

Association News

Meet the New AANN Board of Directors

In the November/December issue of *E-News*, we congratulated the new members of the AANN Board of Directors (BOD). Get to know your new board through their profiles below.

President-Elect	Barbara Mancini
Secretary-Treasurer	Megan Keiser
Directors-at-Large	Cindy Sullivan Lorraine Fields

President-Elect (newly elected)

Barbara Mancini, MBA BSN CNRN NEA-BC, has been a member of AANN for 20 years and has been involved in and committed to the association. She is currently the clinical service line director for neurosciences at Inova Fairfax Hospital (VA) where she is responsible for quality of care, financial performance, and programmatic growth for each of the subspecialty programs within neurosciences. Mancini received her master of business administration degree from Marymount University of Virginia and bachelor of science degree in nursing from Marymount College of Virginia. She is currently the AANN liaison to the American Stroke Association and the Brain Attack Coalition.

Secretary-Treasurer (newly elected)

Megan Keiser, PhD(c) RN CNRN APRN BC, has been an AANN member for 13 years, and neuroscience nursing has been her profession for more than 20 years. She is currently a neurosurgery nurse practitioner at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, MI. Keiser received her master of science degree in medical-surgical nursing and bachelor of science degree in nursing from The University of Michigan. She recently completed a term as president of the American Board of Neuroscience Nursing (ABNN).

Directors-at-Large (newly elected)

Cindy Sullivan, MN RN ANP-C CNRN, has been a member of AANN for 13 years. Nursing and patient education are her passion. She is currently employed as a neuro clinical specialist for Codman and Shurtleff. She received her bachelor of science degree in nursing at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, IA; master's degree in nursing at the University of Phoenix in Phoenix, AZ; and nurse practitioner certification at Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ. Sullivan is an active member of the World Federation of Neuroscience Nurses (WFNN) Scientific Program Committee. In this role, she is part of a team that is responsible for reviewing abstracts for the WFNN international conferences.

Lorraine Fields, MSN CNRN CCRN CCNS, has been a member of AANN for 8 years. Fields is proud of having received the AANN Excellence in Neuroscience Nursing Education Award in 2007 for developing neuroscience curriculum at Summa Health System and planning and executing CNRN review at Summa Health System and Cleveland Clinic. Fields received her master's degree in nursing and bachelor of science degree in nursing at the University of Akron in Akron, OH.

Continuing as your elected members of the BOD
President, **Cathy Cartwright**, MSN RN PCNS
Past President, **Kathy Baker**, MBA BSN RN
Director-at-Large, **Sandy Brettler**, MSN RN CCRN CNRN
Director-at-Large, **Glenna Dowling**, RN PHD FAAN
Director-at-Large, **Bonita Gordon**, MSN RN ANP BC CNRN
Director-at-Large, **Linda Littlejohns**, MSN BSN

Journal of Neuroscience Nursing Online

AANN's partnership with Lippincott Williams & Wilkins to produce the *Journal of Neuroscience Nursing* will bring many new opportunities in 2009. In a few short weeks, you will receive your print journal with an updated design; you will also have access to the full-text current and archival content on a new journal Web site. Additionally, continuing education can be completed on paper or online in 2009. Look for more updates in the next edition of *E-News* and be sure to send us your feedback.

Explore AANN Volunteer Opportunities

One of the main reasons the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses (AANN) continues to grow and thrive is the many hours of work our dedicated volunteers contribute. Now is your chance to volunteer with AANN. Starting this summer, our Willingness to Serve form will be replaced with an online volunteer activities board. The new online volunteer board will allow you to search for volunteer opportunities, edit your volunteer profile, and upload your CV. You will be able to log in and edit your profile at any time, with real-time revisions.

In addition, you will be able to review the list of committees and projects to find areas where you would like to contribute your time and talents. If you are not sure where you can best contribute, you can click on each committee or project and read a detailed description. You will receive notification when the new volunteer board is accessible. A link to the volunteer board also will be available on AANN's Web site.

AANN Calendar of Events

You can now post your own items to the AANN Calendar of Events. Please view the posting policy and fill out the Calendar Posting Order Form with information about your event. To view the posting policy and order form, please go to www.aann.org/marketing/calendar.html.

To view the calendar of events, go to
www.aawebsource.com/clients/aann/ws_events/evt_calendar_public.php.

Member Benefits

There are many benefits associated with your AANN membership. These include

- AANN affiliations—links to the association’s chapter network, along with exciting volunteer opportunities (relates to reminder of compliance info for Annual Report)
- AANN’s Virtual Community—advancing your career with vital online resources and access to the Members Only Web site (available at <http://www.association-office.com/aann/etools//login/account.cfm>).

Be sure to take advantage of these benefits to make the most of your membership!