

# President's Page

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*"Two roads diverged in a wood, and I-  
I took the one less traveled by,  
And that has made all the difference."*

--Robert Frost

HAPPY NEW YEAR to you and your family and especially to our extended Aerospace Medical Association's family and friends. 2012 will present many challenges and opportunities for us to grow as the world leader in Aerospace Medicine and I am looking forward to seeing all of you in Atlanta this May for our 2012 Annual Scientific Meeting. Your Scientific Program Committee met in mid-November and had the largest number of participants ever in our history. The quality of the presentations was truly outstanding and provides many opportunities to meet our Theme of "Evolving Travel Medicine Issues: A Global Concern."

I am very honored and pleased to share with you our 2012 Bauer and Armstrong Lecturers.

Our Bauer Lecturer will be: Phyllis Kozarsky, M.D. She is an expert travel health consultant for the CDC's Travelers Health Branch and an editor of CDC's Health Information for the International Traveler, also known as the "Yellow Book."

Our Armstrong Lecturer will be: Martin Cetron, M.D. He is the Director for the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

We have traditionally started our meeting on Monday morning with the Bauer Lecture and we will continue to do so. Our Armstrong lecture has occurred on Thursday afternoon and many of our members have not been able to attend due to required travel starting on Thursday afternoon. This year we will initiate having the Armstrong lecture occur at 0830 on Thursday morning as a Plenary Session. Our Scientific Programs will follow starting at 1000.

Now returning to focusing on getting to know our AsMA family a little better and to share another opportunity for you to get involved with your organization, I will introduce you to our Associate Fellowship. Associate Fellowship honors members of the Aerospace



**Fanancy Anzalone, M.D., M.P.H.**

Medical Association who have contributed to the Association in a positive manner. A candidate for Associate Fellow must be a full member of AsMA for at least 5 years. Applications for Associate Fellowship are reviewed by the Associate Fellows Group and submitted to the Executive Committee for approval. Applications are currently made by submitting a Curriculum Vitae (CV) to [associatefellows@gmail.com](mailto:associatefellows@gmail.com). For more information on becoming an Associate Fellow or to maintain active participation in the Associate Fellows Group:

- View the Associate Fellows Group website: <http://www.asmaafg.org>.
- Contact the group directly at [associatefellows@gmail.com](mailto:associatefellows@gmail.com);
- Follow them on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=111797668835181&v=wall>;
- Or contact Lance Annicelli (Chair; [phizzboy@aol.com](mailto:phizzboy@aol.com)) or Brian Musselman (Chair-Elect; [moose@me.com](mailto:moose@me.com)).

During my time as an Associate Fellow, I solidified my commitment to our Association and the friendships initiated during that time are still very special to me. If you have been a member of AsMA for 5 or more years, I strongly recommend you contact the Associate Fellows Group.

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, you can reach me at [president@asma.org](mailto:president@asma.org) or call me at 786-338-8777.

# Association News

## Flying Physicians Association Approved as Affiliate

The Flying Physicians Association is the latest group to be approved by the Council of AsMA for Affiliate Membership. We are excited to welcome them to AsMA. They will be sponsoring a 2-part panel, "Clinical Updates Relevant to Aviators," as part of AsMA's 83rd Annual Scientific Meeting, on Thursday, May 17, 2012.

According to their website, "The primary purpose of the Flying Physicians Association is to promote safety, education, research and human interest projects relating to aviation. As physicians, with knowledge in the effects of Flying (physical, mental and emotional), [they] strive to increase safety and to preserve health by providing basic information through example and teaching to the medical profession, to aircrews and to the public at large, influencing members of the medical profession to fly and to develop expertise in the effects of flying which will result in better utilization of aircraft for emergency services, better cooperation with state and federal aviation agencies, better qualified aviation medical examiners, and more significant research.

"The idea of a formal association of physician pilots was first discussed and the first steps taken to organize such a group, during

the 1954 Philadelphia Jaycee Transcontinental Air Race. The doctors originally involved in the feasibility of an association were Herman A. Heise, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; S. D. Sullenger, Dandridge, Tennessee; and H. D. Vickers, of Little Falls, New York. On June 5, 1955, during the American Medical Association's yearly convention, the first regular business meeting of the association was held. Dr. H. D. Vickers was elected the group's first President. The association was incorporated under the laws of New York State as a not-for-profit scientific and educational society in October 1955. At the end of its first year the association had 795 members. Today the association's membership is comprised of physician pilots across the United States, as well as in Africa, Australia, Canada, England, Israel, Puerto Rico, South America, Germany, West Indies, and Japan."

[Taken from the FPA website. For further information, please visit them at <http://www.fpadrs.org>.]

## Nominate a Colleague for an Award!

The new chair of the Awards Committee, Kris Belland, D.O. ([kbellnad@pol.net](mailto:kbellnad@pol.net)) is asking for your help. Please consider nominating a colleague or co-worker for one of AsMA's

18 (yes 18!) annual awards. The deadline for nominations is January 15, 2012, for the upcoming AsMA 83rd Annual Scientific Meeting to be held in Atlanta in May. The newest award is the Walter and Sylvia Goldenrath Award, which was established at the bequest of their estate. This award will be presented annually for the most outstanding achievement in aerospace physiology. (Note: This is not an award from the Aerospace Physiology Society and is open to all members.) There is a substantial honorarium associated with this award. In addition there are awards for lifetime achievement, aeromedical evacuation, outstanding resident, contributions to spatial disorientation, acceleration, systems operations, international aerospace medicine, general aviation, psychological aspects, flight safety, or innovation, and many more. The award form is available for download on the AsMA website at: <http://www.asma.org/pdf/award-form.pdf>.

### Looking for a past article?

Members can log into the Members Only page to have access to both the archives and the online journal as a benefit!

Non-members may access the online journal and the archives through the journal page: [www.asma.org/journal/online\\_journal.php](http://www.asma.org/journal/online_journal.php)

*JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, Phoenix, AZ*

*Undersea & Hyperbaric Medical Society  
45th Annual Scientific Meeting*

*WWW.UHMS.ORG*

**JUNE 20-23, 2012**

# NEWS OF MEMBERS

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## In Memoriam

### Audie W. Davis, M.D., M.P.H.

AsMA recently learned that Audie W. Davis, M.D., M.P.H., died in October 2011. A native of Alabama, Dr. Davis earned a B.S. at the University of Alabama in 1953, his M.D. at the Medical College of Alabama in 1957, and an M.P.H. at the Harvard School of Public Health in 1965. He served an internship at University Hospital in Birmingham, AL, from 1957-1958 and attended the Short Course in Aviation Psychiatry from 1958-1959. He also attended the primary course in Aviation Medicine in 1963. He served as a Medical Officer in the U.S. Air Force at Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, TX, and later served at Eglin AFB, FL, and at Space Systems Division, Inglewood, CA. Following his service with the Air Force, Dr. Davis was employed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in 1962. He served for a short time as Assistant Regional Flight Surgeon for the Southwest Region, and then was transferred to the FAA's Aeronautical Center. He later be-



came the Manager of the Aeromedical Certification Branch, Civil Aeromedical Institute, in Oklahoma City, OK.

Dr. Davis was responsible for processing more than 500,000 medical applications each year. His management of the system, development and implementation of the medical appraisal techniques needed to make informed decisions on pilot applications is what won him AsMA's Boothby-Edwards Award. He won AsMA's Tamsisea Award for his work with the FAA, such as his re-organization of the Aeromedical Certification Branch into a computerized operation, helping to keep fliers in the air. He also worked with the Air Line Pilots Association's Medical Department in developing procedures used for treating alcoholic pilots so they could be returned to the cockpit with no adverse effects on aviation safety. He authored or co-authored nearly a dozen scientific publications and lectured frequently at medical schools and aviation and medical meetings.

Dr. Davis was a member of the Phi Beta Pi Medical Fraternity, a member of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, and the Board of Directors of the Referral Center and Norman Alcohol Information Center, a Diplomate in Aerospace Medicine of the American Board of Preventive Medicine, and a Fellow of the Aerospace Medical Association, where he served on the Corporate

and Sustaining Committee. His awards and honors included the FAA's Sustained Superior Performance Award in 1966, the FAA's Outstanding Performance Award in 1968 and 1971, CAMA's C.D. Henry Award in 1974, an Award of Merit from GEICO Insurance for his extensive volunteer work on alcoholism, and AsMA's John A. Tamsisea Award in 1979 and Boothby-Edwards Award in 1987.

## New Members

- Austin Jr., Walter K., M.D., Jasper, GA
- Bruce, Bain, Lt. Col., Uxbridge, Ontario, Canada
- DiGiminiani, Riccardo, Ph.D., Corropoli (TE), Italy
- Duchesne, Ted A., Houston, TX
- Ghavam, Cyrus, Maj., M.D., Huntsville, AL
- Holthaus, Kevin M., Lt. Col., MC, ANG, Jacksonville Beach, FL
- Kenney, Michael P., Maj., USAF, MC, Dunkirk, MD
- Krause, Robert J., LCDR, MC, USN, Fallon, NV
- Nwajuaku, Patricia I., Capt., USAF, Los Angeles, CA
- Papoi, Benjamin F., Maj., MC, ANG, Baltimore, MD
- Sandridge, Matthew B., 2 Lt., Charlotte, NC
- Scott, Stephen M., Chapel Hill, NC
- Wirawan, I. Made Ady, M.D., M.P.H., Newtown, New Zealand

## New Features in the Membership Database

Our membership database has some new features in which you might be interested. You can now enter your spouse's name and choose whether to publish it with your profile. You can also store your AMA Physician's number, as well as AAFP and AOA numbers.

All you need to do is to log in to the Member Home and click on View or Change My Info. Then when your record comes up, you scroll all the way to the bottom. The box marked "Include in Directory?" must be checked if you want others to be able to see this information.

In addition, there is a feature to allow you to post a photo (called 'logo') to the site. The file must be under 200 KB and again you have to click "publish" if you want others to be able to see it. It's not exactly Facebook, but at least you will be able to get an idea of what we look like!

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## European School of Aviation Medicine

### Training Courses 2012 for JAA/FAA Aero Medical Examiners

- Aviation Medicine/ Travel Medicine Diploma Course 21** 17 – 25 March 2012
  - AME Class 2 Basic Course 22** 1 – 9 September 2012
  - AME Class 1 Advanced Course 22** 8 – 16 December 2012
- Venue: Lufthansa Aeromedical Center, Frankfurt Airport.**
- Application forms and further details under [www.flugmed.org](http://www.flugmed.org) or [www.eusam.org](http://www.eusam.org).
- International Aero Medical Seminar (FAA) in Berlin** 23 – 26 August 2012

## Future AsMA Meetings

- May 13-17, 2012  
Atlanta Hilton, Atlanta, GA
- May 12-16, 2013  
Chicago Sheraton, Chicago, IL
- May 11-15, 2014  
San Diego Hilton, San Diego, CA
- May 10-14, 2015  
Walt Disney World Dolphin Resort  
Orlando, FL
- April 24-28, 2016  
Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino  
Las Vegas, NV