

Avalanche

The official newsletter of the Cascade Chapter of the Health Physics Society

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President's Corner

Greetings! I hope everyone enjoyed the awesome Pacific Northwest summer. It's hard to believe that summer ended and we are fully into the new school year. Now that autumn is here it is time once again reflect on last year, start thinking about upcoming activities for this year, and contemplate the future of our Chapter.

Last year we had our annual fall meeting in Olympia, WA and spring meeting in Corvallis, OR. We were also fortunate to be able to take a technical tour of the ballistic missile submarine, the USS Nevada SSBN 733, at Naval Base Kitsap. We haven't had a winter meeting in many years and this technical tour was a great way for our members to get together in an informal setting to learn about something most of us never encounter in our daily lives. Thanks to Jessie Puryear for arranging that tour.

Looking ahead to the upcoming year, we have the fall meeting scheduled for November 4th in Olympia, WA. Details about this meeting are included in this newsletter. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting. We have begun making preparations for our spring meeting and are considering holding the meeting in Portland this year. Stay tuned for details.

We are looking for a volunteer to host a winter technical tour. Do you work at a unique facility that might be interesting for members to tour? Are you available and willing to arrange and lead such a tour? If so, please contact me so we can make it happen!

You may have noticed that we cancelled the 3rd Annual Pacific Northwest Radiation Safety Officer Roundtable last August. Unfortunately, there was simply not enough time to coordinate a successful Roundtable. However, if we start planning now, we can host another Roundtable in the summer of 2017.

In order for our Chapter to be successful, we need assistance from all members. Doesn't it seem like the same Chapter members always lead the way by serving as Officers and volunteering time and effort in planning

and hosting meetings?

Are you interested in volunteering in some capacity during the upcoming year? There are a number of different opportunities available:

- A great way to serve the Chapter is to prepare a talk for a meeting. Did something interesting happen at work recently that might be of interest to the Chapter? Consider a presentation or Q&A session for an upcoming meeting.
- 2. Another option is to volunteer for one of our four committees: Nominating, Fellows Nominating, Community Relations, and Student Support. Do you have kids in school? Consider hosting a booth or leading a workshop at the Annual National Science Teachers Association Conference. How about career day to introduce kids to health physics? Maybe act as a judge at a local science fair? All of these are great opportunities to foster community relations.
- 3. Of course, there are always Executive Council positions that need to be filled. Some of us have served in all positions while others have not had this experience. I encourage you to consider volunteering to serve as an Officer. Serving as a chapter officer is very rewarding. It is a great way to get to know people in the chapter, develop friendships, and network with other radiation safety professionals.
- 4. We also need volunteers to assist in planning the Annual NW Radiation Safety Round Table meeting tentatively scheduled for August 2017. We have lots of things to do and any help is greatly appreciated.

If you are new to our Chapter, want to get involved and meet members, please consider volunteering for one of these opportunities. If you know someone who might be interested in joining our Chapter please invite them to a meeting.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Olympia on November 4th. I hope you enjoy the new school year, the beautiful fall season, football, and the upcoming holidays! - Mike

Meeting Details

The 2016 Fall CCHPS Meeting will be held Friday November 4, 2016 at the Red Lion Inn, Olympia Washington.

Registration

Register for the meeting by sending an e-mail message to: <u>cascadechapterhps@gmail.com</u>.

Please e-mail your registration by October 30th, 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	
10:00-10:30	Chapter Business Meeting	
10:30-11:45	Presentation - "The History and	
	Development of Personal	
	Dosimetry". Bruce Busby	
11:45-11:00	Lunch	
1:00-2:30	Presentation – "Verifii Digital	
	Dosimetry Technology". Jeff Lord,	
	Product Manager, Landauer.	
2:30-3:00	Presentation - Hot Particles - Skin	
	Dose and Contamination Control	
	Challenges. Tom Meek	
3:00-3:30	Round Table Discussion	
3:30	Adjourn	

Prices for the meeting are:

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

Menu

8:00-10:00 Continental Breakfast
Pastries, juices, coffee and tea

11:45-1:00 Lunch

Roast Chicken Buffet Quinoa and Blackbean Vegetarian Option Garden Salad Roasted Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables

2:00-4:00 Snack

Coffee, tea and cookies

Assorted rolls

Parking

Parking is available adjacent to the building and on the street

Address - Red Lion, Olympia

2300 Evergreen Park Dr SW Olympia, WA 98502

Phone: (360) 943-4000 Fax: (360) 357-6604

E-mail: olympiasales@redlion.com

Driving Directions to Meeting

From North or South I-5:

- Take Exit 104 US Highway 101
- Take first exit, Crosby Blvd/Cooper Point Road
- Turn right on Cooper Point Road
- Take immediate right onto Evergreen Park Drive
- Turn right again on Lakeridge Way (adjacent to Morris Business Park sign)
- Continue straight to hotel entrance

From Highway 101:

- Take the Crosby Blvd/Cooper Point Road Exit
- Keep right at the fork, follow signs for Crosby Boulevard and merge onto Cooper Point Rd SW/Old Cooper Point Rd SW
- Turn right onto Evergreen Park Drive SW
- Take the 1st right to stay on Evergreen Park Dr SW

Chapter News and Announcements 2016 Chapter Dues

We will be accepting payment of chapter dues for 2016. Dues for 2016 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 Nov 4th chapter meeting, or mail a check payable to CCHPS to the chapter secretary at the address 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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