

The By-Pass

Triangle Area Ostomy Association

OUR MISSION: 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.



Dec 2024

President's Message

We are getting deep into the holiday season! One of the first meetings I attended was around this time and I think of it often. Stephanie Yates offered a warning in either the opening or closing comments to be aware of what you are eating, especially if red food dye is used! That advice probably saved me a panicked trip to the ER when my output changed to a splendid holiday red color.

I issue the same caution to you in this message. Enjoy yourself and indulge in all the treats but be aware of what you are eating and how it could affect your ostomy. Don't forget to chew your food between all that family and friend banter!

Regards,
Dan Richards
President

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NEWS AND UPDATES

- The program for our December meeting will be a sharing session with Lilo Wilson, WOCN.
- The TAOA Board needs member support! We are currently looking for a 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.

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 <https://raleighuoa.org/membership-form/> - 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

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WakeMed North

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Melanie Johnson	919-350-7668
Kyle Miller	919-350-7668
Vanessa Drake	919-350-7668

UNC Hospital

Lisa Jenkins	984-974-0410
Lara Dupree	984-974-0410
John Motko	984-974-0410
Janet Rankin	984-974-0410
Jennifer O'Brien	984-974-0410
Ann Sexton	984-974-0410
Becky McElyea	984-974-0410
Colleen Spiller	984-974-0410
Jessica Blakeslee	984-974-0410
Sophia Furlong	984-974-0410
Otis Brown	984-97400410

Duke Regional

Tom Hobbs	919-470-7215
Felicia Street	919-470-6145
Stephanie Greenberg	919-714-3390

Duke Raleigh Ostomy Clinic Apt or Support Line

Kelly Smith	919-954-3446
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Duke Raleigh Wound/Ostomy Inpatient Hospital

Ronda Bowles	919-954-3089
Janet Jensen	919-954-3725



Duke Raleigh Wound Center Outpatient

Kayla Santangelo (outpt)	919-862-5573
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Duke Health

Michelle Rice	919-681-2436
Angela Richardson	919-684-9954
Stephanie Stokes	919-681-1785
Mary Ann Whaley	919-613-5583
Sarah Britt	919-681-4678
Lily Lane	919-681-7743
Tara Beuscher (outpt)	919-668-7008
Donna Brickman	919-681-4634
Lilo Wilson	919-681-1648
Matt Keirn	919-681-8971
Teri Arp	919-668-0135
Rebecca Elvin (Pediatrics)	919-681-6694

Maria Parham Hospital

Kathy Thomas	252-436-1700
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Durham VA Medical Center

Reba Giles	919-286-0411 X 6177
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Rex Hospital

Rachel Beth Breazeale	919-784-2048
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Group Officers and Contact Info

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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 www.raleighuoa.org or look for Triangle Area Ostomy Association on Facebook.

CROHN'S & COLITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

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 SUPPORT GROUP

Date: Second Tuesday of the Month
Time: 7 pm – 8:30 pm
Place: Ronald McDonald House Community Room (At the rear of the parking lot)
101 Old Mason Farm Rd, Chapel Hill, NC 27517
Contact: Ritchie Briggs 919-493-0551
trianglebcs@gmail.com
<https://sites.google.com/site/trianglebcs/>
These meetings are hybrid and can be attended via Zoom

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UOAA 2025 National Conference

Registration opens on January 1, 2025. You can find more information and details at <https://www.ostomy.org/2025conference/>

Hotel reservations are now open. You can find a link to the hotel reservation page at the above website. You can also call the Resort's reservation line at 1-800-233-1234 and provide code "MB18". The Resort Fee is waived for our group, a \$49 per room per day savings but only if you book with our group code so do not use a third-party website.

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Minutes TAOA Meeting November , 2024

Following a 30 minute period of friendship chats, President, Dan Richards called this meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Fifteen persons attended via Zoom.

A newly established support group for The Crohns & Colites Foundation will now serve North & South Carolina. Contact information will be posted in our TAOA Newsletter.

Ruth has received one donation of supplies for FOW this month. A donation of \$200.00 was given to UOAA in honor of the 5K race & to support their new program for providing education in Ostomy care for Care Givers & other auxiliary personal.

We were very sorry to learn of the recent death of our member, Ozzie Lawrence. Our deepest sympathy will be extended to her family.

Our TAOA advisor, Stephanie Yates, WOCN, presented tonight's program. She brought to our attention several new & unique ostomy care products which were exhibited at this year's WOCN Conference. She described a new extra strength adhesive spray, various deodorizers & new toileting equipment. Our thanks to Stephanie for enlightening members with the newest information..

TAOA will meet again on December 3rd. The Zoom link will open at 7:00PM.

This meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Rhodes, Sec./Treas.



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Duke Raleigh Hospital Ostomy Clinic

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_____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Receive Newsletter via: ☐ Email ☐ US Mail

Year of Surgery: _____

Type of Ostomy: ☐ Colostomy ☐ Ileostomy ☐ Urostomy (Ileal conduit)

☐ 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.

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

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NEXT MEETING: A sharing session
HOSTED BY: Lilo Wilson, WOCN

