

The Triological Society

September 1, 2017

HIGHLIGHTS

- Twenty-four new Fellows were inducted into the Society during the Annual Meeting in April. Seven of those Fellows received awards for excellence of their theses.
- Thirty-seven candidates for Fellowship were presented and approved by the Section members and the Council in 2017.
- The Society awarded \$480,000 to grant recipients during the past fiscal year.
- The Laryngoscope received an all time high impact factor of 2.471 and is ranked #1 in otolaryngology on the h-index.
- ENTtoday received two APEX Awards for Excellence in Writing and Most Improved (2017 redesign).
- Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology was accepted into PMC (<u>PubMed Central</u>; part of <u>PubMed/NLM</u>).
- Our 2017 meetings were a great success. More than 500 physicians attended the Combined Sections meeting in New Orleans. At the 120th Annual Meeting in San Diego, 1,050 otolaryngologists (including 650+ residents/ medical students) registered for the Triological meeting.
- Travel grants exceeding \$196,000 were awarded to 111 institutions, supporting 261 residents, fellows, and medical students chosen to give podium and poster presentations at the 2017 meetings.

You will find information on these and other highlights in this newsletter.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Plan to attend our 2018 meetings. The **2018 Sections Meeting** will be held at the Westin Kierland Resort in Scottsdale, January 18-20. The 121st Annual **Meeting at COSM** will be held at the Gaylord Resort in National Harbor, Maryland (minutes from D.C.) on April 20th and 21st. ❖

COUNCIL UPDATES

Mark Persky, MD, Professor at NYU School of Medicine and Director of the Head and Neck Center at NYU Langone Medical Center, is the 2017-2018 President. Sigsbee W. Duck, MD, a community practitioner in Rock Springs, Wyoming is the President-Elect for 2018-2019. Dr. Michael Johns, Director of the Voice Clinic at USC, has joined the Council as the Social Media and Culture Coordinator. Our social media efforts have been ongoing under Dr. Johns' direction and his role will be expanding as a member of the Council. Dr. Bryan Neel, Past President and Historian, stepped down as a Council member after serving the Society in numerous roles for more than 25 years. We thank him for his guidance and contributions which have greatly impacted the Society's mission and finances.

Thank you to Dr. Charles Beatty, our Immediate Past President, and our former Vice Presidents, Drs. Michael Benninger, Andrew Goldberg, Bert O'Malley, and David Terris for their valued leadership in 2016-2017. Dr. Beatty will continue to serve on the Council through April, 2018.

Dr. Persky is joined by four new Vice Presidents:
Gady Har-El, MD, New York, NY (Eastern Section VP), Carol Bradford, MD, Ann Arbor, MI (Middle Section VP), Hassan Ramadan, MD, Morgantown, WV (Southern Section VP), and Clough Shelton, MD, Salt Lake City, UT (Western Section VP).

2018 COMBINED SECTIONS MEETING

Thursday, January 18 - Saturday, January 20, 2018

The Combined Sections Meeting will take place at the beautiful Westin Kierland Resort in Scottsdale. The resort has added several new attractions and family events. The proximity of the resort to the beautiful Kierland Commons and Scottsdale Quarter gives attendees more than 150 shops and restaurants. We are excited to return to Scottsdale for our 2018 meeting. The Section Vice Presidents are working with the Program Committee, chaired by Paul Willging, MD, University of Cincinnati, to prepare an exciting, state of the art program that will meet the educational needs of our members and otolaryngologist-head and neck surgeons around the country. Our website will be updated with program information as available.

Again this year, we will not disseminate printed materials/registration forms for the meeting which results in significant cost savings. Society members and others will receive an email directing them to the online brochure which will be posted on our website. Additionally, our members will receive a postcard reminding them to view the meeting information and register for the meeting. Registration opens on September 5th. Please go to the Society's website in October for updates on the scientific program and other activities which will be available to attendees. Hotel reservations can be made now at this Westin link or through the Triological Society website.

Scientific sessions will be held all day Thursday, half-day Friday and all day on Saturday.

- Thursday morning will commence with the Vice President's Guests of Honor and Citation Awardee presentations and the Presidential Address, followed by concurrent sessions all day. Plan to socialize and network at the conclusion of the Thursday sessions by attending the Welcome Reception honoring and hosted by the Vice Presidents.
- Friday morning will begin with the Southern and Western Section Business Meetings. Concurrent scientific sessions will be held in the morning, with several events on Friday afternoon including:
 - Thesis Seminar
 - Resident Bowl
 - Golf Outing
 - American Society of Geriatric Otolaryngology scientific session (separate registration/fee)
 - Other activities will be posted on the website and shared via email.
- Saturday morning commences with the Middle and Eastern Section Business Meetings. Scientific sessions (many concurrent) will be held all day on Saturday, with the Meet the Authors Poster Reception taking place immediately following the conclusion of the afternoon sessions. A special

party is being planned to celebrate the meeting, immediately following the poster reception on Saturday evening. Information will be posted on the website.

CME credits will be available for the meeting. Additional information will be posted on our website.

Posters will be available for viewing throughout the duration of the program. You will have an additional opportunity to meet and discuss posters with the authors during the **Meet the Authors Poster Reception** on Saturday evening.

Business Meetings/Proposal of New Candidates for Fellowship: Application materials are available on the website. New Candidates for Fellowship may be proposed through October 1st. Questions may be directed to Marsha or Beth in the administrative office. The candidate credentials booklet will be available at the end of December for review by all voting members of the Society. We urge Fellows to attend their respective business meetings and, if you are the sponsor of a candidate (or candidates), you are required to attend your business meeting to speak on behalf of your candidate(s). The business meeting schedule is: Western and Southern Sections - Friday, January 20th at 7:00 am; Eastern and Middle Sections - Saturday, January 21st at 7:00 am.

Resident Research Awards: As mentioned in previous newsletters, the Society continues to advocate for the support of residents through funding of resident research awards by the four Sections. The Sections honor numerous Fellows each year with named Resident Research Awards. The named resident research awards for the upcoming Combined Sections Meeting will honor Drs. John J. Conley, William Montgomery, Richard J. Bellucci, Henry Williams, Lawrence Boies, Paul Holinger, G. Slaughter Fitz-Hugh, James Harrill, Frances LeJeune, Sr., and Shirley Baron.

Travel grants are available (see page 3). *



We look forward to seeing everyone in beautiful Scottsdale in January

2018 COSM - 121ST ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, April 20 - Saturday, April 21, 2018

Richard V. Smith, MD, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY, Annual Meeting Program Chair, has begun preliminary work on the meeting to be held in National Harbor, Maryland (adjacent to D.C.) at the Gaylord Resort. The COSM societies will meet from April 18 through April 22, 2018. The COSM schedule for all societies is available at www.cosm.md. All nine societies are meeting together in 2018. The link to make hotel reservations at the Gaylord Resort will be available soon on the COSM and TRIO websites.

Triological Society scientific sessions will be held Friday morning (concurrent sessions) and all day Saturday.

- Plan to attend the New Fellow Ceremony and Reception on Friday morning at 7:00 am.
- Friday morning's sessions will begin with Dr. Persky's introduction of his special guests and Presidential address, followed by concurrent scientific sessions.
- Posters will be available for viewing throughout the duration of the program. You will have an additional opportunity to meet and discuss posters with the authors during the Meet the Authors Poster Reception on Friday evening.
- Saturday morning will commence with the Society's annual business meeting at 7:00 am, followed by scientific sessions the remainder of the day.

CME credits will be available for the meeting. Additional information will be available at a later date on our website.

COSM meeting/registration brochures will be available on the COSM and TRIO websites in late December. Meeting registration will open online in January, 2018. ❖

Abstract submission open for the Triological Annual Meeting until October 15th at www.triological.org

SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS UPDATE

We appreciate your ongoing support of the Society's publications - *The Laryngoscope* journal (print and online), *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*, our Open Access journal, and our award-winning newsmagazine, *ENTtoday*. Members receive and/or have free access to these three valuable publications. I know you share our thanks to the editors of these excellent publications - Michael Stewart, MD, Robert Miller, MD and Brad Welling, MD. Below are a few highlights we want to share with you.

Laryngoscope FOUNDED IN 1896

- A record number of 2,394 submissions were received in 2016, an increase of 3% over 2015.
- The Laryngoscope received a record high impact factor in 2016 of 2.471. The impact factor rose from the 2015 high of 2.27.
- The relationship with The Laryngoscope's affiliated societies, ALA and ABEA, have continued to thrive with increased scientific and educational material being made available from the societies. The Laryngoscope affiliation with ALA began in 2009 and ABEA's affiliation began last year. The Laryngoscope is the official journal of both societies.
- Our publishing partner, Wiley, continues to expand the reach of *The Laryngoscope* through various international sales opportunities. These include sponsored digest editions of *The Laryngoscope* in China, India, Japan and Taiwan.
- An App is available to you for The Laryngoscope information furnished below.

Investigative Otolaryngology

- The Triological Society's peer-reviewed open access journal, Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology, is now included in <u>PMC</u> (<u>PubMed Central</u>; part of PubMed/NLM).
- The journal's focus is to publish high quality original peer-reviewed research across the spectrum of basic and clinical research in an open access format to the world-wide community.
- This journal meets the needs of investigators who are required by funding organizations to make their research freely available to the international medical community, as well as for authors who prefer to maintain the copyright of their research output. All articles are freely available to read, download and share.

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- Upon acceptance for publication, the author pays an Article Publication Charge (APC).
- Triological Society members receive a discounted publication charge.
- We ask that you support our new journal and submit your papers.

ENTTOOday A publication of the Triological Society

- Robert Miller, MD, physician editor of our award winning newsmagazine, ENTtoday, is retiring as editor at the end of 2017. Dr. Miller founded ENTtoday in 2006 and has served as the editor since that time. This publication has become an extremely popular newsmagazine among otolaryngologists and trainees, which showcases trends in otolaryngology and covers breaking news and issues in the field. For those of you who will be attending the Combined Sections meeting in Scottsdale, where Dr. Miller will be honored by the Society, we hope you will take time to congratulate him on his achievements.
- The Society congratulates Alex Chiu, MD, who has been chosen as the new editor. He will assume the editorship on January 1st. Dr. Chiu is the Chair of Otolaryngology at the University of Kansas Medical Center. Drs. Miller and Chiu will be working together throughout this Fall and early Winter to assure a seamless transition. Thank you to the committee members who assisted with this important process and decision.
- 2 APEX awards for Excellence in Writing (September 2016 issue), and Most Improved (Redesign, January, 2017 issue) were awarded to ENTtoday, bringing the total number of APEX Awards won by ENTtoday to 10. An annual competition among publishers, editors, writers and designers culminates with the APEX awards.

 ENTtoday is distributed in print at no cost to all otolaryngologists in the U.S. and is available online at ENTtoday.org.

ENTUpdate and ENT Spotlight Email Alerts

These monthly e-mail alerts provide direct links from ENTtoday to featured articles published in *The Laryngoscope* and *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*, and include brief accounts of other literature relevant to the specialty.

Laryngoscope App - An App is available to you for *The Laryngoscope* by using your personal online member subscription. If you are using your institution's online subscription to obtain access to the journal, you will need to first register directly on the publication site prior to downloading the App. If you currently access the journal using your member login, please start with step 3. Instructions for registering, and for downloading the App, are as follows:

Step 1: Register for your own account

Step 2: Link the journal to your membership account to enable full text access

Access code for members only MBR63363.

Please do not share this member code

Step 3: Locate The Laryngoscope app in the App Store

Step 4: Follow these instructions to add the App on your device

Posters presented at the Triological Society meetings from 2009 to the present are available on the Wiley expanded site www.triomeetingposters.org. You can search by author, title, meetings, or topics. ❖

TRAVEL GRANTS FOR 2018 MEETINGS

Travel grants are again available to residents, fellows and medical students who are selected to give podium and poster presentations at both 2018 meetings. Information and application materials are available at www.triological.org/meetings.html. If you have any questions or if you need assistance, please contact the administrative office at 531-355-8900 or email marsha@triological.org.

RESEARCH PROGRAMS AND GRANT AWARDS

The Society awarded \$480,000 in grant funds during this past fiscal year and has cumulatively awarded nearly \$5 million in funding to young investigators.

The following outlines the two grant programs and the recipients.

Triological Society/American College of Surgeons Clinical Scientist Awards

These joint awards continue and new awardees will be announced in October, 2017. These awards provide supplemental funding to otolaryngologists-head and neck surgeons who receive a new NIH mentored clinical scientist development award (K08/K23) or have minimum of 3 years of funding remaining on an existing NIH grant. Financial support is provided in the amount of \$80,000 (\$40,000 each from TRIO and ACS) per year for up to five years to supplement the NIH awards.

The Society's collaboration with the American College of Surgeons has given the Society the opportunity to focus on awarding larger grants to promote the research careers of young scientists and supplement otolaryngology scientists who have NIH funding. The Society continues to be an excellent investment for Triological Fellows and members who wish to leave a legacy of support for scholarly pursuits and research.

TRIO/ACS Clinical Scientist Awardees during the 2016-17 fiscal year

- **Bradley J. Goldstein, MD PhD**, University of Miami School of Medicine
 - Nasal Progenitor Cells and Olfactory Neurogenesis new award
- Alexander T. Hillel, MD, Johns Hopkins University
 Immune Cell Modulation in Laryngotracheal Fibrosis
 2nd year renewal
- Akihiro J. Matsuoka, MD PhD, Northwestern University Nanotechnological Regeneration of Spiral Ganglion Neurons with Human Stem Cells 3rd year renewal
- **Devraj Basu, MD PhD**, University of Pennsylvania *Targeting Mesenchymal-Like Cells in Oral Cancer to Overcome Cetuximab Resistance*4th year renewal

TRIO Clinical Scientist Awardee during the 2016-17 fiscal year

Steven J. Eliades, MD PhD, University of Pennsylvania Cortical Mechanisms of Auditory-Vocal Interaction 2nd year renewal

The Triological Society Career Development Awards

This program will be entering its third year of funding in 2018. These awards provide \$40,000 of support for the research career development of otolaryngologists-head

and neck surgeons. Projects must have a direct impact on the applicant's ability to pursue his/her long range research objectives. These awards are for a period of 12-24 months and are non-renewable. Commencing in 2016, \$160,000 was awarded to four recipients. In fiscal year 2016-2017, the following awards were made:

- Clint T. Allen, MD, Johns Hopkins University Selective Lysis of Tumor Infiltrating Immunosuppressive Cells to Enhance Anti-Tumor Immunity in Head and Neck Cancer
- **Tendy Chiang, MD**, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus, OH Mechanisms of Regeneration of Tissue Engineered Tracheal Grafts
- **Raj C. Dedhia, MD**, Emory University Medical Center Surgical Therapy for Obstructive Sleep Apnea on Blood Pressure and Peripheral Arterial Tonometry
- **Justin S. Golub, MD**, Columbia University

 Age Related Hearing Loss and Mechanisms of Dementia
- Mihir R. Patel, MD, Emory University
 PD-1/PD-L1 Expression in Non-Smokers with Oral
 Cavity and p16+ HPV Oropharyngeal Carcinoma
- **David F. Smith, MD**, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Circadian Dysregulation in Pediatric Obstructive Sleep Apnea

Career Development Awards will be available during the 2017-2018 fiscal year with letters of intent due in December and applications due in January. The number of awards given will be determined based on the merit of the applications received. Eligibility requirements include: 1) FT, PT or CS faculty appointment at the Assistant or Associate Professor level; 2) primary residency and/or fellowship must have been completed within the past seven years prior to submission; 3) applicant is ineligible if currently or previously received an NIH R01 or equivalent award as a PI. These projects must have a direct impact on the applicant's ability to pursue his/her long range research objectives and may focus on the following areas:

- Clinical Research
- Basic Research
- Health Services and Outcomes Research
- Technology/Procedure Development
- Otolaryngology Status and Trends
- Historical Perspective

Information is available at www.triological.org/researchgrants.html

THANK YOU TO RESEARCH COMMITTEE AND GRANT REVIEWERS

Thank you to Dr. Gerald Berke, our Research Liaison, and members of our Research Committee and grant reviewers who have given so much time and expertise to the review and award process:

Oliver Adunka, MD
Peter Belafsky, MD
Eunice Chen, MD
Dinesh Chhetri, MD
Sukgi Choi, MD
Subinoy Das, MD
Robert Ferris, MD
Rick Friedman, MD
Gaelyn Garrett, MD
M. Boyd Gillespie, MD
Christine Gourin, MD
Jennifer Grandis, MD
Stacey Halum, MD

Earl Harley, MD
Michael Hoffer, MD
Stacey Ishman, MD
Robert Kern, MD
Robert Labadie, MD
Anil Lalwani, MD
Andrew Lane, MD
Kenneth Lee, MD
Scott Manning, MD
Jesus Medina, MD
Richard Orlandi, MD
Randal Paniello, MD
Kourosh Parham, MD

Jay Piccirillo, MD
Karen Pitman, MD
Melissa Pynnonen, MD
David Roberson, MD
Bhuvanesh Singh, MD
Marshall Smith, MD
Timothy Smith, MD
Ashley Wackym, MD
Mark Weissler, MD
Tucker Woodson, MD
Adam Zanation, MD

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

- Abstract submission for the January, 2018 Combined Sections Meeting is closed
- Submission for the Annual Meeting in National Harbor is open until October 15th
- Submit abstracts at www.triological.org

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- Thesis submission deadline
- Sections Meeting registration opens

October 1

- Candidate materials submission deadline (for candidates to be presented at the January Section Business Meetings)
- Dues payments deadline go to <u>www.triological.org</u> to make payments online

October 15

- Annual Meeting abstract submission deadline
- Travel award application deadline for residents, Fellows, and med students to qualify for January 2018 travel awards

December 11

Westin Kierland hotel reservation deadline - go to www.triological.org

December 17

 Early registration discount deadline for January meeting (Senior and Emeritus Fellows receive complimentary registration for the meeting through December 17th)

December 22 through January 9

• Timeframe for mandatory manuscript submission to *The Laryngoscope* or *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology* for podium presentations to be made at the January meeting

2018

<u>January</u>

Online Registration opens for COSM

January 7

Online Registration for Sections Meeting closes/onsite only after this date

January 18-20

Sections Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2017 MEETINGS

2017 COMBINED SECTIONS MEETING

Held at Sheraton New Orleans, January 2017

The Combined Sections Meeting, last held in New Orleans in 1999, was attended by nearly 500 otolaryngologists, residents and students. Exhibitors and guests brought the total to 591 attendees.

102 podium presentations and 152 poster presentations were given during the Combined Sections meeting. Several concurrent sessions were held. Posters can be viewed at the Triological website or by going directly to www.triomeetingposters.org. Many of the podium presentations may be accepted for publication in *The Laryngoscope or Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*.

The Section Vice Presidents, Bert O'Malley, MD (Eastern), David J. Terris, MD (Southern), Andrew N. Goldberg, MD (Western), and Michael Benninger, MD (Middle) each honored a special individual as their Guest of Honor. The following received this honor: Anne O'Malley, Dr. Willard Fee, Jr., Dr. Eugene Myers, and Dr. Brian Burkey. Additionally, the following were given citations by the Vice Presidents:

- Eastern Section: Noam A. Cohen, MD, Steven J. Eliades, MD, Devraj Basu, MD
- Southern Section: Stilianos Kountakis, MD, Dennis H. Kraus, MD, Gregory Randolph, MD
- Middle Section: Pierre Lavertu, MD, Peak Woo, MD and Kathleen Yaremchuk, MD
- Western Section: M. Stuart Strong, MD, Jonas T. Johnson, MD, Andrew Murr, MD

The fifth annual Patrick E. Brookhouser, MD Award for Excellence was bestowed upon Charles M. Luetje, MD during the meeting. The recipient is chosen from Triological Society Fellows who have made significant service and scientific contributions to the Triological Society and otolaryngology-head and neck surgery. Dr. Luetje embodies and perpetuates the ideals of the Triological Society and the leader, mentor, scholar and clinician for whom the award is named.

For the first time at this meeting, a session on Triological Best Practices (TRIO BP) was held, and very well received by the attendees. Following the TRIO BP session, the How I Do It video session was moderated by Dr. Fred Telischi and a Point/Counterpoint session focused on endoscopic ear surgery. The Latest and Greatest presentations covered novel drug delivery vehicles to the ear, hybrid cochlear implants long term results--a look into the future, eustachian tube

2017 COSM - 120TH ANNUAL MEETING

Held at Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego

Charles Beatty, MD presided as President at the Society's 120th Annual Meeting at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego. A total of 1,050 otolaryngologists (including 650+ residents/medical students) registered for the Triological meeting. Total registration for physicians, residents, medical students and allied health for 2017 COSM was 2187. ASPO did not participate in 2017 COSM.

The Presidential address given by Dr. Beatty, "Just Say Yes", focused on service as well as the importance of Triological Society Fellowship. Dr. Beatty honored H. Bryan Neel, III, MD, Rochester, MN, as his Guest of Honor, and conferred Presidential Citations on Kerry D. Olsen, MD, Rochester, MN, John T. McElveen, MD of Raleigh, NC, and Juan Manuel Garcia, MD who came to San Diego from Bogota, Colombia. The scientific program was chaired by Brian Nussenbaum, MD who, together with the program committee, designed an excellent program addressing research and clinical advances.

An outstanding Ogura Lecture, which generated much discussion throughout the meeting, was presented by Eric J. Moore, MD on "Lessons Learned While Following the Metamorphosis of Oropharyngeal Cancer". The Mosher Thesis Awardee, Dr. Jonathon Bock of the Medical College of Wisconsin, presented his thesis, "Evaluation of Natural History of Patients Who Aspirate". The Fowler Thesis awardee, Dr. Syed F. Ahsan, MD of Henry Ford Medical Center, presented his thesis entitled "An Animal Model of Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) for Treating Tinnitus--A Proof of Concept Study".

Panels presented at the meeting included:

- Updates in Head and Neck Cancer Management
- Dysphonia in Patients Without Lesions or Motion Abnormalities
- Evaluation and Management of a Child with Sensorineural Hearing Loss--What's New?
- The Aging Face--What's Real and What's Hype?
- Sinusitis Management of Atypical Rhinosinusitis
- Optimizing Outcomes After Tonsillectomy
- Teaching Millennials: What Works and What Does Not

149 poster presentations and 49 podium presentations were given during the Triological Annual meeting, many of which will be published in *The Laryngoscope* or *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*. Posters

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ballooning, and vagal stimulation during thyroidectomy. Numerous panel presentations were given on Thursday including: HPV--How Status Affects Management of Head and Neck Malignancies, Skull Base Reconstruction--Options and Principles, Unilateral Vocal Fold Paralysis-What, When, How and Why. Friday's panel presentations were Facial Plastic Surgery-What I Do Differently Now Than I Did 10 Years Ago, Hypopharyngeal Procedures for OSA, Gastroesophageal Reflux Tx--Problems with Medical and Surgical Treatment Options and 3rd Party Regulation--Current Requirements for Endoscope and Instrument Cleaning. Friday's schedule included the opportunity for leisure time, the golf outing, as well as the annual thesis seminar and the Resident Bowl. Saturday sessions included panel presentations on Shared Decisions--Can Head and Neck Surgeons Do It Better?, Hearing Loss Rehabilitation--Options in Unilateral vs Bilateral Loss, Drug Induced Sleep Endoscopy--Current Indications and Pitfalls, and Controversies in Otolaryngology which included presentations on bilateral cochlear implantation, papillary thyroid carcinoma, PE tube insertion guidelines, and extracapsular dissection of benign parotid neoplasms.

The Section business meetings included presentation by sponsors of 37 new candidates, all of whom were unanimously approved by the membership in attendance and have been authorized to write a thesis. The slates for officers/representatives were presented and approved by the Sections as follows:

Southern Section:

- Dr. Hassan Ramadan assumed the role of Vice President in April, 2017; Brent Senior, MD is the Vice President-Elect, and Dr. Don Donovan is serving his last year of his four year term as Secretary/Treasurer
- The 2017-18 Nominating Committee will be chaired by Dr. Dave Terris. Members are Gaelyn Garrett, MD, Fred Telischi, MD and James Netterville, MD

Middle Section:

- Dr. Carol Bradford assumed the role of Vice President in April, 2017; Pierre Lavertu, MD is the Vice President-Elect, and Dr. Alan Micco is serving his last year of his four year term as Secretary/Treasurer
- The 2017-18 Nominating Committee will be chaired by Dr. Michael Benninger. Members are Stacey Ishman, MD and Greg Krempl, MD
- The chair of the George Adams Award Committee is Dr. Carol Bradford who will be assisted by members Pierre Lavertu, MD, Sam Levine, MD, and Alex Chiu, MD

Eastern Section:

- Dr. Gady Har-El assumed the role of Vice President in April, 2017; Peak Woo, MD is the Vice President-Elect, and Dr. Robert Kellman is serving his second year of his four year term as Secretary/Treasurer.
- The 2017-18 Nominating Committee will be chaired by Dr. Bert O'Malley. Members are Karen Zur, MD and Leigh Sowerby, MD

Western Section:

- Dr. Clough Shelton assumed the role of Vice President in April, 2017; Brian Wong, MD is the Vice President-Elect, and Dr. Al Merati is serving his last year of his four year term as Secretary/ Treasurer
- The 2017-18 Nominating Committee will be chaired by Dr. Andrew Goldberg. Members are Kristina Rosbe, MD and Eric Kezirian, MD

Many opportunities for socialization and networking were available at the meeting, including the Vice President's Welcome Reception, the "Meet the Authors" poster reception, as well as the Friday afternoon activities, lunches and breakfasts in the exhibit hall. At the conclusion of the meeting on Saturday evening, many attendees went on a guided walking tour of numerous areas. ❖

2017 THESIS AWARDEES AND NEW FELLOW UPDATES

The thesis submission deadline is September 5th. For those of you who have candidates planning to submit this year, please make certain you have adequate time to review the thesis prior to your candidate(s) forwarding to our administrative office. Sponsors must advise the administrative office in writing that the theses have been reviewed and approved. All sponsors and candidates received an email regarding deadlines and updated guidelines.

The Thesis Committee, chaired by Dana Thompson, MD, reviewed the scholarly work and made recommendations to the Council who approved 24 theses in 2017. **These new Fellows were welcomed into the Society at the ceremony and reception held at the 120th Annual Meeting on April 28th.** Our new Fellows have benefitted from the guidance and mentorship of many of our Active and Senior Fellows. Thesis Awards were presented as follows (awardee locations listed are at time of submission):

- Harris P. Mosher Award: Jonathan M. Bock, MD, of Medical College of Wisconsin Evaluation of Natural History of Patients Who Aspirate
- Edmund Prince Fowler Award (Basic Science Research): Syed F. Ahsan, MD, of Henry Ford Medical Center

An Animal Model of Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) for Treating Tinnitus--A Proof of Concept Study"

- Hannley Award for Alternative Science Category:
 Kofi D. Boahene, MD, of Johns Hopkins University
 Free Functional Transfer of the Omohyoid Muscle
 Tendon Unit: Flap Dissection, Biomechanical
 Modeling, Excursion and Potential Application in
 Facial Paralysis
- Honorable Mention Award for Basic Science: Devraj Basu, MD PhD, of University of Pennsylvania Factors Impacting Generation of PDX Models of HPV Related Head and Neck Cancer
- Honorable Mention Award for Clinical Research: Daniel H. Coelho, MD, of Virginia Commonwealth University

MRI Surveillance of Vestibular Schwannomas without Contrast Enhancement: Clinical and Economic Evaluation

With Distinction Award: Matthew L. Bush, MD, of University of Kentucky Promotion of Early Pediatric Hearing Detection through Patient Navigation: A Randomized Controlled Clinical Trial With Distinction Award: David Goldenberg, MD, of Penn State College of Medicine Altered Molecular Profile in Thyroid Canceres from Patients Affected by the Three Mile Island Nuclear Accident

In addition to those who received awards for their theses as noted above, we welcomed the following new Fellows into the Society. Congratulations to:

Yuri Agrawal, MD MPH, Johns Hopkins University Lee M. Akst, MD, Johns Hopkins University Seilesh Babu, MD, Michigan Ear Institute Patrick J. Byrne, MD, Johns Hopkins University Thomas L. Carroll, MD, Brigham and Women's Hospital Boston

Benjamin T. Crane, MD PhD, University of Rochester

Tamer Ghanem, MD PhD, Henry Ford Medical Center

Julie L. Godman, MD, University of Louisville School of Medicine

Romaine F. Johnson, MD, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

Katherine A. Kendall, MD, University of Utah **Miriam Lango, MD**, Fox Chase Cancer Center/ Temple Health System

Vincent YW Lin, MD, Sunnybrook Health Science Center, Toronto

Jennifer L. Long, MD PhD, University of California, Los Angeles

Benjamin D. Malkin, MD, Elmhurst Hospital Center, New York

Barry M. Rasgon, MD, Kaiser Permanente Oakland Medical Center

Evan R. Reiter, MD, Virginia Commonwealth University

Joseph Scharpf, MD, Cleveland Clinic

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given at Triological Society meeting since 2009 can be viewed at the Triological website or by going directly to www.triomeetingposters.org.

The business meeting on Friday morning included the election of Dr. David Wilson as Chair of the National Nominating Committee and the election of 24 new Fellows. The new Fellow ceremony, conferring of certificates and pins, special thesis honors, and the member reception were held following the business meeting. Additional information on thesis awardees and new Fellows is outlined on page 9. Saturday's annual business meeting agenda commenced with the report of the Chair of the Nominating Committee. Sigsbee S. Duck, MD was elected by the membership as President-Elect to serve in 2018-2019. A report was

given by Andrew Murr, MD, Treasurer, who reviewed the Society's finances. Reports on the publications, including *The Laryngoscope*, *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*, and *ENTtoday* were presented by the editors, Drs. Michael Stewart and Brad Welling. Dr. Gerald Berke, Research Liaison, gave an update on the Society's research endeavors and grant awards (included on page 5). Highlights for 2016 and 2017 were presented by Dr. Myles Pensak including awarding of \$609,450 in 2016 for research grants, travel grants, Section Resident Research awards, poster awards, and thesis awards with this amount budgeted to increase during the next fiscal year. The annual business meeting was adjourned after the introduction of the incoming President, Mark Persky, MD. ❖

DUES STATEMENTS

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