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Greetings!

Our 32nd Annual Meeting will be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, from October 3 - 8, 1982. The themes for the meeting will be Pediatric Neurosurgery and Diseases of the Spine.

We are pleased to have as our honored guest Professor Keiji Sano, Emeritus Professor of Neurosurgery, University of Tokyo. He will give three major addresses during the week.

Your Scientific Program Chairman, Dr. Donald Quest, along with his various subcommittee chairmen, have put together an outstanding educational week.

The Special Courses given on Monday, which have become very popular, will deal with the developmental basis of congenital malformations; neuroscience relevant to neurosurgery — endogenous opiates, neurotransmitters, neural regeneration, neuroanatomy; recent advances in neuroradiology — interventional radiology, positron emission tomography (PET), digital subtraction angiography (DSA), nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR); and management of CNS infections.

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings will be devoted to Pediatric Neurosurgery, and Thursday and Friday mornings to Neurosurgery of the Spine.

We plan to have a varied and interesting group of topics and speakers for the Luncheon Discussion groups and How-I-Do-It Sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, giving you the opportunity both to lunch and learn.

Eight Special Interest Workshops will be available for your attendance on Tuesday afternoon.

Wednesday afternoon will feature a special guest speaker, Mr. Ben Trevino, a senior attorney-labor negotiator, who will describe the problems associated with the recent settlement of the labor dispute between the Ontario Medical Association and the Provincial Government of Ontario. There will also be the Second Annual Resident Program given by the Residents Committee dealing with the practical aspects of setting up a practice of neurosurgery. This is to be followed by a reception to which all of the residents are invited to meet our honored guest.

For the first time, the Congress of Neurological Surgeons will sponsor an open forum on Wednesday afternoon during which the various poster exhibits will be discussed.

Thursday afternoon will provide three simultaneous open scientific sessions, allowing you to choose selected topics dealing with cerebrovascular disease, tumors, or the spine.

Dr. Chris Shields, Annual Meeting Chairman, and his committee have worked effectively to make this meeting run smoothly and efficiently. We feel that the magnificent Sheraton Centre Hotel in Toronto is well-suited for a meeting of this size, and provides first-class accommodations as well as an easy traffic flow, and the best exhibit halls and meeting rooms we have had for many years.

Because of the size of our meeting and the need to use two adjacent hotels to accommodate our members and guests, the hotel registration will be managed by the Toronto Convention Bureau. Please be prompt in returning your hotel reservations to them and, if you live outside North America, these forms and the ones to be returned to Williams & Wilkins should be returned via Air Mail.

Dr. Alan Hudson and Susan Hudson with their committee have done a marvelous job on the local arrangements and special events for our meeting. The Monday opening reception has been planned with the idea that dinner with your friends will be enjoyed afterwards at one of the many restaurants in the hotel or nearby.

Toronto, which is a truly wonderful international city, is fortunate to have one of the best Science Centres in the world. We have provided for you on Wednesday evening a buffet dinner and a trip to this "hands on" Science Centre which will be featuring, for the first time in North America, a very special Chinese science exhibit. Please note that this evening is included in your registration.

Our Annual Banquet on Thursday evening will be special. The price is right; the reception and dinner will be first-class, with entertainment provided by Sylvia Tyson, a renowned folksinger. Peter Appleyard's band will play music for dancing.

The Auxiliary Program is terrific with interesting tours and stimulating speakers. The Auxiliary Hospitality Suite will be open daily for continental breakfast for all Auxiliary members. Information for the auxiliary activities is enclosed.

Our Registration Area in the Sheraton Centre will open at noon on Sunday, October 3. The Message Center telephone number for emergencies is 416 - 365-7300.

I hope you will make plans to attend this meeting in Toronto. I value your active participation in the Congress of Neurological Surgeons and look forward to seeing you there.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,



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