

# BROADCASTER

July/August 2016

Missouri State Association Licensed Practical Nurses

## *MoSALPNs 2016 Convention Highlights.....*

### *From the 2016 Convention Planning Committee*

The 68<sup>th</sup> annual Convention of the Missouri State Association of Licensed Practical Nurses, Inc. was a great success this year. We would like to thank our speakers, exhibitors, the American Red Cross, Phoenix Home Care and MU Health Care for their contributions to the convention. We would also like to thank the schools who attended, we could not do this each year without your continued support. Mark your calendars for next year's convention which will be held June 11<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Ramada Oasis in Springfield, Mo. We would love to see more schools in attendance next year. We will have a Convention Planning meeting September 24, 2016 at the state office so if your school would like to be included in this meeting or if you have any ideas that you would like the convention committee to consider, let the state office know by September 20, 2016.

*Thanks, Convention Planning Committee!*

### **2016 Annual Business Meeting**

On June 5, 2016 the MoSALPN annual business meeting was held at the Tan-Tar-a Resort at the Lake of the Ozarks.

David Pattison, LPN was elected as the new MoSALPN President. Lola Crum, and Phyllis McBrayer were elected to the Board of Directors and Carmen Southall-Wanhoff, Paige Haines, Grace Durham and Sarah Modaff were appointed to the Board of Directors.

The association would like to thank Tina Gerber for serving as president for the past two years and for her commitment to the association.

#### **THANK YOU!**

MoSALPN would like to thank Elaine Grieder from the Waynesville Career Center in Waynesville, for presiding over the convention this year, she did an excellent job.

We would also like to thank Garrett Sellars from the Mineral Area College for singing the National Anthem.

And a big thank you to Chris Parr, Ashley Bush, Destinee Ballinger, Bailey Ratliff, Melissa Speiser, Haley Crump, Holly Norris, Shelby Majors, all from the Kirksville Area Technical College who volunteered to help at the registration table and Ways and Means tables. Thanks to you all and anyone we may have missed!

#### **THANK YOU TO OUR EXHIBITORS!!!**

We want to acknowledge the exhibitors who took time and came to help make our convention a success.

Phoenix Home Healthcare    Columbia College  
MU Health System            Mercy Hospital  
Advantage Nursing Services    The Uniform Outlet  
It Works Global                Damsel in Defense  
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*Thank you for your support!!*

Quote of the day . . . "If you wait to do everything until you're sure it's right, you'll probably never do much of anything." - Win Borden

## SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

MoSALPN offered two \$200.00 scholarships to students enrolled in the Practical Nursing Program for 2015 -2016 school year. The only requirement is to have the application filled out completely. The winners were Candace Holiday from the Washington School of Practical Nursing and Amy Crawford from Mineral Area College. Congratulations to these winners and good luck on your nursing career.

## ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

“Why I want to be an LPN” is an essay contest MoSALPN offers to students enrolled in a School of Practical Nursing. The contest awards money to the first, second and third place winners. The essays are judged by persons not connected with the office of MoSALPN.

The first place winner was Christopher Parr from the Kirksville Area Technical Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Bailey Ratliff from the Kirksville Area Technical Center and 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Annie Ghere from the Nevada School of Practical Nursing. Congratulations to these winners and thanks to all the others who took the time to write an essay and submit it!

### Why I want to be an LPN By Christopher Parr

Why do I want to be a LPN? There is so much I could say, but let me say this. I enjoy adventure. I want thrills and excitement. I want to defend the weak. Lend my strength to others. I want to change the world. What could possibly be more grand, noble, epic, and adventurous? I know what you might be thinking. Am I talking about nursing or super heroes? Well, both of course.

Nurses stand at the front lines of holistic care. Nurses are there when you wake up, ready to serve. Nurses keep watch while you sleep to keep you safe. Nurses come when called upon. Nurses come with that coffee that you can't do without and that conversation you may have been missing. Nurses come hoping to bring that joy you haven't felt in a long time. Nurses come bringing a smile. Nurses encourage, build up, and strengthen others. Nurses come telling you what you CAN do not what you HAVE to do. Nurses sacrifice their time and energy gladly for the well-being of others.

Nurses change lives one day at a time. Nurses are the ones who get to know the patient. When someone thinks all hope is lost and they want to give up, nurses make a plan for success. The nurse knows the patient and motivates them in a way they need. Nursing does not stop in the office, or at the hospital, good nursing is carried home with patients, families, and friends. Nurses do not just educate, they influence. Nurses motivate people to try something new, something they thought was impossible, a change they never thought they could make. Nurses advocate for others. I truly believe that it is nurses who will change the face of health in our communities, in our country, and even our world.

Why do I want to be a LPN? I want to be a hero. I want to be selfless. I want to give people new resolve to change their lives. I want to battle bravely on the front lines of holistic care. If I have any strength to give I want to give it for something important, something worthwhile, something that will last forever, something that will change lives and continue to change lives. If I can only directly help one person I will do it because I know it will change the lives of every person they come in contact with. Why do I want to be a LPN? I want to make a difference.

## POSTER CONTEST

MoSALPN invited all schools to participate in a poster contest. This year 4 schools submitted posters for the contest. What wonderful ideas came from the convention theme “Building Brighter Futures”. As stated the winning school would get half of the money and MoSALPN the other half for the Legislative Fund. The winning school was Kirksville Area Technical Center. Thank you for your time and thoughtfulness. MoSALPN appreciates all the schools that participated in the contest.

We also want to thank the many businesses and individuals who contributed to the many door prizes and raffle items.

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<i>Schultz &amp; Myers, LLC</i>	<i>Avon</i>
<i>Hawthorn Bank</i>	<i>Thom Switzer</i>
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<i>American Family Ins.</i>	<i>Casey's General Store</i>
<i>Fulton Bank Star One</i>	<i>Mary Lea Kloesel</i>
<i>Bates Memorial Hospital &amp; Auxiliary</i>	
<i>Pampered Chef/Mariam Kuensting</i>	



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### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

July 28, 2016 MCPNE Meeting  
Sept. 24, 2016 Convention Planning Meeting  
October 15, 2016 BOD Meeting  
April 4, 2017 Legislative Rally  
June 11 – 13, 2017 MoSALPN Convention

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