

Chapter news

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New award named for chapter executive

An award to recognize excellence in advocacy was presented at the 2003 Chapter Leadership Conference, which took place June 22-24, in Washington, DC. (For details, see the August 2003 issue of the *Bulletin*, p. 28.) The award was named for Arthur (Art) Ellenberger, the long-time Executive Director of the New Jersey Chapter. This new Arthur Ellenberger Award for Excellence in State Advocacy will be presented periodically to recognize a career of leadership and commitment to protecting patients' access to high-quality surgical care. Future recipients' names will be added to the plaque, which will be displayed prominently in the College's Washington Office.

New York Chapter hosts education program for residents

The New York Chapter will host a program for residents titled "Navigating the Passage from Residency to Private Practice," Saturday, October 25, at the New York Athletic Club, 180 Central Park South, New York, NY, 9:00 am-1:00 pm. For more information, call the New York Chapter at 518/433-0797.

Japan Chapter welcomes Traveling Fellow

In early June, the Japan Chapter and the Japan Surgical Society (JSS) welcomed Reid

B. Adams, MD, FACS, as the College's first ACS-JSS Traveling Fellow. Dr. Adams, who hails from Charlottesville, VA, presented a lecture during the JSS's 103rd annual meeting and toured several institutions.

This Traveling Fellowship was initiated in 2002 and is supported financially by the College, the Japan Chapter, and the JSS. In October, the College's International Relations Committee will welcome Masaki Miyamoto, MD, to the Clinical Congress.

Chapter anniversaries

Month	Chapter	Years
October	Alabama	52
	Belgium	4
	San Diego (California)	30
	Manitoba (Canada)	47
	Colombia	38
	Jacksonville (Florida)	46
	France	16
	Delaware	46
	Hong Kong	8
	India	10
	Kansas	52
	Jamaica	11
	Japan	16
	Federal District (Mexico)	43
	North Carolina	47
	Ohio	47
	Panama	6
	Metropolitan Philadelphia	17
	Saudi Arabia	12
	South Carolina	53
	Switzerland	4
	Tennessee	51
North Texas	33	
South Texas	33	
Thailand	6	
Utah	52	
Virginia	38	
Venezuela	37	
Vermont	53	



Officers of the Brooklyn-Long Island Chapter include (left to right): Michael O. Bernstein, MD, FACS; Anthony Tortolani, MD, FACS, Immediate Past-President; Robert F. D. Esposito, MD, FACS, President; Teresa Barzyz, Administrator; and James E. Turner, MD, FACS, Secretary-Treasurer.

Tennessee Chapter honors R. Benton Adkins, Jr., MD, FACS

During their annual meeting, the members of the Tennessee Chapter agreed to honor the late R. Benton Adkins, Jr., MD, FACS, by presenting an annual award in his name to a surgical resident. Dr. Adkins was a long-time supporter and friend of the Tennessee Chapter. In other business, the chapter agreed to examine the logistics for conducting state-house visits in Nashville and made a donation to the Tennessee Medical Foundation, which supports physicians with addiction or behavioral problems. In addition, the following officers were elected: George Eckles, MD, FACS, President; Laura Witherspoon, MD, FACS, President-Elect; and Ray Compton, MD, FACS, Vice-President. Gayle Minard, MD, FACS, will continue to serve as the chapter's Secretary.

Brooklyn-Long Island conducts annual meeting

The Brooklyn-Long Island Chapter conducted its annual meeting on June 5. Among other business, new officers were elected (see photo, left).

Applications sought for research award in academic vascular surgery

The Pacific Vascular Research Foundation (PVRF) is accepting applications for the 2004 Wylie Scholar Award in Academic Vascular Surgery. The award is intended to enhance the career development of academic vascular surgeons with an established research program in vascular disease, and is in the amount of \$50,000 per year for three years. Fund-

ing for the second and third years is subject to review of acceptable progress reports. The candidate must be a vascular surgeon who has completed an accredited residency in general surgery and who holds a full-time appointment at a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Educators in the U.S. or the Committee for the Accredita-

tion of Canadian Medical Schools in Canada.

February 1, 2004, is the deadline for submission of applications for the award, which will be granted July 1, 2004. For further information, contact the PVRF office at tel. 415/771-3451 or e-mail info@pvrf.org for an application.