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Developing the Body Politic of the NFCPG

If we wish to enhance the vigor and effectiveness of the body politic of our organization we must have an annual meeting of such high quality and interest that it will attract participation not only by delegates from all of our component guilds, but also by individual physicians both locally and from around the country. This year our annual meeting will be held at an ideal site, the Drake-Oakbrook Hotel in the suburban resort area of Chicago, fifteen minutes from O'Hare Airport and thus two hours from your front door. It will be a weekend meeting, beginning Friday evening, September 24, 1976, and ending noon Sunday, September 26, 1976, so that you may be home easily that same evening. The program under the guidance of Doctor Eugene Diamond covers the entire gamut of medical-moral issues presented by outstanding national authorities followed by the open meeting of the House of Delegates Sunday morning, which through your participation will set policy for the coming year. Won't each of you who are wholeheartedly committed to the preservation of a Christian medical ethic make a determined effort to attend so that you can join your representatives in working for this goal of developing the body politic of the NFCPG.

Crucial to this body building program is the reproduction, growth and development of the individual cell. Without replenishment of the membership of our local Guilds the entire structure will sooner or later perish. Our total membership has held steady at approximately 5000 members for the last several years. The problem is that these component cells are aging. We need active efforts by the leadership of our local Guilds to seek out and enlist physicians of all ages, but particularly medical students, housestaff, foreign medical graduates and young physicians in the early years of practice.

Please do your best to keep our extremely necessary movement growing.

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