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IANS Members at National Convention in Pittsburgh

Dear fellow IANS members,

I can hardly believe another school year has already come and gone! This past year, the Indiana Association of Nursing Students worked very hard and achieved many of its goals. Our Annual State Convention at Ball State University proved to be a huge success with close to 200 attendees! Four board members were able to attend Mid-Year Conference in Memphis, Tennessee and eight board members plus many other Indiana nursing students were able to attend National Convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. As our numbers continue to grow we hope to increase involvement at the state level in the upcoming years. Congratulations to all those students who are about to graduate- we did it! Good luck to everyone in the fall semester, and best wishes to the new board for another great year!

Sincerely,

Brittney Hoge, Exiting IANS President

Highlights From Annual State Convention:

- Keynote speaker Anne Ryder discussing the death of her young son and her experiences in healthcare
- Endnote speaker Chad Priest speaking on the future of bedside nursing and public health
- Sarah Able sharing resume tips
- David Carron sharing his experiences as a flight nurse and discussing the path it takes to become a flight nurse
- Members of the State Board of Nursing informing students about malpractice suits, insurance, and how to protect yourself as a registered nurse
- Ball State students up simulations with real life examples in their state of the art simulation lab for attendee practice
- Nurses with various graduate school degrees discussed their individual paths to earning their degrees and provided information about each degree



BRITTNEY HOGE, IANS PRESIDENT, AND ANNE RYDER, KEYNOTE SPEAKER, AT CONVENTION

The 2012 Annual Indiana Association of Nursing Students Convention was held March 24th and 25th at Ball State University. It was a great success! Close to 200 nursing students attended representing schools from all over the state. There were many interesting speakers, hospitals, vendors and plenty of networking opportunities available throughout the weekend. If you are interested in helping to plan convention next year contact vicepresidentians@gmail.com!



Are You Interested in ER Nursing?

Indiana Emergency Nurses Association State Council Symposium

Indiana's chapter of the Emergency Nurses Association is inviting nursing students from around the state to attend their annual State Council Symposium. It will be held on June 21, 2012 at The Marriot Indianapolis East (7202 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46219). It will be an all day event featuring many speakers and breakout sessions focusing on different aspects of emergency nursing. Cost is \$20 for undergraduate nursing students who are ENA Members and \$50 for undergraduate nursing students who are non-members. For RSVP information and to view a symposium agenda, please visit www.indianaena.org.



Introducing our 2012-2013 Board of Directors! Congratulations!

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Image of Nursing Director, Kristin
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What Does the Future Hold for Our Graduating Board Members?

Brittney Hoge- "I have accepted a position on the Neuro ICU at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington D.C. Eventually I hope to pursue my ACNP, with interest in trauma and critical care. I'm sad to be done with college and be leaving Bloomington, but looking forward to the next chapter!"

Eric Kern- I will be moving to Rochester, MN to work at the Mayo Clinic on the cardiovascular surgery intensive care unit. After working for a few years, I plan on pursuing a graduate degree as either an NP or CRNA.

Sarah Empson-

Emily Tolliver- "I have accepted a job at IU Health Bloomington on a Med/Surg floor and am extremely excited. I hope to be able to go to graduate school soon to pursue a Master's in Nursing Administration to hopefully become a nurse educator or clinical director. I would like to thank everyone who helped with IANS, it was a wonderful experience working with the board."

Courtney Hatheway- "I am exploring job opportunities in the Indianapolis area as a Neonatal Intensive Care nurse. After working for a few years I will consider my options for advance practice degrees in the perinatal field, perhaps as a Certified Nurse Midwife. "

JoAnna Martin- "I will be returning to 'the region' after 5 amazing years in B-town, and living with two of my best friends from home. I have accepted a position on an intermediate cardiac floor at Methodist Hospital in Merrillville, IN. I plan on getting a few years of bedside experience, before possibly pursuing a graduate degree."

NSNA National Convention

The NSNA 2012 Annual Convention was held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania April 11th-14th. Mary Foley, a former NSNA president that is now the president-elect of ANA, spoke about how nursing has evolved and her role in its change. There were breakout sessions throughout the week about many exciting topics, from nurse midwifery to pharmacology tips and everything in between. The Exhibit Hall was opened with hundreds of vendors and hospital recruiters, including opportunities to purchase NCLEX prep books and discounted scrubs. A discounted NCLEX review was offered for only 20\$! Elections for the new Board of Directors were held and delegates from each state spent long hours passing resolutions from members of NSNA to pass along to the ANA. With almost 3,000 attendees, great speakers, relevant and interesting breakout sessions, and a fantastic exhibit hall of vendors and recruiters, the 2012 NSNA National Convention was one for the books!



Ball State nursing students during a simulation at State Convention

Indiana League for Nursing 2012 Dinner and Discussion

The ILN has invited IANS members to join them on Thursday June 7, 2012 at the University of Indianapolis (Hall A, Schwitzer Student Center, 1400 E. Hanna Ave, Indianapolis) from 5:30pm-8:00pm for their 2012 dinner and discussion. In recent years, the ILN has shown strong support for the Indiana Association of Nursing Students. This event is a great opportunity to get involved, meet many of Indiana's esteemed nurses, and see how professional organizations operate on a higher level. This year's theme is "Interprofessional Education: Successful Implementation Strategies". Cost is \$10 for ILN members, \$12 for graduate students, and \$15 for non-members. RVSP by sending payment to USI College of Nursing and Health Professions, 8600 University Blvd, Evansville, IN 47714, Attention: Susan Seibert. Make checks payable to ILN. Payment is due Friday June 1st.

