



Texas School Nurse Organization Central Texas Region XIII

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January 2016 started Region 13 off with a presentation for the membership entitled “Nursing Jurisprudence and Ethics for School Nurses.” This was one of our best attended meetings. All nurses in attendance were able to receive the 2 CEUs required to renew their state license. These CEUs were provided for free to the membership.

In March, Past President Mary McKenna attended the TSNO Leadership conference.

In April, Region 13 help a presentation entitled “Geriatric Health Issues: Implications for School Nurses.” As we subscribe to the idea of whole child, whole community, whole school community we are all working with grandparents raising our students. We also have staff members that are caring for elderly parents. In addition, we have staff on our campuses that are working past normal retirement ages, therefore this topic was timely and important. This presentation also offered 2 FREE CEUs to members that attended.

We also elected new members to our Regional Board due to a retirement and another board member moving out of the Central Texas area. Those names are listed above.

In June, Region 13 was busy, in addition to the end of a school year. We offered SETT (School Emergency Triage Training and School Disaster Preparedness Training) to the membership. This was at a cost of \$30 per attendee and offered 4.5 CEUs for the day. Lunch was also provided to the attendees.

We also had members attend the TSNAA Conference that was held in Houston. A few of us even traveled to Indianapolis, IN for the NASN conference this year.

In August of 2016 our Region held a Peer Review Committee Meeting for those districts that belong to this group. This was to welcome new districts and provide an overview of the process should any district need to use this committee during the school year. This is a benefit to all districts within Region 13.

Although we did not have any nominations for a SNOY award this year for our Region. We did have a SNAY Winner. That is Sally Freeman from Austin ISD. We wish her luck at the State Level and hope to see her name announced as the winner at the TSNO Conference in November.

In October we had a presentation entitled "Understanding Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking". While this was not the most upbeat topic, it was a great opportunity to learn about labor trafficking, sex trafficking and Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking (DMST). This is something that may be happening all around us, under our noses and we may not be aware of it. Many indicators were discussed along with a list of resources for the nurses to have available to them.

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