

## Letter from the President

Hello to the Fort Wayne Chapter of CMSA. What a beautiful fall season it has been!!! I hope you all have enjoyed the gorgeous fall foliage as much as I have. With all the air travel that I do in my new position I get some awesome aerial views of color. What an exciting year it has been for the Fort Wayne Chapter of CMSA.

Our chapter continues to experience growth in our membership and let me again take this opportunity to welcome all of our new members. It is so exciting to see all of the different types of case management being utilized in our region. We have many different venues represented in our own membership such as short term acute, worker's comp, long term acute care, managed care, home health and independent case managers just to mention a few. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board and the various committee members for all of their hard work and commitment to our chapter. What a great group of people we have in our organization! It's exciting to see how case management is advancing in our society and healthcare system and this importance will only become more apparent with the implementation of the new healthcare legislation.



As a member of the public policy committee, I was thrilled to be able to attend the CMSA Legislative visits in Washington DC in April of 2010. One of the offices that I visited was that of Ohio's 4<sup>th</sup> district (where I live) State Representative, Congressman Jim Jordan. I'm thrilled to report that as a follow up to that visit Congressman Jordan accepted an invitation to tour Triumph Hospital in Lima. On September 13<sup>th</sup> I had the honor of helping to introduce him to what a long term acute care hospital is and at the same time discuss CMSA and the importance of case management in our healthcare system today. Let me encourage our membership to learn more about the different committees available for you to sit on as well as potentially becoming a board member in the future.

Have a great holiday season,

**Julia A. Davis RN BSHC CCM**

### Save the Date

**PARTY!**  
Christmas gathering for all members on Thursday, December 2 @ 5 pm.

See pg 3 for more details..

**CMSA Board Meeting**  
Tuesday, Jan 11th, 2011  
7:30 am  
Old National Insurance  
1111 Chestnut Hills Pkwy  
Ft. Wayne, In 46814

**All Members are  
Welcome to Attend!**

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## **JOIN OUR FALL NEW MEMBER ROUNDUP**

CMSA's Member-Get-A-Member Campaign is underway through December 31, 2010. Will you take the challenge to "lasso" some new members?

CMSA is the leading source for the case management industry, and recruiting is an excellent opportunity to share your enthusiasm and excitement for your organization with non-members.

## **HELP REACH OUR NEW MEMBER GOAL OF 250**

CMSA has more than 70 chapters, so if each chapter were to pledge a goal to recruit 4 new members each, we would well exceed the 250 new member goal!

## **GET INFO ON TOOLS, RULES, & INCENTIVES**

The best recruitment tool is *word of mouth*. So, why not make time to tell your colleagues and coworkers how your CMSA membership has been a valuable investment for your career. If you're excited, it's contagious and others are more likely to join.

Just go to [www.cmsa.org](http://www.cmsa.org) and look in the membership tab for *Member get a Member* and all the details and registration forms are there. You'll find the prizes you can receive when you recruit members, as well as helpful tools on the CMSA website to assist you in your recruiting efforts.

**250 New Members = Fall Campaign Goal**

**The Top Recruiter will receive a complimentary Conference Registration to the 2011 Annual Conference & Expo in San Antonio, Texas!**

## **CMSA'S VIRTUAL EXTENSION TO THE 2010 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPO**



*Earn up to 31.8 Nursing & 26.50 CCM continuing education hours towards your certification!*

As the leading membership association dedicated to the support and professional development of all case managers, CMSA's Annual Conference & Expo has always been the premiere educational event in the case management industry. However, in today's world, we understand not everyone can join us for CMSA's Annual Conference and Expo.

**So, it is with great excitement that we are pleased to announce our virtual learning experience via the CMSA Virtual Extension of the Annual Conference.**

**Registration due by December 15, 2010.**

**Complete Courses by December 31st, 2010.**

Learn more at:

[www.cmsa.org/VirtualConference](http://www.cmsa.org/VirtualConference)



## *HOLIDAY DINNER!!*

*You are invited to the annual Fort Wayne Chapter of CMSA holiday get together!*

*Date: December 2, 2010*

*Place: Hall's Gas House  
305 E. Superior St.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802*

*Time: 5:00pm*

*One alcoholic drink per person included.*

*Come join the fun...*

*RSVP: Julia Davis at 281-900-3929*

*Or*

*[jadavis@triumph-healthcare.com](mailto:jadavis@triumph-healthcare.com)*

## *Special Welcome!*

Please join in welcoming **Carrie Marion**, our newest CMSA Fort Wayne member. Some of you met her at the Oncology Trends luncheon as she was there as our guest. Carrie was one of the few original starting members of CMSA, and has been a past CMSA National President. We are so lucky to have her in the Fort Wayne area now and are looking forward to her participation with our local chapter.

Her contact information is:  
Carrie Marion RN BSN CCM  
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cmarion@phpni.com  
or  
carrie@jknet.com

Mary Ann Schaefer, Membership Committee

## *Good Luck Debbie!*

Pictured are Debbie Stubbs, Mary Ann Schaefer, Sharon Woods and Linda Pickerman gathering for one last good-bye to Debbie as she moves out to New Jersey. Debbie served as a Board Member, Vice President, President, and as the Executive Director. She has been a speaker twice for our chapter and is an excellent resource. We will miss her very much and wish her the very best out east!



## *WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !*

**Mary Jo Brock,**

St. Joseph Hospital Fort Wayne

**Katherine Delagrang,**

Dupont Hospital Fort Wayne

**Bunnie Sullivan,**

Dupont Hospital Fort Wayne

**Beverly Tomlinson,**

Dupont Hospital Fort Wayne

**Marcia Kessler,**

Select Specialty Hospital Fort Wayne

**Michelle Souder,**

Briar Medical Management of Fort Wayne

**Carrie Marion**



On the front cover

Pictured left to right:

Dr. Marc Rovner, Medical Director, Triumph Hospital Lima

Julia Davis, RN BSHC CCM

Congressman Jim Jordan, Ohio's 4<sup>th</sup> district State Representative

Dr. R. Scott Stienecker, Chief of Staff, Triumph Hospital Lima

### Note from the editor:

As with many things in life, there is so much more to putting together a newsletter for such an active organization than I had anticipated. Time and distance add to the challenge of effectively representing the activities and opportunities of the Ft. Wayne chapter of CMSA.

This edition is my first solo attempt and though it pales in comparison to Carolyn's prior work, it's

not such a bad little news letter. It just needs a little love. Have a great Holiday Season and the next edition will grace your email just as the winter begins to drag on, all those new years resolutions have been long ago broken or forgotten and spring break will be foremost on our minds.



Jeff Meade