## **ALLIANCE NEWS**







April prepares her - CHRISTOPHER **MORLEY** 



pril is a very exciting time to be in Louisville, as the city prepares for the Kentucky Derby Festival. It's also "go time" for the Greater Louisville Medical Society Alliance as we work hard and enjoy our spring events. It is particularly bittersweet for me, since my term as president comes to a close in May. It has been a great year so far, and the coming weeks will be just as fantastic.

We recently enjoyed coming together on February 12 in Frankfort with Alliance members across the state for "House Calls," a legislative health fair for KMA and Alliance Day at the Capitol. Our members greeted legislators and staff while wearing white coats and stethoscopes. Blood pressures were monitored (especially important for our legislators during the hectic "short session" that just completed) and health education materials were distributed along with our always-popular "healthy" snacks.

On March 22, the GLMS Alliance - with help from the GLMS Foundation - once again honored retired physicians and guests at the annual Doctors' Day luncheon held at Audubon Country Club. During the program, we had the pleasure of recognizing Dr. David Dageforde for his service and mission work.

On April 21 and April 22, members will be traveling to Northern Kentucky for the spring meeting of the KMA Alliance. A fun "gangster"

(clockwise) Millicent Evans (left) and Fu-mei Tsai; (left to right) Mimi Prendergast, Rhonda Rhodes and KMA Alliance President Don Swikert, MD; GLMS and KMA Alliance members in Frankfort for a legislative health fair.

theme is being planned - a tongue-in-cheek nod to the "colorful" gambling history of Newport, Kentucky.

As April comes to a close, Alliance members will once again gather at Churchill Downs for the wildly popular "Night at the Races" on Saturday, April 27. Besides being a great time of fellowship and fun, the program raises money for health career scholarships. Tickets, which include tickets to the Jockey Club Suites, dinner and a racing program, are going fast at \$75 per person and \$600 per table of eight.

Finally, all are invited to join us for brunch Tuesday, May 7, for our Annual Meeting and induction of officers. It will begin at 11 a.m. Past president Betty Allen has graciously opened her home for this event.

Hope does spring eternal this spring! I am looking forward to seeing you at our amazing events. LM

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