

A Message from the President Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology

April 20, 2009

Dear Fellow APCR Members,

Next month we will be meeting in Arlington, Virginia. I hope that you are all looking forward to attending this year as our program promises to be a very exciting one!

<u>New Developments</u>

First, I would like to congratulate the Professional Planning Committee for their abstract, *Recruitment Guidelines Using ACGME Competencies or How to Select a Candidate in Six Easy Steps*. Not only was it accepted to be presented at the AUR Meeting in Arlington, but was also accepted for presentation at the Central Group on Education Affairs (CGEA) Spring Meeting held in Rochester, NY (March 26-28, 2009). We are pleased to announce they WON AN AWARD!

Best RIME new investigator - Dora Thompson, Recruitment Guidelines Using ACGME Competencies or How to Select a Candidate in Six Easy Steps Note: (RIME=Research In Medical Education)

Thanks to all members of the Committee, and especially to Dora Thompson for all her hard work and to Lois Shuman for representing the Professional Development Committee and the APCR at the CGEA meeting. We are all very proud!!

Nominations to the Board

Requests for nominations to the Board were emailed by our Immediate Past President, Amy Richgels. Many thanks to all those who submitted nominations. In my October message, I informed you of the resignation of 2 members of the Board. Since then, 2 other Board members have had to step down. Although they will continue as members of APCR, they will be unable to continue on the Board and fulfill their responsibilities at this time. We extend our full support to them and look forward to seeing them on the Board again in the near future. As a result, we will be electing 5 new members to the Board at the Arlington meeting.

2009 APCR Itinerary

The APCR Itinerary at the AUR meeting, outlining the sessions of particular interest to APCR members, has been posted to the APCR website.

Requests for APCR Committee Sign Up

Many thanks to all those who completed the committee sign up via distribution by SurveyMonkey. A complete listing of the committees, with the assigned members, will be presented during our Business Meeting in Arlington. If you did not sign up for a committee, you will have an opportunity to do during the Business Meeting. If you are not attending the AUR meeting this year and would like to join a committee, feel free to email your request.

Survey Requests

This year we had a record number of requests to survey our members under several topics. Thank you all for taking the time to complete these surveys which provide our members with invaluable information as they relate

to the specific topics for each program submitting their request. We all gain from the information provided and all survey results will be posted on the APCR website.

Please be reminded that the **APCR policy is to have the member submit their request to the Survey Committee for review**. The Survey Committee will review for appropriateness and forward the request to the APCR President . The survey will then be set up on our SurveyMonkey account and forwarded to APDR for distribution to APCR members. **Members should not send their request for distribution directly to APDR (Laurie May).** Thank you for adhering to this policy for all future survey requests.

Incorrect Information on APCR website re Policy on Survey Processing

It was noted that the policy for APCR email distribution, which appears on our website, contained erroneous information. It has since been updated. The APCR email distribution is **not available** to announce vacancies in fellowship positions. Programs with open fellowship positions may request to have the position posted on the APDR website under *Fellowship Position Bulletin Board*. We apologize for any inconveniences caused.

What we can expect in Arlington...

- 1. The APCR Itinerary reflects a wonderful and exciting program. Thank you to Mary Ellen Hobler and the Program Planning Committee for all their hard work.
- 2. The Membership Committee, along with the Mentoring Program Committee, will formally welcome our new members during the APCR Reception.
- 3. The Archives Committee, working with several of our other committees, will share the preparation plans for our 10th Anniversary celebration next year in San Diego, CA.
- 4. The Certification Task Force Group will bring us up to date with the status of TAGME certification.
- 5. The Professional Development Committee will be presenting their poster in the Exhibit Hall!!
- 6. The Program Planning Committee will begin preparing for the 2010 Program.
- 7. The Scholarship Selection Committee will again be hosting a Silent Auction in Arlington. The theme, most appropriately, will be *"Red, White and Blue"*. Come prepared to bid on wonderful items!

And, some attractions while visiting Arlington...

- Arlington Arts Center	703-248-6800
- Arlington Historical Museum 1805 S Arlington Ridge Rd	703-892-4204
- Arlington House-The Robert E. Lee Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery	703-557-0613
- Arlington National Cemetery	703-697-2131
- Ball-Sellers House 5620 S Third St	703-379-2123
- Ellipse Arts Center	703-228-7710
- Fort C.F. Smith 2411 24 th St North	703-243-7329
- Fort Myer 204 Lee Avenue	703-696-3944
- John F. Kennedy Gravesite, Arlington National Cemetery	703-697-2131
- Marine Corps War Memorial, U.S. (Iwo Jima), Arlington National Cemetery	703-289-2500
- The Pentagon	703-695-1776
- Theodore Roosevelt Island Park	703-289-2550
- Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery	703-697-2131

and many more! See you in Arlington!

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