Technologist News

PROMOTING NUCLEAR MEDICINE WEEK

Nuclear medicine departments across the country are preparing for Nuclear Medicine Week (NMW) to be celebrated this year from July 21 through August 6. Sponsored by the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM) and the Technologist Section, NMW provides the medical community as well as the general public an informative and in-depth view of the progress nuclear medicine has made in the diagnosis and treatment of disease.

"Guidelines for Promoting Nuclear Medicine Week" are available from the SNM Central Office. These guidelines provide information on all aspects of NMW for those wishing to participate in the observance. Special posters and buttons have been designed this year to highlight this event. A small supply of these items will be sent to each Chapter. Additional posters, buttons, and stickers will be sold at cost to hospitals, institutions, and individuals interested in promoting NMW. Posters can be seen on page 4A of this issue. An order form is enclosed in this issue of the Journal (see page 5A) for your convenience in ordering NMW promotional materials.

As previously reported (see *J Nucl Med Technol* 1988;16:49), General Electric Medical Systems will sponsor a Media Stars Contest. A \$250 honorarium to the individual responsible for planning and executing the most effective public relations campaign for NMW in addition to a \$1,000 donation to that individual's hospital or institution are the top prizes. Awards to the winners of the 1987 Media Stars contest will be presented at the SNM 35th Annual Meeting

in San Francisco in June.

For more information about NMW, please contact Virginia Pappas, CAE, The Society of Nuclear Medicine, 136 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016-6760, (212)889-0717.

35th ANNUAL MEETING: TECHNOLOGIST SECTION PROGRAM

The Technologist Section Program (Ab pages 1-25) is presented in this issue of the Journal. Abstracts from the scientific papers represent the following nine areas of nuclear medicine: Bone/Joint, Neurology, Cardiovascular, Radiopharmacy/Radiobiology, Computers and Data Analysis, Oncology/Hematology, Gastroenterology, Cardiovascular/Renal Radiopharmaceuticals, and Instrumentation/Imaging. In addition to the Scientific papers, continuing education courses, scientific exhibits, and the Technologist matrix are also included. "Works in Progress" and "Highlights from the Annual Meeting" will be published in the September issue of the Journal.

VISITING FELLOWSHIPS IN MRI

The Department of Radiology of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania is currently sponsoring week-long and semi-monthly visiting fellowships in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) for physicians and technologists. The courses will be conducted by Dr. Herbert Y. Kressel, Director of the MR Imaging Center. The technologist course will cover all of the basics of MRI. Tuition for physicians is \$1,250 for one week

(with reduced tuition for subsequent weeks), and the tuition for technologists is \$700 for one week. The fellowship program is accredited for Category 1 credit. Additional information may be obtained by contacting: Janice Ford or Nancy Fedullo, Department of Radiology, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, 3400 Spruce St., Philadelphia, PA 19104. Or call: (215)662-6904.

ELECTION BULLETIN PREVIEW

Technologist Section members will soon be receiving by mail the Election Bulletin for the 1988-89 election. The bulletin will introduce the candidates nominated to be the elected officials and committee members of the Technologist Section, Society of Nuclear Medicine for the 1988-89 term. Each candidate provides a curriculum vitae as well as a short statement.

This year, members will choose a President-Elect, Secretary/Historian, Treasurer, Trustee, and members of the Finance, Nominating, and Membership Committees. Members will also vote on proposed bylaws changes, involving changing the Section's Membership category of Emeritus Status so that it is consistent with the Society's Membership Emeritus Status; and a proposal to increase the number of Membership Committee members and expand their term of office.

All ballots are due back in the Central Office no later than May 16, 1988. The election results will be announced at the Technologist Business Meeting, June 16, at the Annual Meeting.