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Dear Aesculapian Medical Society Members and Friends:

Those present at the meeting:

Medical Students:

Emmary Butler, MSIII
Adrienne Cobb, MSII
Krystal Higgs, MSIII
Anthony Murphy, MSII
Ganiyat Oladapo, MSI
Guenet Williams, Grad Student

AMS Physicians

Sheryl Allen, MD
Baptiste, MD
Rudy Bowens, MD
Virginia Caine, MD
Shavon Cummings, MD
Bennett Desadier, MD
Melanie Gatewood, MD
Joyce Gill, MD
Ray Henderson, MD
Kandis Johnson, MD
Denise Miller, MD

Larry Monger, MD
Andrew Moore, MD
Millicent Moye, MD
Raymond Pierce, MD
Mario Pyles, MD, Speaker
George Rausch, Ed. D.
George Rawls, MD
Bettye Jo Rawls-Lloyd, MD
Jerry Smartt, MD
Chemen Tate, MD
Lekeisha Terrell, MD
Sheila Thomas, MD
Patricia Treadwell, MD
Wilbert Washington, MD

Volunteers and Guests:

Carla Baxter
Jose Espada
Fred Hamilton

The meeting was held at the Ruth Chris Steakhouse on Keystone Avenue and 96th Street.

Dr. Moore initiated the meeting by welcoming everyone and wishing everyone a Happy New Year. He turned to Dr. Henderson, who proceeded to introduce the speaker for the evening.

The speaker is J. Mario Pyles, MD, Interventional Cardiologist with the Hamilton Heart Division of the St. Vincent Medical Group, Medical Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory and the Heart & Vascular Center at Riverview Hospital in Noblesville, IN. The topic of his talk will be "Update on Acute Coronary Syndrome: The Role of Stents". Dr. Pyles graduated in 1991 from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. He completed his Internal Medicine residency and his Cardiology fellowship at the IU Krannert Institute of Cardiology. The sponsor for the evening is Richard Groh, Sales representative Vascular Technologies with Medtronic Cardiovascular. For contact information, Richard can be contacted at:

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Dr. Desadier asked for any updates among the attendees. The following updates were given:

Dr. Rausch, Associate Dean for IUSM Office of Diversity reported on the successful Christmas gathering at his home for the SNMA and AMS Guests. The party was well attended. Additionally, Dr. Rausch passed out the speakers information for the IUSM Diversity Week (attached) and encouraged the AMS membership to attend the speakers talks. He mentioned Dr. George Rawls would be one of the speakers with a topic of "History of the Black Physician in Indianapolis (a Microcosm of the United States).

Dr. Rausch gave an update on the Ben Carson Reading Room at the Charles Tindley School. He read from several unsolicited student testimonials on the success and impact the reading rooms are having at the school and how it is elevating the student's thirst for reading. Dr. Rausch mentioned that as students read more books there are more incentives to do so with rewards and other tangible goals that can be achieved. He introduced Mr. Fred Hamilton, a member of his staff, as the leading architect and force behind the reading rooms.

Dr. Rawls made an appeal to the membership to have pictures sent to him of practicing physicians in Indianapolis. He is continually updating his talk and uses the pictures to highlight physicians in his talk. He urged those who have not sent a picture in the past to do so and send it to his home address at 4000 North Meridian Street, Condo #12, Indianapolis, IN 46208.

Emmary Butler, SNMA President, gave a brief report on local SNMA activities with the main points directed at the MSA membership about the upcoming SNMA Conference to be held in Indianapolis, April 20-24 at the J.W. Marriott, Downtown. One of the main goals of the chapter is to raise \$20,000 for the Conference and secure session speakers from the local area, specifically speakers from the AMS membership. Emmary mentioned that there have already been a couple AMS members who have volunteered, but more are needed. Helen Flippin, SNMA National Officer, asked AMS members to also consider volunteering for one of the panel discussions on the topic of practicing in the city versus the suburbs. Also, there is a panel forming on success in medical school.

Dr. Desadier, President of AMS, reminded the membership to get their dues in for the 2011 year. Information on submitting dues will be set out to the membership via e-mail.

Dr. Caine mentioned that the NMA Region set aside \$2,500 to assist the local SNMA with their fundraising goal. She will find out more on how to get the funds to the SNMA leadership. She urged the students, Emmary and Helen, to remind her so she does not forget.

Dr. Gill announced an opening for a part-time family physician to work with the employee clinic supported by the Marion County Health Department. The position is 20 hours a week or less. If there are any family medicine physicians interested, please contact her. Her e-mail is jgill@hhcorp.org.

Dr. Pierce commended the AMS leadership for a superb programming year. This has been the best ever by the AMS.

Dr. Henderson brought up the possibility of doing another printing in 2011 of the AMS Brochure. This will give an opportunity to include people left out and make corrections to

information that needs updating. He urged the membership to go onto the website and make sure that the information on the website is to their satisfaction and is correct. The website is www.aesculapianmedicalsociety.org.

Dr. Caine made the membership aware of a partnership between the NMA and the NHMA on the fight against influenza for those patients 65 or older. The partnership wants to increase the vaccination rate among this population from the current 60% to the as high as 90%. People over 65 tend to be at the highest risk for influenza deaths. She mentioned that Marion County experienced its first death this past week. The partnership is working together to provide vouchers that can be redeemed at retail outlets like Walmart to get vaccinated. The end of the flu season is not until the end of March with the highest levels of infection in the months of January and February. The efforts are specifically limited to eight cities, Atlanta, Bronx, NY, Chicago, Houston, Kansas city, Newark, Oakland, CA and Philadelphia. For more information, go to <http://www.flu.gov/news/blogs/bloghealthdisparities.html>.

News among the group, Dr. Kandis Johnson, a current third year Anesthesiology resident, has been selected as Chief Resident at the IUSM Department of Anesthesiology. Congratulations on her achievements.

Meeting adjourned.

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