



Midsummer

*Chicago
SGNA*

Newsletter 2018

Letter from the President:

Summer time, fun time...my favorite time of the year! I hope you are all enjoying your summer and have set a side time for yourselves, family, and friends. My youngest graduated from high school this past May so we have been doing the graduation party circuit every weekend. His party was last weekend, so now I can sit back and relax and enjoy the rest of the summer before we send him off to The University of Iowa in mid-August.

We hosted our regional Spring into GI Conference at Moraine Valley Community College this past April 14th. 110 attendees earned 6.25 GI specific CE while learning about the latest and greatest in GI from our 6 amazing presenters and 16 vendors. Regional conferences are an amazing way to network with colleagues from other hospitals and to learn what they are doing differently or more effectively in caring for their patients. I have heard from so many attendees that they are amazed at the advanced procedures that are being performed at other hospitals, as well as attendees who are proud to share what they are doing at their hospitals.

In May I was so fortunate to attend the SGNA National Conference in Orlando. This was my fifth national conference and as usual I came back to my department and this BOD energized to share all that I learned. I represented our region at the Regional Leadership Session and House of Delegates Meeting. I also proudly walked across the stage as I was presented the Chicago Regional Society of SGNA Rechartering Certificate. Our region offers two scholarships per year for the national conference, be sure to take advantage and apply for one, next year the host city is Portland, Oregon.

We have already started planning for our Fall into GI Conference at Elmhurst Hospital on October 20th. Mark your calendars now so you remember not to take call that day, haha! Post-conference evaluations help guide our venue and presentation selections, your input is so valuable in helping us to put together such great educational opportunities.

We are always looking for volunteers, so please reach out if you are interested in getting involved with our region. Stay cool this summer and we will see you in the fall!

Amy Granato
Chicago SGNA President

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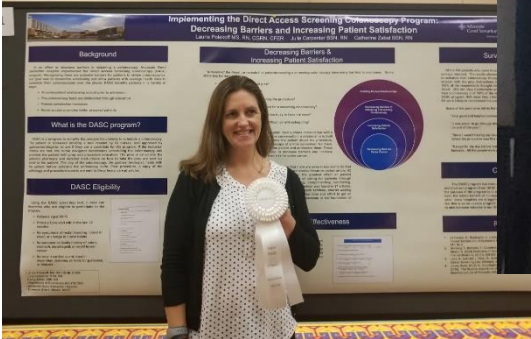


Mousin' Around!

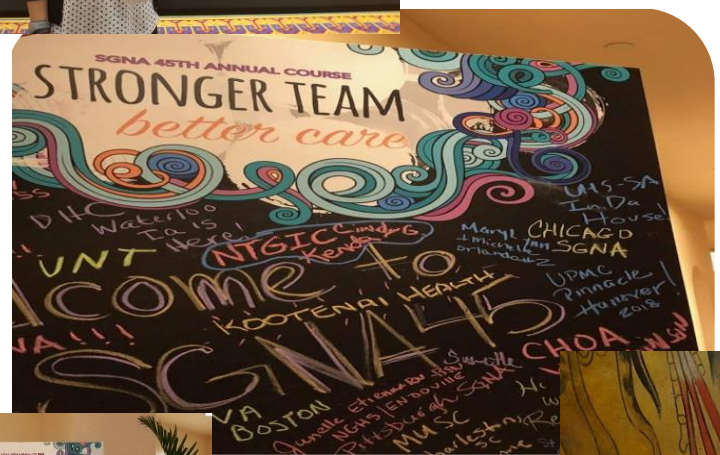
Amy Granato as moderator



Laurie Polakoff 3rd place poster winner



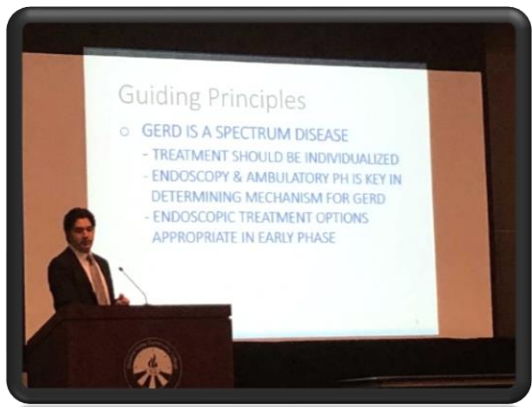
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Karyn Pechinski & Julie Forsberg - speakers



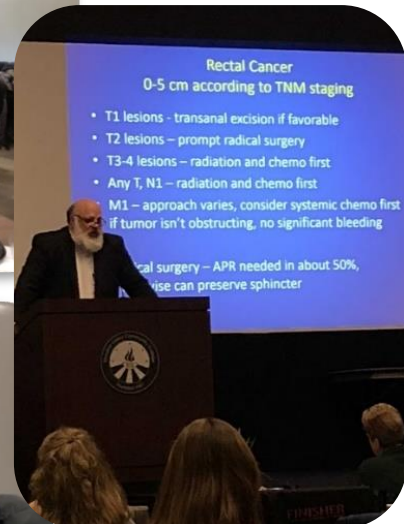
Making New Friends!



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Spring Into GI





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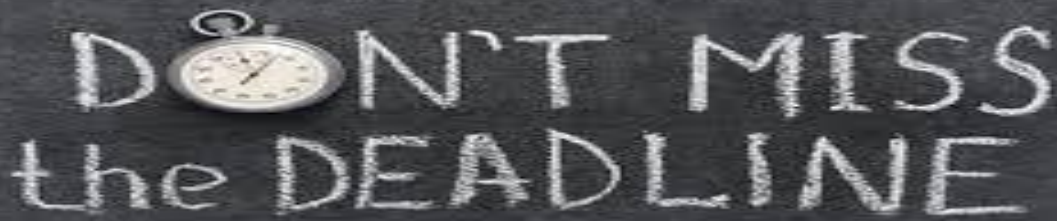
Fall Into GI

10/20/2018

Elmhurst

Memorial

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DON'T MISS
the DEADLINE

There are lots of great scholarships just waiting for you! Don't miss out on a fantastic opportunity....

Deadlines are fast approaching!

July 30th ABCGN Certification

August 31st Fall Regional Conference

September 30th ABCGN Re-certification

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Chicago SGNA offers scholarships for the following:

- (2) National scholarships
- (4) Regional - for each fall and spring conference
- (4) New Certification
- (4) Re-Certification

Visit <http://www.chicagosgna.org/scholarship-information-application/>