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AHNA Announces 2016 Endnote Speaker, Susan Bauer-Wu, for Nurses Conference in Bonita Springs, Florida

The American Holistic Nurses Association announced that Susan Bauer-Wu, PhD, RN, FAAN, will be the Endnote speaker at the 2016 annual conference in Bonita Springs, Florida. The event will take place May 31 - June 5, 2016 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. The purpose of this conference is to further define and incorporate the concept of interconnectedness within holistic health care innovation, interventions and education.

Susan Bauer-Wu, PhD, RN, FAAN, is the Tussi and John Kluge Professor in Contemplative End-of-Life Care and director of the Compassionate Care Initiative at the University of Virginia (UVa) School of Nursing and executive committee and directorate member of the UVa Contemplative Sciences Center, with secondary appointment in the UVa Department of Religious Studies. Informed by a solid clinical foundation in oncology, psychiatric, and hospice nursing, her current work focuses on the use of mind-body and integrative approaches to bolster stress resilience and sense of well-being, for which she has garnered significant federal and foundation funding. Susan is a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Executive Nurse Fellow, senior fellow of the Mind & Life Institute, Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, past-president of the Society for Integrative Oncology, and on the board of advisors of Mindful magazine. She has received other significant distinctions and awards and has served on a number of review panels for NIH and the American Cancer Society, among others. Besides her academic scholarship, Susan has authored a book for the lay public, Leaves Falling Gently: Living Fully with Serious & Life-Limiting Illness through Mindfulness, Compassion, & Connectedness (New Harbinger, 2011). Susan is also well recognized for her skills in teaching secular contemplative practices, and teaches courses and programs for people living with serious illnesses, health care professionals, and university students.

About AHNA
At its founding in 1981, the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) adopted as its primary mission the advancement of holistic healthcare by increasing awareness and promoting education as well as personal community-building among nurses, other healthcare professionals and the public. This non-profit professional membership organization is becoming the definitive voice for holistic nursing for registered nurses and other holistic healthcare professionals around the world. Holistic nursing focuses on integrating traditional, complementary and alternative treatment opportunities to improve the physical, mental, emotional and relational health of the whole person.

AHNA delivers valuable resources, improves educational tools, and offers superior networking opportunities to a vibrant and expanding universe of healthcare professionals. AHNA currently services almost 4,500 members through 143 local chapters/networks in the U.S. and abroad.
Holistic nursing is recognized by the American Nurses Association as an official nursing specialty with both a defined scope and standards of practice.

The American Holistic Nurses Association’s Education Provider Committee is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission (ANCC) on Accreditation.

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