



SOCIETY FOR PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY

NEWSLETTER

Summer 1997

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Virginia J. Popek, D.O.

Well, "Spring has sprung, Fall has fell and summer's here and it's hot as — the devil. One of you from the upper mid-west may be envious of our warmth because of your spring, but I know that many of us are looking forward to the trip to Minneapolis in September just to cool off. Everyone would be excited about the Raffle to raise funds for the Young Investigators Research Grant. It was the brain child of Dr. Edith Perkins. She arranged with each of the authors, editors and artist to donate their fees. Please note that you can arrange to purchase tickets, even if you are unable to attend the interim meeting.

John Buchino has been at it again; fundraising, that is. He made an agreement with the publisher, to underwrite the Newsletter for the coming year. I think he may have a new idea, if things get really down and out in medicine, he should look into the Democratic National Committee, I understand that there may be a job opening soon.

Included in this Newsletter:

*** Spring 1998 Meeting
Call for Abstracts**

*Deadline, postmarked no
later than September 17, 1997*

*** Abstract Instructions**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

James E. Dimmick, M.D.; FRCPC

If you believe medical laboratory restructuring is exclusively a U.S. event let me refute the notion. The same pressures exist in Canada and have propelled most major academic centers into substantial reorganization and in many instances "partnerships" with large private laboratories. In our own circumstance at the Childrens and Womens Health Centre of British Columbia (our new family name) our department reorganized four years ago into five programs from ten. Now, as the regionalization initiative of health care continues we in the Vancouver area are increasing our integration with the other major academic hospital laboratories by forming, we expect, a partnership to further reduce duplication in specialty laboratories and yet continue to support the clinical and research mandates unique to each hospital group. This sort of stuff is critically important to all of us but certainly intrudes into the time for practice and research in pediatric pathology. You may wish to take the opportunity to discuss these matters in an informal way in Minneapolis at the interim meeting. Those most heavily involved in department administration may want to arrange a few moments to talk outside the meeting schedule - may I suggest the bar! Personally, for a change in my activities, I am looking forward to the scientific and social events developed by Susan Simonton and her colleagues, which are so typical of our interim meetings. At the meeting, council and long term planning will meet together to bring closer to conclusion several of the initiatives that arose from the Houston planning session. These ad hoc initiatives are: the electronic media chaired by Paul Dickman; extracurricular educational events, by Joe Rutledge; practice committee ventures, by David Zwick, and membership plans by Tom Stocker and Virginia Baldwin.

The pediatric pathology presence is very evident in Japan thanks to the dedicated career of Dr. Kazuaki Misugi. Dr. Misugi recently retired as Professor and Head at Yokohama City University. To honor his retirement a pediatric pathology special conference was held in Yokohama. It was a pleasure to attend and present to Dr. Misugi a talking stick on behalf of the SPP and our department in Vancouver, which has a research exchange program with Yokohama. The meeting was attended by pediatric pathologists from major centers of Japan and by Drs. Derek deSa and Virginia Anderson. Pediatric pathology also was successfully promoted in Romania during a SAKOW/Humana Foundation sponsored conference attended by approximately 150 enthusiastic young pathologists (see elsewhere in this newsletter). Drs. Rutledge, Buchino, Patterson and Dimmick presented.

Let me remind you of the imminent emergence of our new journal and request your support in achieving success.

**RAFFLE TO BE HELD AT THE INTERIM MEETING IN
MINNEAPOLIS**

**Drawing to be held at the Interim Meeting Banquet in Minneapolis
Saturday, September 27, 1997**

**TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE YOUNG INVESTIGATOR
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**FIVE, count them, FIVE great prizes!!!!
Each autographed by the author, editor or artist**

- * Coffin CM, Dehner LP, O'Shea PA. Pediatric Soft Tissue Tumors. Williams & Wilkins, 1997.
- * Gilbert-Barnes E (Editor). Potter's Pathology of the Fetus and Infant Vol 1-2. Mosby, 1997.
- * Isaacs H. Tumors of the Fetus and Newborn. W.B. Saunders, 1997.
- * Parham DM (Editor). Pediatric Neoplasia, Morphology and Biology. Lippincott Raven, 1996.
- * Weinberg AG. Original Watercolor Painting.

**Tickets - 10\$ for 1 or 3 for 25\$
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**If unable to attend meeting, tickets may be purchased from the National Office
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**Society for Pediatric Pathology
6728 Old McLean Village Drive
McLean, VA 22101**

Tickets not available by mail after September 13, 1997

SOCIETY FOR PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY - 1998 ANNUAL MEETING

Boston, MA ❖ February 28 - March 1

Instructions for Submission of Abstracts

- Deadline:** Abstracts must be mailed (fax transmissions will not be accepted) and must be postmarked no later than September 17, 1997 (If mailed from outside of the United States, September 12.)
- Format & Content:** Abstracts must be typed on the original form and will be used as camera-ready copy. A photocopy of this **original** form is not acceptable. If the abstract is accepted, it will be printed (unedited) exactly as typed. **PROOFREAD CAREFULLY.** Abstracts must be succinct and contain factual information. Generalities such as "results will be discussed" are unacceptable. It is suggested that the abstract include: a) subject of study, b) methods (when appropriate), c) results, and d) conclusions. An abstract must present new information that has not been published or presented at another major meeting. Papers will be accepted on the basis of scientific data, relevance to pediatric pathology, timeliness and likelihood that they will stimulate discussion. Case reports are discouraged and will be considered only if they provide exceptional insight into a problem. Follow illustration on abstract sheet and directions below.
- Directions for Typist:** The abstract must fit within blue borders or it will be rejected. **DO NOT BLACKEN BORDERS OF RECTANGLE.** Do not Erase. Single space entire abstract. Do not sequence letters or lines. Check accuracy of spelling. Capitalize entire title. Do not underline author's name(s). Initials of first name should precede last name, followed by degree. Use only institutional affiliation and city/state/province. Do not list street address or zip code. Do not start author's name on a new line unless necessary. Indent paragraphs 3 spaces. Do not skip a space between paragraphs. The minimum acceptable font sizes **11 point** for computer (scaleable) fonts, and **12 point** for typewriter (non-scaleable) fonts. **DO NOT USE A DOT MATRIX PRINTER.**
- Presentation Choice:** Papers will be presented to the SPP at podium sessions on Saturday and Sunday. Poster sessions will be held concurrently. Because of time constraints, the number of podium presentations will be limited and must be no more than 8 minutes long to allow 7 minutes for discussion. Authors are encouraged to give maximum flexibility to the Abstract Committee by checking "either the podium or poster" box. Posters will be 3'10" by 5'10" wide.
NOTE: Abstracts will only be considered for SPP presentation. Authors wishing to present abstracts at the USCAP Monday session must send abstracts directly to USCAP. An abstract should be submitted to either SPP or USCAP, but not both. SPP abstracts will continue to be published in *Laboratory Investigation* and *Modern Pathology*.
- Gordon Vawter Pathologist in Training Award:** The Gordon Vawter award honors the most meritorious platform or poster presentation by a trainee (medical student, resident, or fellow in pathology or pediatric pathology). The work must be substantially that of the trainee. Authors who wish to be considered for the award must check the appropriate box on the abstract form.
- Harry Neustein Electron Microscopy Award:** The Harry Neustein Award honors the platform or poster presentation most meritorious in its utilization of Electron Microscopy. Authors who wish to be considered for the award must check the appropriate box on the abstract form.
- Sponsorship:** All abstracts must be signed by a member of the SPP. This individual can either be an author or sponsor. The senior author must attest to the originality of the abstract.
- Notification of Acceptance/Rejection:** Send two (2) self-addressed stamped business envelopes (not postcards). One envelope will be returned upon receipt of the abstract; the second will inform you of the decision of the Abstract Committee.
- Photocopies Required:** Submit the original abstract form with authors and affiliation and four (4) high quality photocopies with title only, without authors names or affiliation. Copies without authors/affiliation must have poster/podium and award selection boxes checked off. Submit to:
Claire Langston, MD
Department of Pathology
Texas Children's Hospital
6621 Fannin Street
Houston, TX 77030
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS SUGGESTIONS FOR SOCIETY OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee of the SPP is seeking your suggestions for candidates for the offices of (1) President-elect, (2) Secretary/Treasurer, and (3) At-large Council Members (two positions) to be elected at the annual meeting in Boston in February 1998. If you have suggestion for the committee for any or all of the above four positions, please send them to the Nominating Committee Chair, Tom Stocker. Please include a short paragraph indicating the qualities or experiences of the nominee that you feel would make them a good candidate. We are especially interested in those SPP members who have made significant contributions to the Society and/or to the field of Pediatric Pathology.

Mail, phone, FAX, or E-mail suggestions to:

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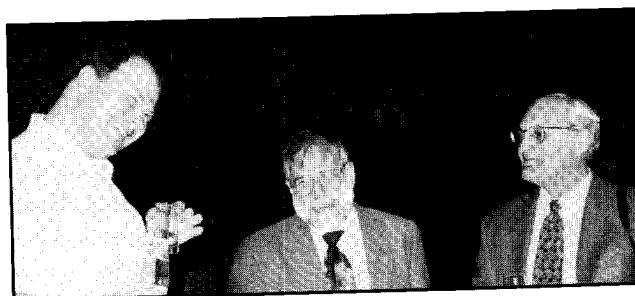
In an article from "The Scientist", Dr. Shirley Driscoll brings to the attention of the SPP an article about Mark Greene, M.D., Ph.D., of the University of Pennsylvania who was the first to receive the Lotte Strauss Prize from the SPP, presented at the Annual meeting in 1986 in New Orleans. Dr. Greene continues to have an impressive career in basic science but also finds the time to encourage high school and prebaccalaureate students into pursuing careers in basic sciences to combat what he perceives as a lack of "a sense of scholarship" in American Universities. He received a special Dean's Award from the University of Pennsylvania for these efforts. He also serves as Vice Chair of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and heads both the department's Immunology Division and Center for Receptor Biology and Cell Growth. In 1991 he was named a John Guggenheim fellow and currently is the John Eckman Professor of Medical Sciences and Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. His major contributions to Pathology are in the study of the neu oncogene, and his more current work with antireceptor antibody therapy, that may have a role in the treatment of breast and pancreatic carcinoma. According to Dr. Driscoll—"We chose well-no?"

PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGISTS TRAVEL TO ROMANIA

Drs. John Buchino, Joe Rutledge, Jim Dimmick and Kathy Patterson recently conducted a symposium on pediatric pathology in Cluj-Napoca, Romania. The symposium was organized by SPP member Dr. Petre Florescu. Over 150 pathologists from throughout Romania attended the symposium. In addition, two pathologists from Slovinia and one from Bulgaria also attended. The symposium was held over a four day period (May 21st to May 24th) and included topics on new techniques, pathology of neoplasia, congenital defects and metabolic disease. Numerous case studies were also presented. The North America contingency was quite impressed by the level of knowledge of the attendees as well as their enthusiasm for learning new information. The Romanians proved to be extremely gracious hosts who conferred honorary membership in the Romanian Society for Pathological Anatomy on all faculty. The symposium ended with a festive dinner which Dr. Rutledge felt identified several candidates for PPC Knighthood. The symposium was made possible by generous grants from Surgical Aid to Children to the World and Humana.



Dr. Rutledge takes a seat among conference attendees preparing to listen to Dr. Patterson lecture at Romanian Pediatric Pathology Symposium.



Drs. Buchino and Dimmick hard at work recruiting a potential knight of the PPC (Dr. Dan Gheban) at Romanian Symposium.

**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT
NEWSLETTER**

is immediately following the Interim Meeting

OCTOBER 6, 1997

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PPS Annual Meetings

- 43rd Annual Meeting - September 11 - 13, 1997
Leeds UK
- 44th Annual Meeting - September 17 - 19, 1998
Lorient, France
- 45th Annual Meeting - to be announced, 1999
Belfast, Northern Ireland
- 46th Annual Meeting - to be announced, 2000
Edinburgh, Scotland
- 47th Annual Meeting - to be announced, 2001
Rome, Italy

IPPA Advanced Course in Paediatric Pathology

- 1997, XIX Istanbul, Turkey. August 30- September 5.
FULLY BOOKED—WAITING LIST ONLY (Local organizer, Jean Keeling)
- 1998, Guidel, France, September 19-25. (Local organizer, F. Labbe).
- 1999, N. Ireland, Dates to be announced (Local organizers, D. O'Hara and C. Thornton)

Australian and New Zealand Pediatric Pathology Group

Australian and New Zealand Pediatric Pathology Group
Singapore, October 6-9, 1997. For additional information,
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Sociedad Latinoamericana de Patologia Pediatrica, Panama,
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Pediatric Forensic Issues: Pathology, Diagnosis, Imaging and Investigation

The Institute for Pediatric Medical Education and the Society for Pediatric Pathology (SPP) will jointly sponsor a course on the pathology, diagnosis, imaging and investigation of pediatric forensic issues. The four day seminar will be held at the Coronado Springs Resort at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida from December 1 - 4, 1997 under the direction of Drs. Henry F. Krous, Tracey Corey Handy, and Roger W. Byard.

This course is designed primarily for general and pediatric pathologists but will be of interest to forensic pathologists/medical examiners, pediatricians, emergency room personnel, pediatric nurses, attorneys and law enforcement officials. Presentations will include discussions of scene investigations, child abuse, accidental, unnatural and natural causes of sudden death in infancy and childhood, poisoning and toxicology, concealment of birth infanticide, medical/legal importance of the placenta, DNA analysis in pediatric forensic pathology, and the "expert witness and court pitfalls." The radiological aspects of non-accidental injury will also be discussed along with a discussion on how to establish a pediatric forensic medicine program. Daily case presentations will be used to involve the participants in "real life" situation. Faculty members include Drs. R. Alexander, R. W. Byard, M. Case, S. Cohle, G. J. Davis, M. Fierro, R. C. Froede, T. C. Handy, R. L. Hanzlick, C. G. Kaplan, P. Kleinma, and H. F. Krous. Course participants will also receive a 250 - 300 pages syllabus including conference presentations and case discussions.

This course, through the SPP, is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Education (ACCME). The SPP certifies that this CME activity meets the criteria for 29 credit hours in category 1 for the Physician's Recognition Award for the American Medical Association.

For further information, contact the Institute for Pediatric Medical Education, 6604 Landon Lane, Bethesda, MD 20817. Telephone and Fax: 301/229-8338.

REMINDER

**SOCIETY FOR PEDIATRIC PATHOLOGY
1997/98 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY
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Edwina J. Popek, DO (*Newsletter*)
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