

SIERRA NEVADA CHAPTER ONCOLOGY NURSING SOCIETY

THE SIERRA NEVADA CHAPTER OF THE ONCOLOGY NURSING SOCIETY SERVES THE WASHOE, CARSON, CHURCHILL, HUMBOLT, LYON AND DOUGLAS COUNTIES OF NEVADA.

Hello Sierra Nevada Chapter!

Welcome to spring and summer all in one! Our chapter has been busy! We have been able to bring some great educational dinners to our community and sometimes more than one a month. We are currently planning our first Sierra Nevada ONS chapter conference! Mark your calendars for October 6th! It will be an all day event filled with speakers and the opportunity to earn CEU's. Still working out all the details and topics with our wonderful spon-

sors, so stay tuned!

We still are fundraising so that we can provide scholarships to our members to further their education. If you have not seen them yet, check out our embroidered jackets with our ONS logo! Do you want one? Ask a board member!

Remember, if you have paid your ONS membership you are automatically included in our VC! To find our VC visit: sierranevada.vc.ons.org. This is where you will

find events, dinners and other fun items that our chapter is going to be doing. You can also access newsletters and more!

We hope you enjoy the great news that is inside this letter! There is so much going on in our community! If you have some important news that you would like to share with our chapter about yourself or someone else, a great accomplishment or something fun your place of work is

Congratulations:

- **Congrats to all the Oncology Nurses in our community who were nominated for the Nevada Nurse of Achievement Awards! It is an honor to be nominated!**
- **Congrats to Katja Lekorich for winning Office/Outpatient**
- **Congrats to Bobbie Gillis for winning Administrative Leadership**
- **Congrats Shannon Parker for winning Rookie of the Year**

A note from our Chapter President

Submitted by Kat Neilan

Hello ONS Sierra Nevada Chapter! I hope this finds you all well. Spring is here as I write this and summer officially starts in just a few weeks. I hope everyone has lots of summer plans coming up! June National Cancer Survivorship Month. How do you define "survivor"? I view a Survivor as

being anyone who has had cancer, who is done with treatment, and or who is in treatment. From that first day a person gets a cancer diagnosis they are a survivor. There are so many wonderful events coming up this year to keep an eye out for- Reno Cancer Foundation Golf Tournament, Moms on The Run's Wheeling and

Healing event, and American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. If you have any events you know of that you want to share with the chapter please let us know!

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Are you receiving ONS Chapter Emails?

To edit your email preferences:

Step 1: Find our Sierra Nevada Chapter's virtual community on the chapter page.

Step 2: Login to your virtual community with your ONS username and password.

Step 3: Once you're logged in, select the Announcement tab on the left-hand side of the virtual community homepage.

Step 4: You'll see one of two options above the announcement list.

If you still need help please contact help.ons.org or email help@ons.org or the national office and they are happy to help you!

Monthly Educational Meetings

You can find out all the details for our monthly meetings in three different ways: via email, on our Virtual Community or on our Facebook Page. Make sure you are connected to the Virtual Community or our Sierra Nevada Chapter Oncology Nursing Society Facebook page. We continue to provide you the information on the monthly dinners as soon as our fabulous sponsors provide our program chairs with the information.

Please remember that there is a RSVP deadline and we appreciate you following the RSVP rules. so we can tell our sponsors how many people are coming. We are running out of seats. We are running into issues with enough seats. The vendors in the future might not be able to accommodate you or have a seat for you in the future and

Mark your calendars for the next dinner. See the Virtual Community for more details on the dinners!

- Tuesday, June 26th, 2018
 - Topic: Alunbrig, a new oral medication for metastatic NSCLC
- Other dates to save! July 12th, August 2nd, August 9th, September 13, September 25th, October 11th! We are working on educational dinners on these dates with our fabulous sponsors!

OCN Preparation Course Coming to Reno!

Are you thinking about taking the Oncology Nursing Certification (OCN) Exam? Attend the OCN Preparation Course July 16-17th 2018. This preparation course will be present by Deborah Boyle, MSN, RNO, AOCNS, FAAN who has been certified for over 25 years by ONCC.

Date: July 16-17, 2018

Location: Renown Health Professional Circle Auditorium

Registration: Kim Squire at 775-982-4659 or KSquire@renown.org

Cost: Free to Renown Employees (register in OLA) or \$100 for Community Members

Earn 13.7 CE (NSBN)



Oncology Nursing Certification (OCN) Preparation Course



Featuring

Deborah Boyle, MSN, RN, AOCNS, FAAN
... a nationally and internationally known lecturer and author, promoting oncology nursing practice, recognition, and certification. She has been certified by ONCC for more than 25 years.

16-17 July 2018

Renown Health Professional Circle Auditorium
10315 Professional Circle, 2nd Floor, Reno, NV
for directions, click [here](#)

Registration Information:

- Contact Kim Squire to register: (775) 982-4659 or KSquire@renown.org
- Free for Renown Employees (register in OLA)
- \$100 for Community Members (paid at the door) make checks payable to Renown Health Foundation proceeds benefit **Renown Health Foundation Cancer fund**

Day 1	Day 2
Health Promotion & Disease Prevention	Palliative Care and End of Life
Screening and Early Detection	Symptom Management
Professional Performance	Psychosocial Dimensions of Care
Scientific Basis for Practice	Oncologic Emergencies
Survivorship	Test-Taking Strategies
Cancer Treatment Modalities	Sample Questions

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4th Annual Reno Cancer Foundation Golf

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Come join the fun at the 4th Annual Reno Cancer Foundation Golf Tournament on July 14th, 2018.

Time: Check in at 7:30 AM and Shotgun start at 8:00 AM

Location: Washoe Golf Course

Go to www.renocancerfoundation.org or call the Reno Cancer Foundation at 775-329-1970 to register



Healing Touch Class Coming to Reno!

Healing Touch helps you embrace compassion in your work and world. With Healing Touch you can gently, and significantly, impact the body-mind-spirit well being of people in your life and practice. The dates are September 29-30th 2018. To make this amazing class happen, 6-8 people are needed. For more information on this class please contact Beth Ahart-Valk at BAhart-Valk@renown.org.

Events in our Community Save the Date!

- ◆ September 29th, Relay for Life at University of Nevada Reno, Mathewson IGT Knowledge Center 11AM –11PM
- ◆ Susan G. Koman Race, October 13th 2018
- ◆ Moms on the Run, October 20th

First Annual Sierra Nevada Oncology Chapter Conference is in the making!

Your board members have been working hard to create the First Annual Sierra Nevada Oncology Chapter Conference! More details to come, but please save the date of October 6th, 2018! Time to be determined, but plan on an all day conference. Share with coworkers and other oncology nurses in our community and outlying communities! We are so excited and have some great sponsors and speakers coming your way! Continuing education credits will be provided!

Updates in Oncology Nursing: Highlights from the ONS 43rd Annual Congress

Join your nursing colleagues for a full day of learning and networking and walk away with 6.5 CNE contact hours! Attend either workshop:

September 28, 2018 in Portland, Oregon

OR

October 26th, 2018 in Tampa, Florida

To register visit: <https://www.ons.org/education/conferences/updates-in-oncology-nursing>

Do you need to get a hold of us, have something news worthy or want to ask a question? Email us!

E-mail: sierranevadaons@gmail.com



WE ARE ON FACEBOOK! VISIT US AT [HTTP://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SIERRANEVADAONS](http://www.facebook.com/sierranevadaons)



Want to become certified in Oncology? Visit www.oncc.org and click on certifications and then Oncology Certified Nurse to learn more!

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Fundraising for our Local Chapter and Scholarships

Our chapter has been fundraising to help support our local members with advancing their education.

We are selling sticky notes (3 for \$5 or \$2 each), ONS mugs (\$5).

We have embroidered items coming! If you are interested in strutting our chapter logo on some clothing please let us know.

We are always looking for great fundraising ideas so if you have a great fundraising idea, we would love to hear it!

If you are interested in applying for a scholarship to help with classes you want to take, CEU's to renew your OCN, or books you might need you can apply through our virtual community link. On the main announcement page of the VC there is a link to Chapter Scholarship Application.

