CHAPTER HISTORY

The Rio Bravo Chachalacas is the Lower Rio Grande Valley's Chapter of the Emergency Nurses Association. Our chapter is comprised of Emergency Nursing Professionals from South Texas. Our geographic area stretches from Port Isabel on the Gulf of Mexico as far west as Laredo.

Our Mission is to promote Emergency Nursing in the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas and to provide Emergency Nursing Educational opportunities.

All emergency nurses are invited and very welcome to join. Please visit our website at the meetings page for the upcoming meetings and events.

RELATED SITES

Visit our web-site @ http://www.riobravochachalacas.com

Find us in facebook @ www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=12 2953686032

Visit Texas ENA @ http://txena.org

Visit National ENA @ http://www.ena.org

CHAPTER OFFICERS

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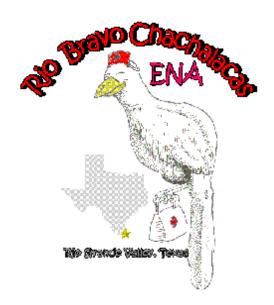


Members of ENA receive free CEU's



EMERGENCY NURSES ASSOCIATION

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MEMBERSHIP INFO

Promote comradery amongst nurses in the Emergency Department throughout the South Texas region.

- Active Member \$100 Professional registered nurse (RN) licensed in the U.S
- Senior Member \$60 Professional registered nurse (RN) who is licensed in the U.S. and is 65 years or older.
- Affiliate Member (LPN, LVN, EMT)
 \$60 A health care professional, or related field, who is not a registered nurse, student nurse or NSNA member.
- Military Member \$90 Professional registered nurse (RN) licensed in the U.S. and currently serving in the armed forces, is part of the military reserves, or is retired after 20 years of active service. APO/FPO address includes national membership and the option to be affiliated with your choice of state council and chapter. Military pay grade required to be eligible for military rate.
- Nursing Student / NSNA Member \$38 - Nursing student enrolled in primary nursing education and is a current NSNA member. NSNA member number is required to be eligible for NSNA rate.
- Nursing Student Member \$50 Nursing student enrolled in primary nursing education.
- International Member \$100 -Professional registered nurse (licensed or equivalent) and residing outside the U.S. or Guam.

COMMITTEES

- Newsletter
- Injury prevention
- Recruitment and Retention

MEETINGS

There are 4 meetings each year that occurs every quarter – January, April, July, October and December.

We also have our annual Holiday Celebration in December where awards and recognitions, as well as new officers are announced and sworn in.

NETWORKING

- Not only can you meet fellow ED nurses at Quarterly meeting but also at the State Quarterly meetings or National Conferences.
- ENA offers an International Exchange Program that allows nurses to expand their experiences.
- You can partake in legislative, state and national committees that focus on health care and ED programs.
- ENA is a great source of updated information regarding laws, education, and certifications

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

September 17-21, 2013 in Nashville, TN

October 7-11, 2014 in Indianapolis, IN.



SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

- State Scholarship opportunities deadline
 September 16
- National Academic Scholarship opportunities – deadline June 1st
 - o Non-RN
 - O Undergraduate
 - o Graduate
 - Doctoral
 - o Dissertation & Grants
- Research Grant opportunities

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Continued education is a required part of your nursing license. Part of the benefit Rio Bravo Chachalaca offers to its members and the South Texas region are education courses such as:

- Emergency Nurse Pediatric Course (ENPC)
- Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC)
- CEN Review Courses
- CEU Inservices
- Regional Trauma Symposium
- BCEN Review Courses
- National ENA Symposium