Dear SNRS Colleague,

It seems just a few months ago that we were at the annual conference in New Orleans! Now it is time to start focusing on our next annual conference in Little Rock, Arkansas on February 27-March 2, 2013.

For the past several years we have had a silent auction and raffle at the conference that has been extremely successful. All proceeds have been designated to help build a foundation for research grants for promising future nurse researchers. This year we hope to top previous years in
terms of the amount raised! We can't reach this goal unless you help us through your generous donation of auction and raffle items. Individuals and schools have historically donated items valued at more than $50.00. Soft sacks were used last year and several "winners" loved the fact that they could carry their silent auction items on the plane or pack them easier.

Please consider submitting a soft sack filled with items to represent your school and/or region and help us raise money for research grants. The modest cost of creating the sack can provide advertising for your school and generates excitement about the silent auction.

We will also have "buckets" situated around the area for you and your colleagues to deposit any change you may have. This fun project slogan is "Change for the future of nursing research!" Please join your nursing colleagues from over 300 institutions to hear about the latest research and network with peers. Support the future of nursing research through the silent auction, pay it forward change collection, raffle or through one of our several funding opportunities. For more information on other funding mechanisms, please click here.

More information regarding the silent auction can be found on the SNRS website at www.snrs.org or you may call the office at 877-314-SNRS (7677). Download a copy of the Silent Auction Contribution form today.

I look forward to meeting you and your faculty at the SNRS 27th Annual Conference. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at nsblair@uark.edu.

Thank you,

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