

LANA 2023 Annual Meeting

October 6th-8th

Renaissance Hotel-Baton Rouge, LA

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The Louisiana Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (LANA) is a non-profit association for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs). LANA's mission is to advance the practice of nurse anesthesia through professional advocacy, education and member engagement. LANA's vision is to be a preeminent resource for healthcare and patient safety in Louisiana.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Guy Picard, MSN, CRNA



Where is the time going? I seem to always ask myself this question around this time of the year. As the season of Spring begins to wind down and we are reminded by the rising temperatures that summer is right around the corner, time just seems to begin to fly! And it has been no different since the start of my LANA presidency.

It appears only yesterday we were wrapping up our great conference in New Orleans! It was nice to be back in fullswing with a totally live in-person educational conference for so many to enjoy. Our efforts to attract nationally recognized speakers and leaders from across the country were well-received as evidenced by so many positive comments, particularly reminding everyone about the tremendous experience LANA offers CRNAs across the state during our annual conference.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

Guy Picard, MSN, CRNA

With things winding down in New Orleans, the beginning of my term as president of LANA was already well-underway. Our board of directors held its first official business meeting at the Omni Hotel where we onboarded several new board members representing members from around the state. Kayley Bodine, Kyle Hardy, and Colby Lafleur were welcomed as newly elected directors to the LANA board. These new board members bring even more experience and professional diversity to the table which will help effectively lead our organization into the future. I am grateful and humbled at the same time to be surrounded by a group of individuals representing the LANA board. Leading has been less of a challenge due to everyone's enthusiasm and contagious motivation to move LANA into the future.

In January, the Board of Directors gathered in White Castle, Louisiana at Nottoway for a weekend strategic planning retreat. As President, I am especially proud to report that 100% of our board was present for this interactive and informative weekend. Special guest Angela Mund, AANA President, joined us as we worked together to strategize LANA's top priorities as well as discuss board teamwork, leadership, and ways to move past purely operational thinking into strategic thinking. An opportunity for all of us to connect and get to know each other better, the retreat was a huge success. For a board to be truly effective, I believe it is important to continuously remind us of our true purpose: representing.you, our membership. This was clearly accomplished this year as efforts began right away to plan an incredible CRNA week into 2024, develop creative ideas to recruit new LANA members while continuing to engage our current members, increase state interest in new involvement with the LANA board of directors, increase our PAC participation across the state, and increase social media information releases on a regular basis. Ultimately, our overall strategic plan for 2023-2024 is increasing member engagement.

As a board, we ask ourselves every month, how are we doing? Shortly after our board retreat, monthly social media posts have drastically increased with a substantial increase in social media traffic. While some states and national AANA have seen a decrease in membership, LANA membership has seen growth! While continuing to measure progress against measurable metrics we are hopeful that we will enhance our organization and continue to increase our membership in Louisiana.

Our strength as a state organization was once again demonstrated at home in Louisiana as well as on a national front. On April 24, members from the LANA board hosted a dinner meeting in Baton Rouge with members of the House and Senate Health and Welfare committee in coordination with our lobbyist, Gina Goings. It was an excellent opportunity to sit and speak candidly to committee members as well as the Senate President about current issues affecting CRNAs across the state. On April 29 - May 3, several LANA members traveled to Capitol Hill to AANA's recent Mid-Year Assembly held in Washington, D.C. Nick McCullough, David Kalil, Kayley Bodine, and I represented the LANA board, along with LANA members Amber Poirrier and Ryan Gill, both recently-awarded LANA membership engagement scholarship recipients. Poirrier and Gill were awarded travel monies on behalf of LANA to attend Mid-Year Assembly. AANA Region 7 director Tracy Young was also in attendance. We were able to generate wonderful, round-table discussions with legislative staff from across Louisiana whereby we were able to educate them on our practice and current nationally-proposed legislation which will enhance access to care by CRNAs.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

Guy Picard, MSN, CRNA

Another ongoing initiative by the LANA Board of Directors includes engaging our membership with regional updates across the state. An opportunity for CRNAs to get together socially and network, enjoy dinner and hospitality -- all courtesy of LANA - these regional updates have become ever-more popular and well-attended. The LANA Board continues to earmark and budget monies every year for these events because we believe that engaging our members is of utmost importance and is vital to the success of our organization. If you have never attended or haven't been to one of these events in a while, make plans to join us! We have recently hosted updates in Shreveport, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, and New Orleans. Be on the lookout for other potential locations for another regional update soon! The turnout for these updates has been impressive, and it is always great meeting new CRNAs and SRNAs from different areas of Louisiana!

Already beginning to look past the summer months and into the fall, don't forget to save the date for our upcoming LANA educational conference being held in Baton Rouge on Friday, October 6 – Sunday, October 8 at The Renaissance Hotel. We are finalizing plans for what will be a great conference with nationally recognized speakers presenting on dynamic topics to enhance your practice. You won't want to miss it! Our conference is an incredible value and always promises a great and enjoyable experience. I hope to see you there! Additionally, AANA Annual Congress is being held August 18 - 22 in Seattle, Washington. Plan to join fellow LANA members representing Louisiana in Seattle!

I'd like to th<mark>ank each one of you for everyth</mark>ing you do, every day, one patient at a time, to help represent CRNAs and the positive contributions and impact we make. I'm proud to represent this organization alongside each of you. All the best.

all the best,

Guy Picard, MSN, CRNA



Aaron Lahasky, MSN, CRNA

Hello from your LANA PR committee. It has been a very successful year for LANA and it's only half way over. From the public relations front, we have had a. very successful social where over 30 CRNA's got together in Shreveport, Baton Rouge, and Lafayette The CRNA's got to socialize, network, and learn a little about what LANA has going on these days. We have one social to go this year as well! New Orleans on June 2nd at 7pm at Sake Sushi on Veterans. We would love to see you there. Lastly, we have some great give always and great speakers at our LANA conference coming up this October. You can be there to learn/get CE hours, socialize with CRNA's across the state, and get a break from everyday life for the weekend. We hope to see you soon!



REGIONAL UPDATES

This year LANA held four Regional Updates across the State. since the spring LANA has held regional updates in Shreveport, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, and New Orleans. These events were a huge success and we hosted over 30 CRNA's at each event. These Regional Updates allow CRNA's to hear updates from their local board members, and mingle with other CRNA's.



BRQ in Baton Rouge



Tsuanmi Sushi in Lafayette



This year the Shreveport Regional Update was held at the Great Raft Brewing Co. Baton Rouge was held at BRQ. Lafayette held their update at Tsunami Sushi, and New Orleans will host their regional update on June 2nd at Sake Sushi.



NEW 2023-2024 ELECTED OFFICERS

These officers were elected in the May 2023 Election and will be sworn in at the Annual Conference in October 2023:

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LA CRNA POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

James Poche MSN,CRNA

Kayley Bodine, CRNA

As co-chair of our political action committee (PAC), I get asked often: what is a PAC and what does it do? A PAC is a political committee organized for the purpose of raising and spending money to elect and defeat political candidates. Money that is donated to our PAC is used to support political candidates that support or favor the practice of CRNAs. By working with our lobbyist, Gina Goings, we donate money to politicians who could benefit our practice. If the time ever came in Louisiana that we needed to fight for our profession, our PAC donations are at the ready.

So far 2023 has been a landmark year for our PAC. In 2021, we received approximately \$28,000. In 2022, after the PAC month initiative, we received \$36,000. In January 2023, with the success of the Power Hour Challenge, we collected \$22,000! Our active monthly donors have increased as well. We are on track for over \$50,000 in donations this year!

Prior to our annual meeting this year, we will declare another PAC month. We will bring awareness to our PAC and hope to have a better PAC month than last year. <u>If all active</u> <u>LANA members donated \$10 a month, we could have over \$150,000 per year saved.</u> We would truly be leaders nationally for PAC donations. Our efforts did not go unnoticed this year by AANA. Our PAC has been so successful year after year, we have been asked to speak to our efforts at the AANA annual Leadership Summit.

Thank you to all active members in LANA. Thank you to all monthly donors. Thank you to all Power Hour Challenge donors this year. We are looking forward to a very successful year.



We have two ways to donate. Please visit the LANA website at https://lanacrna.org/pac or donate by using the text to give method by texting "Give" to 225-230-8377.



LA CRNA POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

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STATE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS UPDATE

Gina E. Goings

The 2023 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature adjourns on June 8th. LANA was very active providing input on several health care related bills during the legislative session.

LANA hosted a committee dinner for the members of the House and Senate Health and Welfare Committee members, guests and staff. This was a perfect way for LANA members to visit with legislators in an informal setting to discuss issues important to CRNA's in Louisiana.





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TREASURER'S REPORT

David Kalil, DNAP, CRNA



The financial status of LANA is still very sound! With the decrease in the market, we have taken some losses with investments, as others have with personal accounts, but the markets have made some gains over the past few months. LANA has over \$1 million dollars in reserve that continues to fund the outreach programs for members, such as the regional updates and scholarships for members to attend AANA national meetings. This program has significantly helped in the recruitment of new members and interest in serving on the LANA board. LANA continues to monitor very closely political and professional developments and is well-positioned financially to defend professional issues should they arise in the future. Thanks to all our member, new and old, for entrusting your board of directors to continue to guide your organization.

FEDERAL POLITICAL UPDATE

Nick McCullough, DNP, CRNA

The American Association of Nurse Anesthesiology's (AANA) Mid-Year Assembly (MYA) is the "working meeting" of the year. CRNAs across the country meet in Washington, D.C. on Capitol Hill to educate their state's US legislators on the importance of CRNAs in healthcare, and to advance the nurse anesthesiology profession. LANA was represented well at the 2023 MYA and met with all six US Representatives and both US Senators. LANA Board of Directors, Nicholas McCullough, DNP, CRNA (Federal Political Director); Guy Picard, MSN, CRNA (President); David Kalil, DNP, CRNA (Treasurer); and Kayley Bodine, MSN, CRNA (PAC Co-Chair); were joined by Tracy Young, CRNA, MBA; and Amber Poirrier, DNP, CRNA in very successful meetings to move the needle forward for Louisiana CRNAs. The following topics were discussed with each legislator: **Rural Healthcare**





We were very pleased with the responses from the legislators' staff. They were very receptive of our information and some questioned why these changes had not been implemented years ago. Legislativ<mark>e change is a slow</mark> process that requires time to build relationships with legislators and • their staff. Success is never final and the LANA Board of Directors will continue to advocate for Louisiana CRNAs. Please visit aana.com and

anesthesiafacts.com to learn more and continue the advocacy with us. Your support is vital.

- Cosponsor the Save America's Rural Hospitals Act (H.R. 833)
- CRNA services are crucial to rural healthcare.
- Rural American communities are at risk of becoming healthcare deserts.
- Expanding access to CRNA services would in turn, expand access to care in rural communities.

Autonomous Practice in the VA

- The VHA is developing National Standards of Practice for 50 providers, including CRNAs.
- Veterans deserve timely access to care within the VA.
- At what cost is the VA serving provider groups over veterans?
- CRNAs are proven while supervision is not.

Workforce Shortages

- Cosponsor the Improving Access to Nurses (ICAN) Act (H.R. 2713) to allow the existing workforce to meet the demands of patients.
 - Nurses represent the largest segment of the U.S. Healthcare workforce
- Our nation's healthcare needs all providers practicing to the top of their profession, to help address the workforce shortages. The ICAN Act would permanently remove physician supervision requirements for CRNAs at the federal level.
- In FY23, all Title VIII programs received \$300.472 million in funding. We urge Congress to increase funding to \$530 million for FY24.

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Join Lana for a fun weekend at the Renaissance Hotel in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Get your team ready for the 5th Annual PAC Corn Hole Tournament, as well as a fantastic lineup of national speakers offering insight on various topics pertinent to our field.

Featured Speakers Stay Tuned Rodrigo Garcia Corn Hole Tournament **Richard Flowers** 2023 **John Shields** \$40 per **Donte Flanagan** team **Bill Bruce Cheryl Carr** and more 1

LANA 2023 ANNUAL MEETING FEES

	Early Bird (Before August 1st)	Regular
Full Conference Member	\$400	\$450
Full Conference Non-Member	\$475	\$525
Full Conference Student Member	\$50	\$50
Full Conference Guest	\$125	\$135
Friday Only Member	\$150	\$180
Friday Only Non-Member	\$205	\$255
Friday Only Student Member	\$50	\$50
Friday Only Guest	\$50	\$60
Saturday & Sunday Member	\$270	\$320
Saturday & Sunday Non-Member	\$345	\$395
Saturday & Sunday Student Member	\$50	\$50
Saturday & Sunday Guest	\$95	\$105

LANA 2023 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

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Guest's Badge Name (if application	able):			
Company:				
Address:				
City:	State:	Zip:		
Telephone:	Email:			
Member Type: Active:	Student:I	Non-Member:		
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Active Member	\$400.00	\$450.00		
Non-Member	\$ 475.00	\$525.00		
Associate/Student Member	\$ 50.00	\$50.00		
Spouse/ Guest	\$125.00	\$135.00		
Friday Only: ••••••				
Active Member	\$150.00	\$180.00		
Non-Member	\$ 205.00	\$255.00		
Associate/Student Member	\$ 50.00	\$50.00		
Spouse/ Guest	\$50.00	\$60.00		
Two Day Rate: (Saturday	/ & Sunday)			
Active Member	\$270.00	\$320.00		
Non-Member	\$ 345.00	\$395.00		
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Cancellations may be made through Friday, August 25th, 2023 without penalty. After (August 25th, 2023), a \$50.00 cancellation fee will apply up to 48 hours prior to the meeting, after which all fees are forfeit.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

OCTOBER 6TH-8TH, 2023 RENAISSANCE HOTEL | BATON ROUGE, LA

7000 Bluebonnet Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70810

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5TH- \$139/ NIGHT++ FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH- \$139 NIGHT ++ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH- \$139/ NIGHT ++ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8TH- \$139/NIGHT++

Last day to book: September 10th, 2023



Program Schedule will be available soon We hope to see you in Baton Rouge!

