



Michigan Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates



February 2016 Pathfinder

Hello MSGNA Nurses and Associates!

I'm not too shy about saying I'm a little nervous about being at the helm of MSGNA as it is my first time to lead such an important organization. However, I have wonderfully supportive people on the Board and in my own work environment! I thought I'd mention one goal MSGNA has for 2016 is to qualify at the SGNA National conference in Seattle to be the Top Region. There are many things we already do but we need to work on some other areas.

One of the qualifiers we must improve on is the number of attendees at our conferences. MSGNA will have a great conference that will be held in Ann Arbor coming up in April. The committee has arranged for some interesting topics and speakers according to their brochure that has just come out on-line. It's a fantastic way to get CEs, as well as networking.

Another thing we can work on is increasing our membership. This is an easy process and, yes there is a fee for joining SGNA/MSGNA, but the benefits are tremendous! Besides networking and CEs, MSGNA membership gives one a voting voice on how our organization runs by electing the Board members who represent you. Our Board attends COMON, which is a Michigan government committee that gives Michigan nurses a voice. The stronger our membership is the bigger and better our voice is when it comes to establishing standards, policies and laws.

I personally want to thank our committee members who are making our spring conference a great event! I want to thank my fellow Board members for their support and guidance! And let's achieve our goal at SGNA.

Thank you,

Kathy Smith, BS, BSN, RN, CGRN
MSGNA President



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MSGNA 2016 Goals

1. Increase our membership by promoting SGNA/MSGNA.
2. Promote involvement/commitment to MSGNA offices.
3. Promote attendance at State and National Conferences.
 4. Continue to assist our members by:
 - a. Providing CEUs at conferences
 - b. Giving back to our members financially by reducing conference costs
5. Find one nursing-related issue for our membership to write to their congressman/legislator about.
6. Remain financially sound.

MSGNA Treasurer here! I'm sure you are all as ready for springtime as I.

Over this first year of my term, I have been surprised at how much money it actually takes to run this state organization. We receive a small rebate for each member but the only real income is made at the conferences and is variable with each conference. Your Board is committed to keeping costs to our members as low as possible. We are required to reserve funds to cover any expenses we have contracted for. I proposed the budget for 2016 at the November Board meeting as required by bylaws of MSGNA. The numbers were based on the previous year's budget, and actual income and expenses for 2015. Although it is my first attempt at creating this, I am hopeful that we remain close to the budgeted dollars and if so, will end the year with a profit. I will have the entire budget as well as the actual to date, with me at the Spring Conference. Members are free to review, ask questions and give suggestions! December's closing balances were; Checking, \$38,987.63 Savings, \$24,560.70. The tax information has been sent to SGNA as we file Federal through them. Enjoy the remainder of Winter, and I'll see you in Ann Arbor! Mary Pierce

MSGNA offers 6 scholarships for the opportunity to participate in the MSGNA Fall Conference. The conference is going to be held at the DoubleTreeby Hilton Bay City - Riverfront in Bay City September 23-25. The scholarship includes full payment of tuition and 50% payment of the 2 night accommodation. This is going to be a great conference at a beautiful resort with lots of learning and social networking. Applications should be sent in no later than 7/1/16 to

Pat Root MSGNA President Elect, 1309 Whitehaven Ct, Owosso, MI 48867

Recipients will be notified at least one month prior to the conference.



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MSGNA would also like to congratulate Nancy Denton. She has submitted a poster for the SGNA Annual Course in Seattle, Washington in May and will be presenting it there. The title is "**Best Practice for Safe Turning and Positioning of a Patient Undergoing ERCP**". Way to go Nancy

SGNA Important Dates and Deadlines

✓	DATE	EVENT
	Available Now	Annual Course Registration Available Early-bird registration for the 2016 Annual Course is available until April 8, 2016. Register today!
	February 15	Application Deadline for the Flame Award for Unit Excellence Has your unit gone above and beyond this year to improve infection prevention practices and support a positive and educational workplace? Apply for the Flame Award for Unit Excellence to receive recognition at the Annual Course in Seattle and a framed certificate you can proudly display! Find the full criteria and application here .



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February 15

Application Deadline for the DDNC Public Policy Forum Scholarship

The Digestive Disease National Coalition, the leading public policy advocacy organization in your nation's capital for persons affected with digestive disease, is holding the 26th Annual Public Policy Forum on March 6-7, 2016 in Washington, DC.

SGNA encourages members to consider participating in this event. A limited number of scholarships are available to help cover the costs of attending.

To learn more about the Public Policy Forum, [click here](#). If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, contact [Sophie Huckabay](#).

February 17

Register for Train the Trainer

Join SGNA for the upcoming [Train the Trainer](#) course on March 5, 2016 in Conroe, Texas, right outside of Houston. This course is for the nurse or technician in the GI setting who is responsible for ensuring that the cleaning and disinfection of endoscopes is done safely and effectively. The session will offer the hands-on opportunity to practice the reprocessing steps.

The course is generously supported by Medivators. **Deadline to register is February 17, 2016.**

February 23

Register for SGNA Webinar: Standards of Infection Prevention in Reprocessing Flexible Gastrointestinal Endoscopes

[Standards of Infection Prevention in Reprocessing Flexible Gastrointestinal Endoscopes](#)

Date: February 23

Time: 6:00 pm Central

Cost: Free for members and nonmembers through the generous support of EndoChoice

February 29

Infection Prevention Champions Program Winter 2016 Enrollment

Enrollment for the Infection Prevention Champions Program Winter 2016 term (January 1-December 31) is now open. [Enroll](#) by February 29 to join the winter enrollment of the program.



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If you're interested in enrolling in the program and developing a customized infection prevention plan for your unit, [submit an application](#) now for the Winter 2016 term!

March 1

Application Deadline for the SGNA Annual Course and First Time Attendee Scholarships

The SGNA Annual Course in Seattle is not to be missed. The Annual Course and First Time Attendee Scholarships have been established to financially assist SGNA members who wish to attend the conference.

Find the full criteria and applications [here](#).

March 1

Application Deadline for the SGNA Associates and Advanced Associates Program Scholarships

The SGNA Associates and Advanced Associates Program Scholarships have been established to financially assist technicians and associates in taking these online programs.

Find the full criteria and applications [here](#).

March 1

Join the Blue Star States Campaign - Declare March Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

Each year governors must proclaim March Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month. Make sure your state participates by requesting that your governor make the proclamation!

Find all the resources you need from Fight Colorectal Cancer by [clicking here](#).

Make sure to let SGNA know if you take action so we can track our progress. Contact [Sophie Huckabay](#) with any questions or to share updates.



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March 22

Register for SGNA Webinar: Standards of Infection
Prevention Gastroenterology Setting

[Standards of Infection Prevention Gastroenterology Setting](#)

Date: March 22
Time: 6:00 pm Central
Cost: Free for members and nonmembers

[Click here](#) to learn more and register.

April 1

Register for GI/Endoscopy Nursing Review Course

Make your plans to attend an upcoming [GI/Endoscopy Nursing Review Course](#) on April 9-10, 2016 in Lebanon, New Hampshire.

This one-and-a-half-day course will provide an overview of key areas related to GI/endoscopy nursing practice. Additionally, tips on how to prepare for the CGRN certification exam will be presented. Participants will receive the GI/Endoscopy Nursing Review: Certification Study Manual as part of their course registration. Registration is \$250 for members and \$350 for non-members. The deadline to preregister is April 1, 2016.

Hi!

I just want everyone to know that we welcome new people to run for the board of directors. This year's election will be for President, Treasurer, & Secretary. To show appreciation for the work the board members do, we give perks such as paid tuition to MSGNA conferences, half of the hotel room reimbursed for MSGNA conferences, reimbursed SGNA membership fees, possible reimbursement of some SGNA national conference expenses, along with friendships with other board members. So look for nomination forms at the Spring MSGNA conference or on the MSGNA website in April & May. You can nominate yourself or someone else by submitting them to me at my email or mail by June 1st. Acceptance of nominations are from June 1-July 1. Elections are online at the MSGNA website August 1 through the Fall MSGNA conference in September. We would love to have you join us!!!



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We would really appreciate everyone's help with boosting our percentages of members voting in the regional & national elections. Increasing our percentages can help us in applying for SGNA Outstanding Region Award. We have several qualifications for it so far, but we need to improve our voting. SGNA would award us with honors and money toward our region!

Thank you and I hope to hear from some of you!

Jenneva Kremke

LOOKING FOR CONFERENCE SITES 2017

Believe it or not, we are looking for an MSGNA conference sites for Spring and Fall 2017. You can bring an MSGNA Conference to your city. Believe in yourself and your unit. Below are some of the perks for planning a conference:

- 9 committee members will receive paid SGNA Membership for the following year
- Very rewarding
- Lot's of networking with your co-worker/peers
- MSGNA board for resource and support

Contact Diane Thompson, MSGNA Program Chairperson at 810-240-9314, or email dathompson920@gmail.com

Take Advantage of Free CEs From SGNA!

Did you know SGNA offers free online contact hours to members? You can find free CE offerings in the "[Learner-Driven Education](#)" section of the SGNA Marketplace.



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MSGNA General Business Meeting Minutes (*second posting*)

September 13, 2015

Great Wolf Lodge, Traverse City, MI

1. **President's Report**- Jenneva Kremke, RN, BS: Welcome and thanks for attending, and a special thank you and recognition to committee hosting this conference at Great Wolf Lodge.
2. **Secretary's Report**-Mary Catton, RN, BSN, CGRN: MSA Meeting Minutes from General Business Meeting, March 21, 2015.
3. **Treasurer's Report**- Mary Pierce, RN, ADN, CGRN: Checking: \$56,282.36

Savings: \$24,559.06

The planning committee for this conference was able to get many donations to help offset the expense of the conference.

Profit-Loss reports can be viewed at your request by emailing Mary, MSGNA treasurer. Her contact information can be found on the MSGNA website.

4. **President-Elect Report**-Kathy Smith, RN, BSN, CGRN:
There were six scholarships available for fall (September) conference. Tuition and 50% hotel stay were offered. Three members applied and were awarded scholarships: Michelle Roelke, Chris Pilcher, and Debra Gabites. Applications are available on MSGNA website.

Poster Presentation financial assistance is available. Poster is to be presented at National Conference. Submit abstract to SGNA by August 1st. If abstract accepted, MSGNA may offer financial support up to \$1500. You would present your poster at the fall MSGNA conference.

5. **Past President Report**-Patti Yonkovit, RN, BSN, CGRN: Will be going off MSGNA board at November transitional meeting. Thanks, Patti, for all your service to our organization. 42 of our 229 members voted in MSGNA election. Patti emphasized that voting validates our participation in our organization. Also, we need to show that there is a specific percentage of members voting when we go to apply for Outstanding Regional designation. National voting is also important. Results of election: President Elect – Pat



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Root, Directors at Large- Membership – Wendy Stanly,
COMON/Policy/Procedure/Bylaws – Deb Schroeder was reelected.

6. **Newsletter/Website Report**-Sheri King, RN, BSN, CGRN – Great job with website, Sheri continues to revise website as necessary. (per Jenneva)
7. **Vendor Coordinator Report**-Ruth Dobberfuhl, RN, BSN: If you know of vendor contacts that you would like to see participating at conferences, please let Ruth know the contact information.
8. **Membership Report**- Pat Root, RN, CGRN: There are 229 total members, 34 in 2015. Linda Fecteau is the winner of the ERBE new membership scholarship.
9. **Policy/Procedure/Bylaws/COMON Report**-Deb Schroeder, RN, BSN, CGRN: Bill 68, Advanced Practice nursing, wanting more responsibility, went down in the Senate. A similar bill will be reintroduced. Contact your legislative representatives to share your views on the issues being discussed. Please get involved; given the number of members we have, we could make a difference. Use your influence to vote in our elections, and please consider running for office.
10. **Program Chair Report**- Diane Thompson BA,LPN,CGN/Ruth McClure, LPN, CGN: Ruth will be going off the MSGNA board. Thank you, Ruth, for 18 years of service. Nancy Denton will be joining the board to help with this role.
Upcoming programs:

Annual Multi-Regional is Oct 30-Nov 1, 2015 in Bloomington, Illinois

Spring 2016 is at Washtenaw Community College, Ann Arbor, on April 1-2 hosted by Karen Tingstad and endoscopy staff at the VA Hospital.

SGNA 43rd Annual Course, Seattle, Washington, May 20-24, 2016

MSGNA Fall 2016, Bay City, September 23-25, 2016, hosted by Sandy Hansen-Belfit and G&H Associates of Mid-Michigan.

Spring 2017- have a venue, need a host. Please consider hosting. Contact Diane if you are interested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Mary Catton, RN, BSN, CGRN
MSGNA Secretary

ABCGN Updates

ABCGN Certification/Recertification Scholarships

The American Board of Certification for Gastroenterology Nurses awards scholarships in the spring and fall to aid candidates with financial assistance for certification and recertification. **The next deadline for application is December 15, 2015.** Additional information and application forms can be found on the website.

Recertification Deadline December 31

The Recertification deadline is December 31. **If you are due to recertify in 2015, please submit your online application on or before December 31.** The recertification application can be found on the website.

ABCGN Awards Nominations Due February 15, 2016

Each Year, ABCGN recognizes those nurses and facilities who have demonstrated commitment to excellence by validation of qualifications through certification. The awards are presented during the SGNA Annual Course. Nominations for the Excellence in Professionalism, Certified GI Professional of the Year and the Outstanding Region awards are **due February 15, 2016.** Additional information can be found [on the website](#).

[MSGNA Poster Presentation Financial Aid:](#)

The purpose of changing from a contest to financial assistance is to provide support of MSGNA members interested in presenting a poster at the SGNA national conference and subsequent MSGNA fall conference and to better align MSGNA with SGNA's process.

An abstract should be submitted to SGNA by their deadline (found on the SGNA website) sometime in the fall prior to the next May's SGNA national conference. Once SGNA accepts the abstract this notification should be submitted to MSGNA's current President-Elect for approval of up to \$1500.00 to be divided amongst all authors for expenses involved in presenting (example: supplies, tuition, transportation, housing, meals). Presenters must be willing to present at both the SGNA national conference AND the MSGNA fall conference. If multiple posters are accepted by SGNA it will be at the discretion of the MSGNA BOD as to how much financial assistance is to be offered.



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Patricia Root

President Elect

MSGNA PROGRAM REPORT

Mark Your Calendars
Great Education Dates Coming Your Way

MSGNA SPRING 2016

Washtenaw Community College-- Morris Lawrence Building
Ann Arbor, MI
April 1 – 2, 2016

Karen Tingstad and the endoscopy staff at The VA Hospital- Ann Arbor will host this educational conference

SGNA 43rd ANNUAL COURSE

“Breaking The Mold”
Washington State Convention Center
Seattle, Washington
May 20 – 24, 2016

Great networking opportunities for nurses and associates in the practice of GI/Endoscopy

24th ANNUAL MULTI-REGIONAL SGNA CONFERENCE

Country Springs Hotel
Waukesha, WI
September 16 – 18, 2016
A true taste of National Conference at a price you can afford.

MSGNA FALL 2016

“Scoping out in Great Lakes Bay Region”
DoubleTree by Hilton Bay City—Riverfront
Bay City, MI
September 23 – 25, 2016

Sandy Hansen-Belfit and G & H Associates of Mid-Michigan will host this educational conference

We are working towards helping you stay on top of the best GI education available.
The more we know, the stronger we are.



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HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Diane Thompson

MSGNA Program Chairperson

H—810-744-1971, C—810-240-9314, Email: dathompson920@gmail.com

Associates Program Scholarship

This is a quarterly scholarship and the deadlines for submission are March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1.

SGNA Associates Program Scholarships have been established to financially assist SGNA associate/technician members and non members with purchasing the Associates Program. The Associates Program is an online education program that provides an associate/technician the opportunity to validate their skills by being recognized as a GI Technical Specialist (GTS). The Associates Program is not an official certification but does help enforce the associate/technician commitment to the GI/endoscopy profession. Scholarships covering the cost of the Associates Program will be awarded quarterly to those members and non members who meet the established criteria. The number of scholarships awarded will depend upon funds available.

Recertify Quickly and Easily

It may have been taken you five years to accumulate enough contact hours for recertification, but you can submit these hours for recertification quickly and easily. This year when you recertify, use ABCGN's online system at <https://www.abcgcn.org/secure/recertification>.

The online system replicates the paper forms that you have always used. You just type your information in the appropriate categories and hit submit. It is that easy. Online submissions will be audited at the same percentage as hard copy packets were, back-up materials will only need to be provided if you are notified of an audit.



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If you are set to expire at the end of 2015, you can submit at any point during the year. Certificates are issued on the 15th and 30th of the month. This date is noted on your certificate, meaning that you can start collecting contact hours towards your next recertification period on that date. What a great way to get a jump start on your next recertification and not lose “extra” contact hours.

Have questions about recertification or the exam; give ABCGN a call on their new toll free number: 1-855-252-2246 or 1-855-25-ABCGN.

Submitted by,

Diane Thompson

SGNA Medical Aid Scholarship

SGNA is offering this scholarship to financially assist SGNA members who are participating in a medical aid trip. Funds of \$1000 will be awarded to scholarship recipients. This is a one-time, non-renewable scholarship. The recipients will be announced at the end of January. Funds will be provided up front and must be used by the end of the calendar year in which they are awarded. Proof of participation in a program must be provided before funds are issued. Scholarship recipients will be asked to write a brief article about their experience for *SGNA News* upon their return.

Criteria:

Applicant must be a member of SGNA in good standing, and meet all criteria of the organization through which they are traveling. The medical aid trip must be through an established organization, and not independently planned. While proof of participation in a program may not be available at the time of application, proof be provided before funds are issued.

Send completed applications by December 31 to:



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SGNA Headquarters
330 N Wabash Ave
Suite 2000
Chicago, IL 60611

Fax: 312.673.6694

Email: sgna@smithbucklin.com

To be considered complete, applications must include:

- Completed application
- Essay, no more than 500 words
- Flyer/brochure of program (this can be printed from the internet)
- Proof of participation if available (i.e. a letter/email from the organization)

SGNA Membership Dues Scholarship

The deadline for submission is October 1.

SGNA Membership Dues Scholarships have been established to financially assist SGNA members with their annual membership dues. Grants of \$95 (Voting Licensed Nurse) or \$70 (Voting Associate) will be awarded each year to those members who meet the established criteria. The scholarship does not cover the cost of SGNA Regional dues. The number of scholarships awarded will depend upon funds available.

You are eligible to apply if you answer yes to the following:

- have previously been a member of SGNA for two or more years;
- you are currently employed as a caregiver in the field of gastroenterology;
- you actively support the goals and philosophy of SGNA;
- you can demonstrate financial need.

You are ineligible if:

- you have previously received a Membership Dues Scholarship from SGNA or
- you are a member of the SGNA Board of Directors.



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Reminder for members: Once you certify or recertify, you are eligible for a bonus from MSGNA. You need to submit a copy of your certificate to our MSGNA Treasurer and you will receive a \$100 bonus.

GI Boot Camp



**Marching
Through The
“Tract”
Fore and Aft**

Accommodations

**Ann Arbor Regent Hotel & Suites
2455 Carpenter Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48108**

Phone Number: 734-973-6100

Room Rate: \$102 per night (30 day cut off)

Double/Queen Layout

***Please state that you are attending the MSGNA
Conference when booking
your room.***

**Holiday Inn - Ann Arbor
(Near the University of Michigan)
3600 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor MI 48105**

Phone Number: 1-734-769-9800

Room Rate: \$105 per night

Double Queen Layout

***Reference group block code: DVA
When booking your room.***

All rates are subject to applicable taxes



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Registration Form MSGNA Spring Conference

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Employer: _____

Phone: _____

SGNA/MSGNA # _____ (REGISTRATION WILL BE RETURNED FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS IF MEMBERSHIP NUMBER IS NOT RECORDED).

<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 95 MSGNA Member	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 140 Non-Member
<input type="checkbox"/> 2016 MSGNA Board Members	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning Committee Members

Make all checks payable to MSGNA (United States funds). If your facility is paying for your registration, include all participants' names on the check. You will receive a course confirmation by e-mail or postcard when payment is received in full. Bring this confirmation to the conference to avoid discrepancies. Please mail completed registration form and payment to the following person by **March 19, 2016**.

Mary Pegler
393 Fairwood Road
Pinckney, MI 48169

REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE AT www.msgna.org with payment through PayPal. MSGNA members can log into your account at www.msgna.org with the Email address that is registered with SGNA. Your password is your last name in lower case letters.

Non-members and vendors can create an account and register in the same manner.

Friday, April 1, 2016

6:30 - 7:00 pm Early Registration
7:00 - 8:00 pm Optional Educational program
(Please see below)

Friday Night Vendor Program

Presenter: *Will Weston -Boston Scientific*

Time: *7:00 – 8:00 pm*

Title: *Endoscopic Mucosal Resection*

Please RSVP [by March 18, 2016 to reserve your seat: will.weston@bsci.com](mailto:will.weston@bsci.com)



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This vendor presentation will be held at Washtenaw Community College.

Saturday April 2, 2016

6:45 am	Registration / Continental Breakfast / Vendors
7:45 – 8:00 am	Welcome & Announcements
8:00 – 9:00 am	Pelvic Floor Disorders Dr. Stacy Menees MD, MS
9:00 – 10:00 am	Colon Cancer Screening 2016 : From Bowel Prep to Timing of Surveillance Colonoscopy Dr. Phil Schoenfeld MD, MEd, MSc (Epi)
10:00 – 10:45 am	Break / Vendor Booths
10:45 – 12:45 am	“Let’s Talk About Liver” Dr. Lisa Glass MD and Heather McCurdy MSN, RN
12:45 – 1:45 pm	Lunch / MSGNA General Business Meeting
1:45 – 2:45 pm	“Suturing and Full-thickness Clipping in Endoscopic Practice” Dr. Anoop Prabhu MD
2:45 – 3:45 pm	Monitored Anesthesia for Endoscopy Sarah Thomas CRNA, MS
3:45 – 4:00 pm	Afternoon Break
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Medical Legal Issues in GI Dr. Megan Adams, MD, JD, MSc



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SGNA Announcements

New Member Portal...If 1st time accessing the SGNA site since July, 2015, you will need to reset your password.

Special Discount... If your membership has lapsed 2013 or 2014, call SGNA office... 800-245-7472, and they will give you a special code for the discount.

SGNA Scholarships

Membership Dues Scholarship...Due October 1, 2015...this will financially assist SGNA members with their annual membership dues. **Must be a member for 2 or more years.**

Annual Course Scholarship...application due March 1, 2016.

Associates Program Scholarship (GTS & AGTS)...GI Technical Specialist. Taking applications due March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1 yearly.

1st Time Attendee to Annual Course Scholarship...must have less than 2 years of membership.

SGNA Medical Aid Scholarship...for assisting SGNA members who are participating in a medical aid trip. \$1000.00 will be awarded. **Application due December 1, 2015.**



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SGNA RN Advance Education Scholarship Application...For RN working toward BSN, MSN or Ph.D \$2,500 for full-time student. \$1,000.00 for part-time student. This application is due every July 31.

Under development: If a non-member joins SGNA/MSGNA while attending a regional conference, that new member will get a reimbursement between the member and non-member rate. This reimbursement would take place once the member number is issued by SGNA by contacting the MSGNA Treasurer.

ABCGN Recertification Changes: to recertify by contact hours has changed!!! Only 75 contact hours are needed over the 5 year period. With 60 contact hours being GI Specific with a new minimum for Live presentations of 30 contact hours. The fee has changed to \$350 for SGNA member and \$435 for non-member.

MSGNA Scholarship Application

The MSGNA Scholarship is designed to award two categories of MSGNA members an opportunity to participate in the MSGNA fall conference. The scholarship includes full payment of tuition and 50% payment of 2 nights' accommodations. All winners will be notified two months prior to the fall conference.



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**Fall MSGNA Conference
“Scoping out in the Great Lakes Bay Region”
September 23-25, 2016
DoubleTree by Hilton Bay City-Riverfront
Bay City, MI**

Forward completed applications to:

**Pat Root
1309 Whitehaven Ct.
Owosso, MI 48867
Or
proot@memorialhealthcare.org**

The MSGNA Board of Directors will score all applications.

- Please follow the directions carefully.
- Answer all questions thoroughly.
- Each question must be completed.
- The last two questions are subjective and will be rated according to content not length. The answers **must** be typed.
- If another sheet of paper is required, please number your answer in reference to each question and include your name on each sheet of paper.

This application must be received no later than July 1, 2016.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (H) (_____) _____ (W) (_____) _____

Please indicate which scholarship you are applying for:

_____ **MSGNA member 0 – 5 years** _____ **MSGNA member > 5 years**

MSGNA Scholarship Application

Name _____

1. Current consecutive years as SGNA/MSGNA member _____



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2. CBGNA certified Yes _____ Year _____ No _____

3. Will you definitely be able to attend the MSGNA fall conference?

Yes ____ No _____

MSGNA Involvement

4. _____ Board Member

Date: _____ Office: _____

5. _____ Nominated and accepted nomination for board member.

6. _____ Never nominated, but willing to serve.

7. _____ MSGNA/SGNA committee or task force member within the last 5 years.

Date: _____

8. _____ Written article for the *Pathfinder* within the last 5 years.

Date of article and topic: _____

9. _____ Written article for the *Gastroenterology Nursing Journal* within the last 5 years.

Date of article and topic: _____

10. _____ Chair/co-chair MSGNA conference.

Date: _____

11. _____ Committee member MSGNA conference.

Date: _____

12. _____ Chair/co-chair SGNA or multi-regional conference.

Date: _____

13. _____ Committee member SGNA or multi-regional conference.

Date: _____

Conference Attendance

14. Fall MSGNA 2012

Date: _____

15. Spring MSGNA 2013

Date: _____

16. Fall multi-regional 2012

Date: _____

17. SGNA annual course 2012 or 2013

Date: _____

QUESTIONS 18 AND 19 MUST BE TYPED

18. In what specific ways have you promoted the MSGNA?
(Use an extra sheet of paper if necessary.)

19. Briefly, describe the direction you would like the MSGNA to take in the future and how you would participate in this advancement.
(Use an extra sheet of paper if necessary.)