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SAPA CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

The Society of Army Physician Assistants is proud to announce the 30th annual Physician Assistant Refresher Course.

We have come a long way baby since that first meeting held in the spring of 1979.

The second meeting was held at the old (now defunct) Sheraton Hotel at the corner of Bragg Blvd and .

If my memory serves me sufficiently well, we had around 60 attendees, all Active Duty Army PAs.

Back then the conference was sponsored by the Army Medical Department and Womack Army Hospital.

Attending was 'on orders' and was considered a TDY assignment.

The second meeting in Fayetteville was moved to the Bourdoux Motor Inn, now the Holiday Inn, and attendance exploded as we became more widely recognised and attracted more sponsors.

The political climate was somewhat different in those days of yore, and the sponsors were more generous, both in providing 'samples' & gifts and stocking grand hospitality suites that would make an Irish bar seem dry by comparison. No offence to my Irish friends, as I am a wee bit Irish meself ;-)

However as the rules have changed and as our profession has matured those gaudy days

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The nurses however were wonderful. Kay and I had made some very good friends while there. Some would even drop by on their off time and sit down to talk for a while. Some would bring their small children by to see us after they picked them up from day care. to be continued.

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