

**AORN Richmond Chapter Meeting  
January 21, 2019**

**Welcome**

**Call to Order: 6:00 PM**

**Attendance:** 36 Members, No visitors

**Quorum:** Yes

November Chapter meeting minutes approved by reading committee: Janet Wingfield

**President's report: Janet Shortt**

**“Kindness is like snow: it beautifies everything it covers.” Kahlil Gibran**

Happy New Year!!

Voting for the 2019 AORN National ballot is March 11 – April 9. Candidate bios and election statements are available online [www.aorn.org](http://www.aorn.org). There are sheets with websites are on the back table. Your vote counts! Donna Winderweedle suggested we bring the computer to March meeting for membership use

Rhode Island enacted a bill requiring evaluation of surgical smoke in all operating rooms in 2018. AORN National is now working with Colorado and Oregon to advance similar legislation.

Early Bird Registration deadline for AORN 2019 Conference and Expo is February 15. If interested in getting the Early Bird see Janet Shortt tonight.

Chapter Accountability documents have been submitted to National AORN.

Spring 2019 AORN/VCORN workshop will be sponsored by the Lynchburg Chapter. Fall 2019 workshop will be in sponsored by the Charlottesville Chapter. Dates TBA

Wednesday, January 30 at 5pm at Janet Shortt's house: go through 3 tubs of old documents for our chapter and spring clean. Will digitalize documents as needed. Dinner will be served.

**Treasurer's Report: Jean Watling**

**Policy and Bylaws Committee Report: Gloria Taylor and Janet Wingfield**

No Report

**Newsletter Report: Gloria Taylor**

The Winter Newsletter had been sent out to members

**Membership Committee: Debbie Bartol**

**MEMBER TYPE**

Standard Mem	198
3-year Member	19
2-year Member	22

Group Member II 8  
 Retired Member 14  
 Lifetime Member 12  
 Associate Member 4  
 Group Member Associate 3  
 Group Member 4 4  
 Student Member 9  
**TOTAL MEMBERS: 293**

When renewing membership, please check Chapter #4702 so appropriate funds are earned.

**Marketing Report: Jessica Ooms**

Upcoming Volunteer Activities & Donation Drives

Serve a Meal at the Reinhart Guest House Wednesday January 30, 6pm

Serve a Meal at the Reinhart Guest House Thursday February 7, 6pm

Donation Drive for Caritas, pots & pans--bring items to the chapter meetings in February & March

Caritas also accepts other household goods. For a complete list, check the website: <https://www.caritasva.org/give-help/donate-items/items-accepted/>

Caritas: Transform a Warehouse Saturday April 6, 9am-12pm @ new location

14 volunteer spots open

<http://www.caritasva.org>

Safe Harbor is thankful for the 175 items we donated

Date	Volunteer Organization and Location	Volunteer Activity or Donation Drive	Number of Volunteers	Total Hours Worked or Volunteered	Total Hours Worked by the Group
Oct 3, 2018	Reinhart Guest House Richmond, VA	Making a Meal	6	1.25	7.5
Oct 27 & 28, 2018	Celtic Festival (supporting the Cullather Brain Tumor Quality of Life Center) Richmond, VA	Serving people at the beer truck, working the gate and collecting donations	6	3.5	21

Oct & Nov 2018	Safe Harbor: Women's Shelter Richmond, VA	Donation Drive: Food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, school supplies & more			
Dec 2018	CHAT (Church Hill Activities & Tutoring) Richmond, VA	Christmas Store Donation Drive: toys and a bike			
Dec 14, 2018	CHAT (Church Hill Activities & Tutoring) Richmond, VA	Christmas Store	1	3	3

**Legislative Committee – Carla Beattie**

AORN: Danielle Glover is moving on from her position as Associate Director of Government Affairs to a new adventure at a Denver public affairs firm. She will continue to work with AORN in her new role by helping with the smoke evacuation legislation initiative.

Amy Hader, General Council and Director of Government Affairs, is the main point of contact moving forward.

VNA: Lobby Days - A day to advocate for nurses and the nursing profession while the General Assembly is in session.

Participants will meet with legislators to talk about 2019 Legislation and issues.

8:30am – 1:00pm

January 29, 2019, January 31, 2019, February 5, 2019, February 7, 2019

Contact hours are available

To register, and learn more, visit the VNA website.

Thank you for advocating for your patients every day.

**Education Committee: Sherry Zauner**

February 18 CCI Renewal: Cathy Sweeney and Jan Heizer

March 18 Steven Bishop: Keto Diet

April 15: John Newton with Ethicon

May: Installation of officers: Date & Location TBA

**Ways and Means:** Anne Elliott has accepted the Chair for Ways and Means

Planned meeting February 1<sup>st</sup>

**Research: Debbie Bartol**

No report

**Awards: Donna Winderweedle and Faye Hughes**

Please send award nominations to Donna Winderweedle

**Nominating: Jessica Ooms**

No report

**Delegate Selection: Cathy Sweeney**

Delegate packets are coming soon

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**50/50 winner:**

Tiffany Wittersheim \$40 and \$40 to Treasurer

**Adjourned: 6:22**

Approved: J Shortt, J Heizer, C Sweeney, J Watling