

TAVNET

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Austin

Fall 2009

Fall Conference:

October 28 – 30, 2009

Omni Southpark Hotel, Austin

Special Rates: *From \$125.00 to
175.00*

Book by Oct. 6th.

For Reservations: (512) 448-2222
or (888) 444-6664

Seminars for Fall Conference:

(See Agenda on website)

For those arriving Tuesday evening, registration is 7p – 9p. It begins again Wednesday morning at 7:30a. Our first speaker, *Tim Bristol, PhD, RN, CNE*, is at 9a and the topic is “*E-Learning for the classroom: Online and Face to Face.*” The break is 10:30 to 11:00 so everyone can visit/network with vendors.

The next speaker is 11:00 – 12:30. *Beth Talboys, RN, NP*, speaker will talk about “*Dealing with the stress of the Caregiver.*” Lunch will be 12:45 – 1:45 and we will recognize the Schools of TAVNE who were not able to place their patch on the banner at the Spring Conference.

Rodney Hicks, Ph.D RN, FNP-BC, FAANP, presents on “*Quality and Safety in Nursing Education (The role of faculty and*

curriculum)” starting at 2p. Another break follows from 3:30 – 4:00.

The last session for opening day is *Networking / Open Forum* and ends at 5:30. Bring your ideas, questions and concerns. We will discuss topics related to nursing education. There will be ample time for questions and answers. This is an opportunity to learn from your colleagues.

Thursday begins with breakfast and exhibits from 7:00 – 8:15, registration 7:30 – 8:30 and the opening session at 8:30. We will again hear from *Rodney Hicks, Ph.D RN, FNP-BC, FAANP* on the topic of “*Medication Errors.*” The break is 10:00 – 10:15.

At 10:30, “*Complications in Perinatal Setting: PIH*”, by *Elsa Amaya MSN, RNC-OB*, will begin. This session is followed by time for exhibits, 11:45 – 1:15 and lunch 12:00 – 1:15.

Rodney Hicks, Ph.D RN, FNP-BC, FAANP, leads the afternoon sessions with his presentation on “*Joint Commission Safety Goals.*”

The break is from 3:00 – 3:15 and the final session for the

day, at 3:15, is “E-learning for clinical and lab” by Tim Bristol, PhD, RN, CNE.

**** VENDORS OPEN UNTIL 5:15****

Friday’s breakfast is 7:30 – 8:15 with our final session starting at 8:45. Staff from the Texas Board of Nursing will present on the “Legislative update, Care Plans, and Education Competencies.” The break is 10:15 – 10:30.

We close our conference, 10:30 – 12:00, with our “General Membership Meeting” and CE paperwork wrap-up.



Registration Times:

Tuesday, October 27 7p - 9p
Wednesday, October 28 7:30 - 8:30a

Please abide by these times so the ones assisting with registration can also enjoy the meetings.

See online registration information on TAVNE website

Refund Policy:

All refund requests should be submitted in writing to the Treasurer. The request should include the reason the refund is requested, who to make check payable to (i.e.

individual or college), and where the refund check should be mailed.

No refund checks will be prepared or mailed until all outstanding debts/credits for the meeting are tabulated. If refunds would result in TAVNE losing money on the function, no refunds are issued. Members requesting a refund are notified that no refunds would be forthcoming.

Refund of registration fees for meetings (spring convention or fall conference) will be provided at 75% if the member notifies TAVNE 2 weeks prior to the meeting date.

No refund will be made if the above timelines are not met.

TAVNE Executive Board

http://tavne.org/pages/exec_board.htm

President’s Message

By Betty Sims, RN, MSN

TAVNE Members! Just imagine, for 30 years, the Texas Association of Vocational Nurse Educators has been meeting your needs as Vocational Nurse Educators! It is an honor and a pleasure to serve as your President and bring you the information you need to maintain the strength and quality of vocational nursing education. It is my goal to maintain the traditions of TAVNE and keep you informed and involved with the issues. Some of the ways we will do this are to explore the possibilities of expanding our involvement with national organizations such as the National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service (NAPNES) and investigating the possibility of our involvement with the state legislature

through a full time lobbyist. We have seen the impact of past legislative mandates on vocational nursing education. This year the following items received legislative review: the NCLEX exam delivery, Non Traditional Clinical, and the Hepatitis B immunization.

As we continue our 30 year celebration, we will enter another phase for TAVNE. We will have our first fall conference which reflects one meeting per year. The 2009 fall conference is scheduled for October 27-30. Get your registration materials from the TAVNE web site. Register early! **Wear or bring your TAVNE Bling.** Get ready for "Members Speak" a forum for members to share information and ideas. Hear the Board of Nursing staff describe the changes to the Differentiated Entry Level Competencies (DELIC). Learn the latest information. Join the new electronic TAVNE community. The Executive Board and I hope to continue to meet your needs and to offer you the opportunities to be on the cutting edge of vocational nursing education. We look forward to seeing you at the Omni South Park, Austin, October 27-30.

Sincerely

Betty Simo

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Any News or Correspondence?

Share it with TAVNE. Send to:
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The next page is the newspaper article about the donation of the TAVNE quilt.

Nursing educators' quilt donated to historical museum

By NEAL ULMER

A 40-square quilt made by nursing educators from throughout the state was donated to the Heart of Texas Historical Museum last Friday afternoon.

The quilt was brought to Brady by Betty Sims and Floyd Green from Coastal Bend College at Kingsville, to a reception held at the Heart of Texas Memorial Hospital earlier that afternoon. They are respectively, president of Texas Association of Vocational Nurse Educators (TAVNE) and TAVNE Historian. Greeting them at the hospital was Martha Williams, nursing professor of Central Texas College, Brady campus.

After a short reception held at the hospital, the quilt was taken to the local museum where it was received by museum docent Kathy McAda, board director Bert Striegler and museum member June Long. The quilt was placed on the second floor of the museum where other medical equipment is on display.

"We are most excited for the quilt to go to the Brady museum for security and persons to see it on display," said Sims. "The 40-block quilt and four pillows represent about one-half the total number of vocational nursing programs in the state of Texas. Some of the programs represented on the quilt no longer exist, so this makes it more of a historic quilt.

"We looked really hard for a vocational nursing program to place the quilt. I thought Brady would be a good centralized



Standard-Herald photo by Neal Ulmer

A BEAUTIFUL QUILT made by vocational nursing educators from across the state was donated to the Heart of Texas Historical Museum last Friday afternoon. Shown (left to right) are June Long, Bert Striegler, museum docent Kathy McAda, TAVNE Historian Floyd Green and nursing professor Martha Williams.

location. There are also fabrics on display in the museum."

The quilt's red and blue borders represent two of the association's three colors. The quilt was started in the spring of 1998 on the 20th anniversary of TAVNE. The original idea was for the quilt to show all of the different schools representing TAVNE. The quilt was completed in the fall of 1998. It was auctioned off, then donated to the Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners.

One reason the quilt was donated to the local museum is due to the long history of nursing education in Brady, which dates back to 1928. The vocational nursing program, part of Central

Texas College since 1981, is one of very few programs in Texas which have been in continuous operation since the licensure of vocational nurses began in the early '50s.

The program is one year long and starts in August. The current class will graduate Aug. 22.

A total of 422 vocational nurses will have completed the program since the first class of vocational nurses graduated in 1952.

"The museum has the history of honoring medical education in the area," said Williams. "The addition of the quilt to their medical display is very appropriate."