

President's Message: Susan Selking BSN RN CGRN

I hope everyone is able to enjoy the holiday season with your family and friends, and that work is manageable with the continued presence of Covid.

Due to the continued presence of the virus your INSGNA board has met by zoom meetings to plan an in-person conference in March 2022, revamp our website to be more meaningful to our members, rethink what our education committee will provide, and continue with offering scholarships so that our members can attend conferences or the national conference for free. Please continue to watch your emails for updates concerning SGNA and INSGNA, dinner programs, and upcoming conferences.

All committees continue to look for committee members to assist the chairs with their responsibilities. We continue to need committee members so that our chairs can move into board positions. Please reach out to any board member for information. We will be revamping our bylaws and policies to accurately reflect the needs of our region. I will be sending out a special email in February with the changes that will be voted on at the March conference. Please watch for it!

Stay safe, healthy, and warm! See you in March!

Immediate Past President: Dianna Burns, BSN, RN, CGRN

If you have not recently logged in to the SGNA website I encourage you to do so. SGNA has a wealth of information just a click away. There are so many resources available that help make our day-to-day life less of a challenge.

I wish everyone Happy Holidays! As we wrap up another year of Covid challenges we continue to face challenges looking for dedicated professionals wanting to help grow our organization. With the lack of face-to-face meetings and conferences, the long hard hours worked and higher expectations we are all facing – it is difficult to become motivated to extend ourselves even further. The Board appreciates the new committee chair volunteers and continue to request volunteers for committee members to assist them in brainstorming new ideas. We need to discuss the needs of INSGNA and make a plan in which to successfully accomplish these needs.

Happy Holidays and encourage you to spend time with your families and loved ones. Stay safe!!

Treasurer: Deb Nesbitt, BSN, RN, CGRN

November balance:
Checking account: \$7,940.72
Savings account: \$17,614.58

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Program Committee: Shelly Oilar, CST.

Covid continues to wreck-havoc with our in-person educational conferences! Currently we are planning an in-person conference for the spring 2022 educational conference scheduled for March 5th, IU Health is hosting the event at Fairbanks Hall in Indianapolis. We hope to see you there. Spring Mill ((IU Health) is hosting the Fall 2022 conference, the date/location has not been confirmed yet. We are looking for volunteers for the Spring 2023 Spring Conference, if you are interested in hosting, please contact one of the board members.

Education & Scholarship Committee: Anndee Gosnell, MSN, RN, CAPA

Planning to attend the National SGNA Conference or the Spring INSGNA Education Course? INSGNA would love to help! Please complete the attached applications. One scholarship is available annually for the INSGNA Spring and Fall Educational courses. One scholarship is available to cover the early bird registration fee to the SGNA Annual Conference. One scholarship is available to cover certification and re-certification exam costs annually.

Eligibility shall be limited to INSGNA/SGNA members which have been in good standing for a minimum of one year. Scholarship applications will be completed and forwarded to the chair of the Scholarship Committee prior to the deadline.

- Deadline for Spring & Fall INSGNA education courses application due 4 weeks prior course
- Deadline for certification and re-certification reimbursement, after successful passing of exam or re-certification, is December 1st
- Deadline for SGNA Annual Education Course is due 15 days prior to early bird deadline

NOTE:

- Applications will not be considered if received after published deadline
- The scholarship committee will review applications and the winner will be selected based on eligibility criteria on the application
- All applicants will be notified by mail (or email) of the decision
- An alternate shall be selected if the winner is unable to attend the course
- The winner may choose to apply the monies toward the registration fee. In this case, a check will be made payable to SGNA. If the registration fee has already been paid, the member will be reimbursed upon receipt of proof of registration. The reimbursement amount will be based on a member's fee
- A member is not eligible to win two consecutive years
- Each scholarship winner will be assisted by a mentor with writing an article for the newsletter or preparing a 15minute presentation at the INSGNA education course
 - The article must be written within 60 days of attending the INSGNA/SGNA course
 - Article may relate to practice issues or a specific topic of interest
 - An oral presentation must be at least 15 minutes and will be presented at the next scheduled INSGNA course

Completed applications may be submitted to Anndee.gosnell@franciscanalliance.org. After emailing, please call to verify the application was received at 317-528-1473. The Education &

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Scholarship Committee meet via Teams every other month. If you are interested in joining our team, please reach out to Anndee directly.

Membership Committee: Marilyn Johnston, MSN, RN, CGRN

Happy Holidays to all of you! It's hard to believe that December is already here and we will start 2022 in a few short weeks. My name is Marilyn and I am the new Membership committee chairman for INSGNA. I currently work at IU Health University in ERCP and I received my Master's degree in July in Healthcare Informatics. I will begin my new position in Clinical Informatics at IU Health in early January but will still be working PRN in GI/ERCP to keep my hands in the gastro world. I recently sent our surveys to members who have not renewed their membership in the last year. After sending over 40 surveys, I only received 4 responses. I will be reaching out to SGNA to get an updated list of current members; I will let you know the current enrollment in the next Newsletter. I also hope to touch base with SGNA on ways to entice new members as well as incentives for current member renewals. If you have any questions or ideals for membership, please feel free to reach out to me either by email: marrn59@gmailcom or text/phone 309-264-9219.

Don't forget to renew your membership if it expires this December!

Thank you all for the hard work you do every day and have a great holiday season. See you in 2022!

Website Committee: Melissa Burk, BSN, RN, CGRN

Happy Holidays, everyone! I have been working with our president to find new ways of communicating with everyone and boosting our online presence! Susan and I recently attended the Virtual Regional Leadership Webinar from SGNA and took away a lot of great ideas moving forward. Be sure to register for the spring conference (you can click on the link on INSGNA website's homepage!) and stay tuned on our website for upcoming educational opportunities!

Respectfully Submitted,

Secretary: Ann Minnicus, MSN, RN, CGRN