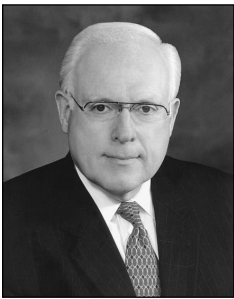




President's Report Gerald B. Healy, MD



I recently received a letter from a devoted member of the Eastern Section, Dr. Lou Welsh. Lou asked me if there was any longer a role for the "private practitioner" in the Triological Society. My first

reaction was, you bet there is. But then as I thought about it, I realized that none of us have done enough to reach out to community-based otolaryngologists to encourage them to join our organization.

In my response to Lou, I pointed out that the line that once divided academic practice from so-called private practice has almost disappeared. Most academic departments receive little direct university support and thus now generate all of their own support primarily through patient care revenue. Thus, in reality, most otolaryngologists are sharing the same economic boat and must therefore endeavor to find ways to "row" together.

Why should community-based otolaryngologists join our organization? My answer is that there is an enormous experience generated by community-based practitioners that essentially goes unshared because few, if any, of these practitioners are asked to report this experience in any of our current publications or meeting venues. This immense content would be of significant educational value to residents and young practitioners and should be shared at both our sectional and national meetings. Thus, a critical group, the community-based practitioners who were once a vital piece of our organization, must be encouraged to join and share their patient activity and experience. There is no question that with the coming of each generation, new ideals and priorities emerge. It is obvious to me that younger physicians do not seem to see value in being a "joiner." Time at meet-

Sections offer innovative scientific programs along with fun diversions

The 2002 Section Meetings of the American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otolological Society will offer a wide variety of scientific and social programs.

Program booklets will be mailed to all members in early December. The short programs and abstracts are also posted on the website at www.triological.org.

The meetings begin with the Southern Section Meeting, January 10–12, 2002, at the South Seas Resort on Captiva Island, Florida. The Southern Section last met at the island resort during the Centennial in 1997. This meeting is under the direction of Vice President John Emmett of Memphis, and Section Secretary/Treasurer Robert L. Baldwin, MD, of Birmingham, Ala. Dr. Emmett's Guests of Honor will be Jean-Bernard Causse, MD, Beziers, France, John J. Shea, MD, of Memphis, Tenn., Herbert Silverstein, MD, of Sarasota, Fla., and Mr. John Wheeler, of New York, N.Y.

The meeting begins with a Welcome/President's Reception Thursday, January 10, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., in Lindberg Hall. Scientific sessions will be held on Friday and Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. until about 12:30 p.m. Among the highlights are a panel on "The Chronic Ear," moderated by Jack L. Pulec, MD, of Los Angeles, on Friday, and a panel on "Management of Acquired Nasal Deformities," on Saturday, moderated by Stephen S. Park, MD, of Charlottesville, Va. A total of 34 papers will be presented, in addition to 37 posters.

Speakers can prepare in the Boardroom, which will be open from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, and from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday.

The members-only business meetings will be in Useppa I and II, from 7 a.m. to 7:50 a.m., both Friday and Saturday. Breakfast will be served.

Continental breakfasts will also be available from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. on Friday and Saturday in the Exhibit Area, Lindberg Hall. Exhibits are open from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

On Friday, a reception will be held in the Exhibit Area from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner and entertainment.

Golf and tennis tournaments will be held on Friday afternoon, and local tours and attractions can be arranged on-site through the concierge.

The Middle Section Meeting, January 18–20, at the Renaissance Oklahoma City Hotel, is under the direction of Vice President Jesus E. Medina, MD, of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Secretary/Treasurer Myles Pensak, MD, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Medina's Guest of Honor will be Robert H. Mathog, MD, of Detroit. Dr. Mathog's address is entitled, "Hypothesis: Research in Otolaryngology is Essential for Continued Improvement in Health Care."

The meeting begins with a Welcome/President's Reception on Friday, January 18, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Meeting Room 1. Scientific sessions will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 8 a.m. until noon on Sunday, in Meeting Rooms 4 and 5. Featured panels include a discussion of "Current Issues in Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery," moderated by Dr. Medina, "Pathogenesis and Management of Obstructive Sleep Disorders," moderated by John R. Houck, Jr., MD, of Oklahoma City, and "Vocal Cord Paralysis: Alternatives for Early Inter-

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Research Training Grants — Request for Proposals

The Triological Society is requesting proposals for Research Training grants for the funding period July 1, 2002–June 30, 2003. These grants are available to senior residents, fellows or faculty who have completed a fellowship within two years of the application date. These grants are for a one year period, \$25,000 maximum, and up to four are available annually. A letter of intent is due on December 14, 2001 and applications must be received by January 14, 2002. Information is available on our website www.triological.org and online applications and further instructions are available at www.entnet.org/grants.html

Resident Paper Awards Announced for 2002

Southern Section:

The John E. Bordley Resident Award (First Place): Kathy K. Yu, MD, Chapel Hill, NC

The Lester A. Brown Resident Award (Second Place): Craig Benoit, MD, Nashville, TN

The G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh Resident Award (Third Place): John G. Westine, MD, Gainesville, FL.

Middle Section:

The Henry Williams Resident Research Award (First Place): Kevin C. Harris, MD, Milwaukee, WI

The Henry Williams Resident Research Award (Second Place): Abdulmohsen Hussain, MD, Winnipeg, MB

The Henry Williams Resident Research Award (Third Place): David Book, MD, Milwaukee, WI

Eastern Section:

Resident Research Award (First Place): Stephen Lai, MD, PhD, Philadelphia, PA

Resident Research Award (Honorable Mention): Jason Franklin, MD, London, ON

Resident Research Award (Honorable Mention): Steven Sobol, MD, Montreal, QC

Western Section:

Shirley Baron Resident Research Award: Mark R. Homicz, MD, San Diego, CA

Vice President's Resident Research Award: David E.L. Olson, MD, Oakland, CA

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ings is time away from family. In reality, however, the Triological Society's meetings should be a family affair, so that not only will scientific information be shared, but also the social aspect of meeting friends from distant locations becomes an enriching experience and results in friendships that last a lifetime.

Our membership must reach out to the community-based practitioner to encourage individuals to share their immense experience. Being in community practice must be shown equal respect to the academic arena. We can all participate in encouraging this process if each individual member will take it upon himself or herself to invite a community-based colleague to a Section Meeting in January. Allow these members to experience the warmth and friendship of the Triological Society.

By the way, thanks, Lou, for giving me a wake up call!

Section Meetings *(continued from page 1)*

vention,” moderated by Keith Clark, MD, PhD, also of Oklahoma City. In addition, John Batsakis, MD, of Houston, Texas, will deliver a keynote address, “Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, and Pathology in the Post-Genome Era.” The Middle Section Meeting will include a total of 33 papers.

Speakers can review their slides in the ready room, Meeting Room 6. It will be open from 4 p.m. to midnight on Friday, and from 7 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, and from 7 a.m. until noon on Sunday. Business meetings for Triological Society members only will be from 7 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday mornings, in Meeting Room 3.

A continental breakfast with the Exhibitors is available from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, in Meeting Rooms 1 & 2. Exhibits are open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 7 a.m. until noon on Sunday.

The Saturday night reception is from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Meeting Room 1, followed by a banquet in Meeting Rooms 9–12. Entertainment will be provided by a select group from the University of Oklahoma School of Music.

Spouses and companions are invited to join Mrs. Libby Medina in the Spouse Hospitality Room from 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. for a continental breakfast on Saturday. Mrs. Medina is also hosting a tour of the Cowboy Hall of Fame and lunch in Bricktown. Participants will leave the hotel at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The Eastern Section Meeting will be January 25–27, at Loew’s Philadelphia Hotel. The meeting is under the direction of Vice President David W. Kennedy, MD, of Philadelphia, and Secretary/Treasurer Arnold Komisar, MD, of New York. Dr. Kennedy’s Guest of Honor is Ian Mackay, FRCS, of London, who will lecture on “Nasal Grafts: Which, Where and When.”

Dr. Kennedy will host a welcome reception, on Friday, January 25, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., in Millenium Hall.

Dr. Kennedy and Philadelphia will host the Council Meeting on Friday. The scientific sessions will be held Commonwealth A,B,C from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 8 a.m. until noon on Sunday. Panel discussions include “Sinonasal and Skull Base Lesions – Open or Endoscopic Approach,” moderated by Dr. Kennedy and William Lawson, MD, of New York, N.Y., “A Multidisciplinary Approach to the Diagnosis and Treatment of Sleep Disorders,” moderated by Aaron Sher, MD, of Albany, N.Y., and “Decision Making in Rhinoplasty,” moderated by Dr. Mackay. The scientific program will include more than 40 papers and 32 posters.

The speaker ready room is Parlor 2. It will be open from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 7 a.m. until noon on Sunday.

The Section’s members-only business meetings will be from 7 a.m. until 7:50 a.m., in the Adams Room on both Saturday and Sunday.

Exhibits are located in Millenium Hall, and will be open from 7 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, and from 7 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Sunday. Continental breakfast will be served in the exhibit area between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. both mornings.

The Saturday evening event features a buffet and “A Night at Monte Carlo,” offering participants a chance to win great prizes while feasting on an abundant buffet. This will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., in Regency B.

Spouses and companions are invited to participate in a trolley ride to view Main Line mansions and visit the Barnes Foundation, which holds one of the finest collections of French early Modern and Post-Impressionist paintings in the world followed by lunch at the Union League in Center City Philadelphia, a visit to Fairmount Park, the Philadelphia Zoo, and more.

The 2002 Section Meetings close with the Western Section Meeting, February 1–3, at the Doubletree Hotel in Pasadena, Calif. John H. House, MD, of Los Angeles, is the Western Section Vice President; Ernest A. Weymuller, MD, of Seattle, Wash., is Secretary/Treasurer. Dr. House’s Guest of Honor will be Fred H. Linthicum, Jr., MD, of Los Angeles. Dr. Linthicum will present a paper entitled, “The Fate of Mastoid Obliteration Tissue: A Histopathological Study.” Guest Speaker Bruce Gantz, MD, of Iowa City, will lecture on “Sensorineural Hearing Loss: Future Treatment Options.”

A welcome reception is planned for Friday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Fountain Foyer.

The scientific sessions, in Fountain Ballroom III and IV, will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The scientific program includes 39 papers and five poster presentations. In addition, Dr. Gantz will moderate a panel discussion on “Cochlear Implants: Recent Advances and Current Implications.” Speakers can prepare in the Santa Rosa room, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, and from 6 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Business meetings will be in the San Marino room from 7 a.m. to 7:50 a.m., on both Saturday and Sunday mornings. Continental breakfast will be served.

Breakfast will also be served in the Exhibit Area, Fountain Ballroom I and II, on Saturday and Sunday mornings before the scientific sessions. Exhibits are open from 7 a.m. until noon both days.

In lieu of a formal banquet, the Western Section is offering a Gourmet California Wine Tasting Reception. This will be from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Saturday in the Courtyard.

Spouses and companions can visit the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, located just four miles from the Doubletree Hotel.

Registration for all of the meetings can be accomplished on line at www.triological.org.

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2002 COSM SCHEDULE

Boca Raton Resort and Club, Boca Raton, Florida

	FRIDAY May 10, 2002	SATURDAY May 11, 2002	SUNDAY May 12, 2002	MONDAY May 13, 2002	TUESDAY May 14, 2002
AM	ALA ANS	ABEA AOS ARS/ AAOAF		ASPO TRIO	TRIO/ASPO joint session
PM	AOS ARS	AHNS ALS ANS	ABEA ANHS No Exhibits in Afternoon	ASPO AHNS	ASPO
EVE	ALA-B ANS-R	ABEA-R and First Poster-R AOS-B	AHNS-R ASPO/TRIO Poster Reception	TRIO/ASPO Banquet	

- 1 Exhibits will be scheduled Friday – Tuesday with NO EXHIBITS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 12 AFTERNOON.
- 2 AAFPRS not meeting in 2002.
- 3 Last meeting AAOAF is part of COSM.

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