

News from the Chapters

Pittsburgh Chapter

The newly revived Pittsburgh Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine, Technologist Section, has enjoyed growing interest and support from the area's technologists. Recent meetings have inaugurated new officers and delivered information in areas such as cardiovascular nuclear medicine, xenon studies and sensitivity, emulsion, and spectrum response of film most commonly used in nuclear medicine.

Our newly elected officers are as follows: President—James C. Douglas, Indiana Hospital, Indiana, PA; President-Elect—Robert Weaver, Conemaugh Valley, Johnstown, PA; Secretary—Sister Vincent Marie, Jeanette Hospital, Jeanette, PA; Treasurer—William Laughner, Medical Center of Beaver County; and National Delegate—Vincent Gargaro, Community College of Allegheny County.

—Tom Pearce and
Charles Shoemaker

Southeastern Chapter

The Alabama Society of Nuclear Medicine's Annual Meeting, with a theme of "Back to Basics," was a great success. Incoming President is Carl Jones; James DeLong, MD, was elected President-Elect.

At the Florida Nuclear Medicine Technologists' Annual Meeting, 240 persons attended. Officers elected for 1978-1979 are David Lewis—President, and Carl Villarosa—President-Elect. The FNMT, in conjunction with the Clinical Radioassay Society of Florida, is planning a January 1979 meeting to be focused on "Data Reduction and RIA." At their last general business meeting, the FNMT voted to donate \$100 to the SEC/SNM for the First Place Paper Award presented to the best paper given during the course of the Technologist Section Annual Meeting.

Incoming officers for the North

Central Chapter

The fall meeting of the Central Chapter will be held in Ann Arbor, MI, Oct. 22 and 23, at the Towsley Center, University of Michigan. The scientific program of the meeting will be devoted entirely to skeletal imaging and three categorical sessions have been planned as well.

The first session will include basic scientific aspects, including historical perspectives, characteristics of available agents, instrumentation, and recent theories of kinetics and mechanisms of localization. The second session will be devoted to clinical applications of benign diseases in both adults and children. The third session will be devoted to the detection and staging of malignant diseases in adult and pediatric patients, with correlative observations on the current status of bone radiography and the use of bone imaging by the oncologist. All programs have been approved for CEU credits.

The Central Chapter would like to announce the addition of yet another local affiliate group: ATAWM—Associates and Technical Affiliates of Western Michigan. ATAWM has been organized thus far by Patrick Barrett; their bylaws have been submitted and approved.

—Dorian Soper-Marks

Greater New York Chapter

The Greater New York Chapter will hold its annual fall meeting on Saturday, Nov. 11, 1978, at the University Hilton Hotel in Philadelphia, PA.

The theme of this meeting is quality control in the nuclear medicine department. Such subjects

as quality control for the gamma camera, dose calibrator, radio-pharmaceuticals, and radio-immunoassay will be covered. Additionally, scientific papers and exhibits by chapter technologists that were presented at the 25th Annual Meeting in Anaheim will be presented again for members of our chapter who could not attend the Anaheim meeting. For further information, contact Janice Brewster, Nuclear Medicine Department, Episcopal Hospital, Front and Lehigh Sts., Philadelphia, PA 19125.

The Eighth Annual Spring Symposium is well into the planning stages. Once again, the Howard Johnson Regency Hotel in Atlantic City will be the site of our meeting. We look forward to bigger and better things at our Eighth Annual Meeting.

—Gary D. Gallamore

New England Chapter

The Annual Spring Symposium was held in Newport, RI, in April with a very good attendance. Visiting lecturers included Leo Wade, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, who discussed new applications guidelines and Jim Langan, who elaborated on the SNM registry and recognition requirements.

The business meeting divulged the results of the mail ballot election. Scheduled to take office in October are Jim Wirrell, Boston City Hospital—President and Bob English—National Council Delegate.

The fall meeting, which is held in conjunction with the physicians, is scheduled for Oct. 7 and 8 in Hartford, CT.

—Cecile Gaigals

Carolina Nuclear Medicine Technologists, Inc., are Jean Parris—President, and Sue Lance—President-Elect.

The main topic of interest and discussion at the Kentucky Chapter Society of Nuclear Medicine meeting held Apr. 15 was the upcoming Technologist Section Annual Meeting, to be held in Louisville in 1980.

The Council of the Georgia Society of Nuclear Medicine Technologists held their first meeting for their 1978-1979 term in Augusta on May 20. Preliminary plans were discussed for the Fifth Annual Meeting, which will be held in Macon on Feb. 23 and 24.

Meetings of the Ohio Valley Society of Nuclear Medicine have taken place during February, April, and June; plans are now underway for an all-day seminar for Sept. 30.

At the organizational meeting of the Mississippi Society of Nuclear Medicine held Feb 25 in Jackson the following officers were elected: W. Mel Flowers, Jr., MD, President, and Jimmie McDonald, President-Elect.

Candidates for the office of President-Elect of the Technologist Section, SEC/SNM are Marcia Boyd, Wade Smith, and Doug Anderson.

Congratulations are in order for George Alexander who has been elected to the office of President-Elect of the Technologist Section.

—Ann Cox

News from Overseas

Puerto Rico Chapter

The American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine, Inc., celebrated its spring educational meeting in San Juan, Apr. 5-8. The meeting included four morning sessions with lectures on the current state of the art on the most important subjects by leading experts in diagnostic ultrasound. The

afternoon sessions were dedicated to video tape lectures complementing the morning presentations. This was of particular interest to physicians and technologists in radiology, nuclear medicine, and cardiology.

On Friday the whole day program was dedicated to echocardiography, doppler and real time clinical applications in the study of cardiac conditions in children and adults. There were three important luncheon panel discussions: "How to start an ultrasound facility," "How to run an ultrasound facility," and "Medical education and certification of physicians and technologists."

Social activities aimed at establishing ties of friendship with visitors included a welcome cocktail party with a show by the Areyto Folkloric Ballet at the Puerto Rico Sheraton Hotel and a Puerto Rican fiesta at the Bacardi Campus.

This was a unique opportunity for us in Puerto Rico to benefit from and enjoy this meeting without the inconveniences and expenses of travel.

—Rafael Bernabe-Prida

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