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2010-2011 IMS Alliance Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee of the IMS Alliance is pleased to present the following slate of officers:

Co-Presidents

Maureen Lyons - Marshall County
Debbie McCalla - Woodbury County

President Elect

OPEN

VP/Membership

Kathy Lariviere - Member-at-Large

Secretary

Stacie Fry - Polk-Warren County

Treasurer

Bonnie Green - Polk-Warren County

2009-2010

District Councilors

District I - Patti Walden
Districts II & V - Jane Patten
Districts III & VI - Maria Rundquist
District IV - Rose Ancheta



Celebrating a life well lived

Martha Holzworth (1935-2010)

Martha Holzworth was interested in everything. Her life was filled with family, travel, raising Vizsla hunting dogs, sports fishing, bridge and tireless service to the organizations in which she believed. Martha joined the Iowa Medical Society Alliance (formerly the IMS Auxiliary) in 1958 when her husband Paul graduated from medical school. For 52 years, the IMS Alliance reaped the benefits of Martha's energy and dedication. Active at the state and county levels of Alliance, Martha was known to throw costume parties, organize fundraisers and serve in whatever capacity was needed. She wielded the gavel as IMS Alliance President 1991-1992 and served on the Board until her death. Martha always said that she valued the Alliance in part for the friendships she'd made with people throughout the United States. Martha's enthusiasm and the twinkle in her eye made her easy to talk to and remarkably effective in winning people over.

Family left to remember and celebrate Martha's life include her husband Dr. Paul Holzworth of Des Moines, six children, eight grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren. Donations may be made in Martha's memory to **Dowling Catholic High School**.

Two Fun Ways to Contribute!

A book exchange and a silent, basket auction to benefit the **AMA Foundation** and the **IMS Education Fund** will be held during the Annual Meeting of the IMS Alliance on April 17.

Bring new or gently used books!

Bring a basket!

Bring your checkbook!

For information on the AMAF and the IMSEF, follow the above links. Questions? Contact **Becky Kresowik** by clicking on her name or by calling 515.250.9809.

Call for Delegates

81th Annual Meeting of the IMS Alliance

Preliminary Schedule and Agenda*
Saturday, April 17

- 8:00 AM** Check In
- 8:30 AM** Opening of the 81st IMS
IMS Alliance Annual Meeting
House of Delegates Convenes
- 12:00 PM** Lunch
Alliance Member of the Year
Volunteer Health Service Awards
- 3:30 PM** Adjourn
- 4:00 PM** IMSA Past Presidents' Reception
- 6:00 PM** IMS President's Reception
- 7:00 PM** IMS Dinner

* **Complete agenda in April FOCUS**

National Guest: Barbara Hanas

Bringing greetings from the American Medical Association Alliance will be Iowa's own Barbara Hanas of De Witt. Hanas has been active on a national level of Alliance for several years and will be acting in her capacity of a national leader when she swears in the slate of Iowa Medical Society Alliance officers for 2010-2011.



Hanas was elected Director of the American Medical Association Alliance for a third term in June 2009. She is also serving as a member of the Bylaws Committee for a second term. At the National level, Hanas previously served as a member of the Finance Committee (2007-08) member (2005-06) and Chair (2006-07) of the Health Promotion Committee. She also served as a member of the Nominating Committee in 2006. Active in the Alliance for over 16 years as a member at large, Hanas has served the Iowa Medical Society Alliance in many capacities including president, president-elect, finance and SAVE chair. On the county level, she distributed "Care-line" cards to area schools for over ten years.

She is married to Steven Hanas, MD, a Family Practitioner. The couple has two daughters.



Kathleen Sebelius



Charles Grassley



Bruce Braley

Register Today!

81th Annual Meeting
of the IMS Alliance
April 17

Sheraton West Des Moines
A block of rooms
at \$109 + tax per night
is being held until March 25;
make reservations by calling:
515.223.1800

Friday Night Dinner at Biaggi's
April 16 at 6:30 PM

Plan to arrive Friday evening in
time to attend the Dutch-treat
dinner at Biaggi's;
our out-of-state guests are joining
us for the meal.

Check out the menu for Biaggi's,
5990 University Avenue,
West Des Moines.

Contact **Deb Whitver**,
IMS Coordinator,
to reserve a seat for dinner.

Iowa Medical Society invites IMS Alliance members to hear featured speakers

The Iowa Medical Society has invited several major speakers to address the latest developments on health care reform, including Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, Senator Charles Grassley and Congressman Bruce Braley.

Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of the Department of Health & Human Services

Kathleen Sebelius was sworn in as the 21st Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on April 28, 2009. As Secretary, she leads the principal agency charged with keeping Americans healthy, ensuring they get the health care they need, and providing children, families, and seniors with the essential human services they depend on. She also oversees one of the largest civilian departments in the federal government, with nearly 80,000 employees.

Secretary Sebelius holds a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Kansas and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Trinity Washington University. She is married to Gary Sebelius, a federal magistrate judge. They have two sons, Ned and John.

Charles Grassley, U.S. Senator

A member of the United States Senate for the past 28 years, Charles Grassley is the most senior Republican member of the Committee on Finance and, therefore, serves as the committee's Ranking Member. Senator Grassley calls this committee the quality of life committee because of the committee's jurisdiction, which includes all tax matters, Social Security; Medicare, Medicaid, social services, unemployment compensation, tariffs and international trade.

Senator Grassley also sits on the Committee on the Judiciary; the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry; the Committee on the Budget; and the Joint Committee on Taxation.

Bruce Braley, U.S. Congressman

First elected to the United States House of Representatives in 2006, Congressman Bruce Braley is a member of the House's Subcommittee on Health, under the auspices of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. As a member of this Subcommittee, Congressman Braley participates in discussions concerning public health and quarantine; hospital construction; mental health and research; biomedical programs and health protection in general, including Medicaid and national health insurance; food and drugs; and, drug abuse.

Register today! Print form & send to IMS Alliance, 1001 Grand Ave., W. Des Moines, IA 50265
Or register with the **IMS Coordinator** via email and send payment by **Monday, April 5**.

REGISTRATION FEE (mandatory)	\$30.00	
--- Friday Night Dinner at Biaggi (Dutch treat) - 6:30 PM		Yes___No___
--- IMSA Luncheon (Saturday, April 17)	\$25.00	Yes___No___

PLEASE SELECT LUNCHEON ENTRÉE:

- ___ Vegetarian Lasagna
- ___ Artichoke Chicken

--- Past Presidents' Reception (Saturday, April 17)
(Open to Past IMS Alliance presidents/out-of-state guests) Yes___No___

TOTAL DUE BY MONDAY, APRIL 5 (Payable to IMS Alliance) \$ _____

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

POSITION _____ TOWN _____

New Resources

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President

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Bylaws Committee

Debbie McCalla, Dakota Dunes, SD, Chair

Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws of the Iowa Medical Society Alliance

To be presented at the 81st Annual Meeting

The Bylaws Committee of the Iowa Medical Society Alliance recommends the following changes:

ARTICLE VIII - OFFICERS

Section 1. DESIGNATIONS

A. The elected officers of the IMS Alliance shall consist of a president or co-president, a president-elect or co-president-elect, a vice president or co-vice-president, a ~~recording~~ secretary, a treasurer and district councilors.

Delete “Recording” before the word “secretary” from this section.

B. The appointed officers ~~may be a corresponding secretary~~, shall be a historian and a parliamentarian.

Delete “may be a corresponding secretary” from this section.

Rationale: A Corresponding Secretary, responsible for all correspondence and courtesies, has not been appointed for many years in the IMS Alliance. The Recording Secretary or other officer handles these duties.

Editorial Change: Any reference to “Recording Secretary” in the bylaws will be changed to read “Secretary.”

Section 2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. The president-elect or co-presidents-elect, the vice president or co-vice presidents, and the recording secretary shall be elected for one year by the House of Delegates and shall assume office at the close of the session of the House of Delegates at which they were elected. The treasurer shall be elected for one year by the House of Delegates and shall assume duties at the completion of the annual audit. ~~The president and president-elect may not serve two consecutive terms. The vice president, recording secretary and treasurer may serve more than one term or until their successors are elected.~~

Delete: “The president and president-elect may not serve two consecutive terms. The vice president, recording secretary and treasurer”

Add words in bold: All officers may serve more than one term or until their successors are elected.

Rationale: Allows for all officers who are willing to serve beyond one year (term) to do so.

ARTICLE XI - COMMITTEES

Section 2. STANDING COMMITTEES shall be directly responsible to the Board of Directors.

B. Those whose chairman and/or members are determined according to Policy and Procedure rules, and/or elected by the membership.

~~6. Volunteer Health Service Award: This committee secures nominees of adults and teens who have given an outstanding number of volunteer hours or made an outstanding commitment to volunteer service in the areas of health. The president or co-presidents select the chairman and the remaining members are the Alliance Advisory Committee.~~

Delete as stricken above, #6 under Article XI, Section 2B.

Rationale: In recent years the number of nominees for these awards has steadily declined. Additionally, many community organizations recognize their volunteers annually further reducing the need for an outside organization to do so. The continued relevance of these awards is questionable.

Alternate recognition for volunteer community service may be fitting in the future. If the IMSA Board chooses to recognize community service in any form, the Bylaws Committee recommends that the guidelines for such recognition be contained in the IMSA Policy section of the Leader’s Guide Book.