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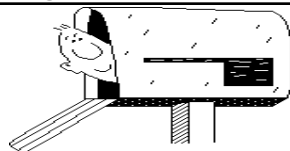
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## LONGO and GLOVER to Highlight Annual Meeting

The 1995 Meeting of the Indiana Chapter, American College of Surgeons is looking to be one of the best in years. As always the strength of the meeting rests on its scientific program, and the last minute submission of papers has provided us with an ample supply of varied excellent papers. The Resident Competition was held on March 22, with selection of four award winning papers. Dr. William Turner and the rest of the program committee have worked hard to make it an excellent meeting.

The program will start at noon Thursday, allowing travel to South Bend that morning. Dr. Margaret Longo, a Regent of the College, will give us an update on College activities as part of the Thursday afternoon

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## What Should The INDIANA CHAPTER Do About Managed Care?

Although the College has been delving more extensively with socio-economic affairs, the Indiana Chapter has not. The Chapter's main thrust has been to maintain a forum for the presentation of scientific papers, to advocate and uphold standards of care and to emphasize the special needs of cancer and trauma programs. The Council has, however, dealt with concerns related to Medicare, bundling and rebundling, and medical Managed p. 2, col. 2

## IMRO Responds

The Indiana Medical Review Organization has responded to the Chapter's request for a change in the review guidelines for hernia repair. The new guidelines, to be implemented April 16, include "asymptomatic hernia demonstrated by a physician".



## Young Surgeons Meet

The annual Young Surgeons Meeting is Scheduled this year for April 2 & 3. This program has been well received over the years and gives the participants a view of the College and permits them to become acquainted with College personnel. Our representatives this year are Scott Shapiro, M.D., F.A.C.S and Rose Marie Jones, M.D., F.A.C.S.



## Chapter Rejects Statewide Plan

The Indiana State Medical Association requested that the Chapter support a petition to make the entire State into one Medicare district. Since almost all surgeons are located in metropolitan or urban areas, this would not be to our advantage, and the plan was rejected.



## Merck Does Not Renew Newsletter Grant

Merck, who gave the College a grant of \$30,000.00 on two successive years, did not renew the grant this year. The Indiana Chapter has met the conditions specified in the grant, and has benefited from it. If you agree this has been money well spent, please thank your Merck representative.

## Meet your Chapter Officers - President-Elect Mell Welborn

Mell B. Welborn, Jr., was born in Evansville, the son of a surgeon who was a previous President of the Chapter and Governor of the American College of Surgeons. As the fifth generation of Welborn name to become a physician in the Evansville area, he attended Emory University for undergraduate and graduate education and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Omega Alpha. He completed post-graduate training in general and thoracic surgery at Vanderbilt, spent two years at the 22nd Surgical Hospital in Vietnam and at Fort Gordon Army Hospital, Augusta, Georgia, as a general and thoracic surgeon. He then took a year of fellowship in cardiac surgery at St. Louis University. He has board certification in general surgery, thoracic surgery and surgical critical care. He is an Associate Clinical Professor of

## Coming Events

- May 10** - Council Meeting 5:30 P.M. at the Summit Club atop the Holiday Inn bldg.
- May 11-13** - 1995 Annual Meeting and Scientific Program - Holiday Inn-Downtown, South Bend, Indiana.
- May 12** - Chapter Business Meeting and Election 12:00 Noon.
- June 2-3** - Chapter Officers Seminar, A.C.S. Chicago, Ill.
- June 13-14** - Congressional delegation briefing, Washington, D.C.

Surgery at Indiana University for the Regional Medical Center in Evansville. He teaches a course in the Correlation of Physiology, Pharmacology and Critical Care Medicine. His interests are bicycling and supporting his wife, Patricia's, interests in hunt seat equitation. His son is a surgical resident at the Shands Teaching Hospital, University of Florida.

Mell's nurse, an Ursuline from Owensboro, is Sister Gloria, renowned for her piety and resistance to frivolity.

Meeting - from p. 1, col. 1 program. Dr. John Glover will give the Shumacker Oration on Friday, talking about the "Physiologic Approach" of progress in vascular surgery. A mini-symposium on "What's New in Surgical Oncology" will highlight Friday afternoon. Many good papers are being reserved for Saturday to considerably strengthen that day. We shall plan to see you there.

Managed from col. 1, p. 1 review policy. Members are going to Washington to express concerns of Indiana surgeons about health care policy. Several Fellows have advocated that the Chapter should undertake to organize surgeons and be a bargaining agent in dealing with the health systems that are being formed in Indiana. They indicate that the Chapter is the only organized group that represents surgeons.

Many of the problems associated with managed care are either local or statewide and as such require local or statewide solutions. *Is it appropriate for the Chapter to undertake this?*

This question will be considered by the Council at its next meeting, and will be a subject at the annual meeting.

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## ICACS to Send Officers to Washington

The College has requested the Chapters to send delegations to Washington to talk with their congressmen about subjects of concern to them and to the College. At the Feb. 17th meeting of the Council approval was given for four persons to make the trip. A briefing and dinner are planned for the first night. Visits with all representatives and senators (or their staff) is planned for the following day. The group returns home that same day. Drs. Broadie, Inlow, Pennington and Welborn are slated for this year. The College wishes this to be an annual event.

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