

# ONA Region 2 Newsletter Winter 2015

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A great time was had by members and the Board of Directors at the Region 2 Holiday gathering at Siegi's German Restaurant; we had a great turnout! The charity selected for 2014 was the Laura Dester Emergency Children's Shelter: I want to thank everyone for their generous donations! Once again your Board members and I encourage input for selecting an agency for 2015.

I invite ONA Region 2 Members to take an active part on the Board of Directors in our upcoming elections. The Call for Nominations is located in this newsletter, take a look and consider running! If serving on the Board is not for you that is okay too, let us know if you have an interest in serving on a committee that may arise. Lastly, I want to encourage you to stay active in ONA Region 2; members like you are what makes a difference!

Warm Regards,

Rick Odiorne, BSN, RN, CCRN





Want to serve or know someone you would like to nominate?

Go to
www.oklahomanurses.org
and complete the online
Consent to Serve Form
to nominate yourself or
to nominate a
Region 2 member.

Nominations will be open for 2 weeks, starting February 15, 2015

Plan now to nominate a Region 2 Member!

#### 2015 -2016 Call for Nominations

President –Elect (one year; serve as President the following year) Vice President (1 open/two year term)

Directors at Large (2 open/two year term)

Nominating Committee (2 open/ two year term & 2/open 1 year term)

Delegates (10 and 2 alternates open/one year term)

Treasurer: (1 open/two year term)

\*Refer to the Region 2 Bylaws for the duties and responsibilities of each office.

## **Region 2 Awards**

#### **Innovations in Practice Nursing Scholarship**

Purpose: Promote scholarship and innovation in nursing. Support ONA members who are pursuing higher education in nursing (RN-BSN, MSN), or a doctoral level nursing or related degree.

#### Nightingale Award of Excellence

The Nightingale Award of Excellence is conferred on an ONA Region 2 member who during his/her career:

Demonstrates innovative strategies so as to fulfill job responsibilities and/or role responsibilities in his/her professional role and within the community.

Consistently surpasses expectations of a professional nurse, thus enhancing the image of nursing as a profession.

Demonstrates sustained and substantial contribution to ONA Region 2, serves as a role model of consistent excellence in his/her area of practice.

Demonstrates other professional behaviors, such as mentoring, advocacy, research conduction or utilization, publications and presentations throughout his/her career.

Application deadline: March 9th

## 2014 – 2015 Region 2 Board Members

President: Rick Odiorne (rick.odiorne@gmail.com)
President Elect: Lisa Gerow (lisa.gerow@gmail.com)

**Vice-President**: Lisa Gerow (lisa.gerow@gmail.com)

**Treasurer:** Lou Stackler (loustack@cox.net)

**Secretary**: Chris Thoman (chris.thoman@tulsacc.edu)

**Outreach Coordinator**: Irene Pappas (ipappas@okwu.edu)

Region 2 Representative: Shelly Wells (shellywells@windstream.net)

Chair, Committee on Nursing Advancement: Becky Yager (golf.beckie@gmail.com)

**Directors at Large**: Leslie Brown (lcbrown317@yahoo.com)
Teresa Frazier (teresa.frazier@tulsacc.edu)
Deborah Wipf (dawipf@sbcglobal.net)
Brandi Payton (brandimpayton@gmail.com)

Chair, Nominating Committee: Christie Jones

**Members:** Chris Thoman, Mary Helen Freter



# **Region 2**

## Calendar of Events

### **Annual Nurses' Spring Luncheon**

**Friday:** April 10, 2015

**Time**: Program 11:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**Speaker:** Gina Stafford, Ph.D., Associate Director of Nursing, OBN,

"Scope of Practice: RN Role & LPN Role"

**Location**: Tulsa Community College Center for Creativity

609 S. Boston Ave

**Cost**: \$15.00 Members and Non-Members

\$5.00 Senior Nursing Students

Nurses can sponsor a senior nursing student for \$15.00

# ONA Region 2 Supports Tulsa Community Resources:

Medical Supplies Network, Inc. (Tulsa Rotary Club) – 1123 S. Erie, Tulsa, Larry Biron, Dir. Of Operations, (918) 832-7968 business, (918) 639-1942 Cell (he is part-time volunteer). http://www.msni.org mail@msni.org

Tulsa Rotary Club accepts and distributes medical equipment and supplies (walkers, hospital beds, canes, wheelchairs, etc.) to local individuals and groups, and coordinates shipping equipment/supplies to other areas of need. If someone wants to donate equipment, contact Mr. Biron for arrangements; clients or patients needing equipment or supplies, contact or refer to Mr. Biron for assistance (Day Center for Homeless and other agencies/nurses have been able to assist needy patients/clients with MSNI.