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From the Desk of the Secretary-Treasurer

The Executive Council of the American Neurotology Society is requesting ANS members to fill out the enclosed membership questionnaire to be returned on or before January 15, 2004.

To be in compliance with the ANS Bylaws and Constitution, your membership category needs to be updated with the correct terminology. Currently, the Senior Fellows and Senior Associate Members are categorized as Senior members. Only the Fellow and Senior Fellow members are qualified to vote. Therefore, it is necessary to change Senior member to either Senior Fellow or Senior Associate Member.

The enclosed dues statement shows your category of membership as currently listed on the ANS Membership Roster. Please review and check the appropriate category on the enclosed questionnaire and return to the Administrative Office along with your payment of dues and journal subscription if applicable.

The following information is from the ANS Constitution and Bylaws. The membership of the Society is composed of six (6) classes as follows:

- Fellow
- Senior Fellow
- Honorary Fellow

- Associate Member
- Senior Associate Member
- Affiliate Member

Outlined below is the Electoral Process and Privileges for each category:

Fellow— Proposed by two (2) voting members, i.e., Fellow, a Senior Fellow. Upgrade from Associate Member to Fellow requires (1) proposal from a voting member as described above.

The Fellow may attend executive sessions, may vote, may hold office, may endorse candidates.

Senior Fellow— Becomes eligible on his/her 65th birthday. May elect to remain a Fellow or choose Senior Fellow status. If electing to remain a Fellow, will automatically become a Senior Fellow on his/her 70th birthday. For reasons of ill health or other valid reasons, a Fellow Member may request Senior Fellow status before his/her 65th birthday. Each request (in writing) will be considered by the Executive Council on its merits.

May attend executive sessions, may vote, may not be elected to office. Any Fellow who achieves his/her 65th birthday during a term of office shall continue to serve in that capacity until the completion of his/her term of office. May endorse candidates.

Honorary Fellow— Proposed by two (2) voting members, i.e., a Fellow, a Senior Fellow. No written ballot. A majority vote of the Executive

Council.

May attend executive sessions, may not vote, may not hold office, may not endorse candidates.

Associate Member— Proposed by two (2) voting members, i.e., a Fellow, a Senior Fellow or by one voting member and one Associate member.

May not attend executive sessions, may not vote, may not hold office, may endorse candidates for Associate Membership

Senior Associate Member— Becomes eligible on his/her 65th birthday. May elect to remain an Associate Member or choose Senior Associate status. If electing to remain an Associate Member, will automatically become a Senior Associate Member on his/her 70th birthday. For reasons of ill health or other valid reasons, an Associate Member may request Senior Associate status before his/her 65th birthday. Each request (in writing) will be considered by the Executive Council on its merits.

May not attend executive sessions, may not vote, may not hold office, may endorse candidates for Associate Membership.

Affiliate Member— Proposed by two (2) voting members, i.e., a Fellow, a Senior Fellow or by one voting member and one Affiliate Member.

May not attend executive sessions, may not vote, may not hold office, may endorse candidates for Affiliate Membership.

Foreign Member— Foreign members have the same electoral process and privileges as their American colleagues.

Membership- Membership applications are posted on the ANS Website.

The Membership and Credentials Committee will review candidates' qualifications and present their recommendations to the Executive Council. Nomination of a candidate by the Council shall be announced in writing to the organization. Voting shall be sent to the membership qualified to vote (Fellows and Senior Fellows) by mail, e-mail or FAX ballot six weeks prior to the Spring Business

Meeting and must be returned to the Administrative Office no later than 3 weeks prior to the meeting. New members shall be presented to the Society at the Spring Business Meeting.

The current ANS membership is 506 members.

Upcoming Meetings

COSM—The American Neurotology Society Annual Spring meeting will be held May 1-2, 2004, at the J. W. Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa in Phoenix, Arizona.

The ANS Scientific Sessions will be held on Saturday morning, May 1, 2004, and on Sunday afternoon, May 2, 2004. The ANS Reception will be held on Saturday evening, 6:30—8 p.m. Mark your calendars and plan to attend the ANS Annual Spring Meeting.

AAO-HNSF— The Fall Annual Meeting will be held on September 19-22, 2004, in New York City, NY

The ANS website will post information regarding the above meetings as it becomes available.

ANS Website—The ANS website is currently under construction. The goal is for the website to become more user friendly. To checkout the website go to:

www.americanneurologysociety.org

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2003 ANS Annual Fall Business Meeting—Orlando, Florida

American Neurotology Society
 Business Meeting
 Saturday, September 20, 2003

Rosen Centre Hotel
 Orlando, FL
 Jr. Ballroom G

President Paul Lambert, M.D. called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm Eastern time.

Dr. Debara Tucci presented the Secretary-Treasurer's report. The ANS account balances at the end of August 2003 were:

Operating account:	
Beginning balance	\$53,376.65
Ending balance	\$45,827.45

Vanguard Account:	
(as of June 30, 2003)	
Beginning balance	\$61,615.45
Ending balance	\$62,198.97

ANS Endowment Account (Mellon Bank):
 8/31/02 – 8/31/03

Beginning balance -	\$110,462.38
Ending balance -	\$120,977.79

(Month ending 8/31/03)

Dr. Lambert stated that the ANS has experienced an increase in administrative costs that will necessitate an increase in membership dues by \$45/yr. He mentioned that the last dues increase was over 5 years ago.

Dr. Lambert asked Dr. Newton Coker for the report of the Nominating Committee. Dr. Coker related that the committee membership included past presidents Drs. Richard Miyamoto, Stephen Harner and Jeffrey Vrabec.

The nominees are:
 President Elect: Dr. Debara L. Tucci;
 Member-at-Large: Dr. Sam Selesnick.
 There was a move to accept the nominations and this was seconded. The nominations were closed and the membership voted to approve the candidates as presented.

Dr. Lambert updated the membership on the ABO certification.

Dr. Lambert adjourned the meeting at 12:50 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Debara L. Tucci, MD
 ANS Secretary-Treasurer

2003-2004 Executive Council

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