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**Tracy Zaslow, MD**  
Medical Director, Sports  
Medicine Program in Children's  
Orthopaedic Center (COC) at

### Greetings from the President Kimberly Klausner, MD

#### *Happy Holidays from the Los Angeles Pediatric Society!*



We are happy to bring you our latest e-newsletter, a specialist article, and news about our programs for 2015. We are looking forward to the Parmelee lecture on March 25, 2015 at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, then the Brennemann Lectures on October 9-11, 2015 at Disney Paradise Pier Hotel.

This summer, with your help, we continue to expand the Eve and Gene Black Summer Medical Career Program to expose more high school students to the exciting possibilities of a future in medicine. (GO PEDS!) Please consider a contribution to this program as a tax-deductible charitable donation for 2014. [Click here to donate.](#)

The end of the year is a time for reflection. For LAPS, we have gained many new members and I look forward to personally meeting those that I do not already know. We have also lost several long-time members. We would like to acknowledge the passing of one special member, past president, Dr. S. Michael Marcy. The following link will take you to a video developed by his peers in tribute to him and his many contributions to pediatrics.

[S. Michael Marcy, MD Tribute Video](#)

***The Marcy Family has generously requested that LAPS place a donation link on our website for those wishing to contribute to honor the memory of S. Michael Marcy, MD.***

[Click here to donate.](#)

***Please select the box next to Dr. Marcy's name after entering the amount of your donation.***

Wishing you a happy and healthy holiday season- hope to see you at the Parmelee or Brennemann!

*Kimberly Klausner, MD, FAAP*

It's that time of year. Temperatures have fallen and more than 78 million people are heading out to the slopes this winter. Skiing and snow-boarding are popular recreational activities for children and adults. And, while keeping active in the mountains is a great way to bond as a family, skiing and snowboarding do have their risks. These winter sports are the second-leading cause of sports-related injury hospitalizations in the winter and responsible for many trips to the emergency department.

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**SAVE THE DATE**  
**for upcoming**  
**LAPS meetings**

**Where Does Your Child Go  
When You Call 911?**



**Paula Whiteman, MD, FACEP, FAAP**

Pediatric Physician Specialist, Los Angeles County EMS Agency  
Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA  
Director of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Emergent Medical Associates, Manhattan Beach, CA

A family is involved in a bad car accident on the freeway. The mother, sitting in the front passenger seat, is holding her infant in her arms. On impact, the child is thrown into the windshield. While everyone else seems okay, the infant is clearly injured. The father spots a sign for a hospital up ahead at the next exit, and makes the decision not to call 911. His car is damaged, but still operable in order to save time he drives his family directly to the nearby hospital. Upon arrival at the Emergency Department (ED), the infant is sent for a non-contrast head CT scan which confirms a serious head trauma. The infant is intubated and quickly stabilized, but without a Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) or even a pediatric ward, the hospital is unable to further care for the child. The patient is helicoptered to the closest Pediatric Trauma Center (PTC).

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**Brennemann 2014 Wrap-Up**



**Ronald Nagel, MD, FAAP**  
Program Chair

**A LOOK BACK AT THE  
BRENNEMANN 2014**

LAPS had another encore performance with an "A Team" of professors at the 71st Brennemann lectures in September at Disneyland with 100 medical professionals in attendance. They were educated by three top notch professors: Orthopedist, Robert Bernstein, MD of Cedars-Sinai discussed developmental dysplasia of the hip, scoliosis, fractures and the limping child, Gary Rachelefsky, MD, the "guru" allergist from UCLA shared his

**Annual Parmelee  
Lecture at Cedars-  
Sinai Medical  
Center**

**March 25, 2015**

**The 72nd Annual  
Brennemann  
Lecture**

**October 9-11, 2015**

*Disney's Paradise  
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your year end  
donations*

You should have received your end-of-year report which included a President's letter and Summer program information. We hope we can count on your continued support of this

in depth knowledge on food allergies, immunotherapy, allergy testing and his favorite topic, asthma, and Adolescent Medicine Specialist, Diane Tanaka, MD, of Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA) dazzled us with informative lectures on male health, STDs, menstrual disorders and a contraception update. Lastly, to give honor to the memory of our past program chair, Cliff Rubin, MD, CHLA Resident Program Director, Eyal Ben-Isaac, MD gave a very provocative lecture on the changes in pediatric residency training over the past 20 years. LAPS would like to acknowledge these experts for their contributions and also thank our meeting exhibitors for their support. [Click here for a list of meeting exhibitors.](#)

With this well received event completed, the program committee is now busy planning another stellar conference at Disneyland on **October 10-11, 2015**. We hope to cover ENT, Genetics and Emergency Medicine with an informative Cliff Rubin Memorial lecture on Global Health. Don't miss a chance to combine CME with Disneyland fun, which always brings smiles to the young and the young at heart!

Also mark your calendars for **March 25, 2015** for our next annual Parmelee lecture at Cedars-Sinai with Professor Evan Zahn, MD, Director of Cedars Congenital Heart Program. He will provide the latest information concerning the controversial topic "***Our Biggest Nightmare, Sudden Death in a Young Athlete - Does Screening Make a Difference?***" Do not miss this important lecture which will provide vital information for all our members. We hope to see you there!

**Get Ready for the 2015  
Eve & Gene Black Summer Medical Career Program!**

LAPS is proud to sponsor for the 46th year, the Eve & Gene Black Summer Medical Career Program. This month we mailed and emailed the 2015 Program materials to over 300 Los Angeles area high schools and their career counselors. If you have any patients or know of any current 11th or 12 grade high school students who would be interested in applying for a position in this medical mentor internship, you may direct them to [Summer Program](#) on our website for all the application documents.

This program continues to be a one of a kind experience. If you would like to learn more about it, please visit [Summer Program Explanation and Activities](#) where you can read excerpts from past participants' essays. In this document you will also find information about how you can become involved in this program by hosting students in your offices/practices. It is not too late to become a part of the 2015 program, just contact us, TODAY!

We thank our many members for their past support. (Please click here, [Donors and Sponsors](#) if you wish to view for a list of our current donors.) We hope we can continue to count on you and your generosity. And for those that are not yet involved, we hope you will join us. Your efforts will forever change the face of the future of medicine in Los Angeles!

life changing program.

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Please encourage your fellow Los Angeles doctors to become LAPS Members. We are always looking to expand our organization.

### Membership Application

Help us better serve you and all of our members.



1. What specific subjects/topics would you like to see addressed in LAPS CME meetings and/or in our newsletters?

2. Would you be willing to speak at a meeting or submit an article?

Please submit your articles or suggestions for topics for future meetings by:

Fax: (310) 782-9856

or email:

Thank YOU!

## Members Giving Back

### Working to Make Life in Tanzania "Hakuna Matata"



#### Mark Z. Powell, MD

Private Practice Pediatrician, Pasadena

Looking back, the process of applying to medical school represents little more than a distant memory. I do remember however, that many of the questions on the application asked me to explain my motivation for wanting to become a doctor. Though at the time I was young and idealistic, the answers I gave are as relevant today as they were then. I wanted my job to benefit people, I wanted to be instrumental in making their lives better, and I wanted to be able to use my education to identify and cure illness and to alleviate suffering.

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### ONLINE CLASSIFIED ADS FREE TO MEMBERS!

LAPS offers a classified ads service on our website.

- Ads may include position postings, locum tenens, sale of practices or medical equipment.
- Ads are limited to 50 words or less.
- All ads are subject to approval prior to posting.

[Click here for more information on classified ads](#)

### Positions Available

#### Tarzana

Full time job opportunity at Facey Medical Group, a multispecialty group, in the Tarzana pediatric office. Newborn rounding at Tarzana hospital. Call is 2 to 3 times per month. Eligible for shareholdship after 3 calender years. Medical, dental and pension benefits. For more information, contact Shelly Miller at [smiller@facey.com](mailto:smiller@facey.com)

#### Copperhill

Part time opportunity at Facey Medical Group, a multispecialty group, in the Santa Clarita office. Newborn rounding at Henry Mayo hospital. Call is 2 to 3 times per month. For more information contact Shelly Miller at [smiller@facey.com](mailto:smiller@facey.com) or call 818-837-5539.

[meosborne@lapedsoc.org](mailto:meosborne@lapedsoc.org)

or mail to: LAPS, PO Box  
4198, Torrance, CA  
90510-4198.

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topics is available [here](#)  
(You may download,  
complete and email, fax or  
mail to LAPS)

[Link for ALL ads here](#)

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

2014

Kimberly Peterson, MD - Santa Monica  
Monica Michelle Hegedus, MD, Stony Brook, NY  
Walter Robert Taylor, MA, LMFT, Los Angeles

[Click here for complete list of new members for prior years.](#)

## **IN MEMORIAM**

2014

Kenneth R. Keer, MD, FAAP - Tarzana, February 2014  
\* Paul M. Fleiss, MD, MPH, FAAP - Los Angeles, July 2014  
\* Michael S. Marcy, MD, FAAP - Los Angeles, Sept. 2014  
  
\* Life Member

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