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## The 82nd Annual Meeting was *Fabulous!*

Jamie Hosseinian, our outgoing President, has a favorite word — *fabulous!* It became the catchword and perfect description for the events of the Annual Meeting, which was held April 28 - 29 in Charlotte.

Awards were given to county and state leaders; county reports were enjoyed; the raffle drawing was held; distinguished guests and speakers attended; state Alliance business was conducted; a speaker on membership challenges riveted us; door prizes were given at every event; and an award winning author spoke about her latest book. Every event was *fabulous!*

Many awards were presented to our *fabulous* County Alliances for their successes in alliance activities: AMAE, Membership, Communications, Doctors' Day, Health Promotion, Medical Heritage, and Legislative Affairs. The President's Awards of Excellence and Outstanding Alliances of the Year were, as always, one of the main highlights of the meeting.

### ***President's Awards of Excellence***

- \* Extra Effort: Lynn Everett, VP for Health Promotion; Rachel Pace, *Tarheel Tandem* editor; Ginny Pierson, Treasurer; Arlene Pike, VP for Communications
- \* Outstanding Community Event/Service: Chantelle Goodman, for "Snack Light" project, Cumberland
- \* Outstanding Effort in the reorganization of their county alliance: Ranise Gillespie and Dr. Joyce Mills, Union
- \* Outstanding Effort in serving their county alliance: Carolyn Niemeyer, Gaston and Patsy Reames and Linda Kramer, Mecklenburg
- \* County Alliance member of the year: Alex Diez, President of Buncombe and Julie Newman, President of Wake
- \* State Alliance member of the year: Susan Hammer, NCMSA Immediate Past President

### ***Outstanding Alliances of the Year***

- \* State membership of 50 and under: Alamance-Caswell
- \* State membership of 51 - 120: Medical Alliance of the Piedmont
- \* State membership greater than 120: Greater Greensboro



Jamie Hosseinian, outgoing President, presiding at the fabulous meeting.



The fabulous county alliance award winners from left are: front row - Nancy Pulliam, Medical Alliance of the Piedmont; Beverly Wright, Greater Greensboro; Julie Newman and Suzanne Zeok, Wake. Back row - Carolyn Niemeyer and Darlyn Peindl, Gaston; Linda Kramer and Patsy Reames, Mecklenburg; Lynn Takla and Rachel Kunes, Cabarrus.

## Bits from Beth

Greetings from Headquarters! We are settling back to normal after a FABULOUS annual meeting in Charlotte in late April. Everyone who attended was treated to a fun and interesting time. Our Hubbard Memorial speaker, Cathy Pickens, was delightful! And we experienced an inaugural address that was certainly not "your mother's inaugural address," including a complete wardrobe change (thankfully without malfunction)!



As we begin our 83rd year of service to the citizens of NC, we have an opportunity to move our organization forward, build upon our history, and achieve new goals. Under the able leadership of Ann Faris, we will be making decisions about refining our mission and focus and realigning our structure to enable us to most effectively meet today's and tomorrow's community and state needs. I hope you will become engaged in this exciting process.

Look for information in this Tandem about our summit, Navigating Adolescence, on October 14 at the Grandover Hotel in Greensboro. This 7th annual statewide event promises to be our best and most comprehensive to date. Don't miss it!

## The North Carolina Medical Society Alliance

Presents

Symposium 2005

# Navigating Adolescence

Friday, October 14 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Grandover Resort and Conference Center  
Greensboro, NC

Keynote Speaker, **Michael Gurian**  
*The Minds of Boys*

### How to Help Our Sons Do Their Best in School and Succeed in Life

Social philosopher and family therapist, Michael Gurian, focuses on helping adolescent boys succeed in school and in life. In the keynote session of the day, Gurian will present both theory and practical applications to help guide educators, professionals and parents to improve learning environments.

For twenty years, Michael Gurian has been studying the state of boyhood in our culture. In his books, he has examined boys' emotional, physical, psychological, and moral development. Author of *The Wonder of Boys*, *A Fine Young Man*, and *The Good Son*, Gurian cites the following statistics from federal studies:

- \* Boys are four times as likely to commit suicide as girls.
- \* Boys are 15 times more likely to be victims of crimes than girls.
- \* Boys are twice as likely as girls to be diagnosed with a learning disability.
- \* Boys are four times as likely as girls to drop out of school.

His most recent book, *The Minds of Boys*, focuses specifically on boy's education needs. His presentation will address:

- \* Understanding of the male learning style.
- \* Saving our sons from falling behind in school and in life.
- \* The role of parents and communities in ensuring good schooling.
- \* New methods, strategies and teaching techniques proven to work.

Additional sessions, including a panel discussion, will address topics pertinent to ALL adolescents ages 10-15.

~~~~ MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~~~~

For further information, contact (919) 833-3836 or (800) 722-1350



Author Cathy Pickens autographs her award-winning mystery, *Southern Fried*, for Teresa DuFine. Cathy was Hubbard Memorial Speaker.



From left is Nancy Carter, Charlotte City Council member, who brought greetings from the city; Dr. Darlyne Menscer, NCMS Speaker of the House, who gave remarks from NCMS; Gay Bowman, AMAA Past President, who was the keynote speaker; and Jamie Hosseinian, outgoing NCMSA President.



Cynthia D'Amour, President of People Power, providing fabulous solutions to our membership challenges.

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# This Is Not This Your Mother's Auxiliary!

*Excerpts from the Installation Speech of Ann Faris, our 2005-06 President*

As I prepared for becoming the 2005 President of the North Carolina Medical Society Alliance I often thought:

- ❖ What would our mothers' Auxiliary have looked like in 1955?
- ❖ Would we find familiar bits and pieces in our mother's Auxiliary of 1955?
- ❖ Would they feel at home in our Alliance of 2005?
- ❖ After all, *this is not your mother's Auxiliary!*

In 1955 girls wore circle skirts and cashmere sweaters with scarves tied around their necks. In 2005 schools are choosing uniforms to keep preteens from wearing underwear as outerwear. In 1955 Play-Doh premiered as well as plastic Frisbees. In 2005 a wireless play station is released so children can play video games that kill and maim in virtual reality without wires. In 1955 the Women's Auxiliary to the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina was all female. In 2005 men play a prominent role in the Alliance. **OBVIOUSLY *this is not your mother's Auxiliary!***

In 1955 Auxiliary members in slim fitting shirtwaist dresses hummed along with the McGuire Sisters as they sweetly sang "Sincerely." In 2005 "alliance sisters of all colors" in loose fitting t-shirts and compression shorts shake their booties while walking or running to raise money to cure breast cancer and rid their thighs of the sweets they ate last week. *This is not your mother's Auxiliary!*

The greatest medical challenges of 1955 were communicable diseases – tuberculosis, polio, and measles. There were only a couple of insurance companies; many people had no health insurance; and Medicare did not exist. In 2005 some of our greatest medical worries are still communicable diseases - AIDS, Bird Flu, and bacteria that have become resistant to antibiotics. There are only a couple of mega insurance companies; many people have no health insurance; and people worry whether Medicare will continue to exist. *This is not your mother's Auxiliary!*

**With love and respect to those Auxiliary members who've gone before us – the North Carolina Medical Society Alliance is not our mothers' Auxiliary!**

We face different but similar challenges and hard decisions. Our life today is complicated by too much information, too much of the day in too many ways. We treasure our families while striving to help others in need. We are different in structure but the same in our vision to help our fellow man. We are not our mother's Auxiliary but we would not be the Alliance of today if not for the Auxiliary that set our feet on the right path. I challenge you to be proud of your mothers' Auxiliary and to be even prouder of your Alliance today.

Thank you for the privilege of serving in 1992-93 as President of the North Carolina Medical Society Auxiliary and now as President of the North Carolina Medical Society Alliance.



Ann Faris is being installed as our 82nd President by Gay Bowman, AMAA Past President. Ann is in her 1955 outfit.



Ann in her 2005 outfit. She did a quick change from 1955 to 2005 during her speech.



At the annual meeting the Medical Alliance of the Piedmont sponsored a reception in honor of Ann Faris. Enjoying the reception are MAP members, from left Nancy Pulliam, Lynn Auringer, Connie Roy, and Ann.

## Raffle Winners

At the Annual Meeting the drawing was held. The lucky winners are listed below. Thanks to everyone who participated in this fund-raiser for the Health Education Opportunity Fund.



Maya Shenoy, VP for Financial Development, shows one of her beautiful handcrafted necklaces to Teresa Dufine

**First Prize of \$500:** Kay Jemsek, Charlotte  
**Handcrafted Pillows by Jamie:** Connie Parker, Wilmington  
**BBQ set:** Gay Bowman, Greensboro  
**Mont Blanc Collectors' Item Pencil:** Maria Puschinsky, High Point  
**Persian Rug:** Annette Gehle, Belmont  
**Crystal Bowl by Tiffany:** Ruby Byrum, Raleigh,  
**Salvatore Ferragamo Tie:** Connie Parker, Wilmington  
**Large Hand Knit Afghan:** Betty McCain, Wilson  
**Vintage Wine Basket:** Maria Puschinsky, High Point  
**Hyatt SouthPark Romance Package:** Peggy Hurt, Sylva  
**St. Johns Boutique Item:** Mary F. Forrester, Stanley  
**Baby Gift Package:** Martha Martinat, Winston Salem  
**Handcrafted Jewelry by Maya:** Rachel Brandon, Boone  
**Signed Pottery Piece:** Kay Jemsek, Charlotte

## 2005 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

### JUNE

19-21  
19-23  
27

AMAA ANNUAL CONVENTION (CHICAGO, IL)  
AMA ANNUAL MEETING (CHICAGO, IL)  
TARHEEL TANDEM SECOND SUMMER ISSUE DEADLINE

### JULY

25-26

BOARD RETREAT, NCMSA COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND BOARD MEETING,  
GRANDFATHER GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB (LINVILLE, NC)

### AUGUST

12  
15

GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE  
TARHEEL TANDEM FALL ISSUE DEADLINE

### OCTOBER

1  
9-11  
13  
12-13  
14  
15  
13-16

NCMSA MEMBERSHIP RETENTION MAILING  
AMAA LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE I (CHICAGO, IL)  
SAVE TODAY (STOP AMERICA'S VIOLENCE EVERYWHERE)  
NCMSA BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS (GREENSBORO)  
SYMPOSIUM 2005, NAVIGATING ADOLESCENCE, GRANDOVER RESORT (GREENSBORO)  
\* NCMSA 5K RACE/FUN WALK, GRANDOVER RESORT (GREENSBORO)  
NC MEDICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING, GRANDOVER RESORT (GREENSBORO)

### NOVEMBER

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10-12  
11

TARHEEL TANDEM WINTER ISSUE DEADLINE  
SMA AUXILIARY ANNUAL MEETING (SAN ANTONIO, TX)  
GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE

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