

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

2024 ANNUAL MEETING

***Introducing
Thomas S. Proctor, M.D.
175th MCMS President***

***with
Recognition of
John R. Corker, M.D.
2023 MCMS President
and
OSMA Fifty Year Award Honorees***

***Thursday, April 18, 2024
Dayton Country Club***

6:00 PM

Members and Guests Enjoyed a Wonderful Evening Celebration!

The Spring weather cooperated as bright sunshine welcomed guests to the MCMS 2024 Annual Meeting at the Dayton Country Club on Thursday, April 18, 2024. Annette Chavez, MD, helped welcome and greet over 100 guests. A cocktail reception, delicious buffet dinner service and background music provided a friendly atmosphere for those gathered and enjoying the evening. 2023 MCMS President John R. Corker, MD, conducted the meeting.

Dr. Corker welcomed all in attendance and called for a moment of silence as he read the names of those physician members who passed away within the past year. He welcomed special guests, Ohio Representatives Willis Blackshear, Jr., and Susan Manchester, along with OSMA Vice President, Advocacy, Monica Hueckel, and Ms. Gerri Sheehan, Executive Director of the Physicians Charitable Foundation. Acknowledging that leadership of MCMS is a team effort, he asked the members of the MCMS Board of Directors to stand and be recognized. And noting that the future of medicine lies with the upcoming generation, he asked the many medical students from WSU Boonshoft School of Medicine to stand and be recognized. The OSMA Fifty Year Awards were presented by Evangeline Andarsio, MD, to those physicians who have attained the prestigious point of their medical career, marking fifty years since medical school graduation. Monica Hueckel presented a summary of many of the legislative issues that OSMA is currently advocating on behalf of Ohio physicians and their patients. Reps. Blackshear and Manchester highlighted some of the critical topics they are involved with in Columbus, and each noted their pleasure to have this opportunity to meet with the MCMS physician community. Ms. Hueckel then moderated a Q&A session with each of the legislators. The following content includes pictorial highlights of the 2024 Annual Meeting.



Ohio Representative (D-38)
Willis Blackshear, Jr.



Ohio Representative (D-78)
Susan Manchester



Dr. Corker received the
"Certificate of Appreciation"
Plaque



OSMA VP, Advocacy
Monica Hueckel



Dr. Proctor is handed the
Leadership Gavel

2024 OSMA Fifty Year Awardees

*MCMS
Congratulates
these physicians who were
honored to
receive the
OSMA
Fifty Year Award*

Class of 1974

James Apesos, MD
***H. Michael Duke, MD**
***John Farrell, MD**
***Daniel Juergens, MD**
***Robert Kiefaber, MD**
Rajeev Mehta, MD
Paul O'Brien, MD
Robert Prophater, Jr, MD
Stuart Weprin, MD
***Howard Wunderlich, MD**
**In Absentia*



James Apesos, MD with son, John
and friends Shannon Finn and Eric
Summers
Georgetown University 1974
Plastic Surgery



Rajeev Mehta, MD and wife, Bialbar
King George's Medical College,
Lucknow India 1974
Gastroenterology



Paul O'Brien, MD and wife, Teresa
Indiana University School of Medicine
1974
General Surgery



Robert Prophater, Jr, MD
The Ohio State University
College of Medicine 1974
Family Medicine

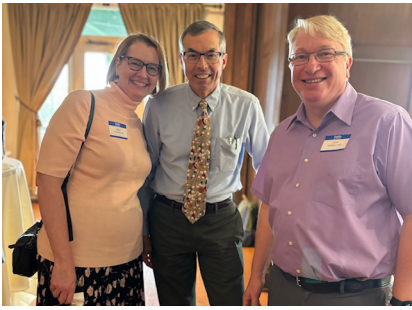
*A moment of Silence
was Offered
In Memory of
MCMS Physician Members
Who Have
Passed Away Since the Last
MCMS Annual Meeting:*

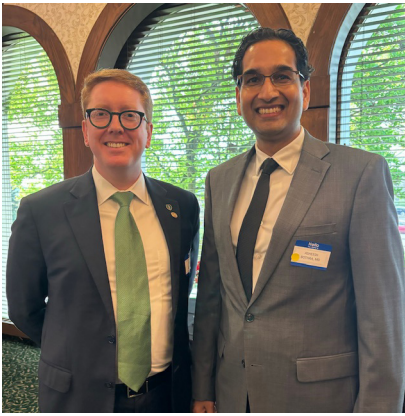
Serjgio Alejandrino, MD
Jeffrey Christian, MD
Allen Cline, MD
Alan Edmonson, MD
Narayana Kandula, MD
Herman Knoll, MD
Laura Pollack, MD
Paul Thesing, MD
John K. Wiley, MD
Robert Winslow, MD



Stuart Weprin, MD, and wife, Gail
and son, Matt
The Ohio State University
College of Medicine 1974
Obstetrics & Gynecology
Urogynecology







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RECOGNITION OF CONTEMPORARY MCMS PAST PRESIDENTS

Herman I. Abromowitz, M.D. - 1978
John H. Taylor, M.D. - 1979
Walter W. Keyes, M.D. - 1981
Burton G. Must, Jr., M.D. - 1991
Stephen T. House, M.D.-1992
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Richard T. Hoback, M.D. - 1994
David A. Westbrook, M.D. - 1996
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Deepak Kumar, M.D. - 1999
William K. Rundell, M.D. - 2001
Gideon G.S.A. Adegbile, M.D. - 2002
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Felipe A. Rubio, M.D. - 2005
Howard B. Abromowitz, M.D. - 2006
Annette M. Chavez, M.D. - 2007

Samia W. Borchers, M.D. - 2008
Glenn C. Hamilton, M.D.- 2009
Evangeline C. Andarsio, M.D. - 2010
John J. Haluschak, M.D. - 2011
Walter A. Reiling III, M.D. - 2013
Sanjay Sandhir, M.D. - 2014
Mustafa Quadri, M.D. - 2015
John L. Lyman, M.D. - 2016
Lisa B. Egbert, M.D. - 2017
Wm. Michael McCullough, Jr., M.D. - 2018
Jeffrey B. Studebaker, M.D. - 2019
Rajeev Mehta, M.D. - 2020
David O. Griffith, M.D. - 2021
Ricardo Buenaventura, M.D. - 2022
John R. Corker, M.D. - 2023

2023 President's Inaugural Address

by Thomas S. Proctor, M.D.



What an honor to congratulate Dr John Corker on an incredible year as President of the Medical Society. He is the epitome of selfless leadership. Through his efforts, our organization has leaped into the electronic era with a rejuvenated website, social media presence and marked enhancements to our onboarding of new members. He has been instrumental in engaging medical students and residents in the value of organized medicine, crucial to the future for our organization. His continued involvement here, the OSMA and on a national stage will surely only enhance his legacy. A new father to Ellie and doting husband to Lisa, it is my honor to thank Dr Corker for a tremendous year. John, thank you from our entire organization.

My comments regarding Dr. Corker are not enough to repay him for the countless hours he has contributed to our organization. Indeed, he and I stand on the shoulders of the many former Presidents, particularly

those who are with us tonight. You are the pillars of our modern Medical Society. I hope I can contribute even a fraction of what you have given. Thank you for still being here.

2024 marks a milestone year for the Montgomery County Medical Society. I was hoping that was called the Sesquecentennial, making me the Sesquech. But that was 150. Instead it's Septa-quinta-quinque-centennial. I got nothing to call that. Regardless, what an honor to serve a group that has lasted for generations.

Our society doesn't look like it once did.

- Physicians once came together to navigate the challenges of an independent practice. They relied on the expertise and collective wisdom of peers to navigate payer contracting, state and federal mandates or to find other efficiencies to provide care.

- At the time, the most effective way to communicate to other physicians was face-to-face meetings and quarterly

written materials.

- Value-added services for members were easily defined - regular in person meetings and a call service as examples.

What changed?

- Third party payers made it almost impossible for small, independent practices to get a reasonable fee schedule and function as solo practitioners

- Large hospital systems and Contract Management Groups bought practices, so daily management of the business of medicine was left to others.

- "E-sources" of just about anything replaced common experiences like we are having tonight, giving physicians information on demand.

- And Advocacy moved to the state and national levels as local societies dwindle in numbers.

Is there a role for MCMS? I firmly believe...more than ever.

- More than ever, we need an effective local resource that hears our "hot button" issues

for preserving the practice of medicine and serves as a conduit to state and federal bodies with the power to create change.

- More than ever, we need to make sure physicians are the drivers of extensions of our care through services like advanced practice provider utilization. These hard-working men and women have a much-needed role in the delivery of health care but are not a replacement for the critical thinking skills that we developed over a decade of training.

- More than ever, physicians need to come together to challenge payer behaviors as well as the lagging impact that MCR/MCD reimbursement have on our practice viability, our ability to recruit and incentives to retain top talent to the area.

- More than ever, we need our younger physicians to recognize the importance of organized medicine that impact health care policy and our ability to preserve the very best in patient care.

What do I hope to accomplish in 2024?

- Make sure there is a society to hand to Dr. Bothra in 2025!

- I want this to be the year

where we reinvigorate our interest in the common goal of enhancing the physician relationship. Regardless of practice size, network, or employer, we have an incredible think tank in the area of bright, innovative physicians and we need to create a space where we can shine.

- Our board will have to seek continued financial efficiencies on an administrative level to make us as lean as possible while increasing our efforts at member recruitment.

- A first step, under the leadership of our finance committee, will be to create financial incentives for membership through reduced membership fees for individual as well as group practices in the coming months.

- We need YOUR HELP to develop tangible “value adds” for membership, whether it is through more regular conversations with our elected officials such as we have tonight, educational / service events, or social events that allow us the space to strengthen our bond.

I was raised by my grandmother in Germantown with a simple tenet. “Leave the room better than you found it.” Given the talent in this room that has

created an organization that has lasted 175 years, that ... will be a tough task.

I want to thank my spouse, Kyle, for the space to be involved. Members of my own practice – Drs. Brady, Pook and Corker. You set the highest possible bar for hard work, doing the right thing for our emergency patients, our practice and the business of medicine. I am continually inspired by you.

Thank you to Dr. Lisa Egbert for your passion and involvement in AMA leadership while still finding the time to practice medicine and support our local efforts. Dr. Kumar, Dr. House, Dr. Bothra and anyone I am missing for your involvement at the state and national levels. Thank you to the members of our Board of Directors for their commitment to make MCMS a fixture in the Dayton community.

And finally, please help me thank Gerri Creel. We have managed to continue to push back your thoughts of retirement and I plan to add one more year! Without your tireless, honest, and often thankless commitment to our organization, none of this is possible. Good night everyone.