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RESCHEDULED FORUM DATE: November 13 **New Healthcare Choices for You on the Cape**

Rescheduled because of the Oct. 29 storm threat, “What’s New For You In Cape Medical Care” will be presented by the Orleans Citizens Forum on Tuesday, November 13th, 6:30 pm, at the Courthouse at the Old Jailhouse Tavern, 28 West Road, Orleans.

This forum is free and open to all on the Lower Cape.

The event is an opportunity for all residents to become better acquainted with today’s services available in hospital, medical, emergency, rehabilitative, and palliative care on Cape Cod.

The Orleans Citizens Forum

An all-volunteer, independent and nonpartisan organization wholly supported by member contributions, employs public forums and communications media to inform full- and part-time residents about issues important to the quality of life in Orleans.

The focus will be on new regional resources, improved emergency technology and home care support services, for the caregiver as well as the patient.

Appearing will be:

- Captain Geof Deering, Orleans Fire and Rescue.
- Sharon Gale, Spaulding Rehabilitation Center in Orleans.
- Dr. Munir Ahmed, Cape Cod Hospital
- Martha Troutman, Visiting Nurse Assn. (VNA)

• Dr Allen Ward, Broadreach Hospice and Palliative Care in Chatham.

“There are new medical technologies and new state-of-the-art medical facilities available now—some right here in Orleans,” says Ed Daly, president of OCF.

Panelists will discuss how their individual practices are better serving patients. And new facilities expand and improve patients’ options. For example, Spaulding Rehabilitation is opening its new facility in Orleans.

Renew Now!

Beat the membership dues increase next year by renewing at current rates before Dec. 31:

\$10 per individual

\$20 per family

2013 new dues rates:

\$15 per individual

\$25 per family

Following the panelists’ introductory remarks, the forum will address audience questions.

For more information about the Medical Forum and the Orleans Citizens Forum, please visit www.OrleansCitizensForum.org or call Judi Weil, Publicity Chair, at 508-240-3898.

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President’s Letter

A Medical Technology Update

We on the Cape were lucky that the worst of Hurricane Sandy passed us by on October 29. But the threat prompted us to postpone our Forum on medical advances available to Cape residents.

Fortunately, and with thanks to our speakers and suppliers, we are able to reschedule this critically important event in its entirety, to November 13.

Our Medical Forum at 6:30 pm on November 13 at the “Court-house” of the Old Jailhouse Tavern features actual practitioners explaining how they use new tools and facilities to care for patients.

You don’t want to miss it!

Finally, may I remind you to please renew your membership now at the current rate before the end of this year. Dues will increase to \$15 for individuals and \$25 for a family after the first of the year.

We appreciate your support so we can continue to present important forums and other information that fulfills our mission: “We Keep You Informed.”

— Ed Daly



The Webs We Weave at the OCF Website

What You'll Find at OrleansCitizensForum.org

The public service programs and Candidates Nights sponsored by the Orleans Citizens Forum provide a wealth of information about major issues affecting life in Orleans. Fortunately, the information we present lives on, available to everyone at the OCF www.OrleansCitizensForum.org website.

The site has become an important resource for knowledge about our town and many of its challenges, as well as the source of information about OCF itself.

For example, the current "welcome" page that first greets visitors to the site highlights our upcoming "What's New For You In Cape Medical Care" forum on November 13.

The page also lists links to a library of sources about the tick and lyme disease threats that have been particularly serious on Cape

For all members:

The OCF Annual Meeting

Friday, November 9 at 9 a.m.
The Orleans Inn & Restaurant
3 Old County Road, Orleans
Ed Maas presents "Ghosts of the Orleans Inn and Stories of the Sea"

Cod—updated information related to OCF's 2010 "Tiny Ticks, Big Problems" forum. (Video of that event is available on the Internet at You Tube and is continuing to be aired on Orleans Channel 18 TV.)

Note the reference in the box to "continually updated" content, one of the great benefits of Internet communication. Pages and the information on them can be as fresh as the Website's manager—the hallowed "web-meister" of the Internet age—

keeps up with changes. In OCF's case, Jim Robertson earns the praise for keeping our site current.

Click "Prior Events" in the header area of the Welcome Page to switch to links to reports and supplementary sources from our many other forums in recent years, as well as our Candidates Nights for Orleans local elections.

Membership applications are available for download from the

"Join Us" page.

Links to other local organizations' websites also appear in our web pages, all available to the public. Click on the "Links" header.

In coming months, we are considering adding special pages of information available only to current OCF members who deserve, we feel, enhanced access to the information we all crave as knowledgeable Orleans residents.

Davidson and Montgomery Join OCF Board of Directors

Sandy Davidson and Herb Montgomery, leaders well-versed in Orleans and Cape Cod issues, have joined the OCF Board of Directors as Membership Chair and Treasurer respectively.



Davidson, a resident of East Orleans since 2004, recently served as Executive Director of the Harwich Chamber of Commerce and, earlier, as the Vice President of Development and Public Relations for Kennedy-Donovan Center, a nonprofit human service agency. An active member of Orleans United Methodist Church and Orleans Yacht Club, Sandy serves on the Board of the Nauset Heights Association and advises several other local nonprofit organizations. She and her husband, Jim, have two adult children and one granddaughter.



Montgomery is the founder and president of The Montgomery Financial Group, located in Orleans, providing financial advice and investment management services. A Cape Cod resident since 1954, he and his wife Sue live in Brewster where they raised their two children and where he serves on the town's Finance Committee. He also is: Treasurer of the Nauset /Orleans Rotary Club where he had been President; a Director and Finance Committee member of the Lower Cape Outreach Council; and Treasurer of the Homeless Prevention Council.

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