representative, Maria Colandrea, DNP, NP-C, CORLN, CCRN served on the review committee for the Hoarseness Guideline. Helene Krouse, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, FAAN, SOHN member is currently serving on the Hoarseness CPG Update Panel.

The AAO-HNSF is developing a new Clinical Practice Guideline on the Evaluation of Neck Masses in Adults. The purpose of the guideline is to provide clinicians with evidence-based recommendations for managing adult patients with a neck mass. By focusing on opportunities for quality improvement, the guideline should improve diagnostic accuracy, facilitate prompt intervention, decrease variations in management, reduce unnecessary tests and procedures, and improve outcomes for affected patients. Maria Colandrea is SOHN’s representative to the development panel.

Michele Farrington, BSN, RN CPHON, Chairperson of the Practice and Research Committee is SOHN’s representative to the Academy’s Guideline Taskforce. The taskforce guides the development of each guideline and also determines the subject for development of new guidelines.

Congratulations to Michele, Lisa, Helene and Maria!

Have you heard of the Honor Award? This is an award available to the membership recognizing their accomplishments within the organization. It is given in the form of a certificate and presented by the President at the Annual Congress. Recipients are also recognized in the Update. Honor Awards are based on the accumulation of points for service to SOHN. Details are available in the policy manual (available on the website, under Professional Development). Once 10 points are accumulated the member should submit the completed documentation form to headquarters by July 1 for approval by the Scholarship and Awards Committee. There are a multitude of committed members within SOHN. Submit your Honor Award form and let us recognize you for your service.
The Chicago Chapter SOHN has been a chartered chapter for 25 years. What we do not have in numbers we have in high quality, motivated members who work together to create interesting quarterly meetings, educational conferences and raise money for the Ear, Nose and Throat Nursing Foundation (ENT-NF).

We have quarterly meetings in February, May, August and November and provide a CE/speaker at each meeting. We presently rotate the quarterly meetings through four medical centers in the Chicagoland area. This provides an opportunity for members to have easier access in getting to meetings. The members who work at the specific medical center where the meeting will be held are responsible to find a speaker and assist the speaker in getting the necessary forms completed and sent to our Nurse Planner, Maggie Miller.

Our membership is made up of ENT nurses practicing in a variety of specialties, clinic, operating room, nurse practitioners, pediatric ENT and head-neck cancer nurses. Some members have remained connected to SOHN Chicago Chapter even after leaving the ORL specialty in their jobs. That says quite a bit about the organization, not only nationally but also locally. There is a commitment to SOHN. Although we have only 25 members, a busy year lies ahead.

The following is a summary of our activities:

• Four quarterly meetings with an educational component and CE provided by SOHN Headquarters. Members who attend all four meetings have their name entered into a drawing and one name is drawn for a paid early registration to Congress. It’s a great motivator!
• Members participated actively in several head-neck cancer screenings in 2015 - organizing and coordinating the event.
• “Tasting” event for head-neck cancer patients and their families coordinated by three major medical centers.
• Community Days fund raiser. Carson’s, a department store in the Chicagoland area allows non-profit organizations to raise funds for their groups. We have raised up to $2,000 selling the booklets locally and selling in the store during their operating hours.
• Networking day- allowing ENT nurses from all areas/locations to meet, share, network with each other.
• Set up a Chicago Chapter information table at a Greater Chicago ENT conference for physicians and nurses in March 2015.
• Summer Gathering- Members with their families come together, bringing a side dish to enjoy in a casual environment. This is held at the chapter president’s home. The chapter provides the entrée for the gathering.
• ENT Update 2015 brought together 25 nurses from Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin for a 5 CE educational conference day.
• During the conference the raffle for ENT-NF raised $500. Members were extremely generous in their donations. The raffle was coordinated by Marianne Beddome who generously donated five prizes. Other donors were members: Cynthia Johnson, Laura Weith, Ramute Kemeza and Lenore Harris. Tickets for a White Sox game were donated by the White Sox organization, an autographed banner was donated by the Chicago Bears organization and a $100 VISA gift card was donated by the Bastian Voice Institute.
2016 SOHN
Calendar Award Nominations
Events/Deadlines

December - 2015
30 Nominations for Outstanding Service Award Deadline
30 Nominations for Friend of SOHN Award

January - 2016
22-23 Midwinter Board of Directors Meeting
31 Cynthia Mabry Otolaryngic Allergy Lectureship Deadline
31 Kalynn Quinn Hensley Head & Neck/ Laryngology Lectureship Deadline

March
31 CORLN Examination Application Deadline

April
1 Poster Application Deadline
10-16 Annual Oral, Head & Neck Cancer Awareness Week www.headandneck.org

May
1 Nomination of Candidates Deadline
5-21 CORLN Examination Testing Period
9 National ORL Nurse Day
19-20 SOHN Spring Seminar Series & 30th Annual Spring Pediatric Meeting, Chicago, IL

July
1 Chapter Excellence Award Applications Deadline
1 Clinical Excellence Award Application Deadline
1 Honor Award Applications Deadline
1 Scholarship Applications Deadline
1 Forming Chapter Bylaws Deadline
1 Annual Board Meeting Guest Attendee Application Deadline

September
1 CORLN Examination Application Deadline
16-20 SOHN 40th Anniversary SOHN Congress – San Diego, CA

October
1–15 CORLN Examination Testing Period
15 Call for Abstracts 2017 Congress & Spring Seminar Series

November
1 Midwinter Board Meeting Guest Attendee Application Deadline
1 Nurse in Washington Internship Application Deadline
15 Lois Moore-Rogers Pediatric Otolaryngology Lectureship Deadline
30 Research Forum Abstracts Deadline

December
30 Nominations for Outstanding Service Award Deadline
30 Nominations for Friend of SOHN Award Deadline

Plans for 2016 include:
• A fundraiser in the fall
• Head-Neck Cancer screening organizing/participation
• A raffle for the ENT-NF during the spring SOHN national meeting in Chicago May 19-20, 2016
• Chicago Chapter SOHN information table at SOHN Spring meeting in Chicago May 19-20, 2016
• Quarterly meetings
• Start planning topics and speakers for ENT Update 2018
• Summer Gathering Weekend after Labor Day

We had to say farewell to our Nurse Planner, Maggie Miller, who has filled this role for most of the Chicago Chapter’s existence. We surprised her at the ENT Update 2015 with a floral arrangement, gift certificate to a restaurant, and raised our glasses to a champagne toast to thank her and wish her the best in her retirement. A certificate of appreciation from SOHN was presented.

The Chicago Chapter has produced quite a few leaders in the SOHN organization:
• Former national president Connie Yuska is from the Chicago Chapter
• Lenore Harris, one of the editors of Core Curriculum hails from our chapter. She has also served as vice president and has chaired the Nominating Committee
• Maggie Miller has been a national secretary and board member of SOHN, as well as, a congress chairperson
• Ramute Kemeza, the current Chicago Chapter president, served on the board of directors and as treasurer of SOHN. Prior to these positions she was a member of the Nominating Committee and chaired the committee in her second year
• This is just a small snapshot of members who have been dedicated and still have a passion and commitment to SOHN.

Respectfully,

Ramute Kemeza RN BSN
President
Chicago Chapter SOHN
2016 is an exciting time for the Heartland Regional Chapter (HRC) of SOHN as the chapter celebrates its 20th birthday as a local chapter. The chapter currently has 28 members from the states of Iowa and Nebraska. Most of the chapter activities for 2016 are still currently in the planning phase, but the chapter’s Spring continuing education program has been scheduled for April 16, 2016 at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics.

An additional educational event is scheduled for July 30, 2016 to celebrate HRC’s 20th year as a chapter. The event will include a CE program, collaborating with physician colleagues, an outdoor event/adventure, and ending the day with a BBQ and live band! Keep the date open!

The chapter ended 2015 on a high note with numerous philanthropic efforts, such as the annual fall raffle; participation in the annual mittens, hats, and scarves drive for the United Way (this was the 5th year chapter members have participated); donation of money to a local women’s shelter (instead of exchanging holiday gifts); and collection of needed items for the Russell and Ann Gerdin American Cancer Society Hope Lodge in Iowa City, IA. The chapter has collected items for the local Hope Lodge every year since it was built in 2008. The items collected and donated by chapter members, such as formula, Ensure, Kleenex, and gifts for loved ones, are those needed by the otolaryngology-head and neck surgery patients staying at the Hope Lodge while undergoing treatment since it is hard for patients to get out and buy these supplies and gifts.

If you would like additional information on upcoming activities of the Heartland Regional Chapter of SOHN or would like to be more involved, please do not hesitate to contact Karlene Fuller at karlene-fuller@uiowa.edu.

Karlene Fuller, BA, RN, CORLN
Heartland Regional Chapter President

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**Position Available**

**Family Nurse Practitioner**

Otolaryngology Associates, P.C., a large multi-specialty practice in Northern Virginia is seeking a full-time, qualified Family Nurse Practitioner to join our team. Our well-respected practice has three locations, ten surgeons and one family nurse practitioner who provide care for patients of all ages.

**POSITION SUMMARY:** The Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) will obtain a complete medical history, perform physical exams, order appropriate laboratory and diagnostic procedures, perform in-office diagnostic procedures and perform in office therapeutic treatment when appropriate. The FNP will interpret and integrate data to determine diagnosis and therapeutic plan in collaboration with the physicians. The FNP will perform teaching for pre and post-operative patients and provide continued management. Full benefits package and competitive salary offered.

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**Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week**

April 10-16, 2016

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