West Virginia State Council

1st Quarter 2007 Newsletter:

"Greetings from the WVENA 2007 State Council"

The WVENA elections are over and your new council members are taking this opportunity to introduce themselves. In turn we'd like to know more about the state members and your thoughts on what the priorities, goals, etc. of WVENA should be.

Bill Manley and Sherry Rockwell will continue to serve in their respective positions of President and Treasurer. Sherry Simmons is our new President-elect and will be "learning the ropes" in preparation to serve as our state president in 2008. She is the Director of Emergency Services at West Virginia University Hospitals in Morgantown. Wilma Queen the new secretary works as a staff nurse and trauma program manager at St. Joseph's Hospital in Buckhannon. Contact information is listed below.

Planned meetings for 2007

We will now have planned quarterly meetings in different locations throughout the state in order to allow more members to participate. Along with the business meeting we are hoping to be able to include some type of continuing education at each meeting. We are looking for volunteers to help host and plan the meeting. Please let us know your thoughts about what kind of educational activities to offer. Also, contact Wilma if your are able to help in anyway.

The planned meetings are as follows:

April 14, 2007, Saturday from 9-12 Noon—in Charleston at CAMC General Emergency Department Conference Rooms 101/102, Kim Morgan will be our host and more information will be available shortly.

July—Central Area of State: Buckhannon-tentative location (TBD)

October—Northern Area of the State: Wheeling-tentative location (TBD)

Suggestions and help with hosting a meeting would be greatly appreciated!

Bylaws

Work is being done to revise our current bylaws and will be discussed/voted on at the April meeting so, be sure to attend so that your voice will be heard.

Communication

<u>Communications with members is our number one priority</u>. We will send out quarterly newsletters to help keep everyone up to date. Your comments or ideas are welcome. Also, please visit our website at <u>www.wvena.org</u> and send any suggestions for improvement and/or any additional sections that you'd like to see posted. We will use the current membership list for all correspondence, so if you haven't updated that information for a while you might want to go to <u>http://www.ena.org//members/update/index.asp</u> to check that your correct contact information is listed. In addition, we would encourage your participation in our organization.

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We look forward to your support and assistance with moving our organization forward. Thank you!