



Greetings,

The "You Call, We Come" program took us to Florida's Capital on April 21 – 23. Vice President, Ann Anderson, and I met with our new Executive Director, Allison Finley, to review FMAA policy and procedures, as well as plan the upcoming 2008 FMA & FMAA Annual Meeting. During our time with Allison we met with Kristy Jones, FMA Director of Finance and Accounting, and Pati Jackson, FMA Meeting Planner. We accomplished much in our short visit.

The following day Ann, Allison and I attended the Capital Medical Society Alliance's meeting and installation of officers. The focus of their general meeting was self-defense and personal safety. An officer from the Tallahassee Police Department was invited to speak on how to protect ourselves from both physical predators and identity theft. I was then honored to install their new officers. The Capital Alliance is a wonderful group of leaders and volunteers. Great things are growing out of their Alliance and the FMAA is excited to be a part of such an amazing organization.

Don't let the year slip by without a visit from us! The personal touch we offer to our county alliances is rewarding for both groups involved. We learn what you need, how we can better serve one another and provide updates on new activities occurring on the state and national level. Our schedule is still open for you. All you have to do is call and we'll come!

Recently, the FMAA awarded county alliances grants that prevented children from smoking, educated school faculty on anxiety management for special needs students, and helped over 2,000 youth transition out of foster care. Do you have a health project that needs support? Apply for a FMAA Health Projects Grant. We have funds available to help your county. If you are interested please contact Allison Finley, our Executive Director, at [afinley@medone.org](mailto:afinley@medone.org), or Health Promotions Co-Chairs Kathy Johns at [Dkjohns2@aol.com](mailto:Dkjohns2@aol.com) and Joan Harmon at [harmonwa@hotmail.com](mailto:harmonwa@hotmail.com) for criteria and application.

Remember - the 2008 FMA & FMAA Annual Meeting is July 31 - August 3. The FMAA House of Delegates meets Saturday, August 2, 2008, and I would love to see you there! Let your county president or county contact know that you would like to attend and represent your county. We are planning to have an enlightening as well as fun meeting.

As always, please never hesitate to contact me with any of your concerns or ideas.

Thank you for your continuing dedication to our Alliance!

Fondly,

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