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President's Corner

The time has gone so fast since we had our autumn meeting in Olympia. The holidays flew by and now it's spring already and we are planning the E. Dale Trout Annual Meeting.

As you may recall from the autumn meeting, the Chapter voted to make a proposal to the National Health Physics Society requesting that Rainier Farmer be considered for the HPS Honor Roll for 2015. That proposal has been sent to Darrell R. Fisher, Chair of the HPS Awards Committee. Along with that proposal letter, several letters of support were included from Chapter and HPS members who knew and worked with Rainier.

On another issue, last year Phil Campbell predicted that I would be writing to you about this next topic. Again the Chapter is in the usual predicament of trying to find individuals willing to serve as CCHPS officers. Unless we can find candidates soon, we will need to do what we did last year. That is, instead of having the election coincide with the Spring Meeting, we may need to have an election subsequent to the meeting. As we have been saying for the past few years, the lack of individuals willing to become officers has been a problem, forcing some officers to serve multiple terms. So, I urge you to go to the next level of involvement with the Chapter and become an officer. The large number of individuals attending the autumn meeting certainly indicates that the Chapter is viable, but we really need individuals to become more actively involved.

We are looking for individuals willing to serve as President-Elect, Treasurer (thanks John Gough for serving in this capacity for 4 years), and Member-At-Large. The President-Elect works with the Executive Council to plan meetings and essentially takes the lead for finding a venue and lining up speakers. The Treasurer is the custodian of finances of the Chapter, handles payments for meetings and other expenditures, and is involved in the authorization for expenditures proposed by officers or the Chapter. The Treasurer also gives a report of the financial affairs of the Chapter at meetings (at least annually). The Member-At-Large is a member of the Executive Committee with non-specific

duties, but serves as an advisor to the Executive Council. Hopefully this brief explanation of the duties of these positions will inspire you to volunteer to be an officer. If you would like to do this, contact any of the Executive Officers or send an e-mail to Phil Campbell at philpcampbell123@gmail.com or to the Chapter email at cascadechapterhps@gmail.com.

Following the coming E. Dale Trout Meeting, I will be assuming the role of Past-President, and Jessie Puryear from Naval Hospital Bremerton will become Chapter President. John Gough, Treasurer from Swedish Medical Center, and Joel Arana, Member-At-Large from Dade Moeller and Associates, will step down as officers. Trang Marquez from the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance will continue as Chapter Secretary.

I hope to see you at the E. Dale Trout Meeting in Corvallis on May 8th. Until then, Best Wishes.

-Stanley Addison

2015 Spring Meeting

Hello CCHPS Members! The Spring 2015 meeting is just around the corner and will be held in Corvallis at the Vue.

Presentations

The spring meeting is typically an opportunity for the OSU graduate students to present their work in addition to presentations from our peers. Presentations are still being prepared so as we have updated information we will forward it out to everyone.

Meeting Details

The 2015 Spring CCHPS Meeting will be held Friday May 8, 2015 at the Vue in Corvallis Oregon. 517 SW 2nd Street Corvallis, Oregon 97330 541-740-2340. www.vuecorvallis.com

Registration

Register for the meeting by sending an e-mail message to: cascadechapterhps@gmail.com. Please e-mail your

registration by May 1st, and remember to include your lunch preference (meat or vegetarian). Also remember to indicate whether you will have a guest in attendance. You may also pay your CCHPS dues at the meeting, please refer to the dues section for prices.

Agenda

9:00-10:00	Registration (breakfast goodies provided)
9:30-10:00	Executive Council Business Meeting
10:00-11:00	Chapter Business Meeting
11:00-12:00	Presentations
12:00-01:00	Lunch
1:00-3:00	Presentations
3:00	Adjourn

Prices for the meeting are:

	Meeting Only	Lunch & Meeting
Member	\$25	\$30
Non-member	\$35	\$40

Menu

Breakfast

Breakfast pastries, Muffins, Breads, Fresh Cut Fruit Platter, Coffee, Hot Tea, Orange Juice, Water

Lunch

Lemon and Rosemary Grilled Chicken Breast, with smashed potatoes, Caesar salad, Artisan Rolls

Or

Pasta Primavera(Vegetarian)
Caesar salad, Artisan Rolls

Parking

Parking is available adjacent to the Vue.

Directions to the Meeting

Driving South

1. Traveling on I-5 S entering Oregon
2. Keep left at the fork to stay on I-5 S
3. Keep right at the fork to stay on I-5 S, follow signs for Interstate 5 S/Salem for 71.9 mi
4. Take exit 228 for Oregon 34 toward Lebanon/Corvallis
5. Turn right onto OR-34 W
6. Turn left onto NW 2nd St
Destination will be on the left

Driving North

1. Driving on I-5 N toward Portland
2. Take exit 228 for OR-34 toward Lebanon/Corvallis

3. Turn left onto OR-34 W
4. Turn left onto NW 2nd St
Destination will be on the left
<http://goo.gl/maps/9xMWr>

Chapter News and Announcements

RSO Roundtable

This July the First Annual Northwest Radiation Safety Roundtable meeting in Seattle was held at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center. The announcement for the next roundtable has gone out; the dates are Aug 31- Sept 1 2015 at Fred Hutchinson Cancer in Seattle. More information can be found on the website <http://www.nwradsafetyroundtable.org/>

Submitting a Package to Host HPS Annual Convention

Phil Campbell discussed submitting a package with the goal of having the HPS National meeting in the Seattle area 2019-2020. Phil is working out the details and will need help. Planning will take a lot of work and we will need dedicated volunteers to help organize chapter extracurricular activities: technical tours, pub crawl, night out events, hotel, and transportation. The National HPS organizes all of the presentations.

In preliminary discussions with various cities, Seattle would not commit to us for an event that far in the future due to price changes and because HPS is not a big enough draw. Bellevue originally agreed but backed out; Tacoma said yes but would not commit to rates.

If you would be interested in volunteering to help put the package together please email us at cascadechapterhps@gmail.com

2015 Chapter Dues

We will be accepting payment of chapter dues for 2015. Dues for 2015 remain the same as last year: \$25 for Plenary membership, \$20 per person for Group membership, and \$12.50 for Student and Member Emeritus membership. You can pay your dues together with your meeting registration at the May 8th chapter meeting, or mail a check payable to CCHPS to the chapter secretary at the address shown below. More information about the different membership categories and the benefits of each type of membership can be found on the [CCHPS website](#).

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