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Message from the President-Elect

Michele Lachance

We Need a Few Good People!

Greetings to my fellow ASCLS-PA members! I know with the winter weather we've been having that all of you are thinking about spring and summer! And with warmer weather comes a new president for your state society who will be looking for some active individuals willing to sit on the Board of Directors. We are looking for a President-Elect, a Secretary and two Board members. Let me give you a brief description of the role of each of these members....

The president-elect shall become familiar with the duties of the office of president while in office. The secretary shall take meeting minutes at Board and House of Delegate meetings and be responsible for correspondence with ASCLS. The board members are responsible for the yearly business of the society. Board meetings should be attended and correspondence with other members and the officers is crucial.

It isn't too difficult! I encourage you to become involved and consider joining us in one of these open positions. We are a great group of people and we would love to have you join us!!! Please contact me at lachance10@verizon.net if you are interested!

Michele E. Lachance CHT (ABHI)

ASCLS-PA 2010 Awards Nominees Needed!

Submitted by:

Mary Gourley, Awards Committee Chair

The ASCLS-PA Awards committee is seeking nominations for the various awards which are presented each year at the Annual Meeting. Any ASCLS-PA member may nominate candidates. The nomination forms may be found on the ASCLS-PA website or by contacting the Awards Chair at mary.gourley@va.gov or m.gourley@verizon.net. Deadline for submission of nominations is March 31, 2010.

Nominations for the following awards will be accepted:

1. Edward P. Dolbey Award
2. Estolle Gross Award
3. Key to the Future Award
4. Corporate Award

Check out what's inside:

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Announcing: Changes to the ASCLS-PA Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Regulations



Submitted by: Mary Gourley, Bylaws committee

The Board of Directors of ASCLS-PA have approved the following changes to the ASCLS-PA Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Regulations. The ASCLS Bylaws Committee have reviewed the proposed changes and approved them. The ASCLS-PA House of Delegates will vote on the changes at the ASCLS-PA Annual meeting in May.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:

Article I. Name:

The name of this corporation is the ~~PENNSYLVANIA~~ AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE – PENNSYLVANIA, hereinafter referred to as the Society ~~or ASCLS-PA~~.

REGULATIONS:

Change title from "Regulations" to Standard Operating Procedures and change term "regulations" to Standard Operating Procedures or SOP throughout document.

Rationale: ASCLS Bylaws recommended changing term regulations to be more consistent with national Bylaws.

Article IV District Societies:

Article IV.A: The name of each district society shall contain the ~~word phrase~~ "the ~~Pennsylvania~~ American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science – PA and shall further define or contain the name of its geographic area.

Article IV.B.1: Individualsof this society. The petition shall be accompanied by an application fee of \$5.00, together with ~~fourteen copies~~ an electronic copy of the proposed codes of organization

Article IV.C.5: Within thirty days in that district society to the President of this Society.

Article V Regional Councils:

Article V.B.1 The ~~president and president-elect~~ presidential officers of this Society (President, President-Elect, and Immediate Past President) shall serve

Article VI Membership:

Article VI.B Equivocal applications shall be referred to the Executive Office of the ASCLS either to a designated official of this Society or to the Membership ~~Development~~ Recruitment Committee of the ASCLS.

Article X Officers:

Article X.D.5 The term of office of any officer of this Society ~~shall begin on July first with the exception of the treasurer which~~ shall be from September 1 to August 31 inclusive.

Article XI Board of Directors:

Article XI.C.2 The term of office of a member elected to the Board of Director5s shall begin on ~~July~~ September first.

Article XIII Representation to ASCLS House of Delegates:

Article XIII.B At the ASCLS-PA House of Delegates, additional names may be added to the roster of delegates.

Article XIV Committees:

Article XIV.A.1 Nominations and election of nominees for the ~~Bylaws Committee and~~ the Nominations and Elections Committee

*Article XIV.A.1.a The Bylaws Committee shall consist of three professional members, one ~~elected~~ appointed annually by the President, each member to serve a three year term. The ~~chairman~~ shall be appointed from the ~~elected~~ members by the President, with



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approval of the Board of Directors.

* Article XIV.A.1.a prepare amendmentsshall submit ~~three (3) copies~~
~~in context~~ an electronic copy to the Chairman of

Article XIV.A.2.a when vacancya qualified person to serve ~~until the~~
~~next annual meeting when an individual shall be elected to~~
~~serve~~ the unexpired term.

* Move Article A.1 to Section B of Article XIV.

Article XIV.B.1 Standing committees. With the exception of the Membership
~~Development Recruitment and Membership Service.~~
Leadership Development

Article XIV.B.1.e The Membership ~~Development Recruitment and Membership~~
~~Service committees~~ shall

Article XIV.B.1.f Areas of activityin the field of ~~Medical Technology~~
~~Clinical Laboratory Science~~ forpresent position in
~~Medical Technology Clinical Laboratory Science.~~

Article XXI Amendments:

Article XXI.B ~~Four copies~~ An electronic copy of proposed amendment(s) shall
be submitted in context to the chairman of the Bylaws Committee
of this Society.

All references to the term "regulations" will be changed to "Standard Operating Procedures".

BYLAWS:

Article VII Dues:

Article VII.C Annual dues are due and payable on the ~~membership anniversary~~
date as determined by ASCLS.

Article VII.D A member who fails to pay annual dues to this Society on the
~~anniversary~~ date as determined by ASCLS shall be considered
delinquent.

Article XIV Committees:

Article XIV.A.1 There shall be the following elective committees ~~Bylaws,~~
Nominations and Elections.

Article XIV.B.1 There shall be the following standing committees: Bylaws;
Education; Government Liaison; Professional, Personnel and
Public Relations; Membership ~~Development Recruitment;~~
Membership Services; Career Recruitment.....

Article XXI Amendments:

Article XXI.B.2 The Bylaws Committee shall submit amendments, in context, to
the Board of Directors. If such amendments are approved by a
majority vote of the Board of Directors, ~~four copies~~ an electronic copy shall be
submitted to the chairman of the Bylaws Committee of the ASCLS at least ninety
days before approval is desired.

Article XXI.C Within 30 days after adoption of an amendment to the Bylaws or
the ~~Regulations~~ Standard Operating Procedures of this Society,
the secretary shall send an official electronic copy of the
amended codes to the Executive Office and to the Chairman of
the Bylaws Committee of ASCLS.

All references to the term "Regulations" will be changed to "Standard Operating Procedures".



ASCLS-PA ANNUAL SPRING MEETING 2010

King of Prussia, PA

May 11-12, 2010



YOU DESERVE A BEST BUY IN CE - TREAT YOURSELF!

2010 Annual Spring Meeting
ASCLS-PA & PSSAMT
 SCANTICON-VALLEY FORGE CONV CTR
 KING OF PRUSSIA, PA
 May 11 - 12, 2010

GENERAL MEETING SCHEDULE		
Date	Time	Activity
Tuesday, 5/11	7:30 AM	Registration begins
T, 5/11	8:15 AM	Morning Scientific Sessions begin *
T, 5/11	11:45AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch and Dedicated Exhibit Time
T, 5/11	1:15 – 4:30 PM	Afternoon Scientific Sessions*
T, 5/11	3:30 – 4:30 PM	Plenary Session – Board of Certification
T, 5/11	4:30 PM	Social time with Cash Bar starts
T, 5/11	5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	NETWORKING DINNER
Wednesday, 5/12	7:30 AM	Registration begins
W, 5/12	8:15 AM	Scientific Sessions begin*
W, 5/12	11:45AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch and Dedicated Exhibit Time
W, 5/12	1:15 – 3:30 PM	Afternoon Scientific Sessions*

* Scientific sessions: 15 minute breaks will occur between each scientific session.

There will be over 25 hours of P.A.C.E. & A.M.T.I.E.-approved continuing education offered each day of the meeting. Concurrent sessions covering the topics of: Clinical Chemistry, Medical Microbiology, Blood Banking, Hematology, as well as a general category covering Management, Workflow, and Regulatory & Legislative Issues will be held over the two day conference. In addition, we will have vendor exhibitors on-site both days for you to speak with and for them to display their newest products and services. Also, ONSITE we will have mobile laboratories for you to tour and see the latest instrumentation in action! An exhibit quiz will be available for 1 hour of continuing education credit.

A student review will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2010. However, seasoned laboratorians or employees involved in cross-training may find these sessions helpful. Student scholarships to help defray the cost of the meeting will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Watch the ASCLS-PA website for details. On Tuesday, May 11, 2010 there will be a plenary session at 3:30 PM where an update on the Board of Certification will be given by ASCLS Past President Scott Aikey. Your questions about certification will be answered and the new name of Medical Laboratory Scientist will be discussed.

Go to www.ascls-pa.org for additional information, program and registration form. **YOU DESERVE A BEST BUY in CE – do it now!**

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registrant Type	Tuesday	Wednesday
Member (ASCLS-PA, PSSAMT)	\$110	\$110
Non-member	\$160	\$160
Student member	\$ 50	\$ 50
Student Non-member	\$ 60	\$ 60
<i>Registration after May 1, 2010 or onsite</i>		
Member (ASCLS-PA, PSSAMT) – after 5/1/2010	\$135	\$135
Non-member – after 5/1/2010	\$185	\$185
Additional fee for Networking Dinner: 5/11/09	Add \$45	-----

REGISTRATION COSTS include: Full lunch and refreshments available in 2 break areas **ALL DAY LONG**. Note: \$10 reduction in price per day for members from 2008 and a \$50 savings over non-member prices!
NETWORKING DINNER: ALL REGISTRANTS ARE INVITED to attend the Networking Dinner scheduled for 5:30 PM on Tuesday, May 11. A sumptuous Valley Forge buffet (valued >\$50) will be offered to YOU for an additional cost of \$45 per person. Get acquainted with others in the clinical laboratory science field. Talk about issues. Let your voice be heard, talk about things that matter to you. Learn about opportunities that exist for laboratory professionals. Seek out a mentor, be a mentor. Leaders from all organizations represented will be in attendance. Relax with old friends and take time to make new friends. **You deserve it – treat yourself!!!!**

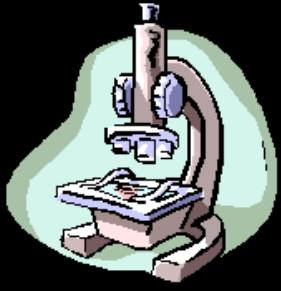
Please Note: GOVERNANCE MEETINGS: ASCLS-PA and PSSAMT
ASCLS-PA Spring Board of Directors and House of Delegates will meet BEFORE the Spring meeting on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7 PM.
PSSAMT Board of Director's will meet Tuesday, May 11 at 7:30 PM.
PSSAMT Business meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 12 from 10:00 AM – noon.

TREAT YOURSELF to a BEST BUY in CE
YOU DESERVE IT!

LODGING

A room block has been reserved until April 10, 2010 at 2008 prices!

Scanticon Valley Forge Hotel 1-888-267-1500 1160 First Avenue, King of Prussia PA 19406	Single/double	Triple/quad
Call 888-267-1500 between 8AM – 6PM; Identify yourself as attendee of “ASCLS-PA Spring Meeting”	\$142.00/night	\$152.00/night



Medical Laboratory Science Education in Central PA!

**April 17, 2010 at 3:00pm
DuBois Country Club, Dubois PA**



The American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science of Pennsylvania- ASCLS-PA is sponsoring a Central PA educational event for you!!

**April 17, 2010 at 3:00pm
DuBois Country Club, Dubois PA**

ASCLS-PA is holding an educational dinner meeting that offers two PACE-approved CE credits at the DuBois Country Club in DuBois, PA. Please register soon to get a discount on invaluable networking opportunities, a great educational experience, and an excellent dinner!

Scott Aikey, MS, MLS(ASCP)^{CM}DLM^{CM}
ASCLS Past President
Project Director , Ambulatory Implementation,
Information Services
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Topic: Electronic Health Record

Jeanne Lumadue, MD, PhD
Medical Director, Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank
Laboratory Director, Centre Medical Surgical Associates
Topic: Blood Utilization in 2010

Program

3:00pm-4:00pm:

Registration

4:00pm-5:00pm:

Dr. Jeanne Lumadue

Title: Blood Utilization in 2010

Objectives:

Identify collection and distribution factors affecting supply

Improve resource management in hospitals

Identify problems associated with blood transfusions

5:00pm-5:15pm:

ASCLS- What's in it for You?

5:15pm-6:15pm:

Dinner

6:15pm-7:15pm:

Scott Aikey

Title: The Electronic Health Record: Past, Present, Future, and the Impact on the Clinical Laboratory

Objectives:

Discuss the drivers for change which are leading the implementation of EHR systems

Discuss the challenges in implementing an EHR system

Describe the laboratory component of an EHR system and ways in which lab professionals can be involved in the design, implementation, and ongoing maintenance of the system

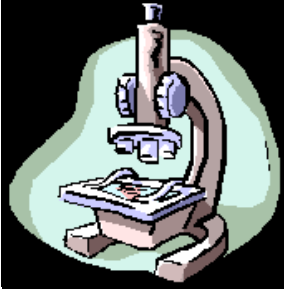
Discuss the future role of lab information system specialists as the health care world becomes more integrated.

Dinner (Included with registration fee):

Buffet Includes house salad, dressings, dinner rolls, coffee station

Entrees Stuffed Chicken Breast, Beef Tips Burgundy, Ricotta Stuffed Eggplant Rolls

Vegetable: California Mixed Vegetables (Broccoli Cauliflower, & Carrots)



Medical Laboratory Science Education in Central PA!



**April 17, 2010 at 3:00pm
DuBois Country Club, Dubois PA**

Registration Instructions:

1. Please type or print legibly, all information.
2. Telephone applications will not be accepted.
3. **The deadline for early registration is April 9, 2010. Individuals registering after April 9, 2010 will be charged an additional late or "on-site" registration fee of \$10.00.**
4. Both sessions have been submitted for PACE accreditation. PACE approval is pending. ASCLS-PA is an approved provider of C.E. programs by the ASCLS P.A.C.E. Program.
5. Confirmation of registrations will be emailed to each registrant except for those registrations received after the deadline.
6. For more information, please email Eric Evans- ejevans80@yahoo.com
7. Make checks payable to ASCLS-PA.
8. Mail completed registration forms to Eric Evans, 432 Wrigley Street, Clearfield, PA 16830.

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Employer: _____

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____

Email (for registration confirmation): _____

Please list any professional organizations you are a member of: _____

Registration fee includes dinner.

For early registration fee, registration form must be **received by** April 9, 2010.

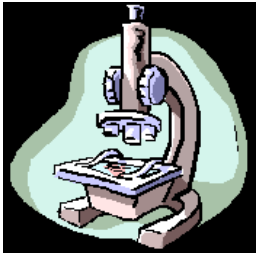
Early registration fee per person: \$30

Number of guests: _____

Late registration fee per person: \$40

Total cost of registration: _____

**Make checks payable to ASCLS-PA.
Mail check and registration form to:
Eric Evans
432 Wrigley Street
Clearfield, PA 16830**



Medical Laboratory Science Education in Central PA!

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DuBois Country Club, Dubois PA

Directions to DuBois Country Club

North (From Erie) Take I-79 South to I-80. At Exit 97, take Route 219 (left) toward DuBois, turn left (North) onto First Street. Go 0.3 Miles and turn right onto Lakeside Ave.

East (From New York) Take I-80 West to Exit 97. At Exit 97, take Route 219 (left) toward DuBois, turn left (North) onto First Street. Go 0.3 Miles and turn right onto Lakeside Ave.

West (From Cleveland) Take I-77 toward Akron to I-80 East, take I-80 East to Exit 97. At Exit 97, take Route 219 (left) toward DuBois, turn left (North) onto First Street. Go 0.3 Miles and turn right onto Lakeside Ave.

South (From Pittsburgh) Take Route 28 North to Route 36 North in Brookville take I-80 East to Exit 97. At Exit 97, take Route 219 (left) toward DuBois, turn left (North) onto First Street. Go 0.3 Miles and turn right onto Lakeside Ave.

East (From Harrisburg) Take Route 322 NW to Route 144. Take Route 144 NW to I-80 West, take I-80 East to Exit 97. At Exit 97, take Route 219 (left) toward DuBois, turn left (North) onto First Street. Go 0.3 Miles and turn right onto Lakeside Ave.

Hotels Near DuBois Country Club

**Best Western Inn and
Conference Center**

82 North Park Place
Dubois, PA 15801
(814) 371-6200

0.5 miles from DuBois Country Club.

Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Dubois

1690 RICH HWY
Dubois, PA 15801
(814) 371-8900

1.55 miles away.

Ramada Inn

I-80 Exit 17 And Route 255
Du Bois, PA 15801
0.35 miles away

Hampton Inn DuBois

1582 Bee Line Highway
Dubois, PA 15801
(814) 375-1000
1.41 miles away



Getting Those New Initials

Mary Ann McLane, PhD, MLS

ASCP BOR and NCA certifying agencies have unified, effective on October 23, 2009. To find out how this has affected your NCA or ASCP credentials, click on www.ascp.org and click on "ASCP Board of Certification". Read the FAQ page.

Also, for instructions of how to navigate the ASCP Website to register and obtain information, visit the ASCP-PA Website at www.ascls-pa.org.



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Moving? Remember you can update all your membership information online at www.ascls-pa.org

Or send your attached label and your corrected address to: ASCLS-PA, 8 Lakeview Court Sinking Spring, PA 19608 , to insure uninterrupted service

Coming Events

Continuing Education opportunity at Dubois Country Club	April 17, 2010
ASCLS-PA Spring Board Meeting at Valley Forge	May 10, 2010
2010 ASCLS-PA Spring Meeting at Valley Forge	May 11-12, 2010

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