

News from the Chapters

Central Chapter

The Fall Meeting of the Central Chapter on "Stress Testing Procedures in Nuclear Medicine" was held in Chicago at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel on Oct. 3 and 4. The meeting was extremely well attended by members of the Technologist Section who were updated on the basic concepts of ECG stress testing, cardiac arrhythmias, pharmacologic drug intervention, cardiac tomography, pediatric nuclear cardiology, and data processing of cardiac studies. Guest speaker was Alexander Gottschalk, MD, who discussed "Monitoring of Left and Right Ventricular Function during Stress and Drug Intervention."

The Technologist Section sponsored a wine party for its members; this was followed by our Business Meeting at which several important announcements were made.

Sue Weiss discussed the potential effects of the Randolph bill concerning licensing of radiation workers, which was signed into law last August. It is important for nuclear medicine technologists to be well represented in their individual states before any legislation enactment begins. Information can be obtained from the Technologist Section National Office or from your state's legislative network representative.

Debbie Gryniewicz has resigned her position as President-Elect because she has taken a job as a computer application specialist. Debbie has worked very hard for the Central Chapter and will certainly be missed. Our present treasurer, James Wirrell, has been appointed to the position of President-Elect. He has been active in the Technologist Section for a long time and is quite familiar with the duties of the office.

Let's hear from you! Send your Chapter News to the Coordinating Editor, *Journal of Nuclear Medicine Technology*, 475 Park Ave. South, New York, NY 10016. The deadline for sending in your news for the next issue (March 1982) is January 8, 1982.

Anyone interested in running for office in the spring election should contact Jerry Porter.

Our special guest at the meeting was Dorothy Duffy Price, President-Elect of the Technologist Section. Duffy enthusiastically discussed the new national membership drive. We'd like to thank her for coming to the Midwest.

—Chris Kushner, CNMT

Eastern Great Lakes Chapter

In order to plan for a successful annual technologists' meeting in May 1982, ideas and suggestions should be offered now. It takes a tremendous amount of time and effort to put together a good program. You, as chapter technologists, should have an active voice in chapter activities so any comments or suggestions you can provide will be well received.

Send your ideas to: Kathryn Wilkins, Nuclear Medicine, St. Joseph's Hospital, 268 Grovenor St., London, Ontario, Canada N6A 4V2; or Jehuda Steinbach, MD, Nuclear Medicine, Veterans Administration Medical Center, 3495 Bailey Ave., Buffalo, NY 14215.

We mailed the latest issue of the E.G.L. newsletter in November and we hope that you've noticed improvements in format and content. To continue improving the newsletter, we need more input from all nuclear medicine technologists in our chapter in the way of technologist news. Articles of interest—from names of students graduating from nuclear medicine technology programs to how to improve nuclear medicine procedures—would be helpful. If you haven't received our newsletter in the past, send your name and address to Michael Monaco, Nuclear Medicine, Mercy Hospital, 565 Abbott Rd., Buffalo, NY 14220.

—Michael Monaco

Missouri Valley Chapter

Our officers for 1981-82 are: President and National Council Delegate—Mark Vossenkemper, President-Elect—Maria Nagel, and Secretary-Treasurer—Gloria Yowell.

The annual fall meeting of the chapter was held Sept. 25-27 in Kansas City, MO, with a good membership turnout. Our thanks to all those who gave so

freely of their time to insure the success of the meeting.

A brochure, *Guide to Planning a Chapter Meeting*, is available free to Missouri Valley Chapter meeting planners and at a nominal fee to all others from: Karen Stuyvesant, CNMT, Dept. of Nuclear Medicine, Iowa Methodist Medical Center, 1200 Pleasant St., Des Moines, IA 50308.

—Mark Vossenkemper, CNMT

Southeastern Chapter

The Technologist Section of the Southeastern Chapter, SNM, recently elected officers for 1981-82. They are: President—Marcia Boyd, President-Elect—Carol Bonanno, Secretary—Valerie Manor, and National Council Delegate—Jennifer Matthews.

These newly elected officers were installed at the Southeast Chapter Annual Meeting in Cincinnati held Oct. 28-31.

An Academic Affairs Committee has been created with the purpose of encouraging student participation in the Society of Nuclear Medicine. Chairman of this committee is Melanie Adams of Memphis, TN.

With the passage of the Randolph Bill, our state societies are gearing up to take whatever action becomes necessary with our own state legislatures when standards are established. Legislative communication networks are being set up or reactivated. Careful scrutiny of existing laws or pending legislation is underway.

The Kentucky Nuclear Med Techs held a successful fall meeting Sept. 11 and 12. Mississippi technologists were given quite a surprise recently when they found themselves included in a licensure bill drafted by state radiologic technologists. There had been no input from the Mississippi Nuclear Medical Technologists in the proposed legislation. Nuclear medicine technologists are working diligently to respond to this action.

The South Carolina Society of Nuclear Medicine held a fall refresher course on September 10 in Charleston. The meeting included some fun along with the learning, in the form of an oyster roast on the beach.

—Carol Bonanno, CNMT