Dear Alliance Members and Friends,

The 92nd annual meeting of PMSA will be held in conjunction with the PAMED House of Delegates, October 21 to 23, 2016, at the beautiful Hershey Lodge in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

All are welcome to attend the annual meeting and are encouraged to bring their families to the Sweetest Place on Earth®. Hershey offers many attractions for all ages, including Hersheypark in the Dark and the Lodge has fun Halloween activities for kids!

The registration fee includes all sessions. We are excited to be presenting our new OPIOID CRISIS PROJECT, some wonderful ideas on taking care of ourselves and our families as well as talking about physician health, addiction and burnout. The weekend will include the installation of incoming president Kathleen Hall from Carlisle followed by a lunch celebration in her honor. We will then be sharing more fun and friendship as we enjoy a Wine and Chocolate Pairing Class and a session on Personal Wellness! Plan to stop by Wellness Central and Boutiques where you can enjoy a mini Reiki session, chair massage, hand reflexology, and browse the shoppes. Namaste!

Your registration will also include the Saturday evening cocktail hour; PAMED’s Presidential Inauguration Dinner and the Alliance Medical Education Scholarship (AMES) award presentations. During that time you can help celebrate and support the AMES Scholarship Fund by bidding on the many fabulous auction items donated by PAMED and Alliance members.

Please complete and return the attached registration forms today!! We must receive your registration no later than October 9, 2016. Also, please note, the PAMED hotel room block fills quickly, so make your reservations as soon as possible. Contact the Lodge directly at 717-533-3131 and request the PA Medical Society special room rate. The deadline for room reservations is September 21, 2016. Save this weekend for what will be an exciting and fun annual meeting!

Yours in the Alliance,

Caryl Schmitz
PMSA President 2015-2016
Name: _________________________________________________________________________________
First M. Last Title (MD/DO/RN)
Address: _______________________________________________________________________________
Street       City  ST  ZIP
Phone: ____________________________________ Email: __________________________________

Membership Information (please check all applicable boxes):
Please Circle One:  State   County   County name: _________________________________
   Officer*  Director  Committee Chair*  Past President  Honorary Member
*Please specify your position ______________________________________________________________

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<td>Saturday Evening Presidential Inaugural Dinner</td>
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The Pennsylvania Medical Society’s Presidential Inaugural Dinner and AMES Fund Silent Auction will take place on Saturday, October 22nd. Doors will open at 5:15 pm and dinner will begin at 6:00 pm in the Red and White Ballrooms. AMES Fund Scholarships will be awarded during the inaugural ceremony.

**DEADLINE for REGISTRATION:** Friday, October 7, 2016

__PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN THROUGHOUT THE EVENT AND PUBLISHED IN THE PMSA NEWSLETTER, WEBSITE AND ON SOCIAL MEDIA. IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO HAVE YOUR PHOTO TAKEN, PLEASE CHECK HERE.__

Please make checks payable to PMSA. Return payment and completed form to:

**Pennsylvania Medical Society Alliance**
Attn: Alliance Registration
PO Box 8820
Harrisburg, PA  17105-8820

If you prefer to pay by credit card, please see reverse side. Lodging details are also found here.
OVERNIGHT RESERVATION INFORMATION

Overnight rooms are available at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center at a discounted rate of $197.00/night, plus applicable taxes. The PA Medical Society Alliance will no longer make hotel reservations for meeting attendees. Please call the Lodge directly at 717-533-3131 to make your reservation.

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Check-in time: 4:00 pm  
Check-out time: 12:00 pm  

Call the Lodge directly to book your room!  
Dial 717-533-3131 and mention that you are with the PA Medical Society to receive the reduced rate.

The deadline for hotel reservations is Tuesday, September 20, 2016. After this date, rooms will be reserved based on availability at the prevailing hotel rate. Please note; Hershey Park in the Dark will be open the weekend of this meeting. Make your reservation early to ensure you availability.

PAYMENT INFORMATION  
☑ VISA  ☐ MASTERCARD  ☐ DISCOVER  ☐ MAILED CHECK

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Questions?

Call the PMSA Office  
(P) 1-800-228-7823 x 1503  
(E) alliance@pamedsoc.org

We look forward to seeing you in Hershey!  
Thank you for your registration.
AGENDA

Saturday, October 22 – Cocoa Suites 5
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Wellness Central & Boutiques

Saturday, October 22 – Trinidad Room
10:00 AM Opioid Panel Presentation
11:30 AM Lunch & Installation of President Kathleen A. Hall & President’s Message
12:45 PM Wine & Chocolate Pairing Class
1:45 PM Personal Wellness Forum

Saturday, October 22 – Red & White Rooms
2:30 PM – 5:00 PM AMES Auction Set-Up

Saturday, October 22 – Lobby Bar
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Gavel Club Social

Saturday, October 22 – Red & White Rooms
5:15 PM AMES Scholarship Auction Opens
6:00 PM PAMED President Inauguration Dinner & Installation
AMES Scholarship Awards Presentation
8:00 PM AMES Scholarship Auction Closes
9:00 PM Auction Winners Pick-Up Items

Sunday, October 23 – Cocoa Suites 5
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Wellness Central & Boutiques

Sunday, October 23 – Trinidad Room
9:45 AM Regional Caucuses
Selection of Regional Nominating Committee Candidates

10:00 AM Alliance Annual Business Meeting
• Outgoing President’s Message
• Confirm & Install 2017 Officers and Directors
• Consent Agenda Affirmation
  o Meeting Minutes
  o Year-to-Date Financial Statement
  o Auditor’s Report
  o Finance Committee Report
  o AMES Scholarship Report
  o Legislative Report
  o Health Project Committee Report
  o Membership Outreach Report
• Bylaw Amendment
• Presentation of 2017 Budget
• 2018 Dues Discussion
• County Reports
• County Award Presentations
• PAMED President Address
• Presentation of Gavel & President’s Pins

12:30 PM Adjourn Annual Business Meeting

Remember to Visit Wellness Central & Boutique in Cocoa Suites 5
Hours: Saturday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM • Sunday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Offering 15-Minute Reiki Sessions, Chair Massages, Hand Reflexology & More
All Proceeds Benefit the AMES Scholarship Fund
Pennsylvania Medical Society Alliance (PMSA) invites you to experience Wellness Central & Boutique

9 a.m.–5 p.m. Oct. 22, 2016
9 a.m.–noon, Oct. 23, 2016
Cocoa Suite 5
Hershey Lodge and Convention Center

Need to Relax and De-stress?
PMSA’s Wellness Central and Boutique in Cocoa Suite 5 is here for you throughout PAMED’s House of Delegates weekend!

Featuring:
Chair Massage & Reflexology Hand Massage (individual pricing)
Walk-ins welcome—Appointments recommended—Come in to schedule
Reiki — 15 Minute Sessions—$1 per minute
Walk-ins welcome—Appointments recommended—Come in to schedule
Aromatherapy with Essential Oils
Jewels By Donna
Handmade beaded jewelry
Mehry’s Boutique
Handmade costume jewelry featuring semi-precious stones, more

Vendors will donate a portion of proceeds to benefit the Alliance Medical Education Scholarship (AMES) Fund
The Pennsylvania Medical Society Alliance has a fun and informative Annual Meeting planned this year! Registration includes several awesome events, including a wine and chocolate pairing we know you’re going to love! We tried to keep the registration fee as low as possible in order to encourage attendance, so we would greatly appreciate your support of some of our fixed costs through sponsorship of various meeting expenses. Sponsors will receive acknowledgement in the Annual Meeting Program, during the event and on appropriate signage during the meeting—as well as our eternal gratitude! Please email or call Caryl Schmitz with your choice ASAP so we can keep track: schmitztc@comcast.net or 717-357-1860. Thank you!

Available Sponsorships:

1. Audio Visual Equipment - $300 or 2-$150 sponsors
2. Sunday Beverage and Snack Break - $250 or 2-$125 sponsors
3. Registration Materials and Program - $150 or 2-$75 sponsors
4. Welcome Bags - $200 or 2-$100 sponsors
5. Installation Luncheon for PMSA President Kathleen Hall - $600 or 2-$300 or 4-$150 sponsors
6. Wellness Central and Boutique - $175
7. Promotional Materials - $100
8. Speaker Gifts - $100

Please return to PMSA by October 7, 2016

Name: (as you would like it to appear) ____________________________________________________________
Address:______________________________________ City:_______________________ State/Zip: __________
Phone: ________________________   Cell Phone: _________________________  County: _________________
Email: _____________________________________________________________________________________

_____Yes, I would like to sponsor an item! (Please specify number 1-8 and item):
_________________________________________________________________________________________

In the amount of $_________________ 

Make Checks Payable to: PMSA. Mail to: PMSA, 777 East Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Or you can put your sponsorship contribution on a credit card:

Credit Card (check one):   ____VISA    _____Master Card    _____Discover   **Total authorized:**

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Pennsylvania Medical Society Alliance
Annual Meeting
Hershey Lodge & Convention Center
October 24-25, 2015

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees:  
Anna Kosenko, Caryl Schmitz, Joanne Bergquist, Judy Bucko Herman, Kathie Calandra, Phyllis Crispen, Karen Daunghy, Sandra DeCosta, Doris Grandon, Jean Greco, Kathleen Hall, Nancy Hendricks, Christine Little, Holly Mackley, Lisa Mosher, Arlene Oyler, Freddie Persic, Ginger Peterson, Barbara Prendergast, Cindy Richards, Allison Wilson, Theresa Kaul, Pam Stoner, Donna Baver-Rovito, Lauretta Jordan, Kristina Sempowski

Staff: Robbi Cook

I. **Call to Order.** The first day of the Annual Meeting was called to order by President Anna Kosenko at 10:05 AM.

Regional Caucuses went into session immediately following the Call and concluded at 10:20 PM.

II. **Past President’s Introduction.** Anna Kosenko recognized all Alliance Past Presidents in attendance at the Annual Meeting.

III. **Report of Credentials & Registration.** Phyllis Crispen provided the report of credentials and registration. On a motion and second the Credential Report was approved unanimously.

IV. **Adoption of Rules of Order.** The Rules of Order were included in the Annual Meeting Handbook and presented by Past Parliamentarian Barbara Prendergast. The Rules of Order were approved unanimously by those members in attendance.
V. **Approval of Minutes.**

The April 22, 2015 Spring Leadership meeting minutes were presented to the membership by Speaker, Ginger Peterson. The minutes were previously approved by the Alliance Board of Directors. After review, the membership approved the meeting minutes unanimously.

VI. **President’s Report.** Anna Kosenko updated the membership on her activities during her term as President.

VII. **Nominations for 2015-2016 Nominating Committee.** The Regional Caucuses submitted the following names for the 2015-2016 nominating committee:

- Eastern Region: Jean Greco (Lehigh County)
- Central Region: Lisa Mosher (Dauphin County)
  - Ginger Peterson (Franklin County)
- Western Region: Sandra DeCosta (Allegheny County)

The proposed candidates were provided an opportunity to introduce themselves to the membership.

VIII. **County Reports:** The following counties provided reports on their activities:

- Adams (Caryl Schmitz)
- Allegheny (Sandra DeCosta)
- Berks (Allison Wilson)
- Dauphin (Karen Daughtry)
- Erie (Anna Kosenko)
- Franklin (Kristina Sempowski)
- Lehigh (Donna Rovito)
- Montgomery (Kathy Calandra)
- Westmoreland (Joanne Bergquist)
- York (Barbara Prendergast)

IX. **Advocacy Campaign:** Donna Rovito discussed the “Save the Team” advocacy campaign on the CRNP Independent Practice Legislation. Members in attendance participated in a letter-writing campaign encouraging legislators to oppose the legislation.

X. **Silent Auction Team Building:** The PMSA Annual Meeting was recessed until 9:00 AM Sunday, October 25, 2015. Alliance volunteers assisted staff in set-up of the Silent Auction area for the AMES Fundraiser.

The PMSA Annual Meeting reconvened at 9:05 AM on Sunday, October 25, 2015.

XI. **Educational Session:** Larry Light, Senior Vice President of Physician Advocacy and Political Affairs for the Pennsylvania Medical Society updated Alliance members of current legislative efforts and the importance of participating in PAMPAC.
Caryl Schmitz updated members on the upcoming Northeast Regional Meeting that PMSA is hosting. The meeting will be held April 15-17, 2016 in Gettysburg.

XII. **Awards Presentation**: Anna Kosenko presented the Fundraiser of the Year Award to the Lawrence County Medical Society Auxiliary for their annual spiced pecan and nut sale. Accepting the award for the Auxiliary were Theresa Kaul and Pam Stoner.

XIII. **Introduction of Guests**: Julie Newman, President of the American Medical Association Alliance was introduced and addressed the members on AMAA activities.

XIV. **Report of Credentials & Registration**: Phyllis Crispen provided the report of credentials and registration. On a motion and second the Credential Report was approved unanimously.

XV. **AMES Fundraiser Update**: Caryl Schmitz updated members on the Silent Auction fundraiser held Saturday evening to benefit the AMES Fund. There was a total of 76 items. Total bids for the items were $5,846 and there was additional cash donations totaling $4,000. Dr. Woomack has offered to fund a fourth individual scholarship in the amount of $2,500.

XVI. **Announcements**: Anna Kosenko updated Alliance members on Joanne Bergquist’s newly appointed assignments. Joanne is now the Alliance liaison representative to The Foundation, as well as a member of the PAMPAC Board of Directors.

XVII. **Report of the President-Elect**: Caryl Schmitz updated members on activities during her year as President-Elect.

XVIII. **Report of the Nominating Committee**: Cindy Richards announced the nominations submitted for the 2016 Nominating Committee. On a motion by Cindy Richards, second by Joanne Bergquist, the nominating committee slate was approved by acclamation.

XIX. **Election of Officers**: 2015 Nominating Committee Chair, Cindy Richards, presented the slate of officers for 2015-2016. On a motion by Cindy Richards the slate of officers was elected by acclamation. Cindy then introduced and thanked the 2015 Nominating Committee members.

XX. **Report of the Treasurer**: Alliance Treasurer Phyllis Crispen presented the financial statement as of September 30, 2015. On a motion and second, the financial statement was approved unanimously.
Phyllis then presented the Auditor’s Report for the year ending December 31, 2014. On a motion and second the Auditor’s Report was approved unanimously.

XXI. **Report of the Finance Committee**: Finance Committee chair Phyllis Crispen presented the 2016 Preliminary Operating Budget for review and approval. On a motion and second the 2016 Budget was approved unanimously.

Phyllis Crispen then presented the 2017 recommended dues structure. Dues for 2017 would remain at $55 per member. On a motion and second, the recommendation of the Finance Committee was approved unanimously.

XXII. **Report of the Bylaws Committee**: In Bylaws Committee Chair Barbara Prendergast’s absence Speaker Ginger Peterson presented the proposed amendments to the Alliance Bylaws. On a motion by Ginger Peterson and second by Cindy Richards the Bylaws amendments were approved unanimously.

XXIII. **Message from the Pennsylvania Medical Society & Presentation of Gavel**: Dr. Karen Rizzo, 2014 PAMED President, addressed the Alliance. She then presented the President’s gavel to Anna Kosenko.

XXIV. **Installation of Officers**: AMAA President Julie Newman installed the 2015-2016 Officers and Directors for the PMSA. Caryl Schmitz, newly installed President, addressed the Alliance members on her vision for the upcoming year.

XXV. **Presentations**: Anna Kosenko, 2014-2015 Alliance President, presented incoming President Caryl Schmitz with the President’s Pin and gavel. Cindy Richards, Immediate Past President presented Anna Kosenko with the Past President’s pin.

XXVI. **Adjournment**: With no further business to discuss the 91st PMSA Annual Meeting was adjourned. Members and guests celebrated the installation of the 2015-2016 President, Caryl Schmitz.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbi-Ann M. Cook
Executive Director

November 2, 2015
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS
JULY 11, 2016

Bylaws Committee Chairwoman, Barbara Prendergast, is proposing the following amendments to the PA Medical Society Alliance’s Bylaws (Rev. 2015).

ARTICLE VI – Annual Meeting

SECTION 3. The legislative body of the State Alliance shall be the registered and voting members. Registered members of the State Alliance shall transact all business of the State Alliance not otherwise specifically provided for in these bylaws during the annual meeting. It shall elect the officers as provided for in Article VIII, Section 2. Reason: Changed to coincide with Bylaw Amendments approved in October 2015.

ARTICLE VII – Officers

SECTION 1. The officers of the State Alliance shall be:

A. Elected officers – president, president-elect, treasurer, recording secretary, speaker for the annual meeting, and Directors. There shall be no fewer than 6, but as many as are needed to carry out the duties of the Directors as assigned. Reason: Spelling correction.

SECTION 2. Election of Officers:

A. The president-elect, treasurer, recording secretary, financial secretary, speaker for the annual meeting, and directors shall be elected annually by the registered members of the annual meeting on nomination by the Nominating Committee or by nomination from the floor. They shall assume the office at the close of the session of the annual meeting at which they are elected and shall serve one year or until their successors are elected. The president-elect is installed as president at the close of the session of the annual meeting the following year. No one may be elected to serve more than three consecutive years in the same elective office. Directors will be elected annually, but may
be elected additional terms, but not to exceed three. **The immediate past president is automatically a member of the Executive Committee.**

**Reason:** The immediate past president should sit as a member of the Executive Committee. This requirement was omitted in previous versions of the bylaws.

B. **The Executive Committee and Board members may vote by electronic voting on a specific issue providing that any member of the Executive Committee or Board that does not have email will be contacted by telephone. Electronic voting, other than voting machines, shall not be permitted for the Annual Business Meeting (no proxy voting permitted).**

**Reason:** Provides for alternative method of doing business on behalf of the Alliance in a more timely and efficient manner.

SECTION 3. Nominations for Elective Offices:

A. The Nominating Committee:

5. **Electronic voting, other than voting machines, shall not be permitted for the Annual Business Meeting (no proxy voting permitted).**

**Reason:** Provides for alternative method of doing business on behalf of the Society in a more timely and efficient manner.

6. The recording secretary shall record and preserve the number of votes cast for each nominee. When there is a vacancy on the Nominating Committee, the president shall fill this vacancy by naming the first alternate in the proper category. If there are no alternates, the president may appoint a qualified member to serve on the nominating committee. If the immediate past president is ineligible or unavailable to serve as chair, the Executive Committee shall elect an eligible past president;

**Reason:** Spelling correction.

SECTION 5. The officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the Parliamentary Authority adopted by the organization.

G. The Immediate Past President shall:

a. **Be a voting member of the Executive Committee;**

b. Chair the Nominating Committee;

c. Be a voting member of the Board of Directors, the Founder’s Award Committee, and the AMES Fund Committee;

d. Attend meetings of the Board of Directors and Annual Meeting;

e. Serve as Chair of Hostesses for out-of state guests during the Annual Meeting and the Spring Leadership.

f. **Submit slate of officers to the President-Elect not later than June 1.**

**Reason:** Revisions to job responsibilities.
ARTICLE VIII – Board of Directors

SECTION 5. Between regular meetings of the Board of Directors, business may be transacted by mail and/or email. Board members not having email shall be contacted by telephone.

Reason: Provides for alternative method of doing business on behalf of the Alliance in a more timely and efficient manner.

ARTICLE X – Committees

SECTION 2. Committees:

A. Standing Committees
   3. Membership of Standing Committees:
      h. Nominating – See Article VIII, Section 3., A., 1. Article VII – Officers, Section 3., A., 1;

4. Duties of Standing Committees:
   h. Nominating – See Article VIII, Section 3., A., 6 Article VII – Officers, Section 3., 7.;

Reason: Changed to coincide with Bylaw Amendments approved in October 2015.
2016-2017 Slate of Officers

The Alliance Nominating Committee puts forth the following slate of officers for the 2016-2017 membership year:

- President - Kathleen Hall (Carlisle, PA)
- President-Elect  Nancy Bachinsky (Enola, PA)
- Treasurer   Matthew Balazik (Frederick, MD)
- Recording Secretary  Caryl Schmitz (Gettysburg, PA)
- Immediate Past President  Caryl Schmitz (Gettysburg, PA)

Voting for the slate of officers will take place during the Alliance Annual Business Meeting being held on Sunday, October 23 beginning at 10:00 AM at the Hershey Lodge.

Nominating Committee:

Chair, Anna Kosenko
Sandra DeCosta (Allegheny County)
Jean Greco (Lehigh County)
Lisa Mosher (Dauphin County)
Ginger Peterson (Franklin County)