

THURSTON-MASON COUNTY

Medical Society

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Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE TMCMS PRESIDENT

By Bob Lang, MD

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of 2015. It has been an honor to serve as your TMCMS Board President for 2015 and I look forward to continuing to serve as a board trustee in 2016.

TMCMS is always looking for new members to join our board and serve the medical society and local community. We have at least one opening on the board for 2016 so if you are interested in serving – now is your chance. Please contact Jena Layton or any of the current board members for more information. We will be electing a new TMCMS president and board of trustees at our annual meeting on Thursday, February 18 at the Olympia Golf & Country Club in West Olympia.

One of my main goals as board president was start what we hope will become an annual event, the Spring Gala. The “Blooming with Health” Spring Gala is March 26, 2016. This event is patterned after Kitsap County Medical Society’s Fire & Ice Gala which raises thousands of dollars every year to support non-profit organizations providing important health services for the local community. Nancy Mackin, my wife, and I along with the steering committee have put in countless hours planning the Spring Gala to offer an entertaining evening for all attendees and to raise funds to support the Olympia Free Clinic in Olympia and the Shelton Community Pool in Mason County.

Now it is your turn to get involved. Please plan to attend this event with family, friends and colleagues. You can purchase individual tickets or buy a table for 10 on our

website at www.tmcms.org. Buy your tickets now to get the special early bird price. Thanks again for your support and we look forward to seeing all you for an evening of dinner and dancing.

“BLOOMING WITH HEALTH” – TMCMS SPRING GALA MARCH 26, 2016

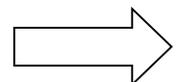
The medical society needs your support to make this event a success. All funds raised in excess of event expenses will be donated to the Olympia Free Clinic in downtown Olympia and the Shelton Community Pool Project. The Olympia Free Clinic provides much needed medical services to people in need in Thurston County and the Shelton Community Pool Project is working to keep the pool at Shelton High School open for the entire community.

The Gala offers you and your guests an entertaining evening with dinner, dancing and a silent auction. Sonic Funk, an award-winning Pacific Northwest band will provide the entertainment, you can check out the band at www.sonicfunktheband.com.

TMCMS would especially like to thank PHYSICIANS INSURANCE for being our Platinum Sponsor of this event. They have generously donated \$10,000 to the Gala. Many of our medical society members are already members of Physicians Insurance, if you are not, please visit their website at www.phyins.com to view their products and learn how they can help you in your medical practice.

Three ways you and your practice can be involved in the Gala.

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Olympia, WA 98502
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- **Plan to attend with family, friends and colleagues.** Purchase your tickets online at www.tmcms.org. Early bird tickets are \$87 per person or purchase a table of 10 for \$850.
- **Donate an item or service to the silent auction.** We are actively procuring items for the silent auction. Contact Nancy Mackin at nancymackin4@gmail.com or visit the TMCMS website for more information.
- **Become a corporate sponsor.** There are several levels of corporate sponsorship and each level contains promotional benefits for your business. Contact Nancy Mackin at nancymackin4@gmail.com or visit the TMCMS website for more information.

WSMA LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP DAY ON THE HILL FEBRUARY 9, 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM

The WSMA Legislative Leadership Day on the Hill is rapidly approaching. This year the meeting will take place on the capitol campus rather than at the Red Lion. As a result of the smaller meeting space, attendance is limited. Please visit www.wsma.org to view the agenda and register for this free event.

The morning program will include presentations from Dr. Bob Crittenden, senior health policy advisor to Gov. Inslee, who will provide an update on Gov. Inslee's health care priorities. Doug Badger, co-founder and managing partner of Quinn Thomas, will draw on his more than two decades in politics and his role as a former high-ranking appointee in the White House and Chief of Staff in Congress to provide attendees an overview of the national political landscape during a presidential election year. And finally, Ron Dotzauer, CEO of Strategies 360 and savvy political strategist (having helped elect Booth Gardner and Maria Cantwell among many others), will provide his perspective on the legislative landscape for 2016.

Attendees will also receive a report on the 2016 elections, the state and local political landscape, and WSMA's top three legislative issues. Expect to leave the event with the information you need to connect with your legislators throughout the year.

In partnership with:

Washington **WSMA**
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In order to make this event a success, the WSMA needs strong participation from physician and medical practice leaders in the state. Several TMCMS board members have already registered for this event, please plan to join them by registering today.

"ARE WE PREPARED? DISASTER READINESS AND RESILIENCY IN THE HEALTH AND MEDICAL SYSTEM"

TMCMS ANNUAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2016 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

The TMCMS annual meeting is Thursday, February 18, 2016 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Olympia Country & Golf Club. Please join us for this important annual meeting. In addition to electing a new board president and board of trustees for 2016, we are working with the Thurston County Emergency Preparedness and Regional Coordinator to offer a presentation on our current state of readiness in the event of a disaster. The presentation will address how medical practices will be kept open, functioning and able to respond to evolving disasters. You will participate in assessing the health of our Health and Medical System in Lewis, Mason and Thurston counties.

This is a free event and dinner will be provided. Come and enjoy an evening with friends and colleagues and participate in the governance of your medical society. Mark your calendars and plan to attend, we look forward to seeing all of you on February 18.

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016

Thank you to all of you who have already renewed your medical society membership for 2016. You can renew your WSMA and TMCMS membership at www.wsma.org.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

January

- TMCMS Board meeting, Thursday, January 21

February

- WSMA Legislative Summit, Tuesday, February 9
- **TMCMS Annual Meeting, Thursday, February 18 at the Olympia Country & Golf Club**

March

- TMCMS board meeting, Thursday, March 17
- **Blooming with Health – TMCMS Gala, Saturday, March 26 at the Indian Summer Golf & Country Club**