

from every healthcare system and college/school in Region 4 on April 27, 2024 event.

NURSES POLITICAL RECEPTION

Mark your calendars now! The next Nurses Political Reception will be held on August 27, 2024 at the UNO Thompson Alumni Center. Watch the Nebraska Nurse and the monthly newsletter from our State Director for more information on this event.

ANNUAL GATHERING

The MIG hosted a happy hour on September 12 at DJ's Dugout (near 114th and West Dodge Road) from 5 – 7 pm. A similar open house format was piloted in 2022 with positive results. A short program

of updates from NNA and the MIG were presented to the 22 attendees. Old friends and new faces were among those attending. Following introductions, Anna Mackevicius, MIG Chair, provided a summary of the MIG structure, activities typically hosted by the Omaha MIG each year and invited everyone to plan to attend events next year. Of interest is the biennial Legislative Reception planned for August 2024.

Linda Hardy, NNA President provided an overview of the core priorities or NNA - Collaboration, Advocacy, Recognition, and Education - and how the organization has worked in these areas since her term as president began. As a result of her presentation, the group discussed

priorities including access to care, mental health, nursing workforce, and several other topics.

Shout out to attendees who donated \$170 to the purchase of 2 baskets to the Nebraska Nurses Foundation's silent auction. Hill of Beans Coffee, an Omaha-based company, created 2 beautiful baskets, adding several giveaways like gift cards and single pot coffee grounds to distribute.

The Omaha MIG is seeking new planning members. If interested in championing any of these events, please contact me at annamackevicius@gmail.com; I am happy to answer any question about a specific event or Omaha Metro MIG. 🌈

Nebraska School Nurses Association Update



THE NEBRASKA SCHOOL NURSES ASSOCIATION, the official affiliate of the National Association of School Nurses, in collaboration with the Central Nebraska School Nurses Association, is in the process of planning the annual School Health Conference that will take place June 9, 10, and 11, 2024 in Kearney Nebraska. This conference aims to cover topics relevant to school nursing for nurses across the state.

More details will be available in the spring. Nurses outside of the practice of school nursing are welcome to attend.

