



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello, Intrepid  
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*Richard H. Wiggins III,  
M.D., CIIP, FSIIM  
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Well, what can I say about the 49th Annual Meeting in 2015...If you were lucky to be there, you know it was a great meeting. Participation was amazing, we had records for highest attendance ever and highest number of abstracts ever submitted. Over 550 people attended the meeting to hear the best of the 250 abstracts submitted. I cannot tell you how honored I am to participate in this great society, thank you for this opportunity to serve you. It is so impressive to see how the society continues to grow and thrive. Outstanding speakers, great venue, fun parties, and delightful dinners. I don't know how it happened, but for some reason, the best speakers in radiology all seem to be in the head and neck imaging specialty...maybe I am biased, I admit it, but still. Another successful Game Show, the Temporal Bone Early Bird session continues to grow, the head and neck ultrasound biopsy session again was great, and nothing started on fire that wasn't supposed to the whole time of the meeting.

One highlight was the opportunity to celebrate the society and its origins. If you are unfamiliar with the history of the society, the ASHNR grew as an outgrowth of the annual post-graduate course headed by Dr. Galdino Valvassori of Chicago. His "permanent" co-faculty for eight years preceding the formal organization of the society included Drs. William Hanafee (Los Angeles), Daniel H. Johnson, Jr. (New Orleans), and Guy D. Potter (New York). These four individuals formed the original core group of the ASHNR. So it turns out that Dr. Valvassori had actually just retired to Florida from the University of Illinois after spending 50 years at IU. Because of this, we had the opportunity to host him at the meeting, and we had the chance to honor him and show



*(From left to right) Drs. Galdino Valvassori and Anton N. Hasso at the ASHNR 49th Annual Meeting.*

him how his meeting has grown into this strong society. In addition, we had the Galdino E. Valvassori, MD Inaugural Lecture: *The Evolution of Head and Neck Ultrasound* presented by Anil T. Ahuja, from the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

As impressive as the record breaking attendance was in 2015, I expect that to be short lived. Dr. Lindell Gentry from the University of Wisconsin is finalizing the program for the ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting, September 7-11, 2016 in Washington D.C., and he is not only putting together an impressive program, but there will be some great events to celebrate the society. The abstract submission deadline is May 15, 2016. So go to ASHNR.org and get your submission in now!

There are always ongoing issues with the society year-round, not just at the Annual Meeting, so be sure to come to the Annual Business Meeting to hear the latest about what is going on with your society. Past President Dr. Yoshimi Anzai is chairing the Core Curriculum Fund Committee, ensuring not only the proper management of new income to the society, but also insuring appropriate spending of these

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growing funds. Dr. Anzai is also chairing the Nominating and Gold Medal Award committees.

President Elect and Program Chair, Dr. Lindell Gentry is Chairing the Corporate Relations Committee, which serves as an important liaison between the ASHNR and our corporate partners. Dr. Ilona Schmalfluss has graciously agreed to Chair the Education Committee again, this year, which is vital to dealing with all those abstract submissions as they continue to grow in number each year. Dr. Douglas Phillips is chairing the Publication Committee as the *AJNR* Head and Neck section Chief Editor, and the International Relations Committee. Dr. Rebecca S. Cornelius is chairing the Membership Committee, developing the ASHNR recruitment and retention strategies, and the Ad Hoc Finance Committee, advising, overseeing and monitoring the society's finances. Dr. Ashok Srinivasan is leading the ASHNR Research Committee, addressing all the research endeavors of the society. Dr. Barton Branstetter is chairing the Rules Committee, and will review the Bylaws and

advise the Executive Committee of possible future changes. Dr. Salmaan Ahmed is chairing the Website Committee insuring the accurate and most up-to-date content on ASHNR.org, and recommending enhancements to the website as needed. I want to thank all of these committee chairs, as well as all the committee members who sacrifice their valuable time for the ASHNR. We all get pulled in multiple directions in academic medicine, so I want to acknowledge all your time and energy to support our society. Thank you. I sincerely hope that you will attend the ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting in Washington D.C. Dr. Gentry is finalizing an impressive program with not only to the current leaders of head and neck imaging, but also the up-and-coming stars who will guide the future of this complex specialty. Thank you for allowing me the chance to serve you as President. Thank you for your support, thank you for your advice and input, and thank you for your service to the society.

## ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting Call for Abstracts

*Ilona M. Schmalfluss, M.D., Chair, 2015-2016 ASHNR Education Committee*

The ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting is approaching fast and with it the deadline for abstract submissions which is substantially earlier this year than in the past. So please mark your calendar for **May 15, 2016 at 11:59pm PST**. This will allow presenters more time for completion of their presentations and uploading of the electronic material to our event website. A link to the abstract submission site and more information about the meeting can be found at <http://www.ashnr.org>

The ASHNR will be accepting abstracts for the following types of presentations:

- Oral scientific presentations
- Electronic exhibits
- Hardcopy posters
- Case reports / series in electronic exhibit format

Only oral scientific presentations presented by a radiologist-in-training (resident or fellow) qualify for the *2016 Radiologist-In-Training* award. This award consists of a \$1,000 stipend

provided upon submission of the winning scientific paper to the *American Journal of Neuroradiology (AJNR)*. This is a great opportunity for your trainees! Therefore, please encourage your residents and fellows to submit an abstract!

We will also be providing awards to three scientific and three educational exhibits. In addition, we will select 10 suitable electronic presentations for display in the exhibit room during refreshment breaks (a schedule will be provided during the meeting). This will recognize exceptional electronic exhibits and give you the opportunity to discuss the topics with the authors and other attendees. This is new this year and we hope that you will enjoy it!

**Don't forget: The 2016 ASHNR abstract deadline is earlier this year, so please mark your calendars for the submission deadline of May 15, 2016!**

Hope to see you at the ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting, September 7-11, 2016 in Washington D.C.!



## 50th Annual Meeting Preview

*Lindell R. Gentry, MD, FACR,  
President Elect/Program Chair*

It is my pleasure to invite you to the 50th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Head and Neck Radiology (ASHNR) that will be held in Washington, D.C., September 7-11, 2016. I am honored to serve you as the Program Chair for this historic 50th anniversary meeting entitled, *"Comprehensive Head and Neck Imaging: 50 Years of Progress."* The ASHNR Annual Meeting is the premier national event for head and neck imaging. The 50th anniversary meeting will cover the entire spectrum of head and neck anatomy and pathology. Outstanding lectures will be devoted to the neck, skull base, temporal bones, orbits, nose and sinuses during the 5-day meeting. Over 100 invited lecturers and moderators will comprise a group of historical figures, well-known speakers, and some fresh young talent.

The meeting will kick-off Wednesday morning, September 7, 2016, with the popular "Early Bird Temporal Bone" session. Please bring your difficult cases to this session for discussion with other society members and world leaders in temporal bone imaging. Cases must be submitted as anonymized images on a flash drive at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the session. Wednesday afternoon will cover neck anatomy and pathology as well as glandular imaging of the neck. The 2015 William N. Hanafee, M.D. Research Grant award recipient will also present the progress of her work on this day.

Special feature presentations on the "History of the ASHNR" and the Daniel "Stormy" H. Johnson, Jr. Inaugural Lecture will highlight Thursday, September 8. Other sessions on Thursday will cover trauma, orbit, temporal bone, and vascular abnormalities of the head and neck.

The entire day on Friday, September 9 will be devoted to imaging and management of head and neck cancer. The Gold Medal Award Luncheon will honor Dr. Tony Hasso, 2016 Gold Medal recipient Friday at noon.

Saturday's schedule includes a special session on evaluation of patients with cervical/cranial nerve abnormalities. The ASHNR awards will be presented on Saturday morning followed by the Annual Business Meeting. Back by popular demand on Saturday afternoon is a special unaccredited Hands-on Ultrasound Workshop, where attendees can practice US-guided needle biopsy using phantoms. Please note that a separate registration is required for the Workshop. Saturday afternoon is unscheduled to allow you to attend the National Portrait Gallery of the Smithsonian Institute (transportation provided). The Saturday evening Gala will be held in the Kogod Courtyard of the National Portrait Gallery. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by surprise guests.

A pediatric imaging session will be featured on the morning of Sunday, September 11.

There will be 29.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ total hours of CME available to you, and certain sessions of the meeting program will be submitted for a total of 8.5 SAM credit qualifications. We will also have the popular Case-of-the-Day posters, where you can enter your answers for fun and exciting prizes! There is an excellent scientific program offering attendees and trainees the opportunity to present scientific papers, paper posters, and electronic exhibits. The brochure can be found in the near future on the Society website: [www.ashnr.org](http://www.ashnr.org) along with a link for abstract submissions, meeting registration, and hotel registration.

Washington, D.C. is known for its wonderful museums, beautiful sights, historical buildings, elegant dining, marvelous shopping, and modern transportation. The Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill is a luxury hotel and a favorite of visiting dignitaries. It offers upscale guest rooms, modern amenities, full-service spa, complimentary exercise facilities, and exquisite dining. The hotel is located within walking distance of the National Mall, Smithsonian Museums, U.S. Capitol, White House, and numerous other historical sites. I sincerely hope that you will attend the ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting. Please register early to assure yourself a spot in this wonderful hotel. We have secured a very favorable rate for this downtown location but available rooms will go quickly.



## H. Ric Harnsberger, M.D., 2015 Gold Medal Recipient

*Karen L. Salzman, M.D.*

The ASHNR awarded its 2015 Gold Medal to H. Ric Harnsberger, M.D. on September 11, 2015 during the ASHNR 49th Annual Meeting at The Naples Grande Beach Resort in Naples, Florida, September 9-13, 2015. The ASHNR Gold Medal is presented annually to a member who has provided dedicated service to the Society, and to the science and education of head and neck radiology. Dr. Harnsberger became the nineteenth recipient of the ASHNR Gold Medal since its inception in 2000.

H. Ric Harnsberger was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He grew up in San Anselmo, California – across the Bay from San Francisco in Marin County. He was the second of four boys. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology from UC Davis in 1974, and obtained his M.D. from UCLA. He came to the University of Utah in 1978 as an Intern and since that date has made Utah his home. Dr. Harnsberger is an integral part of the University of Utah's educational and academic program, and is highly regarded, among colleagues and trainees alike.

Dr. Harnsberger met the "love of his life," Janet, at UCLA while in medical school. Of her, he says, "...most beautiful, smartest girl in the Los Angeles basin." Dr. Janet Harnsberger is a Professor of Pediatric Gastroenterology at the University of Utah and is practicing at the Primary Children's Hospital

in Salt Lake City. They've been happily married for 37 years and have 3 children – all boys. Son number 1 is Dave, a Hydro-geologist working for AECOM in Honolulu. Son number 2 is Dan, a history teacher at an alternative public High School, Horizonte Community High School in Salt Lake City. Son number 3 is Dylan who is has an MBA and works for startup Pole Vault Media in Salt Lake City.

Dr. Harnsberger enjoys fishing, golfing, hosting family and friends for dinner as well as international travel. He is an



*(From left to right) Drs. Karen L. Salzman, H. Ric Harnsberger, and 2014-2015 Gold Medal Award Committee Chair Michelle A. Michel at the 2015 Gold Medal Award Luncheon.*

outstanding educator, mentor & academic radiologist. He has written over 140 peer-reviewed journal articles and 13 books. He is a highly sought after lecturer and guest speaker on the local, national and international level. He also loves giving back to the community and in an effort to do so is the co-chair of the Horizonte Scholarship fund which provides 50 starter scholarships to at-risk high school students into local Jr. Colleges. He

has been an Active member of the ASHNR since 1992 when he served on his first committee. He served as President of the ASHNR in 2006-2007.

Ric is an engaging and talented educator who has helped, mentored and inspired so many radiologists in their academic careers. I feel so fortunate to count on Ric as a mentor, colleague and friend.

## ASHNR 2016 Radiologist-in-Training Award

For the nineteenth consecutive year, the ASHNR will sponsor the *Radiologist-in-Training Award* at the *50th Annual Meeting*. The award was established in 1998 to promote interest and research in head and neck imaging from residents and fellows in radiology.

### To be considered for the *2016 Radiologist-in-Training Award*, an individual must:

1. Submit an abstract(s) by the May 15, 2016 deadline. The online submission site can be found at [www.ashnr.org](http://www.ashnr.org)
2. Indicate the desire to be considered for the *2016 Radiologist-in-Training Award* (oral presentations only are eligible)
3. Include a letter from the principal author's Program Director confirming the principal author is a current resident or fellow in radiology.

### *2016 Radiologist-in-Training Award Recipient*

Following the submission of their manuscript to the *American Journal of Neuroradiology (AJNR)*, the *2016 Radiologist-in-Training Award* recipient will receive a \$1,000 honorarium and *50th Annual Meeting* registration payment reimbursement. The submission of the manuscript does not guarantee publication. The *AJNR* has first rights of publication of the Award-winning paper.

## ASHNR 2015 Outstanding Presentation Award Recipients

Congratulations to the following award recipients and to everyone who submitted abstracts for the ASHNR 49th Annual Meeting, September 9-13, 2015 at the Naples Grande Beach Resort in Naples, Florida. Over **250** abstracts were submitted for presentation.

### Radiologist-in-Training Award

#### **Michael Kraft, BS**

*Comparison of Dual-Energy CT (DECT) Derived Iodine Overlay Maps, Virtual keV Monochromatic Series, and Single-Energy CT in the Visualization and Staging of Head and Neck Cancer*

University of Michigan Health System – Ann Arbor, Michigan

### Educational Exhibit (Poster) Awards

#### **First Place**

##### **Gregory D. Avey, M.D.**

*The Extracranial Trigeminal Nerve -  
Untangling the Branches*

University of Wisconsin School of  
Medicine and Public Health -  
Madison, Wisconsin

#### **Second Place**

##### **Bethany Milliron, M.D.**

*Decoding the Ophthalmology Clinic:  
Understanding Clinic Notes and  
Physical Exam Findings in the Context  
of Imaging Pathology*

Emory University School of Medicine-  
Atlanta, Georgia

#### **Third Place**

##### **Greta Liebo, M.D.**

*Arachnoid Granulations Involving  
the Underlying Brain: Imaging and  
Clinical Features*

Mayo Clinic – Rochester, Minnesota

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## 2016 ASHNR Research Grants

*Ashok Srinivasan, M.D., Chair, 2015-2016 ASHNR Research Committee*

On behalf of the American Society of Head and Neck Radiology (ASHNR) Research Committee and Executive Committee, I am delighted to announce that applications for the 2016 ASHNR Research Seed Grant are being accepted. Submissions for the 2016 William N. Hanafee M.D. Research Grant are only open to applicants who submitted a letter of intent by the March 14, 2016 deadline.

The ASHNR has been, and continues to be, the leading society in providing comprehensive and state-of-the-art education in all areas of adult and pediatric head and

neck imaging. The ASHNR continues to build on its strong foundation and this critical initiative to support and promote research in head and neck imaging is part of our mission.

The Grant recipients of both the Research Seed Grant and the Hanafee Research Grant will be announced at the ASHNR 50th Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. The recipients will be notified in writing prior to the meeting.

Further details are available at [www.ashnr.org](http://www.ashnr.org). Deadline for submissions is **August 1, 2016**.

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