

*Greetings from the
CAT Chair*

Greetings from the Chapter Advisory Team Chair

National Office Update

Dear Chapter Presidents & Vice Presidents,

Annual Reports

It is time to shut the door on 2010 and be open to the possibilities of 2011. This could be the year to be more active at the national level or come to Congress for the first time. Maybe you could bring a new nurse to your chapter meetings. It might be the year you get your ONC or help another nurse study for their certification. You might be thinking of teaching a community class or presenting at a staff meeting. The new year is wide open.

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Nancy Morris RN, ONC
CAT Chair

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NATIONAL OFFICE UPDATE

NAON Mail

- Tip: With leadership changes happening in your Chapter annually, it's recommended that you set up a free e-mail account dedicated strictly to your Chapter. Some of the more common web sites to do this on are: Yahoo, Hotmail, Gmail, and MSN. If your Chapter has an e-mail address like this, let **Kelly** know so that your Chapter mailings and important information will be sent there – insuring that the right people are getting all the information.
- Look for your Executive Board Nominees and their position statements on NAON's Web site at: www.orthonurse.org. Cast your votes for leadership.
- Registration for NAON's 31st Annual Congress in Baltimore is now open! To register [click here](#). Congress dates are May 14-18, 2011.
- Don't forget to book your room! [Housing and Travel](#)

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ANNUAL REPORTS

All **annual reports** are due to the National Office and your CAT representative by **April 1, 2011**.

There will be **NO** exception to this deadline, so submit your reports early to avoid a time crunch later!

Need your 2010 Chapter Roster? Contact **Kelly** at the National Office for it.

Reports must be submitted electronically and can be downloaded by [clicking here](#) or requested from Kelly via email at kkeane@smithbucklin.com

NEW THIS YEAR!

The National Office will now be filing the IRS 990-N forms for all chapters.

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EDUCATION UPDATE

2011 AAOS/NAON Nursing and Allied Health Program

The NAON Nursing & Allied Health Program will be held at the AAOS conference in San Diego on February 15-18, 2011. The exact location is the San Diego Marriott Hotel & Marina, Marina Ballroom D-F. Total nursing contact hours available for the programs co-provided by NAON and NAOT will be 28.0. Arrange your lodging as soon as possible through <http://www.aaos.org/register>

It's not too late to Register! Early registration has closed for the 2011 AAOS Annual Meeting, but registration is available onsite as well! Register onsite at the San Diego Convention Center:

Monday, February 14: 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Tuesday, February 15 – Friday, February 19: 7:00 am – 6:00 pm

Approver Unit

NAON is conducting ongoing audits of applicant records related to previously submitted CNE program applications. Each applicant will have one program audited sometime throughout each year to assure recordkeeping is in compliance with the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation (ANCC-COA) requirements. Please complete your 2010 audit forms if you have not already done so and forward them to Meghan O'Brien (meobrien@smithbucklin.com).

Discussion Forums

The SIG Discussion Forums are a great way to discuss practice issues and network with nurse colleagues practicing, or interested in, the same specialty. Sharing documents with your peers is easy by using the attachment feature with these discussion forums. You also have the ability to read what any group is talking about and not just the SIG groups for which you signed up. This opens the door to a greater level of communication among colleagues. You will only have access to a limited number of the Discussion Forums if you are not a NAON member. NAON can help familiarize you with the Discussion Forum process.

Getting started:

- To join, go to www.orthonurse.org
- Click on NAON Resources > Discussion Forums
- Make sure you are logged in with your Username & Password
- Accept the disclaimer and proceed

Once you are logged in, you can:

- read what any group is talking about
- jump in on the conversations
- set up an alert for when a new topic starts in one of the forums
- set up an RSS feed to the discussion for your Google Reader or other aggregator

Questions? Contact the NAON National Office at naon@smithbucklin.com or 800.289.NAON (6266).

New and Revised Products

Please submit a **Willingness to Serve Form** to declare your interest in editing, authoring, and/or reviewing new and previous NAON products and courses. The form can be found under the "Membership Center" tab on the NAON home web page (<http://www.orthonurse.org>).

NAON Online Scientific Journal Club

The NAON Online Scientific Journal Club is an interactive activity for those interested in research as it relates to orthopaedic nursing. The purpose of this club is to stimulate interest and literature review of research applicable to patients with orthopaedic conditions. A member of the NEBPRC Research Unit posts an evidence-based article to the Research Discussion Forum and facilitates discussion for one month after posting. Suggested discussion includes questions, practice issues encountered, supportive and challenging comments, and other conversation about the article content. Join in regularly to keep current about new findings and voice your views about particular articles of interest.

NAON's 31st Annual Congress

Registration is open for NAON's 31st Annual Congress in Baltimore will be held on May 14-18, 2011. Make lodging arrangements prior to April 14, 2011 for discounted rates. Lodging is available at the Hilton Baltimore (attached to the Convention Center) or the Marriott Camden Yards.

-Hilton Baltimore
401 West Pratt Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
1.443.573.8700
Rate: \$209

-Marriott Camden Yards
110 South Eutaw Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
1.410.962.0202
Rate: \$195

2011 Congress Objectives:

- Provide exemplary continuing nursing education related to current issues, trends, evidence-based practices and research in orthopaedic health care.
- Investigate how evidence-based practice and research impact orthopaedic nursing outcomes.
- Maintain a professional environment that encourages collegiality and networking among participants associated with advancements in orthopaedic nursing education, practice, and research.

Download a registration form to mail or fax in, or register **online**.

Practice Points

Chronic Pain, Postoperative Delirium, Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting, and Postoperative Urinary Retention Practice Points, are available on the NAON website (www.orthonurse.org) for free download by NAON members. Hover above the Membership Center tab on the home page and select NAON Practice Points. Select the Practice Point you'd like to view or print. Additional Practice Points will be available soon.

Twitter

Find NAON information and articles of clinical orthopaedic interest on Twitter:
<http://twitter.com/NAONurses>

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On-line Voting Now Open for 2011-2012 NAON Elected Leadership Ballot

The Leadership Search Committee (LSC) reviewed several candidate packets, interviewed dozens of NAON members, and spoke with numerous professional references over the past year. At the end of the lengthy review process, the LSC presented the Executive Board with a recommended slate of candidates.

Both groups now proudly present the 2011-2012 ballot for elected leadership positions. The LSC diligently worked to identify candidates who possess the leadership skills and commitment needed to further NAON's mission. The majority of candidates were interviewed in person at NAON's Annual Congress in May 2010.

The positions up for election this year are: President Elect and one (1) Director. In this issue, you will find candidate position statements for each person on the ballot. Familiarize yourself with the candidates and cast a vote for your choice.

As in recent years, the [2011-2012 Election page](#) is available online.

Follow these easy steps if you wish to access the vote page directly from this e-mail.

- Click on [2011-2012 NAON Elected Leadership Ballot page](#)
- Log on as a member using your Username and Password
- Read through the information on each candidate and then click on "Vote Now"
- Follow the directions on the page and cast your vote(s)

Members also can access the vote page from the NAON Web site by clicking on the large "Vote" icon on the homepage.

It is important to note that votes cannot be altered after submission, and no one will have access to any individual member's vote.

If you have questions, concerns, need your membership number and password, or would like to request a paper ballot, contact the National office at naon@smithbucklin.com or 800.289.NAON (6266).

Voting will be available until 11:59 p.m. CST on Feb. 10, 2011.

The LSC encourages everyone to consider serving NAON, either in an elected leadership position or on a committee or task force. Fill out a [Willingness to Serve Form](#) today. If you are interested in an elected leadership position, make plans to attend Congress in Baltimore so the LSC can schedule in-person interviews.

Remember the future of NAON depends on all of you the Membership of NAON.

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NAON Education Events

"Orthopaedic Scrabble"
Presented by NEW Chapter 171 of NAON
February 10, 2011
Comfort Suites
Green Bay, WI

For more information please contact Jennifer G. Friedel via email at jgfriedel@att.net
or by phone at 920-339-5724.

"Bone Business: Atlanta Chapter Workshop"
Presented by the Atlanta Chapter
Saturday, February 12, 2011
Marietta Conference Center
500 Powder Springs St. SE
Marietta, GA 30064

For more information please contact Paula Spicer or Pam Sapp via email at
bonebusiness@gmail.com.

" Orthopaedic Excellence 21st Annual Conference"
Presented by GMAC #49
April 1, 2011
The Fairlane Club
500 Fairlane Woods Dr.
Dearborn, MI 48126

For more information please contact Carol Tylutki via email at
carol.miortho@yahoo.com or via phone at 763.421.6275

"Orthopaedic Nursing Excellence Thru Education"
Presented by the Twin Cities Chapter 029
May 3, 2011
Woodwinds Medical Center
Woodbury, MN

For more information please contact Linda Westphal via email at
west5369@charter.net or via phone at 313.563.4276

" **34th Annual CONA Conference - Ortho Mosaic A "Bone" a fide Prairie
Experience 2011** "
Presented by CONA
June 5-8, 2011
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

For more information please contact Ember Benson via email at
ebenson@soqh.mb.ca.

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NAON MALL

It is time to start planning for your chapter's participation in the NAON Mall at the 31st Annual Congress in Baltimore. The NAON Mall will be held during Congress at the Baltimore Convention Center on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The NAON Mall is an activity which allows for the sale of souvenirs and Orthopaedic paraphernalia at designated times during Congress. The profits of the sales go straight to your chapter's treasury. It provides an opportunity for chapter team building and

fundraising.

NAON will provide a six-foot skirted table and a chapter identification sign to each company participating in the Mall. In addition, NAON will recognize your Chapter participation in NAON marketing materials and on the NAON website.

The Mall registration form and guidelines will be sent to the chapter presidents within the next month. Please make sure you watch out for them in your inbox!

If you have questions on the NAON Mall , please contact Elizabeth Klostermann at 312.673.5840, or eklostermann@smithbucklin.com . We look forward to seeing you in Baltimore!

Additional information, past mailings, and Chapter rosters can be found at www.orthonurse.org > **Chapters** > **Chapter Resources** .

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NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR 2011 NAON HONORS

The NAON Executive Board is proud to announce we are currently accepting nominations for the 2011 Outstanding Orthopaedic Nurse Practice Award and the Clara A. Donahoo Memorial Lectureship Award .

These prestigious awards are designed to recognize and reward members for their hard work and dedication to the nursing field as well as to NAON. **Click here** to go to the Awards page for information, criteria and requirements for these two awards.

Nominations for the 2011 Outstanding Orthopaedic Nurse Practice Award are due to the NAON National Office by February 1, 2011 and the Clara A. Donahoo Memorial Lectureship Award are due to the NAON National Office by April 1, 2011 .

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