

News from the Chapters

Central Chapter

Our new officers for this year are: President—Wayne Wcislo, President-Elect—Debbie Grynowicz, Secretary—Christine Kushner, and Treasurer—Jim Wirrell. Elected Bylaw Committee members are Jim Hook, Pam Klapperich, and Greg Zeuske.

Special recognition was given to eight technologists whose work has been greatly appreciated by the Chapter. Certificates were given to Mike Teskin (Editor of *Newsnotes*), Greg Zeuske (Local Program Chairman for the 1980 Fall Meeting), Sue Weiss (Local Program Chairman for the 1981 Spring Meeting) and Debbie Grynowicz (Program Chairman for Continuing Education for the last four years). Plaques were awarded to past presidents Dave Williams, John Allen, Greg Zeuske, and Jerry Porter for their dedicated service.

The topic for the Annual Fall Meeting will be "Stress Testing Techniques and Nuclear Medicine." This meeting will be a continuation of last year's meeting on cardiovascular nuclear medicine and it will be held in Chicago on October 3-4 at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel. Guest speaker will be Alexander Gottschalk, MD, of Yale University School of Medicine.

—Chris Kushner, CNMT

Eastern Great Lakes Chapter

Our second annual meeting held this past May was somewhat disappointing from a technologist's viewpoint. The program was geared entirely for physicians and what technologists gained from these talks was minimal.

The program should have been set up to accommodate technologists, as was done for physicians. Continuing education is as important for technologists as it is for physicians and these annual meetings are one of the best forms of continuing education.

Hopefully in meetings to come an organized effort will be made by EGL

technologists to secure lecturers who will speak directly to technologists on a wide variety of topics.

—Michael Monaco

Greater New York Chapter

The Seventh Annual Fall Meeting of the Greater New York Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine will be held October 23-25. Watch for more announcements soon.

The annual Spring Symposium of our chapter has been moved back to Atlantic City, NJ, for April 23-25, 1982. Mark your calendars now to recoup some of your Las Vegas losses.

Grass roots news: the New York State Society of Nuclear Medicine Technologists, Inc. will have its Annual Meeting at the Ramada Inn in Elmsford, NY, on October 3, 1981. The program will be dedicated to comparative imaging. Special room rates and dinner theater reservations have been made. Programs with all the details should be going out soon. For further information, contact Linda Weiss (518) 462-3311, ext. 524 or 525.

—Jim Senecal, CNMT

Mideastern Chapter

New officers for the Mideastern Chapter were elected in April. They are: President—Don Hixson, George Washington University Hospital, Washington, DC; President-Elect—Gregory Schindledecker, Johns Hopkins University Hospital, Baltimore, MD; Treasurer—Janet Pyles, St. Joseph's Hospital, Towson, MD; and Secretary—Ed Raab, Mt. Sinai Hospital, Baltimore, MD. Congratulations!

Our Annual Fall Meeting will be held on October 30 and 31 at the Holiday Inn in Olde Towne, Alexandria, VA; we will have a Halloween Ball on Friday night.

—Don Hixson, CNMT

Missouri Valley Chapter

The Annual Fall Meeting of the Chapter will be held September 25-27 in Kansas City, KS. The topic will be "The Practical Use of Nuclear Medicine Computers in Patient Care."

Election of a Secretary-Treasurer will take place prior to this meeting, with the other two officers progressing to President-Elect, and President and National Council Delegate.

An informative brochure, *Guide to Planning a Chapter Meeting*, has been put together by Sheila Rosenfeld. This brochure will be given to Missouri Valley Chapter meeting planners at no charge. Any other Chapters wishing to obtain a copy for a nominal fee should contact: Karen Stuyvesant, CNMT, Dept. of Nuclear Medicine, Iowa Methodist Medical Center, 1200 Pleasant St., Des Moines, IA 50308.

Congratulations to Stephen Kuhn for his election to the Nominating Committee. Other Chapter members serving at the national level include Maria Nagel, Chairman of Academic Affairs and the Task Force on Continued Competence; Sheila Rosenfeld, Chairman of Bylaws and NMTCB Director; Don Bernier, NMTCB Director; and David Phegley, Chairman of the ad hoc committee to study National Council Delegate selection.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the membership for allowing me to serve as your President and National Council Delegate.

A special thanks to the members of my department for tolerating my hours of "busy work." I have enjoyed representing the Chapter.

—Karen Stuyvesant, CNMT

New England Chapter

The New England Chapter, Society of Nuclear Medicine, Technologist Section, held its eighth annual Spring Symposium April 3 and 4

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at the Biltmore Hotel in Providence, R.I. Cynthia Abreau, Scientific Program Chairman, did an excellent job of putting together an interesting and informative program that was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to the participants and commercial exhibitors for their continued support.

For the second year, students from various nuclear medicine technology training programs in New England participated in oral presentations. First place was awarded to the group of students from Quinnipiac College in Hamden, CT. Second place was awarded to the group of students from Springfield Technical Community College in Springfield, MA.

Officers for the 1981-82 year were announced at this meeting. Those elected included: President—Cynthia Abreau, UMASS Medical Center; Vice President—Linda Pytlik, Yale New Haven Hospital; Secretary—Michael Plankey, Yale New Haven Hospital; Treasurer—Keith Litchfield, Worcester City Hospital; and National Delegate—Dayton Rich, Hartford Hospital.

—Linda Pytlik, CNMT

Northern California Chapter

Congratulations to our Northern California Chapter members who were elected to National Office in this year's election: Dorothy Duffy Price—President-Elect and Laura Herradora Miller—Historian.

Our annual Registry Review was held in Sacramento on August 1. Be sure not to miss this year's Western Regional Meeting to be held on October 8-11 in San Francisco. We look forward to an outstanding program and an opportunity to exchange ideas.

Technologists break tradition! At this upcoming Western Regional Meeting, in lieu of the traditional technologist party, we will host an evening of San Francisco nightlife sponsored by a local technologist who will make advance arrangements. Some of the activities include a ferry ride, stops at local nightclubs and restaurants, a cable car ride, and a musical comedy. More information on this can be obtained through the Western Regional Office. Come and join the fun!

—Elaine Hickman, CNMT

Pittsburgh Chapter

The Annual Meeting of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine held in Morgantown May 1-3 was a big success. Being the first joint meeting of the technologist section and local society, it was very well attended. Plans are already taking shape for the next year's joint meeting. Hopefully, there will be greater participation on the part of the technologists in presentations, exhibits, etc. All are invited to submit ideas.

A membership drive has been undertaken with good results so far. Additional information can be obtained from: Lancy Brunetto, Dept. of Nuclear Medicine, Indiana Hospital, Indiana, PA 15701; (412) 357-4707.

The new officers for the 1981-82 year are: William Laughner—President, Thomas Pierce—President-Elect, Charles Shoemaker—National Council Delegate, Ann Orenak—Secretary, and Linda Petitta—Treasurer. Let's give them all the support we can.

Letters have been sent out with the dates and speakers for our next meeting. If you haven't received one yet, please contact me.

—Ann L. Orenak, CNMT

Southeastern Chapter

Several of the state nuclear medicine technology groups have held elections in the past few months.

New officers for the Florida Nuclear Medicine Technologists are: President—Rick Cacciatore, President-Elect—Steve Jones, Vice President—Becky Cacciatore, Secretary—Maryann Romer, Treasurer—Vivian Pendino, and Executive Secretary—Gloria Burns.

Mississippi's newly elected officers are: President—Kenneth Boyd, President-Elect—Jay Kees, and Secretary-Treasurer—Sybil Smith.

South Carolina's new officers are: President—Patty Slay, President-Elect—Lora Moyle, Secretary—Arlene Short, and Treasurer—Martha Glueck.

In Tennessee the recently elected officers are: President—Jackie Bridges, President-Elect—Al Roolenwahl, Treasurer—Bob Bowen, and Secretary—Margo Grant.

The Kentucky Society of Nuclear Medicine Technologists will hold its Fall Meeting in Louisville. Officers will be elected at the meeting.

The South Carolina Society has for three years operated a job placement service. This makes information available at no charge to technologists about current job opportunities in South Carolina. For information about this service contact: Arlene Short, Nuclear Medicine Dept., St. Francis Hospital, 400 Summer St., Greenville, SC 29610.

Becky Cacciatore, educational chairman of the Southeastern Chapter has finalized the technologist program for the Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held in Cincinnati, OH, Oct. 28-31. The technologist program will include a REACT workshop and a Radio-pharmaceutical workshop.

—Carol Bonanno, CNMT

"News from the Chapters" is your opportunity to communicate with your fellow technologists—from your Chapter and around the world—in the pages of the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine Technology*.

To contribute to "News from the Chapters," simply submit your news to Margaret Phelan, Coordinating Editor, *Journal of Nuclear Medicine Technology*, 475 Park Ave. South, New York, NY 10016. The deadline for the next issue (December 1981) is October 2, 1981.

Southwestern Chapter

Marvin Stricklen, President-Elect, has resigned office and C.L. "Chuck" Smith has been appointed to chair the Membership Committee and complete the term as President-Elect.

Members are reminded that there will be an Executive Committee business meeting at Radiation Center, Fort Worth, TX, on Sept. 12, 1981.

—C.L. "Chuck" Smith