

John W. Snead, M.D., Editor

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

### "Welcome Back"

We hope your summer has been a pleasant one and we welcome you back to our regular meeting time each month on the third Monday at the Royal Palm Yacht Club.

It is our hope you will join us for fellowship, and informative enlightening presentations. ■

## MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Royal Palm  
Yacht Club

Cocktails 6:30  
Dinner 7:00 p.m.

September 21, 1992

### TOPIC:

"We Care Program"

### SPEAKER:

Micheal J. Lukowski, M.D.  
Secretary of Alachua County  
Medical Society, Gainesville

DINNER BY  
RESERVATIONS ONLY

### PLEASE

L.C.M.S. Members: All reservations must be made by Friday noon before the Meeting on Monday. Cancellations should be no later than noon on Monday. The Society must pay for all reservations made. ■

## BY-LAW CHANGE

### OLD-CHAPTER V-COMMITTEES

Section 1. Board of Censors: COMPOSITION - At the first annual meeting, following the adoption of this Constitution and By-Laws, the Board of Censors shall be elected as follows: Each member present and voting shall cast a ballot for not more than six candidates. The two candidates receiving the first and second highest vote shall be elected for three years; the two candidates receiving the third and fourth highest vote shall be elected for two years and the two candidates receiving the fifth and sixth highest vote shall be elected for one year. The Board of Censors shall then elect its own Chairman and Secretary. Following the first annual election, two members of the Board of Censors shall be elected each year to serve for a period of three years. The elected Secretary of the Lee County Medical Society shall sit as a member-at-large of the Board of Censors for a term of one year.

### NEW-CHAPTER V-COMMITTEES

Section 1. Board of Censors: COMPOSITION - At the first annual meeting, following the adoption of this Constitution and By-Laws, the Board of Censors shall be elected as follows: Each member present and voting shall cast a ballot for not more than eight candidates. The two candidates receiving the first and second highest vote shall be elected for three years; the two candidates receiving the third and fourth highest vote shall be elected for two years and the two candidates receiving the fifth and sixth highest vote shall be elected for one year. The Board of Censors shall then elect its own Chairman and Secretary. Following the first annual election, two members of the Board of Censors shall be elected each year to serve for a period of three years. The elected Secretary of the Lee County Medical Society shall sit as a member-at-large of the Board of Censors for a term of one year.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



VALERIE C. MOORE

### What Does It Mean To Be A Physician?

It means to me that we are healers. Not only are we expected to heal our patients, but sometimes our neighbors and our communities. Now we are being asked to heal our medical system as well. It does not matter who is to blame for the condition of the health care system, or that in fact the United States health care system provides the best medical care in the world.

Recently, I was asked by Beth Francis, the medical editor of the News-Press, what physicians in Lee County were doing to improve access to medical care. At that moment I was delighted to be able to tell her of some very specific projects that are taking shape in Lee County.

After firmly establishing "Paint Your Heart Out" as a community institution, Bob Brueck was interested in doing

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## Tribute To Our Friend

TRAVIS B. PUGH, III, M.D.  
1941-1992

Travis B. Pugh, III was born in Louisville Kentucky in 1941. He grew up, attended high school and college in Bowling Green, Kentucky. He graduated from Western Kentucky University with a B.S. degree in 1963. He attended medical school at the University of Kentucky and graduated in 1967. He completed a rotating internship in Savannah Georgia in 1968 and then served in the U.S. navy for two years in Vietnam and Pensacola, Florida. He then returned to a Diagnostic Radiology residency at the University of Tennessee in Memphis. He was certified by the American Board of Radiology in 1974.

He came to Lee County as a diagnostic radiologist in 1973 and joined with Dr. Joseph K. Isley's group (Radiology & Nuclear Medicine, Inc.). He practiced Radiology until his death on July 27, 1992. He was a member of the American College of Radiology, the Lee County Medical Society and the Florida Medical Society.

Taz was best known for his kindness, generosity, and perceptiveness. He was loved and respected by all who knew him. He was an excellent radiologist and very much respected by his peers. He is survived by his wife, Lonna, his children, Scott Pugh, Allison Pugh and Trevor Atkin, and a twin brother Joseph R. Pugh, M.D. of Fort Myers. ■

## "DR. JOHN"

M-----E (Sorry)

I made a confirmation pledge to my mother that I would never, ever write about Medicare. For a satirist, it's like fishing with dynamite, hardly a sport. In a battle for wits you should never attack an unarmed man. But, through no fault of mine, they have finally gone too far. I can no longer resist. Sorry, Mom.

A recent issue of "Medicare B Update" had a list of diagnoses approved for occult blood testing, a list which explained why all our Hemocult claims had been denied. My recollection is that not a single diagnosis had any relation to occult blood testing. I thought it was a joke, but the date was not April 1.

Listed were such things as: "Syphilitic peritonitis (misspelled); Anthrax (misspelled); Appendicitis with perforation and peritonitis; Duodenal ulcer with hemorrhage". (continued on page 2)

## AMA

### National Coalition of Physicians Against Family Violence

The American Medical Association (AMA) is asking that you join the AMA National Coalition of Physicians Against Family Violence. The need for physicians to take a more active role in dealing with family violence is obvious, given the extent of the problem. In joining the National Coalition, physicians can register their concern about the effects of family violence and become advocates in their community for the prevention for family violence.

Becoming a member of the Coalition is easy. Attached is an application form. Upon completing and mailing the small application form to the AMA, the physician will receive the AMA's Child Abuse, Child Sexual Abuse and Domestic Violence Guidelines as a member benefit. Members will also be provided with information regarding model education programs; have access to newsletters, public education materials and other publications; receive an official membership card and frameable poster alerting patients of their concern for this problem. **There is no cost to becoming a member, only a commitment to help curb this problem.**

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Area of interest within Family Violence:

☐ Child Abuse ☐ Sexual Assault

☐ Elder Abuse ☐ Spouse Abuse

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## JUST THE FAX PLEASE!

By Barbara Harty-Golder, M.D., J.D.

The advent of facsimile transmission has made communication among geographical separated offices much simpler, but it has also raised problems for the physician faced with confidentiality restraints.

Except for a few statutory exceptions, Florida law requires that patient information be kept confidential until and unless the patient releases the information. Communication of patient information to another individual without proper authorization from the patient, leaves the physician liable for breach of confidentiality. Intent is not a necessary part of the cause of action. Even inadvertent leaks are actionable, which brings up the troublesome matter of fax transmissions.

**The Privacy Question** - In a recent criminal case, an appellate court held that radiotelephone transmissions do not carry with them an expectation of privacy, since it is relatively easy for outside parties to monitor the transmission by means of other, commonly available instruments, most notably, other radiotelephones.

The same issue of expectation of privacy may ultimately come to bear on the issue of fax transmission of records. The fax is not so public as a radiotelephone transmission, but neither does it compare with the usual methods of communicating patient information across distance like mail and telephone conversations.

Fax transmissions differ from mail delivery because they are not sealed from view of someone other than the intended recipient. Mail is to be delivered to the addressee, and interfering with delivery or opening another's mail may be punishable by law. Not so-at least not yet-with fax transmissions.

**Who Sees FAX?** The fax differs from ordinary telephone conversation, for which there is an expectation of privacy, because there is no general way to verify the transmission before sending it. If the fax number is wrong or misdialed, the fax will be delivered to an unauthorized person and the sender may never know. Further, in some offices, fax transmission may be received by individuals not authorized to receive the information. Unless he has checked beforehand, the sender will have no way of knowing whether this is so.

**Think Before Sending** - Consequently, it pays to think twice before faxing records. Limit fax transmissions to real emergencies. Use mail delivery, even overnight service, whenever possible. If you must fax, call to verify the number beforehand and designate a time for the transmission to be sent. Ask that the recipient be on hand to receive the transmission and verify its receipt. Record your attempts to safeguard the transmission.

Most important, if you need to fax patient information, obtain a release which authorizes you to use facsimile transmission. In addition to the usual release of records, this "fax-specific" release should inform the patient that the material may be faxed, and that there is some inherent risk of misdelivery. (continued on page 2)



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This Bylaw is changed to increase the Board of Censors from six members to eight members in order to keep pace with our work load and membership. ■

**President's Message** (cont. from pg. 1)  
more for his community. He has put together a plan for a medical clinic for the homeless at the Salvation Army. The numbers of the homeless in Lee County are difficult to determine, but estimates are at 2,700 and growing. The homeless frequently are not eligible for Medicaid and fall through the cracks for medical care in other programs. The clinic as envisioned will begin by being open one night a week. It will need volunteer physicians to staff it on a rotating basis. Sovereign immunity will be arranged with HRS.

This clinic and other clinics providing medical care to the indigent and medically needy in Lee County need a system of back up for referrals to specialists, labs, and hospitals. Lee County "We Care" is a program that would provide a coordinator of volunteer services. The Hospitals have pledged their support for this program. State funds are available for a coordinator to be hired. The next step is that physicians are needed as volunteers. In the next month you will be inundated with indigent patients. On the contrary, it is an attempt to spread the burden of care equally through the medical community. The key to the program's success is participation by all physicians. It needs your support. With this program in place, the News-Press and media will not have to ask what we are doing to improve access to medical care in this community. It will be easy to document what services are provided.

When a person that is medically needy is identified by a physician or a clinic, the "We Care" coordinator would be contacted so that referral would be made to the next volunteer physician or hospital in rotation. The contract with each physician is for only twelve patients a year. This program has had success in Alachua and Leon Counties and I expect it to be nothing less than a success and credit to the physicians of Lee County. ■

## APPLICATION OF ADA TO HEARING IMPAIRED PATIENTS

Jeffrey L. Cohen, Esq.; Assoc. Gen. Counsel

As you are probably aware, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) became law in 1990. It is an extremely broad prohibition of discrimination on the basis of disability. All physically and mentally handicapped individuals are protected by the Act, and "public accommodations" are required to modify buildings, policies, and practices which discriminate or exclude disabled persons.

Lately, the question we receive most frequently regarding the ADA is whether a physician must provide (and pay for) an interpreter for a hearing impaired patient. The answer to the question is "maybe."

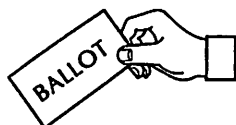
A physician's office is a "public accommodation" under the ADA. As such, a physician may not refuse to treat a hearing impaired person simply because of the handicap. Moreover, once the physician-patient relationship is formed with a hearing impaired person, the ADA specifically requires the use of aids and services that are necessary to ensure effective communication. A patient may prefer one method over another, but the physician must provide only the method which the physician determines is necessary to accomplish the law's purpose.

Moreover, the particular aid or service employed depends on the length and the complexity of the communication. Writing notes back and forth may be sufficient in some instances, but a qualified interpreter may be necessary in others. A past practice of note-writing suggests that an interpreter is not necessary, even though it may be preferred by the patient.

The only exceptions to the requirement are where furnishing the services that ensure communication would (1) fundamentally alter the nature of services offered, or (2) result in an undue burden. "Fundamental alteration" occurs in the unlikely event where providing the services is so significant that it alters the essential nature of the services offered. The "undue burden" exception applies where, for example; the cost of the action to ensure effective communication is significant and when viewed in light of the overall financial resources of the office, and appears to apply most readily to small practices where fairly minor costs may have a major impact.

Assuming a physician determines it is necessary to hire an interpreter, those costs may not be passed onto the hearing impaired patient. The physician will, however, be eligible for a tax credit after reaching an expenditure threshold of \$250.00 during a given year. Additionally, reimbursement for the cost of the interpreter should be sought from third party payors, including Medicaid, though there is no guarantee that reimbursement will be paid.

The Act is enforceable by private parties and the federal government. Required compliance with all aspects of the ADA began on January 2, 1992, but small businesses have limited protection from lawsuits that are unrelated to the law's construction and alteration requirements. Suits may not be brought before July 26, 1993 against a business with 10 or fewer employees and gross receipts of \$500,000 or less. While civil penalties in suits by the government do not include punitive damages, compensatory damages may be as high as \$50,000 for a first violation, and \$100,000 for any subsequent violation. Private parties are entitled solely to injunctive relief to force compliance with the Act, but may be entitled to attorneys fees. ■



**DON'T FORGET!  
WE NEED YOUR VOTE!**

## STD PHYSICIAN UPDATE — October

The Florida Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) prevention/training center and Florida HRS District 8 will be sponsoring a two-day STD physician update course at the Sheraton Harbor Place Hotel in Ft. Myers October 29-30. There is no registration fee for this course. Those attending the two-day course will receive 16 CME Category One, Physician Recognition Award. For further information call Mr. Ronald Cremo in Fort Myers at (813) 338-1254 or Ms. Sylvia Detweiler in Tampa (813) 272-6326.

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## CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

**Risk Management Seminar** - Holiday Inn, Punta Gorda; Saturday, September 19; 7:30 a.m.-Registration, 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. Contact Charlotte Co. Med. Soc. (813) 625-6229.

**Lee Memorial Hospital** - September 1992 C.M.E. Programs. Every Thursday 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Hospital Auditorium, Call 334-5959 to register: Sept. 3, Sterotaxic Biopsies, John Dusseau, M.D.; Sept. 10, Update in Hyperlipidemia and Coronary Prevention, Horace Dansby, M.D.; Sept. 17, Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus, Kenneth Sanders, M.D.; Sept. 24, Joint Cancer Conference, Michael Katin, M.D. ■

**Florida Georgia Blood Alliance** - Symposium on Transfusion Medicine and Blood Banking, Sept. 25-26, Ponte Vedra Inn & Club, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. 12½ hours CME approved by FMA Foundation. Contact 1-904-353-8263 for more information. ■

**University of South Florida** - Advanced Laparoscopic Surgical Techniques in General Surgery, one day Intense laboratory workshop. Course directors: Michael Albrink, M.D. and Larry C. Carey, M.D. Department of Surgery. CME Credit: 8 hours. Surgical Laboratory, Tampa, FL, Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 11. For more information contact Dorrie Rossi, RN, 1-813-253-6001. ■

**AMA Financing & Practicing Services, Inc./Florida** - Young Physicians Series: Tampa, Joining a Partnership or Group Practice, Nov. 12; Starting Your Practice, Nov. 13-14; Medical Office Staff Series: Tampa, Insurance Processing and Coding, Oct. 20; ICD-9 Coding for Doctor's Offices, Oct. 21; CPT Coding for Doctors Offices, Oct. 22 a.m.; Medical Collections Management, Oct. 22 p.m.; The Business Side of Medicine, Oct. 23. Financial Planning Series: Tampa, Successful Money Management, Sept. 18; Financial Strategies for Successful Retirement for Mid-Career Physicians, Sept. 19. Retirement Series: Miami, Financial Strategies for Successful Retirement for Senior Physicians, Oct. 2; Gearing Up for Retirement, Oct. 3. ■

1993 AMA National Leadership Conference - February 12-14, Atlanta, Georgia. ■

THE  
QUESTION  
MANOPINIONS - EDITORIALS  
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

John W. Snead, M.D.

## NEXT MONTH'S QUESTION

**"How should we handle scientists who engage in scientific misconduct, such as falsifying experiments?"**

Send your comments to the Medical Society.

Bulletin deadline is the 15th of each month . . . we want to see you in the print media! ■

"Dr. John" (cont. from pg. 1)

I wrote a letter, expressing my usual opinion that they had "lost it," and my suspicion that they never had it in the first place. To my great surprise, I received a signed reply indicating the list was generated by "a panel of nurses and physicians" and that they were taking another look. Ignorance multiplied by ten doesn't equal knowledge, it appears.

Sure enough, the next "Medicare B Update" had a brief revision which added several diagnoses but removed none. So, two things are certain when you see a patient with syphilitic peritonitis: 1) you won't recognize it, and 2) do a Hemocult and Medicare will reimburse you. Just make sure you misspell syphilis.

The next communication was about the short stay admissions we have been using since Medicare finally agreed you can't always be sure who needs admission. These were to the "observation unit" of the hospital, presumably near the sidewalk, and were reimbursed at office rates. From this time hence, we were told, such admissions are to be called "observation as outpatient," again for 24 hours. Probably such patients will not be allowed to lie down or use the bathroom.

My thermostat locked when I read that. It struck me that this is the "Newspeak" George Orwell wrote of in 1984. The government is able to change the meaning of words to suit its purposes, so that ultimately one cannot have an incorrect thought, words being necessary for thought. I can hardly wait for the next development.

Every month, to change the subject slightly, I receive a three-page form from Medicaid, listing all my submitted charges for the past month, and indicating none will be paid. I am grateful that this doesn't arrive postage due, but shocked and hurt that they won't pay for the two with syphilitic peritonitis. Maybe I shouldn't have spelled it correctly. ■ John R. Agnew, M.D.

**Just The Fax Please** (cont. from pg. 1)

You may wish to point out that fax transmissions may not be treated confidentially in the process of delivery. Include language that indicates the patient acknowledges and accepts these limitations and consents to the use of facsimile transmission.

An added safeguard is to require that the patient or his legal representative provide you the fax number in his own handwriting. If you prepare a standard release to cover these items, you'll eliminate the need to obtain special permission for fax transmissions and be one step ahead of the game.

Dr. Hartly-Golder is both a practicing pathologist and attorney. Her law practice in Sarasota specializes in medically-related cases.

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**BULLETIN DEADLINE IS THE  
15th OF EACH MONTH**

## NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS

## Application For Membership

Active members are requested to express to the Board of Censors or Board of Governors any information or opinions they may have concerning the eligibility of the applicants.

## CHARLES P. FRIEDRICH, D.O.

Dr. Charles Friedrich was born in Bridgeton, New Jersey. He received his medical degree at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Pennsylvania. He completed his internship at Cuyahoga Falls General Hospital in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Dr. Friedrich is practicing Emergency Medicine at Lee Memorial Hospital. ■



## ROBERT G. SHARKEY, M.D.

Dr. Sharkey was born in New York, New York. He received his medical degree at U.H.S. The Chicago Medical School in North Chicago, Illinois. He completed his internship and his residency at Morristown Memorial Hospital also in Morristown, New Jersey.

Dr. Sharkey is practicing Emergency Medicine at Lee Memorial Hospital. ■



## EDWARD L. DAVIS, D.O.

Dr. Davis was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He received his medical degree at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Pennsylvania. He completed his internship at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and his residency at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston.

Dr. Edward Davis will be practicing Neurology at 6100 Winkler Road in solo practice. ■



## PAUL WOZNEY, M.D.

Dr. Paul Wozney was born in Lynn, Massachusetts. He received his medical degree at the University of Texas in San Antonio. He completed his internship at Shadyside Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and his residency at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center in Pittsburgh. Dr. Wozney attended a fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in Diagnostic Radiology.

Dr. Paul Wozney will be practicing Diagnostic Radiology at East Pointe Hospital. ■



## LOCAL HEALTH MANAGER'S ASSOCIATION

In 1985 the area medical office managers formed an organization for networking to learn more about common problems that medical practices share and the solutions to solve those problems.

The Health Management Association continues to grow and currently has 145 active members. The area hospitals have been instrumental in the establishment of the Association and continue to guide and support its development.

The Association provides a unique forum that enables members to exchange ideas and information that can be immediately applied to current problems in the medical office management. We have monthly meetings at the area hospitals during which an invited speaker makes a presentation on important topics such as the ever changing Medicare; CLIA laws; ADA laws; OSHA laws; wage and hour laws; and the expenses caused by these regulations.

How can you, the doctors benefit? By sponsoring your office manager's membership in The Health Management Association, you can realize immediate benefits to help increase productivity and revenues, while avoiding potential problems.

This year our annual conference will be held at the Marriott Marco Island Resort, Friday and Saturday, October 9-10. We hope you will send your office management to this important conference when many of the current issues regarding medical practice in the 90's will be discussed by national and local speakers.

As we all know, the future for medical practices is here now. We just need to learn how to live with it!

Annual Conference: Oct. 9-10 at the Marriott, Marco Island Resort. For more information contact: Donna, 939-0774 or Valerie, 939-2412. ■

## LOCAL PHYSICIANS NEEDED

## U S Fencing Association National Championships

The Fort Myers Fencing Club and the Central Division of the USA (United States Fencing Association) will be hosting the USA National Championships, at Harborside Convention Center on June 5th-12th, 1993. As we will be bringing approximately two thousand visitors we believe this will be a boost to the Fort Myers economy. In order to hold this event, however, we must provide a medical doctor on the premises at all times during the competition. We would like to ask for the help of some of our members to participate in this event as a volunteer medical physician, or perhaps you know of a retired physician who is still licensed and would be available in this regard. The USA is a registered non profit organization and any time given should be tax deductible.

We need you for this exciting community project! Please contact: Stuart Levy, M.D., 334-2256 or Thomas Howson, Fort Myers Fencing Club, 853 Java Plum Avenue, N. Ft. Myers, FL 33903. ■

## HOSPITAL NEWS

## THE HOUSE THAT LOVE BUILT

The Ronald McDonald House at Health Park Florida will be a welcome home away from home for the families of seriously ill children being treated at hospitals in our five-county area. Here, parents will be able to be with their child at crucial and often difficult times for the family. The Ronald McDonald House provides a warm, caring atmosphere and support for other family members.

Children's Charities of Southwest Florida, a not-for-profit organization, will lease land at HealthPark Florida in south Lee County, just off Bass and Summerlin Roads. Lee Health Ventures, Inc., the developer of HealthPark Florida, is kicking off the fundraising effort by providing the land for the house through a nominal land lease agreement. Groundbreaking is scheduled to begin in early 1993. ■

## CAPE CORAL HOSPITAL SATELLITE FACILITY

Groundbreaking ceremonies will be held in Southwest Cape Coral to mark the beginning of construction of Cay West Medical Pavilion, 1616 Cape Coral Parkway. Cape Coral Hospital will hold the master lease for the 62,000 sq. ft. project, located adjacent to the new Camelot Isles Shopping Center. The hospital's goal is to provide convenient access to health and fitness related services to residents of southwest Cape Coral. Completion is scheduled for July of 1993.

Plans call for Cay West Medical Pavilion to include a 16,000 sq. ft. fitness center, 9,000 sq. ft. of physician office space and 10,000 sq. ft. of retail space on the southern portion of the building. The balance of the 62,000 sq. ft. will include an outpatient lab, outpatient diagnostic services and rehabilitation therapies, a breast health care center and pre-admission testing. ■

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## "Best Special Event"

The American Association of Medical Society Executives honored the LCMS at their Annual Business Meeting August 1st in Portland Oregon.

Our entry of the 8th Annual Video Health Fair was chosen as the best "Special Event" in the 1992 AASME Pinnacle of Success Awards Program.

One hundred twenty-two high quality entries were received from 47 different states, Specialty and County Medical Societies across the U.S.A.

We are very pleased to be the first recipient of this prestige award and winning over such qualified competition. ■

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## AUXILIARY NEWS

You are invited to participate. Statewide FMAA Fall Conference in Lee County. Submitted by Betty Rubenstein, Pres.-Elect, LCMMSA.

As president of the Florida Medical Association Auxiliary, Liz Kagan and the Lee County Medical Society Auxiliary will host a state wide conference at the Sanibel Harbour Resort Sept. 17-19. A full day of notable speakers is planned for Sept. 18, including Dr. Marge Yanker and Tipper Gore, wife of the Democratic Vice-Presidential Nominee. The day will culminate with a legislative dinner that will include briefings by the FMA leadership and Tallahassee staff on issues expected to be raised during the 1992 Legislative session. There will also be an educational presentation on term limitation by state representatives of the organization responsible for getting the issue on the November ballot as well as the representative of the group opposed to its passage.

All physicians, auxiliaries, office staff and hospital staff are invited and encouraged to attend. For your convenience you may register for individual speakers and programs if you are unable to attend the entire conference. For information please contact the Lee County Medical Society office.

Now more than ever, all medical professionals and their families must understand, participate and take a proactive stance in the legislative and health issues facing medicine in the 90's. ■

## CLASSIFIED ADS

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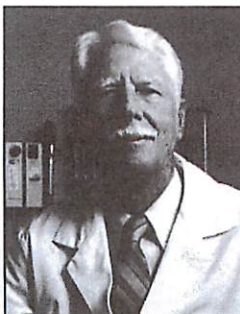
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