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**John G. Bizon,
M.D.**

For President-elect 2011

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A Clinical Physician with Leadership Experience



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EDUCATION

- ◆ BS, Michigan State University, Honors College
- ◆ MD, Wayne State University School of Medicine
- ◆ Residency, Wilford Hall Medical Center USAF, Texas

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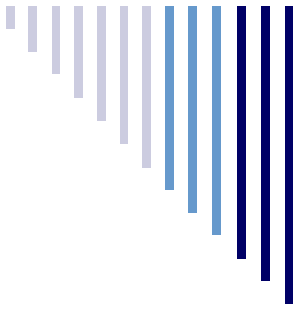
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Dr. John Bizon and his daughter, Cathy, a medical student, picketing against the physician tax at the October 2009 White Coat Rally, Lansing, Michigan.

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**A CLINICAL Michigan physician in private practice*

**A proven, serious leader with Knowledge, Experience, and Energy!*



My Story...

**“I come from Michigan
—all over Michigan.”**

~John G. Bizon, MD

If I could have a moment of your time, I want to tell you why I consider myself qualified to seek the position of 2011 President-elect for Michigan State Medical Society. Born and raised in the southern suburbs of Detroit, I still head to Allen Park to see mom at the same house I grew up in.

I attended medical school at Wayne State University, and served my first post-graduate year in general surgery at the Detroit Medical Center/WSU associated programs in Detroit. I had gone through medical school on the military Health Professions Scholarship Program, and was asked by the military to take care of their pilots. I was sent to San Antonio for Flight Surgeon's school. I returned to Michigan to spend the next four years in the Upper Peninsula, at what was then KI Sawyer AFB. I previously thought that I knew about Michigan weather, growing up in Detroit, but I found that the Upper Peninsula is a whole different country with 180 inches of snow in a typical winter. Sometimes we would get a whole week of summer up there! After the four years, I returned to San Antonio, Texas, to complete a residency in Otolaryngology.

After another four years of anticipating going somewhere where there were seasons, my next assignment was in the Philippines--Clark Air Force Base--where you had your choice of wet or dry season! Through my son, I had the opportunity to participate with the Boy Scouts of America, including treating scouts for trench foot on camping trips. One of the helicopter rescue squadrons “adopted” a school for the deaf in the mountains east of Manila where access was up the side of a mountain on foot, unless, of course, you took the company helicopter. Another opportunity arose there to care for patients with otologic disease and provide general support.

When dad died while I was in service in the Philippines, I thought it best to return to Michigan to be closer to family. Recently elected to the

Michigan Senate, **Dr. Joe Schwarz** was headed to Lansing and invited me to join him to watch the office as he assumed increasing legislative responsibilities. Today, I am a clinical private practicing physician.

I continued serving with the Boy Scouts as District Commissioner, then District Chairman, spending my son's 16th birthday with him at the National Philmont Scout Camp in New Mexico. The Scouting organization awarded me a Silver Beaver award for service to scouting, and Order of the Arrow.

Soon afterward, I was asked to participate in leadership of the Calhoun County Medical Society, holding many of the positions including the presidency of the society. I continue today serving as Chair of the Legislative Committee of the county society; likewise on the Battle Creek Health System medical staff, holding several medical staff leadership and quality improvement positions, including Chief of Medical Staff. I also continue to serve on the executive Board of Michigan Doctors Political Action Committee (MDPAC) after serving as its chair previously; on the Legislation and Regulation Committee of MSMS, a position that I have held for the previous 15 years; one of the co-chairs of the MSMS Council of Physician Organizations, chair the Contracts Committee of our local physician organization, having served a short stint as that organization's president.

As a proud father with my wife of 37 years, of four children, two have decided to continue on studying and working in Michigan medicine; one is in the middle of a psychiatry residency and the other is just starting a general surgery residency. One daughter joined me at the White Coat Rally last year as we descended upon Lansing to lobby against the Physician tax. A major reason I have put so much time into organized medicine is to fix our medical system for my children, and for future generations.

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