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SUMMER NEWSLETTER – 2006

We had a wonderful MSOMS meeting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on May 4-7, 2006. Sixteen members from the MSOMS and their families were in attendance at the meeting. The Coeur d'Alene Resort was an outstanding facility and everyone in attendance marveled at the beauty of the Coeur d'Alene area. The weather was warm in Idaho and a great time was had by all, whether golfing the top rated Coeur d'Alene Golf Course (with the float hole), touring the local wineries, shopping and more shopping, site seeing in the Coeur d'Alene area, participating in the spa programs, swimming at the pool or just plain relaxing. We maintained our usual program arrangements with lectures and business meetings in the mornings and afternoons free to spend with family and friends. We find this arrangement very desirable and will follow it for future meetings. The Thursday evening Poolside Reception and Saturday Formal Reception/Dinner and Entertainment were well attended and will be continued in the future. Special thanks are due to Rob and Sue Nustad who as President and First Lady presided at the meeting and spent an exorbitant amount of time and effort to plan this meeting in Coeur d'Alene. Dr. and Mrs. Nustad worked very closely with Dawn Myers to setup the meeting and assure a very successful outcome. Special thanks to Dawn Myers for her outstanding help with the planning and supervising of the meeting and events.

The speaker for the professional program was Dr. Remy H. Blanchaert, Jr. who presented an excellent program on Friday and Saturday. Dr. Blanchaert's topics included: "An Office Anesthesia Update" and "The Evaluation and Treatment of Oral Lesions". Dr. Blanchaert gave an extremely interesting and informative presentation that was well received by the MSOMS members. We wish to thank Dr. Blanchaert for his time and the effort required in preparing his excellent presentation.

There were no resident presentations at our meeting this year. The MSOMS will have to strive to make resident presentations a part of our meetings in the future. It has been several years since they were included in our program.

No new members joined the MSOMS this year. I would encourage each of our members to actively recruit new members into the MSOMS. Those with new associates, please encourage their membership in MSOMS. Dawn Myers has received a list of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons in the MSOMS region from AAOMS. She will be sending membership packs to the Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons in our region who are not members of the MSOMS. If you receive one of

these packs in your office or know an Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon who has received a packet, please discuss our organization with them and encourage their membership in MSOMS. We need to actively recruit new, young members into this organization that is dominated by “mature” individuals.

Our upcoming annual meeting this year will be held in Ashville, North Carolina on April 11-15, 2007 at the Biltmore Estates. The meeting will be a combined meeting with the SWSOMS. The SWSOMS is sponsoring the meeting this year and making all the meeting arrangements. This should be an excellent meeting site with activities for the entire family. Dr. Doug Fain will be our President for 2007 and he and his wife Chris will be working with the SWSOMS to arrange the meeting. If they call for recommendations from the members, please help them with planning our meeting. So block your calendar and plan to attend. Ashville will be a beautiful area with lots of fun activities available for the whole family. Watch your mailbox for fliers as details for this wonderful meeting unfold. If you have questions regarding the 2007 meeting, please contact Dr. Doug Fain, Dawn Myers or me.

For 2008, Dr. Barton Bycroft will be our President and we discussed Cancun, Mexico; San Juan Puerto Rico; Jackson Hole, Wyoming and Branson, Missouri as possible meeting sites. Dawn will be evaluating these sites with Dr. Bycroft. If you have suggestions, preferences or other ideas, please contact Dr. Barton Bycroft, Dawn Myers or me.

For 2009, Dr. Roger Wilson will be our President and we discussed Jackson Hole, Wyoming and Branson, Missouri as possible meeting sites. Again, Dawn will be reviewing sites with Dr. Wilson so if you have suggestions, preferences or other ideas please contact Dr. Wilson, Dawn Myers or me.

The first meeting for the MSOMS was May 8, 1950, so 2010 will be our 60th Anniversary. That year the meeting is scheduled as a combined meeting with the SWSOMS and I will be President of the MSOMS. We would like to celebrate our 60th anniversary by making that a very special meeting. We will be discussing the arrangements for the 2010 meeting at the 2007 meeting with the SWSOMS Officers. We think the MSOMS should sponsor the meeting in 2010 and we have considered the Broadmore in Colorado Springs, Colorado as a possible meeting site. Again this should be a very special meeting so if you have suggestions, recommendations or ideas, please contact Dawn Myers or me. If you have recommendations for any of the above meetings, please contact the members of the Site Committee listed in the left margin of the letter head page, the President for that specific year, Dawn Myers or me. We want to include as many members as possible for each meeting!

Enclosed you will find dues statements for active members and retiree updates for retired members. Any active members that are 2 years behind in dues (2006 & 2007) will have a dues statement with red heading. Retired members will receive a retiree update form. Our society had an updated roster for 2005. The information from the dues statements and retiree update forms will be used to update the roster

yearly so please return the forms and insure the information you provide is as accurate as possible. If you plan to retain your membership in MSOMS, please return the appropriate forms in a timely manner. If your desire is to terminate your membership in MSOMS, please be courteous enough to return a letter stating your intentions, as it will help in the update process.

The Executive Council renewed the contract for Dawn Myers as our meeting coordinator/executive secretary for 2007. Dawn will work for the society on a yearly contract and will be paid on a monthly basis. Dawn has done an outstanding job for our society this past year. She arranged a tremendous meeting in Coeur d'Alene and saved us a substantial amount of money in the process. If you have any question or concerns regarding our meetings, please contact Dawn as she is very resourceful and willing to help with any meeting questions or concerns. It is very important that every member support our meetings so our society can continue to provide these wonderful meetings and meeting sites for the membership.

I wish to thank all of you who helped me as secretary this past year. The patience and help of all members is appreciated. If changes are required, please let me know. I hope to see all of you at the 2007 meeting.

Sincerely,

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