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**Message from the President**

First of all, I wish to express my thanks to the members for granting me the privilege of serving as the 106th President of the Triological Society. On the occasion of our Society’s centennial, we added to our official seal the words “Upholding the Noble Legacy”, which I regard as not only indicative of the Triological Society’s past accomplishments but also as a mandate for its future.

A Strategic Planning Committee, comprised of Triological Society officers and Council members, recently completed a very productive retreat in Chicago. Their discussions addressed issues ranging from membership development and research grants to the dissemination of new knowledge through our flagship journal *The Laryngoscope* and the rapidly evolving options for electronic communication. In future issues of Triologistics, I look forward to sharing some ideas which were distilled from the Committee’s work. The first order of business, however, is to discuss the current status and future plans for our Section and Annual meetings.

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**Candidate Materials Due October 1st**

Active, Senior and Emeritus Fellows may nominate candidates for Active Fellowship through October 1st. All materials from potential candidates and letters from the proposer and seconder must be forwarded to the administrative office no later than that date. Questions may be directed to 402-346-5500. Included in this issue are the guidelines and an application for Active Fellowship. Guidelines and applications for resident and post-graduate membership are available at www.triological.org.

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**Call for Papers For 2005 Meetings**

Abstracts may be submitted for the 2005 Section meetings from July 1 - August 2. Annual meeting abstracts may be submitted through October 15th. Meeting information can be found on page 6.

Abstracts should be submitted online at: www.triological.org

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**Patrick E. Brookhouser, MD, is President**

Dr. Patrick E. Brookhouser of Omaha, Nebraska, will preside over the 108th Annual Meeting of the Triological Society when it meets May 13-17, 2005, at the Boca Raton Resort and Club in Florida. He was elected to the Society in 1984 and has served as Vice President of the Middle Section (1995) and, most recently, as Executive Secretary.

Dr. Brookhouser is Founding Director of Boys Town National Research Hospital in Omaha, Nebraska. In addition to his responsibilities as Director of the hospital, Dr. Brookhouser devotes substantial time to national and local organizations dedicated to serving children with communication disorders. He is currently a member of the American Board of Otolaryngology and has served as President of the American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology. He is past President of the Metropolitan Omaha Medical Society and the Nebraska Medical Association. Dr. Brookhouser serves as Executive Secretary and is an AMA Alternate Delegate for the Triological Society. He has served on the National

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Dr. Stanley Shapshay Named President-Elect

Dr. Shapshay was elected to serve as President in 2005-06. He received his M.D. from the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia. His surgical internship and surgical and otolaryngology residencies were completed in the Tufts New England Medical Center system and he completed a surgical fellowship at the Serafimer Hospital of the Karolinska Medical School in Stockholm, Sweden. He is Professor of Otolaryngology at the Boston University School of Medicine and is an active member of the clinical otolaryngology staff at Boston Medical Center. He is a past President of the ALA and the ABEA. Dr. Shapshay served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Eastern Section prior to serving as Vice President of the Eastern Section in 2002. He is a recipient of the Edmund Prince Fowler Award and was the Guest of Honor at the 105th Annual Meeting of the Triological Society. His research interests include the use of lasers for treatment and early diagnosis of oral cancer and he is author or co-author on over 180 journal articles and more than 30 books.

Highlights of Annual Meeting Held in Phoenix

Dr. Robert H. Jahrsdoerfer presided over the 107th Annual Meeting held April 30th through May 3rd at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort in Phoenix. Byron Bailey, MD, former Editor of The Laryngoscope, was the Guest of Honor. Presidential Citation awardees were Drs. Ugo Fisch, Robert Miller, Julius Hicks, William Saunders, and Charles Gross. Ernest Weymuller, Jr., MD, gave the invited Ogura Lecture “Matching Graduate Education with Societal Need”.

Simultaneous sessions were held on Friday and Monday. The program represented a break in tradition by integrating courses into the format. Nineteen courses were offered on Sunday and Monday mornings and were reviewed very favorably on the meeting evaluations. Course instructors and panel leaders were chosen based upon leadership in their respective fields and their immediate name recognition.

As mandated in our mission statement, “provide a forum for the international exchange of ideas and knowledge”, three international experts participated in the meeting, presenting courses and moderating panels, including Drs. Ugo Fisch from Switzerland, Klaus Jahnke from Germany, and Aldo Stamm from Brazil.
Bruce Campbell, M.D., received his medical degree from Rush Medical College in 1980. He then completed an Otolaryngology Residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin and a Head and Neck Surgical Oncology Fellowship at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. He returned to Milwaukee in 1987 and has been on the full-time faculty at MCW since that time. His practice focuses on Head and Neck Surgery. His research has examined quality of life issues in cancer survivors. Dr. Campbell has also served as the Interim Director of the MCW Cancer Center. He and his wife, Kathi, have four children, Daniel, Sarah, David, and Rebekah. Dr. Campbell enjoys boating and fishing.

David E. Eibling, M.D., received his M.D. degree from the Ohio State University School of Medicine and completed his residency at the Yale-New Haven Hospital in 1978. He was a career Air Force officer and served as Chairman and Residency Program Director in the Department of Otolaryngology at the Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center in Texas from 1987-1990 prior to joining the University of Pittsburgh faculty. Dr. Eibling is a Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and Chief, Section of Otolaryngology and Assistant Chief, Department of Surgery at the VA Medical Center, Oakland. He has received numerous teaching awards, including the prestigious Kenneth E Schuit Master Educator award, the highest award for medical student teaching awarded by the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. His research interests include evaluation of dysphagia and the use of visualization technology in electronic medical records. His hobbies include bicycling, hiking and camping. He and his wife, Carol, reside in Pittsburgh.

Michael Hoffer, M.D., received a Bachelor of Science from Stanford University and an M.D. degree at the University of California San Diego. After serving as a resident at the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Hoffer was an otology/neurotology fellow at the Ear Research Institute in Sarasota Florida. Dr. Hoffer was commissioned into the United States Navy in June of 1993 and began as a full time staff surgeon at Naval Medical Center San Diego in July of 1994. Dr. Hoffer was named Director of the Department of Defense Spatial Orientation Center in 1995. His research interests include inner ear drug delivery, control of spatial orientation, and vestibular rehabilitation methodology. He has authored or co-authored over fifty abstracts and papers and is a member of a number of national and international committees including committees at the NIH and at NASA. Dr. Hoffer resides in San Diego with his wife, Deborah, and children, Kyle and Ali. He enjoys running, surfing and coaching his children’s sports teams.
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Advisory Council for The National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders and on the National Council for Child Health and Human Development. Dr. Brookhouser is widely published on the subjects of early childhood hearing loss, genetics of deafness and rehabilitative strategies for children with hearing loss and other communication disorders.

Dr. Brookhouser received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Creighton University in Omaha and was awarded his Doctor of Medicine degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He completed his residency training in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. Dr. Brookhouser is a Diplomate of the American Board of Otolaryngology and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Research Career Development Awards


Additional information about the grants can be obtained beginning in September by visiting the Triological Society web site at www.triological.org or CORE website at www.entlink.net.

Society Welcomes 30 New Members

On April 30th, during the Annual Meeting, the membership welcomed new members during a reception held in their honor. Twenty-eight Active Fellows and two Associate Fellows were inducted into the Society.

The Active Fellows are:
Douglas D. Backous, MD, Seattle, WA
Craig A. Buchman, MD, Chapel Hill, NC
Ricardo L. Carrau, MD, Pittsburgh, PA
Roberto A. Cueva, MD, San Diego, CA
Robert K. Dyer, Jr., MD, Oklahoma City, OK
Thomas J. Gal, MD, Lackland AFB, TX
Christopher J. Hartnick, MD, Boston, MA
David B. Hom, MD, Minneapolis, MN
Karen M. Kost, MD, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
Stilianos E. Kountakis, MD, Augusta, GA
Rodney P. Lusk, MD, Ft. Collins, CO
George Murrell, MD, Camp Pendleton, CA
Shawn D. Newlands, MD, Galveston, TX
Bert W. O’Malley, MD, Philadelphia, PA
Blake C. Papsin, MD, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Edmund Pribitkin, MD, Philadelphia, PA
Reza Rahbar, DMD, MD, Boston, MA
Hassan H. Ramadan, MD, Morgantown, WV
J. Thomas Roland, Jr., MD, New York, NY
Clark A. Rosen, MD, Pittsburgh, PA
Joseph C. Sniezek, MD, Tripler Army Medical Center, HI
David L. Steward, MD, Cincinnati, OH
Erich M. Sturgis, MD, Houston, TX
Mark Sym, MD, Phoenix, AZ
J. Regan Thomas, MD, Chicago, IL
Donald T. Weed, MD, Miami, FL
Brian J. Wiatrak, MD, Birmingham, AL
George H. Yoo, MD, Detroit, MI

The Associate Fellows are:
Alessandra Rinaldo, MD, Udine, Italy
Kiminori Sato, MD, PhD, Kurume-Shi, Japan

SECTION ELECTIONS HELD AT 2004 SECTION MEETINGS

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Four Theses Are Honored

Craig A. Buchman, MD is the winner of the Mosher Award. He is an Associate Professor of Otolaryngology and Chief of the Division of Otology/Neurotology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dr. Buchman’s award winning thesis is entitled, “Vestibular Effects of Cochlear Implantation”. Dr. Buchman is also a previous recipient of a Triological Society Career Development Award. Dr. Buchman was sponsored by Drs. Thomas Balkany and Eugene Myers.

Shawn D. Newlands, MD, PhD, received the Fowler Award for his thesis, “Relationship of Static and Dynamic Mechanisms in Vestibular Compensation”. Dr. Newlands is Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. Dr. Newland’s sponsors are Drs. Ron Bailey and Karen Calhoun.

The Honorable Mention Award for Basic Research recipient is Joseph C. Sniezek, MD for “DNp63 Isoform Expression in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma”. Dr. Sniezek is a Major in the U.S. Army Medical Corps and Residency Program Director at Tripler Army Medical Center in Hawaii. Drs. David Eisele and Larry Burgess sponsored Dr. Sniezek.

The Honorable Mention for Clinical Research was Donald T. Weed, MD, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Otolaryngology at the University of Miami School of Medicine and Director, Head & Neck Site Disease Group, Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center. Dr. Weed’s thesis was titled, “MUC4 and ErbB2 Expression in Squamous Cell Carcinoma of the Upper Aerodigestive Tract: Correlation with Clinical Outcomes”. Drs. Jarrard Goodwin and Tom Balkany sponsored Dr. Weed.

2005 Section Meeting Resident Research Competition

The Sections are soliciting manuscripts from residents interested in participating in the 2005 Section Resident Research Competition. In order to be eligible:

- Residents should submit abstracts online July 1st through August 2nd
- Residents should submit manuscripts for abstracts submitted by September 6th to the Section Program Chair
- Residents must submit to the Section in which they reside
- Residents must be the first author and presenter

Residents chosen for the awards will present their papers at the 2005 Section meetings. Their institutions will receive a travel award to help offset the cost of travel for the resident presenting at the Section meetings, and the residents will receive a cash award from the Sections. Further information is available at www.triological.org
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PLAN TO ATTEND THE 2005 MEETINGS

Registration materials will be mailed this Fall and will be available online at www.triological.org on October 1st

Southern Section – January 13 -15
Doral Golf Resort and Spa, Miami, Florida
Robert Baldwin, MD, Vice President
The Doral Golf Resort and Spa is an oasis of luxury in the South Florida sun. The resort reflects the colors, beauty and ambiance of the local natural landscape. Doral is only 15 minutes from Miami International Airport and minutes from the excitement of Miami’s South Beach. All the sights and sounds of South Florida are well within your grasp and can only add to your Doral experience. Visit their website at www.doralresort.com.

Middle Section – January 21 – 23
Renaissance Hotel, Chicago, Illinois
Robert Maisel, MD, Vice President
The Renaissance is conveniently located between the Loop and the Magnificent Mile. This location not only means you are in the center of downtown, it also affords guests spectacular views of the lake and river. This great location is close to both shopping, museums and theaters. Visit their website at http://marriott.com/chisr

Eastern Section – January 28 – 30
Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC
Steven Parnes, MD, Vice President
The Omni Shoreham, host to presidents, dignitaries and world leaders, has served Washington's premiere hotel since 1930. Located in the heart of Washington, DC, it is just minutes from some of the most popular historical and cultural sites in America. Visit their website at www.omnihotels.com.

Western Section – February 3 – 5
(Note The Change In Format - Scientific Sessions Will Be Held On Friday And Saturday Mornings)
JW Marriott Resort & Spa, Las Vegas, Nevada
Ernest Weymuller, Jr., MD, Vice President
The JW Marriott is approximately 15 minutes from downtown Las Vegas. The Resort is in a beautiful setting with numerous restaurants and a golf course immediately adjacent to it. Downtown Las Vegas is truly a unique experience and easily accessible. Visit their website at http://marriott.com/lasjw

108th Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars for the 108th Annual Meeting to be held May 13-17, 2005 at the Boca Raton Resort in Boca Raton, Florida. Annual meeting abstracts must be submitted by October 15th.
Research Grants

The Triological Society continues its commitment to support research by young investigators. Since joining CORE in 2001, the Society has more than doubled the amount of funding committed to research. Triological Society representatives serve on the CORE Executive Committee and Study Section. The AAO-HNS Foundation Dept of Research serves as the central clearinghouse and facilitator for the research programs of several otolaryngology-head and neck surgery senior societies. Through a rigorous centralized research grant application, review and administration process, a uniform level of scientific rigor can be attained to achieve three objectives: provide support for the most meritorious research in otolaryngology and head and neck surgery; educate young investigators to prepare competitive grant applications; and prepare more surgeon-scientists to serve as peer reviewers for NIH and other research agencies. The CORE program also brings greater scale and less fragmentation to otolaryngology and head and neck research opportunities, reduces the aggregate administrative costs of the individual grant programs, and enables a comprehensive overview of the spectrum of promoting otolaryngology and head and neck surgery research/researchers to promote to NIH and other agencies.

A total of 17 grants were recommended for funding by the ten CORE organizations (excluding AAO-HNSF) for a total of $329,217. The Triological Society will fund six grants which is more than half of the recommended total dollars ($180,000) to be awarded by the 10 CORE organizations for the 2004/05 fiscal year.

The 2004/2005 Career Development Grants funded by the Triological Society are:

- “Nasal Obstruction and Sleep Apnea Treatment Outcomes”
  Edward M. Weaver, MD, University of Washington
  $40,000 Awarded

- “Effect of Limited Work Hours on Errors in Otolaryngology”
  David W. Roberson, MD, Children’s Hospital Boston
  $40,000 Awarded

- “Inner Ear Morphogenesis in Slit3-/- Mice”
  Yael Raz, MD, University of Pittsburgh
  $40,000 Awarded

- “Molecular Analysis of Mucosal Wound Healing”
  Sandeep Kathju, MD, Allegheny-Singer Research Institute
  $40,000 Awarded

2004/2005 Resident Research Projects funded are:

- “Autocrine Regulation of Vestibular Schwannoma Growth”
  Kevin Brown, MD, The University of Iowa
  $10,000 Awarded

- “Donor Bone Marrow and Laryngeal Allograft Tolerance”
  Kamir S. Khariwala, MD, Cleveland Clinic Foundation
  $10,000 Awarded
Triological Society Meetings—Section and National (COSM)
The Content, the Culture and Collegiality

Over the years, Section and Annual meetings of the Triological Society have evolved a very special culture, embodying the highest quality scientific presentations by leading scholars in both clinical and basic disciplines, as well as an aura of collegiality and mentorship spanning the generations from senior members to residents. One of my personal mentors, Dr. John Bordley, once told me that a Triological Society meeting should be a forum where the current scholars and leaders in Otolaryngology, and their families, become acquainted with the emerging leaders and their families. Many members have traditionally presented their “best work” at Triological meetings to benefit from critique and discussion by their scientific peers.

The Section meetings play a special role by showcasing the talents of otolaryngology residents, as well as young faculty and community-based practitioners. The availability of ten $500 resident travel grants for each section and special cash awards for the best presentations/posters at each Section meeting is helping to build a bridge between the Triological Society and young clinical scholars. The financial challenges of conducting relatively small meetings in large cities and first-tier resort properties has prompted the Section Vice Presidents and the rest of the Triological Council to explore alternatives, such as the highly successful and well-attended joint meeting of the Middle and Southern Sections in Marco Island, Florida last January. The Middle and Western Sections plan a combined meeting in San Diego in 2006. As a one-time trial, the Council voted, at its 2004 Spring meeting, to convene all four Triological sections for a joint meeting at the Marriott in Marco Island on February 15-18, 2007. With the savings which accrue from minimizing meeting planning and audiovisual expenses, many more travel grants will be funded so that residents from all parts of the country can make the trip. Additionally, the meeting planning group from the American College of Surgeons will be involved in future section meetings which promises to yield both cost savings and new revenue sources.

Many Triological Society members have expressed their concerns about the changing culture of COSM, with its compressed schedule and concurrent sessions leaving little time for collegial interaction. Whereas the Triological Society was once granted special status (e.g. unopposed scientific sessions) as the centerpiece of a week-long COSM, some other COSM societies have expressed a desire to confine the meeting to four days spanning the weekend. Even with this abbreviated schedule, COSM, as a whole, has run a significant financial deficit for the past several years. Beginning with the 2005 COSM meeting in Boca Raton, Florida, COSM societies voted unanimously to engage the American College of Surgeons to manage the meetings, hoping to improve the overall financial performance. The future of COSM is still somewhat in flux and will be determined by the willingness of the constituent societies to be flexible in their scheduling requirements and to collaborate with their sister societies to make COSM meetings both scientifically rewarding and financially sound.

As far as future Triological meeting content is concerned, the series of didactic courses conducted by senior otolaryngologists at COSM 2004 were a resounding success, particularly among residents and other young attendees. It appeared to me that they recaptured, to some degree, the opportunity historically afforded by Triological meetings, for dialogue between senior clinicians/investigators and those just beginning their careers. In addition to a group of short courses at Boca Raton in 2005, there will be a number of panels on controversial topics with plenty of opportunity for audience participation. The poster sessions at COSM are assuming greater importance as a venue for residents and other young investigators to present their work. Special efforts will be made to ensure that senior Triological members attend the 2005 poster reception and engage these authors in dialogue about their research results and career plans.

While many new avenues are being explored to improve our meetings' content and format, the Triological Society's goal of providing a forum for the international exchange of ideas and knowledge in Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery remains an essential part of our Noble Legacy.