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# NEWSLETTER

J.U.N.E 2007

*Pearl is the birthstone of June Rose is the flower  
It is the month of June, The month of leaves and roses,  
When pleasant sights salute the eyes, And pleasant scents the noses.*  
- N.P. Willis, American writer (1806-1867)

✦ New Moon June 14th  
✦ Full Moon June 30th

## Midsummer's Eve

On June 21, the summer solstice, also known as the Feast of St. John, is a festive celebration of the beginning of the sun's descent into Winter. Traditions include lighting bonfires, dancing, making field boundaries with torches, ringing bells and rolling flaming wooden wheels. According to legend, young women and girls who bath in the dew of midsummer morning are assured beauty and health throughout the year.



**Pearl**  
Referred to as the "Queen Gem". In early Chinese myths, pearls fell from the sky when dragons fought among the clouds.

## ♊ GEMINI May 22- June 21

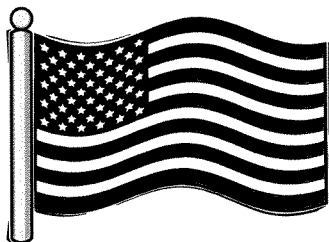
"The Twins" are considered logical, curious, and talkative. They are good multi-taskers, are very social, and make good friends. They know how to throw a good party.



**Happy  
Father's  
Day!  
June 17<sup>th</sup>**

## June 20 is AORN National Time Out Day

- A. Correct Patient**
- B. Correct Procedure**
- C. Correct Site**
- D. Every Time**



**FLAG DAY  
JUNE 14**

## Adopt-A-Cat-Month

6/7-Boone Day-Daniel Boone first saw Kentucky, 1769,  
6/11-King Kamehameha Day in Hawaii (celebrating uniting of the islands), 6/14-Flag Day (US), 6/15-Ben Franklin flew his kite in a lightning storm, 1752, 6/18-Susan B. Anthony arrested for voting, 1872, 6/21-First day of summer, 6/24-St. Jean Baptiste Day, 6/27-Helen Keller Born, 1880



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## SPECIAL FOR SSI EMPLOYEES

**Xtreme Carpet Cleaning, Stanley Henderson and Rick Brown, clean carpets and upholstery in Sacramento County. Contact Stanley at 916-271-3778, or Rick at (916) 705-8939, for a quote.**

### FROM OUR EAST COAST OFFICE

#### **Volunteers Needed**

If you are interested in volunteering for the PCORN, please contact Sandy Albright, RN, BSN, CNOR, President-elect, at [lovenursing@comcast.net](mailto:lovenursing@comcast.net), or at [salbright@miltex.com](mailto:salbright@miltex.com). Sandy looks forward to revitalizing PCORN, and would love for you to participate.



- × Please keep your file up-to-date; compliance is critical for client audits.
- × Please carefully follow client time clock procedures. If you have questions, please call your local SSI office for help.
- × If you are recording your time on a sign-in sheet, please note the unit worked in the column for comments.

# Continuing Education

## **Perioperative Patient 'Hand-Off' Tool Kit**

AORN and the U.S. Department of Defense Patient Safety Program collaboratively developed a new Web-based tool kit that provides the resources to guide perioperative professionals in standardizing hand-off communications among caregivers. The tool kit, based on the Department of Defense Patient Safety Program *TeamSTEPPS™* initiative, will help develop consistency in communications needed for effective patient care.

Please go to <http://www.aorn.org/toolkit/patienthandoff/> to learn more.

## **AORN**

<http://www.aorn.org/education/online/default.asp>

The programs are divided into three categories based on specialty plus a section for FREE contact hours online.

### **EDUCATION EVENTS**

**July 23:** Periop 101 Course Facilitator Seminar (licensees only), Denver, CO

**September 14:** FASA Nurses Seminar, Louisville, KY

**September 17-18:** Ambulatory Surgery Administrator Certificate Program, Louisville, KY

**October 1-4:** World Conference on Surgical Patient Care, Seoul, South Korea

### **MEETING**

<http://www.kidney.org/news/meetings/clinical/>

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## **Sterile Processing University, LLC**

[www.SPDCUES.com](http://www.SPDCUES.com)

Web-location for CEUs. All approved by the CBSPD, Inc. for continuing education credits. CEUs can be done on-line or by mail.

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## **ORNCC**

[www.cc-institute.org](http://www.cc-institute.org)

**Certificate Program For Surgical Services Managers:** CCI-Competency and Credentialing Institute will launch this new certificate program in spring 2007.

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