

TECHNOLOGIST SECTION 12TH ANNUAL MEETING

The Technologist Section 12th Annual Meeting will convene January 23-27, 1985 at the Las Vegas Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Scientific and Teaching Sessions Committee, chaired by Ann M. Steves, MS, CNMT, presents on the following pages the educational program in its entirety. In addition to its publication in the JNMT, the Program was mailed in October to all Technologist Section members. While housing and registration forms do not appear herein, due to lack of space, they are contained in the Programs that were mailed. Additional information, or copies of the complete Program may be obtained by nonmembers by writing: Registrar, Society of Nuclear Medicine, 475 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016, or by calling (212)889-0717.

TECHNOLOGIST PROGRAM

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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25		
OPENING REMARKS		Room C
8:30	Welcome Ann M. Steves, MS, CNMT, <i>Chairman, Scientific and Teaching Sessions Committee, State University of New York, Buffalo, NY</i>	
8:35	Opening Remarks Maria V. Nagel, CNMT, <i>President, Technologist Section, Society of Nuclear Medicine, University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE</i>	
8:40	Michael J. Welch, PhD, <i>President, Society of Nuclear Medicine, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, St. Louis, MO</i>	
8:45	Educational programs begin	

INNOVATIONS IN CLINICAL NUCLEAR MEDICINE

8:45-12:15	Room C	VOICE 3
Goal:	To familiarize the technologist with several innovations in clinical nuclear medicine.	
Outline:	I Principles of bone mineral analysis II Brain and bone imaging with ECT III Thrombosis detection with labeled platelets	
Moderators:	Rick Fahrenkrug, BS, CNMT, <i>St. Luke's Hospital, Milwaukee, WI</i> Dennis Moran, BS, CNMT, <i>Indianapolis University Medical Center Hospital, Indianapolis, IN</i>	

8:45	Assessment of Bone Mineral Heinz W. Wahner, MD <i>Mayo Clinic Foundation Rochester, MN</i>
9:20	Technical Considerations in Bone Mineral Analysis Linda Thorson, BS, CNMT <i>Mayo Clinic Foundation Rochester, MN</i>

**1985 CONJOINT WINTER MEETING & SYMPOSIA
RIVIERA HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
January 23-29, 1985**

	Jan 23rd Wednesday	24th Thursday	25th Friday	26th Saturday	27th Sunday	28th Monday	29th Tuesday
Technologist Section Meetings	Technologist Section Committees 8am-10pm	Technologist Section National Council 8:30am-5pm	Technologist Section Education 8:30am-5pm	Technologist Section Education 8:30am-5pm Business Meeting 5pm-6pm	Technologist Section Education 8:30am-12noon		
SNM Meetings			SNM Committees 8am-10pm Welcome Reception 5:30pm-7:30pm	SNM Board of Trustees 8:30am-5pm			
Computer & Instrumentation Councils						Advances in Instrumentation and Data Processing***	Advances in Instrumentation and Data Processing***
Radio-pharmaceutical Science Council				Preparation of High Specific Radionuclides*			
SNM/DOE					Receptor-Based Radio-pharmaceuticals**		

* Registration Fee required

** Registration Fee *not* required

*** For more information on the Councils' symposia contact SNM, Meetings Dept. (212)889-0717.

9:55 ECT Brain Imaging with Radiolabeled Amines

Paul W. Kasulis, CNMT
New England Deaconess Hospital
Harvard Medical School
Boston, MA

10:30 Break

11:00 The Role of ECT in the Evaluation of Bone Disorders

David D. Peck, BS, CNMT
Milwaukee County Medical Complex
Medical College of Wisconsin
Milwaukee, WI

Thomas M. Joestgen, CNMT
Froedert Memorial Lutheran Hospital
Medical College of Wisconsin
Milwaukee, WI

11:45 Labeling Human Platelets for Thrombosis Detection

Eileen O. Smith, BS
Human Cell Labeling Laboratory/Cardiology Section
Yale University School of Medicine
New Haven, CT

THE USE OF PERSONAL COMPUTERS IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE: A WORKSHOP

8:45-1:15

Room D

VOICE .2

Three 1½ hour sessions; 10-12 participants per session; enroll by using registration form

Goal: To demonstrate to the technologist, through hands-on experience, the applications of a personal computer in the nuclear medicine department.

Outline: I Review personal computer hardware
II Introduce several software applications (e.g., radiopharmaceutical inventory control, word processing, statistical and cost accounting management)

Moderator: Michael W. Plankey, CNMT, Emory University Hospital, Atlanta, GA

Faculty: David I. Memmott
Nuclear Medicine Programs, Inc. Salt Lake City, UT
Jane Lanier
Dept. of Radiology
Emory University Hospital
Atlanta, GA

SURVIVING UNDER TEFRA & DRGs

**1:30-5:00
(3:30 Break)**

Room C

VOICE .3

Goal: 1 To familiarize nuclear medicine technologists with TEFRA and the DRG prospective payment system.
2 To discuss the impact of these legislative changes on hospitals and to identify ways to prepare for coping with these changes.

Outline: A discussion of techniques and skills which can be used to counteract and accommodate administrative and governmental pressures to reduce costs will include:

- Necessary managerial skills—how to achieve them, and demonstrate individual competencies
- Strategies for maintaining employee job satisfaction
- Developing creative management systems and productivity measures
- Learning to cope with change
- Learning to “talk” the administrator’s language
- The politics of professional survival

Moderators: James Trainor, CNMT, *St. Vincent Hospital, Worcester, MA*
Donald R. Hamilton, CNMT, *Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA, Rockville, MD*

Faculty: Annamarie Barros, MA, CLS, CLMgt
Management Consultant/Educator
Director, Health Management Analysts
Los Gatos, CA

WELCOME RECEPTION

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 25, 1985

The Board of Trustees invites SNM members and friends to join them for cocktails by the pool. Casual attire; cash bar.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

CLINICAL APPLICATIONS OF COMPUTERS IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE

8:30-12:00 Room C VOICE .3

Goal: To familiarize the technologist with the principles behind specific clinical applications of computers in nuclear medicine.

Outline: Each speaker will present a specific clinical application of computers including theory and methods.

Moderators: Lynn A. Fulk, CNMT, *St. Joseph Memorial Hospital, Kokomo, IN*
Terry F. Brown, CNMT, *University of Chicago, Chicago, IL*
Wayne J. Weislo, CNMT, *Chicago Osteopathic Medical Center, Chicago, IL*

8:30 Image Filtering

Mark L. Lamp, M.S.
ADAC Laboratories
Sunnyvale, CA

9:15 Dual Isotope Imaging of the Parathyroid Gland

Karen Sheldon, CNMT
University of California
San Francisco, CA

10:00 Break

10:30 Considerations in ROI Selection

Kenneth Van Train, BS, CNMT
Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
Los Angeles, CA

11:15 Computer-Generated “Functional” Images

Josh Gurewitz, BS
Medical Data Systems
Ann Arbor, MI

The Technologist Section would like to thank ADAC Laboratories and Medical Data Systems for providing speakers for this session.

EDUCATOR'S WORKSHOP

8:30-12:00 and 1:00-2:30 Room 1 VOICE .5
(10:00 Break)

Goal: To provide the participants with usable information, practical skills and applicable ideas relative to evaluating clinical performance.

Objectives:

- State instructional objectives so that they clearly convey the learning outcomes expected from the instruction.
- Select those objectives that are most pertinent for a particular instructional unit.
- Define the TASK ACT concept.
- Analyze a procedure or skill according to the TASK ACT format.
- Identify major errors of validity and reliability which are common in evaluating performance.
- Describe six techniques used in documenting performance.
- Document performance in a manner which is accurate, behavioral and consistent.

Faculty: James B. Lockwood, MA, CNMT, *University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, TX*
Charlene Rencher, MS, CNMT, *St. John Hospital, Detroit, MI*

CURRENT PRACTICES IN CLINICAL NUCLEAR MEDICINE

1:30-5:00 Room C VOICE .3

Goal: To familiarize the technologist with some up-to-date nuclear medicine procedures and their clinical applications.

Outline: 1 Bone imaging in soft tissue disorders and sports related injuries
2 Technical aspects and clinical application of aerosol lung imaging
3 Overview of diagnostic information available from cardiac blood pool imaging

Moderator: Dorothy Van Dyke, CNMT, *Greenville Hospital, Greenville, PA*

1:30 Nontraditional Uses of Bone Imaging

David R. Brill, MD
Geisinger Medical Center
Danville, PA

2:15 Advantages and Disadvantages of Radioaerosol Lung Imaging

Richard A. Holmes, MD
Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans Hospital
Columbia, MO

3:00 Break

3:30 The Diverse Information Available in Cardiac Nuclear Medicine

Tom R. Miller, MD, PhD
Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology
St. Louis, MO

EDUCATORS' FORUM: PREPARING CLINICAL INSTRUCTORS

3:00-5:00 Room 1 VOICE .2

Goal: The purpose of this forum is to aid participants in preparing staff technologists to accept a teaching role in the clinical setting. This forum will be a nonstructured roundtable discussion. Those planning to attend are encouraged to bring examples of evaluation forms currently in use in their educational programs.

Outline: 1 Interpreting Performance Objectives
2 Evaluating Students
3 Correlating Student Evaluations with Performance Objectives

Moderators: Richard Nuccio, MAT, CNMT, *St. Mary's Hospital, Milwaukee, WI*
Wanda Hibbard, MHE, CNMT, *Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA*

TECHNOLOGIST SECTION BUSINESS MEETING

5:00-6:00 p.m. Room C Saturday, January 26

All technologists are invited to attend the Business Meeting. The agenda will include • Officer and Committee reports • 1985-86 announcement of candidates • Presentation of Los Angeles scientific awards • National Council update • Membership campaign update... and more.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

QUALITY ASSURANCE OF COMPUTER-INTERFACED SCINTILLATION CAMERAS

8:30-12:00 Room C VOICE .3

Goal: 1 To provide technologists with an understanding of the importance of quality assurance of computer-interfaced scintillation cameras;
2 To train technologists to institute and maintain a meaningful quality assurance program in their own facility.

Outline: 1 Overview of history and need for quality assurance program
2 Discussion of computer hardware and data collection methods
3 Discussion of system performance tests—types, methods, analysis, and phantoms and sources

Moderators: Donald R. Hamilton, BS, CNMT, *Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA, Rockville, MD*
Elpida S. Curtis, MS, CNMT, *VA Medical Center, Buffalo, NY*
Thomas W. Crucitti, BS, CNMT, *Mount Sinai Hospital, Hartford, CT*

8:30 Introduction and Historical Review

Donald R. Hamilton, BS, CNMT
*Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA
Rockville, MD*

9:00 General Computer Hardware and Data Collection

Michael M. Graham, MD, PhD
*University Hospital
Seattle, WA*

10:00 Break

10:30 Camera/Computer System Performance Tests

L. Stephen Graham, PhD
*Veterans Administration Hospital
Sepulveda, CA*

11:30 Phantoms and Sources

Thomas W. Crucitti, BS, CNMT
*Mount Sinai Hospital
Hartford, CT*

11:45 System Preventive Maintenance

Donald R. Hamilton, BS, CNMT
*Center for Devices and Radiological Health, FDA,
Rockville, MD*

RECEPTOR-BASED RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS: RESEARCH AND CLINICAL POTENTIAL Sponsored by the Department of Energy (DOE)

8:30-5:00 Room G VOICE .6

Topics include:

Morning Session

In vitro methods for the evaluation of potential receptor ligands

John Katzenellenbogen, PhD
University of Illinois

Labeling of receptor ligands with fluorine-18

Michael J. Welch, PhD
Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology

Labeling of receptor ligands with carbon-11

Alfred P. Wolf, PhD
Brookhaven National Laboratory

Labeling of receptor ligands with bromine and iodine radionuclides

William C. Eckelman, PhD
National Institutes of Health

Afternoon Session

Modeling of data obtained using radiolabeled receptor ligands

Marcus E. Raichle, MD
Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology

Applications of positron-labeled receptor ligands in animal models and man

Dominique Comar, PhD
Centre D'Etudes Nucleaires, de Saclay, France

Clinical potential of technetium-labeled receptor ligands

Robert Stadalnick, MD
University of California, Davis

Clinical use of ¹¹C-methyl-spiperone

Henry N. Wagner, Jr., MD
Johns Hopkins University

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The legislative network of the Technologist Section's Government Relations Committee continues to monitor legislative activity in each state, particularly in regard to tracking bills which mandate licensure of users of ionizing radiation. As reports come in from all over the country, it has become obvious that there is a serious problem in regard to uniformity and perhaps subsequent reciprocity. It is imperative, therefore, that the entire nuclear medicine community becomes intimately involved in the monitoring process, as well as the legislative process itself, when issues concerning nuclear medicine are acted upon. Through active involvement on a state-by-state basis, uniform standards of accreditation and certification could become reality. If the nuclear medicine community chooses to neglect this issue, it is highly likely that the standards will not be uniform and, therefore, reciprocity will not exist between the states. This may lead to lack of mobility for nuclear medicine technologists.

A brief review of laws which regulate the practice of nuclear medicine technology promulgated in two different states, Illinois and Louisiana, illustrate the problem of inconsistency in regard to the application of the standards. Louisiana's Medical Radiation Health and Safety Act specifically exempts from its requirements "persons who perform diagnostic or therapeutic radiologic examination or treatment, or both, in the office of a licensed practitioner. . ." In Illinois, only students enrolled in an approved course of education are exempted from accreditation. The Illinois law and regulations stipulate that reciprocity is possible between two states when the programs are essentially equivalent. Since Louisiana law is applicable only to those individuals

who work in the hospital setting, the programs are not equivalent and, therefore, reciprocity becomes a problem. Other problems exist in other states which will present a barrier to reciprocity, and, therefore mobility. Some states provide for several categories of licenses while others do not. Will a limited license receive reciprocity in a state which does not grant limited licenses? In Illinois, the practitioners are not licensed but are "accredited," which the law defines as "granting permission to persons meeting the requirements of this act to engage in the practice." Written examinations are prepared and administered by the licensing authority in some cases and in others national certification examinations are recognized. It is difficult to determine whether the state examination is equivalent to the national certifying exams. Requirements for maintenance of competence also vary from state to state.

What can be done to promote uniformity and guarantee reciprocity among the states? First, and most importantly, Section members should strive to become knowledgeable about legislative activities occurring in their state. This means that one needs to be watchful about any legislation relating to the health care industry. Second, the nuclear medicine community within the state should be well-organized so that it can represent its views effectively to legislators and others responsible for implementing laws. A clear concise statement of goals and priorities should be developed. Third, articulate representatives should be selected to represent the group and effectively communicate the nuclear medicine position on issues. A word of warning: if nuclear medicine does not clearly speak for itself, then others will happily do so.

How can Section members become knowledgeable about legislative activities in their state? Several resources are available including the state *Register*. The *Register* is the official record of actions taken by the state legislature. The introduction of bills, amendments, rules which amplify the law, and other important facts are published as required in the state *Register*. Simply monitoring the publication may be a matter of too little, too late, if one does not live in the state capitol. For these individuals who live away from the state capitol, the *Register* may not be available until days or weeks after the action was taken. Therefore, a more proactive approach should be taken to learn about legislative activities. A good way to find out about what legislators are up to is to make friends with one. Work on someone's campaign and get to know the staff in the legislator's office. Frequently, staffers are experts in a particular area and, therefore, monitor issues in the area carefully.

Another source of information and possible interaction is other professional societies and organizations within the state. Larger organizations may even have a paid legislative representative who performs monitoring functions for the organization. It may be possible to get help from a larger organization when you share the same views. Find out about the activities of the State Medical Society. Physician SNM members, in particular, should find their State Medical Society a reasonably accessible resource.

Organizing the nuclear medicine community within a state boundary requires significant time and effort. Technologists, scientists, and physicians need to work together to communicate effectively with legislators. The first step is to organize and de-

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side upon a course of action. If the action is to seek licensure, prepare a document based upon the Technologists Section's model legislation, including all provisions which are felt to be necessary in such a law for your state. Carefully consider the consequences of the requirements stipulated in the law. For example, if requirements for renewal of license include 12 hours of continuing education credit per year, what do other states do? Should one remove an individual's license if only 10 hours of continuing education have been achieved? Other issues such as grandfathering, practice limitations, and even the definition of nuclear medicine need to be addressed very carefully. When the issues have been fully addressed, articulate and knowledgeable persons should be selected to speak for the group whenever necessary.

The Technologist Section has in the past and will continue to provide assistance to state organizations in their endeavors. The Section prepared its own model legislation long ago, participated in the development of model national standards with the Bureau of Health Professions, and provided input to the Conference of Radiation Program Control Directors in the development of their model legislation. These documents have been provided to all members of the legislative network within the Technologist Section and are available to all members. The use of these documents as models to promulgate state legislation can serve to promote uniformity and reciprocity as well. The documents allow flexibility while maintaining the identity of the national standards which the Technologist Section has supported consistently. ■

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT

The Section extends its sincere appreciation to those members who, during the July 1983 through June 1984 period, recruited at least three new members. These members are listed below. Those who recruited ten or more new members are also listed and will enjoy a waiver of 1985 Section membership dues.

Please help your Section's ongoing member recruitment efforts by informing your non-member col-

leagues and co-workers about your Society and its Technologist Section, and perhaps enjoy a 1986 dues waiver if you sponsor ten or more new members between July 1984 and June 1985.

Remember, in order to take advantage of the dues waiver offered through this program, you must legibly sign your name on the "member who suggested you join" line of the application.

SPONSORED TEN OR MORE APPLICATIONS

Member	No. of Applicants	Account Numbers
1. William Barnes, CNMT, RT	23	06780-CNMT, BS, AA
2. Marcia Boyd, CNMT, MS	10	00383-CNMT, MA, MS, BS
3. Barbara Gentrup, CNMT	11	06348-CNMT
4. Wanda Hibbard, CNMT, BA	19	07101-CNMT, BA
5. Judy Hopping, CNMT	16	30647-CNMT
6. Jack Peterson, MS	13	16001-MS
7. John Radtke, CNMT, MS	15	09742-CNMT, MS, BS
8. John Reilley, CNMT, RT, NMT	16	08419-CNMT
9. Mickey Williams, CNMT	12	08975-CNMT
10. James Wirrell, CNMT, MS	12	04532-CNMT, MS

SPONSORED THREE OR MORE APPLICANTS

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| 1. George W. Alexander, BS | 20. Sharon A. London, CNMT, RT(N) |
| 2. Allen E. Beranek, CNMT | 21. Miriam K. Miller, CNMT |
| 3. Janet Berger, CNMT | 22. Mary S. McVey, RT(N), BS |
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NMTCB REPORT

Data collected in a critical task validation study conducted in 1983 was analyzed between October 1983 and March 1984. Based on the information collected, the Task Analysis was revised and a new matrix developed. Both are published in this issue of the *JNMT*. This information will be incorporated into the NMTCB's certification examination in September 1985, at which time the Board will offer a fully described, competency-based examination.

The NMTCB has contracted with both the state of New Jersey and the state of Maine to provide an examination for use as part of their nuclear medicine technologist licensing program. Sixteen people from New Jersey and 19 individuals from Maine took the NMTCB Examination administered in September 1984.

The NMTCB, as a result of the merger agreement with the Board of Registry of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists, welcomed two new Board members—David LaFond, MD and Carol Bonnano, CNMT—after the January Board of Registry election.

In 1985, the NMTCB will administer two examinations per year. Much of the planning and organization for these exams has taken place during the past year. Information on both examinations can be obtained from the NMTCB office.

The NMTCB has completed a survey of nuclear medicine technology schools that will be helpful in predicting the number of potential exam candidates. Results of this survey indicate an anticipated decline in enrollment.

The NMTCB certification program remains successful. To date, the Board has certified 8,400 nuclear medicine technologists. Approximately 160 individuals have applied for transfer of certification under the Board of Registry merger agreement.

In March 1984, the NMTCB initiated an investigation into on-the-job training (OJT) eligibility requirements with specific attention to the "high school plus six years full-time" clinical training category in response to the high failure rate among these candidates. The NMTCB

requests that all comments on this issue be submitted to the NMTCB Office, P.O. Box 1034, Stone Mountain, GA 30086 by February 1, 1985. The Credentials Committee will review all comments and submit its recommendations to the Board during its March meeting.

Because of the difficulty in verifying OJT clinical experience, the Board reaffirmed the following policy at its fall meeting:

"The Board will not accept any clinical experience unless verified by a supervising nuclear medicine physician."

At the last NMTCB meeting, 1985 officers were elected. They are George Alexander, CNMT, Chairman; Ann Steves, CNMT, Secretary; and Jim Senecal, CNMT, Treasurer. Guy Simmons, PhD, was elected Chairman of the Advisory Council.

As of December 31, 1984, Lou Izzo, CNMT, and Sheila Rosenfeld, CNMT, will leave the Board after six years of service. Due to extenuating personal circumstances, Doug Anderson, CNMT, and Jim Trainor, CNMT, resigned from the Board in October. These vacancies have been filled by John Capuzzi, CNMT, and Helen Drew, CNMT, alternates from the last election.

The first administration of the NMTCB self-assessment exam will be held in June 1985. Applications are available from the NMTCB Office. The application deadline is Saturday, March 16, 1985. Performance on the examination will in no way affect current certification status with the NMTCB.

This is my last opportunity to address the nuclear medicine community in the *JNMT*. I would like to thank all of the Directors with whom I have had an opportunity to work over the past six years. These are dedicated individuals who proudly represent all nuclear medicine technologists. I would also like to express my appreciation to the NMTCB staff. These highly motivated people are committed to the development and administration of a high quality exam. Thank you all for your support. ■

Sheila Rosenfeld, CNMT

NEWS BRIEFS

Section Seeks Techs for JRCNMT

The Academic Affairs Committee is seeking applications from Technologist Section members who would like to represent the Section as Directors of the Joint Review Committee on Nuclear Medicine Technology (JRCNMT).

The JRCNMT is composed of medical and health professionals from six professional organizations. It is involved with establishing and maintaining standards of appropriate quality for NMT education programs and providing recognition for educational programs that meet or exceed the minimum standards set forth in the *Essentials*.

The Academic Affairs Committee must receive applications by June 1, 1985. The Committee will then recommend applicants they deem most qualified to the Section's Executive Committee. During the fall 1985 meeting, the Executive Committee will select three applicants from this pool; the President of the Section will then make two appointments, pending approval of the Executive Committee.

The Directors' terms will begin January 1, 1986. The two appointments will be for two and four years respectively. The Directors' duties include attending JRCNMT meetings (spring and fall), submitting a written report to the Section President after each JRCNMT meeting, and submitting summaries to the Section's National Council of Delegates.

Directors serve without pay but are reimbursed for expenses incurred for attending official JRCNMT meetings.

Applicants should submit a current curriculum vitae using the Technolo-

gist Section Curriculum Vitae Form for Nominees for Elective Office and a letter which demonstrates knowledge of the philosophy, functions, and duties of the JRCNMT, as well as indicating availability of time, willingness to serve, and availability for necessary travel. Support of the applicant's employing institution must be submitted in writing before the appointment can be finalized. Applicants must hold current certification of registration as a nuclear medicine technologist. A statement of any potential conflict of interest must be submitted, but this does not preclude appointment.

Address all submissions to: Wanda Hibbard, CNMT, Department of Radiologic Technologies, Medical College of Georgia, 1457 Gwinnett Street, Augusta, GA 30902. ■

Are You Receiving the NMT Educators' Newsletter?

The NMT Educators' Newsletter, sponsored by the Academic Affairs Committee, reaches 200 program directors and educators at institutions sponsoring accredited nuclear medicine technology educational programs. The Newsletter is circulated to educators twice a year (October & April) with news of books, audiovisuals, calendar items, and noteworthy developments in both the Society and the educational setting.

If you do not presently receive the Newsletter, but would like to, address your request to: NMT Edu-

cators' Newsletter, Society of Nuclear Medicine, 475 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016 or call (212)889-0717. ■

National News Chronicle

Technologist News in this format will become a regular feature in future issues of *JNMT*. It has been said that old news is no news; with this in mind, a news chronicle column has been created. It is our belief that technologist activities should not go unheralded. With production schedules as they are, it is often difficult to get this information to the readership in a timely manner. Every effort will be made to bring current technologist news to you in as short a time span as possible. The efforts of all Chapter Presidents and National Council Delegates are solicited to accomplish this task. The news editor will contact those resource people in your state and chapter to accumulate this information for publication. If you have information that is newsworthy, do not hesitate to contact the News Editor, Managing Editor, or Editor with your information.

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