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## From the Desk of the Secretary-Treasurer

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**American Neurotology Society  
40th Annual Fall Meeting  
Los Angeles, California**

The 40th Annual Fall Meeting of the American Neurotology Society will be held at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel in Los Angeles, CA, September 24, 2005. Please see the enclosed brochure for the complete scientific program. The pre-registration form for the 2005 Fall Meeting is available on the website or e-mail request to segossard@aol.com. Registrations will be accepted by mail until September 14, 2005, thereafter, please register onsite.

The scientific session will focus on neurotology case panels and interactive audience discussion. Each meeting attendee will have response capability. Responses will be quickly tabulated and displayed for further discussion by the panel and audience.

The program will begin with the William E. Hitselberger lecture. Dr. William W. M. Lo will lecture on "Imaging Strategy for Pulsatile Tinnitus."

The American Neurotology Society adheres to ACCME Essential Areas, Elements, and Criteria regarding industry support of continuing medical education.

Disclosure of faculty and commercial relationships, if any, are listed in the enclosed brochure and will be announced at the CME activity.

**Cosponsored AAO-HNSF/ANS Hands-on Hearing and Balance Workshops, Saturday morning, September 24, 2005, Los Angeles, Convention Center.**

### Call for Papers

The American Neurotology Society is accepting abstracts for the 2006 41st Annual Spring Meeting, May 20-21, 2006, Hyatt Regency, Chicago, IL. Deadline for online submission is 10/15/2005. All abstracts and manuscripts must comply with the *Otology & Neurotology* Guidelines for Authors.

Submit abstracts to:

www.americanneurotologysociety.org or email to Shirley Gossard, ANS Administrator, segossard@aol.com and in the subject line indicate ANS abstract submission.

### ANS Awards Available

Trainee Award  
Nicholas Torok Award  
Neurotology Fellows Award  
William F. House Lecture  
William E. Hitselberger Lecture  
Franklin M. Rizer Lecture  
Silverstein Award

Complete details and instructions for the above awards and lectures are available on the ANS website.

**AMERICAN NEUROTOLOGY  
SOCIETY  
ANNUAL SPRING BUSINESS  
MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 14, 2005, Boca Raton, FL**

**Call to Order:** The President, Dr. Robert K. Jackler, called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the September 18, 2005, meeting in New York, NY, were circulated to the ANS members and approved as distributed.

### New 2005 ANS Members Associate Members

Drs. Calhoun D. Cunningham, III, Hamid R. Djalilian, Brandon Isaacson, and Charles J. Limb

### Fellow Members

Dr. Richard D. Kopke

### Upgrade to Fellow

Drs. Douglas D. Backous, Brian E. Duff, Lawrence R. Lustig, Cliff A. Megerian, Levent N. Ozluoglu, Eric W. Sargent, and Jonathon S. Sillman

**Membership Report:** With the inclusion of the new inductees, the membership totals 503. This total includes 2 affiliates, 143 associates, 223 fellows, 4 honorary, 9 senior associates, 77 senior fellows and 45 senior members.

**In memoriam:** Deceased members of the society during the past year: Marian Girardi, PhD, Dudley J. Weider, MD

**Secretary-Treasurer's Report:**

Dr. Karen Jo Doyle presented the financial statements of the American Neurotology Society as follows:  
 Balance on Hand 9/1/2004  
 \$114,985.69.  
 Total Income \$137,000.88.  
 Total Disbursements \$101,727.14.  
 Balance on Hand 4/30/2005  
 \$150,259.43.

Investment Accounts as of 4/30/05  
 Mellon \$167,440.  
 Vanguard \$58,321.

At the ANS Executive Council meeting on Friday, May 13, the Executive Council agreed to use the royalty from the *Otology & Neurotology* journal to boost the endowment accounts. The goal is to make all of the lectureships, grants, and awards self-supporting as none have reached this point.

The Executive Council will be working on some language that may go forward to the RRC and Neurotology to encourage program directors to include some form of training in their institution.

Several issues related to the fellowship are being examined and a joint AOS/ANS questionnaire will be distributed this summer to get input from the membership.

The Executive Council has adopted a new policy regarding the ANS members e-mail addresses. E-mail addresses will not be released for any commercial purpose but batch e-mails will come from the ANS Administrative Office for important notifications. The list of recipients will always be suppressed so there is not a block of e-mail addresses for the membership.

The ANS is in a healthy financial situation at this time and this has allowed the Executive Council to take money from the operations, which is not needed to sustain the meetings and other programs and to transfer it to an endowment. The ANS has an existing endowment, which will be added to substantially

and will now be known as the Education and Research Endowment.

The Executive Council unanimously adopted the new ANS logo at the Executive Council Meeting, May 13, 2005. The ANS logo was approved by the membership.

The Executive Council has adopted a Conflict of Interest Policy for the Continuing Medical Education. Dr. Jackler emphasized this is essential to meet ACCME requirements. Dr. Jackler encouraged the members who have the perception of a conflict of interest from service on a Speaker's Bureau or employment with a commercial concern, simply bring it forward and report it to the Society as part of the program.

Dr. Lloyd Minor and the Research Committee have come up with four recommendations for the focus of the Research Committee.

1. Exploring an ANS endorsement of criteria for cochlear implants in marginal candidates.
2. Looking at the efficacy of vestibular therapy.
3. Looking at bone-anchored hearing aids.
4. Develop a tumor registry for vestibular schwannoma.

The *Otology & Neurotology* Journal will increase from six issues to eight issues a year. The journal will be publishing around 1200 pages. The journal has been doing very well financially, and will continue to provide funding into the future to the parent societies coming from the journal.

Dr. Jackler announced he is stepping down as journal editor. A search committee has been selected for a new editor of the journal.

Dr. Jackler stated he would like the membership to reach out and encourage qualified new members to join the ANS. Dr. Jackler asked the members to think of people in their practices, departments, and communities who are not members of the ANS, who may have contributions to bring and encourage them to become ANS members.

Dr. Bradley Welling, ANS membership chairman and his committee have developed an ANS Trainee category of membership for residents and fellows in training that does not require dues. All the incumbent fellows and incoming fellows will receive an invitation to join the ANS. An application for Trainee Member is available on the Society's website.

Respectfully submitted,

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