CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2013 TCMS LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

The Tulsa County Medical Society Nominating Committee, chaired by Jeffrey Galles, D.O., will meet on August 15th to consider nominees to fill open positions on the TCMS Boards in 2013. The following positions are open in 2013: Three positions on the TCMS Board of Directors and one position on the TCMS Board of Censors. There are also 28 open OSMA Delegate positions and 20 open OSMA Alternate Delegate positions.

If you are interested in serving in one of the positions available or if you would like to nominate one of your colleagues, please email TCMS at tcms@tcmsok.org or call 918-743-6184. To learn more about the responsibilities of the Boards you can go to the TCMS website, www.tcmsok.org and review the Bylaws which you will find under the “Leadership” link on the home page.

A $10 MILLION CELEBRATION

Friday, July 13th we will celebrate the Tulsa County Recycled Medication Program reaching $10 million in wholesale value of medications distributed to indigent residents at no charge. The event will be held from 2-4 p.m. at the Fairways Restaurant at LaFortune Park. Dr. George Prothro who had the vision for this program many years ago will be honored at the event. Dr. Prothro, Dr. Jerry Gustafson, Michael Lapolla, Paul Patton and Linda Johnston worked through four legislative sessions before House Bill 1866, allowing the medication recycling, was passed in June 2004. TCMS is proud to be a part of this collaborative effort to help improve the health of our residents. For more information call TCMS at 918-743-6184.

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EXQUISITE ART CREATED BY ACCOMPLISHED MEMBERS OF TCMS & THE ALLIANCE WILL BE FEATURED AT ART RX

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The calligraphy on the left that I wrote was an excerpt from a poem from the famous poet Hwang Ting-Jian (黃庭堅) (A.D. 1045 to 1105) of Sung Dynasty (A.D. 960 to 1279). Classic Chinese reads from top to bottom. The following is the translation: (note: It is almost impossible to translate poems)

1) First sentence:
風 (wind) 前 (front) 橫 (horizontal) 笛 (flute) 斜 (tangential) 吹 (blow) 雨 (rain)
In front of blowing rain, I play my flute in an angular way.

2) Second sentence:
醉 (drunk) 裡 (inside)簪 (hairpin) 花 (flower) 倒 (upside down) 著 (wear) 冠 (hat)
I was drunk and put in flowers into my hair while wearing my hat upside down.

The rest was my signatures and my seals (in red).

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President’s Letter

DON’T MISS ART Rx, JULY 12TH

That’s not at all what my letter is about this month, but rather a shameless plug for what will be a very nice evening.

I’m feeling a little frustrated this month. Frustrated that the biggest thing to affect American Medicine since ObamaCare is just days away, yet deadlines dictate that I write this now. Early July will be interesting to say the least as we all try to sort things out. I think at this time it’s pointless to speculate about the future of healthcare reform. There are just too many what ifs.

So I’m a bit in the doldrums about what to write this month. I suspect you are growing weary of my do-Gooding and all my statistics. I recently spent a couple of days in Washington on medical, but not TCMS or OSMA, business. What follows are some random observations which may humor or enlighten you.

First, it’s busier than ever. It’s been six or eight years since I was on Capitol Hill and its beginning to resemble the environs of a big city train station. Not just tourists, but people rushing to appointments. Lobbying, like me.

Second, all the guys in suits and sunglasses are not Secret Service. They’re the professional lobbyists. It only takes once to realize when you step out of those beautiful white marble buildings, the glare is blinding. The Secret Service, on the other hand, are the guys with the earpieces sensibly sitting inside the dozens of black Suburbans seen everywhere. For my money, they could be Chevy Volts. Shouldn’t the CAFÉ standards apply to Government motor pools? Those of you who know my Yukon XL will recognize my tongue is firmly implanted in my cheek.

Third, I noticed that in 1958, the Russell Senate Office Building housed 96 Senators and 10 committees. Today, it is home to 36 Senators and 7 committees. Enough said about the size of the Federal Government.

Finally, I failed yet again in my ambition to run on the National Mall. To me it is just such an inspiring public place, with the Capitol and the Washington Monument at each end. Well, the Mall is all torn up. Natives told me that economic stimulus money was being used to “re-do” it. The Mall, I countered, is grass with some gravel pathways. It’s pretty big, but I think a yard crew from Tulsa could neaten it up and re-seed it in 2 or 3 weeks. Oh well, they do things big in Washington.

I hope I have provided a little chuckle to help with the heat. Do come to the art show (it’s air-conditioned) and remember the Race for the Cure is coming in September. Have a good summer.

Golden Oldies Hear About Olympic Experience from TCMS Member David Jenkins, M.D.

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