PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Douglas E. McKinney, M.D.

It is an honor and a privilege to be your President this year and I am grateful to the membership and the Board of Directors for this wonderful opportunity in serving the Section.

Our most recent Annual Meeting proved to be a great success despite the challenges of the new Thursday to Sunday format as well as the city-based Washington D.C. location. Thanks to the solid scientific program designed by Dr. Thomas Jarrett and his 2006 Program Committee, supported by a unique social schedule put together by Drs. Leonard and Tricia Gomella along with Local Arrangements Chair Dr. Michael Manyak, our attendance numbers ended up being the largest seen in a long time.

Highlights of the 64th Annual Meeting in Washington included an excellent talk from our Hugh Hampton Young Lecturer, Dr. Anthony Atala, whose presentation titled “Tissue Engineering, Stem Cells and Cloning: Applications in Regenerative Medicine” captured the interest of a vast majority of the attendees. Two of our members from the University of Virginia facilitated other key portions of the program; Dr. Robert Older conducted Friday’s Howard M. Pollack Radiology conference and Dr. Stuart Howards delivered a special Residency Education Seminar at the opening of the weekend. Our Resident Prize Essay program took place on Friday.

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Report of the President

Dr. Gomella thanked the membership for their support during his Presidency and expressed his appreciation to Dr. Thomas Jarrett for his efforts as Program Committee Chairman in developing a sound scientific program for this meeting and to Drs. Tricia Gomella and Michael Manyak for all their superb efforts in organizing the social activities.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Marguerite C. Lippert, Secretary-Treasurer, reviewed the current membership statistics of the Section noting a total of 1,114 members in the Section with 664 Active, 280 Senior, 59 Associate, 5 Honorary, 4 Affiliate and 102 AUA Candidate Members.

Upon review of a recommendation made by the MA-AUA financial counsel, Allegheny Financial Group, Ltd., and a subsequent poll of the Investment Committee, a reallocation of funds to 65% equity, 30% bond, 5% cash mix was approved by the Board. In addition, a transfer of $150,000 to Allegheny from the Section’s current operating checking account for additional investment was also recommended and approved.

The Board also approved a move to a dual-corporation structure with the addition of a 501(c)(3) to be established along with the present 501(c)(6) so that governance can more closely mirror the governance structure of the AUA. This is the same structure that many other Sections have chosen to emulate.

The Board has once again approved the proposal from the International Volunteers in Urology to support one of IVU’s Traveling Resident Scholarships in the amount of $4,000 with the agreement that the recipient of this scholarship be from the Section and required to provide a report back to the membership at the time of the Annual Meeting.

The Board unanimously approved support for Dr. Jack McAninch, the current Regent representing Urology on the American College of Surgeons, in his bid to become President of the ACS in light of his hard work within Urology emphasizing the important role of the ACS.

The Section’s financial records as of September 30, 2006 indicate assets were $1,054,043; total receipts for the nine months were $400,629; and total disbursements were $181,431; resulting in an operating surplus of $219,198 before expenses for the 2006 Annual Meeting are included.

MA-AUA Membership Committee

At the Annual Business Meeting, Dr. Kurt McCammon, Chairman, reported that applicants for active and associate membership were listed in the Program Book and had been reviewed by the Board of Directors. Additional candidates who were not listed in the Program Book had also been reviewed by the Board of Directors and a revised list was circulated. In accordance with Article VI of the By-Laws, it was voted that the By-Laws be suspended temporarily to consider the revised list of applicants and it was voted to elect the revised list of Candidates (noted on page 3) to the membership.

AUA Health Policy Council

Dr. Steven Schlossberg reported that a representative of the Council, Dr. James Regan, would be providing an update on Friday afternoon during the annual meeting, between the Scientific Sessions. Dr. Schlossberg also reported that the MA-AUA Health Policy Committee would remain in place and would serve to respond in support of national initiatives, as deemed appropriate, rather than act independently. The present members of the Committee would continue to serve with re-appointments each year or new appointments as roles dictate.

Report of the Nominating Committee

In Dr. Wein’s absence, Dr. Schultz reported that the Nominating Committee, consisting of Chairman, Dr. Alan Wein; Dr. John Pahira; Dr. Dan Theodorescu; Dr. Barlow Lynch; presented the following slate, which was subsequently approved by the membership:

- President: Douglas E. McKinney, MD
- President-Elect: Michael J. Naslund, MD
- President-Elect: Jonathan A. Roth, MD.

Dr. Schultz also noted that the Nominating Committee prepared a slate of AUA officer candidates and representatives to various AUA committees:
- Health Policy Committee 2006-2007: Steven M. Schlossberg, MD
- History Committee 2006-2007: Daniel D. Dietrick, MD
- Investment Committee 2006-2007: F. Michael Rommel, MD
- Judicial & Ethics Council 2003-2007: Philip M. Hanno, MD
- Practice Management Committee 2002-2008: Steven M. Schlossberg, MD
- Section Secretaries Committee 2003-2007: Marguerite C. Lippert, MD
- Young Urologists Committee 2007-2010: Scott V. Burgess, MD

2006 NECROLOGY

Jules H. Bogaev, M.D., Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania
Robert H. Bradley, M.D., Gwynedd, Pennsylvania
C. Warfield Clark, M.D., Washington, DC
Robert Clymer, M.D., Naples, Florida
Frederick T. Givens, M.D., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
Joseph A. Jacobs, M.D., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
W. Dabney Jarman, M.D., Pasadena, California
Robert D. Jeffs, M.D., Owings Mills, Maryland
Said Karmi, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland
Alexander J. Michie, M.D., Allentown, Pennsylvania
John M. Pulliam, M.D., Collingswood, New Jersey
Luis E. Renjel, M.D., Havre de Grace, Maryland
John R. Shults, M.D., Newton Square, Pennsylvania
At the most recent meeting of the AUA Board of Directors, October 15 - 17, 2006, several items were acted upon.

1. Approved the recommendations of the Urologic Diagnostic and Therapeutic Imaging Task Force including conversion to a standing committee of the Education Council. The purpose of this committee will be to provide educational and skill training programs including verification of urologic imaging and image guided procedural skills for urologists, important for local credentialing, coding, and reimbursement. A survey of urologists showed that in more than half of ultrasound and x-ray imaging studies the urologist was a primary or integral partner in interpreting findings. For image guided procedures urologists were involved in less than half of the cases. Goals of this program would include setting a clear agenda in education, promotion, and securing reimbursement for urologists as physicians who are experts in interpretation of radiographic imaging and imaged guided therapy in treating genitourinary pathology.

2. Approval was given to the recommendations made by the Strategic Planning Committee in “The Future of Urology and Urologic Education in America.” A summary of the report is to be published in AUA News and the entire report available online on auanet.org.

3. The joint ABU/AUA Exam Committee will construct the first oncology in-service fellowship examination in the summer of 2007 which will replace the Pediatric In-Service Examination. The Pediatric In-Service Examination will no longer be given but the data bank will be used for the first Pediatric Sub-Specialty Certification Examination beginning January 2008. There will be a moratorium on accepting any new In-Service Exams until 2008.

4. Approved funds to begin development of four additional guidelines including renal mass, BPH, hematuria, and infertility.

5. Approved the revision of eligibility for the Gold Cystoscope Award from 10 years post residency to 13 years. This will allow urologists with fellowship training an equal post training practice experience to establish themselves.
PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2006 ANNUAL MEETING
October 12-15, 2006 / Washington, DC
Thank you to Daniel Dietrick, M.D., MAAUA Historian, for sharing his photographs.

Visit the Section's Website: www.maaua.org

The Mid-Atlantic Section of the American Urological Association is excited to announce a revised and updated website. We encourage all MAAUA members to check out the website at www.maaua.org where you will find Section news and more:

- The complete Annual Meeting Program with links to the papers presented;
- Section activities and information on upcoming events;
- Section Archives to review past annual meetings and past issues of the Newsletter;
- A “Members Only” area.
morning and the winners are noted on page 4 – our congratulations go out to all of the gifted individuals who participated and our compliments to the winning authors. In total, 23 oral presentations, 5 panel discussions, and 11 Special Topic Lectures were delivered in Washington, along with a moderated session of 25 posters, making for a superb scientific program in 2006.

The social program for the Washington meeting included a special “Spy Theme” reception on Friday night followed by a private opening and dinner at the International Spy Museum. Especially where I had been identified as the “culprit” in that evening’s espionage contest, I am already working hard to make the Bermuda venue for this year a memorable one! Be sure to mark the dates – October 18-21, 2007 – and I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the beautiful Southampton Princess in Bermuda.

As our Section continues to evolve, a major step being undertaken by the Board of Directors this year is a move to a dual-corporation structure with the addition of a 501(c)(3) established along with our present 501(c)(6). Many of the other Sections have recently moved to a dual-corporation structure, so that their governance can more closely mirror the governance structure of the AUA, particularly with respect to the c(3) and c(6) activities. Taking this same initiative benefits our Section from a number of different operational standpoints.

The Board also approved endorsing Dr. Jack McAninch, the current Regent representing Urology on the American College of Surgeons, in his bid to become President of the ACS. This was proposed in light of his hard work within Urology and his emphasis on the important role of the College. We appreciate Jack’s past efforts and wish him luck in this endeavor.

In conclusion, I would like to thank my 2007 Annual Meeting Program Chair, Dr. Harry Koo, Local Arrangements Chair, Dr. Stan Zaslau, their respective committees, the MA-AUA Board of Directors, and our various administrative committees for the hard work already displayed and will continue to be shown in 2007. Our Section stands out because of their efforts and I am looking forward to my continued close work with them.

Thank you again for the honor of serving as your President and be sure to join us in Bermuda this Autumn.

Douglas E. McKinney, M.D. Bridgeport, West Virginia

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2006 Annual Meeting Pfizer Resident Prize Essay Award Winners

CLINICAL INVESTIGATION

FIRST PLACE
Danil V. Makarov, M.D.
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
Updated Nomogram To Predict Pathologic Stage Of Prostate Cancer Given PSA, Clinical Stage and Biopsy Gleason Score (Partin Tables) Based On Cases From 2000-2005

SECOND PLACE
Matthew E. Nielsen, M.D.
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
A Critical Analysis Of the Interpretation Of Biochemical Recurrence In Surgically Treated Patients Using the Revised ASTRO Criterion (“Nadir + 2”)

THIRD PLACE
David A. Kunkle, M.D.
Temple University Hospital
Evaluation and Management Of Gunshot Wounds Of the Penis

BASIC SCIENCE

FIRST PLACE
Gopal Gupta, M.D.
University of Maryland School of Medicine
Increased Efficacy and Potency Of Carbachol In Inducing Increases In Intracellular Calcium ([Ca2+]i) In Overactive Bladder (OAB) and Interstitial Cystitis (IC) Bladder Urothelial Cells (BUC)

SECOND PLACE
Joseph R. Sterbis, M.D.
Walter Reed Army Medical Center
Quantitative Tissue PSA mRNA Expression As A Predictor Of Outcome In Radical Prostatectomy and Alterations In the Androgen Signaling Pathway

THIRD PLACE
Michael McManus, M.D.
Virginia Commonwealth University
On the Road To In Situ Tissue Regeneration: A Tissue Engineered Nanofiber Fibrinogen-Polydioxanone Composite Matrix
The Section was pleased to have Dr. Andy Chang, recipient of the 2005 AFUD Scholarship jointly funded by the Mid-Atlantic Section and the AUA, deliver a report on his project findings as part of the meeting in Washington. The MA-AUA Board voted to approve a 2007 International Volunteers in Urology (IVU) Traveling Resident Scholarship. All scholars will be required to report to the membership at the time of the Annual Meeting. It was further required that recipients of such scholarships be from the MA-AUA Section.

Our Active and Associate new members of the Section are listed on page 3 of this issue of the Mid-Atlantic Newsletter. We welcome our new members and look forward to their participation within the Section. As mentioned at our recent Annual Business Meetings by Dr. Roger Schultz, 2005 MA-AUA President, we encourage both new and existing members to volunteer for future service within various appointed positions to the AUA as there have been many re-appointments in recent years. Questions about these positions can be directed to the MA-AUA Administrative Offices at:

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It was a pleasure to see so many of our members in Washington this past October and I am looking forward to seeing you in Bermuda this year. Marguerite C. Lippert, MD Charlottesville, Virginia
ATTENTION MA-AUA SECTION MEMBERS:
UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Please visit the Mid-Atlantic Section AUA website at www.maaua.org and check your membership listing. Log into the "Members Only" area (using your User Name and Password) and you can review and make changes or updates directly to your membership information.