

TASNA NEWSLETTER

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A LOOK AHEAD

Here are some great opportunities to look forward to...

- Planning Retreat:
January 2018 (Dates TBA)
Franklin, TN
- AANA Mid-Year Assembly:
4/20-24/2018
Washington, D.C.
- TANA Annual Conference:
10/19-21/2018,
Murfreesboro, TN



Shout out to UTHSC for winning the college bowl spirit competition with their rendition of AC/DC's "TNT"

Be Informed, Be Involved, for Your Patients, and Your Profession

TANA Recap

TANA Convention – 2017 was a great weekend. I greatly enjoyed getting to meet fellow SRNA's throughout the great state of Tennessee. Along with gaining anesthesia education, the weekend was filled with a lot of fun events; TASNA Luncheon, College Bowl 2017, and the TANA PAC pub crawl just to name a few. On top of all that, fellow SRNA's presented posters and research that they had been conducting. As a first-year student, it was encouraging to see how much I can expect to learn and grow over the next few years as we all strive to become nurse anesthetists. Overall, this past weekend was a HUGE success and a lot of fun; if you were unable to attend this year, I highly recommend attending next year!

Be Informed...

Here are ideas to stay informed about TANA/TASNA, and AANA:

- Visit the AANA (<https://www.aana.com/>) and AANA-connect (<https://connect.aana.com/home>) website. This is a great way to stay informed with what is happening at the national level as well as a great resource for SRNA's.
- Visit the TANA/TASNA (<https://www.tncrna.com/>) website. Here, you will be able to keep up with everything going on at the state level.
- Join the CRNA/SRNA <https://www.facebook.com/groups/nurseanesthetists/>) and TN CRNA/SRNA (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/962838707113188/>) Facebook forums. This is a good way to network and stay informed in real time. Useful tips/techniques and research are frequently posted here.

Be Involved...

Here are a few ways to get involved, and have a direct impact as a student:

Join a TANA committee. Currently we need 1-2 SRNA's to join the Program committee. There are a plethora of committees to join, find one that interests you and go for it! Visit <https://www.tncrna.com/about-us/committees/>

Participate in the SRNA/CRNA mentorship program. This program was developed to guide, protect, and support SRNA's. All you have to do is fill out an application and pay a \$25 dollar fee that goes directly to the TANA PAC. Visit <https://www.tncrna.com/education-wellness/tasna/> for more information. An email will be sent out with more info about this program.



Students taking pictures at the photo booth.

In order to fulfill my charge as TASNA liaison to the TANA Board of Directors, I need to have communication with each of the six programs. I am asking for one SRNA from each program to serve as a liaison between myself and their respective program. This could be your programs TASNA representative or another student. Please contact myself (see contact info below) with your name and what program you are in if you are interested.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear TANA Members and SRNA's,

I hope everyone enjoyed this years' annual meeting and all saw what it means to be involved in your profession. By the time most of you have finished your program, I will have served my term as president and be an after- thought, although the battles we fight as a profession will still remain. We will need all of your support because you are our professions future!

I wish everyone the best of holidays and safe travels.

Thank You,
TANA President
Shawn Bright

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FROM THE TASNA REPRESENTATIVE

First and foremost, thank you for your support in electing me as TASNA liaison to the TANA Board of Directors at the TANA conference. As your representative, I believe it is vital to maintain an open line of communication. In order to do this efficiently, I am asking for one SRNA from each program to be a representative and contact between myself and their program. Be sure to check your emails for TASNA updates and keep your eyes peeled for the next TASNA newsletter. Please feel free to contact me if there is an issue you would like for me to address at the next board meeting, or if you just need to chat with a fellow SRNA. I am looking forward to what TANA/TASNA has in store for 2018!

– Mike Koenig



SRNA's presenting their posters.



LMU at the annual college-bowl