



ALLIANCE NEWS

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Since 1926, the mission of the GLMS Alliance has been to encourage support and networking in the Greater Louisville area among the families of the physicians, to serve our community, to promote health education, and to represent Jefferson County in a much larger network of physicians and their families. GLMS Alliance is one of nine Alliances across our state, which are united with the KMA Alliance at the state level as well as the AMA Alliance nationally.

We serve our community by volunteering with the following organizations: The Pulse of Surgery at the Science Center, Gilda's Club, Shop & Share, The Mayor's Week of Service, The Center for Women and Families, School Choice, Supplies Over Seas, Kentucky Harvest, and the Home of the Innocents. We promote health education with informative speaking engagements, blood drives, and CPR Certification Events. This year for GLMSA members, we will be having Technology Coffees where you can get your questions about smartphones, Facebook, and some computer programs answered. We love the the ever popular, well attended Book Club lead by Carol Lambert, and the Bridge Club lead by Arlene Redinger.

Medicine has experienced continuous change for millennia, and the population of medical school classes has been half men and half women for many years. We realize that a huge part of our members should be men. We are proud of and celebrate our diversity as medical families. Traditionally, we have focused on the model of male physicians and female spouses and offered events and programs that would interest them. This year we are committed to broadening our perspective,

our membership, and our activities to that of the actual population of physician's spouses of Greater Louisville. Brian Briscoe, MD has agreed to chair the Men in the Alliance Activities Committee with J. Pat Murphy, MD, C. Dean Furman, JD, and Rick Tobe. The Men's committee has already met and decided on three events for this first year of the committee. The first event being planned is the GLMS Foundation Golf Tournament Monday September 23, 2013 at Hurstbourne Country Club, which includes a brunch, a practice range, a cookout luncheon and all day silent auction. Later that day the awards reception will include a cocktail hour, the Team Awards and the presentation of the Medical Student Scholarships. For more information regarding this event please contact Brian Briscoe, MD and visit the GLMS Foundation event website link: www.oldmedicalschoool.org. The second event will be a skeet shooting range and vineyard visit in Owensboro in November, and the third event will be a bourbon tasting and distillery tour in March 2014.

Amy Smithka, JD, will chair the Families Activities Committee and the committee is planning its first ever event at Huber's Farm on October 5th. Families can have a meal, pick out their pumpkins, and enjoy a day on the farm, together; info at www.hubersfarm.com. We will have a can drive to benefit Kentucky Harvest; please check them out at www.kyharvest.com donate. I will chair the Women's Activities Committee with Ruth Ryan, Chitra Kayerker, Dominique Hendren, Jenny Jacob, Millicent Evans, Barbara Cox, and Fu Mei Tsai. We are busy planning the opening event for GLMSA, which will be a cocktail party at the Hendrens' at 5 pm on Saturday, September 21st. There will be a bluegrass

band and a silent auction with proceeds to benefit The Home of the Innocents, which is the place of our second event in October. We will present a check to the Home of the Innocents at a luncheon there.

As you can see we have a full slate of evening and daytime activities planned this year for women, men, and families and many outreach projects to serve our community. We hope you will join us! We can accomplish great things together! We are always looking for people with new vision for GLMSA and especially "out of the box thinkers." We welcome you to join or renew your membership at www.kmaa.org and call me if you have any questions or comments at 502.894.4413 or email me at imcbosscher@aol.com. **LM**

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