

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Fellow Congressmen:

The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons will be held at the Chase-Park Plaza Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri from Tuesday, October 27 through Friday, October 30, 1970. All of the various committees are working diligently to produce an outstanding social and scientific meeting.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Ross Fleming is developing a most intriguing program highlighted by our honored guest, Dr. Barnes Woodhall and his discussions of Neurosurgery: Past, Present and Future. Other tentative topics, such as, Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus, Cerebral Microcirculation in Man, Occlusive Vascular Disorders in Older Patients, Intracerebral Hemorrhage, New Techniques in Ultrasound and New Techniques in Brain-Scanning will be presented by experts in their respective fields. It is anticipated that a speaker from NASA will be available to speak on Space Age Biomedical Research Methods.

Other topics tentatively planned are: Claudication of the Cauda Equina, Stenosis of the Lumbar Spinal Canal, Pain Mechanisms, Neurosurgical Management of Pain, Perspectives in Neurosurgery, New Concepts in Hemorrhagic Shock, Antibiotics in Neurosurgery, Urological Problems in Neurosurgery, Stress Ulcers, and Steriods in Cerebral Edema. Ross is awaiting confirmation from the selected speakers and will be able to announce a relatively firm program by the time of the next Newsletter in May.

Our congratulations to Ross on his excellent efforts.

MEMBER PARTICIPATION PROGRAM

The Member Participation Program Committee Chairman, Dr. Jim L. Story, University of Texas Medical School, 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78229, requests that you send him abstracts for the St. Louis meeting. Each abstract should not be more than 300 words in length, double spaced. The original and five copies should be submitted. The deadline for these abstracts is June 10, 1970.

SEMINARS IN FUNDAMENTAL NEUROLOGICAL SURGERY

Perry Black has arranged a fine program under the general heading of "Consciousness and Sleep". Dr. Donald Reis will speak on The Role of Biogenic Amines in Affective States and Sleep. Dr. Robert B. Livingston will discuss Neurophysiology of Consciousness, Sleep, and Anesthesia. Dr. Frederick U. Snyder will discourse on Psychophysiology of Human Sleep and Dr. Fred Plum will discuss Clinical Aspects of Coma. There will be ample time for discussion of all the papers.

ST. LOUIS

The city provides a diversity of entertainment. For sightseers, such unique things as the 630-foot arch on the riverfront, Shaw's Garden with its fascinating Climatron, St. Louis Zoo, museums such as the Academy of Science and The National Museum of Transport, riverboat excursions and brewery tours are all available. For the swingers, this city's cosmopolitan character provides everything from gaslit melodrama to riverboat jazz. Restaurants provide a wide variety of exotic cuisine.

For the historical buffs, the 200 year old city provides many glimpses of its historic past when it was the Gateway to the West during America's Westering.

For the spectator sportsman, St. Louis has many professional teams and both football and hockey will be in season during the meeting.

An evening of riverboat dining and dancing is being planned as an optional evening event.

POST CONVENTION TOUR

John Kendig reports that current plans include a weekend at Missouri's Lake of the Ozarks at the Lodge of the Four Seasons. Boating, fishing, water-skiing, swimming and sightseeing are available along with what John calls "a great variety of indoor sports". Informal discussion groups are planned and bus and air transportation to and from St. Louis are being worked out.

SCIENTIFIC EXHIBITS

Scientific Exhibits from Congress members are welcome for the St. Louis meeting. George Ablin is the Exhibits Chairman. Return of the enclosed card will indicate your interest in reserving space.

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC INQUIRY AND PLACEMENT

This Committee is now functioning and is serving as an information source for nearly two dozen medical schools, research centers, etc. who wish to learn of individuals desiring to do research or to enter academic medicine. If you are interested in placing your name with this committee, write: Julian R. Youmans, M.D., University of California School of Medicine, Davis, California.

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HONORS

We are pleased to advise you that the Fellows of the American College of Surgeons, at their Annual Meeting on October 9, 1969, have elected Dr. John Shillito as Governor representing the Congress of Neurological Surgeons for a term of three years, ending with the Clinical Congress of 1972.

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