

# HIGHLIGHTS



## Happy Emergency Nurses Week !!

October 15 @ 7:00 PM

### Officer Elections

University of Incarnate Word - School of Nursing  
4301 Broadway (use the entrance on Hildebrand, between  
Broadway and US281)

November 12th @ 7:00 PM

### Forensics Evidence Collection

Texas Diabetes Institute  
701 S. Zarzamora  
See page 2 of this newsletter for details.

Dates to Remember	Forensics CEU
<p><b><u>October</u></b></p>	<p>Effective 9/1/05, the Nursing Practice Act was amended, adding the CE requirement, Forensic Evidence Collection in Continuing Education, which applies to all nurses practicing in emergency room settings as either their home unit, floating, contracted, or other duties that involve functioning in the ER setting. This is a one-time requirement per nurse beginning 9/1/06; however, compliance is ongoing for any nurse who begins practicing in an ER setting as there is no expiration date for this requirement under Rule 216.3(6).</p>
<p>12 &amp; 13—ENA State Meeting in Arlington</p>	<p>The San Antonio Emergency Nurses’ Association, in cooperation with the Texas Emergency Nurses Association is offering a CEU that will fulfill this BNE requirement.</p>
<p>15—San Antonio ENA meeting at University of Incarnate Word</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date: November 12, 2007</li> <li>• Place: Texas Diabetes Institute Auditorium, 701 S. Zarzamora St., San Antonio, TX 78207</li> <li>• Time: 7:00 PM</li> <li>• RSVP: Below. Space is limited to the first 150 people</li> <li>• Contact Info: Paul Clark 210-734-4962 or Sondie White 210-696-5609</li> <li>• Food: Light, hot munchies</li> <li>• Cost: Before November 2nd deadline: \$10 for ENA members, \$20 for non ENA members</li> <li>• After deadline/at door (if space available): \$20 for ENA members, \$40 for non ENA members</li> <li>• If you sign up and pay for an ENA membership for yourself, admission is free</li> <li>• The deadline is November 2nd at midnight. Register online at <a href="http://www.sanantonioena.org">www.sanantonioena.org</a></li> </ul>
<p>24 &amp; 28—TNCC Reverification</p>	
<p>26, 27, 28—TNCC Provider Course</p>	
<p><b><u>November</u></b></p>	
<p>12—San Antonio ENA Forensics Evidence Collection Course—Diabetes Institute, 701 S Zarzamora</p>	
<p><b><u>December</u></b></p>	
<p>17—San Antonio ENA Dinner Meeting—to be announced</p>	
<p><b><u>January</u></b></p>	
<p>11 &amp; 12—ENA State Meeting in Houston</p>	
<p>21—San Antonio ENA meeting at Northeast Baptist Hospital</p>	
<p><b><u>February</u></b></p>	
<p>18—San Antonio ENA meeting</p>	

San Antonio ENA member, **Michael Moon**, was inducted as a Fellow of the Academy of Emergency Nurses, during the 2007 annual conference held in Salt Lake City, Utah. Criteria for this honor is based on an individual’s contribution to the advancement of emergency nursing through education, practice, research, leadership and public policy. Our 2007 Texas President, Sally Snow, was also inducted as a Fellow. A formal dinner was held to honor the 2007 inductees followed by the induction and pinning ceremony.. Congratulations to Michael!





We took care of business, we learned new techniques and experimented with new products, we relaxed, we laughed, we renewed old friendships and made new friends, and we came home invigorated and motivated. Begin now to make plans to join us for the 2008 Leadership Conference in Honolulu in February or at the 2008 Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota in September.

Pictured at the left are the Texas state delegates from the San Antonio chapter: (Back row) Yvonne Moseley, Peggy Du-buque, Mary LeBlond, Tom Culwell Tess Weaver, Michael Moon, (Front row) Sondie White and Paul Clark.

## ***MEMBER SPOTLIGHT***



This month's Member Spotlight features **Kindra Clark RN, CA SANE**. Kindra is a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner at Methodist Specialty & Transplant Hospital in San Antonio. She got her Associates degree in Science/Nursing RN from Anne Arundel Community College in Maryland in 2001, and is currently enrolled in an RN to BSN program through Penn State University. Kindra got her Forensic Nursing Certificate from Kaplan University in Florida in 2005. When not working, Kindra enjoys spending time with her family and running.

A SANE is a Registered Nurse specially trained by the Office of the Attorney General to provide comprehensive care to survivors of sexual assault, conduct a forensic exam to include evaluation for evidence collection and have the expertise to provide effective courtroom testimony. To become a SANE an RN must complete 64 classroom hours and 96 clinical hours.

Along with providing care for survivors of sexual assault, SANE nurses work closely with Law Enforcement agencies for the benefit of survivors of violent crime, such as domestic violence and physical assaults. SANE nurses also perform medical forensic examinations for suspects of sexual assault/violent crime. As an ER based program all SANE RN's work out of and directly with the ER staff. When not performing medical forensic examinations the primary responsibility is to assist in the ER as needed.

Watch the San Antonio ENA website for the exact time and location of our December meeting. It will be held at a restaurant and will be a time for celebration with friends.

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