To all current, past and hopeful future members of TAPA,

First I would like to welcome you to the all-new Triangle Area Physician Assistants (TAPA) North Carolina Regional Chapter. We are pleased to announce the officers of the group; you may notice a few new names and recognize some others as longtime supporters of TAPA

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| ***Elected Officers******President*** *Peter Gunn, PA-C* *email:* *mpgunnerx1@hotmail.com****Treasurer****Debra Holmes, PA-Cemail :* *debra.holmes@med.va.gov****Secretary****Sharyn Gates PA-Cemail:* *sharyn.gates@va.gov* ***Student Liaison****Sylvie Hill, PA-Cemail:* sylvie.hill@duke.edu | **Non-elected Officers****CME Chairperson**Marian E. Cranford, PA-Cemail: mecranford2001@aol.com**Webmaster**Eric Kirch PA-Cemail: imejk@yahoo.com |

Please check out the new website, [www.trianglepas.org](http://www.trianglepas.org), which has recently been re-created. We will continue to improve the site with more PA related information, updated events calendar and local job postings.

We have a lot planned for the upcoming year and can’t do any of it without your support. We are having a membership drive and if you join TAPA by September 30th we are offering you a special ***16 months of membership for the price of 12 months and all for only $40 and $25 for students.*** If you have joined TAPA during the month of July or later you get up to 18 months for the price of 12. This will include all category I and category II lectures at some of the best restaurants in the Triangle, first choice on events with limited capacity, admission to our social events and a voting member on issues that affect the chapter. It’s easy to join - just go to the website and click on “JOIN”. We have made it easy and now you can pay online using PayPal. The price is right so please support your local chapter and we will make sure you get your $40 worth.

Current planned activities with possible more to come:

* Category I lecture on spine and scoliosis
* Category I lecture on “What you need to know about Re-Credentialing”
* Category II pharmaceutical lectures
* Wine Tasting
* Holiday Party
* And there is always the opportunity to network at all of the meetings
* Mentoring future PA-S candidates

We are open to ideas and anyone who would like to assist in planning or helping us organize events please feel free to contact any of the officers above for additional information

Thank you,

 Peter