Welcome!

Welcome to the first edition of *The Anesthesia Circuit* published by the Union University Nurse Anesthesia Track. *The Anesthesia Circuit* will be a biannual publication to keep our alumni, students, and friends updated in the happenings within our program. Our vision for this publication is to inform the anesthesia community of the events and education at Union University as well as keep the anesthesia community informed of the current anesthesia environment as a whole.

We welcome any announcements, personal news, article ideas, or job advertisements to share with readers. Such items can be emailed to Dr. Melissa Lefave at mlefave@uu.edu.

Most importantly, our prayer at Union is that we reflect Christ in all things and love one another. If you have a personal prayer request that you would like the faculty and staff of the nurse anesthesia program to pray for, please submit those as well to Dr. Lefave. Of course, these will not be published, but we would be honored to lift your requests up in prayer.

Schedule of Events

- **Final Interviews for Class of 2018**
  - March 25, 2015
  - Union University
- **Spring Break**
  - March 30-April 3, 2015
- **Mid-Year Assembly**
  - April 18-22, 2015
  - Arlington, VA
- **Nurse Anesthesia Annual Congress**
  - August 29-September 1, 2015
  - Salt Lake City, UT
- **Graduation: Class of 2015**
  - July 25, 2015

ABOUT US

*The Anesthesia Circuit* is published by the Nurse Anesthesia track in the School of Nursing at Union University for alumni, students, faculty, staff, and friends. Your comments are welcomed by emailing us at mlefave@uu.edu or by calling (731) 661-6519.
The nurse anesthesia program at Union University has been involved in annual mission trips to the Dominican Republic since January of 2007. Dr. Wright, Dr. Yearwood, Dr. Lefave, ten junior nurse anesthesia students, and two CRNAs from the community continued this mission work January 26–30, 2015. Through partnership with SCORE International (Sharing Christ our Redeemer Enterprises) and a medical team from North Carolina, team members were able to help meet the medical needs of over 400 patients. Most importantly, the gospel of Jesus Christ was shared with the Dominican people, and our team members were able to experience the true meaning of being the hands and feet of Christ.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. "If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 4:10–11"
Thanks to the emergence of internet-based tools and improved technologies, information sharing among sources and scholars around the globe is both immediate and extensive. Students are more apt to study out loud in small groups rather than alone at a table.

At universities across the country, older facilities have been retrofitted for technology and group study rooms. Union University has a rare opportunity to build — from the ground up — a library tailored to 21st-century specifications.

The Latimer Foundation, our visionary lead donor, has committed half of the total cost (up to $11.5 million) toward this exciting building project. Approximately 700 other individuals and families have joined the giving effort. Many of these donors have been faithfully contributing each month on a regular basis.

http://www.uu.edu/library/OpenTheDoors/giving.cfm

We are now following up our initial fundraising efforts with a campaign to raise an estimated $3.5 million to open the doors of the Union University library.

Planning has begun for Union Homecoming 2015 that will be held on November 6–7, 2015. Our program would like to have feedback from those interested in attending a reception for the alumni of the nurse anesthesia program. If you are interested, please email Dr. Lefave at mlefave@uu.edu.
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   - For the Registered Nurse with BS or BSN Degree Seeking a Nurse Anesthesia Career

2. **POST MASTER’S DNP PROGRAM**
   - For the Nurse Anesthetist with Master’s Degree Seeking DNP

3. **CRNA-DNP PROGRAM**
   - For the Nurse Anesthetist with BSN Degree Seeking DNP

4. **POST-GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN NURSE ANESTHESIA**
   - For the Advanced Practice Nurse with a Doctorate in another advanced nursing field

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As the acuity level of surgical patients increases and the complexity of the practice continues to demand more of the nurse anesthetist, additional knowledge and skills are being required to serve as a leader in both the operating room suite and within one's practice. To address these growing demands upon the nurse anesthetist, both full-time (2 years) and part-time (3 years) Post-Master's DNP Programs are available to enhance your effectiveness as a practitioner and leader in the profession of nurse anesthesia.

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