

April Meeting Cancelled!

It's a beautiful spring day as I write this. Hard to believe that we are in the beginning stages of a pandemic. But it is what it is. We, as an organization, are the demographic that doctors are most worried about. We are all old, as much as we hate to admit it. We have multiple underlying illnesses like heart trouble, diabetes, issues breathing, etc. Whatever illnesses we do get, tend to hit us harder and are more difficult to recover from.

Wednesday, via email, your board consulted and decided to cancel the remainder of the year. We had only the April meeting remaining. This would have been a special meeting. We would remember those members who passed away the previous year and install our new President, Ida Dixon. But in the interests of safety of our membership, the cancellation must occur. Sports events, graduations, church services, and more are all cancelled. Even if some miracle cure/vaccine came out tomorrow, we would still be a vulnerable group.

The board decided not to schedule and then have to potentially cancel a May meeting.

We will be sending out more information as it becomes available. Our website will be updated. We will be sending out Constant Contacts more frequently as well.

Take a minute to breathe. These events have happened in the past (plague, smallpox, TB, polio, and more). They will happen in the future. Just keep breathing.

State GREA Convention Postponed

On Wednesday, March 18, the State GREA Conference to be held May 5 - 7 was postponed. There is no tentative reschedule date at this time. Dr. Sloan and the GREA leadership are looking at the possibility of August. The dates will depend on the availability of a venue.

Refunds for registrations have not been announced yet. Check the GREA website for information which as of this writing has not been updated. The Marriott cancelled room reservations made in conjunction with the conference. Check your room reservation to be sure it was cancelled wherever you made a reservation.

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Take a minute to think about and reach out to your fellow members. Many live alone or have a spouse in less than optimum health. Social distancing may be good for society as a whole, but social isolation is bad. Make a phone call. Chat for a few minutes. If you need a phone number for one of your regular table mates, email president@cmrea.org or call me at 678 431 6861 (I don't always pick up, leave a message.) I'll get back to you with the contact information for your fellow member. Stay in touch!