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President's Message

Please read this newsletter carefully. Do NOT use it to line the birdcage just yet. There are several issues that need your action and/or response. I know you are all as busy as I am so I would encourage you to read it through and act immediately so you don't forget.

First let me ask you to forgive my random thought process. I have so many exciting things to tell you that I have found it hard to have flow. In fact, when I edited my work, I had to delete the word excited because I had used it so often that you definitely would not have been "excited" trying to read my message. So let me just say it here and get it over with; I am very excited!

This particular newsletter is just chucked full of important information including the TNA District 3 ballot for 2003-2004 officers. I hope you are as thrilled as I to see so many TNA 3 members who were willing to add their names to the list of nominees. Please spend some time reading their bios and placing your vote.

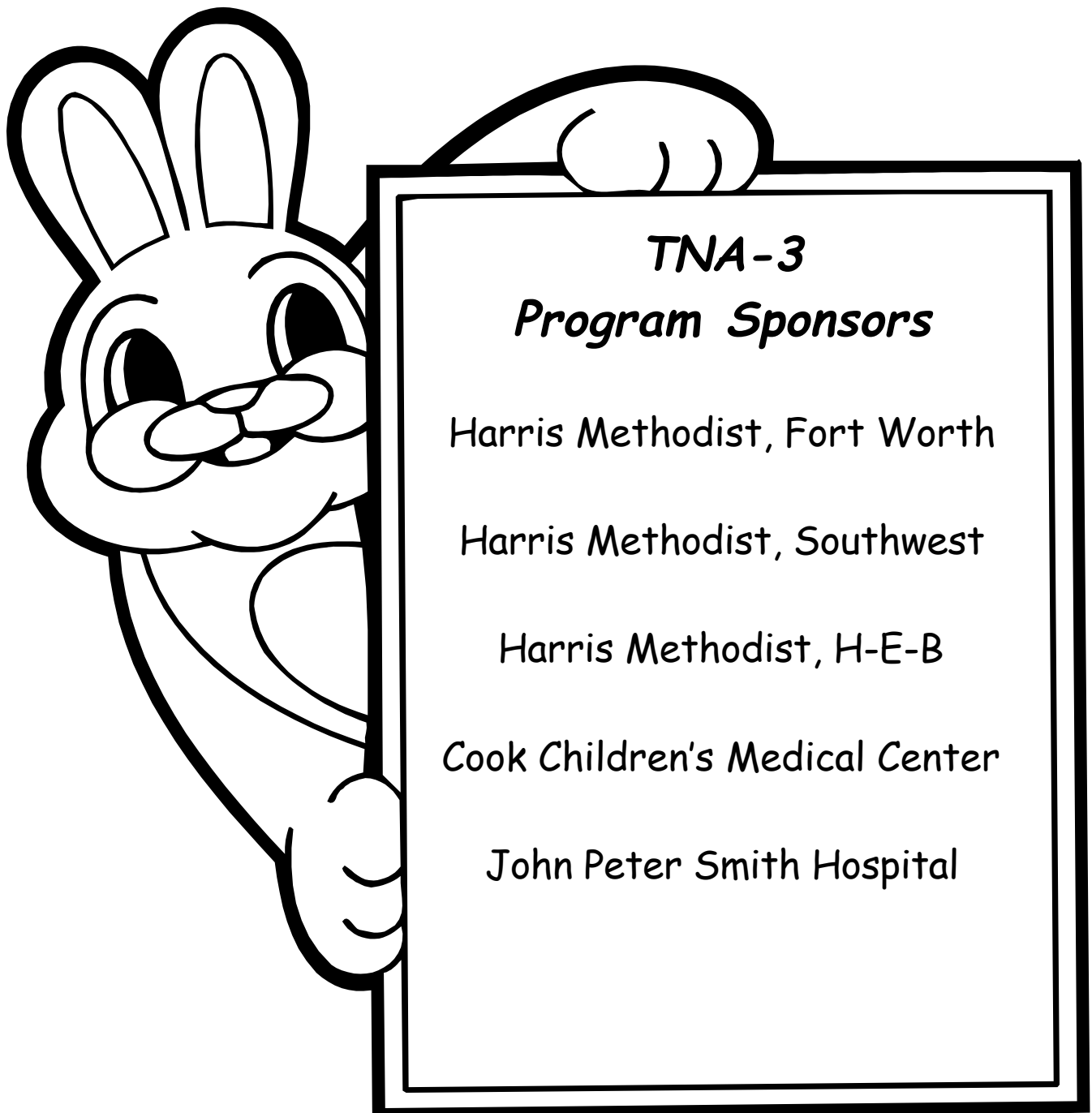
I am happy to report that several BOD members have completed revising the District Bylaws (a difficult and thankless task). In this newsletter you will find the website link to assess the revised Bylaws for your review. Please take the time to assess this document. Read it carefully and send your comments via email or ground mail to the district office. The Board wants to hear from you.

The BOD has also revised the scholarship application. Additional data have been included that we believe will help us to select the most deserving candidates. We will continue to work on methods to quantify data to insure fairness. If you know a student who is in financial need (and what nursing student isn't) please contact the District office or website for applications.

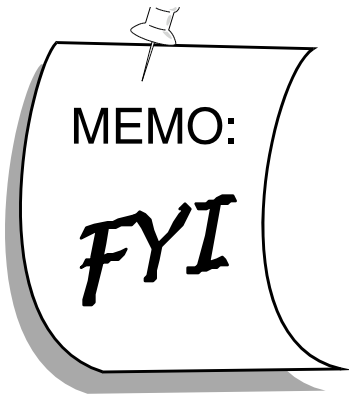
The Board is in the process of interviewing applicants for the position of Executive Secretary (see announcement in this issue). If you know anyone who might be interested, please have him or her contact Lori or me ASAP. With this in process, the BOD is investigating options for a permanent phone and mailing address for District 3. We are also preparing to purchase a new computer system (the old system is literally being held together with electrical tape). If you know anyone who would like to donate to the "Buy District 3 a New Computer Fund" have him or her contact us. Actually, I just made that whole "Fund" thing up, but we are buying a new computer system and would welcome any donations, large or small, toward that project.

I hope you will attend the April meeting and the May dinner.

Don't miss out!



Just wanted to say
THANKS for your support!



The following items can now be found on our website!

- 2003 Scholarship Application
- 2003 Award Nomination Forms
- District 3 Bylaws

Please be aware that in the future we will be posting most of our information on the website as opposed to mailing it out. This enables us to be better stewards of the TNA-3 funds. Check the website at www.tna3.org for updates and information!

If you would like to nominate one of our members for Nurse of the Year, Rookie of the Year, or Active Member of the Year, please download the nomination form from our website and send it in today. Nominations must be post marked by April 18, 2003. Awards will be presented at our Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, May 15.



Due to reasons beyond our control, i.e. we have to update our book-keeping software and there is not enough hard drive space to hold it, the monitor has a short in it, and the computer has started changing things at its own discretion (can't figure that one!), TNA-3 is having to purchase a new computer. If you know of a business or individual that would like to donate a computer or money towards the purchase of one, please let Lori know.

*****IMPORTANT TNA-3 Newsletter Information*****

Beginning in September, you will get the TNA-3 Newsletter via email or the TNA-3 website at www.tna3.org <<http://www.tna3.org/>>. We will, of course, mail the newsletter to anyone who DOES NOT have access to the Internet. Please fill out the form below and return it to the TNA-3 office—we need to know if you would like the newsletter emailed to you. For those members who DO NOT have Internet access, please indicate so on the form so you can continue receiving the TNA-3 newsletter through the postal service. By offering our newsletter via the Internet, you will receive important information in a much more timely manner, and the District will be able to be better stewards of YOUR financial contributions.

TNA-3 Newsletter

Name: _____

_____ I have access to the internet. Please send as an attachment. My email address is _____

_____ I will access the newsletter via the website.

_____ I do not have internet access. Please send my newsletter via the postal service.

Please return to TNA-3, P.O. Box 1988, Joshua, TX 76058 or email your response to tna3@mindspring.com

Executive Secretary Position

It is with both sadness and excitement that I submit this letter of resignation to TNA, District 3. I am asking that it take affect once a replacement has been found and trained for the Executive Secretarial position that I now hold. My husband and I have agreed to fill an international missions position, and with the acceptance of this position go many details that have to be tended to by the time we leave at the end of May. I want to thank you all for the opportunity to work with such dedicated professionals as yourselves. It has truly been my pleasure.

Sincerely,

Lori McBee

Please direct any interested persons to send their resume to the TNA-3 or call 817-558-4064. Resumes will be accepted through March 21, 2003.

District 3 Bylaws

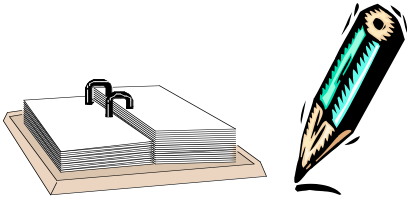
The revised District Bylaws will be posted on the TNA-3 website beginning March 18th for your convenience (www.tna3.org). We ask that you review these revisions and send any comments or concerns to the District office or email them to tna3@mindspring.com. The membership will vote on these revisions at the April 17 meeting. We value your input in this matter! The Board members serving on this committee did a wonderful job in bringing our District into compliance with the State. If you have any questions regarding the revisions, please don't hesitate to contact the office for clarification!



Welcome to District 3, y'all! We're glad you're here!

Maria Alarcon-Furman
Evans
Virginia Caldwell
Sharolyn Crow

Dorothy Emerson-
Karen Murphy



Mark Your Calendar!

THERE IS NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN MARCH. ENJOY YOUR SPRING BREAK!

Thursday, April 17 – 6:30 p.m. – Debra McLachlan, RN, Ph.D. of TCU Harris School of Nursing will present “Global Nomads in an International School: A Case Study of Families in Transition”; Harris Methodist, Fort Worth, 1301 Pennsylvania Avenue - Rutledge Education Center, Plaza Level; refreshments provided; free parking in the Clay J. Berry parking garage (beside Burger King). Call Lori at 817-558-4064 for details or directions.

Friday and Saturday, April 25-26 – House of Delegates in Austin

Thursday, May 15 – **Annual Awards Dinner** – TCU Kelly Center – see registration sheet in this newsletter

CE Offerings for UTA – Contact (817) 272-2778 or email jjenkins@uts.edu

April 17, 2003

Moving Into the 21st Century: Nursing and the Law

Co-provided with the American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants, Fort Worth and Dallas Chapters and The University of Texas at Arlington

This activity is designed to expand the RN's knowledge of legal issues involved in the practice of nursing in the 21st century. It will help explore ways to evaluate and protect the RN's professional practice.

7.8 Type 1 Contact Hours



It is time once again for the Annual Awards Dinner, and we are in need of items for the **Silent Auction**. If you or someone you know would like to donate an item or gift certificate, please contact Lori McBee at 817-558-4064 or Suzy Lockwood (s.lockwood@tcu.edu). We will be glad to pick up your donation! Remember, TNA-3's success begins with you!



Texas Nurses Association
District 3
2003 Annual Awards Dinner

Honoring:
2003 Scholarship Recipients
2003 TNA-3 Award Recipients
2003-2004 Board of Directors

Please join us at the Kelly Alumni Center on the campus of Texas Christian University as we celebrate the nurses of District 3.

Date: Thursday, May 15, 2003

Time: 6:00 - Silent Auction Begins
6:30 – Dinner

Place: Kelly Alumni Center, 2820 Stadium Drive

Reservations are required by May 13. Please call the TNA-3 office at 817-558-4064 for more information.

Please return this reservation form with your payment to TNA-3, PO Box 1988, Joshua, TX 76058

Enclosed is \$_____ for _____ dinners @ \$25.00 each for the 2003 Annual TNA-3 Awards Dinner. (Please make checks payable to TNA-3)

Name: _____
address _____

Email

Daytime Phone _____