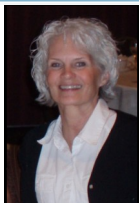


MN SGNA NEWSLETTER



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Message from MN SGNA President Lynn Mueller RN, BSN



Well, it seems that spring is here!!! I hope we will be enjoying the nice weather more consistently.

If you made any New Year's resolutions, are you still keeping them? Was one of your resolutions to get more involved with organizations you support?

There are several ways to become involved with MnSGNA. Our MnSGNA Board holds elections each summer/fall. If you are interested in running for a position please contact someone currently on the Board.

Visit the MnSGNA website at MnSGNA.com for information on upcoming activities. Join MnSGNA/SGNA for reductions on courses offered. There was a course /dinner for GI Nurses Day on March 31, sponsored by US Endoscopy. Due to overwhelming response, the course had to be moved from Pazzaluna Restaurant to the St. Paul Hotel. I enjoyed seeing many of you at this function.

SGNA, the national organization holds a national conference each spring. This year the conference is in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 6-11. The title of that course is **Courage, Commitment, Collaboration**. You can find information about it online at sgna.org.

If one of your resolutions involved exercise there are several ways to incorporate exercise and support for GI

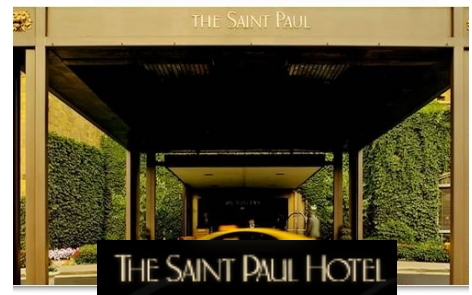
causes. On Sunday, May 22, there are two 5K walks that support GI causes. The **Crohn's & Colitis Foundation** has a 5K walk around Lake Nokomis. Check out the registration on cctakesteps.org. Get a team together and support a great cause.

There is also the 5k Run/Walk for colon cancer awareness/prevention. This is the **Get Your Rear in Gear** run /walk at Southdale Center in Edina, May 22. Form a team and register at: getyourrearingear.com.

There are many ways to become involved with GI causes. I hope you can find a way to support the wonderful job you do each day at work.

Lynn Mueller, RN
President MnSGNA

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MnSGNA GI Nurses Day Celebration at the St. Paul Hotel—March 31, 2011

MnSGNA GI Nurses Day was celebrated at the beautiful St. Paul Hotel in downtown St. Paul which celebrated its 100th Anniversary in 2010.



The event was sponsored by **US Endoscopy**. **Kelly Greaton, the US Endoscopy Representative**, did a wonderful job organizing this event.

The evening started with a social hour.



MnSGNA GI Nurses Day Celebration at the St. Paul Hotel (Continued)

The attendees enjoyed a delicious meal while listening to the educational offering. The topic presented was, **“Surveying the Colon; Polyps and Advances in Polypectomy”**. Each nurse received 1.4 contact hours which were GI specific.



A special thank you to US Endoscopy for sponsoring this wonderful event!

Upcoming Events—Walk & Run to Support GI Causes



5k run/walk
& kids' fun run

for colon cancer awareness

Please join us for the 2011 Twin Cities Get Your Rear in Gear 5K Run/Walk at Southdale Center in Edina. Sign up early to guarantee your shirt and goodie bag. Food and refreshments will be available.

Date: Sunday, May 22, 2011

Registration: 7:00 a.m.

Kids' Fun Run: 8:30 a.m.

5K Chip Timed Run: 9:00 a.m.

5K Walk: 9:05 a.m.

Location: Southdale Center, Edina

www.getyourrearingear.com

“Take Steps—Be Heard” for Crohn’s and Colitis

REGISTER TODAY:
cctakesteps.org



Join the Walk to cure Crohn's & Colitis!

If you are looking for a team, join **MnSGNA Butts and Guts Nurses**. Our Past President, Jane Bugbee, is the captain.

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Walk Date and Time:

May 22, 2011

Registration Start: 4:30 PM

Walk Start: 5:30 PM

Walk Location:

Lake Nokomis

Local Contact:

Maggie Mau

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Call: 651-917-2437



Visit the NEW MnsGNA Facebook page!!

MnsGNA Kaleidoscope 2011

MnsGNA Fall Conference 2011

Mark Your Calendars!

October 8-9, 2011
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

"Our Place" Spotlight on Fairview Maple Grove Ambulatory Surgery Center

Fairview Maple Grove Ambulatory Surgery Center

"OUR PLACE" opened in July, 2008. We are a multi-specialty ambulatory surgery center. We are now doing 170 - 200 endoscopy procedures and 100 surgeries per month and our business continues to grow. Currently, we have 2 endoscopy rooms that we use on a regular basis with the potential for a third room to be opened in the near future. We also have 4 operating rooms.

We are an energetic bunch and are excited to be part of a growing facility! We are privileged to work with several physicians who bring to us quite a varied patient population. Our Endoscopy department serves patients needing basic screening colonoscopies/endoscopies, as well as those who seek care for many not so commonly seen conditions. These patients have often times been referred to one of our



specialty care providers. The University of Minnesota Physicians have partnered with Fairview- Maple Grove ASC. We also provide endoscopy services to a number of pediatric patients who have been referred to a UMP- pediatric gastroenterologist for further evaluation.

Thank- you for allowing "Our Place" to be introduced to your organization and its members.

Deb Kjeldahl, RN, BS, CGRN

