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Annual Report of the MSMA Alliance President - 2018-2019

My year as the Alliance president began in March 2018 during the MSMA convention in St. Louis when the 2018-2019 Alliance officers were installed. My husband Stephen Waltman was there to support me as I was installed as president. Mary Shuman from St. Joseph was the installing officer.

The theme I selected for my year was *Look on the Bright Side* (a quote from Monty Python, for any British humor enthusiasts!) I attended the post-annual meeting debriefing and handed out folders to the incoming board members.

I presided over an Alliance executive board meeting on May 16 in Columbia. Additional officers were appointed to the board and all members presented their plans for the year. I appointed Kathy Weigand as the vice president for Foundations after the elected officer resigned.

I was excited to hold the Alliance Fall Conference from Oct 10-11 at Westminster College in Fulton. I appointed Donna Corrado as conference coordinator and she did an excellent job. We received a warm welcome from Dr. David Roebuck, the Dean of Academic Affairs. There was an enthusiastic attendance comprised of Alliance members and undergraduate students, many of whom were pre-med. The program focused on the opioid epidemic. Speakers included the Director of the Re-Entry program at the Missouri Department of Corrections in Jefferson City, and a licensed professional counselor in addiction counseling from St. Louis. Health vice president Kelly O’Leary joined the other speakers for an animated panel discussion with great audience interaction, especially from the students.

I attended the October MSMA Council meeting in Jefferson City. Marsha Conant and I presented a token check from the Alliance to Dr. Lisa Thomas at Missouri Physicians Health Program. Donations amounting to $1000 were received from individual Alliance board members to recognize Marsha Conant for her year of service as Alliance President.

I helped organize the 2018 Alliance Holiday Sharing Card. Donor names were published in December in *Show Me Alliance News, Missouri Medicine*, and on the MSMA website. Proceeds from donations amounted to more than $3000 to benefit the Foundations. Thanks to all who participated.

The MSMA Council meeting and dinner in January was cancelled due to a heavy snowstorm, but I did participate from home in the teleconference set up for all Council members. I briefly mentioned the Holiday Sharing Card and thanked all the physicians who had contributed.

I conducted the winter board meeting in Jefferson City on February 19 in icy conditions. Several board members cancelled due to the weather but were able to participate remotely through a teleconference set up by Sue Ann Greco. This was most effective. I participated in Alliance Day at the Legislature the following morning. Legislative Vice President Kirk Doan organized the
event, coordinating his efforts with the staff at MSMA. Sen. Bob Onder volunteered his office at the Capitol as the base of operations. I joined other Alliance members and visited many legislators, requesting support for the Prior Authorization Reform bill [HB 751; SB 298] and the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program [HB 188]. I was also glad for the opportunity to attend the senate hearing for SB 298 with Sen. Onder presiding. It was most interesting!

The Alliance Foundation Fundraiser Dinner will be held on Friday April 5 at the Westin during the MSMA Alliance Annual Meeting. Following my theme of Look on the Bright Side, it is called The British Invasion! Kathy Weigand is chairing the event.

I will attend the MSMA Council meeting on Thursday before the convention starts, and again on Sunday morning when the new Council meets. I also will attend the AMA Alliance annual meeting in Chicago in June representing Missouri as its Alliance president.

In an unprecedented move by the Nominating Committee, at least as far as the top officer positions are concerned, President-elect Diana Corzine and I have been re-elected to serve a second term in our respective positions.

I have enjoyed my year as your Alliance president and thank all those on the board and in our county alliances who have worked tirelessly to further the goals and aspirations of this worthy organization. I look forward to serving with you all next year.

Gill Waltman
2018-2019 MSMA Alliance President
Report of the MSMA Alliance President-Elect 2018-2019

My year as President-Elect began in St. Louis on March 24, 2018, at the MSMA Alliance installation luncheon. Gillian Waltman became MSMAA President and I became President-Elect. That evening, I attended the installation of the MSMA officers with Dr. Joe Corrado being installed as president.

Alliance Meetings:
Attended our first board meeting for the year in Columbia, May 16, 2018.

AMAA meeting in Chicago June 10-12
Organized dinner reservations on Saturday June 9 at the Tortoise Club for all who had already arrived at the conference location. I was unable to join the others for dinner since my 50th high school reunion was the same weekend. However, I attended the AMAA President’s Luncheon and spent time with Kim Moser and Cami Pond! I also met many other alliance leaders from all over the country at that luncheon.

I attended many informative programs which were led by dynamic people, including AMA President Dr. David Barbe and U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Jerome Adams.

MSMAA Fall Conference in Fulton, Missouri October 10-11
The first day of our Fall Conference was held in Fulton, Missouri, at Westminster College. We listened to many informative lectures on the topic of opioids and addiction. Before we headed out to a tour of the Marylebone Church and Churchill Museum, we held a “repurposed” jewelry/scarf/purse sale. Our Dutch Treat Dinner was almost a meal and one-half at a rustic place called the Buckshot Saloon, in Kingdom City, MO. We stayed overnight at the Holiday Inn in Kingdom City and held our Board Meeting there the next morning.

I participated in the MSMAA Board Meeting conference call on February 19, 2019. I did not attend DATL on February 20.

MSMA Council Meetings:
Gillian introduced me at the Council meeting on Sunday, March 25, 2018, with Dr Corrado presiding. I will attend Dr. Corrado’s last Council meeting on Thursday, April 4, at the MSMA convention in Kansas City. I will be installed as MSMA President-elect for a second term and will attend the first Council meeting on Sunday April 7 with Dr. James DiRenna as the newly installed president.

I was unable to attend as many Council meetings as I would have liked. I will attend more this next year.

Publications:
I wrote two reports for SMAN -- the AMAA meeting in Chicago and the MSMAA Fall Conference in Fulton, MO.

Diana Corzine, MSMA Alliance President-Elect
I was appointed to the position as Foundation Chair in May 2019 by President Gill Waltman to fill a vacancy after resignation of the elected officer. I have served in this position since then.

My main task was to organize the Friday night Foundation Fundraiser at the annual meeting in Kansas City to coincide with the MSMA annual convention. I enlisted the help of committee members Lissa Young and Kathie Hazuka as onsite hosts. We decided on a theme to recognize our current president’s background and have called the event *The British Invasion*! The evening will include music from the 60’s, chances to win some British merchandise, and other UK fun.

We thank Allene Wright and her annual meeting committee for coordinating the room arrangements and the dinner.

Another task for the Foundations Chair is to organize the Holiday Sharing Card. This was delegated to Gill Waltman, who solicited funds for AMAF and MSMF (general fund and the Alliance Scholarship fund) and raised over $3000.

Respectfully submitted.

Kathy Weigand
2018-2019 MSMA Alliance VP for Foundations

As the MSMA Alliance Vice President for Health, I visited Kansas City Metro Med Alliance in November to speak about the Opioid crisis. In December I went to Springfield to do the same for the Greene County Medical Society and its Alliance. The group included retired doctors as well as alliance members.

In December, Angela Zylka and I spent time with the 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys at Loyola Academy of St. Louis presenting the program “Pills are not a Party” and “Drugs are not for Me” for the annual contest. Angela, Sandra Murdoch and I judged the artwork, poems and essays submitted by the students. We were joined by two judges. An awards ceremony was held at Saint Louis University High School. Lunch was also served and parents were invited to attend. The boys were given medals and certificates for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places per grade.

Entries by winners from St Louis were submitted to the state contest. The next round of state judging was held in Jefferson City in February 2019 for all participating counties. However, no other counties participated this year.

Monetary awards will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places per grade level. SLMMS Alliance will present at Loyola in April or May.

Respectfully submitted by,
Kelly O’Leary
MSMA VP of Health
Vice President of Legislation – Annual Report
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This is my second year as MSMAA Legislative Chair, having organized the 2018 Day at the Legislature. I attended three Executive Board Meetings in Columbia, Missouri in May 2018 and at Fall Conference in October 2018 in Fulton, Missouri, and the 2019 Winter Board Meeting in Jefferson City.

I also organized the 2019 MSMAA Day at the Legislature held on February 19-20, 2019 in Jefferson City, Missouri. We had 15 paid Registrants. There were six last minute cancellations due to inclement weather. Thanks to Liz Fleenor for all her help in organizing the event, and her attendance.

The 2019 MSMAA Day at the Legislature kicked off with the Winter Board Meeting of the MSMA Alliance held on Tuesday February 19 in the afternoon in the Macy Conference Room of the Baymont Hotel. That evening we had dinner at Madison’s Café, attended by Registrants and some of the staff of the Missouri State Medical Association office in Jefferson City: Liz Fleenor, Jeff Howell, and Patrick Mills. Mr. Mills and Mr. Howell briefed us on the activities of the MSMA in the Legislature this year, and the MSMA position on the upcoming day regarding two pending bills that need our support.

On Wednesday morning on the Day at the Legislature, Registrants met at 8:45am in Senator Bob Onder’s office at the Missouri State Capitol. Senator Bob Onder chatted with our group and posed for pictures before leaving for official business. Senator Onder is from Lake St. Louis and is the only physician in the Missouri State Senate this year.

The Registrants broke into groups and distributed MSMA Alliance legislative advocacy fliers to nearly all of the House and Senate offices, and spoke with several elected officials. The fliers explained who the MSMAA was and highlighted various legislative bills that were supported this legislative session by the MSMA and MSMAA. The fliers highlighted the proposed Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and the Prior Authorization Reform bills. Later in the morning, we attended the hearing for the Prior Authorization Reform Bill chaired by Senator Onder in Senate Hearing Room 1.

Many of the Registrants met with Liz Fleenor of the MSMA staff for a delightful Greek style lunch at Arris Bistro before heading home. Despite bad weather, the 2019 MSMAA Day at the Legislature was a successful event. Next year we intend to hold our 2020 Day at the Legislature at the same time as the MSMA White Coat Rally to leverage the attendance of physicians at the Capitol. We will make reservations for a conference room and a block of hotel rooms when MSMA finalizes the date for the 2020 White Coat Rally.

I have registered to attend the MSMA Annual Conference April 4-7, 2019 in Kansas City.

Respectfully submitted, Kirk Doan
MSMA Alliance Vice President Membership

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As Vice President of Membership, I have requested membership numbers from the various counties and have encouraged local alliances to submit their paid membership names and numbers to Debora Snyder, MSMA Alliance Treasurer, in a timely manner. Some counties have responded; others have not sent in any information.

There is a need for an updated membership directory, and this cannot be achieved without input from all the individual counties.

In discussion with our Alliance president, there appears to be a trend in some alliances to accept local dues only from some members, and not collect state or national dues. Perhaps this is to accommodate young or elderly members, to include non-physician spouse ‘friend’ members, or to keep dues costs down to retain members. This may promote more active local alliances but does not help swell the state membership numbers.

The loss of Boone County members when the Alliance disbanded last year has been keenly felt. Although we are happy to report that the Boone County Medical Society has re-instated the Alliance and will help re-establish it, there are currently only a few local and state members.

The total membership numbers will be announced at the annual meeting when all counties have responded.

Respectfully submitted

Shweta Agarwal
Vice President Membership MSMAA 2018-2019
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- Attended the initial board meeting for incoming President Gillian Waltman in Columbia in May 2018. Attended Fall Conference in Fulton, Missouri in October 2018 and Legislative Day in Jefferson City in February 2019. Minutes were recorded at each meeting. Minutes from each previous meeting were circulated at the beginning of the following meeting and open for discussion and edits. Following the motion to approve minutes as corrected, they were edited and forwarded the minutes to the MSMAA Liaison to be filed and stored.

- Prepared the ‘convention’ booklet containing the 2018-2019 annual reports of the state officers, standing committee chairs and county presidents to be circulated at the annual meeting in Kansas City, Missouri April 4-6, 2019.

Preparation of Annual Reports:
Officers, committee chairs and county presidents should be informed when they take office that one of their responsibilities is to prepare an annual report for Annual Meeting. The deadline was circulated by the President in advance, and most reports were received in a timely manner. To expedite the process, especially for those new to the leadership, reports from the previous year were attached as a template for format and content and sent to officers, committee chairs and county presidents from whom reports were required.

The Purpose of the Annual Report:
To inform the rest of the membership of the activities, goals and achievements of its office or committee for the past year and archive these activities. Counties should describe any health projects, fundraising events or legislative efforts and any recruitment methods or membership drives.

Respectfully submitted,

Sana Saleh
MSMA Alliance Recording Secretary

Minutes from the 2018-2019 meetings are available upon request: sanasaleh101@gmail.com
Missouri State Medical Association Alliance
Corresponding Secretary Annual Report 2018-2019

There were no requests from the board for me to send out any letters or cards this year. I did send a “Thinking of You” card to Dr. Tom and Kathy Weigand in March.

Submitted by,

Kathie Hazuka
MSMA Alliance Corresponding Secretary
Missouri State Medical Association Alliance
MMPAC Annual Report – 2018-2019

The Missouri Medical Political Action Committee is a bipartisan fundraising committee. This committee is responsible for collecting donations from MSMA Alliance members to help elect pro medical candidates to the Missouri legislature. During the Alliance calendar year, the members received the Show Me Alliance News, the Missouri’s Legislative report, and the MMPAC donations to political candidates’ information sheet. These informational papers keep the alliance members informed about medical issues coming up during the legislative session, which is from January to May.

February 20, 2019 the MSMA Alliance members visited the Missouri legislators at the capitol in Jefferson City. They were armed with pro-medical informational pamphlets. State Senator Dr. Robert Onder, Jr. hosted the Alliance and we took pictures. This year the Missouri state medical bills we supported were HB188, the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and HB751-Senate Bill 298 on Prior Authorization Reform.

This year MSMA Alliance members donated $850.00 to MMPAC. Members who donated received a patriotic gift, a red, white, & blue dress pin or a red white & blue ink pen or an American flag note pad. Envelopes were provided to make donations. Checks were made out to MMPAC. These donations do make a difference. The support of pro-medical candidates is so important to medicine. Candidates do seek financial support from MSMA.

Detailed legislative information can be obtained from Jeff Howell at the MSMA office.

Thank you for your support,

Sandra Murdock  Sandra Murdock
Chairperson  MSMA Alliance MMPAC
Missouri State Medical Association Alliance Scholarship Committee Report

Committee Members: Allene Wright, Sandra Murdock, and Debora Snyder.

Sandra Murdock and Debora Snyder met with MSMA Executive Director Pat Mills and Lisa Cassmeyer CPA, February 19, 2019 at the MSMA head office, concerning the Alliance scholarship funds.

The MSMA Alliance Scholarship account has accrued $73,600 from fundraising annually at the state conventions. The committee recommended to Mr. Mills and Ms. Cassmeyer that these funds be turned over to the Missouri State Medical Foundation (MSMF), to be used as medical school scholarships.

Rationale: MSMF gives 10 annual scholarships at $3,000 each to 6 medical schools in the state of Missouri. In 2019 MSMF will disburse a total of $180,000. Each scholarship recipient must be a high school graduate of a Missouri school and attend a Missouri medical school. Each medical school has a MSMA student chapter.

The Alliance Scholarship Committee feels that MSMF has the relationships and the personnel to handle distributing these scholarships. The Alliance will continue to raise funds for medical scholarships and to be recognized in the MSMA House of Delegates at the annual convention for its efforts and work.

February 19, 2019, the MSMA Alliance board passed a vote to move the $73,000 funds to the MSM Foundation. This money is to be used for scholarships starting July 31, 2019. Jana Wolfe asked that a large cardboard check be presented to MSMA stating the donated amount. This will take place at a subsequent MSMA Council meeting.

The MSMA Alliance Scholarship Committee thanks all the Alliance members for their work efforts and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Murdock
MSMA Alliance Awards Committee – Annual Report – 2018-2019

Updated forms regarding criteria for the Sandra Mitchell Alliance Member of the Year Award and the Jean Wankum Spirit of the Alliance Award were posted on the MSMA Alliance website. These forms provide the necessary criteria for eligibility as well as the nomination procedures.

Nominations were requested from all county alliances with a deadline of March 1, 2019. The criteria and deadline were announced in the January 2019, issue of Show Me Alliance News. Throughout the year, county and direct Alliance members were encouraged to observe and recognize outstanding individual members for one of the two annual MSMAA Awards.

The Awards Luncheon will take place on Friday April 6, 2019 at the Westin Crown Center during the MSMA Alliance annual meeting. Award recipients will be recognized.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Turnbaugh, Awards Committee Chair

Committee Members:
Eileen Chalk
Joan H’Doubler
Missouri State Medical Association Alliance
Communications and Social Media
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It has been a privilege to share our Missouri State Medical Association Alliance on Facebook.

Our designated Facebook page (Missouri State Medical Association Alliance) allows for promotion, education and advocacy to build healthy Missouri communities and support for the family of medicine.

Some of the promotions of implementations of health projects are:

- Personal, child and family growth
- Assistance to the medically under-served
- Health literacy
- Internet safety
- Anti-violence
- Healthy lifestyles and physical fitness
- Anti-tobacco
- Opioid misuse
- Physician Burnout
- Legislative awareness, education involving medicine, including physician practice and patient advocacy

On Facebook we assist in those programs of the Missouri State Medical Association that improve the health and quality of life for all people; uphold the programs of the American Medical Association Alliance; promote health education; encourage participation of volunteers in activities that meet health needs; support health-related charitable endeavors; and coordinate and advise concerning the activities of component Alliances of the state.

I encourage ALL Missouri Alliances to contact and inform the Communications and Social Media person of activities and engagements of the county alliances to be shared on Social Media.

I encourage involvement of meetings held by the MSMA Alliance to be promoted on Social Media.

Thank you for this opportunity to continue sharing our great Missouri Alliance.

Respectfully,

Jana Wolfe
The MSMAA Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following slate of officers to be installed at the MSMA Alliance Annual Meeting in April 2019.

President-elect
Diana Corzine

Vice-President, Foundation
Kathy Weigand

Vice President, Health
Kelly O'Leary

Vice President, Legislation
Kirk Doan

Vice President, Membership
Jennifer Gast

Recording Secretary
Sana Saleh

Treasurer
Debora Snyder

I want to thank Donna Corrado, Sue Ann Greco, Barbara Hover, Kathy Weigand, and Jana Wolfe for serving on this committee. Filling the officer positions with the best-qualified people is not an easy task, and the efforts put forth by each of these committee members was invaluable. I also want to thank each nominee for the willingness to serve our Missouri State Medical Association Alliance in our important work toward our mission of “advocating for a healthy Missouri.”

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Conant
Nominating Committee Chair
MSMAA Immediate-Past President
Missouri State Medical Association Alliance

Medical Student and Resident Physician Spouse Liaison
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The Medical Student and Resident Physician Spouse Committee has done several projects for and with medical students and residents throughout Missouri this year in addition to the annual Match Day activities.

In February, Angela Zylka worked with Saint Louis University second year medical students to prepare gift baskets for its annual fundraiser for the student clinic. The date for this year’s event has been deferred until later in the spring when both Angela and Millie can attend.

St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society continues the organized section for medical students and residents giving membership to students who apply and a reduced scale to residents and young physicians. Medical students and residents were sponsored for the Annual Installation in January for the Medical Society officers.

On February 9th, St. Louis hosted two students and their spouses at the Annual Doctor’s Day Event honoring the 2019 St. Louis Doctor of the Year.

Match week began on Monday, March 11th in Columbia for the University of Missouri. Gina Graves from student affairs invited the students and set up in the new section of the medical school for our event. Members of MSMA, Alliance members Mary Catherine Heimburger and Donna Corrado served pizzas, donated sodas and greeted students. Signage from MSMA was displayed to let everyone know about the Medical Society and the Alliance and what each does and how being a member benefits the students. Deb Snyder made sure the pizzas were paid for and all the details were covered. Thank you and kudos to all who made this project possible. You all made my long-distance coordination come to life.

Friday, March 15th wrapped up with two big events, one at the University of Missouri Kansas City with the assistance of the student affairs associate, and the help of Sana Saleh and Allene Wright. Allene Wright, Diana Corzine, Marsha and Jim Conant, came in from St. Joseph
As the Alliance Liaison, I have the unique opportunity to see your organization as a whole from State Headquarters, which is quite likely the center of activity and information as they flow throughout the state leadership and into the counties. I have enjoyed working with your 2018-2019 President Gill Waltman and the officers and committee chairs that make up this past year’s leadership team.

With the help of your president, state leaders and the county presidents and leaders, we published three Show Me Alliance News and have begun to use the website with more forms and functions, improving the facility of the Alliance portion of the MSMA website.

It is a challenge to balance communication styles and trends from print to digital, but what we’ve learned this year is there is no magic bullet. Everyone has different communication styles.

The Missouri State Medical Foundation continues a firm collaboration with the Alliance this year, to continue to raise funds to benefit medical students in Missouri.

While the officers may change, the heart of the Alliance alive and well, looking to create new and exciting ways to be a health care advocate for Missouri’s communities. I hope I have been helpful, courteous, honest, and hardworking for all the Alliance’s needs from MSMA headquarters. Thank you for the privilege.

Respectfully submitted,

Lizabeth Fleenor
MSMA Liaison to the MSMA Alliance
Missouri State Medical Foundation – Annual Report – 2018-2019

The MSMF met on Saturday, March 24, 2018 during the Annual MSMA Convention/MSMAA Annual Meeting. The group then voted to approve the budget which included 10 scholarships for $3,000/scholarship at each of the six medical schools in the state. This represents a $500 increase per scholarship. Pat Mills also reported that MSMF had received a clean audit report.

The next meeting will be at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at the Westin Crown Center in Kansas City during the Annual MSMA Convention/MSMAA Annual Meeting.

Submitted by Allene Wright
MSMF Liaison for MSMA Alliance
Boone County Medical Society Alliance Annual Report -2018-2019

Boone County is actively working toward breathing new life into the new county Alliance. Donna Corrado and I are regularly attending the monthly board meetings of the Boone County Medical Society in an effort to not only help familiarize the Society with the history and purpose of the Alliance (none of them has ever heard of Alliance), but also to work toward collaborating our goals with theirs. They have been very accommodating and give us ample time to express opinions and ask questions. This appears to be a positive relationship for all.

The BCMS Gala was held on February 2, with a table for eight sponsored by the Alliance. I gave a commendation on behalf of Beverly Wilcox, newly retired executive director of the society, and presented her with a bouquet of yellow roses from the Alliance. Beverly’s presence and support of the Alliance will be missed.

At the Boone County Medical Society’s March 2 board meeting, the Alliance was formally recognized as the newly forming BCMS Alliance. We are in the process of designing a brochure, opening a bank account, and gathering new members. We will continue to work with the society in aligning our overarching goals with theirs.

The Boone County Alliance was on hand to usher in Match Day for the class of 2019 at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Pizza, fresh fruit, and soft drinks were served. On March 11, 62 of 95 students (69%), were assured they had matched. The average student loan debt for the class of 2019 is about $200,000. Emil Thyssen, class president, was the winner of a $500 gift card provided by Millie Bever in honor of her late husband, Dr. Grant Bever. Thank you, Millie.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Catherine Heimburger, Acting-president
Boone County Medical Society Alliance
Buchanan County Medical Society Alliance
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We have had a quiet year for the most part. Members stay in touch through various community groups and activities. We did have a lovely Christmas joint meeting with the Medical Society, and with our raffle items were able to raise $400. Half of this amount was given to the MSMF, and the other half helped to defray the cost of the Bullying Booklets which we purchase for the school district. With the help of the PTA here allowing $500 towards the booklets, we were able to provide 900 booklets for the school counselors to use in their bullying unit. They continue to deeply appreciate this effort.

We were unable to host a Doctors’ Day event last year, due to the conflict with the dates of the state meeting. Discussion was held about plans to do an event this year, but not on the March 30, 2020 date. We were inspired by the Family Physician Day concept reported by Greene and KC Metro Med, and hope to look at that as a possibility for our group later this year.

We were informed that Diana Corzine will serve a second term as President-elect so will not be installed as State President this year. We look forward to supporting her agenda the following year for the state alliance.

Our membership currently is at 17. We hope with some personal phone calls we might be able to regain a few more former Alliance supporters!

Mary Shuman has continued a stellar job of archive preservation and we will be donating some funds to the St Joseph Museum for their assistance and housing of these records.

Submitted by,
Buchanan County Medical Society Alliance
Greene County Medical Society Alliance
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MSMA Alliance
Annual Meeting Report

Greene County began our year Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 with the installation of Co-Presidents, Barbara Hover and Jana Wolfe. MSMA Alliance President, Gill Waltman, traveled to Springfield to officiate the ceremony. The GCMSA Installation occurred at the prestigious Hickory Hills Country Club. Also installed were Shweta Agarwal as Treasurer and Christina Rice as Secretary.

In honor of the first Physician Family Day, initiated by the American Medical Association Alliance, we honored our physician families with a free event open to all area physician families. The nationally recognized event takes place the last Saturday in August. The GCMSA held a physician family picnic at the Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park in Springfield and a spectacular visit to the Dr. Bill Roston Native Butterfly House Saturday, August 25th, 2018. The Springfield-Greene County Park Board catered an outstanding picnic-style meal. We enjoyed comradery with families who understand the physician life-style. Physicians and spouses visited, children enjoyed rock painting, corn-toss throw, soccer, water balloons and the nearby swings and playground. Over 80 families attended our event that continued our “Taking Care of Our Own” program, helping to bring awareness to and fight against physician burnout. It is always an honor to join with the Greene County Medical Society in the fall for a legislative forum, “Meet the Candidates”. This year we joined with the Society at Jordan Valley Community Health Center for a Bar B Q dinner and social event, meeting and hearing candidates and their thoughts on medical legislation affecting physicians and patients. The event was well attended.

Our Holiday Sharing Card raised monies supporting our long-standing sponsorship of the Discovery Center of Springfield. The GCMSA was one of the major contributors incorporating the Discovery Center in 1991. The doors officially opened in 1998. The Alliance has been actively involved with the science, interactive exhibits, labs and programs since the inception of the center. A special event was held in December celebrating the Discovery
Center’s 20th anniversary. Barbara Hover and GCMS Alliance member, Julie Reynolds, joined the celebration representing our Alliance.

Our Holiday Luncheon was a very special event this year with the GCMS Retired Physicians. We invited MSMA Alliance Health Vice President, Kelly O’Leary to share her engaging story, “The Opioid Crisis: A Mother’s story”. Kelly provided an outstanding presentation on the opioid epidemic that is in a crisis state across our country. She received a standing ovation and many questions that continued even after our event ended. We are very thankful to have had such a passionate leader as Kelly attend our luncheon.

The Alliance continues to encourage physician families to gather in social settings to combat physician burnout, and its influence on our families. Friday, March 1st we gathered at the Discovery Center of Springfield for a second year with our event, “Physician Family Night at the Museum”. This is a free event to all area physician families. The Discovery Center opens its doors after hours for our families; physicians, spouses, children and grandchildren to engage in the wonders of the Discovery Center. It is a wonderful, relaxing and engaging time. Missouri State University caters the event with kid-friendly (heavy) appetizers and drinks.

The Greene County Medical Society Alliance was honored as the recipient of the American Medical Association Alliance notorious award, “The Health Awareness Promotion Award” (HAP) for our community service program, “Taking Care of Our Own”. Barbara Hover and Jana Wolfe were presented the award at the 2018 AMA Alliance Annual Meeting in Chicago.

It has been an honor serving as Co-President with Barbara Hover.

Respectfully,

Jana Wolfe
GCMS Alliance Co-President 2018-2019
Metropolitan Medical Society of Greater Kansas City Alliance
Annual Meeting, April 5-6, 2018

We are about 25 members and meet monthly either socially or gather for our pillow case project. Our challenges have been recruiting young members and having an aging membership that has been slowly dwindling. Here is a summary of our activities for 2018-2019.

- Our first gathering for 2018-2019 began with a luncheon at the River market at a farm-to-table restaurant followed by a trolley ride.
- Had a Fun and Painting at “Pinot and Palette” in Prairie Village in October.
- In November, Kelly O’ Leary visited our County and presented her personal story on “Losing a Child to Opioids” at Bone Fish Grill.
- In December we had our Annual Holiday Luncheon at Trezo Mare and raised over $560 in Boutique sales that Lissa Young sets up each year.
- We donated $70 worth of hats, scarves and blankets to the American Cancer Society’s Hope Lodge in Kansas City to residents receiving treatment in Kansas City and staying at the Lodge during the Holiday season.
- We had a gathering at Renae Butler’s home to begin our pillow dress sewing project.
- Celebrated our Annual Doctor’s Day and Valentine’s Day at the dinner Theater restaurant with spouses attending.
- In March we assisted with “Match Day” at UMKC school of Medicine with our colleagues from Buchanan County.
- This year Millie Bever traveled to Charleston, SC for the Annual SMA meeting in November and Metro Med of KC received an award for the annual Scholarships awarded to students in Nursing School and Other Allied Health specialties.
- We also had a second sewing day gathering at Renae Butlers’ home.
- Lissa Young and Kathie Hazuka put together a basket donated on behalf of Metro Med for the Foundation Dinner Fundraiser.
- We will have our annual Installation in May.
- We lost two members this past year: Carol Jean De Feo and Sarah June Barelli.

Respectfully submitted,

Sana Saleh & Millie Bever, Co-Presidents
In August, SLMMSA reached out to new membership by connecting on the closed Facebook page Lives of St. Louis Doctors’ Wives. We sponsored a meet and greet dinner at a local restaurant and 5 young women showed up. We were able to sign 3 of them up as members.

In September, SLMMSA held its annual Cabi Fashion event presented by Carrie Kreutz. We invited members and their friends to shop for fall fashions at the home of co-president Kelly O’Leary. We had a very successful event and raised $700 for our programs.

In October we presented our health programs, *Hands are not for Hitting* and *Drugs are not for Me/Pills are not a Party*. Angela Zylka, Kelly O’Leary, Dianne Joyce, and Sandra Murdock combined the drug programs with a program on opioid awareness to middle school boys at Loyola Academy. The boys were asked to prepare an essay, poem, or art work on opioid awareness.

In November we had a wonderful luncheon with the Loyola Academy boys who presented their projects from the *Pills are not a Party/ Drugs are not for Me* program. The boys presented their papers, poems, and art work and talked about the inspiration for their projects. They were all presented with medals and certificates.

We made $220 from our Vault Vintage Fashion Fundraiser in November. It was an easy and fun project and we were delighted to have two of our newest members present.

The St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society gave us $1000 for our Holiday Sharing Party. We divided it among St. Martha’s Hall Shelter for Women, Loyola Academy for Boys, and the St. Louis Area Food Bank. We also collected checks from members at the party for the charities.

In January several of us attended the SLMMMS Installation Dinner. We were delighted to see Donna Corrado and her husband, Dr. Joe Corrado, the current MSMA President. Dr. Corrado installed Dr. Ramona Behshad as our new SLMMMS President. Dr. Behshad mentioned the Alliance in her address and expressed her desire to work closely with us.

In February we had our *Doctor of the Year* dinner where we honored Dr. Arthur Gale for his extensive writing in both the SLMMMS magazine and *Missouri Medicine*. We also awarded $3000 to Casa de Salud, a Spanish-speaking volunteer clinic housed on the campus of St. Louis University. The funds donated to Casa came from three independent practice associations.

In March Angela Zylka and Sandra Murdock participated in the St. Louis University Medical School Match Day where they presented monetary gifts and luggage to the students. They were well received.
On April 13th we will be holding our Spring Fashion Presentation and Luncheon at Neiman Marcus. This is an every-other year event. The cost of the luncheon and presentation is $55.00. We can still take reservations at this point.

We will be having our installation of officers in May. Our co-presidents for the upcoming year will be Kelly O’Leary and Angela Zylka.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ann Greco and Kelly O’Leary
Co-presidents
St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society Alliance 2018-2019
(Buchanan County). Sana and Lissa Young represented Metro Med Alliance of Kansas City. Deb Snyder and Allene Wright and the MSMA Alliance paid for the drinks. The US Army paid for Waldo's Pizza and service. Thank you to Major Agustin.

In St. Louis, SLJ also held its annual Match Day event on March 15th. The St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society Alliance was one of the event's sponsors giving cash awards and travel luggage to students. Cash awards were raised from the SLMMS Alliance. The chair is Angela Zylka. Her committee includes Sue Ann Greco, Kelly O'Leary, Jo-Ellyn Ryall, JoEllen McDonald, Sandra Murdock and me – Millie Bever. Funds raised were enough for gifts for the students. Remember the old saying about graduation - they are all “doctors.” Well we believe they are all are eligible for awards, so the students each received a ticket to participate in a drawing for the gifts and ‘scholarship gift cards.’

Thank you all again for your support and the scholarships for UMKC, Columbia and St. Louis University donated in Dr. Grant A. Bever's memory for the future of medicine.

Respectfully submitted,

Millie Bever and Angela Zylka
Resident Physician and Medical Student Spouse
Committee Liaisons