## Fourth District Report November 2016

- 1. Schenectady County Medical Society had its first post summer meeting of 2016 at the Mohawk Golf Club on October 5. Discussion was held regarding the legislative agenda of MSSNY. Also there was a lengthy discussion regarding membership. It has been attempted in the past to get the physicians from the Ellis Hospital Medical Group to join. This has been attempted in the past. It was felt that another attempt should be made. After the dinner a physician for Cardiology Associates gave a presentation on pulmonary emboli.
- 2. Saratoga Medical Sociaty had a meeting at Nove Restaurant in Wilton, New York on October 10. Moe Auster from Governmental Affairs gave a presentation regarding the current MSSNY agenda. Macra and its implications were also discussed. We were also joined by representative from Congresswoman Elise Stefanik of Congressional District 21. He was able to listen to our concerns regarding Macra and the effect it will have on small physician practices. Saratoga County Medical Society has established an excellent relationship with Congresswoman Stefanik through the Efforts of Greg Pinto, M.D.
- 3. The Fourth District attended as guests of the Third District Retreat at the Gideon Putnam Hotel on October 15. The Third District should have a complete report on this.
- 4. The Fourth District will have its retreat at the Mirror Lake Inn in January. The Third District is invited as always and all others are also invited.

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