President's Message:

I’m writing this the week before the UOAA National Conference in Irvine, CA. I’m excited about the seminars, the exhibitor hall, and getting to meet and network with ostomates from all over the country. On top of what is on the schedule I’m going to be in a Coloplast focus group and a patient panel for one of Joanna Burgess’ seminars. I can’t wait to share it all with you when I return.

Thanks again to the Sandi McBride Scholarship for giving me the opportunity to attend the National Conference.

Respectfully,
Dan Richards

NEWS AND UPDATES

- Our September meeting will feature a presentation from Dan Richards and many of the WOCN’s who attended the National Conference in August.
- Dan Richards has become our new President, leaving the Vice President position open. If you would be interested in taking on either that role or that of Secretary, please let him know. A volunteer is also needed to assist with newsletter publication.
- If you know of an event that you think TAOA would benefit from setting up an information table, please let Dan Richards know.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sept 4 Labor Day
Sept 5 TAOA Meeting, Rex, 7:15 pm
Sept 12 TBC Meeting Chapel Hill, 7 pm
Sept 18 CCFA Meeting Rex, 7:30 pm
Oct 7 Run for Resilience 5k Durham

SEPTMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bobby Qualls September 11

Let us know your Birthday so we can celebrate it with you!

IF YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN TO PAY 2017-2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES, PLEASE PAY $20.00 DUES TO TAOA WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY! THANK YOU!!!

TRIANGLE AREA OSTOMY ASSOCIATION (TAOA)

TAOA is a non profit organization dedicated to advancing ostomy health through advocacy, education, and professional interaction. We are an affiliated support group of the The United Ostomy Associations of America, Inc. Membership is open to ostomates, nurses and friends who support our mission.

New members are always welcome. Please refer to the membership form on the last page.
TAOA MEETING INFO:

MEETING:
The first Tuesday of the month, September – June.
Time: 7:15pm   NO meeting in July or August.

LOCATION:
Rex Hospital, 4420 Lake Boone Tr., Raleigh, 27607.
From the parking deck use the Main Entrance.
The meeting is in the main waiting room on the left.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:
If the Wake Co. Schools are closed due to weather conditions, there will be NO meeting that evening.
To verify a cancellation call Rex Hospital at 919-784-3100.

Disclaimer: Articles and information appearing in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by the Triangle Ostomy Association and may not be applicable to every individual. Always consult your physician or WOC Nurse for all medical advice.

Group Officers and Contact Info

President: Dan Richards 919-624-3075
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All Officers are available for member support

TAOA DUES POLICY

Annual Dues provide membership in TAOA & UOAA, INC. Annual Dues Statement appears in the JUNE Newsletter requesting payment. Pay $20 Dues PRIOR TO AUGUST 1st. See Member Form for details (last page). In appreciation for their support of TAOA, WOCN’s & Professional Associates are given courtesy Memberships. (No Dues).

TRIANGLE BLADDER CANCER SUPPORT GROUP
Date: Second Tuesday of the Month
Time: 7 pm – 8:30 pm
Place: SECU Family House,
123 Old Mason Farm Road
Chapel Hill, NC 27517
Contact: David Langham
919-948-0589
trianglebcs@gmail.com
www.trianglebcs.com

CCFA SUPPORT GROUP
Date: Third Monday of the Month
Time: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Place: Rex Healthcare
Contact: Reuben Gradsky
gutcheckrdu@gmail.com

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Wake Med
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Melanie Johnson 919-350-7668
Debbie Orr 919-350-7668

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Rex Hospital
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MINUTES for the TAOA MEETING June 6, 2017

SOCIAL: Members enjoyed delicious refreshments provided by our member, Kevin Rosemond.

MEETING: President, Dan Richards, opened the meeting at 7:30 PM. He welcomed eleven (11) members and thanked Kevin Rosemond for the refreshments. Dan expressed regrets for the absence of a June Newsletter due to his ongoing therapy for a broken arm. Dan has the good fortune to be a recipient of a Sandi McBride Scholarship which will enable him to attend the UOAA National Conference in August. He looks forward to returning with new ideas for TAOA.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) Dues Statements have been issued for 2017-2018. Pay $20.00 to TAOA prior to Aug, 1, 2017. 2) Ruth Rhodes, Treas. requested financial support for Tom Rinkacs, FNP, to be a counselor at the July Youth Rally in San Diego. There was a motion by B. Adams for a TAOA donation of $250.00. It was seconded by D. Richards and passed. 3) Member, Asa Manning, suffered a fall at home and died a few days later on May 18th. A sympathy card was sent to his wife & family. 4) An appreciative acknowledgement, was received from FOW for our Nurses Day donation in honor of our area WOCN’s. 5) TAOA votes were submitted for the National Election of UOAA Board Members. Thanks to Joanna for extra info. about candidates. 6) TAOA presented Stephanie a Visa Gift Card with appreciation for another year of program planning and dependable, advisory service. 7) Some volunteers agreed to bring refreshments for next year’s meetings. Please notify Ruth if you can volunteer for the months of Sept., Oct., Jan., March or June.

A FULL SLATE OF OFFICERS ENABLES YOUR TAOA BOARD TO FUNCTION EFFICIENTLY! YOUR PRESIDENT & TREASURER NEED RELIEF FROM THE FULL RESPONSIBILITIES! THE POSITIONS OF VICE PRESIDENT & SECRETARY NEED TO BE FILLED FOR 2017-2018!

PROGRAM: Congratulations to Stephanie Yates, CWOCN who was recently elected the new President Elect of the National WOCN Association of UOAA. For this evening’s program, Stephanie shared her recent experiences at the National WOCN Conference in Salt Lake City and the Oncology Nurses Society Meeting in Denver. She discussed new, “cutting edge” products, advanced technology and numerous companies who presented their products at the conferences. Thank you, Stephanie, for another good year of interesting programs which have kept us well informed.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. Our new year of 2017-2018 will begin with the meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Rhodes,
Sec./Treas.
Abbreviated MINUTES for the TAOA MEETING May 2, 2017

MEETING: President, Dan Richards, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Dan welcomed nine members, two visitors and two family members. We welcomed first time visitor, Phil Rea, as a new member. Dan introduced the WOC Nurses present as volunteer leaders for the individual ostomy group sessions. Rhonda Bowles and Katie Smith came from Duke. Kris Dixon and Amanda Eltz came from Duke-Raleigh. Thanks to each nurse for participating in our program this evening.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: 1) NATIONAL NURSES DAY is MAY 6th. TAOA is HONORING OUR TRIANGLE AREA WOC Nurses on NURSES DAY by contributing a special donation to FOW. 2) Please be prepared to sign the refreshment volunteer sheet at our June meeting. We need refreshments for each meeting, next year, Sept. through June. 3) YOUR STATEMENT for DUES will appear in our June Newsletter. Please plan to pay dues ($20.00) at the June 6th meeting or mail early so you do not risk a delay. When DUES are paid promptly our budget for the coming year can be planned on schedule. That is a helpful accomplishment for your Board.

PROGRAM: Ostomates divided into groups according to their type of ostomy. Each group held their discussions with individual questions and comments under the leadership of a WOCN. These groups provide a helpful review for both old and new ostomates.

Run for Resilience 5k!

The Run for Resilience Ostomy 5k is coming up soon! This will be the fourth year for this event and each year it gets bigger and better.

Please consider running, attending, or volunteering the day of the race. Even if you don’t run or volunteer, you can help just by cheering on the runners and possibly placing a bid at the silent auction!

There are runs in Boise, Portland OR, Birmingham AL, Mesa AZ, and Cookeville TN. Spread the word locally and to anyone you many know in those states.

Go to www.ostomy5k.org for more information.

TAOA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please print legibly

Date: ________________

Name: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

____________________________________Spouse: ____________________________

Phone (Home): ______________(Cell): _______________________________

Email: ________________________________

Newsletter ( ) Email ( ) US Mail Birthday: Month: ___Day: _____

Type of Ostomy: [ ] Colostomy [ ] Ileostomy [ ] Urostomy (Ileal conduit) [ ] Other Type: ______________________

[ ] No ostomy/Supporting Member [ ] Relative [ ] Friend [ ] Other

Payment of dues enclosed: $20 [ ] CASH [ ] CHECK [ ] M.O.

[ ] I request Courtesy Membership. I cannot pay dues at this time.

(Information is Confidential)

MAIL COMPLETED FORM WITH PAYMENT OF DUES TO:

Ruth Rhodes, Treasurer
8703 Cypress Club Drive, Raleigh, N.C. 27615
NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 7:15 pm, Rex Hospital
PROGRAM: Report from the UOAA National Conference
Hosted by: Dan Richards and other attendees

8703 Cypress Club Drive
Raleigh, NC 27615

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