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## PRESIDENT'S PEN

I hope everyone is surviving the heat and the rain. Hopefully no hurricanes this year.

At the FSMA annual meeting Heidi Fortin, CMA (AAMA) was voted in as Speaker of the General Assembly and I was voted in as Vice Speaker of the General Assembly. Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA) is currently the Immediate Past President of FSMA. Congratulations to members of this chapter who have stepped up to the state level. Heidi and I will be going as Delegate and Alternate to Utah to represent FSMA at the National AAMA meeting in September.

We are getting ready to start meetings again. Our Education Chair has resigned so I will need help obtaining speakers. I will do the paper work, the after work calls if needed or e-mailing the speakers. I do not have time to call for speakers during the day.

I will be working on missing CEU's so please let me know ASAP what is missing. At the CPR class, we had a brief meeting on what was missing from our transcripts and what National has for the chapter. We are not the only chapter or state having this issue. After David Knight passed away, different people were doing his job until they got a permanent replacement. I have two contacts to work with. I hope to get this all on your transcripts by our September 6, 2018 meeting. Please e-mail me at [djcm@comcast.net](mailto:djcma@comcast.net) as to what you are missing along with your AAMA ID number so I can try to get this corrected. Judy has tried multiple times to get this fixed without success so I'm keeping my fingers crossed it will work this time.

Remember, we are open to all medical assistant credentials so please feel free to ask co-workers to attend our meetings. Certificate of Attendance will be issued if needed. Please look around your place of employment and invite the non-member CMA or anyone that might be interested in the topic that is being presented.

## **PRESIDENT'S PEN (cont.)**

Please remember to go to the FSMA web site to stay in touch with national, state and local activities. You are more than welcome to attend any chapter's events.

I hope to see you all at the meeting. Stay healthy as so many bad bugs are still going around right now.

Deniece Jozefiak, CMA (AAMA)  
South West Chapter President

## **Minutes from May 3, 2018**

Fawcett Memorial Hospital, Port Charlotte, Florida

Called to order by President, Deniece Jozefiak, CMA

Roll call by Recording Secretary, Pam Nemanick, CMA: Absent: Ruth Lapio, CMA and Judy Seymour, CMA

A quorum was declared by Recording Secretary, Pam Nemanick, CMA

Correspondence: Deniece Jozefiak, CMA. Verbal report.

President: Deniece Jozefiak, CMA. Report read and placed on file.

President Elect: Heidi Fortin, CMA. No report.

Recording Secretary: Pam Nemanick, CMA: The minutes from October, 5, 2017 were approved without corrections and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report: Heidi Fortin, CMA. Report read and placed on file. Current balance \$4655.06 as of March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Past President: Deniece Jozefiak, CMA. No report.

Physician Liaison: Cathy Criss, D.O. Absent.

Bylaws: Deniece Jozefiak, CMA. Report read and placed on file.

Education: Judy Seymour, CMA and Ruth Lapio, CMA. Absent.

Marketing: Ruth Lapio, CMA. Absent

Newsletter: Pam Nemanick, CMA. Report read and placed on file.

## **Minutes from May 3, 2018 (cont.)**

Service: Pam Nemanick, CMA. Report read and placed on file.

Ways & Means: Marvine Dethloff, CMA. No report

### **Old Business:**

1. Missing CEU's: Please review your transcript and report any missing CEU's to the education chair, Judy Seymour, CMA.

### **New Business:**

1. Education/speakers/topics for next year: Members were requested to think about what they might want to learn about and submit their suggestions to the education chair, Judy Seymour, CMA.
2. Fundraising: The marketing chair, Ruth Lapio, CMA, even though absent, had suggested not doing a fundraiser at Visani's anymore due to low attendance. It had been suggested by multiple members to maybe change the time of year that it is held to perhaps May or June. This will be readdressed at our next business meeting in September, 2018.
3. Education: It has been suggested to have three to four mini-seminars per year on a Saturday from 9:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We had previously discussed this and have already had our first mini-seminar on Saturday, February 17, 2018.
4. Board meetings: It has been suggested to cut back to two board meetings a year, September and April, unless and emergency arises. Members are in agreement.
5. Officers and committee chairs: Officers and committee chairs are remaining the same except that Ruth Lapio, CMA has resigned as co-chair of the education committee and chair of the marketing committee. We need nominations for a marketing chair. Paul Steele, CMA has graciously agreed to help Judy Seymour, CMA with education.

### **Announcements:**

1. Mini-seminar Saturday, August 11, 2018: CPR recertification. 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Cost is yet to be determined.
2. Next SWCMA meeting: Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. Topic to be announced.
3. SWCMA mini-seminar: Saturday, November 10, 2018. Topics to be announced.
4. National AAMA meeting: September 14-17, 2018 in Salt Lake City, Utah.
5. FSMA fall seminar: Saturday, November 17, 2018 at the Double Tree by Hilton in Sunrise, FL.
6. Newsletter deadline: August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Nemanick, CMA, Recording Secretary for the Southwest Chapter of Medical Assistants.

**FEATURE SPEAKER: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2018**

The speaker will be Wayne Wallace, RPH on compounded medication vs opioid use for nerve pain. 1 CEU. Business meeting to follow.

SWCMA welcomes all members, medical professionals, friends, colleagues and individuals interested in health care issues.

There will be a \$5.00 fee for non-members who want their CEU's listed with the AAMA.



**SOUTHWEST CHAPTER OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS**

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2018-2019 (REMEMBER THIS IS ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

FAWCETT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 6:30 PM EDUCATION STARTS

- |           |                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9/6/2018  | COMPOUNDED MEDICATION VS OPIOID USE FOR NERVE PAIN<br>WAYNE WALLACE, RPH<br>1 CEU<br>BUSINESS MEETING TO FOLLOW                   |
| 10/4/18   | BREAST CANCER<br>SPEAKER TBA                                                                                                      |
| 11/1/2018 | ACO'S: WHAT DO THEY MEAN AND HOW DO THE MEDICAL ASSISTANTS AFFECT THE BOTTOM LINE<br>DAVID PATERTSON, RN,BSN                      |
| 11/3/2018 | MINI-SEMINAR AT VENICE REGIONAL HOSPITAL<br>9 AM-1 PM<br>TOPICS BEING FINALIZED (FIBROSCAN, HOSPICE AND SOMETHING ADMINISTRATIVE) |
| 12/2018   | CHRISTMAS DINNER AND ORNAMENT EXCHANGE                                                                                            |
| 1/3/2019  | TBA 1.5 CEU                                                                                                                       |

**Upcoming Events (cont.)**

2/7/2019	TBA 1.5 CEU
3/7/2019	TBA 1.5 CEU
4/4/2019	TBA 1 CEU BUSINESS MEETING TO FOLLOW
4/13/2019	SPRING SEMINAR 4-6 CEU'S TOPICS TBA
9/5/2019	TBA BUSINESS MEETING
10/3/2019	TBA
10/12/2019	FALL MINI-SEMINAR 4-6 CEUS TOPICS TBA
11/7/2019	TBA
12/5/2019	TBA
12/2019	CHRIASTMAS DINNER AND ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

IDEAS WELCOME FOR TOPICS AND SPEAKERS. PLEASE CALL 941-286-8551 OR E-MAIL ME AT DJCMA@COMCAST.NET



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Then go to "Chapter Events"  
to find the Southwest Chapter.

Our current Bylaws can also  
be found on our website.



#### SOUTHWEST DIRECTORY

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