

## President Candidate:

**Name:** Pamela Macari Sanberg, MS, RN, NEA-BC  
Wisconsin Nurses Association, Grant Coordinator

**Candidate for: BOD: President Location: Twin Lakes**



### Platform Statement:

As a member of WNA for over thirty-five years, I have been an active participant serving on committees, task forces, boards, and offices. It is important to be involved in the "community" side of the profession through organizations that can enhance the goals of professional nurses and those we serve.

My roles in clinical practice have been in the environments of acute, long term care, clinics and consulting. I have worked in the for-profit, not-for profit, insurance, and governmental sectors of health care. My various experiences will assist me to represent the profession of nursing in Wisconsin. As a Nurse Executive, Advanced – BC, I have utilized my skill as a servant leader to serve in the roles of President and Treasurer for the Nurses Foundation of WI, WNA Director-at-Large, and currently serve as Treasurer. My experience will assist me to lead in group process, problem solving, policy formation, conflict management and working with the media.

As an ANA Membership Assembly Representative for the past two years, I have been provided with familiarity of position statements, legislation, political advocacy, and nursing practice issues, as well as meeting with our WI legislative representatives to discuss issues important to the Nurses in WI. As WNA celebrates its 110th Anniversary, it would be an honor to continue a strong legacy for the next generation of nurses.

### Involvement with WNA:

2018 - Present: WNA Treasurer, WNA Representative to ANA Membership Assembly.

2017 - 2018: WNA BOD - Director-at-Large

2012 - 2014: WNA Finance Committee, WNA Conference Planning Committee

2006 - 2012: Nurses Foundation of WI President; 2013 - 2016: NFW Board; NFW Treasurer: 2016-17

ANCC: 2012 - Field Test Participant

## Treasurer Candidate:

**Name:** Tanya Brueggen, MBA, RN  
Gundersen Health Systems, Clinical Manager

**Candidate for: BOD: Treasurer Location: Cashton**



### Platform Statement:

I seek this position from my present role on the WNA Workforce Advocacy Council. I have been a dedicated and loyal WNA member for the last two years with a vast amount of experiences with the Workforce Advocacy Council, WNA Leadership Assembly, Nurses Day at the Capital, Advocacy Workshop, and other WNA/ANA webinars. I am presently enrolled in the Doctor of Nursing Practice program with a focus on Ethical Leadership.

I believe that I am suitable for this position as I possess strong leadership qualities, critical thinking, business analytics, and effective communication. I believe in leading by example while providing the team with the appropriate motivation to fulfill strategic goals. I am an advocate for utilizing and implementing evidence-based best practice principles. I continually build on the business acumen, quality, and skills that I possess through my education and work experience in the field. My qualifications include a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing and a Master's degree in Business Administration. I have a strong passion for educating, advocating, and empowering the human spirit.

### Involvement with WNA:

I've had the opportunity to serve on WNA's Workforce Advocacy Council for the last two years in addition to attending WNA's Leadership Assembly. I've enjoyed participating in the Wisconsin Healthy Nurse Conference in 2018 and 2019. In 2018 I contributed to the conference by being a panel member speaker. I completed WNA's Advocacy Workshop offered in 2018. I have also been an active participant in Nurses Day at the Capital in 2018 and 2019.

## Director-at-Large Candidates:

**Name:** Amy Hermes, MSN, BSN, RN  
Stoughton Hospital, CNP/VP Patient Services

**Candidate for: BOD: Directors-at-Large Location: Stoughton**



### **Platform Statement:**

I am the current CNO/VP Patient at the Stoughton Hospital. I have been a Wisconsin Nurses Association (WNA) member since 2015. In addition to WNA, I am also an active member of the Wisconsin Organization of Nurse Leaders (WONL). I serve as a board member and a member on their Professional Development and Program Planning Committees. As a board member, I am the liaison for the Wisconsin Center of Nursing (WCN). I am a member of the Wisconsin Hospital Association (WHA) and the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). I plan to obtain my fellowship in 2020. In my various roles with these organizations, I continually strive to endorse the importance of the nursing profession. This passion for promoting and advancing the profession of nursing and being a spokesperson for rural health is the catalyst for my interest in serving on the Board of Directors for the WNA.

As a leader in my organization, it is imperative for me to be a good role model. I have been a strong supporter of continuing education for our employees whether through obtaining advanced degrees, certifications, attending seminar or events such as WNA's Nurses Day at the Capital. I have also worked with our Clinical Education Coordinator to ensure we are a site of choice for clinical rotations for both undergraduate and graduate seeking degree nurses. I am a firm believer in lifelong learning as it critical for maintaining and elevating competency leading to better patient and personal outcomes. Being a member in a variety of associations as afforded me a large networking and resource base of experts that have helped me advance my knowledge and skills. It has helped me stay on top of best practices and standards. Thus, helping to promote excellence in patient care in my organization. My memberships have also given me a more comprehensive understanding of health policy. Thereby, allowing me to be a more informed and stronger advocate for legislative decisions impacting nursing. I in turn share these important issues with my team.

At this point in my career, it is important for me to help create and shape the next generation of nurses. It is important that we attract new nurses into the field, ensure they are properly educated and remain nurses for years to come. As a board member for WNA, I would help use my voice to advocate for the need for continuing education and career/leadership development, the promotion of safe, quality patient care, and the importance for nursing to join their voices as one in associations such as WNA. I feel that I have been thoughtful in my decision to pursue election to the board and I am excited and ready for the challenges that a board position with WNA would have to offer.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I am a current member of both WNA/ANA. I have not actively served on any board councils or committees in the past. I am a current member of WONL and serve as their liaison on the WCN Board.

**Name:** Julie Olson, DNP, MS, RN, CQIA, CBE  
Navitus, Director Population Health and Product Development

**Candidate for: BOD: Directors-at-Large Location: Middleton**



### **Platform Statement:**

After 26 years, I still believe nursing is a wonderful profession, but am concerned about issues facing our bedside nurses such as burnout, nurse patient staffing ratios and workplace violence. Moreover, the inequity in pay for nurse faculty, and the faculty shortage issues need attention. I also feel that we need more nurses at the proverbial table. We need to speak up, lean in, and engage in public policy that supports nurses which in turns supports patients. I have spent the last 11 years on the business side of healthcare, working mostly with pharmacists and prospective clients nationally. My heart calls me to use my skills to advance nursing, and that is why I am running for positions within WNA and ANA.

My professional profile is as follows: I am a Doctor of Nursing Practice with experience in the clinical, pharmaceutical, technological and political aspects of the healthcare industry. I focus on translating science into clinical practice to promote quality outcomes for patients in a cost-effective manner. I have 26 years of diverse healthcare experience including public health, health outcomes research, public policy analysis, clinical informatics, and business development. In my current position, I am responsible for the management of products and staff for PBM based population health programs, product development and prior authorization departments.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have had the pleasure to serve WNA for years as the Public Policy Chair and most recently this past year as a director at large on the board.

## APRN Representative Candidates:

**Name:** Lisa Pisney, RN, MSN, ANP-C  
Gundersen Health, Nurse Practitioner

**Candidate for:** BOD: APRN Representative **Location:** Onalaska

### **Platform Statement:**



I have been serving on the WNA board of directors as the APRN representative for the past 2 years and would like to continue in this capacity for another term. I have been active in the NP forum as the WNA representative to their board. I continue to work with the NP forum to advance our profession through the Senate and House bills for the APRN Modernization Act. I have also recently had the pleasure of being appointed to the Wisconsin State Board of Nursing by Governor Tony Evers.

I believe that it is important for advanced practice nurses to continue to maintain our ties with the profession of nursing and continue to elevate nursing. I have been active in nursing organizations since serving on the Student Nurses Association as President during my undergraduate nursing program.

I believe that nurses can and do make a significant impact on the health of all Wisconsinites. We deserve our place at the table in shaping the healthcare of the future.

I believe that all people deserve quality healthcare and nurses are an integral part of the team that can provide that care.

I earned my BSN in 1993 from the University of South Carolina and worked as a floor nurse and ICU nurse for 10 years prior to pursuing my master's degree as an Adult Nurse Practitioner. I attained my MSN in 2003 from the University of Colorado- Colorado Springs. I have been working as a nurse practitioner primarily in the specialty of Gastroenterology since that time.

I am very proud to be from Wisconsin and returned to the Midwest to continue my practice after my husband retired from the US Army. I feel very strongly that nurses need to continue to elevate our role and to maintain the trust that all Americans have in nurses.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I currently serve as the WNA board of directors, APRN representative and am a member of the NP forum. I am also active in the APRN

**Name:** Margaret Thew, FNP-C, MSN

Medical College of Wisconsin, Director of the Eating Disorder Program

**Candidate for:** Board of Directors: APRN Representative **Location:** Elm Grove

### **Platform Statement:**



I feel I am the best candidate for this position because I have leadership experience as a director of an eating disorder program and lead a multi-disciplinary cohort through quality improvement efforts within a major healthcare system. I have vision for the future of healthcare and advance practice providers in the state of Wisconsin.

I would like to see improvement in the state of Wisconsin's health and promote safety and quality care as a priority through the promotion of the APRN and their contributions to healthcare. As an APRN, I would like to lead the charge of meeting the National Quality priorities of safety and high-quality affordable care to all people. There is a gap in healthcare to prevent hazards from leading to harm, providing the highest quality care that is cost effective, and a medical system which reduces expenses and waste can be led by the APRN. The future of primary healthcare is the APRN as the rate of primary care physicians fall the demand for APRN will continue to rise.

I have been a nurse practitioner for greater than 20 years in the state of Wisconsin. My present position is in the department of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine with the Medical College of Wisconsin and I work casually for the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin various pediatric urgent cares. My primary responsibilities include managing adolescent gynecologic conditions and directing the multi-disciplinary eating disorder program. I educate Fellows, APRNs and medical students. My work in the pediatric urgent cares has provided the opportunity to see primary care health disparity. Prior to this I worked in various roles within hematology and oncology at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. I completed the prestigious Duke University Johnson & Johnson Nursing Leadership Fellowship and take much of what I have learned in this fellowship into my present roles. I continue to work on quality improvement efforts within my institutions, leading a multi-disciplinary cohort through a quality improvement project.

I am presenting working on my Doctorate in Nursing Practice at Concordia University in Executive Leadership, slated for completion May 2020. I earned a master's degree in nursing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a specialty in Family Practice in 1997, and a bachelor's in nursing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1994. My areas of specialty have been pediatrics, primary care, adolescent medicine, hematology, and oncology. I have presented lectures and poster presentations both nationally and internationally, lectured at Marquette University, and published articles on adolescent health.

I would like to work closely with WNA/ANA to influence healthcare by promoting the work and efforts of the APRN to the Board of Directors. I would like to someday see APRN chief officers, APRN Medical heads of departments, and independent practitioners who no longer require a supervising physician to practice in the state of Wisconsin.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have been a member on and off since nursing school in the '90s. I have not had a prior opportunity to get involved in the WNA/ANA but attend meetings and promote participation to all APRN students and co-workers.

## TriCouncil Candidates:

**Name:** Gail Hanson Brenner, MSN, RN  
UW-Eau Claire, Clinical Assistant Professor

**Candidate for: TriCouncil** **Location: Eau Claire**



### **Platform Statement:**

The past two years I have also served on the Tri-Council, which is Nursing Practice & Quality, Education, and Research. Although this council has not been very active this year, I would like to be re-elected to work on reviving this council. I believe the Tri-Council should have a stronger presence on the website; this could be done by highlighting members' research and scholarly projects, sharing trends that impact nursing practice, and to offer additional educational opportunities. If elected I will work hard to move the Tri-Council in this direction.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

WNA Rep to ANA Membership Assembly past 2 years.  
TriCouncil member past 2 years.  
Several other committees with WNA in the past.

**Name:** Teresa Knaak, BSN

Advocate Aurora Medical Center Summit – Intensive Care Unit, Registered Nurse

**Candidate for: Council: TriCouncil \* Location:**



### **Platform Statement:**

I believe in improving patient outcomes, decreasing waste and educating others on working at the top of their licensure to provide high-quality, effective and safe care. I support evidence-based projects that help define how well current processes are working. As part of the System Nurse Practice Council (SNPC), which covers Illinois and Wisconsin, I work with nurses from all Advocate Aurora sites to streamline policies, practices and equipment as well as bring forth new ideas. We have successfully implemented innovative new products and procedures to advance nursing care and improve patient outcomes while also decreasing operating expenses.

I believe in relying on scientific methods for root cause analysis, identifying barriers and solutions, as well as educating staff and management. For example, this past year I worked closely with our product manufacturer, performed audits and tested products which culminated into a new process to better manage and assess catheterization in our patients. This resulted in a decrease in catheter-associated urinary tract infections as well as my receiving the Nurse of the Year award.

I believe nursing research & quality improvement projects go hand-in-hand with nurse education. Because of my work on various quality improvement projects over the last 9 years, I have chosen to pursue a master's degree in nurse education. I am a lifelong learner and believe all nurses truly are whether they are pursuing an advance degree or not.

I would be an asset to the Tri-Council because of my quality improvement experience, education and commitment to bettering the practice of nursing

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I am excited to be involved with the WNA for the first time. I have been a member in the past. I am the System Nurse Practice Council chair for Aurora Medical Center Summit (AMCS) and have enjoyed this so much, I want to expand my reach and knowledge. I am pursuing a masters degree in nursing/education at this time and should have completed it within a year. Of interest, I was nominated and won 2019 Nurse of the Year for (AMCS) from our CNS for work done on implementing practice changes to prevent central line infections and urinary tract infections associated with indwelling urinary catheters.

## TriCouncil Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Sharon Scott, RN, RN-BC  
Aurora Health Care, Staff RN (GI/Pulmonary Endoscopy)

**Candidate for: TriCouncil** **Location: Brown Deer**



### **Platform Statement:**

Hello, my name is Sharon Scott. I am so honored to be considered a candidate for the 2019 WNA TriCouncil nomination. I have been a nurse for over 8 years and have practiced mainly in the Acute care setting. I have been a voting member of the ANA/WNA since 2013.

Over my short nursing career, I have come to understand the great importance of taking care of other nurses just as much as we take care of our patients and communities. As I advance in the profession, I believe a leadership position on the WNA's TriCouncil would give me a great opportunity to advocate for my fellow nurses.

With my passion and commitment to our profession, I would keep you informed of practice issues, education and research opportunities and issues related to Nursing practice in general. Together, we can help raise, discuss and find better solutions for the betterment of the Nursing Community.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Premier Member since 2012.

**Name:** Kimberly Udliis, PhD, FNP-BC, APNO, FAANP  
Marian University, Associate Dean and Chief Nurse Administrator

**Candidate for: TriCouncil** **Location: Fond Du Lac**



### **Platform Statement:**

Dr. Kimberly Udliis has a strong passion and dedication for the nursing profession with a keen interest in nursing practice and quality, research and education. She serves as the Associate Dean and Chief Nurse Administrator of the Nursing Department at Marian University in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin and maintains a part-time practice as a Family Nurse Practitioner in a Cardiology/Electrophysiology Department for Agnesian Healthcare. Dr. Udliis is a Fellow of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners and is a national contributor to Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Curriculum theory leadership. Through her national work with the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, she has directed writing efforts that have provided clarification and direction for APRN education across the country.

Dr. Udliis also has been actively involved in contributing to foundational and NP competency documentation that continues to support NP full practice authority across the nation. Dr. Udliis was awarded the Outstanding Service to NONPF in 2017 and is a 2015 Fellow of the AACN Leadership for Academic Nursing Programs. Dr. Udliis shares WNA's commitment to the advancement the nursing profession. She has a solid determination to support and operationalize WNA's goals and strategic plans. Her work ethic is based in teamwork with the goal to move a problem towards a solution using logical, effective and efficient approaches that meet both short- and long-term goals and advance the nursing profession.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I served on the Board of the Nurses Foundation of Wisconsin from 2008-11 and then served as Treasurer from 2011-2015.

In 2012, I served as a consultant and content expert for the Primary Care Workforce Summit

In 2018, I served on the planning committee for the WNA Advocacy Workshop and also presented at the workshop.

## TriCouncil Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Melissa Zar, RN, MSN  
Marian University, Assistant Professor

**Candidate for: TriCouncil** **Location: Fond Du Lac**



### **Platform Statement:**

As a nurse educator, I am extremely passionate about advocating for best practice in nursing to achieve quality outcomes. In the classroom, I stress the importance of increasing power to the nursing profession in order to make positive changes. Being a member of this council and becoming more involved in the WNA will allow me to do just that. I believe this to be a significant responsibility as a professional nurse in order to strengthen and unite the profession. I can bring to this council my passion for policy and politics, as well as past leadership experiences and in turn support the role of the registered nurse in Wisconsin.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have attended WNA conferences and many ANA/WNA educational sessions and webinars.

## Workforce Advocacy Candidates:

**Name:** Cheryl DeVault, MS, BSN, RN  
Rural WI Health Cooperative, Primary Care Manager

**Candidate for: Workforce Advocacy** **Location: Monona**



### **Platform Statement:**

My name is Cheryl DeVault and I work with the Rural Wisconsin Health Cooperative, where I have the privilege to work with rural healthcare organizations as the Primary Care Program Manager for Primary Care Quality Improvement. I believe every nurse has the opportunity to make a positive impact on our nursing profession and being a strong leader in healthcare will help with the work in workforce advocacy. My years of nursing experience in various roles from inpatient, ambulatory, education, and management in the hospital and clinic setting, as well as in urban and rural areas, are strong attributes to have for this position.

I have had the opportunity to participate with WNA on the Opioid Task Force, Cholesterol Expert Panel, Hypertension Symposium Planning, and the Healthy Nurses for Wisconsin Mutual Interest Group. This year I took on the role as co-chair for the 2020 Healthy Nurse Conference Planning Committee since I feel it's important that as nurses we make taking care of ourselves a top priority, and we will be able to do this by working together to promote outreach and engagement of our fellow nurses to support and improve their health. By taking of ourselves, we can then help those who are at risk for chronic disease by providing education, support, and most importantly, our own stories of struggles and success.

It is important that as nurses we use our advocacy skills to address workplace concerns, promote positive work environments, and advocate for our profession. I look forward to making a positive impact on our nursing profession by being an advocate on the WNA's Workforce Advocacy.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Co-chair for the WNA Healthy Nurse Conference; participate in the planning for the Wisconsin Heart Health Symposium; participant of the Opioid Task Force; and participant with the Cholesterol Expert Panel.

**Name:** Bre Loughlin, MS, RN  
Epic, Clinical Informatics – Nursing Innovation

**Candidate for: Workforce Advocacy** **Location: Fitchburg**



### **Platform Statement:**

I started my career as an RN in 2000 working in Kidney and Liver transplant at The University of Washington Medical Center (the other UW). I've been the new-grad-made-charge nurse trying to make things work in a nursing shortage. I've lived through verbal aggression from patients and families. I've existed in a health system culture that consists of both the most tremendous and heroic people, and that needs active assessment and planning to reduce the emotional and physical exhaustion of it's most precious resource - nursing.

I've devoted my career to instilling pride in our profession: where we apply science and caring to elevate the human condition.

I relocated to Wisconsin in 2012 and work on nursing innovation at Epic, our local healthcare software company. I carried my passion for nursing wellbeing and the impact on patient outcomes to my research with University of Washington for my MS in Clinical Informatics focusing on Patient Classification Systems. I've used my clinical, informatics, and academic background to collaborate with American Nurses Association and other industry experts on Nurse Staffing and Patient classification systems in hopes of helping nurses and nurse leadership make the case for the value of nursing and impact on both nursing and patient outcomes.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I worked with the American Nurses Association to create the "Workforce Management, PCAs and the RFP Process" document that lives on the ANA website. I have been an RN for 19 years and in the nursing profession for 21 years earning my Masters in Clinical Informatics in 2017. I am a member of the ANA and WNA.

## Workforce Advocacy Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Suzanne Marnoca, PhD, RN, MSN, CCRN

Retired

**Candidate for: Workforce Advocacy** Location: Hortonville



### **Platform Statement:**

Wisconsin Nurses Association (WNA) is in my blood. I have been an active member since moving to Wisconsin in 1991. I have served on several committees, and task forces and was active for many years in our Fox Valley District Nurses.

WNA speaks for all nurses and I would encourage all current, past and future members to get involved. I truly believe that you will only get something out of an organization if you are willing to give of your time, money and intellectual energy.

I currently serve on the Workforce Advocacy Council with an energetic group of nurses. I believe we are working on several very important issues including workplace violence, and promotion of self-care for nurses in all its forms. I would like the chance to continue on this council. Thank you!

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Member and Chair of membership committee

Member of the Mentorship task force

Member of Research Council

Member at Large of the BOD

Member of the Workforce Advocacy Council

I have presented research and lectures at conferences

## Public Policy Candidates:

**Name:** Susan Baird, DNP, RN, APNP, FNP-BC  
Mercyhealth, Nurse Practitioner

**Candidate for: Council: Public Policy \* Location: Janesville**



### **Platform Statement:**

I am running for a position on the Public Policy Council. After completion of my DNP I feel strongly that policy and politics are essential not only to our profession but to those we care for. We must stand up for ourselves and those we care for that are unable to speak for themselves. Nurses historically are not involved in the political process at any level, local, state, national or even within their institutions. Literature has shown a connection between nurses' increased level of political participation and both improved health care outcomes and enhanced quality of health care delivery systems. Only about 20% of the nursing workforce are members of a collective professional organization and those of us that are members are not always involved in the political process for various reasons. I feel that at this point in my nursing career it is my duty to step up and become more involved. I feel that my passion to improve care through policy and politics will be a benefit to the WNA. I would be honored to be elected to the Public Policy Council.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have been a member in WNA/ANA for several years.

**Name:** Adrienne Ewald-Peterson, BSN, RN  
Humana, Inc. Senior Product Development Professional

**Candidate for: Council: Public Policy Location: Two Rivers**



### **Platform Statement:**

I have been an active WNA member with over 15 yrs serving on various councils including the Board of Directors participating in Annual Meetings, Nurse's Day in the Capitol and Healthy Nurses Conference. I have participated Healthy Nurses Planning Committees and the Workplace Violence Committee. Through WNA's Workforce Advocacy Program, I have led the Advocacy Council as co-chair and chair for my last term of two years. The council's responsibilities include supporting the nurse's professional integrity, rights and responsibilities, ethics, principles, advancement of practice standards, and personal well-being. The council collaborates with Mutual Interest Groups, such as the Healthy Nurses and other Task Forces, such as the Workplace Violence Committee. I have facilitated, led and attended all council meetings held, which annually consist of one face-to-face meeting each year in Madison and monthly virtual conference calls. Our council is in development of establishing a Resiliency Toolkit, advocating for nurse's safety in the work force with legislation and promoting the healthy nurse. We are also partnering with other WNA councils to gain headway with the Opioid Crisis on the frontlines.

My clinical background is in critical care for over 10 yrs. My last eight years of nursing has been in Utilization Management Leadership and process development in the managed care arena. I volunteer for Advocate Aurora Inpatient Hospice, am a certified substitute teacher for the state of Wisconsin, sit on Silver Lake College Nursing Advisory Board and am active with youth and adult leadership in my local UCC church. Most importantly, I am a mother of two teenage boys that I am preparing to take on the world. My passion lies with increasing mindfulness in our daily practice, promoting peer assistance and advocating for legislation to support the nursing practice. Inspiring Health is my value and Caregiving is my purpose. I desire to continue my involvement with WNA with your support.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Workforce Advocacy Council, Workforce Violence Committee, Healthy Nurses Planning Committee, Board of Directors.

## Public Policy Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Kenneth Stuetgen BSN, RN  
Waukesha County, Charge Nurse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift

**Candidate for: Council: Public Policy \* Location: Hartland**



### **Platform Statement:**

I have been a registered nurse for just under 3 years. I feel that a nurse is an advocate and a teacher to our patients and our communities. As we improve our communities as a whole, we can help touch many individual's life's and ideally improve their health, both physical and mental. We must strive to be united as a profession and to insist on the needed changes in our way of life to live happier and healthier. We must fight for the safety of all healthcare workers and insist on safer environments to practice or to hold those accountable when they attack us.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Participated in lobbying for APRN Modernization Act 2017

**Name:** Tracy Towne, PhD, RN, CMCN  
Edgewood College, Nursing professor

**Candidate for: Council: Public Policy Location: Monroe**



### **Platform Statement:**

My nursing career began over twenty years ago, and I have been primarily a lifelong resident of Wisconsin with a variety of nursing experiences in public health, acute care, long-term care, private duty, school nursing, and as a nursing educator in associate degree, bachelor, master, and doctoral nursing programs. I possess a high interest in the process of policy and politics in the healthcare system, and I have a desire to increase the presence of Registered Nurses (RN) in the political process. RNs should be active in the political process and be at the forefront of helping make the decisions in healthcare that will help improve patient/client outcomes and the work environment for RNs. As a member of the public policy council, I would actively work to help to create the public policy agenda, promote nurses to be active in the political process, and support the WNA's goal and strategic plan.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have only been a member of both organizations, and do not have previous involvement.

## Public Policy Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Tracy Zvenyach, PhD, NP  
Novo Nordisk, Health Policy

**Candidate for: Council: Public Policy Location: Fitchburg**



### Platform Statement:

I am a 2003 graduate of the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire, College of Nursing and Health Sciences. I began my nursing career at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, Trauma and Life Support Center (TLC), Intensive Care Unit.

In 2006, I earned a Masters in Nursing at the University of Maryland to become an adult nurse practitioner and I practiced internal medicine through 2008 in rural Pennsylvania. From there, I spent 4 years working on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, in both houses, ultimately serving a U.S. Senator covering health, women's policy, labor, disaster response, and judiciary policy. Two of my top legislative accomplishments include work on provisions included in the Affordable Care Act and reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act.

I left Capitol Hill to pursue a PhD in health policy and nutrition, again at the University of Maryland. My research there focused on diet quality of pregnant women receiving the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) supplemental food program. While in graduate school, I also served as adjunct faculty at Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies, teaching health policy to graduate students.

Today, I live in the Madison area and I lead obesity public policy at Novo Nordisk, Inc., a global healthcare company that specializes in diabetes and obesity innovations. There, I oversee public policy efforts focused on population health to reduce barriers to obesity care including prevention of disease progression, increasing access to evidence-based therapies, improving standards of quality care in management, and reducing bias and stigma through education.

With years of clinical experience and over a decade dedicated to health policy, I am well suited to monitor and evaluate legislative and regulatory policies that can affect healthcare and nursing practice in Wisconsin. I have a wealth of experience creating public policy agendas, coalition building, and advocacy strategy - including organizational, grassroots, and grassroots.

### Involvement with WNA:

Student Nurses Association

## Nominating Committee Candidates:

**Name:** Lea Acord, RN, PhD  
Retired

**Candidate for: Committee: Nominating Location: Racine**



### Platform Statement:

I believe my experience at various levels of WNA over the last 15 years puts me in a unique position to be on the Nominating committee. As a member of the committee I will encourage members who have not actively participated in the past as well as seasoned members and I will look at geographic and practice areas to choose a well balanced ballot for election by the membership.

### Involvement with WNA:

I have served as President, Treasurer and member of bylaws, nominating, finance, and Personnel committees. I have been a member of ANA for 43 years as I resided in six states and served as ANA delegate from each of the states. I served as Chairperson of the ANA Economic and General Welfare Committees as well as various other committees and task forces of ANA and state associations. I also served as Executive Director of the Illinois Nurses Association for 8 years.

**Name:** Jessica Dale, RN MSN BSHM CCFP CTP DNP (candidate)  
Optum, Compassion Manager

**Candidate for: Committee: Nominating Location: Wausau**



### Platform Statement:

I firmly believe that given the right tools and support, every individual has the ability to change the world. Nurses are positioned to change the health care landscape in this county, and if rooted in compassion, we can do so in a way that changes the lives of every clinician and patient we encounter. Collectively we must focus on raising awareness of assumed health literacy, compassion fatigue, and how the act of "prescribing" hope can change the lives of patients, their families, and improve health outcomes. Our daily work must include the goal of to changing how people talk about and navigate grief and trauma. Acknowledging the majority of us have experienced trauma helps us provide the necessary trauma informed care needed to change outcomes and change lives. The role of the nurse is one of an advocate, a scientist, a healer, a companion, and a leader

### Involvement with WNA:

I am new to working with WNA/ANA though I have offered testimony at the state level in support of the eNLC as well as served as resource for ANA's telehealth advisory board.

## Nominating Committee Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Marie Garwood, MS, RN  
Retired

**Candidate for: Committee: Nominating Location: Darien**



### **Platform Statement:**

I have been a member of the Nominations Committee for several years and if elected, would continue to strive to bring forth quality candidates for WNA leadership positions.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Past President WNA 2005-2009, Current Nominations Committee member.

**Name:** Patricia (Pat) Keller, MSN, RN, NEA-BC  
Retired

**Candidate for: Committee: Nominating Location: Birchwood**



### **Platform Statement:**

I have had broad experience within WNA in various roles and positions which has given me a good understanding of the structural units as well as meeting members throughout the state. I've been on the Nominating Committee for several years in the past and understand the process and importance of having a strong slate of candidates from across all areas of the state as well as the diverse areas in which nurses work and practice. Additionally, living in the northwest part of Wisconsin will help identify nurses in this geographical part of the state to broaden representation.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

President of WNA, member of various committees (Nominating, Reference) and Public Policy Council. Prior Member of ANCC Accreditation Committee and Congress on Nursing Practice & Economics.

## WNA to ANA Membership Assembly

**Name:** Lea Acord, RN, PhD

Retired

**Candidate for: Committee: Nominating Location: Racine**



### **Platform Statement:**

I believe my experience at various levels of WNA over the last 15 years puts me in a unique position to be on the Nominating committee. As a member of the committee I will encourage members who have not actively participated in the past as well as seasoned members and I will look at geographic and practice areas to choose a well balanced ballot for election by the membership.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have served as President, Treasurer and member of bylaws, nominating, finance, and Personnel committees. I have been a member of ANA for 43 years as I resided in six states and served as ANA delegate from each of the states. I served as Chairperson of the ANA Economic and General Welfare Committees as well as various other committees and task forces of ANA and state associations. I also served as Executive Director of the Illinois Nurses Association for 8 years.

**Name:** Susan Baird, DNP, RN, APNP, FNP-BC

Mercyhealth, Nurse Practitioner

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly \* Location: Janesville**



### **Platform Statement:**

My name is Susan K Baird, I am a Registered Nurse of 22 years, a nurse practitioner of 8 years and completed by Doctorate of Nursing Practice in April of 2019. I am interested in being elected to represent the Wisconsin Nurses Association to the American Nurses Association. I feel passionately that our profession is indispensable and essential to healthcare in the United States. I feel that our standing with other healthcare providers has been slow to be acknowledged as equals and while recently great advances have been made, we need to continue to educate others, in healthcare and the public, on our role in order to continue to expand equality. I would be honored greatly to be the representative to the ANA to work towards that goal within our state and our nation.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have been a member in WNA/ANA for several years.

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Jessica Dale, RN MSN BSHM CCFP CTP DNP (candidate)

Optum, Compassion Manager

**Candidate for:** Committee: Nominating **Location:** Wausau



### **Platform Statement:**

I firmly believe that given the right tools and support, every individual has the ability to change the world. Nurses are positioned to change the health care landscape in this county, and if rooted in compassion, we can do so in a way that changes the lives of every clinician and patient we encounter. Collectively we must focus on raising awareness of assumed health literacy, compassion fatigue, and how the act of "prescribing" hope can change the lives of patients, their families, and improve health outcomes. Our daily work must include the goal of to changing how people talk about and navigate grief and trauma. Acknowledging the majority of us have experienced trauma helps us provide the necessary trauma informed care needed to change outcomes and change lives. The role of the nurse is one of an advocate, a scientist, a healer, a companion, and a leader

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I am new to working with WNA/ANA though I have offered testimony at the state level in support of the eNLC as well as served as resource for ANA's telehealth advisory board.

**Name:** Adrienne Ewald-Peterson, BSN, RN

Humana, Inc. Senior Product Development Professional

**Candidate for:** ANA Membership Assembly **Location:** Two Rivers

### **Platform Statement:**

I have been an active WNA member with over 15 yrs serving on various councils including the Board of Directors participating in Annual Meetings, Nurse's Day in the Capitol and Healthy Nurses Conference. I have participated Healthy Nurses Planning Committees and the Workplace Violence Committee. Through WNA's Workforce Advocacy Program, I have led the Advocacy Council as co-chair and chair for my last term of two years. The council's responsibilities include supporting the nurse's professional integrity, rights and responsibilities, ethics, principles, advancement of practice standards, and personal well-being. The council collaborates with Mutual Interest Groups, such as the Healthy Nurses and other Task Forces, such as the Workplace Violence Committee. I have facilitated, led and attended all council meetings held, which annually consist of one face-to-face meeting each year in Madison and monthly virtual conference calls. Our council is in development of establishing a Resiliency Toolkit, advocating for nurse's safety in the work force with legislation and promoting the healthy nurse. We are also partnering with other WNA councils to gain headway with the Opioid Crisis on the frontlines.

My clinical background is in critical care for over 10 yrs. My last eight years of nursing has been in Utilization Management Leadership and process development in the managed care arena. I volunteer for Advocate Aurora Inpatient Hospice, am a certified substitute teacher for the state of Wisconsin, sit on Silver Lake College Nursing Advisory Board and am active with youth and adult leadership in my local UCC church. Most importantly, I am a mother of two teenage boys that I am preparing to take on the world. My passion lies with increasing mindfulness in our daily practice, promoting peer assistance and advocating for legislation to support the nursing practice. Inspiring Health is my value and Caregiving is my purpose. I desire to continue my involvement with WNA with your support.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Workforce Advocacy Council, Workforce Violence Committee, Healthy Nurses Planning Committee, Board of Directors.

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Linda Gobis, JD, MN, RN

University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Clinical Associate Professor

**Candidate for:** ANA Membership Assembly **Location:** Oshkosh



### **Platform Statement:**

Because of my past involvement with the American Nurses Association (ANA) and all of its subsidiary organizations, I have a strong understanding of ANA as an organization, its position on health care policy issues and standards of nursing practice, and the interface with state nursing associations like WNA. I have also been the WNA Representative to the ANA Membership Assembly several times as WNA President. As a representative to the ANA Membership Assembly, I would use my ANA and WNA background and historical perspectives to bring consistency to the delegation. Specifically, in analyzing, evaluating and decision-making related to ANA reference proposals and position statements; and national nursing policy issues and other action items to advance the interests of WNA and the nursing profession both in Wisconsin and nationwide.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

#### **ANA Past Positions:**

ANA Board of Directors, Chair Governance Committee, Chair Committee on Appointments  
American Nurses Foundation Board of Trustees, Vice President, Chair Development Committee, WNA Representative to Membership Assembly  
ANA Political Action Committee Board of Trustees, ANCC Board of Directors, Chair Congress of Nursing Practice & Economics.

#### **WNA Past Positions:**

Member Council of Nursing Practice, Fox Valley District Board of Directors, Chair Bylaws Committee, WNA Board of Directors, Vice President, Chair  
WNA Coordinating Cabinet, Interim President, Chair Wisconsin Nursing Coalition.

#### **ANA Current Positions:**

WNA Representative to Membership Assembly.

#### **WNA Current Positions:**

President, Member Finance Committee, Wisconsin APRN Coalition, Treasurer, Member WNA APRN Roundtable.

**Name:** Gail Hanson Brenner, MSN, RN

UW-Eau Claire, Clinical Assistant Professor

**Candidate for:** TriCouncil **Location:** Eau Claire



### **Platform Statement:**

The past two years I have also served on the Tri-Council, which is Nursing Practice & Quality, Education, and Research. Although this council has not been very active this year, I would like to be re-elected to work on reviving this council. I believe the Tri-Council should have a stronger presence on the website; this could be done by highlighting members' research and scholarly projects, sharing trends that impact nursing practice, and to offer additional educational opportunities. If elected I will work hard to move the Tri-Council in this direction.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

WNA Rep to ANA Membership Assembly past 2 years.

TriCouncil member past 2 years.

Several other committees with WNA in the past.

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Patricia (Pat) Keller, MSN, RN, NEA-BC  
Retired

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Birchwood**



### **Platform Statement:**

As an active member of WNA/ANA since 1985, I am aware of the pressing issues for nursing and nurses as well as the health of our patients and communities. My experiences with both WNA (President, committee and council member) and ANA (CNPE and the Committee on Certification) have given me a solid understanding of the structure of both organizations and the wide variety of issues that have and will face them. In the past I have been a delegate to the ANA House of Delegates and, if elected, look forward to representing nurses in Wisconsin at the ANA Membership Assembly.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

President of WNA, member of various committees (Nominating, Reference) and Public Policy Council. Prior Member of ANCC Accreditation Committee and Congress on Nursing Practice & Economics.

**Name:** Carolyn Krause, PhD, RN  
Retired

**Candidate for: Council: Public Policy \* Location: Waukesha**



### **Platform Statement:**

As Past President of WNA I have previously represented WNA at Membership Assembly and understand the responsibilities of representing WNA.

Although I have retired from active practice, I remain interested and committed to the important role of nurses in the provision of health care. It is through the ANA and WNA that nurses have a voice and representation in how health care is provided in this country. ANA Membership Assembly plays an important role in determining the issues of concern of ANA members and assures those issues will be part of the annual ANA agenda. If I am elected to represent WNA, I will commit to communicating the key discussion points and issues raised at Membership Assembly back to the Board of Directors and membership of WNA. With other members of the Wisconsin delegation, I will identify those issues requiring discussion and/or action at the WI level.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Previous President, WNA Board Member, previous representative at ANA Membership Assembly

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Bre Loughlin, MS, RN

Epic, Clinical Informatics – Nursing Innovation

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Fitchburg**



### **Platform Statement:**

I started my career as an RN in 2000 working in Kidney and Liver transplant at The University of Washington Medical Center (the other UW). I've been the new-grad-made-charge nurse trying to make things work in a nursing shortage. I've lived through verbal aggression from patients and families. I've existed in a health system culture that consists of both the most tremendous and heroic people, and that needs active assessment and planning to reduce the emotional and physical exhaustion of it's most precious resource - nursing.

I've devoted my career to instilling pride in our profession: where we apply science and caring to elevate the human condition.

I relocated to Wisconsin in 2012 and work on nursing innovation at Epic, our local healthcare software company. I carried my passion for nursing wellbeing and the impact on patient outcomes to my research with University of Washington for my MS in Clinical Informatics focusing on Patient Classification Systems. I've used my clinical, informatics, and academic background to collaborate with American Nurses Association and other industry experts on Nurse Staffing and Patient classification systems in hopes of helping nurses and nurse leadership make the case for the value of nursing and impact on both nursing and patient outcomes.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I worked with the American Nurses Association to create the "Workforce Management, PCAs and the RFP Process" document that lives on the ANA website. I have been an RN for 19 years and in the nursing profession for 21 years earning my Masters in Clinical Informatics in 2017. I am a member of the ANA and WNA.

**Name:** Elizabeth Markham, PhD, RN

Ashworth College, Norcross Georgia

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly \* Location: Racine**



### **Platform Statement:**

As your current VP for WNA, I have been afforded the opportunity to gain firsthand insight into how ANA represents all nurses, current issues, proposed and approved policies and positions. As your representative to the ANA Membership Assembly, I will keep you apprised of ANA activities, policies, and proposals. I will, assure that I understand the position of WNA on proposed policy and procedural changes, issues and ANA activities and will vote/articulate your desires as your representative. Thank you for your support.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Currently, I serve as Vice President for WNA and have been active in WNA since moving to Wisconsin in 2006. My position in WNA as well as my work require that I am aware of nursing directions both locally and on the national/international levels. Additionally, in our Board Meetings we discuss ANA activities, directives, policy and proposals.

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

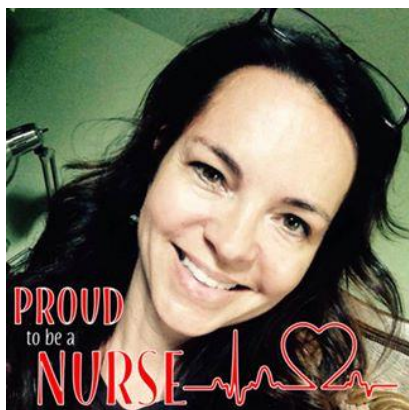
**Name:** Julie Olson, DNP, MS, RN, CQIA, CBE  
Navitus, Director Population Health and Product Development

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Middleton**

### **Platform Statement:**

After 26 years, I still believe nursing is a wonderful profession, but am concerned about issues facing our bedside nurses such as burnout, nurse patient staffing ratios and workplace violence. Moreover, the inequity in pay for nurse faculty, and the faculty shortage issues need attention. I also feel that we need more nurses at the proverbial table. We need to speak up, lean in, and engage in public policy that supports nurses which in turns supports patients. I have spent the last 11 years on the business side of healthcare, working mostly with pharmacists and prospective clients nationally. My heart calls me to use my skills to advance nursing, and that is why I am running for positions within WNA and ANA.

My professional profile is as follows: I am a Doctor of Nursing Practice with experience in the clinical, pharmaceutical, technological and political aspects of the healthcare industry. I focus on translating science into clinical practice to promote quality outcomes for patients in a cost-effective manner. I have 26 years of diverse healthcare experience including public health, health outcomes research, public policy analysis, clinical informatics, and business development. In my current position, I am responsible for the management of products and staff for PBM based population health programs, product development and prior authorization departments.



### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have had the pleasure to serve WNA for years as the Public Policy Chair and most recently this past year as a director at large on the board.

**Name:** Lisa Pisney, RN, MSN, ANP-C  
Gundersen Health, Nurse Practitioner

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Onalaska**

### **Platform Statement:**

I would be proud to continue to work for nurses and to advocate for the health of all Wisconsinites, if I am re-elected to the position of APRN representative to the WNA board of directors



### **Involvement with WNA:**

I currently serve as the WNA board of directors, APRN representative and am a member of the NP forum. I am also active in the APRN coalition.

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Sharon Scott, RN, RN-BC

Aurora Health Care, Staff RN (GI/Pulmonary Endoscopy)

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Brown Deer**



### **Platform Statement:**

I have been a nurse for over 8 years and have practiced mainly in the Acute care setting. I have been a voting member of the ANA/WNA since 2013.

Over my short nursing career, I have come to understand the great importance of taking care of other nurses just as much as we take care of our patients and communities. As I advance in the profession, I believe a leadership position on the WNA's TriCouncil would give me a great opportunity to advocate for my fellow nurses.

With my passion and commitment to our profession, I would keep you informed of practice issues, education and research opportunities and issues related to Nursing practice in general. Together, we can help raise, discuss and find better solutions for the betterment of the Nursing Community.

Thank you again for this great opportunity and I look forward to serving you.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

Premier Member since 2012.

**Name:** Margaret Thew, FNP-C, MSN

Medical College of Wisconsin, Director of the Eating Disorder Program

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Elm Grove**



### **Platform Statement:**

I feel I am the best candidate for this position because I have leadership experience as the Medical Director of the Department of Adolescent Medicine. I have experience leading a multi-disciplinary cohort through quality improvement efforts within a major healthcare system. I have vision for the future of healthcare and advance practice providers in the state of Wisconsin.

I would like to see improvement in the state of Wisconsin's health and promote safety and quality care as a priority through the promotion of the APRN and their contributions to healthcare. As an APRN, I would like to lead the charge of meeting the National Quality priorities of safety and high-quality affordable care to all people. There is a gap in healthcare to prevent hazards from leading to harm, providing the highest quality care that is cost effective, and a medical system which reduces expenses and waste can be led by the APRN. The future of primary healthcare is the APRN as the rate of primary care physicians fall the demand for APRN will continue to rise.

My name is Margaret Thew. I have been a nurse practitioner for greater than 20 years in the state of Wisconsin. My present position is the Medical Director of the Department of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine with the Medical College of Wisconsin and I work casually for the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin various pediatric urgent cares. My primary responsibilities include managing adolescent gynecologic conditions and directing the multi-disciplinary eating disorder program. I educate Fellows, APRNs and medical students. My work in the pediatric urgent cares has provided the opportunity to see primary health disparity. Prior to this I worked in various roles within hematology and oncology at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. I completed the prestigious Duke University Johnson & Johnson Nursing Leadership Fellowship and take much of what I have learned in this fellowship into my present roles. I continue to work on quality improvement efforts within my institutions leading quality improvement projects.

I am presenting working on my Doctorate in Nursing Practice at Concordia University in Executive Leadership, slated for completion May 2020. I earned a master's degree in nursing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a specialty in Family Practice in 1997, and a bachelor's in nursing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1994. My areas of specialty have been pediatrics, primary care, adolescent medicine, hematology, and oncology. I have presented lectures and poster presentations both nationally and internationally, lectured at Marquette University, and published articles on adolescent health.

I would like to work closely with WNA/ANA to influence healthcare by promoting the work and efforts of the APRN. I would like to someday see APRN chief officers and independent practitioners who no longer require a supervising physician to practice in the state of Wisconsin.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I have been a member on and off since nursing school in the '90s. I have not had a prior opportunity to get involved in the WNA/ANA but attend meetings and promote participation to all APRN students and co-workers.

## ANA Membership Assembly Candidates Continued:

**Name:** Laura Tidwell, MSN, RN, FNP-BC

United Healthcare (Optum), Nurse Practitioner, Housecalls Program, Statewide Traveler

**Candidate for: ANA Membership Assembly Location: Elkhorn**

### **Platform Statement:**



Nursing has provided me many opportunities and I've enjoyed a rich career. I've worked in Acute Care, Education and now Home Health. I currently practice in the Nurse Practitioner role and work for United Healthcare (Optum) in a program called HouseCalls. In this position, I am a Statewide traveler. I get to travel Wisconsin's unrivaled beauty while seeing some of healthcare's most vulnerable consumers in the comfort of their own homes. While the position has many challenges, as one can imagine, I believe there are many benefits to this healthcare delivery option. The focus in my position is prevention. What if the focus in the Professional Journey of Nursing were prevention, I have to wonder?

Would we prevent becoming victims of Work place violence, including safe environments to and from our own personal spaces? We would. Would we stand together when given opportunities to collaborate and share ideas of what works and doesn't work? We would. Would we protect our earned degrees and titles, would we put healthcare at the top of the political priority list despite our bipartisan beliefs? We would.

Here's the thing: We have a large body of highly educated, ethically motivated, publicly trusted Nurses in the front lines of healthcare yet I have to question, where are we? Are we too busy with our home/work life balances to commit to ensuring the kind of profession we all professed to be bound to for the duration of our service? Are we tired of pushing and fighting as that really isn't in our nature? Are we settling, for what others tell us the definitions of our profession is or should be? I have been blessed to have had amazing mentors every step of my journey. My mentors taught me the art of Nursing as a whole, stood as cheerleaders as I excelled and encouraged my growth into a Nurse Practitioner. I learned from those who came before me but also stood beside me while I practiced my profession and taught me the art of professionalism. Aren't these the people who should be defining our profession, the mentors and the mentees?

Surprised, encouraged and excited to hear of nomination, these are the questions that come to mind as I contemplate how I might fit as the ANA Representative for Wisconsin Nurses. I don't have many of the answers to these and many other issues we face as a Profession, hopefully the journey leads me to make a difference. I serve as a Continuing Education committee member on the Board of Directors for the Milwaukee Metro Nurse Practitioners, Director at Large for the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Nurses Association and it is my hope that I may be able to aptly represent the Wisconsin Nursing body as a whole as the American Nurses Association Representative for Wisconsin.

### **Involvement with WNA:**

I serve as a current WNA Board Member, Director at Large. I try to attend the APRN Pharmacology Conference in the Spring as I feel it is a great way to collaborate with fellow APRNs. I attended the APRN day at the Capitol in Spring 2019. As a member of the Board, I try to stay in tune also with what is going on with the RN workforce, I was honored to present a Future Leader award to a UW student this spring.

