



# **GANS Blast E-Mail, July 2008**

## **Barry Jones, NEC South, EKG Co-Chair**

### **President's Message, Becky Carbley**

It's about half-way through the summer so I hope that all of our wonderful GANS members have made time to enjoy themselves, at least a little bit! Please get your applications in to run for State Office, they are due Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. Also, it's never too early to start planning for Convention, which will be in October in Columbus, GA. I encourage each school to submit an award application for every award. We look forward to recognizing some of the outstanding projects our members are involved in. The award applications are also due by Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. If there is anything that GANS can do to help your school chapter, including attending your back-to-school orientations, please let us know. Have a great rest of the summer!

### **GANE Offers Scholarship Opportunities**

The Georgia Association for Nursing Education (GANE) is offering 2 scholarships for Associate & Baccalaureate nursing students. The scholarship award will be a minimum of \$500. The deadline for scholarship applications is October 1, 2008 (the application is incorrectly dated for last year). Go to the GANE website ([www.georgiaassociationfornursingeducation.com](http://www.georgiaassociationfornursingeducation.com)) and follow the links on the left side of the page labeled GANE Scholarships. Good luck to all who apply!!

### **Legislative Update, Kristin Borgia**

Hello fellow nursing students! I hope everyone is having a great summer! I will be hosting a Resolution Writing Workshop in early August at Mercer University. Keep your eyes open for future information about the date, time, and room number for this event. I will be posting this information on the GANS website under Announcements and this info will go out to you via an Announcement Email very soon! I hope to see many resolutions submitted by the deadline in September for our GANS Convention in October!

There are still opportunities to get involved with HealthSTAT events. There are ongoing activities with HealthSTAT's Childhood Obesity Prevention Program. You can get more information about all HealthSTAT events at: <http://www.healthstatgeorgia.org>.

If you have any questions about events or resolution writing please feel free to contact the GANS Legislative Director, Kristin Borgia, at [legislative@ganursingstudents.org](mailto:legislative@ganursingstudents.org).

### **New NEC South Director, GANS Executive Board**

Barry Jones from Valdosta State University was appointed to the NEC South position on June 21, 2008 to replace Amanda Flax. Barry is currently trying to contact all Southern District schools in order to recruit potential qualified executive board candidates for election in October during the GANS state convention. If you, as a member, advisor, or school representative have any questions or need any assistance in the application process, please contact him at [gansekgcochair@yahoo.com](mailto:gansekgcochair@yahoo.com) or [bjones@valdosta.edu](mailto:bjones@valdosta.edu). He can also be

reached by cell phone at 229-444-4572 (please leave a message if no answer). Barry has served the executive board as the GANS EKG Co-Chairperson since October of last year and currently is responsible for the BLAST E-Newsletter sent out every month. Many of you that went to COSL got a chance to meet Barry during the Website/Newsletter focus session. The board welcomes him to the position of NEC South.

### **Convention Planning Underway...Look Out for more Information**

Convention planning for the GANS Annual Convention to be held in Columbus is well underway. Please visit <http://www.ganursingstudents.org> for more information on Convention. Your executive board is continuously working hard to make this one of the best conventions ever!!! Please stay tuned for more information in later issues.

### **Birthday's for July**

July 15, 2008—Beth Christensen, Community Health Director

July 28, 2008—Rosalie Medina, NEC Chair