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PRESIDENT'S PEN

I hope everyone has had a nice summer. It is now time to focus on our future as a chapter. As we know it has been difficult to obtain and keep scheduled speakers. This year our focus needs to be on how we can achieve and meet our member's needs.

There was no meeting in September as no speaker could be obtained and I was out of town. As I'm typing we are facing Hurricane Irma churning out in the Atlantic. Please be safe.

Speakers have been confirmed for October and November. We need to work on our November 18, 2017 seminar. I do have some leads from Paul on a Hospice speaker. More info to follow at our October meeting. Please bring any and all ideas to the meeting. During the meeting we will discuss officers and committee chairs as this was missed in the spring. Please help support this chapter in any way you can. Even if it is attending to obtain CEU's you are supporting us.

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.

Please look around your place of employment and invite the non-member CMA or any one that might be interested in the topic that is being presented.

Hope to see you all at the meeting (remember bring a guest) on October 2, 2017

Deniece Jozefiak, CMA (AAMA)
Southwest Chapter President

Minutes from February 2, 2017

Fawcett Memorial Hospital, Port Charlotte, Florida

Called to order by President, Deniece Jozefiak, CMA.

Roll call by Pam Nemanick, CMA: Absent: Heidi Fortin, CMA

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

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

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

President Elect: Heidi Fortin, CMA. Absent

Recording Secretary: Pam Nemanick, CMA. The minutes from May 5th, 2016 were approved without corrections and placed on file.

Treasurer's Report: Heidi Fortin, CMA. Absent. Current balance: Not available. The members expressed concern that the treasurer has been absent and they wondered where we stood financially. President Jozefiak will contact the treasurer and report at the next meeting.

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

Physician Liaison: None.

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

Education: Judy Seymour, CMA and Ruth Lapio, CMA. Report read and placed on file.

Marketing: Ruth Lapio, CMA. Report read and placed on file.

Membership: Heidi Fortin, CMA. Absent.

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

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

Ways & Means: Marvine Dethloff, CMA. No report. The Chapter collected \$240.00 in ticket sales from the Visani's fundraiser.

Unfinished Business:

1. Bylaws: The committee chair is still trying to update as there have been some computer problems. As soon as they are resolved and copy will be sent to the members.
2. Missing CEU's: Please review your transcript and inform Judy Seymour, CMA of any missing CEU's.
3. Education topics: Please see the hand-out our President, Deniece Jozefiak, CMA gave to the members for possible topics for upcoming meetings. Let the Education chair, Judy Seymour, CMA know of anything you might be interested in learning about.

Minutes from February 2, 2017 (cont.)

New Business:

1. Spring seminar: Saturday, March 25, 2017. Topics TBA.
2. Community service projects: Winter: Home Instead Christmas gifts for the elderly. Spring: C.A.R.E.S. donations on any kind.
3. Officers: Officers will be determined at the April, 2017 meeting.

Announcements:

1. Next meeting: Thursday, March 2, 2017. Speaker will be discussing how to handle the difficult patient phone call.
2. Next FSMA meeting: Saturday, May 6, 2017 in Orlando (near Sea World).
3. Newsletter deadline: March 10, 2017.

Meeting adjourned 8:10 p.m.

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

FEATURE SPEAKER: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017

The topic will be: "Power up your patients: The power game in healthcare." 1.5 CEU'S. There will be a business meeting following the speaker.

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.



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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2017 (REMEMBER THIS IS ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

FAWCETT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL 6:30 PM EDUCATION STARTS

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| 10/5/2017 | POWER UP YOUR PATIENTS: THE POWER GAME IN HEALTHCARE
1.5 CEU'S
BUSINESS MEETING TO FOLLOW |
| 11/2/2017 | COLITITIS VS CROHN'S DISEASE
1.5 CEU'S
POSSIBLE BUSINESS MEETING TO FOLLOW |
| 11/18/2017 | FALL SEMINAR 6 CEU'S
SPEAKERS TO TBA |
| 12/7/2017 | TBA |

IDEAS WELCOME FOR TOPICS AND SPEAKERS. PLEASE CALL 662-0177 OR E-MAIL JUDY SEYMOUR AT judymseymour@gmail.com OR DENIEE JOZEFIK AT 941-286-8551 DJCMA@COMCAST.NET



We're on the web!
Go to: FSMAONLINE.ORG
Then go to "Chapter Events"
to find the Southwest Chapter.

Our current Bylaws can also
be found on our website.



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