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# HCFA/CMS

## *ALUMNI NEWS*

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Winter never really showed up and now Spring has sprung, so we thought we'd celebrate with another issue of the HCFA/CMS Alumni News. I'd like to thank all of you who have renewed your membership for 2012 (and in many cases beyond that as well). Dues remain at \$5.00 per year and, on the theory of "never say never," those who have not renewed for 2012 or later (you know who you are) can still get back into our good graces by doing so now. We are still chasing after a few who have said they intended to do so but haven't come in yet and the others are still welcome to join the stampede before we end up terminating their membership. There are 47 members who have so far not renewed their membership and, regrettably, we will soon reluctantly be forced to remove them from the roles.

I am also pleased that the association continues to attract new members. On page 2 you will see a list of 12 new members, bringing the membership up to an all time high of 636. By providing a Member Directory, a quarterly newsletter, and e-mail messages about happenings at CMS, we promote a continuing connection between CMS (formerly HCFA) and its retirees, both at the central office and regional office levels. We try to provide information of interest to all retirees.

In this issue you will also find items about the COLA Count (looks like we might actually get one again in 2013), a profile of member Don Joy, the latest in CMS senior staff and organizational news, including lists of recipients of the Chief Operating Officer's Achievement Awards and the DHHS Departmental Honor Awards. The ever-popular Komedy Korner appears as usual. There are lots of items that hopefully will be of interest to you.

I want to wish you all a Wonderful Spring and continued happiness, good health and prosperity in retirement.



William L Engelhardt

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### **NEW MEMBERS**

The Association extends a hearty "Welcome Aboard" to the following new members:

Eugene Clarke  
Leonora G Collins  
Jane Eagen  
Donna Young Jarosinski  
Terese Kletinec  
Sheila Lambowitz  
Lou Polise  
Nancy Ranel  
Patricia Stout-Hrabal  
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We now have 636 active members.

### **MEMBERSHIP SEARCH**

As always, we acknowledge that there are many HCFA/CMS retirees that we have not been able to reach to tell them about the Alumni Association and invite them to join. We continue to ask for your assistance in spreading the message about us to them. If you know of any retiree that is not a member, please let them know about us and tell them how to contact us by telephone, snail mail or e-mail (all of that information can be found on page 2 of this issue). We will be very happy to send, either electronically or via snail mail, anyone the enrollment form and further information about membership. And Bill Engelhardt says you can always e-mail him personally at [wengelhardt@comcast.net](mailto:wengelhardt@comcast.net) for faster response (as the office e-mail is only accessed weekly).

### **SOCIAL SECURITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

We'd like to again remind members that we also have a link to our sister alumni, the Social Security Alumni Association, web site on our web site. The actual URL for it is "<http://www.ssaanational.org>" but you can just click on the link on our page. Many HCFA and/or CMS retirees also worked for the Social Security Administration somewhere along the line, and are eligible for membership in both alumni associations.

## **SOCIAL SECURITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BLOG**

Joe Vaughan, President of the Social Security Alumni Association (SSAA) has reminded us again that HCFA/CMS folks are certainly welcome to participate in any Social Security Alumni activity. Many of us are eligible to, and some of us actually do, belong to both alumni associations. The SSAA has developed a blog. Go to <http://ssaanews.blogspot.com/> to check it out. If you are a former SSA worker you just might be interested enough to join the SSAA.

### **SSAEAA**

We'd again like to remind members that we do have a link to the Social Security Administration Employee Activities Association (SSAEAA) on our web site. The actual URL for it is "<http://ssaeaa.org>" but you can just click on the link on our page. HCFA/CMS retirees are automatically members of the SSAEAA and are eligible to participate in discount purchases.

### **COLA COUNT**

Through six months of the counting period toward the January 2013 federal retiree cost of living adjustment, the inflation index used to set that adjustment stands at 1.38 percentage points. The new CPI-W figure for March 2012 was 226.304. The average CPI-W for the third-quarter of 2011 was 223.233. This is the new reference figure for determining the 2013 COLA. The annual COLA count measures the change in the index's average from one-third calendar quarter to the next. October, November and December saw modest drops in the COLA count but January and February each saw a monthly change of plus 0.5%, and March saw a gain of 0.89%, ending up with a net gain of 1.38% for the counting period. There are six months left in the counting period. So far, we have a 2013 COLA of 1.4%.

### **SPRING/SUMMER COOK-OUT**

As indicated on the flyer enclosed with this newsletter, Lillian Lehnert is graciously hosting a Spring/Summer Cook-out at her home in Fulton MD on Wednesday, June 13, 2012. Some 44 Alumni members and friends (a record setting number) attended this event last year and everyone had a wonderful time. Sign up and come for an "afternoon delight" from noon to 4PM.

## **SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CMS CHIEF OF STAFF BECOMES COUNSELOR TO HHS SECRETARY**

**Caya Lewis** has been appointed to be the next Counselor to DHHS Secretary Sebelius for Public Health and Science, working with CDC, HRSA, IHS and NIH. Caya served as Chief of Staff at CMS throughout 2010 and 2011, serving as a primary adviser to CMS Administrator Dr. Don Berwick. She previously served as Director of Outreach and Public Health Policy in the HHS Office of Health Reform. Prior to joining the Administration, Caya was the Deputy Staff Director for Health for the Senate HELP committee under the chairmanship of the late Senator Edward M. Kennedy. She previously served as a Senior Policy Analyst at the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, and as Director of the NAACP's National Health Division. Caya received a BA from Spelman College and a Masters of Public Health from the University of Michigan.

### **SENIOR ADVISOR TO ACTING CMS ADMINISTRATOR**

**Mark Loper** has returned to CMS to be the senior advisor to Acting CMS Administrator Marilyn Tavenner. Previously, Mark was CMS' Deputy Director in the Center for Drug and Health Plan, where he served for two years ending in September 2008. Previously he served as Chief Business Officer for the Veterans Health Administration; served twice as Regional Principal Executive for TRICARE regions in the southwest and the mid-Atlantic regions of the Department of Defense; and served as Director of Strategic Communications and Transformation for the Assistant Secretary of Defense in the Office of Health Affairs. Most recently, Mark was with Coventry Health Care, Inc., where he served as the corporate Chief Compliance Officer.

### **OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH – DIRECTOR**

**Dr. Cara V. James** has been appointed to the position of Director of the newly established Office of Minority Health (OMH). The mission of OMH is to focus on strategies to eliminate health disparities. Dr. James has worked extensively with the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, as the Director of the Disparities Policy Project and Director of the Barbara Jordan Health Policy Scholars Program, leading efforts related to racial and ethnic minority health, care for the disabled and other underserved populations, and improving doctor-patient communication. She has published several peer-reviewed articles and other publications including co-authoring one of the background chapters for the IOM Report *Unequal Treatment*. Cara received her Ph.D. in Health Policy and her A.B. in Psychology from Harvard University. She joined CMS on March 12, 2012.

**Allison Lee** has been appointed to the position of Deputy Director, OMH. Allison has had a long and varied career in CMS, most recently serving as the Deputy Director of the Innovation Center's Population Health Models Group where she co-led the startup of this group focused on

improving the health of communities and populations.

### **OFFICE OF LEGISLATION – DIRECTOR**

**Lauren Aronson** will join CMS on April 230 as the new Director of the Office of Legislation. Lauren currently serves as a Professional Staff Member for the Committee on Ways and Means in the U.S. House of Representatives. Previously, Lauren served in the White House as the Policy Director in the Office of Health Reform. Prior to joining the White House, Lauren served as a Policy Advisor to former Representative Rahm Emanuel. Earlier in her career, she served as a Policy Analyst to Christopher Jennings at his firm, Jennings Policy Strategies. Lauren received a B.A. in political science from George Washington University.

### **CMS SENIOR ADVISOR**

**Ajay Gupta** will join CMS on April 30 as a senior advisor, focusing on Medicare, Innovation and Program Integrity. Ajay is currently the Chief Financial Officer of Sarah Cannon Research Institute (SCRI), one of the nation’s largest clinical research programs. Prior to joining SCRI, Ajay was the CFO for the Imaging/Oncology Services Division within HCA Healthcare. Prior to joining HCA, Ajay was an Associate with Shattuck Hammond Partners, and also worked as a Senior Consultant at Arthur Andersen LLP. Ajay earned his B.S. of Public Health degree in Health Policy and Administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1999 and his MBA from the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University in 2004.

Additionally, **Bennett Blodgett**, who has been serving as special assistant to the Chief of Staff, will round out the Senior Management Team, focusing on Medicaid, the Exchanges and the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight.

### **2011 HHS DEPARTMENTAL HONOR AWARDS**

#### **Secretary’s Award for Distinguished Service:**

Jean-Moody-Williams

#### **Secretary’s award for Meritorious Service:**

Jessica Kahn

#### **HHS Award for Excellence in Management:**

Jon Booth  
Patricia Chmielewski

**CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER'S ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

The Chief Operating Officer's Achievement Award has been presented to the following individuals:

**Dennis Bogley**, of the Office of Communications in Baltimore MD. Dennis is being recognized for this honor for continued efforts on the Next Generation Desktop demonstrating his commitment to improving the 1-800-Medicare customer experience.

**Rosemary Field**, of the Philadelphia Regional Office. Rosemary is being recognized for this honor for her leadership, dedication, and initiative as a participant on the EPSDT National Improvement Workgroup's Integrated Care Subgroup.

**David Santana**, of the Office of Public Engagement in Baltimore MD. David is being recognized for this honor for providing training that is timely and accurate, ensuring beneficiaries make informed choices about health care.

**Gloria Maldonado**, of the Atlanta Regional Office. Gloria is being recognized for this honor for demonstrating her passion protecting Medicare beneficiaries by creating the idea of the CMS Medicare Symposium to share best practices to detect and prevent fraud.

**Linda Colantino**, of the Center for Medicare and Medication Innovation in Baltimore MD. Linda is being recognized for this honor for her passion and commitment to improving care for beneficiaries served by CMS' programs, by leading and contributing efforts to design, create and implement innovative demonstration programs.

**Lisa Foltz**, of the Chicago Regional Office. Lisa is being recognized for this honor for extraordinary innovation and professionalism demonstrated throughout her career. She enhanced CMS' mission by leading process improvements for managed care organizations, therefore positively affecting healthcare and improving the lives of thousands of beneficiaries.

**Ronisha Davis**, of the Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs in Baltimore MD. Ronisha is being recognized for this honor for her leadership in coordinating CMS' 2011-2012 regulatory reform efforts that are leading to significant savings and burden reduction for Medicare providers.

**Daniel McElroy**, of the Dallas Regional Office. Daniel is being recognized for this honor for his relentless dedication to the quality of care beneficiaries receive in our nation's nursing homes. His knowledge and expertise in long term care, survey and certification requirements are unsurpassed.

**Tristan Cope**, of the Office of the Actuary in Baltimore MD. Tristan is being recognized for his leadership, technical skills, and customer service demonstrated in developing actuarial bid review tools and budget models.

**Catherine Rippey**, of the Kansas City Regional Office. Catherine is being recognized for this honor for her leadership and dedication to leading and improving customer focused casework through promoting excellence in boundarilessness, collaboration and unconditional teamwork.

In recognition of their accomplishments, these employees have their pictures posted on the CMSNet.

### **DON JOY - MEMBER PROFILE**

By Marie Detweiler, Editor  
March 2012 NARFE Chapter 2306 Newsletter  
Westminster Maryland

(Don is also a HCFA/CMS Alumni Member)



Don Joy was born in the small town of Emmitsburg, MD. He recently celebrated his 80th birthday and in July, celebrated his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with his wife, Bernadette. They have four children, all now in their 40s, and five grandchildren, all boys. The entire family lives in the Westminster area and all are married.

Don came from a large family of eight boys and three girls. He graduated from Emmitsburg High School, received a Bachelor of Science degree from Mt. Saint Mary's University, and graduated from the University of Baltimore with a Juris Doctor degree in law. Don was then admitted to the Maryland Bar in 1960.



While Don spent most of his career with the U.S. Government, he spent about 15 years in the insurance industry. After 31 years, he retired in 1998 from the Health Care Financing Administration as a Senior Contract Specialist.

Don has always been active in sporting activities for over 60 years. One of his latest achievements was his induction into the Carroll County Sports Hall of Fame. Listed below are some of the highlights that earned him that honor.

- 1949 - set school record in basketball at St. Joseph's H.S. with 345 points in one season
- 1950 - set record in CYO basketball league with 52 points in one game
- 1951 - set a new record in intramural meet at Mt. St. Mary's by throwing a baseball 360 feet
- Struck out 16 batters in a single baseball game, becoming known as "FIREBALL JOY"
- Pitched slow-pitch softball for 25 years for the same team—over 250 games
- Played and managed softball for over 50 years with teams that won several national championships
- Set numerous state and world records as a Masters weightlifter in bench press competitions
- Over 25 year period beginning at age 55, won more than 100 trophies and plaques in weightlifting
- Best lifts at age 65, 370 pounds; at age 69, 360 pounds; and age 75, 335 pounds
- Won over 90 gold and silver medals in the Maryland Senior Olympics in shot-put, discus, race walk, hammer throw, weight throw and softball championships
- At Westminster Family and Recreation Center, won bench press contest and best lifter over age 70 for 4 straight years, and at age 76 was awarded "Comeback Lifter of the Year"

Don's accomplishments in weightlifting and the senior Olympics have been featured numerous times in the Carroll County Times and Powerlifting USA, a nationwide magazine for strongmen competitors.

In 2009 he joined the Carroll County YMCA to begin his 60th year in sports, conditioning, and strength training.

Keep it up, Don! We're all cheering for you.

### **KOMEDY KORNER**

#### **A CONVERSATION IN HEAVEN!**

Submitted by George Jacobs

SYLVIA:  
Hi! Wanda.

WANDA:

Hi! Sylvia. How'd you die?

SYLVIA:  
I froze to death.

WANDA:  
How horrible!

SYLVIA:  
It wasn't so bad. After I quit shaking from the cold, I began to get warm and sleepy, and finally died a peaceful death. What about you?

WANDA:  
I died of a massive heart attack. I suspected that my husband was cheating, so I came home early to catch him in the act. But instead, I found him all by himself in the den watching TV.

SYLVIA:  
So, what happened?

WANDA:  
I was so sure there was another woman there somewhere that I started running all over the house looking. I ran up into the attic and searched, and down into the basement. Then I went through every closet and checked under all the beds. I kept this up until I had looked everywhere, and finally I became so exhausted that I just keeled over with a heart attack and died.

SYLVIA:  
Too bad you didn't look in the freezer --- we'd both still be alive.

### **INSTEAD OF A NURSING HOME!**

Anonymous

There will be no nursing home in my future.....  
on a Princess Cruise Ship. The average cost for a nursing home is \$200 per day. I have checked on reservations at Princess and I can get a long-term discount and senior discount price of \$135 per day. That leaves \$65 a day for:

When I get o

1. Gratuities, which will only be \$10 per day.
2. I will have as many as 10 meals a day if I can waddle to the restaurant, or I can have room service (which means I can have breakfast in bed every day of the week).
3. Princess has as many as three swimming pools, a workout room, free washers and dryers, and shows every night.
4. They have free toothpaste and razors, and free soap and shampoo.

5. They will even treat you like a customer, not a patient. An extra \$5 worth of tips will have the entire staff scrambling to help you.
6. I will get to meet new people every 7 or 14 days.
7. T.V. broken? Light bulb need changing? Need to have the mattress replaced? No Problem! They will fix everything and apologize for your inconvenience.
8. Clean sheets and towels every day, and you don't even have to ask for them.
9. If you fall in the nursing home and break a hip you are on Medicare. If you fall and break a hip on the Princess ship they will upgrade you to a suite for the rest of your life.

Now hold on for the best! Do you want to see South America, the Panama Canal, Tahiti, Australia, New Zealand, Asia, or name where you want to go? Princess will have a ship ready to go.

So don't look for me in a nursing home, just call shore to ship.

### **THE GREEN THING!**

Checking out at the store, the young cashier suggested to the older woman, that she should bring her own grocery bags because plastic bags weren't good for the environment.

The woman apologized and explained, "We didn't have this green thing back in my earlier days."

The clerk responded, "That's our problem today. Your generation did not care enough to save our environment for future generations."

She was right, our generation didn't have the green thing in its day.

Back then, we returned milk bottles, soda bottles and beer bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. But we didn't have the green thing back in our day.

Grocery stores bagged our groceries in brown paper bags, that we reused for numerous things, most memorable besides household garbage bags, was the use of brown paper bags as book covers for our school books. This was to ensure that public property, (the books provided for our use by the school) was not defaced by our scribbling. Then we were able to personalize our books. But too bad we didn't do the green thing back then.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have an escalator in every store and office building. We walked to the grocery store and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time we had to go two blocks. But she was right. We didn't have the green thing in our day.

Back then, we washed the baby's diapers because we didn't have the throw-away kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy gobbling machine burning up 220 volts, wind and solar power

really did dry our clothes back in our early days. Kids got hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing. But that young lady is right; we didn't have the green thing back in our day.

Back then, we had one TV, or radio, in the house, not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of the state of Montana. In the kitchen, we blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, we used wadded up old newspapers to cushion it, not Styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn gasoline just to cut the lawn. We used a push mower that ran on human power. We exercised by working so we didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right; we didn't have the green thing back then.

We drank from a fountain when we were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time we had a drink of water. We refilled writing pens with ink instead of buying a new pen, and we replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull. But we didn't have the green thing back then.

Back then, people took the streetcar or a bus and kids rode their bikes to school or walked instead of turning their moms into a 24-hour taxi service. We had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And we didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest burger joint.

But isn't it sad... the current generation laments how wasteful we old folks were just because we didn't have the green thing back then?

We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to piss us off.

### **THE ABCs OF AGING!**

A's for arthritis;  
B's the bad back,  
C's the chest pains, perhaps car-d-iac?  
D is for dental decay and decline,  
E is for eyesight, can't read that top line!  
F is for fissures and fluid retention,  
G is for gas, which I'd rather not mention.  
H is high blood pressure--I'd rather it low,  
I is for incisions with scars you can show.  
J is for joints, out of socket, won't mend,  
K is for knees that crack when they bend.  
L is for libido, what happened to sex?

M is for memory, I forget what comes next.  
N is neuralgia, in nerves way down low,  
O is for osteo, the bones that don't grow!  
P is for prescriptions, I have quite a few, just give me a pill and I'll be good as new!  
Q is for queasy, is it fatal or flu?  
R is for reflux, one meal turns to two.  
S is for sleepless nights, counting my fears,  
T is for Tinnitus; there's bells in my ears!  
U is for urinary; big troubles with flow;  
V is for vertigo, that's "dizzy," you know.  
W is for worry, NOW what's going 'round?  
X is for X ray, and what might be found.  
Y is another year I'm left here behind,  
Z is for zest that I still have-- in my mind.

I've survived all the symptoms, my body's deployed,  
And I am keeping twenty-six doctors fully employed!

### **AGE IS A FUNNY THING!**

Have you ever been guilty of looking at others your own age and thinking, "Surely I can't look that old?" Well, you'll love this one!

I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist. I noticed his, DDS, which bore his full name.

Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome, dark-haired boy with the same name had been in my high school class some 40-odd years ago. Could he be the same guy that I had a secret crush on, way back then?

Upon seeing him, however, I quickly discarded any such thought. This balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was way too old to have been my classmate. Hmmm ... Or could he?

After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park High School.

"Yes. Yes, I did. I'm a Mustang," he gleamed with pride.

"When did you graduate?" I asked.

He answered, "In 1959. Why do you ask?"

"You were in my class!" I exclaimed.

He looked at me closely. Then, that ugly, old, wrinkled SOB asked, "What did you teach?"

**A LITTLE MIXED UP!**

Just a line to say I'm living,  
That I'm not among the dead.  
Though I'm getting more forgetful  
And more mixed up in the head.

For sometimes I can't remember,  
When I stand at foot of stairs,  
If I must go up for something,  
Or if I've just come down from there.

And before the fridge so often  
My poor mind is filled with doubt  
Have I just put food away?...or  
Have I come to take some out?

And there's times when it is dark out,  
With my night cap on my head  
I don't know if I'm retiring  
Or just getting out of bed.

So...if it's my turn to write you  
There's no need of getting sore,  
I may think that I have written  
And don't want to be a bore!!

So, remember, I do love you  
And I wish that you were here,  
But now it's nearly mail time,  
So I must say good-bye my dear.

There I stood beside the mailbox  
With a face so very red  
Instead of mailing you my letter,  
I had opened it instead!!

My bifocals fit - my dentures are fine  
My hearing aid works...but ..I do miss my mind!!!

**OBITUARIES**

**MARY JO(AN) COOK**

Submitted by Bill Engelhardt

Mary Jo(an) Cook's federal career spanned 36 years and she retired from CMS on February 1, 2012. She passed away on March 5, 2012. I personally knew Mary Jo going way back to my Medicaid Eligibility Quality Control days.

Her many hobbies included basking in the sun, cosmos on the veranda, summers in Saratoga, playing cards, the night lights of Vegas and most importantly, spending cherished days and nights with her granddaughter Eden.

She was a wonderful person and worker and will be sorely missed by everyone who ever had the pleasure of her acquaintance.

**JACK A. SCHARFF**

Submitted by Arlene Scharff

Spouse - 3/13/12

I am sending this notice to inform you that Jack A. Scharff died on July 29th, 2011, seven weeks before his 91st b'day. Jack served with the federal gov't for 41 years in areas of HHS, Medicare, Social Security and the Census Bureau. He is sadly missed greatly by friends and family.

**JULIAN MARIAN ZEKAN**

JULIAN MARIAN ZEKAN was called to his eternal reward. Beloved son of Josephine and the late Julius George Zekan, M.D., loving brother of Julianna Zekan Blazey (Douglas) and June Mary Makdisi (John), dearest uncle of six nieces and nephews. Resident of Baltimore Woodlawn for nearly 40 years....Family suggests donations to Julian M. Zekan Integrity Award at Radnor High School, Radnor, PA.

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# **IN MEMORIAM**

**The Alumni Association respectfully acknowledges**

**the passing of the following**

**Alumni/Employees/Spouses and expresses its**

**sympathy to family members:**

**LOUVENIA ANDERSON (4/9/12)\***

**MARY JO(AN) COOK (3/5/12)\***

**DAVID A. PANUSKA (3/23/12)\***

**JACK A. SCHARFF (7/29/11)\*\***

**IRVIN E. SCOTT (3/2/12)\***

**SUSAN W SMITH (4/7/12)\***

**JOHN ROBERT WELLINGTON, SR. (4/4/12)\*\***

**VIRGINIA L. WOERNER (11/2/11)\*\*\***

**JULIAN MARIAN ZEKAN (3/17/12)\***

\* HCFA/CMS Retiree

\*\* HCFA/CMS Alumni Member

\*\*\* CMS Alumni Member, widow of retiree Raymond J. Woerner

**If you are aware of any other deaths of Alumni please notify the editorial staff**

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