# The By-Pass

#### **Triangle Area Ostomy Association**

<u>OUR MISSION</u>: TAOA strives to provide emotional and educational support for those with an intestinal or urinary diversion or who anticipate the surgery. We support The Friends of Ostomates Worldwide (FOW) by contributing ostomy supplies to be shipped to underprivileged ostomates in foreign countries.



May 2024

#### **President's Message**

Thank you to everyone who came to our last meeting featuring Joy Hooper and her incredible apron. It was very insightful to "see" how our bodies have changed due to our surgeries!

The summer is coming up on us fast so don't forget we only have two more meetings, May and June, before we take our summer break. I hope to see everyone at these next two meetings before everyone heads out to any summer adventures!

See you all on the 7th. Regards,

Dan Richards President

#### **NEWS AND UPDATES**

- The program for our May 7th meeting is a Hollister update by Antoinette Delio, our local rep.
- The TAOA Board needs member support! We are currently looking for a Secretary/Membership Coordinator.
- If you know of an event where you think TAOA would benefit from setting up an information table, please let Dan Richards know.
- If you think of a program that would be suitable for a Zoom meeting, please let Dan Richards or Stephanie Yates know.

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#### TAOA DUES POLICY

Many thanks to all those who have paid dues for 2023-2024! TAOA sincerely appreciates your contributions.

You can still pay dues for this year. Please attach the membership form on page 5 of this Newsletter and mail your \$20 dues to our Treasurer Ruth Rhodes. You may also print a copy from our website at <a href="https://raleighuoa.org/membership-form/">https://raleighuoa.org/membership-form/</a> - look for the link at the top of the page.

#### TRIANGLE AREA OSTOMY ASSOCIATION (TAOA)

TAOA is a non profit organization dedicated to advancing ostomy health through advocacy, education, and professional interaction. We are an affiliated support group of the The United Ostomy Associations of America, Inc. Membership is open to ostomates, nurses and friends who support our mission. New members are always welcome.

Please refer to the membership form on the last page.

#### **WOC NURSES**

WakeMed Raleigh, WakeMedCary,		Duke Raleigh Wound Center Outpatient	
	keMed North	Kayla Santangelo (outpt)	919-862-5573
Leigh Ammons	919-350-7668		
Varda Barthelemy	919-350-7668	Duke Health	
Melanie Johnson	919-350-7668	Michelle Rice	919-681-2436
<u>UNC Hos</u> t Lisa Jenkins	984-974-0410	Angela Richardson	919-684-9954
Lara Dupree	984-974-0410	Stephanie Stokes	919-681-1785
John Motko	984-974-0410	Mary Ann Whaley	919-613-5583
Janet Rankin	984-974-0410	Sarah Britt	
Jennifer O'Brien	984-974-0410		919-681-4678
Ann Sexton	984-974-0410	Lily Lane	919-681-7743
Becky McElyea	984-974-0410	Tara Beuscher (outpt)	919-668-7008
Colleen Spiller	984-974-0410	Donna Brickman	919-681-4634
Jessica Blakeslee	984-974-0410	Lilo Wilson	919-681-1648
Sophia Furlong	984-974-0410	Matt Keirn	919-681-8971
Otis Brown	984-97400410	Teri Arp	919-668-0135
Duke Regi		Rebecca Elvin (Pediatrics)	919-681-6694
Tom Hobbs	919-470-7215	, in the second of the second	
Felicia Street	919-470-6145	Maria Parham Hospital	
		Kathy Thomas	252-436-1700
Stephanie Greenberg	919-714-3390		
		<b>Durham VA Medical Center</b>	
	my Clinic Apt or Support Line	Reba Giles	919-286-0411 X 6177
Kelly Smith	919-954-3446	Rex Hospita	
		Rachel Beth Breazeale	919-784-2048
<b>Duke Raleigh Wound/Ostomy Inpatient Hospital</b>		Maggie Elliott	919-784-2048
Ronda Bowles	919-954-3089	Bryan Duttman	919-784-2048
Janet Jensen	919-954-3725	Elsie Murray Kristen Cowperthwait	919-784-2048 919-784-2048
		Kelly Gilleran	919-784-2048
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Tanya Duncan (outpt)

#### **Group Officers and Contact Info**

President: Dan Richards 919-624-3075 Vice President: Mary Brown 919-782-3957 Treasurer: Ruth Rhodes 919-782-3460

Secretary: Vacant

Newsletter: Alison Cleary 919-924-3325

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FOW Coordinator: Jamal Sarsour 252-258-4431

Visitor Coordinator. Vacant

Program Coordinator and stephaniesyates@gmail.com

Prof. Advisor: Stephanie Yates

All Officers are available for member support

The Triangle Area Ostomy Association provides support for ostomy patients, caregivers, survivors and families. If you or someone you know needs assistance or support, please see the list of officers on page 2 to reach out and we will help you find the appropriate contact.

For more information about the Triangle Area Ostomy Association go to <a href="https://www.raleighuoa.org">www.raleighuoa.org</a> or look for Triangle Area Ostomy Association on Facebook.

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919-784-2758

#### **CCFA SUPPORT GROUP**

Date: Third Monday of the Month Time: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Place: Rex Healthcare
Contact: Reuben Gradsky

gutcheckrdu@gmail.com

#### TRIANGLE BLADDER CANCER SUP-PORT GROUP

Date: Second Tuesday of the Month Time: 7 pm – 8:30 pm Place: SECU Family House, 123 Old Mason Farm Road Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Contact: Ritchie Briggs 919-493-0551

> trianglebcs@gmail.com www.trianglebcs.com

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#### **National Nurses Week May 6-12**

National Nurses Week celebrates and acknowledges nurses and the hard work they put into making their patients feel safe and comfortable.

We celebrate our WOC Nurses. We deeply appreciate you and we are grateful for your gifted abilities, unlimited kindness, and your many expressions of expert care. Happy Nurses Week to you all!!

#### 10th Annual Run for Resilience Ostomy 5k Sat October 5, 2024, Durham, NC

Join us and celebrate our 10th Annual Run For Resilience Ostomy 5k Run/Walk which will be held on Saturday, October 5th, 2024 on the scenic American Tobacco Trail in Durham, NC. For more information about the event and to register visit UOAA's website at <a href="https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Durham/DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k">https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Durham/DurhamNCRunforResilienceOstomy5k</a>

All proceeds will benefit the United Ostomy Association of America (UOAA) a 501 3(c) non-profit charity that helps patients living with an ostomy or continent diversion through support, education and advocacy. For more information regarding ostomies visit UOAA's website at <a href="https://www.ostomy.org">www.ostomy.org</a>



#### **MINUTES TAOA MEETING APRIL 2, 2024**

Following an open discussion among the 20 attendees, President, Dan Richards opened the meeting at 7:39PM.

Four generous individuals have donated Ostomy supplies. Ruth will transfer these to Jamal for shipments to FOW. Ruth requested authorization for a donation of \$200.00 to UOAA. This will be given in honor of our Triangle Area WOC Nurses for Nurses' Day May 6, 2024. We are so fortunate to benefit from the many services they provide!

Dan introduced our speaker, Joy Hooper, CWOCN, from Georgia. Joy spoke of her many experiences as she progressed from a LPN to RN to CWOCN. Her dedication to the medical profession has been a positive influence on her life. Joy gave us a full explanation of the digestive system, its anatomy & function. She explained the three types of Ostomies and described the surgical procedure which is performed for each of the functional needs. She also explained the results when the rectum is surgically removed or not. She stressed the importance of hydration, the various ways one can experience fluid loss & ways to prevent it. We are grateful to Joy for this educational program.

TAOA will meet again by Zoom on Tuesday May 7th at 7:00PM

This meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Rhodes, Sec./Treas







## Duke Raleigh Hospital Ostomy Clinic

The Duke Raleigh Hospital Ostomy Clinic offers information, help, and support for those living with a stoma.

Schedule an appointment with a certified ostomy nurse: 919-954-3446

Location:

3404 Wake Forest Rd. Suite 303 Raleigh, NC 27609





TAOA MEMBERSHIP FORM			
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY	Date:		
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Home Phone: Cell Phone:			
!Email Address:			
Receive Newsletter via: [] Email [] US Mail			
Year of Surgery:			
Type of Ostomy: [] Colostomy [] Ileostomy			
![] Other:	[ ] Support/No Ostomy		
Comments (cont. on reverse side)			
: Active Membership: Member for UOAA/TAOA. Annual Dues \$20.00.			
[ ] Courtesy Membership: Cannot afford dues at this time. (Confidential)			
[ ] Affiliate Membership. WOCN's & Prof. Associates. Dues exempted.			
!IMPORTANT: ALL CHECKS MUST BE PAYABLE TO TAOA.			
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! Enclosed: [ ]\$20.00 Dues Pay to TAOA [ ]Cash [ ] Check [ ] Money Order			
[ ]Donation (optional) \$ For our support of FOW.			
Mail payment with this completed form to: Ruth Rhodes, Sec./Treas./8703 Cypress Club Drive/Raleigh, NC, 27615			

HOSTED BY: Antoinette Delio, our local Hollister rep. NEXT MEETING: Tuesday May 7th: an update on Hollister products.





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