Laughter Is the best medicine

Nevada State Medical Association

111th Annual Meeting & Scientific Session

April 24—26, 2015
Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe
Incline Village, Nevada
Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure as Nevada State Medical Association President to invite you to the Association’s 111th Annual Meeting and Scientific Session. The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe on April 24—26, 2015.

Plan now to arrive by Thursday morning, April 23, and attend our Physician Day at the Legislature in Carson City.

I urge the attendance of every Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the NSMA House of Delegates. Every Nevada physician should attend and participate in the important discussions of the House and its Reference Committees. This is where your Association’s policies and priorities are decided. If you don’t participate, you forfeit an important opportunity to make organized medicine both responsive to and reflective of your priorities.

“Sundown at the Lucky Star” is the program for the Scientific Session on Friday evening. Written and presented by Dr. Steven Rubin, this CME activity combines didactic information, story and music to address late-life medical and psychosocial issues. Take an imaginary tour of the Lucky Star nursing home, meeting some of the staff and residents and learning about their very real experiences. This engaging program invites physicians to reflect on the challenges and meanings of life, death and aging, including dementia. The program will provide attendees with 1.0 credit of Category 1 CME.

Don’t miss our Saturday evening banquet that will culminate with the installation of Tomas Hinojosa, MD, as NSMA President. We will also recognize winners of the Distinguished Physician, Robert Schreck, Nicholas Horn and Community Service awards, and Monica Brandl will be installed as NSMA Alliance President. The evening will be capped by a performance of comedienne Kat Simmons and her insights on why “Laughter is the Best Medicine.”

Warm regards,

Mitchell D. Forman, DO
President 2014-2015
111th Annual Meeting Agenda

Thursday—April 23, 2015

Physician Day at the Nevada Legislature
Nevada State Legislature, Carson City

Friday — April 24, 2015

8:00 a.m. Registration
8:00 a.m. Breakfast
9:00 a.m. NSMA Council Meeting
1:30 p.m. Legislative Update Session
5:00 p.m. House of Delegates – Opening Session
6:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception (No Host Bar)
7:00 p.m. Dinner
8:00 p.m. Scientific Session - Sunrise at the Lucky Star

Saturday — April 26, 2015

7:30 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. House of Delegates convenes
          Reference Committee A
          Reference Committee B
9:00 a.m. NSMA Alliance Meeting
6:00 p.m. Cocktail Reception (No Host Bar)
7:00 p.m. Banquet & Awards Ceremony
          Presidential Inauguration
          Entertainment—Comedienne Kat Simmons

Sunday — April 27, 2015

7:30 a.m. Breakfast
8:00 a.m. House of Delegates – Closing Session
11:00 a.m. Adjourn
Kat Simmons is a 27 year veteran of the international comedy club circuit. You may have seen her at The Improvs, Catch A Rising Star, the Comedy Channel, Fox’s Comedy Tonight, or on Candid Camera. She is currently a regular cast member of the national comedy hit, Boomergang Baby Boomer Comedy Bash. She won the Women’s Network international talent contest in Dallas in 2009.

Kat has a unique talent for combining physical comedy with real life situations that everyone can relate to. She has been favorably compared to the masters of the craft, Lucille Ball, Carol Burnett and Red Skelton. She is one of a few physical comedienettes working today. You may recognize yourself in some of her material as she honestly shares with the audience as though they were all long-time friends. She delights in bringing to the stage the very things most people keep a secret. She speaks the truth, making it easier for the rest of us to be honest with ourselves.

She has appeared with Tim Allen, Kevin Nealon, Kenny Rogers, and most recently, legendary motivational speaker, Zig Ziglar. Kat has performed for several medical and health and wellness organizations as well. She has performed for North Bay Medical, Sutter North Medical Group, Pulse Foundation, Crawford Memorial Hospital, Carson Tahoe Hospital and Women and Infants Hospital, just to name a few.

Kat moved back from L.A. to the beautiful Carson Valley (just below Lake Tahoe), to do what she loves in the area she loves. She came back to have her children and, while not in the hub of LA, it provided her with new opportunities. She quickly began doing corporate events and she produced her own comedy show for 15 years at the Carson Valley Inn Casino, in Minden, Nevada. She also teaches comedy workshops and it is her greatest joy to help others find their empowerment through humor. She is back out on the international circuit after staying close to home for 17 years to raise her family, and she knows the best is yet to come. Kat says, "comedy is not what I do, it is who I am," so she will always be finding the funny.
Hotel Registration Information

Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe
111 Country Club Drive
Incline Village, Nevada

Group Rate:
- $209.00/Night + Taxes (King Bed, Mountain View)
- $260.00/Night + Taxes (Executive King or Balcony Room)

Special discount of 15% off all spa treatments at the Stillwater Spa for conference attendees and registered guests.

Reservation deadline is April 1, 2015:
(888) 421-1442 or book on-line at https://resweb.passkey.com/go/NVSMA

Reference the Nevada State Medical Association for the group rate. Please make your reservation through the hotel or by using the link listed above. If you use other on-line providers the NSMA will not receive credit toward our required room block.

The NSMA block will be dropped on April 1, 2015. Reservations received after that date will be on space available basis only.
Please complete the form below and mail a check payable to NSMA, 3660 Baker Lane, Suite 101, Reno, NV 89509 or call (775) 825-6788 to pay by credit card.

Name:___________________________________________________________________
Address:_________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip:_____________________________________________________________
Phone:___________________________________________________________________
Guest Name:_____________________________________________________________

Please check ALL functions and meetings you plan to attend and the number attending each event.

Friday, April 24  # of People
___ Breakfast
___ Council Meeting
___ Legislative Update
___ Opening House of Delegates
___ Legislative Update
___ Cocktail Reception (No Host Bar)
___ Dinner
___ CME Scientific Session

AMA#_________________________
NV License#____________________

Meeting Registration Fees
Physician/Members: $575
Guest/Spouse: $450

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:
Breakfast
Friday Reception and Dinner
Saturday Reception and Dinner
CME credit fee

Extra Tickets—Friday Night Dinner: $150
Extra Tickets—Saturday Night Dinner: $195
Extra Tickets for Breakfast Only: $40

Total Amount Enclosed:__________________

Saturday, April 25  # of People
___ Breakfast
___ House of Delegates
___ Reference Committees
___ NSMA Alliance meeting
___ Cocktail Reception (No Host Bar)
___ Banquet/Awards Ceremony

Saturday, April 25  # of People
___ Breakfast
___ Closing House of Delegates

Sunday, April 26  # of People

CANCELLATION POLICY
Full refund if request received by April 1, 2015.
No refunds after April 1, 2015.

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