August 29, 2014

Dear Downstate Illinois ACP Members,

Hope everyone is enjoying these last days of summer. Here are some special items for just for you, courtesy of the ACP.

**Colleagues**
We have many fabulous, inspiring colleagues in our chapter. This month I would like to acknowledge and thank our Downstate IL Council, comprised of Naveed Adoni, MBBS, Andy Arwari, MD, FACP, Preeshini Fernando, MBBS, James Graumlich, MD, FACP, Jennie Hsu-Lumetta, MD, FACP, Majd Ibrahim, MD, Larry Jennings, MD, FACP, Michael Kuhlenschmidt, Katie Lowry, Teresa Lynch, MD, FACP, Saad Muhammad, MBBS, Gary Rull, MD, FACP, Carolina Soto, PhD, and Jit Trivedi, MD, FACP. They provide guidance to me and our chapter on a wide variety of issues. And in particular, please congratulate Dr. Hsu-Lumetta and Dr. Graumlich who were recently elected and appointed to the statewide Governor's Council. On behalf of all of us, thank you!

**Call for Abstracts—Students & Residents**
The deadline for the Call for Abstracts for this year’s Downstate IL Poster Competition for students and residents is Friday, September 5. To submit an abstract, click here. Scheduled for Thursday evening, November 6 at the I-Hotel in Champaign, we are all looking forward to an exciting competition! If you have any questions, please contact our Executive Director, Donna Seawards.

**Kudos**
Kudos to Carolina Soto, PhD, fourth year medical student at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Urbana, who recently participated with me on a national ACP Webinar about Internal Medicine Interest Groups for students. She provided multiple useful tips and insights, and many attendees commented on her excellent points. Thank you Carolina!

**Resolutions**
It is that time of year again to review resolutions. Eleven items are up for discussion and voting at the upcoming Board of Governor’s meeting, including one which is sponsored by both the Downstate and Northern Regions of the Illinois Chapter (1-F14, “Identifying Chronic Condition/Medication Pairings
where Evidence Supports Eliminating Co-payments"). The full list of resolutions is attached. Please review these and share your opinions with me by Friday, September 5—it is my privilege to represent you.

Fall 2014 Board of Governor’s Meeting—Chicago
If you have any favorite photos, fun facts about the state, or brief stories you would like your ACP Illinois Governors, Marie Brown, MD, FACP and myself, to share when we welcome the Board of Governors to Illinois and Chicago, please email them to me by Friday September 5—thank you!

Volunteerism
Thank you for those of you who replied last month about your volunteer work—if you haven’t replied yet, please let me know what you do. We are trying to capture your medical (and other) volunteer activities, and identify those in our chapter who are volunteering. We want to hear from you!

Advancing to ACP Fellowship
Now is a great time to advance to ACP Fellowship, and march at Convocation at Internal Medicine 2015 in Boston—click here for more information. Susan Hingle, MD, FACP recently gave an excellent webinar on advancing to ACP Fellowship; in case you missed it, you may view it here.

Save the Dates!
Every Tuesday, 8:00 pm, MKSAP Live Online Study Hall, for recertifying Illinois ACP members; see here for more information.

Monday, September 22, 6:30 pm
Webinar, Leadership Series: Work-Life Balance
Gregory Kane, MD, FACP, Governor, ACP SE Pennsylvania Chapter. Register here.

Thursday, November 6, 5:30-7:00 pm
Downstate Illinois ACP Associates Poster Competition, I-Hotel and Conference Center, Champaign
Deadline to submit an abstract: Friday, September 5

Friday & Saturday, November 7 & 8
Illinois ACP Chapter Scientific Meeting, I-Hotel and Conference Center, Champaign, IL
We have a terrific meeting planned, with opportunities to learn, catch up with colleagues, earn MOC points, and more!

Internal Medicine 2015 Boston, Centennial Meeting, April 30-May 2
We are looking forward to seeing you soon, and enjoy the Labor Day Weekend!

Sincerely yours,
Janet

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Resolutions Fall 2014