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Central Chapter President’s Message

By Davide Bova, M.D.

It is with great honor and with some trepidation that I address you as the newly elected President of our Central Chapter. Looking back on the history of this organization, I am astounded by the role this organization has played in shaping the field, as well as by the dwarfing stature of my predecessors. The greatest names have “made” our specialty and, at the same time, created this Chapter as an outstanding example of medical research, leadership and education.

These are difficult times. Nuclear medicine is sailing very turbulent waters. Increasing workload and decreasing reimbursements have been compounding their effect in reducing our resources for teaching, administration, organizing and serving professional societies. Our community is under severe scrutiny, as medical quality and patient safety are now topics of broad interest to payers and patients alike. As a result the appropriateness and indications of what we do are now the object of lay press reports and widely discussed by our politicians on our evening news.

As if all of this did not suffice, we are currently experiencing a dramatic planet wide shortage of Molybdenum generators, which threatens the very existence of our specialty. Needless to say, this topic was discussed at length at the recently closed SNM meeting in Toronto, where it quickly became clear that any solution will require a long time and large financial resources.

Overall, I can hardly imagine more unsettling circumstances for an entire professional community. So what are we to do? I believe we can find inspiration in the very history of the Central Chapter, whose leaders have fostered concepts as “Image Quality”, “Patient Safety” and “Innovation”. It is in the tradition of our Chapter to integrate the efforts of technologists, scientists and clinicians to solve highly complex technological and medical problems; to volunteer time and effort to rigorous research, high quality education, as well as uncompromising and selfless patient care. The Central Chapter meetings, Road Shows and this very Newsletter all speak of our commitment to promote education and research, to exchange knowledge and implement it in our daily practice. Let’s continue this tradition, together. We will emerge at the other end of this crisis stronger and more knowledgeable.
I hope to see you all in Columbus this fall.

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**Technologist Section President’s Column**

*By Nancy McDonald*

**What a spring meeting!**

If you were able to attend the 2009 Central Chapter–Society of Nuclear Medicine Meeting last April in Oak Brook, IL, you were witness to a very well organized, fascinating educational program on current trends in renal and endocrine imaging, with concentration on the integration of PET and SPECT/CT and PET and MRI/CT.

This program, entitled “No More No-Clear Medicine: Integrating Anatomy into Physiology,” was planned and organized by Medhat Sam Gabriel, MD and Rebecca Sajdak, BA, CNMT from Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL. I would like to thank them for their hard work and dedication in the planning and success of the meeting.

In keeping with tradition, the newly elected officers were appointed during the business luncheon of the Saturday Session. I would like to introduce myself as your new President of the Technologist Section and your Executive Council.

I have been a member of the Society of Nuclear Medicine and the Central Chapter since 1986 and have been involved in Chapter Committees since I helped plan my first Annual Meeting in 1998, which ironically was when the last Annual Spring Meeting in Oak Brook, IL, took place, on “Cardiac Nuclear Medicine”. I have been a Program Director for Nuclear Medicine Technologist Training since 1992 with my first 15 years at Hines VA Hospital, Hines, IL, and the remaining 8 years at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, as Program Director of the School of Nuclear Medicine and as the Manager of our other clinical schools.

Also, I have been Chair of the Continuing Education Committee, Chapter Treasurer and on various other committees throughout the years. I hope with my educational background and the knowledge and learning experiences obtained from our Immediate Past President, Judith Kosegi, MS, CNMT, I can help foster the educational needs of our profession within our Chapter.

I would also like to introduce our new President-Elect, Aileen Carey, MSc, CNMT; Secretary, Lisa Riehle, CNMT and second year officer, James Timpe, MS, RT(N)(MR) as Treasurer. Along with our National Council Delegate, Lyn Mehlberg, BS, CNMT, FSNMTS and Technologists to the Board of Governors, Mary Yeomans, CNMT and Rebecca Sajdak, BA, CNMT we plan on paying particular focus on meeting the challenges of state regulatory
guidelines for training technologists for PET/CT, increasing membership and attendance to our spring and fall meetings and to develop new leadership within the Chapter.

Specific attention is being placed on getting younger technologists to the meetings and more student involvement. We are making some changes to the format of our meetings and our web site in hopes of drawing some new attendees and insight.

If you haven’t attended in awhile, please plan on coming to our upcoming meeting this fall in Columbus, OH, and please feel free to volunteer for any committees. With the use of conference calls, the time commitment is minimal. Another initiative of the Council is to develop our leadership, so don’t feel like you can’t do it. We could really use your help! I welcome your input. You may contact me at nmcdonal@nmh.org.

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### 2009 Fall Road Shows Scheduled

The Central Chapter Continuing Education Committee, co-chaired by Cynae Derose and Antonella Guardiola of Northwestern Memorial Hospital, is scheduling a series of five Fall Road Shows with the title of “CT and Nuclear Medicine”. The Road Shows will be held in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan according the following schedule:

- **Indiana**: September 19th at Vincent Hospital; Indianapolis, IN
- **Michigan**: October 3rd at Butterworth Hospital; Grand Rapids, MI
- **Minnesota**: October 10th at United Hospital; St. Paul, MN
- **Wisconsin**: October 24 at University of Wisconsin Hospital; Madison, WI
- **Illinois**: October 24 at Rush Copley Hospital; Aurora, IL

There will be no Road Show in Ohio, since that state will be location of the 2009 Fall Education Symposium. The five, four-hour sessions will be scheduled for Saturday mornings in select locations. The course outline and learning objectives in each location is as follows.

#### Course Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this program, attendees should be able to:

- Identify and discuss the basic concept, protocols and challenges of PET/CT
- Describe the basic principle of SPECT/CT
- Understand the basic terminology and operations of CT
- Identify cross-sectional anatomy on CT images
Individual Learning Objectives

8:00–9:00 am: PET/CT Basics
At the conclusion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Describe the concept and basic principles of PET/CT
- Discuss patient preparation, protocols and scanning techniques
- Identify challenges of PET/CT

9:00–10:00 am: SPECT/CT Basics
At the conclusion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Describe the concept and basic principles of SPECT/CT
- Identify clinical indications which benefit from SPECT/CT
- Identify challenges of SPECT/CT

10:00–11:00 am: CT in a Nuclear Medicine Environment
At the conclusion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Identify basic CT terminology
- Discuss the differences between iodinated contrast media and their adverse effects
- Identify various types of common artifacts

11:00 am–12:00 pm: CT Cross Sectional Anatomy
At the conclusion of this session, attendees should be able to:

- Identify anatomy on cross sectional CT images of the chest abdomen and pelvis

Watch your mail, email and the Central Chapter Website, www.ccsnm.org, for updated information and online registration.

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2009 Fall Educational Symposium:
“The Good, The Bad and The Ugly of Fusion Imaging”

The CCSNM 2009 Fall Educational Symposium will be held Nov. 5–8, 2009, at the Doubletree Hotel, Columbus/Worthington, in Columbus, Ohio. Rodger Stinson, Program Director for the Columbus State Community College, will Chair the program titled “The
Good, The Bad and The Ugly of Fusion Imaging.” According to Mr. Stinson, the program will concentrate on relevant issues, particularly in the current economy. Included is a discussion of SPECT and how to accomplish fusion imaging using limited equipment.

Watch your emails and the Central Chapter web site, www.ccsnm.org for updated information and online registration.

2009 Annual Spring Meeting Wrap-up

Two-hundred and forty-one Physicians, Technologists, residents and students attended the CCSNM’s 2009 Annual Spring Meeting held April 3–5, 2009 at the Oak Brook Marriott Hotel in Oak Brook, Illinois. Chaired by Sam Gabriel, MD, and Rebecca Sajdak, BA, CNMT, the program was titled “No More No-clear Medicine: Integrating Anatomy into Physiology.”

The program was a compilation of fascinating educational topics that updated the audience on current trends in renal imaging and endocrine scanning. State of the art lectures and opportunity for discussion concentrated on the integration of PET with CT, SPECT with CT and PET and MRI with CT. Discussion also included anatomical imaging with CT, new advancements in scanners such as SPECT/CT, and current quality control recommendations for the “new” hybrid units.

Technologists were brought up-to-date on current changes impacting the practice of nuclear medicine. The real challenge for nuclear medicine technologists and physicians is to be up-to-date with the rapid advances in this science. The program captured the importance of optimizing old technology and embracing new trends, fulfilling an unprecedented need to clearly see the future of new imaging technology and the merge of multiple modalities into a clear diagnostic advantage for the patient.

Highlights of the meeting included presenting awards to the winners of the Abstract Award Competition and the presentation of the coveted Steven M. Pinsky MD, Distinguished Service Award, or the Gold Medal, to James E. Carey, MS, President of Medical Physics Consultants, Inc. of Ann Arbor Michigan who served twice as the president of the Central Chapter.

See the articles elsewhere in this newsletter for the article on the Abstract Award winners and the listing of exhibitors at the CCSNM Spring Meeting.
Jim Carey (right) receives Gold Medal from Bob Anger (left).

Robert Henkin, MD, presents the James Quinn, MD Memorial Lecture.
2010 Annual Spring Meeting – Fort Wayne

The 2010 CCSNM Annual Spring Meeting will be held March 25–28, 2010, at the Hilton at the Grand Wayne Center and the Grand Wayne Convention Center in Fort Wayne, IN.

Ryan Harrell, CNMT, from Summit Imaging in Ft. Wayne is co-chairing the program along with a local physician. They are developing a program with the working title of “When Imaging is Money: Keeping Focused and Staying on Top.”

Ryan and his colleagues are organizing an expanded student program for the meeting including a one-day breakout session for the students (see article elsewhere in this newsletter).

The Annual Proffered Papers Competition for residents, science trainees, technologists and students will also be conducted. Watch your emails and the Central Chapter web site, www.ccsnm.org, for further information on the 2010 meeting and the abstract submission process.
Teleradiology Pros and Cons

By Mary Goddard, Newsletter Editor

Today’s economy has seen the emergence of clinics as well as hospitals using scarce resources from a remote location. Namely, this is teleradiography and it has its pros and cons.

When dealing with a limited NRC license, we see procedures such as bone scans, lung scans and stress tests performed without the physician on site and technologists given much more responsibility in all aspects of the procedures. Gone are the day when a technologist might call the radiologist into the exam room to advise on alternate positions or procedures.

Procedure wise, it is best to have a defined protocol book with each and every potential exam detailed from start to finish. This will cover the majority of exams, but what to do when a deviation is necessary?

With remote sites, most have communication with the interpreting radiologists and may fax pertinent information and call for advisement. This may include alternate positions for contractured patients, increased doses for uncooperative patients and obese patients.

After hours coverage, may include faxing or calling a remote radiologist with the patient information including: history, dosage and comments and ability for the radiologist to return the interpretation for the attending physician in a timely manner. Many facilities do not use this after hours interpretation for the patient file, but have the scheduled facility radiologist dictate an interpretation the next morning.

So this sounds ideal, doesn’t it! No physician watching over your shoulder, but then there are times. ... We have all had times when patients have either true reactions to medications and radiopharmaceuticals or simply medical condition complications.

Each site should have a physician with availability for intervention. While these physicians may not be a radiologist, they have the interventional skills to handle the situation. Some sites may have Nurse Practitioners or nurses with ACLS certifications for such situations.

Lastly, you could be the only technologist at the site with no backup. This may be a problem with a belligerent patient or one that decides that they don’t like you! This can be handled by using patient family members to intervene and extreme tact used by the technologist.

When in doubt of scan images and/or findings, communication with the radiologist in a confidential manner is needed. This may pose the problem of supervising the patient while speaking to the physician. This may require use of associates in the clinic, such as radiology technologists or clerks to supervise the patient for a few minutes.
As you can see, communication is the vital link. But what happens when the links go down. We have all experienced computer link issues. The transmissions need to be secure and connections can glitch at any given moment.

Initially, assuring that the scan is saved and available when links are re-established is vital. Then, completion of the scan may require the technologist to use their experience to take any and all additional films that a radiologist may require or request. A radiologist may be reached by using your own cellular phone and verbally reviewing the scan for potential addition images and explanation of the broken link.

There are times too that images are put on a CD and physically taken to the interpreting radiologist station. This too requires a secure situation that is pre-approved.

Nuclear Medicine technologists have long been looked upon to adapt to the situation whether it be attaining the scan through inventive means or saving the study through using the available resources at hand.

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Technology Students to be Focus of 2010 Annual Spring Meeting

By Ryan Harrell, Summit Imaging, Ft. Wayne, Indiana

The Spring 2010 Central Chapter Society of Nuclear Medicine meeting will be held at the Hilton Hotel and Grand Wayne Convention Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana on March 25-28. This will be the first meeting that will address the needs of students as well as integrate the Central Chapter into becoming more involved in the educational programs within the Midwest. Student elections are planned for the fall of 2009 with officers assisting the spring meeting in 2010.

One Friday, March 26 will be the proffered paper presentations for the research award. This year we hope to have one of the previous award winners from 2009, be an honorary judge for the 2010 research presentations. On Friday evening, we plan on having an interactive event for the students. This event is still in the planning stages and may include a meal and networking interactions.

On Saturday, March 27 will be the first student break out session detached from the regular meeting for the Central Chapter. The Battle of Minds Quiz Bowl competition between the colleges of the Midwest will begin in the morning. The quiz bowl is designed to be a board review in an entertaining yet competitive manner. The moderators for the quiz bowl will be a group of recent students who graduated last year. The Saturday afternoon break out session is intended for students and technologists. This session is designed to be one of the first interactive sessions that will include resume building, leadership, interviewing, how to find a job and methods of making it with the current job market.
The 2010 spring meeting is intended to have new faces, more energy and be ready to meet the needs of all age groups. The program is designed to reach a large variety of people including: students, PET-CT technologists, nuclear cardiology technologists, oncologists, radiologist, cardiologists and general nuclear medicine technologists.

The Central Chapter Society of Nuclear Medicine Technologist section decided to create a Central Chapter Society of Nuclear Medicine Student Technologist Section, in order to meet the changing needs of the students. CCSNM is planning on changing their website and including a student section. Additionally, CCSNM created a Facebook page for students to start networking and sharing experiences. Video clips and advanced technologies are being considered as additional methods of communication for the under 30 years old population. To view our Facebook page search for: The Central Chapter Society of Nuclear Medicine Student Technologists.

CCSNM web site: http://www.ccsnm.org/

Be sure to watch for the new web site changes, brochures as well as sign up sheet for the colleges in the Midwest. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help, become involved or help develop the Student Technologist Section, please send me an email at ryanharrell@verizon.net

Mark your calendars and plan on attending the 2010 spring meeting. Coming soon will be a brochure of events and restaurants located in Fort Wayne that will explain what the city has to offer the student, single person, family or business professional. I hope to see you in Fort Wayne, Indiana on March 25-28.

Abstract Award Winners

A nuclear medicine technologist and three students won awards at the 2009 Annual Spring Meeting. The abstracts were accepted for presentation based on scoring and the awards were based on oral presentations at the meeting.

Bryan R. Kerr, AS, CNMT (PET),RT(N), (CT), Nuclear Medicine Coordinator from Elkhart General Hospital in Elkhart, Indiana received the $250 Renae Henkin Best Technologist Paper Award, presented by the CCSNM Technologist Section. Bryan will receive an additional $750 if he presents the paper at the SNM Meeting in Toronto. Bryan,s paper was titled “Rhythm Conduction Abnormalities Using Lexiscan.”

James R. Ironside from Northwestern Memorial Hospital received the $150 1st Place Student Paper Award with the presentation titled, “A Phantom Study to Evaluate Variations in the Quantization Derived From a New 3D Reconstruction Algorithm.”
Carlos I. Sanchez, also a student from Northwestern, received the $100 2nd Place Student Paper award with the presentation, “Radiochemical Purity and Stability of Generic Tc-99m Sestamibi Kits.”

McKenna R. Laurer from Indiana University received the $50 3rd Place Student Paper Award for her presentation “Does the Hot Nose Sign Seen on Brain Survival Scans Correlate with Brain Death.”

Residents, technologists and students wishing to submit an abstract and compete for the annual Abstract Awards should watch their emails in December and the Central Chapter web site, www.ccsnm.org, for information and an online abstract submission form.

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**Calling all Writers…the Newsletter is Changing**

*By Edward Melvin, Newsletter Editor*

The newsletter is changing; OK, parts of it will be changing. Many of us for some time have been looking for ways to get local information out to others in the Chapter. Let us know what you want to see, what you want to read about. Do you have an article in mind, would you like to try your hand at writing one?

The Central Chapter is large, from northern Minnesota to southern Ohio. This is a dynamic chapter, after the spring committee meetings in Oak Brook I can also attest there are many dynamic members. The energy and ability our officers and committee members bring to the table is truly something good to behold.

Those of us on the publication committee would like your tattered thoughts, your huddled ideas. We will plan to then present your ideas relating to events, issues, tech tips and ideas for meetings. With your help News from throughout the chapter can be collected and presented to all at least three times a year.

This format may or may not have been tried before, we truly want this to be your vehicle to better communications. Many like myself work in a single person department, and quite frankly struggle to stay involved in the bigger nuclear medicine picture. We feel only good can come from a platform for your thoughts, ideas and hopes. Write on!

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Outreach Program Overview

By Rebecca Sajdak BA, CNMT, RT(N), Loyola University Medical Center

Many high school students in the US have little opportunity to learn about the job market, especially in the basic sciences. High school “job fairs” and “career days” go a long way toward helping to solve this problem. Historically, members of the local scientific community have volunteered their time to make short, directed presentations in their area of expertise to these high school students, giving them insight into the exciting opportunities available to them after they graduate from high school or college.

Nuclear Medicine is very appealing to those people entering the work force who are technically inclined. Coupled with the scientific challenges presented in the field and the prestige of being a Nuclear Medicine Technologist, Nuclear Medicine offers one of the highest levels of remuneration among all scientific and medical technical positions. To increase interest in the field of Nuclear Medicine as well as the number of people entering the field, the CCSNM-TS has established a very popular urban outreach program designed to inform high-school students of the educational and job opportunities available in the health sciences, in general, and Nuclear Medicine, in particular.

The program is designed to have experts in the field give brief AV presentations to Junior and Senior high school students on their scheduled career days. Included will be an overview of the various Nuclear Medicine job positions that exist in the US as well a brief description of the job responsibilities. In addition, a short video presentation will include a few Nuclear Medicine images to give the attendees a sense of some of the technical aspects of our field as well as the various diseases that it is possible to diagnose. This is the opportune time to educate and inform students who are in the process of deciding what to do with their future. CCSNM’s participation will place us in the forefront compared to other organizations in the field.

Objectives:

- Provision of community outreach programs to maintain compliance with the requirements of State and Federal Tax Exempt Status laws.
- Bring awareness to the community about nuclear medicine technology
- Communicate the career opportunities available in nuclear medicine technology and the exciting challenges available.
- Give high school students information on the location and length of nuclear medicine technologist programs in their area, where registration information is available, and each school’s history in placing graduates in jobs.
- Communicate information concerning scholarships, grants, and loans available for college students.
We have technologists available to attend career days or high school classrooms. Please feel free to contact our office at info@ccsnm.org to have a package sent to you or a technologist to attend your career fair.

SNMTS Update: SNM Mid-Winter Meeting 2009

The National Council of Representatives for the SNMTS met in January and approved the mission, vision and strategic plan goals for the Section. Other activities and actions are summarized in this report.

Mission Statement: SNMTS is dedicated to the advancement of molecular and nuclear medicine technologists by providing education, advocating for the profession and supporting research to achieve clinical excellence and optimal patient outcomes.

Vision Statement: To be recognized as the leader in molecular imaging and therapy. To be dedicated to the advancement of the profession through adoption of emerging technologies.

Strategic Plan Goals:

Improved Communication

Improve communication between leadership, chapters, local organizations and with individual technologists.

Advance Education

To be the leading provider of resources and opportunities in educational advancement and professional development.

Enhance Marketing

Increase professional visibility and recognition through effective branding and communication.

Improve the public perception and understanding of radioactive materials in medicine.

Optimize Advocacy

Increase advocacy efforts and ensure that advocacy initiatives for the profession are provided in a relevant manner.

Improve Leadership
Increase the quantity of qualified leaders within the organization. Enhance our relationships with other organizations.

**Improve Resource Management**

Improve internal organizational efficiency.

**Increase Membership**

Increase the overall number of technologists. Increase the proportion of technologists in the profession who are SNMTS members.

In October 2008, SNM announced the creation of the SNM Clinical Trials Network. The Network is a collaborative effort designed to address the widely recognized need for validated imaging biomarkers to be used in streamlining the development and registration of investigational therapeutics. The first Clinical Trials Summit was held Feb. 8–9 during the 2009 Mid-Winter Meeting in Clearwater, FL.

Brenda King was elected as the Speaker-Elect. She will take office at the end of the 2009 Annual Meeting.

The Nuclear Medicine Advanced Associate (NMAA) program is continuing to move forward. The SNMTS Leadership met with NMTCB and ARRT Leadership early in January to begin discussing the certification exam. In addition, an accreditation task force has been formed to begin looking at how to accredit NMAA programs. A Scope of Practice Task Force has also been formed to create a Scope of Practice that is unique for the NMAA. Applications for the first class will go live mid-Spring with the first class beginning Fall 2009. It is expected that the majority of the students will be part-time; therefore the first graduating class is expected to be 2012.

**Chapter Concerns**

The following chapter issues were discussed. Effects on Economy of Nuclear Medicine Technologists; Declining Job Market – Lack of New Positions; Cross Training for CT; New Pharma Guidelines; New Pharma Guidelines; Communication with Chapter Members; and Incorporation of More Technology in meetings.

Based on the discussion from the chapter delegates, the following actions were initiated:

- **Creation of a Job Market Task Force** charged with providing a comprehensive analysis of what can be done to prevent the current decline in job market for the future.

- **CE Committee** will work with staff to write article about what the new Pharm Guidelines mean are and how the chapters have to operate under them.
The SNMTS Membership Committee has formed a sub-task-force that is looking at how to bring local chapter groups into the SNMTS. The Membership Committee will report back during the June Meeting.

**Commercial Companies Support the CCSNM Annual Spring Meeting**

Eighteen commercial companies in the field of nuclear medicine provided support to the 2009 Annual Spring Meeting by sponsoring an exhibit. The exhibitors include:

- AnazaoHealth Corporation
- BC Technical, Inc.
- Capintec, Inc.
- Cardinal Health NPS
- Covidien Imaging Solutions
- GE Healthcare
- IBA Molecular
- Lantheus Medical Imaging
- Medi-Nuclear Corp.
- MEDRAD, Inc.
- MEDX, Inc.
- MIE America, Inc.
- Naviscan, Inc.
- PETNET Solutions
- Philips Healthcare
- Shared Medical Services
- Siemens Medical Solutions USA
- Universal Medical Resources, Inc.

Please thank them when they call on you.
New Officers and Delegates Elected for Technologist Section

Balloting was held in February and March to fill open positions on the Central Chapter Technologist Section Executive Council. Nancy A. McDonald, BS, CNMT, Program Director, School of Nuclear Medicine and Manager, NMH Clinical Schools for Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago has become president, moving up from the position of President-elect that she held in 2008-2009. She replaces Judith E. Kosegi, MS, CNMT, Program Director, Nuclear Medicine Technology Program at Indiana University who now is the Immediate Past President.

Aileen M. Carey, MS, CNMT, Manager, Nuclear Medicine for Northwestern Memorial Hospital is the President-Elect, having served as Technologist Section Secretary for the past two years. Lisa Riehle, CNMT Nuclear Medicine Technologist at Northwestern was elected to a two-year term as Secretary while James Timpe, MS, RT (N)(MR), Director of Diagnostic Imaging for Advocate South Suburban Hospital in Hazel Crest, IL is completing his second year as Treasurer.

Mary Yeomans, CNMT, Nuclear Medicine Sales for Medi-Nuclear Corp. in New Hudson, MI was elected to a second three-year term representing technologists on the Board of Governors.
(From left) President-elect Aileen M. Carey, Secretary Lisa Riehle, President Nancy A. McDonald, Past President Judith E. Kosegi, and Treasurer James Timpe.

The full 2009-2010 Technologist Section Executive Council is listed below.

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New Officers and Directors for the CCSNM Board of Governors

New Officers and Directors for the Central Chapter Board of Governors started their terms following the CCSNM Annual Spring Meeting, April 3-5, 2009 in Oak Brook, Illinois. Davide Bova, MD took over as president of the organization, moving up from Vice-President/President Elect. In that capacity he also chaired the Program Committee. Doctor Bova succeeds Robert T. Anger, Jr., MS, MHP, FACR who continues on the Board of Governors as the Immediate Past President.
Rick V. Hay, MD from Ada, Michigan is now the Vice President of the Chapter and also holds the title of Chair of the Program Committee. Doctor Hay completed two years of his three-year term on the Board of Governors before moving up to Vice President.

Jerry W. Froelich, MD, from the Department of Radiology at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis was selected to fill the expired term of Doctor Hay. Kastytis C. Karvelis, MD from the Division of Nuclear Medicine at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit is starting a second three-year term and Michelle Kritzman, MS, Medical Nuclear Physicist for Medical Physics Consultants, Inc. in Ann Arbor is starting her first term on the Board of Governors.

Incoming Chapter President Davide Bova (right) presents plaque to Outgoing President Robert Anger.

The roster for the 2009-2010 Board of Governors is listed below:

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**CCSNM Mission Statement**

Central Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine is an organization dedicated to the promotion of continued education in the art and science of nuclear medicine. Through regular meetings and scientific sessions, members from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and a portion of Ohio are provided the opportunity to not only review existing technology and methodologies, but also become familiar with newer techniques, equipment and radiopharmaceuticals and the evolving economic and regulatory issues. In
this manner, the members are kept appraised of current changes in technology, its
application and appropriate use, as well as the ‘business aspects’ of Nuclear Medicine.

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