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Welcome to the **Retired Physicians of Smith County's** e-News from the staff of the **Smith County Medical Society**. While you will continue to receive the monthly e-newsletter sent to all SCMS members, we hope that this publication will speak more directly to *you*, the **Retired Physician**. In every issue you will find information on **CME offerings, local events & activities, health & wellness information, updates in our community**, and more.

If you have a topic or idea that you would like to hear more about, please share it with our staff via email at smithcms@smithcomed.org.

SMITH COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY RETIRED PHYSICIANS

*Join us online for a
"Virtual Meet & Greet"*

Thursday, December 10th
Noon to 1 pm



[Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 925 9050 8627

Passcode: 201004

For more information, call our office at (903) 593-7058.

Accreditation & Education

MD/RN GRAND ROUNDS

Upcoming Events



"Managing your Diabetes During the Holidays" December 4th - Noon to 1 pm

Wisembaker Center
800 E. Dawson Street, Tyler, 75701

Lunch is provided

Pre-register by contacting Jen Hawkins, Director of Medical Education
(903) 606-4888 / jennifer.hawkins@christushealth.org

TMA OFFERING

New CME Requirement

"Identifying Human Trafficking in Texas"

Human trafficking, also known as "modern-day slavery," is a global human rights atrocity that affects individuals of every age, nationality, gender, and sexual orientation. Although the media have directed more attention to the problem recently, forms of human trafficking have existed throughout human history. Access this new course [HERE](#).



Want to know more about this topic? Discover efforts to eliminate human trafficking in East Texas by reading about the non-profit organization '[For the Silent](#)'.

Community Updates



GO LOCAL

Things To Do In & Around Tyler

This holiday season the CDC recommends limiting large gatherings, so let's look to the outdoors for the magic of the season:

- 2020 Rotary Clubs of Tyler "Drive Through" Christmas Parade: Saturday, December 5th from 10-11:30am. More details & tickets for stadium seating online at [2020 Rotary Clubs of Tyler](#).
- This Christmas, Santa and Mrs. Clause will be staying at the North Pole until Christmas so that they can stay well. The Car Show opens at 10am, Carolers begin at 5pm, with Christmas tree lighting will round out the annual celebration, then stay to visit the shops of Edom. Saturday, Dec 5, 6-9pm.
- A Pineywoods Christmas at Tyler State Park: Friday & Saturday, December 11th & 12th, 5-9pm. Find our more at [Tyler State Park](#).



The Blue Man
Photos by Keith Carter
Tyler Museum of Art - Permanent Collection

Organized by the Tyler Museum of Art, this exhibition showcases 50 photographs from Keith Carter's Blue Man series held in the TMA's Permanent Collection. The images, taken in the late 1980's, highlight a variety of people and places found around East Texas. Rooted in a documentarian tradition, Carter's images capture the ordinary as well as the unimaginable subjects that make our region unique.

Keith Carter (b. 1948) is an internationally recognized photographer and holds the Endowed Wallis Chair of Art at Lamar University in Texas. His work has been widely exhibited and can be found in numerous museum collections including the National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum and J. Paul Getty Museum.

Museum hours can be viewed online at [Tyler Museum of Art](#).

Health & Wellness



The Year Ahead: *Exclusive interview with Anthony Fauci, MD, NIAID Director*

Watch the recording of the Nov. 7 discussion with Anthony Fauci, MD, director of the National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Disease, and James Madara, MD, AMA CEO and EVP, as they explored COVID-19 and what lies ahead for

physicians and medical students. Access the recorded video [HERE](#).

WALK WITH A DOC GOES VIRTUAL

During the Pandemic

In this time of social distancing, Walk With a Doc, a national organization that promotes physicians walking within their community, is still going strong with virtual walks.

Every Saturday morning, Walk With a Doc headquarters will post a video on its website of a virtual walk. Organization leaders from around the world, including Texas walk leaders, will share updates on COVID-19 and other important health topics as they stroll.

There are several ways you can participate:

- Visit the [website](#) to check out the most recent video;
- [Click Here](#) to receive each week's video via email;
- Watch all virtual events on [YouTube](#); and
- Of course, just walk (but stay at least six feet away from other walkers).

Find more information about Walk With a Doc Texas on the [Texas Medical Association website](#). TMA is one of the nation's leaders in sponsoring physicians who want to become walk leaders, and SCMS sponsored one of the very first WWAD groups in Texas!



Announcements

IMPORTANT DATES:

Birthdays and More...

December Birthdays:

Ronald F. Vrnak, MD - 12/2
Glenn H. Strauss, MD - 12/3
Steven B. Roberts, MD - 12/7
Stephen Boyd, MD - 12/10
William J. Brown, MD - 12/13
B. A. King, MD - 12/13
W. Lyles, MD - 12/20
Paul W. Wright, MD - 12/21
David J. Carney - 12/26
Andrew Quiroz, MD - 12/31



Thomas

Gene M. Earl, MD - 12/23
G. Peter Foux, MD - 12/27

Each month we will highlight our member's birthdays, retirements, and happenings. Please reach out to our office to share any announcements you would like included. smithcms@smithcomed.org



SMITH COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

*Have an Awesome
New Year!*



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