
The President of the Society, Dr. D. Bradley Welling, and the Scientific Program Committee selected 30 abstracts to be presented at the ANS Scientific Sessions. The goals and objectives for the ANS 2008 Spring Meeting will focus on acquiring a greater understanding of the vestibular function tests, diagnosis and treatment of migraine-associated vertigo, treatment and outcomes for skull base tumors, and the pathogenesis and treatment of cholesteatoma. Dr. Richard A. Chole will present the William F. House lecture, entitled “Scala Tympani Electrode Insertion: Techniques and Outcomes”. Dr. Benjamin T. Crane will receive an ANS Neurotology Fellowship Award for his presentation “Three Dimensional Computed Tomography of Superior Canal Dehiscence Syndrome.” Dr. R. Mark Wiet will receive an ANS Neurotology Fellowship Award for his presentation “Electromyography in the Prediction of Outcome of Acute Unilateral Complete Facial Paralysis.”

The ANS President’s Reception for ANS members and invited guests will be held on Friday evening, May 2 from 6:30-8:00. Please register for the reception when you register for COSM.

ANS 2008 Candidates
Twenty-four candidates completed the ANS membership applications for Associate, Fellow, and Upgrade to Fellow for the year 2008. The Membership and Credentials Committee, which consisted of Drs. Peter S. Roland, Robert Muckle, Sanjay Bhansali, Allan Rubin, Nancy Young reviewed the applications in detail. Instructions for voting online were e-mailed to the ANS Voting members. Twelve new Associate members and four new Fellow members were elected for membership. Eight Associates were upgraded to Fellow status. The candidates will be inducted at the ANS Annual Spring Meeting in Orlando, FL.

Associates
Choe, Won Taek - New York, NY
Coelho, Daniel - New York, NY
Cullen, Robert D. - Kansas City, MO
Doherty, Joni - LaJolla, CA
Horii, Arata - Osaka, Japan
Kim, Harold - Portland, OR
Kutz, Jr., J. Walter - Dallas, TX
Littlefield, Phillip - Washington, DC
Perez, Nicolas - Navarra, Spain
Roehm, Pamela - New York, NY
Warren, III, Frank M. - Salt Lake City, UT

Fellow
Francis, Howard W. - Baltimore, MD
Friedland, David R. - Milwaukee, WI
Peters, Brian Robert - Dallas TX
Weisskopf, Peter A. - Phoenix, AZ

Upgrade to Fellow
Buchman, Craig - Chapel Hill, NC
Carey, John P. - Baltimore, MD
Driscol, Colin L. W. - Rochester, MN
El-Kashlan, Hussam K - Ann Arbor, MI
Hullar, Timothy E. - St. Louis, MO
Johnson, Alan J. - Temple, TX
Lundy, Larry - Jacksonville, FL
Slater, Patrick - Austin, TX

Membership Application
The ANS Membership application is available on the ANS website. No handwritten applications are accepted. If the application includes the names of patients or any other patient identifying information, your application will be rejected by the Membership and Credentials Committee.

ANS Online Activity: The ANS CME Committee would like to query the ANS membership to see if the members would be interested in online activities through the ANS, such as online courses and highlights of the ANS meetings. Details will follow in upcoming newsletters and/or mass emails to the ANS members.

ANS 2008 Annual Fall Meeting
43rd ANS Annual Fall Meeting
September 20, 2008
Chicago, IL

Two Panels will be featured: Complications of Neurotologic Surgery, Temporal Bone Histopathology

Two Lectures
William E. Hitselberger Lecture
Franklin M. Rizer Lecture

Interactive Audience Response Keypads will be used during the discussion and answer periods.

The ANS website will post information regarding the fall meeting as it becomes available.

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AAO-HNS/ANS Cosponsored Workshops
September 20, 2008
Chicago, IL

Hands-on Audiometrics for the Practitioner: What the Otolaryngologist Needs to Know

The goals of this workshop are to provide residents, fellows, and practicing otolaryngologists with the indications and interpretations of different types of audiologic testing and equipment (audiometry, tympanometry, OAE, and ABR). Hands-on experience with state of the art equipment will be offered. At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to identify the appropriate test for each patient, perform a routine audiogram, understand masking dilemmas, perform impedance testing, and interpret OAE/ABR testing in both children and adults.

Hands-on Evaluation of the Dizzy Patient: What You Need to Know

This workshop offers a concise and practical review of basic physiology, history, examination, and testing for patients with dizziness and imbalance. Both didactic and hands-on sessions with state-of-the-art equipment are offered. It is geared towards residents and practicing otolaryngologists who would like to improve their skills with these challenging patients. Case studies will be used to highlight key features of diagnosis and management of several vestibular disorders.

Hands-on Hearing Aids: What the Otolaryngologist Needs to Know

This basic course is aimed at the practicing otolaryngologist and senior level resident. It will cover various aspects of hearing aid selection and fitting. New digital technologies will be included. In addition, there will be a hands-on practicum, involving hearing aid programming.

For more information or to register for one of the workshops, please visit http://www.entlink.net/annual_meeting/AAO-HNSF_ANS-Workshops.cfm.

American Neurotology Society
2007 Annual Fall Business Meeting
September 15, 2007, Washington, DC

The President of the American Neurotology Society, Dr. D. Bradley Welling called the 2007 Annual Fall Business Meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 2007 Annual Spring Business Meeting in San Diego, California, were circulated to the ANS members and approved as printed and distributed.

Dr. Jeffrey T. Vrabec reported the ANS membership applications are due November 15. Applications are available on the ANS Website.

Dr. Jeffrey T. Vrabec presented the treasurer’s report for the year-ended 8/31/2007. The ANS Executive Council has transferred $150,000 to the ANS unrestricted endowment fund. The revenue was generated from the profit share of the O&N Journal. The ANS Executive Council transferred all ANS funds from the Mellon account to the ANS Vanguard account. This action was taken to reduce management fees and miscellaneous costs the ANS incurred with the Mellon account.

Balance on hand 9/1/2006 215,124.76
Deposits 228,570.43
Total 443,695.19
Disbursements 283,038.03
Balance on hand 8/31/2007 160,657.16

Balances in Vanguard Account 8/31/2007 $446,053.00

Report of the Nominating Committee (Dr. Robert K. Jackler Chair, Drs. Debara L. Tucci and Joel Goebel): Dr. D. Bradley Welling presented the slate of officers for the 2008-2009 as follows:

President: Karen Jo Doyle, MD, PhD
President-Elect: Samuel H. Selesnick, MD
Member at Large: Saumil N. Merchant, MD

The members present approved the nominations as presented. The above slate of officers will be inducted at the 2008 ANS Annual Spring Meeting.

The Business Meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m. and the Scientific Session began at 1:00 p.m. with brief remarks from the President, Dr. D. Bradley Welling.

Dr. Welling thanked Drs. Moises Arriaga, Karen J. Doyle, Barry Hirsch, Lawrence Lustig, Lloyd Minor and Myles Pensak for serving on the 2007 CME Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey T. Vrabec, MD
ANS Secretary-Treasurer

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