

FINGER LAKES GUILD

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Quarterly Newsletter - September 2019

Dear Reader,

This is the first in a series of quarterly e-newsletters intended to keep you updated on and invited to the activities of the Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association. Please utilize the links provided below for additional information and details about upcoming events. These newsletters may be forwarded to colleagues and friends as you see fit. And please, consider joining the Guild. Membership information is included below. Your interest and support are appreciated

Jann K. Armantrout, Editor Board of Directors, Member

Introducing Dr. Thomas M. Carroll, President, Finger Lakes Guild, CMA



The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Thomas M. Carroll, M.D., PhD. agreed to serve as President of the Finger Lakes Guild, beginning August 2019 . Dr. Carroll is an Assistant Professor of General Medicine & Palliative Care at the University of Rochester. Additionally, Dr. Carroll directs the Advanced Communications Techniques (ACT) Program at the University. Dr. Carroll shares some thoughts about where he hopes to lead the Guild during his term. He remarks, "We live in challenging

times where it seems that technology, and indeed society, are changing at a pace unprecedented in human history. There is no doubt that our modern world presents formidable challenges for healthcare professionals trying to live devoutly Catholic lives." Dr. Carroll's full comments may be read at <u>https://www.fingerlakescma.org/presidentsnote-27-august-2019/</u>.

Thanks and Gratitude to Dr. Richard J. Seeger, Immediate Past President

Richard J. Seeger, MD, the Immediate Past President of the Finger Lakes is appreciated by the Board of Directors and the membership of the Finger Lakes Guild for his two terms as President. The Guild's community presence was strengthened by Dr. Seeger's cultivation of relationships within the Catholic community as well as with neighboring Guilds. Dr. Seeger provided the leadership necessary to organize the very successful 2018 conference "Catholic Perspectives on Modern Day Health Care," a collaborative effort of the Guilds of Buffalo, Syracuse and the Finger Lakes. Dr. Seeger is an area ophthalmology specialist with a thriving private practice. Thank you for your service!



Upcoming Events: https://www.fingerlakescma.org/upcoming-events/

Events scheduled at the time of publication are listed below. Please check the above link for additional information and for events scheduled between newsletters.

- September 17 Tuesday, 7-9:00pm Creighton Model Introductory Session, Anne Olek, RN,NP, 1st of nine sessions. St. Bernard's, 120 French Rd. Rochester, NY.
 October 10 Thursday, 7-8:30pm. Journal Club. Thomas Carroll, MD, PhD, Moderator. Article: "The Moral Dangers of Technocratic Medicine," *The Linacre Quarterly.* St. Bernard's, 120 French Rd, Rochester, NY.
 October 26 Saturday, 4:30pm, White Mass for all Medical Professionals. Bishop S. Matano presiding, St. Louis Church, Main St. Pittsford, NY.
- **December 9** Monday, 6-9:00pm. **Open Board Meeting** for members current with dues. Mass will be celebrated, followed by the Open Board Meeting, and concluding with a Happy Hour. St. Bernard's. French Rd., Roch.

Ongoing Opportunities:

Dr. Elissa Sanchez-Speach, local board-certified family physician and past president of the Finger Lakes Guild, is now seeing patients at MyCatholicDoctor. She specializes in women's health and fertility care. Dr. Speach also offers convenient care for many minor illnesses and general medical needs of both children and adults. For more information go to: www.mycatholicdoctor.com.

A Mobile Ultrasound project is being coordinated by the Fr. Jim Hewes. 4 out of 5 pregnant women who are vulnerable to abortion yet board an ultrasound van, reject abortion. Nurses, doctors and sonographers are needed to assist with this project. Training provided. Email: Fr.Jim.Hewes@dor.og for additional information.





Catholics@URMC will be getting restarted for the new academic year, Please join us for prayer, fellowship, discussion, and mutual support for those working in the healthcare professions!

Membership Renewals and Becoming a Guild Member:

Attention current members! Please make sure that you are current with your 2019-2020 dues. Payment may be made with a credit or debit card at <u>www.fingerlakescma.org/become-a-guild-member/</u>.

Considering becoming a member? Several levels of membership are available, each providing opportunities for continued formation, fellowship and professional growth. Please visit <u>www.fingerlakescma.org/</u>