

# ANNUAL REPORT RECOGNITION





# A Message from the Fiscal Year 2023 Chair

Hello CRNAs, Students, and Foundation Supporters,

It is my pleasure to present to you the AANA Foundation's 2023 Annual Report & Recognition booklet. This report highlights our accomplishments and progress in the ongoing pursuit of our mission - to advance the nurse anesthesiology profession through education and research. In this report, you will find highlights from our grant and scholarship programs, information about current and upcoming research projects, recognition of the donors and volunteers that make our work possible, and so much more.

AANA Foundation remains steadfast in its commitment to support CRNAs and student nurse anesthetists. We continue to provide scholarships and grants to deserving individuals, enabling them to pursue their educational aspirations and contribute to a growing body of research that continues to advance our profession. The research we support is what shapes the future of nurse anesthesia practice and patient care.

The robust slate of programs and initiatives offered and supported by AANA Foundation is only possible because of the generosity of our donors and the dedication of our volunteers. This unwavering support and dedication to our shared mission is what drives the work of AANA Foundation and what will have a lasting impact on the lives of nurse anesthetists and the patients we serve. On behalf of the AANA Foundation's Board of Trustees and staff, I want to express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all those who have given their time, talent, and treasure to support this valuable work.

I encourage you to take a moment to peruse this booklet to learn more about AANA Foundation, all of the programs and initiatives we offer, and enjoy some of our success stories from this year. Most importantly, as you're looking through this report, I invite you to look for any programs or activities that capture your interest in hopes you may discover ways for you to engage with us and how AANA Foundation can help you throughout your career as a nurse anesthetist or in your journey to become one. Together, we can continue to strengthen our profession's legacy of providing the safest and highest quality anesthesia care to the patients we serve.

This year marks the end of my seventh year on the AANA Foundation's Board of Trustees and concludes my second term as Chair. I will be passing the gavel to my brilliant colleague and friend, Marjorie Everson, PhD, CRNA, FNAP. I truly appreciate all those who have supported my vision for the Foundation during my time as a Trustee. I would especially like to thank the AANA Foundation staff for consistently going above and beyond to support the Board and our work.

Again, on behalf of the AANA Foundation, I extend my deepest gratitude to all our supporters. Your dedication and commitment inspire us to push boundaries and strive for excellence. Together, we are shaping the future of nurse anesthesia.

With my sincere gratitude and appreciation,

Stephen Finder, DNP, CRNA AANA Foundation, Chair



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# AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSE ANESTHETISTS (AANA) FOUNDATION

The AANA Foundation was established in 1981 as a charitable organization to support the AANA membership.

The AANA is the professional association representing more than 59,000 Certified Registered Nurse

Anesthetists (CRNAs) and Student Registered Nurse Anesthetists (SRNAs) nationwide.

#### **MISSION**

To advance the science of anesthesia through education and research. As the philanthropic arm of the AANA, the Foundation raises funds and invests in projects that directly support the nurse anesthesia profession.

#### **VISION**

To serve as the leading resource for assuring safe anesthesia care through education and research.

#### **DEI VALUES**

The AANA Foundation is an organization focused on research and education. As such, the AANA Foundation values the importance of diversity, equity, and inclusion in all aspects of our work while excluding and rejecting bias. Addressing bias and inequities for CRNAs, SRNAs, and our patients is critical for improved health and wellness for all.

#### **DEI VISION**

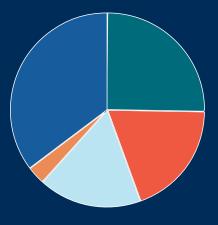
The AANA Foundation envisions a continuous integration of diversity, equity and inclusion throughout its nurse anesthesia education and research programs. The Foundation will create opportunity for all through scholarships, leadership, research, professional development, and philanthropic efforts with the intention to expand knowledge and understanding of diversity, equity, and inclusion within the nurse anesthesia community.

# **OVERVIEW OF FOUNDATION SUCCESSES**

The Foundation provides financial support to CRNAs and SRNAs through a variety of programs. Over the course of its history, the Foundation has awarded more than \$5 million to more than 4.600 individuals as detailed below.

- 210 research grants to CRNAs totaling \$1,363,416
- 70 student research grants totaling more than \$93,578
- 1,506 scholarships totaling \$2,842,500 to support nurse anesthesia
- 2,632 poster presentations at AANA Annual Congress & ADCE totaling \$180,750
- 191 fellowships/CRNA Scholars totaling more than \$1,337,109 to assist CRNAs & SRNAs pursuing their PhD and DNP degrees
- In addition, since 2017, over \$1.9 million has been allocated to 12 Health Policy Research Studies for total funding of more than \$7.7 million

# FOUNDATION TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDING



**37% SCHOLARSHIPS** 

25% HEALTH POLICY RESEARCH

18% FELLOWSHIPS

**18% GRANTS** 

2% POSTERS

# **OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR'S SUCCESSES**

AANA Foundation supports critically important nurse anesthesia education and research programs and opportunities for CRNAs and SRNAs nationwide. Thank you to all who have supported the Foundation with their time, treasure, and talent!

The AANA Foundation raises the funds needed to focus on initiatives that meet its research and education mission, ensure efficiency, and provide the nurse anesthesia community with the necessary resources for furthering the profession. Due to the generosity of Foundation donors, the following are the major strategic goals accomplished this fiscal year.

# FISCAL YEAR 2023 ANNUAL FUND ACHIEVEMENTS

# In FY23, more than \$487,100 was awarded to the following program recipients:

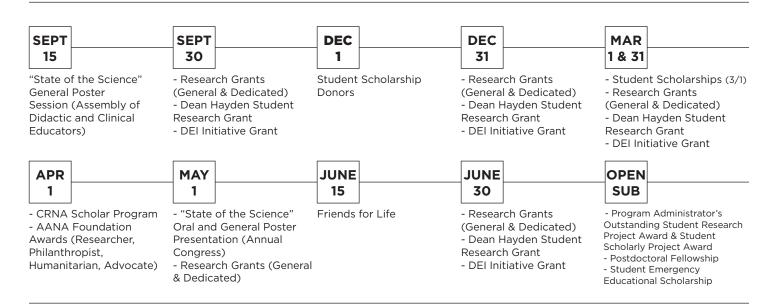
- 88 scholarships totaling \$263,750 to support nurse anesthesia
- 2 research grants totaling \$197,791
- 2 student research grants totaling \$6,800
- 1 educational grant totaling \$5,000
- 1 CRNA Scholar Totaling \$9,856
- 82 poster presentations at AANA Annual Congress totaling \$4,000

# Additional FY23 Accomplishments include:

- 67 Student Emergency Educational Scholarships (SEES) totaling \$165,250
- Nationwide representation by 47 State Advocates and 73 Student Advocates
- Honored the following CRNAs for their efforts in the areas of philanthropy, volunteerism and advocacy:

Virginia Gaffey Clare Golden Brooklyn Castilla

# FISCAL YEAR 2024 APPLICATION DEADLINES





The **Proof Is Power Annual Fund** supports our Annual Fund Achievements (see page 5). Proof is Power programs create opportunities for CRNAs and SRNAs nationwide through Grants, Scholarships, CRNA Scholars Program, Posters, Fellowships, Leadership Opportunities, and more. These programs are the result of hard work, bright minds, and the generosity of donors and volunteers who believe in the power of education and research. Your support is essential. Visit **crnasproofispower.com** to learn more or make a donation.



The AANA Foundation's **RISE Above Campaign** was created to raise donations to fund costly, large-scale Health Policy Research that proves that CRNAs are safe and effective.

Several important developments have taken place in Fiscal Year 2023:

# HEALTH POLICY RESEARCH (HPR)

The campaign to RISE Above for Research In Safety & Effectiveness continues to support critical, large-scale HPR studies to expand the body of research that confirms that nurse anesthetists are cost effective and safe.

Thanks to the continued generosity of State
Associations and CRNAs, new donations continue to support important health services and policy research. Since the campaign's inception, nearly \$1.5 million has been donated.

Thank you to all Fiscal Year 2023 RISE Above donors whose names are included in the Annual Donors listing.

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The AANA Foundation awarded a contract for a study titled, CRNAs' Role in Improving Access to Maternal Care in **Urban Underserved and Rural Communities to the National Opinion Research Center (NORC)** at the University of Chicago. The study's focus is on the role of CRNAs providing access to obstetric anesthesia in urban underserved and rural areas of the United States and to identify the characteristics of populations that CRNAs are serving on midsize core towns of micropolitan areas (~10,000-50,000) as serving rural areas. The study officially launched in November 2022 and is expected to conclude within 18 months. NORC will conduct in-depth interviews of CRNA experts to inform their research questions and to develop survey questions that account for CRNAs' experiences in the field. The survey questions will be incorporated into a quantitative survey of AANA members who practice in obstetrics or gynecology to understand their experiences in providing care in rural and underserved areas. There will also be in-depth interviews

with CRNAs based on themes found in the survey. NORC's team will develop and publish two manuscripts based on their findings, data linkage and in-depth interviews.

The AANA Foundation also awarded a grant for a study titled, The Effects of Anesthesia **Availability and CRNA Scope** of Practice on Veteran's Access to Surgery, to researchers at **Vanderbilt University Medical** Center. The study will provide valuable new evidence regarding CRNA staffing and scope of practice limitations including: (1) the effects of anesthesia availability on Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and community care surgical volumes, appointment wait times, cancellation rates and satisfaction; and (2) the effects (if any) of physician oversight of CRNAs on surgical complications and patient satisfaction. The study is expected to generate rigorous evidence that will be disseminated to VA and congressional leaders to influence both policy and clinical practice.

# RESEARCH INITIATIVES

#### STATE OF THE SCIENCE ORAL POSTERS

FOR 18 CONSECUTIVE YEARS THE AANA FOUNDATION HAS FUNDED MEMBERS TO PRESENT AT THE "STATE OF THE SCIENCE" ORAL POSTER SESSION DURING THE AANA ANNUAL CONGRESS SIXTEEN SELECTED PRESENTERS WERE AWARDED \$250 EACH TO PRESENT AT THE HYBRID POSTER SESSION. A COMPLETE LIST OF OVER 80 POSTER PRESENTERS CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.AANAFOUNDATION.COM.

#### Research Title: Among Adult Patients Suffering From Anosmia in the Setting of "Long COVID," Is the Stellate Ganglion Block an Effective Treatment for Olfactory Dysfunction When Compared to Intranasal and Systemic Corticosteroids?

Presenter: Paulina Renda, BSN, RN

Co-Authors: Maribeth Massie, PhD, MS, CRNA; Don Boyd, PhD, MS, CRNA Primary Affiliation: Columbia University School of Nursing Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Assessment & Anesthetic Management of Patients with Vaping History: An Evidence-Based Educational Module

Presenter: David Perez Mirabal, BSN, RN

 $\hbox{Co-Authors: Valerie J. Diaz, DNP, CRNA, PMHNP-BC, APRN, CNE, CAPT, NC, USN}$ Primary Affiliation: Florida International University Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Development of Glutamate Transporter Modulators as a Novel, Nonopioid Treatment for Neuropathic Pain

Presenter: Rhea Temmermand, MSN, CRNA Co-Authors: Andreia Mortensen, PhD Primary Affiliation: Drexel University Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Difficult Airway Management Education for Senior Nurse Anesthesia Students

Presenter: Nick Warndorff, BSN, RN Co-Authors: Carrilee Powell, DNP, CRNA; Jessica Storey, DNP, CRNA Primary Affiliation: University of Cincinnati Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Evaluating the Impact of a Standardized Oxytocin Protocol on Maternal Hemorrhage after Caesarean Delivery

Presenter: Emily Schaeffer, BSN, RN Co-Authors: Lee Yates, BSN, RN; Beth Ann Clayton, DNP, CRNA Primary Affiliation: University of Cincinnati Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: GLP-1 Receptor Agonists and Pre-Operative Gastric POCUS

Presenter: Jennifer Kopp, BSN, RN Co-Authors: Cora Rabe, DNP, CRNA, CHSE, CPHQ Primary Affiliation: Baylor College of Medicine Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Implementation of a Spaced Learning Program for Educating CRNAs on a Scalpel-Bougie Cricothyrotomy Procedure for Emergency Front of Neck Access

Presenter: Antoinette T. Padula, DNP, MS, CRNA Co-Authors: Joy Elwell, DNP, FNP-BC, APRN, CNE, FAAN, FAANP; Maria Madonick, DNAP, MS, CRNA; Michael Wilhelm, CAPT, DNP, MS, CRNA; Don Boyd, PhD, MS, CRNA Primary Affiliation: Columbia University School of Nursing Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Implementing and Evaluating a Virtual Continuing Professional **Development Platform for Nurse Anesthetists in Cameroon**

Presenter: Alain Ngounou Djamchebi, BSN Co-Authors: Janet Dewan, PhD, MS, CRNA; Lynn Reede, DNP, MBA, CRNA; Eileen Stewart-Shor, PHD, ANP-BC Primary Affiliation: Northeastern University Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Leveraging System Interventions: An Automated Dispensing Cabinet Alert Influences Anesthesia Provider Medication Preparation in a Remifentanil Waste **Reduction Initiative**

Presenter: Matthew Sadlowsky, BSN, RN Co-Authors: Laura Wooten, BA, RN; Jeffrey Oberhansley, DNAP, CRNA, APRN; John Matulis III, DO, MPH; Nathan Brinkman, PharmD, RPh; Darrel Schroeder, MS Primary Affiliation: Mayo Clinic Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Sternal Intraosseous Epinephrine Administration in a Hypovolemic **Pediatric Cardiac Arrest Model**

Presenter: 1LT Hannah Melkun, BSN, RN, ANC, USA Co-Authors: ILT Jared Barnhill, BSN, RN, ANC, USA; CPT Blair Beougher, BSN, RN, ANC, USA; CPT Aaron DeHart, BSN, RN, ANC, USA; CPT Ghislaine Dongmo Kenfack, BSN, RN, ANC, USA; CPT Steven Shrives, BSN, RN, ANC, USA; Julie G. Hensler, PhD; COL(Ret) Tomás Eduardo Ceremuga, PhD, CRNA; Arthur D. Johnson, PhD, RN Primary Affiliation: US Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: The Effectiveness of Coloaded Fluid Administration in Preventing **Spinal-Induced Hypotension in Obstetrical Patients**

Presenter: Melissa Izzo, BSN, RN

Co-Authors: Jimmy Burke, BSN, RN; Katherine Meuti, DNP, CRNA, APRN; Carol Roland, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Primary Affiliation: University of North Florida

Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: The Safety of Breastfeeding After Perioperative Opioids

Presenter: Jessica McDannald, BSN, RN

Co-Authors: Rhea Mitchell, BSN, RN; Katherine Meuti, DNP, CRNA, APRN; Ryan

Shores, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Primary Affiliation: The University of North Florida

Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: The Use of the Erector Spinae Plane (ESP) Block for Post-Operative **Abdominal Pain**

Presenter: LT Ian Miller, BSN, RN, ANC, USA Co-Authors: Steven Anderson, BSN, RN; Mark Lathrop, BSN, RN; LT COL John P. McDonough, EdD, CRNA, ANC, USA (Retired); Jonathan Pabalate, DNP, CRNA Primary Affiliation: University of North Florida

Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: The Use of Viscoelastic Assays in Coagulopathic Pediatric Patients

Presenter: Harpeet Hira, RN

Co-Authors: Maribeth Massie, PhD, MS, CRNA; Don Boyd, PhD, MS, CRNA Primary Affiliation: Columbia University

Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Total Intravenous Anesthesia to Improve Surgical Visibility during **Endoscopic Sinus Surgery**

Presenter: Makenzie Adkins, BSN, RN

Co-Authors: Ron Anderson, MD; Jackie Rowles, DNP, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN Primary Affiliation: Texas Christian University

Funding: \$250

#### Research Title: Ultrasound Guided Regional Anesthesia Integrating Artificial **Intelligence to Increase Provider Success**

Presenter: Samantha Hermida, BSN, RN Co-Authors: Ann B. Miller, DNP, CRNA, APRN Primary Affiliation: Florida International University Funding: \$250

#### RESEARCH GRANTS & CRNA SCHOLAR

# In FY23, the AANA Foundation Board of Trustees awarded one CRNA Scholar totaling \$9,856:

# Title: Development of Glutamate Transporter Modulators as a Novel, Non-opioid Treatment for Neuropathic Pain

Principal Investigator: Rhea Temmermand, MSN, CRNA Affiliation: Drexel University

# In FY23, the AANA Foundation Board of Trustees awarded two research grants totaling \$197,791:

# Title: The Effects of Anesthesia Availability and Nursing Scope of **Practice on Veterans' Access to Surgery**

Principal Investigator: Kevin N. Griffith, PhD

Funding: \$192,919

Affiliation: Vanderbilt University

# Title: Cognitive Outcomes and Anesthesia Exposure in **Adolescent and Young Adult Retinoblastoma Survivors**

Principal Investigator: Paula Belson, PhD, CRNA

Funding: \$4,872

Affiliation: Children's Hospital Los Angeles

## **EDUCATIONAL GRANTS**

In FY23, the AANA Foundation Board of Trustees awarded one educational grant totaling \$5,000:

Title: Substance Misuse and Drug Diversion Among Anesthesiology Professionals: Implementation of an Educational Intervention for Student Registered Nurse Anesthetists and Their Support Systems

Principal Investigator: Maria Van Pelt, PhD, CRNA, FAAN

Affiliation: Northeastern University

#### STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

THE AANA FOUNDATION RECEIVED 2,593 COMPETITIVE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS THIS YEAR, AND 88 SCHOLARSHIPS WERE AWARDED TOTALING \$263,750. THE SCHOLARSHIPS INCLUDE:

#### AANA Diamond Club Scholarship—One \$3,000 Scholarship

AANA Diamond Club (funded by the Former Presidents of the AANA) Sponsor Recipient(s): Margaret Schulter, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing Nurse

Anesthesia Program, PA

#### AANA Diversity Scholarships—Three \$3,000 Scholarships

AANA Sponsor

Recipient(s): Carolina Meza Saenz, Columbia University School of Nursing Program

in Nurse Anesthesia, NY; Kenyatta Taylor, Florida State University Nurse Anesthesia Program, FL; Lan Pham, University of Pittsburgh

School of Nursing Nurse Anesthesia Program, PA

# AANA Foundation DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) Scholarships - Three \$3,000

Scholarships

Sponsor: AANA Foundation

Recipient(s): Julia Corbin, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing Nurse

Anesthesia Program, PA; Elaine Lacanilao, Nurse Anesthesia Program of Hartford, CT; Jennifer Louis, University of South Florida College of

Nursing Nurse Anesthesiology Program, FL

#### AANA Foundation Scholarships-Eleven \$3,000 Scholarships

AANA Foundation Sponsor

Isabel Braun, Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Program School Recipient(s): of Nursing & Health Studies at Georgetown University, DC; Loren

Bradford, The University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing Nurse Anesthesiology Concentration, TN; Grant Gebhardt, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Nurse Anesthesia Program, AR; Cory Drietz, Clarkson College Nurse Anesthesia Program, NE; Jessi Dvorak, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota Graduate Program in Nurse Anesthesiology, MN; Jessica Perkins, Wake Forest Baptist Health/Wake Forest University School of Medicine Nurse Anesthesia Program, NC; Mason Easterling, Samford University Department of Nurse Anesthesia Moffett and Sanders School of Nursing, AL; Kelsey Wood, The University of Iowa College of Nursing Anesthesia Nursing Program, IA; Kha Nguyen, Kaiser Permanente School of Anesthesia, CA; Jasmine Juwvipart, Samuel Merritt University Program of Nurse Anesthesia, CA; Caitlyn Goodell, Wake Forest Baptist Health/Wake Forest University School of Medicine Nurse Anesthesia Program, NC

ALANA Scholarships—Two \$3,000 Scholarships

Alabama Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor

Recipient(s): Dessiarae Sanchez, Samford University Department of Nurse Anesthesia Moffett and Sanders School of Nursing, AL; Calvin Mulyadi,

The University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing Post-BSN

to DNP Pathway for Nurse Anesthesia, AL

Art Zwerling Memorial Scholarship—\$3,000

Sponsor: Pennsylvania Association of Nurse Anesthetists (in memory of Art

Zwerling, CRNA)

Elizabeth Moore, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing Nurse Recipient(s): Anesthesia Program, PA

Barry Anthony Cranfill Memorial Scholarship-\$3,000

Sentry Anesthesia Mgt. (in memory of Barry A. Cranfill, CRNA) Sponsor Recipient(s): Kamron Redding, Medical University of South Carolina Anesthesia for

Nurses Program, SC

CRNA Financial Success Scholarship—\$3,000

CRNA Financial Planning® Sponsor

Recipient(s): Haleigh Somberg, Duke University, NC

Cynthia McNerney Scholarship—\$3,000

Sponsor Estate of Cynthia McNerney

Ismael Urbina, Carolinas Medical Center Nurse Anesthesia Program/ Recipient(s):

UNCC, NC

#### STUDENT RESEARCH GRANTS

Two student research grants were awarded this year for a total of \$6.800.

Dean and Fred Hayden Student Research Grant-\$1,800 Sponsor: Estate of Dean and Fred Hayden Recipient: Deanna Hegedus, BSN

Affiliation: St. Elizabeth Health Center (SEHC) School for Nurse **Anesthetists** 

Dean and Fred Hayden Student Research Grant-\$5,000 Sponsor: Estate of Dean and Fred Hayden

Recipient: Kaitlin Burrell, BSN, RN

Affiliation: The University of Tennesse Knoxville

#### Dean M. Cox Memorial Scholarships—Four \$3,000 Scholarships

David R. Javaheri, in memory of Dean M. Cox, CRNA

Recipient(s) Jamie Smith, The University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing Nurse Anesthesiology Concentration, TN; Andrew

Bourg, Samford University Department of Nurse Anesthesia Moffett and Sanders School of Nursing, AL; Chelsea Beyrand, University of Minnesota School of Nursing Nurse Anesthesia Area of Study, MN; Meghan Levy, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing Nurse

Anesthesia Program, PA

#### Dean and Fred Hayden Memorial National Scholarship—\$3,000

Estate of Dean and Fred Hayden Sponsor:

Recipient(s): Eileen Joy Mahusay, University of North Florida Nurse Anesthesiology

Program, FL

#### Diana U. Davidson Memorial Scholarship—\$3,000

Pennsylvania Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor

Alexander Krenz, Crozer Chester Medical Center/Villanova University Recipient(s):

Nurse Anesthesia Program, PA

#### Dr. Maureen Reilly, PhD, CRNA Memorial Scholarship-\$3,000

Sponsor: Association of Veteran's Affairs Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s): April Bickham, University of South Florida College of Nursing Nurse

Anesthesiology Program, FL

#### Dr. Sandra K. Tunajek Scholarship for Nurse Anesthesia Education-\$3,000

Kentucky Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor:

Recipient(s): Aaliyah Fantroy, Baptist Health Murray State University Program of

Anesthesia, KY

#### Edward Hyland, CRNA Scholarship-\$3,000

Sponsor Delaware Association of Nurse Anesthetists Recipient(s):

Arwa Salhab, Thomas Jefferson University Jefferson College of

Nursing Nurse Anesthesia Program, PA

#### Elizabeth Burt Jeter Memorial Scholarship-\$3,000

Leslie Jeter, DNP, MSNA, CRNA Sponsor:

Recipient(s) Lakenya Harvey, Augusta University Nursing Anesthesia Program, GA

#### Florida Association of Nurse Anesthetists Student Scholarship—\$3,000

Florida Association of Nurse Anesthetists (in honor of all Florida's Sponsor:

Nurse Anesthetists)

Recipient(s): Mary McNerney, Barry University, FL

#### Frank T. Maziarski, MS, CRNA Scholarship-\$3,000

Frank T. Maziarski, MS, CRNA

Alisha Barker, Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center Gonzaga Recipient(s):

University Nurse Anesthesia Program, WA

#### GANA Scholarship-\$3,000

Georgia Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor

Recipient(s): Daniel Strom, Samford University Department of Nurse Anesthesia

Moffett and Sanders School of Nursing, AL

#### George DeVane Memorial Scholarship—\$3,000

Kansas Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor

Recipient(s): Taylor Crittenden, Goldfarb School of Nursing at Barnes-Jewish

College Nurse Anesthesia Program, MO

### George William Jeter Scholarship—\$3,000

Leslie Jeter, DNP, MSNA, CRNA

Savannah Tyson, University of South Florida College of Nursing Nurse Recipient(s):

Anesthesiology Program, FL

#### The Grace and Daniel Connelly Family Scholarship - \$3,000

Sponsor: Grace and Daniel Connelly

Recipient(s): Cecilia Lopez, Columbia University School of Nursing Program in Nurse

#### Hagan Insurance and New York Life Veteran's Scholarship - Three \$3,250 Scholarships

Hagan Insurance Group and New York Life Insurance Co. Recipient(s):

Emily Adkinson, Medical University of South Carolina Anesthesia for Nurses Program, SC; Jeremy VanLaningham, University of Minnesota School of Nursing Nurse Anesthesia Area of Study, MN; Caleb

Stringham, Thomas Jefferson University, PA

Hazel P. Currier Memorial Scholarship-\$3,000

Sponsor Estate of Hazel Currier

Justin Otis, University of North Florida Nurse Anesthesiology Program, Recipient(s):

Jack Neary Memorial Scholarship-\$3,000

Vermont Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor

Sean Fricke, Duke University Nurse Anesthesia Program, NC Recipient(s):

Jeffrey Molter Advocacy Scholarship-\$3,500

Jeffrey Molter Sponsor

Recipient(s): Elizabeth Fabrizio, St. Elizabeth Health Center School for Nurse

Anesthetists, Inc., OH

Jeffrey Molter Leadership Scholarship—\$3,500

Sponsor Jeffrey Molter

Josiah Blythe, University of Cincinnati, College of Nursing Doctor of Recipient(s):

Nursing Program - Nurse Anesthesia Major, OH

John F. Garde Scholarship—\$3.000

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Programs

Recipient(s): Julie Le, University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing Nurse Anesthesia

Program, PA

Joyce W. Kelly, EdD, CRNA Scholarship-\$3,000

Sponsor Kaiser Permanente School of Anesthesia

Recipient(s): Carlie Copeland, Samford University Department of Nurse Anesthesia

Moffett and Sanders School of Nursing, AL

Kathryn Waud White, Student Leadership Scholarship-\$3,000

Minnesota Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor Dillon Olson, Minneapolis School of Anesthesia, MN Recipient(s):

Kristine Goryanec Willingham Memorial Scholarship-\$3,000

Paul Willingham Sponsor

Recipient(s): Alexa Hartnett, University of South Florida College of Nursing Nurse

Anesthesiology Program, FL

Lakeview Scholarship-\$3,000

James and Margot Hinchliff, CRNA Sponsor

Recipient(s): Marleny Estevez, University of South Florida College of Nursing Nurse

Anesthesiology Program, FL

Larry Lysne Leadership Scholarship-\$3.000

Sponsor: Washington Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s): Stephanie Winner, Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center Gonzaga

University Nurse Anesthesia Program, WA

Maine Association of Nurse Anesthetists Scholarship-\$1,000

Maine Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s): Kayla Richardson, University of New England School of Nurse

Anesthesia, ME

Maria Roach, CRNA Scholarship-\$3,000

Maria Roach, CRNA Sponsor:

Ken-'Ja Seals, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Recipient(s):

(LSUHSC) School of Nursing Nurse Anesthesia Option, LA

Maryland Association of Nurse Anesthetists Scholarship—\$3,000

Maryland Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Inc. Sponsor Recipient(s): Shelby Witmer, University of Maryland School of Nursing Graduate

Programs Nurse Anesthesia, MD

Michael Kelly Smith, CRNA Scholarship-\$3,000 Parents and Spouse of Michael Kelly Smith, CRNA Sponsor

Austin Fox, Mount Marty University Graduate Program in Nurse Recipient(s):

Anesthesiology, SD

Michigan Association of Nurse Anesthetists Scholarships—Five \$3,000 Scholarships

Sponsor Michigan Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s): Meaghan Burke, University of Michigan-Flint Nurse Anesthesia Program,

MI; Kendall Owens, University of Detroit Mercy Graduate Program of Nurse Anesthesia, MI; Devan Walley, Wayne State University Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, MI; Emily Ash, Michigan State University Nurse Anesthesiology Program, MI; Justeena Kuiper, Oakland University Beaumont Graduate Program of Nurse

Anesthesia, MI

Minnesota Association of Nurse Anesthetists Scholarship-\$3,000 Scholarship

Sponsor Minnesota Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s): Tenzin Lobsang, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota Graduate Program

in Nurse Anesthesiology, MN

Missouri Association of Nurse Anesthetists Student Scholarship—\$3,000

Sponsor: Missouri Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s): Emily Cooney, University Health Truman Medical Center School of Nurse

Anesthesia, MO

Nebraska Student Nurse Anesthetists Scholarship-\$1,000 Sponsor Nebraska Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Elizabeth Murphy, Bryan College of Health Sciences School of Nurse Recipient(s):

Anesthesia, NE

New England Assembly of Nurse Anesthetists Scholarship (NEANA)—\$3,000

New England Assembly of Nurse Anesthetists

Recipient(s) Claire Lapaan, Quinnipiac University Nurse Anesthesia Program, CT

New Mexico Association of Nurse Anesthetists Student Scholarship-\$1,000

New Mexico Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor

Ashley Oberg, University of Evansville Nurse Anesthesia Program, IN Recipient(s)

NCANA Doctoral LEAD Scholarship (Leadership Education & Development)—Two

\$3,000 Scholarships

North Carolina Association of Nurse Anesthetists Sponsor:

Corinne Hauck, Wake Forest Baptist Health/Wake Forest University Recipient(s):

School of Medicine Nurse Anesthesia Program, NC; Rachel Civale, Duke

University Nurse Anesthesia Program, NC

NAPF Scholarship—Four \$3,000 Scholarships

Nurse Anesthesia Pride Foundation (NAPF, formerly GALA) Sponsor

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#### **Program Administrator's Outstanding Student Awards**

The Program Administrator's Outstanding Student Research Project Award and Scholarly Project Award are given to students who have conducted noteworthy research & evidence-based projects. This year, the following students were honored:

Research Title: Propofol-ketamine versus propofol-remifentanil in office-based facial plastic surgery: Comparison of postoperative pain Author: Austin Black, BSN, RN; Caleb Cockrum, BSN, RN; Desiree Laubert, BSN, RN Program: Webster University

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Author: MAJ Melissa McKinney, BSN

Program: US Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing

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Author: Maria Arrey, BSN, RN; Murielle Kameni, BSN, RN; Benson Tanjong, BSN, RN Program: Webster University

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Author: Madison Avritt, RN; Tyler Coulter, RN Program: Northern Kentucky University Nurse Anesthesia Program

#### Research Title: Improving Small-Volume Antibiotic Administration for Surgical **Prophylaxis**

Author: Ben Thomas, BSN, RN

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Author: Lauren G. Coggins, BSN, CCRN, CPPS Program: Rush University Nurse Anesthesia Program

#### Research Title: Development of a Pediatric Pain Protocol for Musculoskeletal Injuries in the Emergency Department

Author: Melissa McKinney, BSN; LeeAnn Sperling, BSN Program: US Army Graduate Program in Anesthesia Nursing

#### RITA L. LEBLANC PHILANTHOPIST AWARD



#### Virginia A. Gaffey, CRNA

The Rita L. LeBlanc Philanthropist of the Year Award is presented to an individual who has gone beyond the call of duty as a supporter of the AANA Foundation and other philanthropic organizations. The recipient of the 2023 Rita L. LeBlanc Philanthropist of the Year Award is Virginia A. Gaffey, CRNA.

Born in Boston, MA, Virginia Gaffey graduated from Fitchburg State College in 1955 with a bachelor of science in Education and Burbank Hospital Nursing Program, also in 1955. She received her nurse anesthetist training at Carney Hospital School of Anesthesia and Johns Hopkins Hospital in Maryland and served as Director of the Carney Hospital Program from 1957 until 1986. Ms. Gaffey served as President of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists from 1969 - 1970. She was a former Chairman of the Professional Advisory Board of the Milton Visiting Nurses Association.

Ms. Gaffey was recognized for many achievements for her work in healthcare by the AANA, Carney Hospital, the City of Boston, the Town of Milton and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including the Louise de Marillac Award at Carney Hospital, 1999 Fitchburg State Distinguished Alumna Award and the 1982 Helen Lamb Outstanding Educator Award. She became an AANA Foundation "Friend for Life" in 2004 through a bequest in her will and, thanks to her foresight, left an incredible legacy of a \$1.3 million dollar scholarship endowment that will support students pursuing nurse anesthesiology. The AANA Foundation Board of Trustees is posthumously awarding the Rita L. LeBlanc Philanthropist of the Year award in honor of service to the nurse anesthesiology profession and her prolific generosity. The AANA Foundation is proud to honor the memory of Virginia A. Gaffey with this prestigious award.

#### JANICE DRAKE CRNA HUMANITARIAN AWARD



#### Clare Golden, DNP, CRNA

The Janice Drake CRNA Humanitarian Award is presented to a CRNA who volunteerw and provide anesthesia, education, and training in areas of need in the United States and overseas. The recipient of the 2023 Janice Drake CRNA Humanitarian Award is Clare Golden, DNP, CRNA.

Clare Golden began her nursing career as an ICU nurse and was certified as a CRNA in 1980. Golden practiced for 40 years before recently retiring. Golden worked at University Hospital in Newark, NJ, for 27 years, and as Chief CRNA for 17 of those years. Golden was also the foundation Program Director of the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey Nurse Anesthesia Program, serving in that role for 13 years, converting it to the Rutgers University program and transitioning that program to the doctoral level. Since 1989, Clare Golden has served as a volunteer anesthesia provider on more than 60 medical missions to developing countries including: Guatemala, Colombia, Ecuador, Nicaragua and Bangladesh. Under the auspices of Healing the Children, teams comprised of CRNAs, plastic surgeons, oral surgeons, orthopedic surgeons, nurses, anesthesiologists, and other volunteers provided desperately needed care to infants and children with congenital defects and burn contractures. Golden and other volunteers often lived and worked under spartan conditions, managed very challenging cases, but never sacrificed the standard of care that all patients deserve. Golden also supported and mentored 17 SRNAs on these medical missions. Many of them have continued to volunteer after graduating. Golden's dedication to humanitarianism and helping CRNAs and SRNAs launch a life of service to others has earned her this prestigous award.

#### ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD



#### Brooklyn A. Castilla, CRNA

The Advocate of the Year Award is presented to an AANA Foundation advocate or supporter for outstanding commitment to the nurse anesthesia profession through individually supporting the AANA Foundation and encouraging others to do the same, or advocating for the profession in a magnanimous way. The 2023 Advocate of the

Year Award is presented to Brooklyn A. Castilla, CRNA.

Brooklyn Castilla began her nursing career by receiving a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Oklahoma Christian University. She then completed her Masters in Nurse Anesthesia at Newman University in 2022. During her anesthesia education, she attended Kansas Association of Nurse Anesthetists and AANA meetings. At these meetings she realized the importance of advocacy for the future of the profession. Brooklyn then joined the AANA Foundation as a Student Advocate. Brooklyn lead and developed the AANA Foundation's Team Miller/Team Mac campaign with the goal of engaging students, connecting them to the Foundation, and raising funds through a Team Miller/Team Mac sticker competition. Brooklyn and fellow advocates implemented the Team Mac vs Team Miller Fundraising campaign which raised more than \$8,000 for nurse anesthesia education and research. After graduating, Brooklyn began her CRNA career in New Mexico. She hopes her future is filled with moments of advocacy and helping others, wherever she may be. She influences health policy on a local, state, and national level through lobbying and providing testimony and currently participates in regional and national committees in academia and nurse anesthesiology practice for the AANA and NBCRNA. Castilla's dedication to supporting the profession has earned her this prestigious award.

# **AANA FOUNDATION HIGHLIGHTS**

# WATCHFUL CARE, VOLUME II DEBUTS IN 2023



The AANA Foundation will debut Watchful Care, Volume II, authored by Paul Warden, PhD, at the 2023 AANA Annual Congress in Seattle, WA. The sequel picks up where the award-winning Watchful Care – A History of America's Nurse Anesthetists left off. From the 1990s to present day, Watchful Care, Volume II, follows the exciting progression of the nurse anesthesia profession and illustrates that CRNAs are expert clinicians, researchers, innovators, and integral members of healthcare teams. This book will inspire and educate on some of the most important world events of recent times and will include illustrations, assessment questions; and a comprehensive list of presidents of the AANA from 1990 to the present day. Thank you to all who supported the creation of this important historical piece of literature that will capture the more recent history of our wonderful profession. (See complete Watchful Care, Volume II donor listing on Page 17)

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