



*North Carolina Association
of
Medical Staff Services*
December 2006 Newsletter
HAPPY HOLIDAYS

POLICIES

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is truly a wonderful time of the year, especially to say thank you to everyone that works behind the scenes. Linda White, Past President and Historian has been invaluable over the years. It is difficult to imagine the time and talent expended through each officer and board position. I'm not sure what we would do without the Internet and e-mail. Some days have been consumed with NCAMSS work with e-mails deciding the next step for each program. Anne Ennis has squeezed the maximum amount of CEU's possible for each meeting in her position as Program Chair, and her organizational skill is unbeatable as President-Elect. As she moves to President, the NCAMSS will run smoothly under her direction. I cannot say enough about Tammy Davis, Treasurer and President-Elect. She and Anne have established a realistic budget with spreadsheets and organizational skills that will be difficult to match; however, Rhonda Boyd will do a great job filling her shoes as Treasurer in 2007. Secretary is not an easy job either, all of the mailings & minutes, etc. Joan Paschal handled the brunt of this and Fran Fallon is up for the challenge. This will be an easy task since she was officially in charge of "The Doors". Anne fondly named our Members-At-Large this because they facilitated the door prizes. This was a huge task from the Officer's shoulders since we bought these in the past. For those Members-At-Large who are leaving, thank you for your faithfulness. We all sincerely appreciate all you have done for the Association. Those of you remaining, and for the newcomers, welcome to another year of hard work with rewards and excitement.

Again, thank you my friends. Teamwork is how everything is accomplished. The networking of this organization is invaluable. If you are not a member, please consider joining by going to the NCAMSS Website at www.NCAMSS.org as noted below.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The 2007 NCAMSS Membership renewal period is underway. Please remember that dues have not been increased since 1996 and facilities with more than three members receive a discount on their membership fee. The Association provided 28 CME hours in 2006. We welcome you to join with us. Membership applications are on the Website at www.NCAMSS.org. Please forward your membership dues to our new Treasurer, Rhonda Boyd at Maria Parham Medical Center, Medical Staff Services, 566 Ruin Creek Road, Box 59, Henderson, NC 27536.

Please review the Host Policy and Vendor Policy on the Internet at www.NCAMSS.org. These were developed and revised with NCAMSS members in mind.

Because of budget constraints at your facility, you may find that you will not be allowed to attend the annual meeting for 2007. The Scholarship Policy was implemented to help you. This is completely confidential. Please remember that you must turn in your form to one of the Board members by February 1st to be considered for the annual meeting. We want to encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.

2007 MEETING SCHEDULE

Educational Credits are applied for through the NAMSS.

- February 16, 2007, First Health Moore Regional Hospital, Pinehurst, NC
- May 9-11, 2007 - Annual Meeting at The Breakers Beach Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC
- August 17, 2007, Biltmore Doubletree, Asheville, NC
- November 2, 2007, NC Medical Board, Raleigh, NC

NCAMSS WEBSITE

Please be sure to refer to the NCAMSS website when you need to contact our members. Updates for 2007 are in the process and will be posted soon. Phone numbers, fax numbers and e-mail addresses are listed. Let us know of any announcements you have (job openings, etc.), and they can be posted on the website. Any changes to your information should be forwarded to Fran Fallon at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center 171 Fairview Road, Mooresville, NC 28177, Phone: (704) 660-4012; Fax: (704) 660-4049

If you have any questions for me concerning NCAMSS or any other issues, please feel free to contact me. My telephone number is (828) 326-3343 and my e-mail address is ycarroll@catawbavalleyinc.org.