

IANAS INSPIRE

Building the Future of Our Nurses



Letter from the Editor

Close your eyes, take a deep breath in. The summer is well under way, and whether you are industriously working, braving through summer school, or enjoying some much needed time to relax and recuperate before fall semester when classes and clinical begin again, remember, you are a nursing student. You will, one day sooner than you may believe, be a nurse. You will be the voice instructing the anxious patient, respirations greater than 20, “Look at me, deep breath in, . . . *and out.*” And you can do this.

Elaborating on the respiratory metaphor, I welcome you to the new name and look of the Indiana Association of Nursing Students newsletter: The IANS Inspire. As you read the biographies of your 2014-2015 Board of Directors, you will see recurring themes of determination to build IANS membership, encourage increased participation at the state level, in short, a dedication and passion to inspire nursing students across the state and breathe life into the board members' respective positions. We, as a board, invite you to lend your voices, energies, and enthusiasms over the next year to help build IANS into a state association to be spoken of at the national level!

Take a few moments to meet your new board members by reading the biographies below, and reach out to us throughout your nursing journey with ideas, suggestions, misadventures, celebrations, and more. Together we can inspire one another as we make our common journey toward becoming nurses!

— Rebecca

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Hoosier Nurse?!



JEREMY BARKER
President
*University of Southern
 Indiana, 2015*

I am Jeremy Barker, the current President of IANS. I attend the University of Southern Indiana and I am a senior in the nursing program. I like being outdoors and playing sports like basketball or baseball.

When people hear the word "president" they think distinguished and perfect. I have learned in a few short months that the office of president can be held by anyone. I have never held a board position before on any level, so this was a big jump for me. I want to encourage all of you (nursing students) to take charge and get involved.

My goal as the President of IANS is to get more students involved and wanting to run for a board position, maybe even President.

STEPHEN WARD
Vice President
*University of Southern
 Indiana, 2015*



I'm Stephen Ward from Madison, Indiana. I'm a very active person who enjoys tennis, golf, and basketball. Being active, one of my favorite things about nursing is that it changes every day.

You'll never get the same situation twice. Nursing always brings you something new, and you help people, see the reactions on people's faces as they overcome something they never thought possible. I am particularly interested in seeing this transformation take place when working with cardiac and pediatric patients.

Beginning my board membership as the Newsletter Co-Editor, I ran for the Vice President position when a vacancy opened. I ran for the position because I want to foster the success of the Board by translating my ideas and creativity into an impactful and enjoyable 2015 IANS State Convention. I also look forward to finding out how other schools are involved in their communities and encourage more schools to do the same. I created a video of my time at this year's NSNA convention to inspire others to get involved in their student nursing associations and beyond. . . . Coming soon to the IANS website!

SHANNON PICKETT
Secretary
*Indiana University
 Southeast, 2015*



As a senior nursing student at IUS, I am working toward a second career. I currently hold a BS in biology from the University of Evansville and an MA in biology from Ball State University. I have a passion for people and for learning. After seven years working in Quality Assurance, keeping the public safe from food borne illness, I decided that I wanted to work directly with the public. Nursing combines my love for learning, my love for people, and my love for science into one career.

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As your 2014-2015 IANS Secretary, my goal is to provide accurate board meeting minutes in a timely manner in order to keep all IANS members informed about our goals and our future endeavors.



ELAINE EVISCHI
Treasurer
University of Southern Indiana, 2015

I am a senior nursing student at USI. I come from a small town in Southern Illinois where I love spending time with my family and friends. Some of my favorite things are traveling, dancing, sports, and the outdoors. I am excited to hold the Treasurer position

for 2014-2015, and I plan to create an annual budget that encompasses all of the events/activities we will be a part of this year.



REBECCA DENONCOUR
Newsletter Editor
University of Southern Indiana, 2015

A senior nursing student at USI, I come to the IANS Board of Directors with a BA in English literature and a passion for integrating the arts and sciences. One word that describes me is

‘movement’ as I hardly ever sit still, balancing school and work with writing, singing, printmaking, baking, hiking. . . . I have enjoyed returning to southern Indiana for school, and I also look forward to learning about and hearing from nursing programs across the state.

As your 2014-2015 Newsletter Editor my goal is to deliver a consistent, timely newsletter and maintain an online presence that keeps IANS members informed and promotes new membership.

VERONICA MUNIER
Bylaws and Policies Director
University of Southern Indiana, 2015



I am currently a senior in the nursing program at USI. I am originally from Louisville, Kentucky. I enjoy being around friends and family. I love doing things outdoors, whether it is going for a walk, playing softball, swimming, or just driving around on a nice day.

My goal as a board member is to help spread the word to other nursing students in Indiana about becoming a member of IANS and to help them become more involved in the organization.

BRIANA DAVIS
Community Health and Disaster Preparedness Director
University of Southern Indiana, December 2014



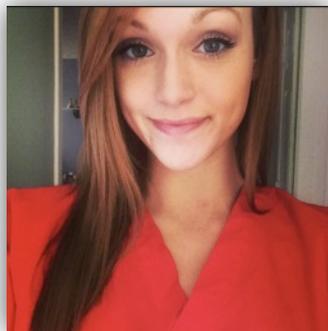
A little bit about myself. . . . I am a senior nursing student at USI and I will be graduating in December.

I currently work for St. Mary’s Medical Center on a medical-surgical unit. Through my experience working in a hospital and after all of the nursing classes I have taken, I feel as though I have learned so much, and I am excited to learn more. When I am not working or studying, I enjoy spending my free time with friends and family.

As the Community Health and Disaster Preparedness Director I look forward to involving my fellow
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nursing students across the state in community and disaster preparedness projects. I look forward to working with you all!



CAITLYN BURKE
Director of Membership
*Indiana University—
 Bloomington, 2015*

I am a senior nursing student at IU, minor-ing in Spanish and Psychology. My passion is working with

kids and I am an active participant with IU's Dance Marathon where I am a second year hospitality committee member. IU Dance Marathon has raised \$2.6 million in the last year alone for Riley Children's Hospital.

As the 2014-2015 Director of Membership, my goal is to increase the membership, by getting more nursing students involved with IANS, as well as starting new chapters among Indiana Nursing Schools.



COURTNEY LATHAM
Image of Nursing Director
*University of Southern Indiana,
 December 2014*

A senior nursing student at USI, I come to the IANS Board of Directors with my Certified Pharmacy Technician License (Cpht) and a wide array of previous job

experiences to aide me in progressing through the program. Individuals would typically describe me as an outgoing, people person. I never meet a stranger. I am thankful for the ability to communicate with a diverse range of individuals. I currently am the first to attend college in my family. I have been

independently providing for myself since I was 16. Some of the hobbies I enjoy are arts, crafts, dancing, cooking, and just about anything outdoors.

As your 2014-2015 Image of Nursing Director my goal is to deliver quality research that vastly represents the image of nursing. I also plan to compare and contrast the image of nursing from a student nurse prospective and a staff nurse prospective. Additionally, my goal is to provide tips and information on quality interviewing and how to make yourself stand out in the interview process for your dream job.

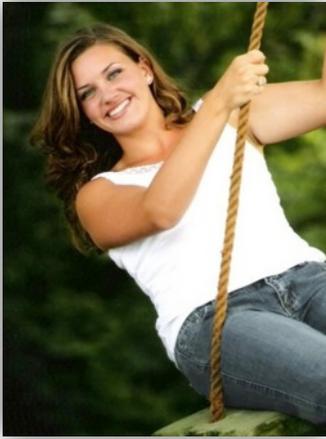
HAYLEY HAWKES
Nominations and Elections Committee
Chamberlain College of Nursing, 2015



I am honored to be a member of this year's NEC and lucky to be serving another year on IANS. I am currently a senior at Chamberlain College of Nursing in Indianapolis with an expected graduation date of March 2015. I'm originally from North Carolina and am an East Carolina University graduate with my Bachelors in Psychology. I love anything outdoors (kayaking, camping, hiking, and biking to name a few favorites) and traveling to new places.

As a member of the NEC, it's my goal for the year to have a full pre-slated ballot for the 2015-2016 IANS BOD. I want to spread the word about how great of an opportunity IANS is and maybe even get someone from Indian on the NSNA national board.

I'm here to answer any questions you have about running and what holding a position on IANS means, so feel free to email me anytime. Hope to meet y'all throughout the year and at our annual state convention.



BRITTNEY KING
Nominations and
Elections Committee
University of Southern
Indiana, 2015

I am from Evansville, Indiana. I am a junior nursing student planning to graduate in December of 2015. Being in nursing I have come to find that nursing is truly my

passion in life and I have made some great friends along the way.

Being on the IANS NEC I hope to be able to help my fellow board members with their goals as well as getting more students interested in being involved in their nursing communities.

SARA HAUSZ
Nominations and Elections Committee
Indiana University Southeast

Biographical information and photograph unavailable.



MARILYN OSTENDORF
Faculty Advisor

I am an Assistant Clinical Professor of Nursing at the University of Southern Indiana in Evansville, Indiana. I received my Doctorate of Nursing Practice in 2011 from USI. I have a Bachelor and Master of Science degree from the University of Evansville and a Post Master's Family Nurse Practitioner degree from the USI. I have 30 years of critical care experience primarily in cardiovascular surgical intensive care and I currently practice in the post anesthesia recovery unit. I have presented nationally on the topics of interprofessional team development, teamwork and collaboration in the clinical simulation setting, curriculum development and internationally on simulation development. I have been the faculty advisor for the student nursing organization since I began teaching at USI in 2003. I live in Newburgh, Indiana with my husband Matt. We have two sons Jason and Michael and two Labradors, Jake and Abbie.

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WHY DON’T YOU MARRY IT?”**

IANS STATE CONVENTION
ALL THE FUN OF A PARTY, NO NEED TO BUY A GIFT



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Announcements & Inducements

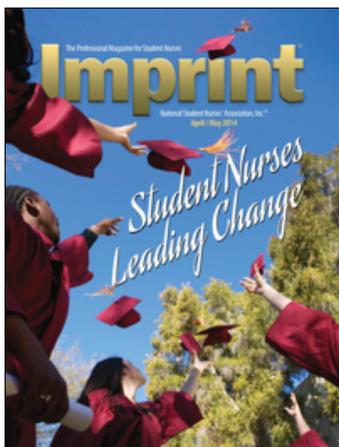


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Check out the current issue of *Imprint* from **NSNA** to learn about ANS at the national level, find deals and discounts, articles and essays, including one from our very own IANS member, **Sara Hausz!**

November may be months away, but NSNA Midyear Conference is set to stay

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
November 6-9

Visit www.nсна.org for more

**Next IANS Meeting: July 19, 9am EST
Spring Mills State Park**



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