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The Academy Night at the Mud Hens

Wednesday, August 13
The Roost at Fifth Third Field
Dinner at 5:30 pm
First pitch at 7:00 pm

The Academy of Medicine/ St. Charles Mercy Hospital Joint Meeting

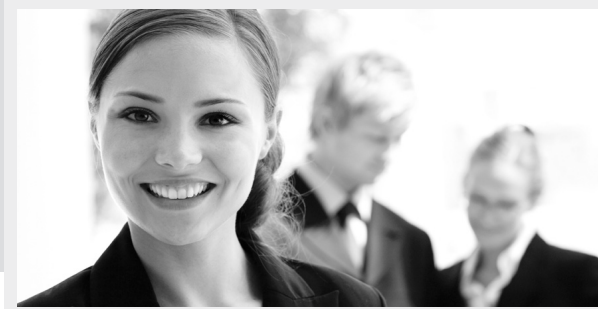
Speaker - Cecil B. Wilson, MD
Immediate Past Chair,
AMA Board of Trustees
Tuesday, September 16, 2008
6:00 pm
St. Charles Mercy Hospital

The Academy of Medicine Art Exhibition

September 5th through
October 12, 2008
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Art Exhibition Opening
September 5th at 6:30 pm

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OSMA Annual Meeting

Lucas County will continue to play a large role on the Ohio State Medical Association Delegation to the American Medical Association. At the recent OSMA Annual Meeting, Drs. William C. Sternfeld and Lance A. Talmage were reelected Delegates to the AMA. Drs. Richard J. Wiseley and Donna A. Woodson are also Delegates. Drs. Gregor K. Emmert, Jr. and Patrick J. McCormick were reelected Alternate Delegates to the AMA.

Dr. Warren F. Muth, Dayton, was inaugurated OSMA President and Dr. Roy H. Thomas, Elyria, was elected OSMA President-Elect.

The Lucas County Delegation is considered one of the best delegations in the state and is comprised of a group of Lucas County physicians who work very hard for their colleagues at the state level. Seventeen members of the Delegation spent the weekend of May 2-4 in Columbus at the OSMA Annual Meeting. The Delegates included Dr. Gerald W. Marsa, Chair, and Drs. John P. Anders, Stephen P. Bazeley, Donald B. Marshall, Diane A. McCormick, Patrick W. McCormick, Ruby N. Nucklos, Philip C. Stiff, Jr., Richard J. Wiseley and Donna A. Woodson. The Alternate Delegates included Drs. Timothy J. Anders, Anthony J. Armstrong, Scott T. Dull, Louito C. Edje, Gregor K. Emmert, Jr., Mary J. Gombash and James G. Ravin. During the Annual Meeting, Dr. Gombash was elevated to Delegate and served on Resolutions Committee 1 and Dr. Patrick McCormick served on Resolutions Committee 3. Dr. Robert E. Kose is the OSMA Fourth District Councilor. This is at least the 38th consecutive year that the Lucas County Delegation has had 100% participation at the Annual Meeting. Also, the Fourth District had 100% participation in OSMAPAC.

The Academy of Medicine submitted three resolutions and all were adopted. "Phase I Pediatric Vaccine Trials" requests our American Medical Association to study pediatric vaccine trials and offer guidance to physicians who are asked to enroll their patients in such Phase I vaccine trials. "Webcast Communication to the Public about Medical Issues" requests that our American Medical Association work with other mem-

bers of the federation of medicine to develop, test and implement, through pilot projects with physicians, an electronic, web-based broadcast media system with affordable, easily transmissible audiovisual content for playback in physician office reception rooms and hospital lounges that would educate our patients about the current crises and controversies facing our health care delivery system. "Diabetes Cost Reduction Act" asks the OSMA to continue our support of the intent of the Diabetes Cost Reduction Act.

For complete information on the OSMA Annual Meeting, go to www.osma.org.

Academy Night at the Mud Hens

Have you made your reservation for The Academy of Medicine Night at the Mud Hens, which will be held on Wednesday, August 13? Dinner in the Roost is at 5:30 pm and the first pitch is at 7:00 pm. If you have not made your reservation, please contact Lee Wealton by phone at 419/473.3206 or email at lwealton@aol.com.

The Academy of Medicine Art Exhibition

Are you working on artwork for The Academy of Medicine Art Exhibition, which will be held at The Toledo Museum of Art from September 5 through October 12? If you need a submission form, please contact Carol Mosbacher by phone at 419/471.3333 or by email at cmosbacher@gmail.com.

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*Please see the enclosed flyers for more information on
The Academy Art Exhibition Opening and
The Ohio State Medical Association Survey*

Summary of Council Minutes: April 22, 2008

Council is undertaking a peer to peer membership recruitment program. All members are encouraged to recruit non members. Contact Lee Wealton at 419-473-3206 or lwealton@aol.com for a suggested letter drafted by Dr. Michael Stark, a list of benefits of membership and a list of non members taken from the Toledo area hospital medical staff rosters.

The Fall Joint Meeting will be hosted by St. Charles Mercy Hospital and will be held on Tuesday, September 16, at the hospital. The guest speaker will be Dr. Cecil Wilson, Immediate Past Chair of the AMA Board of Trustees.

Commission Activities - Drs. Andrea K. Bruss and Tanyanyiwa W. Chinyadza were approved for Associate membership. Council approved the recommendation that newly Retired Fellows who purchase insurance on their own when they retire rather than join The Academy plan not be able to come into The Academy plan at a later date and that newly retired members must enroll in The Academy plan within 30 days of retirement. Plans have begun for the location and program for Winter Seminar '09, which is scheduled for January 31 - February 7, 2009.

The Hickman Cancer Center is progressing at Flower Hospital. Bay Park Community Hospital sponsored a Treasure Island Celebrity Wait Dinner at the Martin Luther King, Jr., Plaza. The new Diabetes Center opened at St. Luke's Hospital on May 7. The St. Charles Mercy Hospital Crystal Ball raised over \$98,000. Toledo Children's Hospital will apply for Level II status.

The Northwest Ohio Legislative Commission on GME and Physician Retention is getting recommendations from all 27 members as well as information from residents (former UT College of Medicine students) as to why they decided to go where they went.

Council welcomed Dr. Jacob E. Bieszczad, the new Resident Representative, to Council. Dr. Bieszczad is a Toledo native who went to St. Francis DeSales High School,

received an engineering degree from UT and his MD from MCO. He is doing his transitional residency at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center and will do a radiology residency at The University of Toledo Medical Center.

The University of Toledo College of Medicine students partnered with the United Way on a health screen.

Summary of Council Minutes: May 27, 2008

The Academy was approached by the Toledo Bar Association to build a joint Habitat for Humanity house. The project requires manpower and \$60,000 from the two organizations. It is hoped the finances can be raised from The Academy and the hospital medical staffs and it is felt the medical students may be interested in helping. A survey will be sent to the membership regarding interest in volunteering and providing financial support to build a house for Habitat for Humanity.

Commission Activities - Dr. Adnan R. Al-Khalili was approved for Associate membership. Plans continue for Winter Seminar '09 and the Commission hopes to make a decision in June. A report to the community regarding physicians' contribution for uncompensated care is in progress. A number of important items of information from the Community Health Commission are included in the Communique'.

The new med/surg ICU at St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center opened on June 17. SVMMMC is developing a lung center devoted to pulmonary diseases. The Toledo Hospital hosted the Joint Meeting on May 12 and Jeff Smith, OSMA Director of Government Relations, gave an excellent presentation on what the OSMA is doing for physicians. On July 1 it will be a requirement for surgeons to mark the site of surgery in pen in the pre op area before the patient goes back to surgery at TTH and TCH. Flower Hospital has a new remote interpretation service for patients whose primary language is not English, which includes ninety different languages, including sign language. The

St. Anne Mercy Hospital Cancer Center is scheduled to open the medical oncology area in June and the radiation oncology area in August. The St. Charles Mercy Hospital John Smythe Night will be held on June 24.

The Northwest Ohio Legislative Commission on Graduate Medical Education and Physician Retention has not met since receiving reports from members of the Commission. The members of the Commission await the future discussions and recommendations of the Commission.

The University of Toledo College of Medicine will rename the faculty club to honor Dr. Julius H. Jacobson. Dr. Jacobson was the first president of The Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County in 1903 following the merger of the Toledo Medical Association and the Lucas County Medical Society in 1902. Dr. Jacobson was the founding member of the Stark surgical group in 1898 and died very young in the influenza epidemic in 1917. Dr. Stark offered to share some historical "Jacobson Memorabilia" with the newly named faculty club.

The Ohio Research Scholars Program requested submissions for grant activities from universities from around the state and there were nine finalists. Four of the nine were from The University of Toledo and UT received two of these prestigious research awards worth approximately 12.6 million dollars. One is for alternative energy and the other a combination of engineering and medicine for spinal/joint surgery. Council applauded UT for receiving the two grants.

Council reaffirmed the independence of the Editor and Editorial Board of *Toledo Medicine*.

There was an article and photo of students from UT COM conducting a health screening program for children during Cover the Uninsured Week in the May 19 issue of *American Medical News*. The students also did a health screen at a local senior center and bought toys for children. Over the past year the students met with OSMA leaders, state senators and representatives, the AMA president, presidential candidates and others.