

September 2010

Dear Members and Friends of the Hellenic Medical Society of Philadelphia,

It is my privilege to write this email to keep you informed of the events and programs of the society:

Welcome new members:

Ms. Nikki Kantarakis	Nursing
Dr. Anca Popescu	Neurology
Dr. Pavlo Papavasiliou	Surgical Oncology
Dr. Chris Deitch	Gastroenterology
Dr. Nikitas Zervanos	Family Medicine

Upcoming Events:

- 1) **HMS Philadelphia Membership Drive:** Due to the diligent work of the board and membership committee members, our society has reached over 120 members and growing. To ensure your full ability to participate in the society (ie: your listing in the online directory and website, ability to hold office, support the scholarship initiative) please return the enclosed form via email or fax. Please **FRIEND** us on **FACEBOOK** and check our photos. Please tell your Greek colleagues of the society! (enclosed registration form)
- 2) **HMS Philadelphia Fall Social:** September 21 2010 at KUZINA BY SOFIA, Route 70 West, Cherry Hill, New Jersey. In conjunction with Greek American Chamber of Commerce and American Hellenic Lawyers Association, a Greek wine tasting and Greek meze will be held from 6 to 8 pm. Cost is \$25/pp and remember, Free Parking in NJ!! Please RSVP to HMS for spacing and please reply to the society email for further information. [HMSPHL@gmail.com](mailto:HMSPHL@gmail.com) (Flyer to follow)
- 3) **Community Service Initiative of Hellenic Medical Society of Philadelphia:** TWO events:

- a. Our BP screening and health information fair at St George Media, PA to be arranged September or October 2010 to be held after Church services. Members interested in helping out in this event, please let us know at [HMSPHL@gmail.com](mailto:HMSPHL@gmail.com).
- b. Working with the *Daughters of Penelope* to provide **medical information** for a Susan G Koman Breast Cancer awareness event during the St Thomas Agora, October 7 to 10<sup>th</sup>. Two hour shifts are proposed and medical guidelines available. Please participate in this great community event. For more information, contact the HMS at [HMSPHL@gmail.com](mailto:HMSPHL@gmail.com)

Ongoing Projects:

- 1) **HMS Philadelphia explores Health Care Symposium:** Fall/winter 2010. Currently in discussion phases with GACC and AHLA, a ½ day symposium discussing the impact of the current health care reform legislation from many perspectives: Legislative, Medical, Legal and Insurance. More to Follow and if interested in participating, please email the society at [HMSPHL@gmail.com](mailto:HMSPHL@gmail.com).
- 2) **HMS Philadelphia Supports Global Hellenic Medical and Biomedical Conference December 3-4<sup>th</sup> New York City, Lenox Hill Hospital.** The HMS has participated on the organizing committee of this very exciting meeting. Agenda for conference to include Cancer, Cardiology, Hypertension, Orthopedics and various topics by noted Greek experts. Members wishing to present their medical specialty as well as those wishing to provide sponsorship support/Vendor support should contact the Society for further details.
- 3) **Hellenic Medical Society of Philadelphia Board of Director nominations and elections:** Members of the Society who are interested in running for the board must 1) be paid members of the Society and 2) inform the Society Secretary by October 1<sup>st</sup> of their intention to be placed on the ballot. Please let the society know if you are interested at [HMSPHL@gmail.com](mailto:HMSPHL@gmail.com).

Best Regards,

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President, Hellenic Medical Society of Philadelphia