American College of Physicians

Governor's Letter

March 1992

ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

By now you have all received notices and the Program for the 73rd Annual Scientific Session of the American College of Physicians. I hope that you are making plans to attend. I also hope that you will have time for the sights, visits to Naval Hospital San Diego, and to visit many of the fine restaurants in the city. I am sending this letter to Department Chairmen for distribution among the staff and Associates of each hospital in order to expedite the mailing and delivery to each of you. Several Associates from the Navy submitted abstracts for the Clinical Vignettes and for the Research Competition. John P. Chute, from Bethesda, is a winner of the Clinical Vignettes Competition and receives not only the honor but a prize as well. I hope that you have the opportunity to congratulate him at the meeting.

TRISERVICE RECEPTION

Each of you should have also received an invitation to the American College of Physicians Triservice Cocktail Party which will be held at the Embassy Suites at 601 Pacific Highway near the Convention Center. This will be open to all uniformed and federal physicians on Friday, 27 March, from 1800 to 2100 hours. This is an excellent time to renew acquaintances and friendships and to catch up on news from colleagues.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

In the hour before the Triservice Cocktail Party, I invite any Members, Associates, and Fellows who are interested in planning for a Navy ACP Regional Meeting for 1993 to meet me at the Embassy Suites to discuss and attempt to form working groups and committees to plan and organize for a Navy ACP Meeting. The specific items I would like to discuss are:

Scope of the meeting
Invited speakers
Location
Laureate Award
Associates Section

I will discuss the funding for this meeting and our options at that initial meeting. I would also like to discuss the opportunities for Associates activities on both a Navy-wide and on local levels.

In April, you will be receiving a letter from me with information from the Annual Session, from the Board of Governors Meeting, and for our future plans. I will also be requesting updated information from each facility to straighten out our actual roster for Members of the American College of Physicians who are on active duty or retired from active duty. This has a direct bearing on funding from the College.

J. A. MITAS, II
American College of Physicians

CAPT John A. Mitak, II, MC, USN
Governor for the United States Navy
06 Aug 1993

Department Chairmen:

On occasion I will continue to send items to you for dissemination and discussion among your Department members rather than using individual mailings. A regular Governor’s newsletter should be mailed out by first class from the College within the next few weeks to individuals because of the problems encountered with the last letter. (Although it was submitted in May most members did not receive it until mid July.)

Please keep the 1st Navy Regional ACP meeting in your plans. It will be held at USUHS in Bethesda, MD on 3-5 December 1993. We will begin planning for the 1994 meeting immediately after the conclusion of this meeting to expand participation at all levels and to select the next site.

Membership in the Navy Region is almost double that of 1992. Your recruiting efforts have been excellent and many Associates have progressed to membership. We also have had the largest number of Fellows inducted. Equally as important is the fact that we now have a much more accurate list after scouring hospital staff lists and Detailers records and matching them chapter-by-chapter with state rolls and home mailing addresses. Please make sure that the members in your Department identify themselves as Navy Region members, especially when using home addresses for receiving College mailings. This makes a very big difference in funding by the College for office and region activities.

The Associates competition was excellent at the 1993 Annual meeting. We had 3 finalists and 1 winner from the Navy hospitals. I am enclosing cards for your Associates or you to request information for abstract competition for the 1994 meeting. The Navy meeting offers an excellent chance to prepare for the Spring meeting.

Most of us are not intimately involved with medicine as practiced in the civilian community. However, the College has a respected and active leadership role. The "National Health Plan" is still evolving. I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent by the College to Mrs Clinton and her Staff. Although it is a few months old it gives a flavor of the College’s concerns and recommendations. Much more recent information was passed to the Governors in July but we are not permitted to copy or distribute any of it. Follow the developments in the Observer and come hear Doctor Harold C. Sox, the official College Representative at our Navy meeting.
Finally, let me know what you think and anything you would like to pass on/have discussed at the Board of Governors and Board of Regents September 30-October 2 meetings.

Sincerely,

John A. Mitas, II, MD, FACP
CAPT, MC, USN
Group Surgeon, 1st FSSG
Governor, US Navy Region
WE DID IT!

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This newsletter was planned for January but so many items needed to be included that I think you'll find it worth the wait. To make it easier the following guide to topics is offered.

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First Navy ACP MEETING
The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences was host to the First Annual Scientific Meeting of the Navy Region of the American College of Physicians on 3 - 5 December 1993. Attended by 136 Associates, Members, and Fellows of the ACP the meeting was opened by CAPT John Mitas, Navy Governor, and CAPT Angelina Lazarus, Program Chairperson. CAPT Lazarus, LCDR Chris Ohl, and LT Phil Schoenfeld organized a dynamic meeting which energized all of the attendees through 40 clinical vignettes and research presentations by Associates, meet-the-professor sessions, and state-of-the-art clinical lectures beginning with Bernard J. Gersh, MB, ChB, DPhil, FRCP, Chief of Cardiology at Georgetown University Medical Center. We saw the breadth and depth of excellence exhibited by Residents from all four Internal Medicine training programs and learned about the advances and achievements of Women Physicians in the Navy. For the first time we came together as a body representing our 384 members and had the opportunity to learn from each other, socialize, celebrate the past, and see the future in our Associate members. We were privileged to have Harold C. Sox, FACP, and ACP Regent as the Official
actively involved with our Associates activities. The greatest effort to attend
the meeting was made by Brian Pecha coming from Naples, Italy.

There were numerous highlights to this meeting and the recognition of
Associates presentations for awards by a panel of judges showed just how difficult
the selections could be. In the oral presentations LT Preston Gable (San
Diego), LT Sherry Kroll (Bethesda), and LT Michael Cooney (Portsmouth) were
winners and each received a $300 prize and certificate. Among the poster
presenters LCDR James Newton (Portsmouth), LT Margot Wheeler
(Bethesda), LT James Tarver (Bethesda), and LT Karl Lorenz (San Diego) were
winners and prize recipients. The first place presentation award went to Dr.
Newton for his study on Imported Malaria from Somalia. This qualified him
for competition at the National Annual Scientific Meeting in Miami Beach, April
21 - 24. Since the conclusion of our Regional Meeting the College Office has
accepted two additional winners to compete at the National Annual Session -
LT Michael Cooney (Vibrio vulnificus sepsis associated with sideroblastic
anemia) and LT Sherry Kroll (Nicotinic Acid lowers serum thyroid hormone
levels while maintaining a euthyroid state). At the Awards Banquet Saturday,
4 December, special recognition was given to presentations by 2 ACP
members, LCDR Paul Pontier (Clinical and Histopathologic findings in adults
with glomerular disease in a military population) and LCDR Ann Yoshiiashi
(The Differential effects of acromegaly on cortical and trabecular bone mineral
density).

The culmination of the Awards Banquet was the Navy's first Laureate
Award Presentation to CAPT Walter W. Karney in recognition of an outstanding
career in Internal Medicine and to the Navy Region of the ACP. Surprisingly,
(at least to me), a second Laureate Award was presented to CAPT John
Mitas. More on the Awards later in the Newsletter.

Everyone agreed that this was a great meeting and plans are now underway for
our SECOND Annual meeting to be held October 20 - 23, 1994 in San
Francisco and sponsored by Naval Medical Center Oakland. Reserve the
dates!

ASSOCIATES NEWS

By now Navy Associates should have received mail from LCDR Chris Ohl (at
Bethesda) and LT Phil Shoenfield (currently at Camp Lejeune and soon to
be at Bethesda) concerning the New Navy ACP Council of Associates.
Guidelines were developed during discussions at the Navy Regional
Meeting for 2 representatives from each program representing different PGY
groups. These representatives will meet at the Spring Annual Scientific Sessions
and at the Fall Navy Regional Meetings. LT Vic Bell, MC, USNR at NH Oakland
will serve as the first Chairperson of the Associates Council. If you have
questions, interest, or want to be more active in the College contact LT Bell by
mail or DSN 828-6400.

I want the Associates to remain actively involved with local chapter
activities wherever their hospitals are located but we can also become more
active on a Navy Region basis. I will make every effort to support this Council
through the remainder of my term and I am sure that the next Governor will give
full support to our Associates.
NEW MEMBERS
Throughout the year opportunities arise for Associates to advance to membership or for staff to "take the plunge" and complete the application process. The ACP is the largest medical specialty organization in the world and actively represents over 80,000 members who are specialists or subspecialists in Internal Medicine. The Navy Region was established in 1929 and is pleased to welcome these new 1993 members. (The order is by date of election and location is given at the time of election.)

Dominick A. Rascona  (San Francisco, CA)
Scott A. Paparello  (Potomac, MD)
Artis R. Croslin  (Hampton, VA)
Joel T. Bundy  (Portsmouth, VA)
John S. Parrish  (Alameda, CA)
Michael C. McCarthy  (Washington, DC)
Gerry D. Ezell  (Bartlett, TN)
Charles R. Halliburton  (Memphis, TN)
Richard J. Stock  (Portsmouth, VA)
John H. Oakland  (Oak Harbor, WA)
Raymond M. Pumarejo  (FFO, AP)
Eric S. Holmboe  (Madison, CT)
Alan E. McLuckie  (Rockville, MD)
William J. Stanley  (LaJolla, CA)
Gregory J. Martin  (San Juan, PR)
Major R. Gross  (Chesapeake, VA)
William D. Bone  (San Diego, CA)
L. Shawn Bowling  (San Diego, CA)
Scott L. Letendre  (San Diego, CA)
Brian T. Keefe  (Albany, GA)
Thomas W. Jamieson  (Bethesda, MD)
Christopher A. Ohl  (Silver Springs, MD)
Robert J. Strobel  (Corpus Christi, TX)
Preston S. Gable  (San Diego, CA)
Carlton D. Miller  (Beaufort, SC)
O. Paul Trentham  (Jacksonville, NC)
Douglas L. Damron  (Newport, NC)
Andrew K. Vaaler  (Norfolk, VA)
Larry K. Miller  (San Diego, CA)
Sybil Tasker

NEW FELLOWS 1993-94
It is always a pleasure to recognize advancement to ACP Fellowship. This is a sign of excellence in practice and leadership and an indication of the respect in which you are held by your peers. The new Fellows for 1993-94 are:

Paul D. Chidester  (Virgina Beach, VA)
Ian S. Grimm  (Chapel Hill, NC)
James S. Cain  (Bethesda, MD)
Peter D. Cospito  (Virginia Beach, VA)
William A. Delacey  (Portsmouth, VA)
Neil J. Duval  (Lewister, ME)
Richard M. Keating  (San Diego, CA)
Anthony LaRocco  (Norfolk, VA)
Joel A. Lees  (San Diego, CA)
Micheal D. Mohoney  (Virginia Beach, VA)
Rodney D. Michaels  (Salem, OR)
H. Jakob Michenfelder  (Oakland, CA)
Kevin M. O'Neil  (Portsmouth, VA)
Marsha G. Pierdinock  (Albany, GA)
Howard L. Russell  (Oakland, CA)
Rodney W. Savage  (Chesapeake, VA)
John A. Williams  (Bethesda, MD)

I look forward to meeting and marching with this outstanding group of physicians as they are inducted at the invocation ceremony at the Annual Session in Miami Beach in April. When you meet them congratulate them on this superb achievement. It is not an ending point but should recognize increased dedication and contribution to the profession of medicine.

ANNUAL MEETING
April 21-24, 1994 Miami Beach
Several of you have expressed doubts and concerns regarding safety for the upcoming Annual session in Miami Beach. The College has gone to great lengths in working with the hotels, convention center, airport, and transportation services to
Beach. The College has gone to great lengths in working with the hotels, convention center, airport, and transportation services to ensure a safe and successful meeting environment. The meeting itself is again a mix of Associate activities, state-of-the-art presentations and updates as well as several added features that relate to direct patient care. Clinical Auscultation of the Heart is becoming a lost art among many of our students and new Residents but is vital to the proper evaluation and cost-effective management of our patients. Standardized Patients may be used more frequently in our training programs as well as in evaluation of skills of our staff. If you have the chance, attend this workshop! You will be absolutely amazed at how well various clinical findings and patient vignettes can be demonstrated and taught.

I am sure that you will find the meeting well worth your time. It will be my first opportunity to visit Miami Beach and I hope to see you there.

**REGION NEWS AND PROGRAMS**

The College is expanding its efforts under the leadership of Susan Deutsch, MD and the Community Based Teaching Task Force (Oscar Edwards, Governor, VA Chapter; Paul Speckart, Governor, S. California Region III; Donald E. Girard, Governor, Oregon Chapter) to promote community based teaching of medical students and internal medicine housestaff. It is hoped that this will improve the educational content of the curricula and demonstrate what internal medicine is about. Our Navy programs have had a heavy emphasis on training and care in the outpatient arena. Dr. Deutsch and the Task Force will be working directly with program directors. If you have an interest in this endeavor please speak with your Program Directors so that you can be more actively involved as this program goes forward.

At our Navy Region meeting we conducted our first business meeting. We did not suggest any resolutions for presentation at the Board of Governors meeting but examples of recent resolutions forwarded to the Board of Regents are:

- Support of gun control to reduce needless deaths in our communities
- Academic recognition for generalists in internal medicine
- Attracting medical students to internal medicine residency programs
- Student membership category in the College
- Enhancing and fostering cooperative efforts with ASIM
- Support for the Community Based Teaching Task Force
- Assisting chapters in working with State governments for health care reform at the State level.

You get the idea. I would entertain any proposal for resolutions at our next meeting or in the interim. Write or phone me with your thoughts.

Mary Herald, MD, FACP heads the college section on diversity which addresses women and ethnic groups within the College and she provided a demographic breakdown of Navy members. Of the 384 members in all classes (Associates, etc.) of the Navy Region 45 are women. This sorts out to 79 Fellows (4 women), 200 Members (17 women), 105 Associates (24 women). CAPT Bonnie Potter gave an excellent presentation on the last day of our meeting concerning women physicians in the Navy which identified an incredibly strong pool of talent, ideas, and leaders who are members of
the College. From an ethnic perspective 82 gave no indication but of the remainder 266 are Caucasian, 10 African Americans, 9 Asian, 5 Hispanic, 5 Indian/Pakistani, 1 Pacific Islander, 6 other. College membership is open to everyone in Internal Medicine and has much to offer educationally and through its many programs. You can help us become even stronger by inviting your peers and colleagues to join and work with us.

**Student membership** has been a topic at several Board of Governors meetings and at our business meeting this was strongly endorsed. It is not clear what the membership fee will be but this issue will be pursued. As a Region we are considering Annals subscriptions for students chosen for PGY-1 training if this is not a part of the membership package.

The **NEXT NAVY MEETING** will be 20 - 23 October 1994 in the San Francisco/Oakland area. CAPT Michenfelder and LCDR's Eric Rasmussen and Neal Naito at Oakland are the Program Committee and points of contact. The theme of the meeting will be Medical Education. A superb group of speakers is being assembled from the civilian and military arenas. A call for abstracts will soon go out for Associates papers with a due date of 1 August. DUES were discussed as a means of offering several programs. Currently within the ACP 6 chapters have no dues while 88% do. $10 and $20 per year are the most common amounts charged per member. It was proposed, voted, and passed that we initiate dues for the Navy Region at $20 per year. The purpose is to give us working capital to reserve facilities with a deposit for future Navy meetings, support Associate activities such as prizes at the Region meeting and travel of Associates to attend the Annual ACP scientific sessions. This April I am providing $800 to each of 2 residents (who must be Associates) from each training program to attend the meeting in Miami Beach. This is possible because we have had a small amount of money from ACP Headquarters each year and a successful Navy meeting. We are still on a shoestring but can now begin activities that other chapters have had for years. I hope to make this a continuing program for our Associates as we build our council. Please support the dues effort.

This summer I am instituting the **ACP Governor's Award** for a Resident in each program, selected by the Program Director based on clinical and academic excellence. In addition to a certificate the prize is a textbook of the Associate's choice to be presented at the Resident graduation by me or my designee.

**LAUREATE AWARDS**

The Laureate Award honors those Fellows of the American College of Physicians in the U.S. Navy Region who have demonstrated by their example and conduct an abiding commitment to excellence in medical care, education or research, and in service to their community and the American College of Physicians. Recipients of this Award shall bear the title: Laureate of the U.S. Navy Region. Nominations may originate from the Awards Committee or from any member of the U.S. Navy Region. Eighty-eight members attended the Awards banquet, 4 December where CAPT Walter W. Karney, MC, USN and CAPT John A. Mitsa, MC, USN were presented this honor. The Laureate Lecture, "The Navy HIV Program", was presented by CAPT Karney on Sunday morning.
CAPT Walter W. Karney, MC, USN is the first Navy recipient of the Laureate Award. He was born in Orange, Connecticut in 1936, and received his medical degree from Yale University School of Medicine in 1962. After completing his internship at Saint Albans Naval Hospital in Saint Albans, New York, he studied aviation medicine at the U.S. Navy School of Aviation Medicine in Pensacola, Florida. He undertook a residency in internal medicine at the Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia, and a fellowship in infectious diseases at the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, Washington.

In 1971, Captain Karney was appointed instructor in clinical medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine, becoming Assistant Professor of Medicine in 1975. In 1978, he was appointed Associate Professor of Medicine at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, rising to the rank of Professor in 1984. He was also appointed Adjunct Associate Professor of Medicine at George Washington University Medical Center in 1981, becoming Adjunct Professor in 1985. In 1984, he became specialty advisor in internal medicine to the U.S. Navy Surgeon General and then in 1986 he was appointed U.S. Navy representative on the National Board of Medical Examiners. Since 1989, he has been manager of the Navy HIV program of the U.S. Naval Medical Command in Portsmouth.

Captain Karney has served on a number of committees at the Bethesda Naval Hospital, and was chair of the Hospital Infections Committee, from 1978 to 1982, and the Investigational Drug Review Committee, from 1981 to 1983. He was chair of the Admissions Committee, from 1979 to 1984, and vice chair of the Student Promotions Committee of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, from 1985 to 1988. Captain Karney has also been a member of the AIDS Clinical Drug Development Committee of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Captain Karney is a Fellow of the Infectious Diseases Society of America, and a member of the American Federation of Clinical Research and the American Society for Microbiology. He has been active in the American College of Physicians since becoming a Fellow in 1974. He has been a staunch supporter of the U.S. Navy Region, and became its Governor-elect in 1986. In addition, Captain Karney served as Governor of the U.S. Navy Region from 1987 until 1991.

Captain Mitas is a 1969 graduate of Cornell University and received his medical degree from the Medical College of Georgia in 1973. His internal medicine residency, 1976, and nephrology fellowship, 1978, were completed at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego and UCSD School of Medicine. From 1979 until 1982 he was head of the nephrology division and Nephrology Fellowship program at the Naval Medical Center, San Diego. From 1982 through 1984, he was an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center. He returned to active duty as head of the nephrology division at the Naval Hospital, Oakland, from 1984 through 1987 and Assistant Department Chairman. In 1987, Captain Mitas became the Assistant Chairman of Internal Medicine at the Naval Medical Center, San Diego, and then in 1988, Chairman of the Internal Medicine Department and internal medicine residency program director. In 1992, he reported as the 1st Force Service Support Group Surgeon at Camp Pendleton, California and deployed to Somalia in support of Operation Restore Hope. Captain Mitas
is an Associate Professor of Medicine at the University of California in San Diego, and at
the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. He became a Fellow of the
College in 1981 and has published numerous papers and chapters. Captain Mitas served
as the U.S. Navy Surgeon General's Specialty Advisor for internal medicine, west coast,
from February 1989 through June 1993. In addition, he has been the College Governor
for the U.S. Navy since 1991. His commitment to graduate medical education, the
practice of state-of-the-art internal medicine, and support of the Navy/Marine Corps Team
is universally recognized. His efforts at team building are well reflected in this first
meeting of the U.S. Navy Region of the American College of Physicians.

NEW GOVERNOR ELECT

The Surgeon General of the Navy has elected CAPT Stephen C. Beuttel, MC, USN to
become Governor-elect of the Navy Region at the business session of the Annual ACP
meeting in Miami Beach. Capt Beuttel is a graduate of Duke University School of
Medicine and performed his Internal Medicine training and Endocrinology Fellowship at
Duke University. He has been a Fellow of the College since 1980 and has been a staunch
supporter of the ACP both within the Navy Region and in association with the Virginia
Chapter. He served as interim Governor of the Navy Region from December 1992 to
mid-February 1993 while I was deployed to Somalia. Since his selection as Governor-
elect-designee we have discussed several exciting ideas which he plans to implement
concerning a more formal Governor's Council and medical informatics usage among
others. Steve will be contributing to the next newsletter and will be closely coordinating
Navy activities with me as I move from the Marines to become CO of Naval Hospital
Keflavik in the final year of my term.

NAVY GOVERNOR CONFESSIONS

My primary goal for the Navy Region when I took office was to establish an Annual
Regional meeting to build a sense of community, identity, and comraderie in the setting of
a sound scientific meeting. After so many roadblocks and obstacles it seemed that they
would never end. Then as we neared the actual meeting date I feared that I would be
personally treating the Navy with out-of-pocket funding as one of the JAG officers
"suggested/warned." As you all know, it was a dynamite meeting and a resounding
success in all regards. Angie Lazarus and her committee did a superb job and all of the
participants were truly outstanding in their presentations. As it was my birthday (and not
intentionally scheduled for this reason either) I could not have asked for a better present.
Yet, you completely surprised me and honored me beyond my wildest dreams with the
second Navy Laureate Award. I hope that I personally thanked all of you who were
involved and worked with the College to make this possible. Given the circumstances I
had no prepared remarks for the banquet and did all that I could do to keep from choking
on my dessert when I was called to the podium. Since the time of the meeting I have
thought of the company in which you placed me - Walt Karney and distinguished
recipients from chapters across the country - and I am deeply touched. I have to confess
that my words are inadequate but this was the best birthday and one that I will treasure for
a lifetime. Thank you.

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This newsletter will be very brief but contains information I hope you will take note of and pass along. A more complete letter will follow in late summer/early fall.

"On the Road Again..."

The Navy certainly provides the opportunity for the practice of Medicine on an international scale. We all have friends and colleagues deployed to places like Zagreb, off the coast of Haiti with the USNS Comfort, and with operational units. Just over a year ago I was near the equator in Somalia with the Marines from Camp Pendleton. Now I am departing for duty near another prominent circle - Arctic. On July 15 I take command of Naval Hospital Keflavik Iceland for a two year tour. I will complete my term as Governor for the Navy Region in March 1995 in Atlanta but will rely on CAPT Stephen Beuttel, now officially Governor-Elect for the Navy Region, for some correspondence and interaction due to the time difference (4 hours ahead of the East coast) and distance. My new address follows:

Commanding Officer
PSC 1003 BOX 8
FPO AE 09728-0308

My phone number is 011-354-25-3201.

SECOND ANNUAL NAVY REGION MEETING
20-23 OCTOBER

Doesn't that sound good? I sure think so! The program committee at Naval Medical Center Oakland has prepared a superb program focusing on the education of the Internist with distinguished speakers from Stanford, UC San Francisco, UC Davis, the Navy, and the official college Representative Harold J. Fallon, MD, MACP. The dates are 20-23 October 1994 in San Francisco. You should be receiving a program brochure in the near future.

LAUREATE AWARD

Again this year, presentation of the Navy Region Laureate Award will be made to a senior Fellow of the College with a long career of contributions to Internal Medicine and the ACP. There were several excellent nominees last year. Please submit your nomination and a brief description of the individual and reason for the nomination to me at the above address or to CAPT Stephen Beuttel, Chairman, Department of Medicine.

Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth, VA 23780-5100, not later than 1 September.

ASSOCIATES NEWS

LT Vic Bell is the Chairperson of the Navy ACP Council of Associates which had its first meeting 21 April 94 in Miami Beach, Florida. In attendance: P. S. Schoenfeld (Ex Officio), M. Wheeler (Bethesda), B. Cash (Bethesda), M. Means-Markwell (Portsmouth), K. Lorenz (San Diego), C. Lamb (San Diego), D. V. Bell (Oakland). By-laws concerning member selection for the council were discussed and it was decided a chairperson would be elected from the eligible PGY-1's and PGY-2 residents from each program. The new member will be required to serve a two-year term. It was pointed out that a major goal of the council should be recruitment of new members into the ACP as associates. Finally, plans for the annual Navy ACP Region meeting in Oakland were discussed. The first meeting of the council was productive and gave a good start for the year to come.

NEW FELLOWS

The Board of Regents has approved advancement to Fellowship of the following Navy physicians who proposed at the May meeting. It is a real pleasure to recognize this accomplishment and I hope to have the opportunity to personally congratulate each of them:

CDR Ker Boyce
CDR Richard Cosby
CDR Joseph M. Forrester
CDR Bruce Lavin
CDR Drew Lewis
CDR E. Connie Mariano
CDR Michael E. Sayers

At the Annual meeting in Miami, Florida this Spring 3 Fellows were inducted:

Tony Larocco
CAPT Dennis Amundson
CAPT H. Jakob Michenfelder

I hope to march with more of you at the induction ceremony at the next Annual Session in Atlanta, GA March 16-19, 1995.

Mark Your Calendar: Navy Regional Meeting, Laurel Heights Conference Center, University of California, San Francisco, CA, October 20-23, 1994
NAVY Governor's Awards

This year the first Navy ACP Governor's Awards for Academic and Clinical Excellence will be presented to LT Patricia Vold, MC, USNR at Naval Medical Center, San Diego, LCDR Jeffrey D. Hardin, MC, USN at Naval Medical Center, Oakland, LCDR James H. Tarver, MC, USNR at Bethesda. At the time this letter was submitted the nominee from Portsmouth was not identified to me. The award consists of a textbook of the individual's choice. I will have the pleasure of presenting the first awards two of these very deserving physicians at their graduations.

Laureate Nominee: _____________________________________________

Reasons for nomination: _____________________________________________

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The next newsletter will contain Associates News, a section from CAPT Beutel relating his plans for the Navy Region, a bit of history, and more on recent as well upcoming meetings. PLEASE consider issues or topics you would like to discuss at our October meeting. If you would like, identify them to me or CAPT Beutell in the coming weeks. PLEASE send your nomination for ACP Laureate not later 1 September.

John Mitas