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Dear SOHN Colleagues,

It is with excitement and gratitude that I assume the position of President of SOHN for 2014-2015. We are currently in an unprecedented time in health care which can be called “the sweet spot” of time for the nursing profession. I look forward to contributing to the charting of the new trajectory for our specialty together with you, our dedicated members.

SOHN would not be the outstanding organization it is today if it was not for our history of having strong leaders. My appreciation goes to Mary Huntoon, our immediate Past President, for her tireless work, steady keel, clear communication and forthright leadership during the past two years. It has been a privilege and honor to work closely with a leader who demonstrates very high levels of integrity, courage and professionalism. Thank you, Mary.

The first meeting of the 2014 Board of Directors recently convened in Atlanta when the weather was cold and dry outside, but inside our meeting room the atmosphere was dynamic and productive. In my ten years of serving on the board, I continue to be struck by the talent and brilliance of this group of volunteer members working on behalf of you and SOHN. You will see more upcoming contributions in E-NEWS, the Update, the Journal and Social Media from our board members and chapter presidents who will be highlighting members, chapter activities, articles and current ORL events. If you would like to contribute to keeping us connected to your SOHN/ORL world, please send your newsworthy items to headquarters at sohnnnet@aol.com or post them on SOHN's Facebook page.

As some of you may remember, I campaigned on the platform of “Growing Members, Building Leaders.” It should come as no surprise then that these are the areas I will be focusing on during my Presidency. Of course, “growing members” can mean either increasing membership numbers or contributing to the professional growth of the individual member. In this case, both meanings apply. SOHN will find ways to cultivate new members through new membership initiatives and by increasing the numbers of new chapters as well as the contributions of established chapters. Watch SOHN print and electronic communications for upcoming details. “Building leaders” includes expanding the knowledge and skills of each nurse in the context of the current ever-changing healthcare environment. Any dialogue on nursing leadership nowadays has to be considered in light of the eight key recommendations made in the Institute of Medicine (IOM): The Future of Nursing report, published nearly four years ago. The IOM finds that this is the most downloaded of all their reports and that most states have developed

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their own action coalition to advance these recommendations. I strongly encourage you to view not only the report but Phase II of The Future of Nursing at [Campaign for Action](#). SOHN will be providing more information on leadership options, health policy topics and the championing of nursing in upcoming publications and during the 38th Annual Congress and Nursing Symposium, September 2014. The SOHN leadership task force has been reconvened to address mentoring methods and opportunities for SOHN members.

Partnering with other health care organizations and health care professionals in ORL health initiatives is another area of focus for our organization. To date, SOHN has partnered with the AAO-HNSF on 13 Guideline Panels and publications. Recently, SOHN accepted the invitation to participate and collaborate in a new ORL initiative with Dr. Charles Moore, a board certified Otorhinolaryngology - Head and Neck physician, surgeon and AAO-HNSF member. His grant will study whether the professional behavior of health care providers can be enhanced by strengthening/expanding continuing education in oral cancer through a focus on prevention and early detection. To read more about this exciting ORL initiative follow the link which will be published in the upcoming E-News. Then step up and take the short survey! Dr. Moore will be presenting a session at the 38th Annual SOHN Congress in Orlando.

Plans are already well underway for the two 2014 national educational meetings. Lorie Sparacino, Director of Education, and the Education Committee have secured speakers for 1) the 2014 Spring Seminar Series/28th Annual Pediatric ORL Nurses Spring Meeting on May 15-16, 2014 in Las Vegas, Nevada and 2) the 38th Annual Congress and Nursing Symposium in Orlando Florida, Sept 19-23, 2014. I hope you will take the opportunity to attend one or both of these events. Additionally, you will find that there is a plethora of Local Chapter educational events held across the United States throughout the year. More information on these programs will be published in upcoming E-NEWS.

An organization is only as strong as its members. Please consider participating on a committee, joining a special interest group, volunteering at Congress, or contact me at sohnnet@aol.com. Your interests will be matched with our treasure chest of opportunities and resources. Reach out, be visible, be engaged and by all means lead the way. We need YOU!

Finally, check out the recently released YouTube video showcasing the 37th Annual Congress and Symposium in Vancouver, produced by Kari McConnell, SOHN Social Media Coordinator, at 37th Annual Congress video.

We look forward to hearing from you!

All the best,

Maggie Chesnutt

Maggie Chesnutt, MSN, FNP, BC, CORLN
President of SOHN

Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

September 30, 2013
Westin Bayshore Hotel
Vancouver, BC, Canada

- I. Call to Order at 3:50 pm by Mary Huntoon, President.
- II. Welcome by Mary Huntoon, President.
- III. Introduction of Guests - Introduction of Executive Director, Officers, and Board Members: Sandra Schwartz, Executive Director; Mary Huntoon, President; Maggie Chesnutt, President-Elect; Deena Hollingsworth, Vice President; Jo Ferrero, Secretary; Sharon Jamison, Treasurer; Jennifer Spellman, Director; Ramute Kemeza, Director; Cheryl Brandt, Director; Tara DiFabio, Director; Mary Ellen Diotalevi, Director. The Past Presidents were recognized. Deena Hollingsworth will serve as Parliamentarian.
- IV. Credentials Report – Ann Luther reported that the 2013 Congress has 220 participants registered at Congress. 183 voting attendees and 37 nonvoting attendees. The credentials report was adopted by consensus.
- V. Consideration of the Rules - Mary Huntoon asked if there were any questions about the rules. There were none.
- VI. Adoption of the Proposed Rules - The standing rules were adopted.
- VII. Timekeeper/ Teller - Lenore Harris will serve as the timekeeper and Penny Fisher, Kari McConnell and Denise wood will serve as the Teller's Committee.
- VIII. Adoption of Proposed Agenda – No additions to the agenda and the agenda was adopted as presented.
- IX. Approval of Minutes – The Board of Directors will approve the 2013 Business Minutes as written at the 2014 Midwinter Board Meeting.
- X. Officer Reports – The Officer and Board reports were printed in the 2013 August/September Update and have been placed on the tables.
- XI. Treasurer's Report – Sharon Jamison reported the current SOHN assets are \$78,740 (checking) and \$16,849 (money market). Total assets: \$95,589.
- XII. Committee Reports – The Committee reports were printed in the 2013 August/September Update and have been placed on the tables.
- XIII. Elections – The slate of candidates was read by Debbie Farragher, Chairperson, Nominating Committee. President Huntoon asked for any further nominations from the floor for the office of Treasurer. None offered. Ramute Kemeza gave a nominating speech for the office of Treasurer. President Huntoon asked for any further nominations from the floor for the Board of Directors. No further nominations were offered. Anne DeLeo, Cheryl Brandt and Wendy Mackey each gave a nominating speech for the position of Board of Directors. President Huntoon asked for any further nominations from the floor for the Nominating Committee. None offered. Cynthia Fox by proxy (Vinciya Pandian) gave a nominating speech for the position of Nominating Committee, as did Kathleen Yappel Sinkko.
- XIV. NCBOHN Report – Lucy Kingston, President, NCBOHN reported that there are 19 newly certified CORLNs, 22 recertified CORLNs, and a total of 219 CORLNs. She also presented a check for \$5,000 to ENT-NF during the Opening Ceremony.
- XV. ENT-NF Report – Anne Bigelow, Development Coordinator reviewed the purpose of the ENT-NF and reported raffle results. A special thank you to Hope Andresen and Kim Pollock for their fundraising challenge. Thank you to Ann McKennis for her raffle donations and thank you to everyone for participating in the walk.
- XVI. Old Business. No old business to report.
- XVII. New Business.
 - A. Report of the Bylaws Committee. Sharon Jamison and Deena Hollingsworth introduced the Bylaws proposals. Deena Hollingsworth illustrated the changes with a PowerPoint presentation. Article XII Section 1:

ARTICLE IX

Committees

SECTION 1: Subcommittees of the Board of Directors

- A. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of at least three members, namely the President, the Vice President and one member of the Board of

Directors and an alternate appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors. The committee shall:

1. Assist the President in expediting the business of the Society between meetings of the Board of Directors. A majority of the committee present shall constitute a quorum.
 2. Serve as the national credentials committee.
 3. The President shall submit a report to the Board of Directors on all actions taken by the Executive Committee during the interim prior to any Board of Directors meeting.
- B. Policy Committee:
1. Shall consist of a chairman and at least two (2) members of the Board of Directors.
 2. Shall establish policies which interpret and implement the bylaws of the Society.

SECTION 2: Standing/Ad Hoc Committees

The President may create committees to support SOHN's mission and strategic plan with the approval of the Board of Directors. Each committee shall consist of a chairman and at least three (3) members, and a majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 3: Special Committees

Special Committees may be appointed by the President and cease to exist when the purpose for which they were created is completed.

SECTION 4: Committee Reports

Each committee chairman shall submit a written report at the annual and mid year meetings of the Board of Directors and to the House of Delegates at the Annual Congress.

Specific information about standing committees will be moved to the policy section of the SOHN Administrative Manual.

- A. Deena Hollingsworth moved to accept the Bylaws proposal. Kim Pollock seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Maggie Chesnutt called the question. The Bylaws Proposal passed by a 2/3 majority vote.

- B. Presentation of Awards – Ramute Kemeza presented the Chapter Excellence Awards to the Birmingham Chapter and the Atlanta Regional Chapter (small chapter category); Heartland Chapter (medium chapter category) and the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter (large chapter category). The Cleveland Chapter was presented with a 25th Anniversary Certificate and The Houston Chapter was presented with a 35th Anniversary Certificate. Marybeth Hartlove presented the Clinical/Education Poster Awards: First Place – Cindy Mallon and Kristy Mooney for *Patient Safety, Ergonomics and Efficiency of Critical Pediatric Airways*; Second Place – Andria Ledoux for *Cochlear Implant vs. Auditory Brain Stem Implants – Hope for Breaking the Silence*; Third Place – Christina McDonald for *Improving Public Awareness and Early Detection of Head and Neck Cancer Through the Development of an Information Pamphlet*. Carolyn Waddington presented the First Place Research Poster Award to Vinciya Pandian for *Follow-Up of Adult Tracheostomy Patients*. President Mary Huntoon thanked the following for their dedication and service to SOHN and presented each with a certificate: Chapter Presidents, Nominating Committee Members, Committee Chairpersons, and SIG Leaders.

- XVIII. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members – Sharon Jamison, Treasurer; Ramute Kemeza, Board Member; Cheryl Brandt, Board Member; Tara DiFabio, Board Member; Deborah Farragher and Nina DeSell – Nominating Committee.
- XIX. Election Results – Ramute Kemeza, Treasurer; Cheryl Brandt, Wendy Mackey and Anne DeLeo – Board of Directors; Cynthia Fox and Kathleen Yappel Sinkko – Nominating Committee. Maggie Chesnutt made a motion for the Secretary to destroy the ballots. Penny Fisher seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- XX. Announcements
- XXI. Adjournment. Maggie Chesnutt moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Henderson seconded the motion. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

SOHN Announces 2015 Call for Candidates

Are you interested in making a difference in the future of SOHN and getting more involved in our organization? The Nominating Committee is searching for qualified, motivated candidates to lead our Society. Dynamic leaders are needed to ensure our Society's continued growth and expertise. Consider yourself or encourage other members of SOHN to get involved at the national level.

We are seeking candidates for SOHN office commencing in 2015 including President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Board of Directors (2 positions) and Nominating Committee members (3 positions). To be eligible for the office of President-Elect, Vice President and Secretary, a nominee must have served at least one term as a member of the Board of Directors. To be eligible for a position on the Board of Directors or as a member of the Nominating Committee, a nominee must have been an active member of the Society for at least two years preceding the election.

If you are interested in running, please contact Nominating Committee Chairperson, Vinciya Pandian at vpandia1@jhmi.edu or SOHN headquarters at sohn1@earthlink.net. Deadline for candidate submission is May 1, 2014.

Thank you for your continued interest, dedication and support of SOHN!!!

Tips for the Candidates

Position Statement—This statement is 75 words or less and must be sent to SOHN Headquarters by May 1st, so it can be included in the Update. It should list what talents you would bring to the organization and this position. Also, you can include other activities and past experiences. A letter of intent is due with the position statement. A form can be obtained from SOHN Headquarters.

- **Photograph**—Emailed to Headquarters by May 1st for inclusion in the Update and display at Congress.
- **Speech**—At the Business Meeting you will give a three minute speech, which can include your experience, length of service with SOHN, an overview of your position statement, and goals for the future.
- **Mentoring**—Remember you are not alone. If you are interested in running for an office in the future, get to know the chairs of committees and officers.

Contact Headquarters for more information:

386-428-1695
sohn1@earthlink.net

National ORL Nurse Day — May 9th

Let Your Pride Shine Through

Here are some great celebration ideas...

1. Encourage a co-worker to become a SOHN member.
2. Start the day with a kickoff breakfast. Serve coffee and tea in mugs or cups with an ORL Nurse Day message imprinted on them. Serve fruit, bagels, donuts and juice.
3. Decorate work stations with balloons and banners to make your event even more festive.
4. Hold a luncheon and decorate your tables with ORL Nurse Day chocolate bars to make your event even sweeter.
5. Distribute ORL Nurse Day stress reliever toys to promote reducing stress on and off the job.
6. Make a donation to the ENT-NF "In Honor of..." a co-worker or a colleague.
7. Obtain a proclamation from the mayor of your town proclaiming May 9 as National ORL Nurse Day.
8. Honor a fellow member with a SOHN pin or badge tag. Visit the SOHN Store SOHN Store for additional items.
9. Have a "spa-themed" event and give out ORL Nurse Day foot care kits.
10. Share an ORL Nurse Day cake with your co-workers.

Please let us know how you celebrated this day!

Spotlight on Pediatric Special Interest Group (SIG)

We welcome Laurie Newton as the new 2014-2016 Pediatric SIG Facilitator. Laurie has been a member of SOHN since 2009. She has been a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner in the pediatric otolaryngology outpatient setting at the Medical College of Wisconsin for the past five years. She completed her DNP in 2012 and received the Lois Moore-Rogers Pediatric Otolaryngology Lectureship in 2013 for her presentation on, *Health Literacy in Pediatric Health Care* (sponsored by the Ear, Nose and Throat Nursing Foundation). In her new role as the SIG Facilitator, she will help to develop the Pediatric ORL Nurses Spring Meetings and serve as the Facilitator of the Pediatric SIG Meeting at the Annual Congress. Laurie, we look forward to your leadership role in SOHN.

Submitted by Lorie Sparacino

Hot Off the Press...

Visit the SOHN Facebook Page and view the latest and greatest SOHN Congress Video... "[SOHN Rocks!](#)" This 2013 Congress Video was filmed in Vancouver, BC and features SOHN members and guests. Congratulations to Kari McConnell, SOHN Social Media Coordinator.

Spotlight on SOHN Members

Terri Giordano, DNP, CRNP, CORLN



Terri is a 25 year employee of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and currently works for the Division of Otolaryngology as the Clinical Outcomes Research Administrator.

What was your path to getting where you are today?

I graduated from a diploma nursing program at Methodist Hospital School of Nursing in Philadelphia, then earned my BSN at LaSalle University, my MSN at University of Pennsylvania and just completed my DNP from Thomas Jefferson University.

What made you decide to get your DNP?

I have always loved school and the challenge of learning something new. I took a lot of time to investigate both the DNP and PhD paths and felt that the DNP program afforded me more opportunities. I developed an interest in research during school and realized that it was something I really liked.

What are your responsibilities in your new role?

The role of Clinical Outcomes Research Administrator is a new position. I am constantly adding responsibilities as it evolves. Currently, I oversee all research projects in the Division of Otolaryngology at CHOP. I look at outcomes research and I have initiated the use of REDCap in our division. REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture) is a secure web application that is used at more than 900 hospitals in 75 countries. It allows each hospital and department within the hospital, to design its own templates and analyze their data collection. It allows multiple hospitals to share data in a secure format. I also oversee 2 research assistants in my new role.

Will you stay involved in SOHN?

I absolutely will continue to be involved in SOHN. I am still a member of the Education Committee, a Nurse Planner and will present a lecture on research at the Fall Congress in Orlando.

How has SOHN helped you to reach your goals?

SOHN gave me an opportunity to participate in leadership groups throughout the years. I was the Vice President and President of our local Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter. I served as Pediatric SIG leader and SIG liaison. I was also a member of the Board of Directors. SOHN provided me with the opportunities to develop my leadership skills and allowed me to network with others from all over the country. SOHN is a wonderful organization that supports and encourages its members to do their best and realize their dreams.

Submitted by Jennifer Spellman

Chapter Connections....

Ramute Kemeza, Chapter Coordinator, reports that the North Carolina Chapter is currently rejuvenating and hopes to be fully active soon. The forming Orlando, Florida Chapter is under development and several other areas across the US are considering chapter formation. Please contact Ramute if you need assistance in chapter formation and to obtain a Chapter Formation Toolkit. sohnnnet@aol.com

Atlanta Regional Chapter

On February 1, 2014, the Atlanta Chapter initiated a mentoring program with our Swiss colleague, Anita Fumasoli. This FaceTime tutorial will be a monthly Q & A session for her CORLN certification preparation. Ms.Fumasoli, a Master's prepared nurse, is spearheading the otolaryngology education for other nurses and patients in the Basel University tertiary care center. The next FaceTime Q and A session curriculum will be devoted to answering questions on the nose and ear. The chapter's expert panel includes Anne Bigelow, Maggie Chesnutt, Mary Jo Mills, Sandra Murrell, Mary Reichert, and Denise Wood.

The Atlanta Chapter Journal Club also met recently in "real time" with Dr. Charles Moore, Associate Professor at Emory University Medical School. This planning session involved creating a link with the Emory School of Public Health and the SOHN Atlanta Chapter for participation in a project with HEAL (Health, Education, and Leadership), Inc. It also involved discussion of an upcoming initiative for SOHN members in reducing smoking prevalence and oral cancer incidence through patient screening and education. A survey on this initiative will be available for all SOHN members in an upcoming E-NEWS.

Mary Reichert

Take Part in Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week®

April 20-26, 2014

Recent studies show that screening for and early detection of oral, head and neck cancer is more important than ever for two reasons: oropharyngeal cancer caused by human papillomavirus (HPV) infection is on the rise, especially among younger adults; and HPV-positive cancer carries a better chance of survival than HPV-negative cancer if it's caught and treated early.

The 17th Annual Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week® (OHANCAW®), sponsored by the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance, is scheduled for April 20–26, 2014. OHANCAW is a weeklong series of events promoting awareness of this potentially life-threatening disease, highlighted by a day of free oral cancer screenings held at medical offices throughout the country. According to a study published in the Journal of Clinical Oncology, HPV-positive oral cancers will likely constitute a majority of all head and neck cancers in the United States in the next 20 years. Now more than ever, screening for and early detection of this disease is critical.

The Alliance is urging health professionals to help save lives affected by this potentially deadly but treatable disease. You can make a difference by conducting a free screening at your medical practice, clinic, hospital or university. For more details, promotional materials including posters, T-shirts and media kits, and registration information, please visit www.OHANCAW.com and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



ORAL, HEAD & NECK
CANCER AWARENESS WEEK

I'll Bet You Didn't Know

SOHN has an Honor Award which you can apply for on an annual basis. The Honor Award was developed to recognize worthy members who have achieved an accumulation of 10 or more points over any number of years for his/her accomplishments within the Society. This prestigious award is presented annually at Congress in the form of a certificate, signed and presented by the President. Recipients are also recognized in the UPDATE. We feel strongly that deserving members should be recognized as true leaders in the Society. It sets a wonderful example for colleagues.

Points are achieved by service at National and or Local/Chapter levels. Services may include:

- Officer
- Board Member
- Committee Chair/Special Interest Group Facilitator
- Contributor to the ORL-Head & Neck Nursing /Update/other major publications
- Course/Poster presenter
- Active Committee member
- Editorial Board member
- Special service

The member is responsible for recording accumulated points. The applicant cannot be a National Officer or Board of Director at the time the award is to be given. Members who are monetarily reimbursed by SOHN will also not be eligible to receive the award. The deadline for submission for the Award is July 1. It will be reviewed for approval by the Awards and Scholarship Committee. The Honor Award form is available from SOHN Headquarters as well as on the web site www.sohnnurse.com. We are proud of our members and want to recognize those who contribute. Take pride in your service and achievements and be recognized.

Submitted by Lorie Sparacino

Spring Seminar Series & 28th Annual Pediatric ORL Nurses Spring Meeting

May 15-16, 2014
Caesars Palace
Las Vegas, Nevada

Preliminary Program

Thursday ~ May 15th

Pediatric ORL Issues

7:40 am – 5:30 pm

Lunch Provided

Lois Moore-Rogers Pediatric Otolaryngology Lectureship
Nurse Navigator Role for Infants & Young Children with Critical Airway Conditions

Kevin Mary Callans BSN RN

Traching Across the Continuum

Hannah Greenlick-Michals MPJA/ESD CPN CNRN

Nicole Stein BSN RN

Branchial Cleft Cysts

Kristina Keppel DNP CPNP APNP

Pharmacologic Implications of Herbal Supplements

Julie Chiappa MSN CRNP CORLN

Clinical Pearls: Case Studies

My Child Sounds Like a Washing Machine – So Now What?
Cheryl Brumbaugh MSN CNP

Post-op Tympanoplasty Complications
Linda Miller Calandra MSN RN CPNP CORLN

The Noisy Breather
Melissa Dziedzic APRN CORLN

Hearing Loss After Chemotherapy: A High Frequency Problem
Mary Schmitt MSN CRNP

Postauricular Mass
Laurie Newton DNP RN CPNP-PC AC

Tonsillectomy Issues 2014 Forum

Lorie Sparacino MS PNP-BC CORLN

Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with Streptococcal Infections

Kristie Bittner BSN RN CORLN

Rodney Lusk MD

Friday ~ May 16th

Adult ORL Issues

7:40 am – 5:30 pm ~ Lunch on your own

Epistaxis 2014: Seeing Red

Lorie Sparacino MS PNP-BC CORLN

Herbal Therapies: Utilization in Your ENT Practice

Debra Ritchie FNP GNP AOCN CORLN

Tracheostomy: Procedures, Timing & Tubes

Rebecca Wills MA BA LRCP CRT-NPS

Immune Deficiency Case Studies

TBA

Evaluation and Management of Spasmodic Dysphonia and Neurogenic Voice Disorders

Karla O'Dell MD

Establishing a Support Groups for ORL Patients

Penelope S. Fisher MS RN CORLN

Head and Neck Cancer Free Flaps: Current Treatment Trends

Matthew Miller MD

Contact Hours

The Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses, Inc. is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's (ANCC) Commission on Accreditation (COA).

The maximum hours attainable for the program are 14.5 contact hours.

Registration Fees

Pediatric Day – Thursday

SOHN Member	Non- Member
\$270	\$320

Adult Day – Friday

\$195	\$245
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Entire Educational Program

\$450	\$550
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Registration/Hotel Reservations/Brochure available at www.sohnnurse.com

SOHN 38th Annual Congress: Innovation, Imagination & Inspiration: ORL Nursing

September 19-23, 2014
Orlando, Florida

New Smyrna Beach, FL...The 2014 SOHN Congress Education Committee has unveiled the plans for the most exciting and progressive ORL nursing education program imagined! Your congress suggestions and comments provided the framework for all sessions. Particular attention has been given to courses for advanced practitioners. A world-renowned destination, Orlando is the place to make all of your vacation dreams come true, while offering a sparkling, tropical setting for Congress 2014. Of course, Orlando is beloved for its theme parks: Walt Disney World, Universal Studios

Florida, SeaWorld Orlando and many others. But it also beckons with world-class resorts, shopping opportunities for every budget, all-season golf courses, and some of the most enticing dining opportunities on the planet. Less known but equally inviting are the downtown sections of Orlando itself and many nearby towns in Central Florida – places that celebrate public art and take pride in offering a myriad of cultural opportunities. Come to Orlando – and bring the family – and wish upon a star.

Outstanding Not-to-be-Missed Congress Topics

- Keynote Speaker, Tina Prince, DNP, MBA, RN, NEA-BC - Chief Nurse, Nursing Support Services at James A. Haley VA Hospital
- SOHN President's Reception: The Titanic Experience
- The highly acclaimed Comprehensive ORL and Head-Neck Nursing Course
- SOHN's Pharmacology Course
- Back by popular demand...The SOHN Scoping Course
- Chronic Sinusitis and Use of Propel
- Pediatric Vestibular and Balance Disorders
- SSNHL Treatment Options and Auditory Rehabilitation
- Thyroid Surgery: Past, Present, Future
- HPV: Implications for Patients and Significant Others
- Managing Persistent Pain for Aging Well Adults
- Nurse Navigator Role for Infants and Young Children with Critical Airway Conditions
- Clinical Practice Guidelines: Tinnitus
- Interpretation of Image Studies
- Differentiated Thyroid Cancer in Children and Adolescents
- Facial Trauma and Reconstruction
- Audiology Basics 101
- Clinical Practice Guidelines: Bell's Palsy
- Slide Tracheoplasty
- Head and Neck Cancer Survivorship Care Plans
- Clinical Outcomes Research
- Medical Mission Trips Panel
- Tracheostomy Decannulation Protocol
- Creating a Healthy Workforce
- Surgical Interventions for OSA
- ICD 10 is Here: Are You Ready?
- Ciliary Dyskinesia: Evaluation and Management
- Oral Cavity Cancer Screening
- Management of Spasmodic Dysphonia and Neurogenic Voice Disorders
- ENT and Sleep Issues in Autism Spectrum
- Unusual Nasal Diseases: Wegener's and Pemphigus
- Epistaxis 2014
- Head and Neck Chemotherapy
- Innovative Swallowing Diagnostics and Treatment
- Salivary Gland Transfer
- Maternal Fetal ENT Collaboration Surgery
- Facial Paresis/Paralysis: Evaluation and Management
- The Art of Rhinoplasty 2014
- Health Policy
- Community Nursing Leadership Through Transitional Care

Posters

Posters will be displayed and available for viewing during Congress. Posters will reflect various administration, education, clinical practice, and research topics of interest to ORL nurses. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your knowledge with other ORL

nurses. There are monetary rewards for outstanding posters at Congress. Do not miss this opportunity to share your ideas and possibly win one of the poster awards. Email sohn1@earthlink.net to request an application. Application Deadline ~ June 24

ENT-NF Wall of Honor

“to honor, to thank, to cherish the memory”

Gifts Have Been Received in Memory of:

Henrietta Mae McCaulley
by Kari McConnell

Cynthia Mabry
by Richard Mabry

Merlyn Miller
by Fayann Ridgley

Gifts Have Been Received in Honor of:

Mary Huntoon
by Maggie Chesnutt

Mary Huntoon
by Ann P. Luther

Jonas Johnson MD
Eugene Myers MD
by Barbara Sigler

The Laryngectomy Guide – A Free PDF Download

This practical guide was written by Dr. Itzhak Brook, a physician and a laryngectomy. It is aimed at providing practical information that can assist laryngectomees and their caregivers in dealing with medical, dental and psychological issues. The guide contains information about the side effects of radiation and chemotherapy; the methods of speaking after laryngectomy; how to care for the airway, stoma, heat and moisture exchanger filter, and voice prosthesis. In addition it addresses eating and swallowing issues, medical, dental and psychological concerns, respiration and anesthesia, and traveling as a laryngectomy.

Itzhak Brook, MD, MSc, is a Professor of Pediatrics at Georgetown University in Washington, DC. He earned his medical degree and completed his residency at Hebrew University, Hadassah School of Medicine, in Jerusalem and obtained his master's degree in pediatrics from the University of Tel Aviv in Israel. He completed a fellowship in adult and pediatric infectious diseases at the University of California, Los Angeles. For 27 years, he served in the Medical Corps of the U.S. Navy. Dr. Brook is the past chairman of the Anti-infective Drug Advisory Committee of the Food and Drug Administration. He has done extensive research on anaerobic and respiratory tract infections, anthrax, and infections following exposure to ionizing radiation. Dr. Brook was diagnosed with throat cancer in 2006. Two years later he had his larynx removed and currently speaks with a tracheoesophageal prosthesis. He is also the author of *My Voice, a Physician's Personal Experience with Throat Cancer*.

This is the link to the Guide [The Laryngectomy Guide](#)

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SOHN Social Media Corner

What is Social Media?

Social media refers to the means of interactions among people in which they create, share, and/or exchange information and ideas in virtual communities and networks.



What is a Social Network?

A social network service focuses on the building and reflecting of social networks or social relations among people who share interests and/or activities. A social network provides instant communication to the masses and a feeling of community.

SOHN offers a variety of ways through social media to interact with our organization and members. In this edition of Update, we will focus our attention on Facebook.

Facebook

Facebook is the world's largest social network, with more than 1.15 billion people using the site (as of September 2013). Users create a personal profile, add other users as friends, and exchange messages, including status updates.

Facebook Pages

Facebook Pages, on the other hand, are public profiles specifically created for businesses, brands, celebrities, causes, and other organizations. Unlike personal profiles, pages do not gain "friends," but "fans" which are people who choose to "like" a page. Pages can gain an unlimited number of fans, differing from personal profiles, which Facebook limits to a 5,000 friend maximum. Pages work similarly to profiles, updating users with things such as statuses, links, events, photos and videos. This information appears on the page itself, as well as in its fans' personal news feeds. SOHN has a Facebook page, as well as the ENT-NF, so if you "like" our pages, you will receive information about educational events, the latest news about the organization and connect with your ORL colleagues.

If you are a member of Facebook, "like" our pages at the following web links:

www.facebook.com/sohnnurse

www.facebook.com/entnf

If you are new to Facebook, create an account then "like" our pages.

There is a great tutorial available through this link that will walk you through the process of creating a Facebook account and connect with friends and pages.

www.wikihow.com/Use-Facebook

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A Warm Welcome to New SOHN Members

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2014 SOHN CALENDAR

Events/Deadlines

March

14 CORLN Examination Application Deadline

April

20-26 Annual Oral, Head & Neck Cancer Awareness Week
www.ohancaw.com

May

1 Nomination of Candidates Deadline
3-17 CORLN Examination Testing Period
9 National ORL Nurse Day
15-16 SOHN Spring Seminar Series & 28th Annual Spring Pediatric Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada

June

24 Poster Application Deadline

July

1 Chapter Excellence Award Applications Deadline
1 Clinical Excellence Award Application Deadline
1 Honor Award Applications Deadline
1 Scholarship Applications Deadline
1 Forming Chapter Bylaws Deadline

September

1 CORLN Examination Application Deadline
19-23 SOHN 38th Annual SOHN Congress – Orlando, Florida

October

4-18 CORLN Examination Testing Period
15 Call for Abstracts 2015 Congress & Spring Seminar Series

November

1 Midwinter Board Meeting Guest Attendee Application Deadline
1 Nurse in Washington Internship Application Deadline
15 Lois Moore-Rogers Lectureship Deadline
30 Research Forum Abstracts Deadline

December

30 Nominations for Outstanding Service Award Deadline
30 Nominations for Friend of SOHN Award Deadline

Upcoming SOHN Educational Events

Lowcountry Chapter Pediatric ENT Update

March 7, 2014

Contact Mary Beth Chalk for more information – chalkm@muscc.edu

12th Annual Wisconsin Chapter Teaching Day

March 8, 2014

Contact Linda Essert-Dobson for more information –
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SOHN's Spring Seminar Series & 28th Pediatric ORL Nurses Spring Meeting

Las Vegas, Nevada ~ May 15 & 16, 2014

SOHN's 38th Annual Congress & Nursing Symposium

Innovation, Imagination & Inspiration: ORL Nursing

Orlando, Florida ~ September 19-23, 2014

More information will be available in May at www.sohnnurse.com