



# NESPS Newsletter

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT...

It hardly seems possible that almost a full year has gone by since our Philadelphia meeting. We are already looking forward to the next meeting of the Northeastern Society, taking place at the Fairmont Southampton Princess in Bermuda. This has always been a particularly

delightful meeting for the membership, not only for the scientific program presentations, but also for the unique ambience on the island of Bermuda.

The Local Arrangements Chairman, Dr. Tom Davis, together with Catherine Foss, have planned a very active social calendar, that should allow us all to enjoy our visit, including the new amenities of the renovated hotel, and the surrounding delights of Bermuda. We are looking forward to a very busy, yet relaxing time.

The Program Chairman, Dr. Don Mackay from Hershey, Pennsylvania, has put together a very enriching and fulfilling program of scientific material. As usual, we look forward to the Residents' Competition and exposure to the work that our residents are doing. Our keynote speaker, Bermudian John Cox, will give us some fascinating insights into the history of Bermuda.

The 2nd Annual Eugene Courtiss Memorial Lecture will be given this year by Dr. James May from Massachusetts General Hospital. We always look forward to Jim's presentations and given his long and close relationship with Gene Courtiss, I am sure this will be most interesting for all of us.

We are delighted to have Dr. Bill Little offering a free optional seminar entitled, *Sculptural Rejuvenation of the Head, Neck, and Facial Features* on Friday, from 1-5 pm. We certainly thank Bill for his generosity in augmenting our program with this course. If you wish to attend, please remember to check the box on the Registration Form so we can plan accordingly.

During the Philadelphia meeting, a mere three weeks after the September 11 tragedy, we were asked by the membership to consider holding the 2003 meeting in New York in order to help the city stimulate the economy. We found, however, on inquiring with multiple hotels, that many of them were already overbooked and unwilling to work with us.

At the Interim Board Meeting held in Philadelphia in February of 2002, there was significant discussion regarding the dates and venues for the Northeastern Society's future meetings. We reviewed the major conflict with the ASPS meeting to be held in Philadelphia on October 9-13 of 2004. After lengthy discussion, it was agreed that we would be in a much better position to compete with the ASPS meeting in Philadelphia in 2004 by holding our annual meeting in New York City in December that year. While recognizing that there would be strong feelings on both sides of this issue, it was decided that we will hold our annual meeting in Baltimore in 2003 where we have had a signed contract since October of 2000. The meeting for 2004 will be held in New York City.

We are always happy to see our membership grow by making available to those who are new to the region, those who have not previously been a part of this vibrant organization, or those who are completing their residencies, the opportunity to join our society. We hope to see our current members help us in this effort by promoting membership to their colleagues.

I have had a wonderful year working with Catherine Foss and the board to help shape the direction and progress of the Northeastern Society. I also look forward to handing over the gavel to the very able Dr. Hank Spinelli, your next President.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Bermuda.

Sincerely,  
*Robert M. Davis, MD*

## Annual Meeting Bonus

Friday Afternoon Optional Workshop – 1:00 – 5:00 pm

# Sculptural Rejuvenation of the Head, Neck and Facial Features

J. William Little, MD

There is no fee to attend this session, but we ask that you check the box in the Instructional Courses section on the registration form if you would like to attend.

## **BERMUDA 2002** OCTOBER 2-5

Its time to plan your trip to this years meeting in Bermuda. This will be the Northeasterns third visit to the Fairmont Southampton Princess Hotel which has recently been renovated. More information is in the conference brochure to be mailed shortly.

We encourage you to make your hotel reservations early as we expect a sell-out attendance.

Drs. Bob and Tom Davis have planned some great social events, and Dr. Don Mackay and his Scientific Program Committee have completed the program with some outstanding new features.

The program will allow maximum time to enjoy the wonders of Bermuda with your family.

So register early and join us on the beach!

Don't miss the  
2nd Annual  
**Gene Courtiss**  
**Memorial Lecture**  
in Bermuda  
presented by  
**James W. May, MD**

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

### 19th ANNUAL MEETING

**October 2-5, 2002**

**Southampton Princess  
Bermuda**

### 20th ANNUAL MEETING

**October 2-4, 2003**

**Rennaisance Harborplace Hotel  
Baltimore, Maryland**

### 21st ANNUAL MEETING

**December 2-4, 2004**

**New York Hilton  
New York, New York**

# Slate of Officers

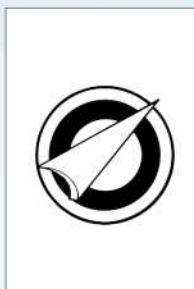
The following slate of officers for 2002-2003 has been proposed by the Nominating Committee for vote by the membership in Bermuda:

## PRESIDENT



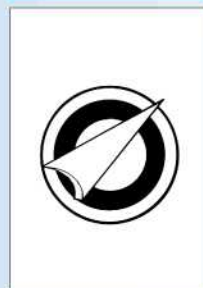
**Henry Spinelli, MD, PC, FACS**  
New York, New York  
Year Joined: 1994  
Automatic - no vote required

## MEMBER-AT-LARGE



**Louis P. Bucky, MD**  
Philadelphia, PA  
Year Joined: 1998  
Second year of a two year term.

## VICE-PRESIDENT



**Charles H. Thorne, MD**  
New York, New York  
Year Joined: 1999

## MEMBER-AT-LARGE



**Craig R. Dufresne, MD**  
Chevy Chase, MD  
Year Joined: 1989  
First year of a two year term.

## TREASURER



**David W. Leitner, MD**  
South Burlington, VT  
Year Joined: 1991  
First year of a three year term.

## HISTORIAN



**Mark S. Granick, MD, FACS**  
Bala Cynwyd, PA  
Year Joined: 1987  
Fourth year of a five year term.

## SECRETARY



**Kenneth A. Marshall, MD, FACS**  
Cambridge, Massachusetts  
Year Joined: Charter Member  
Second year of a three year term.

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

The 2002 NESPS Business Meeting will be held from 12-2 pm on Thursday, October 3 during the Annual Meeting in Bermuda. All members are encouraged to attend, however only Active and Life Members may vote.

# By-law Changes: To be voted on in October

Suggested Revisions: Refer to page 191 of current directory.

## Article XV

### SECOND DECADE FUND

#### SECTION 1: PURPOSE

A restricted fund named the Second Decade Fund is hereby created for the purpose of providing annual interest income to enhance plastic surgery education, research, or service within the Northeastern region. This fund shall be maintained in an interest-bearing account or investment vehicle separate from the General Fund of the Society.

#### SECTION 2: GOVERNANCE

The governance of the Fund shall be by majority vote of the Membership, who shall determine, upon the advice of the Trustees, the time of maturation of the Fund and the purpose(s) to which the interest shall be applied. ~~Two bodies~~ The Board of Directors shall assist the Membership in the growth, maintenance and governance of the Fund.

##### A. Fund Trustees:

~~The immediate three Past Presidents who are still active members of the Society~~  
The current Board of Directors shall serve as Trustees to advise the Membership in their governance of the Fund. ~~The most immediate of these shall serve as Chairman.~~ The Trustees shall maintain the Fund in the appropriate investment vehicle(s) and monitor the growth of the Fund.

##### B. Fund Committee:

~~A fund raising Committee, comprised of at least five (5) Society Members, shall be established to~~ The Trustees shall promote the continued growth of the Fund through individual Member contributions. ~~The committee shall be appointed by the President for staggered terms of three years, which may be renewed for a second term. The Fund Committee Chairman shall be a member of the Fund Trustees and shall be appointed by the President.~~

#### SECTION 3. DISSOLUTION

Dissolution of the Fund may be recommended by two-thirds vote of the Trustees, to be ratified by two-thirds vote of the Membership. At such time, any existing principle and interest will revert to the General Fund of the Society for application to such program(s) of the Society as are consistent with its Purpose and By-Laws.

*Recommendation of the By-Laws Committee – October 2001*  
*To add the following new membership category.*

## Article XV

### **SECTION 9: CORRESPONDING MEMBERSHIP**

Corresponding Membership is an honor bestowed upon select Plastic Surgeons who have achieved distinction in their own state and are otherwise ineligible for full membership in the NESPS.

#### **A. Basic Requirements:**

A Corresponding Member shall be a surgeon of high moral and ethical standing; shall have demonstrated professional competence and distinction; shall have been actively engaged in the practice of Plastic Surgery for at least five (5) years; and shall satisfy at least one of the following conditions:

1. reside one of the named member states of the NESPS and be a corresponding member of the ASPS;
2. have been an active member of the NESPS and have relocated to another geographic region of the US;
3. have achieved particular distinction in his or her practice of Plastic Surgery and be certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery and or its foreign equivalent

#### **B. Application Procedure:**

To be considered for Corresponding Membership, an applicant must be sponsored by an Active or Life Member of the NESPS who is familiar with the applicant's professional competence and distinction, ethics, and moral standing. The Membership Committee shall recommend approval or disapproval to the Board of Directors. If the Board of Directors approves, the name of the individual shall be submitted to a vote of the Active and Life members of the Society at an annual or special meeting. An affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Active and Life members who are present and voting shall be required for an individual to become a Corresponding Member.

#### **C. Rights and Privileges:**

After election to Corresponding Membership and upon payment of any entrance fees, annual dues or assessments, Corresponding Members shall have the rights and privileges of the Society, by may neither hold office nor vote.

#### **D. Change of Practice Location:**

Corresponding Members who were formerly Active Members of the NESPS, and who later return to practice in one of the named states of the NESPS will, upon written notice of their new address sent to the Executive Office, be automatically be reinstated as an Active Member.

#### **E. Retired Corresponding Members:**

The Board of Directors may confer Retired Corresponding Member status upon Corresponding Members who have retired from the active practice of plastic surgery and who so request in writing. Under special circumstances, and at its discretion, the Board of Directors may confer Retired Corresponding Membership upon Corresponding Members who so request but who have not fully retired from the active practice of Plastic Surgery. Retired Corresponding Members shall not pay dues, hold office, or vote.

## otential New Members

New members of the Northeastern Society will be voted in at the Annual Business Meeting, Thursday, October 3rd, 2002 in Bermuda (*list current as of 6/24/02*):

### **ACTIVE MEMBERS:**

George A. Csank  
Christopher Godek  
Basil Michaels  
Craig Roberts  
Bradley Robertson

### **CANDIDATE MEMBERS:**

Elsa M. Raskin  
Susan MacLennan  
Samuel A. Yost  
Kaveh Alizadeh

Please encourage your colleagues to submit membership applications to the NESPS Executive Office by [September 13, 2002](#).

*Thank you to our Newsletter sponsor:*



## **On-Line Abstract Submission process was a resounding success!**

This year was the first time NESPS offered on-line abstract submission for the annual meeting. Of the 120 Abstracts submitted this year, 105 were submitted using the NESPS website.