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The Voice of Lee County Medicine

P. O. Box 1704 Fort Myers, Florida 33902 January 1976

JANUARY MEETING: JOINT MEETING WITH THE AUXILIARY: Mon., Jan. 19th.
SOCIAL HOUR-6:30 DINNER-7:30 -- SHERATON INN. Please make reservations
for both you and your wife when returning your card. Be sure to cancel
if you find you can not attend.

PROGRAM: This program is presented by the Auxiliary and the guest
speaker will be Dr. Robert Wallace, speech therapist for the Lee County
Schools, The topic of his talk will be "What the Scotsman wears under
his Kilts." Let us all make an effort to attend.

FLORIDA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: There will be an Interim Meeting of the
House of Delegates, January 30-February 1, 1976. Our delegates are
Drs. Garrett, S. Hagen, Howington and Jones, Jr.. Alternates: Drs.
Fenning, Mundy, Sayet and Tritel. Your President, Dr. Howington, urges
everyone of you who can find the time to attend this meeting which will
be in Orlando, to do so. For further information you can call our office.

DUES: In order to make our budget for 1976 we urges each of you to
pay your dues as soon as possible so that we will be operating with these
funds in the bank.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking \$281.76, Savings \$2,270.80, Petty Cash \$30.

OUR COMMITTEES FOR 1976: BOARD OF CENSORS: Drs. Ellen Sayet, Chairman,
Samuel Smith, Anthony Migliore, James Fuller, Edwin Guttery, Stuart
Harrison. PROGRAM: Drs. Steven Bernstein and Joseph Zeterberg, GRIEVANCE:
Drs. John Agenew, Chairman, Jack O'Brian, Harold Westervelt, Richard
Davis, Brent Mundy. MEDICAL ECONOMICS: Drs. Robert Arnall, Chairman,
Jack Warnock, Cecil Beehler, W. B. Northcutt, Frank Rawl. PUBLIC RELATIONS:
James Cornish, Chairman, Stephen Zellner, Philip Andrews. LEGISLATION:
Drs. H. Q. Jones, Jr. and Paul Brown. PUBLIC HEALTH: Dr. Joseph Lawrence.
SCHOOL HEALTH: Dr. John Bartlett. INDOCTRINATION: Drs. H. Q. Jones, Jr.
and Robin Brown. PEER REVIEW: Dr. David Brown, Chairman and John Fenning.
HEALTH INSURANCE: Drs. Michael Lowrey, Chairman and James Gilbert. FORUM:
Drs. Ellen Sayet, Chairman, Philip Payne and Ronald Castellanos. FLAMPAC
representative Dr. H. Q. Jones Jr.

REMEMBER !!!!!

Consult your wife for a dinner date January 19th

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FEBRUARY MEETING: Monday, February 16, 1976, SHERATON INN-SOCIAL HOUR
6:30 - DINNER - 7:30 PM.....PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS.

PROGRAM: A member of the FLORIDA BAR ASSOCIATION will speak on the malpractice situation.

Our delegates to the FMA House of Delegates meeting in Orlando on January 30th will bring you some important information regarding FLAMPAC, pending legislation, malpractice insurance, continuing education and advertizing in the telephone directory...such as you may list in the alphabetical listings as practice limited to ----- and in the specialty section under a specialty reconized by the AMA and has a specialty board. Please be sure to attend and find out how the AMA and FMA are helping you. **NOTICE** if you have not checked your listing in the telephone directory, be sure to do so immediately as directory will soon go to press.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking: \$2,665.51, Savings: \$2,270.80, Petty Cash \$30.00.

DUES: Please send your payment in to the office as soon as possible. Deadline is March 30th.

IMPORTANT DATE: March 11th will be the date for the **FORUM** = Please mark your calendar and make plans now to attend and support this important community function. THERE WILL NOT BE A SOCIETY MEETING IN MARCH.....

The Comprehensive Health Planning Council of Lee County has requested that the Medical Society let it know of any health needs in the county. If you have any such information and wish to pass it on, please call the Society office.

We have had several request for the telephone number of the Medical Center Library, University of South Florida 813-974-2096 and for the FMA-PLI Trust number in Jacksonville which is toll free 800-342-8349.

PLEASE RETURN CARD FOR YOUR RESERVATIONS

DINNER \$8.50

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March, 1976

MARCH: There will be no general membership meeting this month due to the **MEDICAL FORUM**. The 18th Annual Medical Forum will be on March 11, 1976 at the Fort Myers Exhibition Hall. This year it will be co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society and will deal with topics in cancer-epidemiology, quackery and therapy. Dr. E. Cuyler Hammond, Dr. Howard E. Lessner and Dr. Kenneth B. Olson will be speakers. A reception for the guests will follow the program and will be on the patio at the Exhibition Hall. **PLEASE** make a special effort to attend and bring someone with you.

We want to thank Dr. Ellen Sayet and those that helped her for their time and effort in working to make the forum a success.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking: \$4,486.94, Savings: \$2,270.80, Petty Cash \$30.

REMINDER: Those of you who have not paid your dues, they will be delinquent at the end of this month. We have only a few outstanding...Please remit as soon as possible.

DOCTOR OF THE DAY: The schedule is now being established and physicians interested in volunteering to serve in this capacity should contact the FMA Capital Office, 246 Barnett Bank Building, Tallahassee, 32301 or call (904) 224-6496. Volunteer physicians are needed to staff the Capital Dispensary for one-day periods during the Session, which begins April 6, 1976 and continues through June 4, 1976. Through participation in this program Physicians have the opportunity to provide a service for the Legislature and to enhance their own knowledge and awareness of state government and the legislative process.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE: Please have your secretaries make note of the Society's telephone number for any inquiries they may have 332-3737. Any messages left will be answered by 5:30 PM that day or the following day. My home telephone number is 995-7362 after 4 PM.

The requirements of the American Academy of Family Physician are deemed to have met the FMA continuing education requirements. Some of you have called regarding this information. Changes in the required hours by the FMA are from 90 to 150 hours in a three year period starting in January 1976. You will be receiving information on this change.

See you at the FORUM !

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APRIL, 1976

APRIL MEETING: MONDAY, APRIL 19, 1976, SHERATON INN - SOCIAL HOUR-6:30 PM - DINNER-7:30 PM
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AND BE SURE TO CANCEL IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND. CALL 332-3737.

PROGRAM: Our program will be presented by Dr. Edward Quinn. Dr. Quinn is with the Infectious Disease Division of the Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Mich. He comes to us thru the Lilly Company.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking: \$13,456.61, Savings; \$2270.80, Petty Cash: \$30.00.

DUES were delinquent as of April 1st. If you have not paid please do so as soon as possible.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Voted to membership in January were Charles L. Blumstein, M. D., Joel S. Cronin, M. D., and Enrique Forte, M. D.. Voted into membership in February were Zenaida Javier, M. D., Nicasio David, M. D., Cecil Miller, M. D., Gilbert Midboe, M. D., and Anthony Carotenuto, M. D.

FMA: The 102nd Annual Meeting of the Florida Medical Association will be Wednesday through Sunday, May 5-9 at the Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood, Florida. Our representatives are Drs. Larry Garrett, Stewart Hagen, Francis L. Howington and H. Quillian Jones, Jr.. If you have anything you wish brought up at this meeting, please contact one of our delegates.

FORUM: Now is the time to start planning for our next one. Please give this a lot of thought and any one interested in heading up this program let us know at our meeting on the 19th. If no interest is generated we must consider if we will continue to support the Forum. It is a worthwhile program and we must begin to make plans NOW.

The office now has a list of TELEPHONE DIRECTORY SPECIALTY HEADINGS. This is a AMA approved Examining Board in Medical Specialties and is published to assist us in choosing the correct listing for your specialty.

Dr. Peter Rosier has been nominated by the Board of Governors to the Committee on Membership and Discipline from District 10,

You know the 1976 session of the Florida Legislature opened on April 6th. There will be important Professional Liability Legislative program put in effect in this session. It is important that you keep up-to-date on our legislative program. Our Key contact physician is H. Quillian Jones, Jr. and the FMA is continuing to send us material on the Legislative action program. They need everyone's support. Study the program, call or write your legislator.

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MAY MEETINGS: MONDAY, MAY 17, 1976, SHERATON INN - SOCIAL HOUR-6:30 PM - DINNER-7:30 PM
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AND BE SURE TO CANCEL IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND. CALL 332-3737 ONLY
THIS WILL BE THE LAST SOCIETY MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER, UNLESS SPECIAL MEETINGS ARE CALLED
BY THE PRESIDENT, AT WHICH TIME YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED. LETS HAVE A GOOD TURN OUT!!!!

PROGRAM: Mike Gordon, M. D. from Miami will be our speaker on the subject of cardiology.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking \$5,577.21, Savings \$2,270.80, Petty Cash \$30.00.

APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING ARE Dr. Mark Sweet an internist and DR.
Richard Gardner an orthopedic.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Heinz Vogtland, M. D. with the Cape Coral Medical Clinic, Jack Davis,
M. D. associated with Dr. Fleming in OB/GYN, Samuel Vinci, M. D., Cape Coral, GYN;
Fred Odere, M. D. Pathologist, with Dr. Lefer & Rosier, Emilio Mufdi, Internal Medicine.
These members were voted into membership at the April Meeting.

NEEDED medical equipment to furnish a first aid clinic for the Boy Scouts in this area.
Anyone having any type of medical supplies and equipment please contact Dr. Joesph Isley.
These donations will go the Boy Scout Camp Miles.

I have had an inquiry for a Industrial Doctor in this area, anyone interested or know of
some one who might wish this type of opportunity please contact our office.

The 102nd Annual Meeting of the Florida Medical Association, Inc. is meeting at the
Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood-By-The-Sea, Florida, May 5-9, 1976. This meeting is open to
all members and they have courses for each speciality. These meeting are approved for
Continuing Medical Education.

The Leukemia and Blood Disease Foundation of South West Florida is sponsoring a blood
disease seminar, "Hematology and the Practicing Physician" June 18-19 at Holiday Inn
Downtown Tampa, Florida. Anyone wishing more information on this seminar may call our
office 332-3737.

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JUNE 1976

SPECIAL JUNE MEETING: Monday, June 21, 1976, SHERATON INN - Social Hour-6:30 PM and DINNER-7:30 PM. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AND CANCEL IF YOU CAN NOT COME. CALL 332-3737.

PROGRAM: Gordon T. Hubbard, Jr., Vice President and General Manager of Professional Insurance Management Company will speak to us regarding the current status of the FMA-PLI-Trust. He will answer any questions you may have regarding your malpractice insurance. PLEASE come out and hear him.

APPRICATIONS TO BE VOTED ON AT THIS MEETING:

Tin Myo Than, M. D. - Psychiatrist
Liu Ying Lo, M. D. - Anesthesia
Lawrence Schoenfeld, M. D. - Urologist
Vijaya Ravindran, M. D. - Psychiatrist

Farida M. Ghoghawala, M. D. - OB/GYN
Donald Krawitt, M. D. - Urologist
Charles Zammerilla, M. D. - General Practice
Thomas Connelly, M. D. - Neurosurgery

WELCOME to Mark Sweet, M. D. who was voted to membership at the May meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking: \$5,337.61, Savings: \$2,270.80, Petty Cash \$30.00.

Announcement from the Florida Academy of Family Physicians that the 150 hours of continuing medical education approved by the AAFP will be forwarded to the member's county medical society. This certificate takes the place of detailed study reports from the physician and constitutes evidence that he has met the CME requirements of the FMA.

FROM PIMCO: A few physicians in Florida have been using a contract containing an exculpatory clause with binding arbitration as a condition to rendering medical care. The Trustees of the FMA-PLI-Trust have reviewed this matter with legal counsel and have "... disapproved the use of exculpatory clause and arbitration agreement as it is presently being used at this time..." In addition, I have been instructed to contact each member of the Trust to call this to their attention. Physician using his type of agreement will place their coverage by the Trust in jeopardy. The Trust is monitoring the use of arbitration as a means of settling claims in other localities, the data available at the present time is too limited for a proper evaluation.

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SEPTEMBER 1976

SEPTEMBER MEETING: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1976, SHERATON INN - SOCIAL HOUR-6:30 PM, DINNER 7:30 PM. This is a joint meeting with the AUXILIARY. We will also welcome new members who have joined the Society this year. PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR YOURSELF, WIFE OR GUESTS BY RETURNING THE ENCLOSED CARD.

PROGRAM: You will not want to miss a wonderful talk by HUGH M. HILL, M. D. entitled "CIVIL WAR MEDICINE". Dr. Hill has spoken on this subject before and you will find it very entertaining and appropriate for the Bicentennial year. Dr. Hill is Professor at the University of Florida and Dean of Student Affairs.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking: \$4,521.35, Savings: \$2,334.80, Petty Cash: \$30.00.

SWINE FLU PRESENT GUIDELINES: Bivalent to be given to high risk "elderly, chronic lung disease, etc." Mono-valent to all others. Present recommendations are not to administer to others under 25 years of age. Pediatric age group with chronic diseases not determined at present. All Vaccine maybe requested "specific amounts" from the local Health Dept. for administration to private patients. This should be restricted to patients with chronic diseases only -- all others should use mass vaccine program.

THERE WILL BE INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THE GUM IN GIVING THE SWINE FLU VACCINE AT THE LEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1976 at 7:30 PM. We hope you will make plans to attend and participate in this community effort.

Any information regarding referral of patients to Tice Medical Clinic by State health agencies ??????, please forward to this office.

APPRICATIONS TO BE VOTED ON AT THIS MEETING:

James Mosely, M. D. - General Practice
John E. Thorn, M. D.- Radiology
Harish D. Thaker, M. D. - Neurology

Kanabasabal Devacaanthan, M. D.- Nephrology
Estrelleta B. Noble, M. D. - Psychiatry

WELCOME TO MEMBERS VOTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN JUNE:

Drs. Tin Myo Than, Farida M. Ghoghawala, Liu Ying Lo, Donald Krawitt, Lawrence Schoenfeld, Charles Zammerialla, Vijaya Ravindran and Thomas Connelly. *Mohammad Rashid*

PROBATIONARY MEMBERS: If you have been a member for 1 year, please write a letter to the Society office for change of status.

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OCTOBER 1976

OCTOBER MEETING: Monday, October 18, 1976, SHERATON INN - Social Hour is at 6:30 PM, Dinner is at 7:30 PM. PLEASE RETURN THE ENCLOSED CARD FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS. IF RESERVATIONS ARE NOT CANCELLED BY MONDAY MORNING YOU WILL RECEIVE A STATEMENT FOR A MEAL NOT EATEN..... TELEPHONE # 332-3737.....

PROGRAM: The guest speaker for the October meeting will be DOUGLAS SHANKLE, M. D.. Dr. Shankle is on the Faculty of the University of Florida, Professor of OB/GYN at Lying-in Hospital in Chicago. His talk will be entitled " Observation on the current Estrogen Controversy."

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS: James Moseley, M. D., John Thorn, M. D., Estrellita B. Noble, M. D., K. Deva Caanthan, M. D. and Harish D. Thaker, M. D.

TREASURERS' REPORT: Checking \$3,727.52, Savings \$2,334.80, Petty Cash \$30.00.

Available through your Secretary are guidelines for supervision of medication students must take during school hours. The forms for physician's statement regarding the medication are available through Lee County School Health Services, 3308 Canal Street, Fort Myers, Fla. 33901, telephone number 334-1102, extension 276.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION: All members who are using three-year cycle I: 1974-1973-1976 for 90 hours of credit must have ALL forms in the office by December. If you have obtained the AMA Physician's Recognition Award or American Academy of Family Physicians should fill this out on the Reporting form and return to your Medical Society Secretary.

PROBATIONARY MEMBERS: Members eligible for change of status will be receiving a letter PLEASE ACT PROMPTLY IN MAKING THIS CHANGE.....

Elections will be in November. If you have someone in mind for a position open for election please talk it over with them for mutual consent before it is time to make nomination from the floor.

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR SOCIETY BY ATTENDING ALL

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NOVEMBER 1976

NOVEMBER MEETING: Monday, November 15, 1976, SHERATON INN - Social hour 6:30 PM, and Dinner is at 7:30 PM. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS -- CANCELLATIONS NO LATER THAN MONDAY MORNING. DINNER COST \$8.50 TELEPHONE # 332-3737

PROGRAM: Mr. Ray Dean, Director of the LEE COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICE will be our speaker. Dr. Jones, Jr. will present information on INK as a part of the FMA. We will also have elections for 1977.

Treasurers' Report: Checking \$ 3,264.86, Savings: \$2,334.80, Petty Cash \$30.00.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION: All members who are using three-year cycle I; 1974-1975 1976 for 90 hours credit must have reporting forms in the Secretary's office by the end of December.

MEMBERS TO BE VOTED ON THIS MEETING: John Gage, M. D., Edward Ziegler, M. D., Yara P. Diaz, M. D. and Hilario G. David, M. D.

The Lung Association is in need of a 35 mm slide projector or any type of movie equipment. Should you have any of this equipment please contact Dr. Joseph Isley to make your donation.

Joseph Isley, M. D. has been newly appointed by the Governor to the State Health Coordinating Council. We are in Distric VI and should give him our support.

MEMBERS APPROVED FOR CHANGE OF STATUS to active: Thanical Antony, John Bruno, David Butcher, Richard M. Davis, Ellis Flax, T. James Gilbert, Ashby Jordan, Luis Lay, Robert Pascotto, Robert Prager, Felicitas Ritrosky, Avery Rowlette, Michael Steier, Gerald Wrobel, Howard Sheridan, Luis Ruilova, Barry Sell and H. P. Dansby.

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS 1977:

PRES. ELECT -- Warren Hagan, M. D. MEMBER AT LARGE - Robert Wallace, M. D.
SECRETARY -- ~~John Fenning~~, M. D. BOARD OF CENSORS--Philip Andrews, M. D.
TREASURER -- David Butcher, M. D. (2) T. James Gilbert, M. D.

FMA DELEGATES--Larry Garrett, M. D.
Stewart Hagan, M. D.
Lee Howington, M. D.
H. Q. Jones, Jr. M. D.

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DECEMBER MEETING: Monday, December 20, 1976, SHERATON INN - 6:30 Social hour - 7:30 is dinner. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS --- CANCELLATION NOT LATER THAN MONDAY MORNING.

PROGRAM: Dr. Juarn LeBorgne of Mount Sinai Medical Center will be presenting our program on the topic of CATSCANNERS.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS IN NOVEMBER: Yara P. Diaz, M. D., Hilario G. David, M. D., Edward C. Ziegler, M. D., and John O. Gage, M. D..

ATTENTION: Please review the attached proposed budget for 1977. The 1977 budget is based on the needs to cover coming years and will be explained in the business session of the DECEMBER MEETING.

OFFICERS FOR 1977: Officers approved at the November meeting are as follows: Pres.-Larry Garrett; Pres. Elect-Warren Hagen; Sect.-John Fenning; Treas. David Butcher; Board of Censors (two) Phillip Andrews and T. James Gilbert; Member at Large - Robert Wallace. FMA Delegates: Larry Garrett, Stewart Hagen, F. L. Howington and H. Q. Jones, Jr. Alternates: John Fenning, Marcus Moore, Brent Mundy and Harvey Tritel. Chairman of Grievance Committee - Frank Bryan.

MEMBERS TO BE VOTED ON FOR MEMBERSHIP IN DECEMBER are as follows: Muriel YiYi Myint, M. D., and Edward C. Laird, M. D..

LIST OF PHYSICIANS IN LEE COUNTY is being published by the Lee County Health Dept. and if you should desire it you may obtain a copy by mailing a large manila envelope with return postage to Mrs. Gaylor, 3920 Michigan Ave. Ft. Myers, Fla.. Please put sufficient postage to cover the # of copies you want mail to your office.

Dr. Prager is leaving our community and he has office furniture and equipment for sale to anyone who might have a need at a reasonable price. You may contact him at his office.

Our KEY CONTACT PHYSICIAN for the Legislation is Dr. H. Quillian Jones, Jr.. Please give him all your support this year.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Checking \$2,871.43, Savings \$2,334.80 and Petty Cash \$30.00.

Due to illness Dr. Norman Angel is closing his practice. His office and all equipment are available. If you know of any one interested please contact Mrs. Angel at 936-4446.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION: Cycle I forms due by December 31st.