Greetings: Given my “lame-duck” status, I guess I can say anything I wish and not worry about it. The truth simply is, I’ve enjoyed this year as President. It has been challenging at times, but most of us in toxicology and related fields are used to being challenged, although we usually are paid to respond to such. You all know how much I was paid. Building on the accomplishments of the two previous administrations of Jim Popp and Jan Chambers was the main focus this year. As you know, this involved revising our By-laws, gaining experience in working with our Executive Secretary, using a new voting process, revising and developing an on-line application form, developing criteria to aid in reviewing new applicants and improving our website in terms of look and substance. The development of a Code of Ethics was not completed and will be one of those things the next Board will manage. Tackling these efforts would have been impossible without a willing and able Board. So I want to thank Jan Chambers, Bill Slikker, Mildred Christian, and all other members of the Board who worked tirelessly on behalf of the Academy, and, in addition, Clarissa Russell Wilson and the AIM staff for their efforts. I think we are really beginning to see the fruits of many years of labor and look forward to continued progress in the coming years.
HIGHLIGHTS

- Nomination and election of the 2006-07 officers.
- Past President Honored
- Secretary/Treasurer Honored
- Membership
- 2006 Banquet
- Student travel grants provided toxicology meeting
- Revision of By-laws
- Revision of the Application

ATS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The ATS-fiscal year is July, 2005 to June, 2006. The Board approved the motion to “pass the gavel” to the new President at the SOT Banquet, when the most members of the Academy will be present. The current Board of Directors is:

2005-06 Board of Directors
Sidney Green, President
William Slikker, Jr., Vice President
Mildred S. Christian, Secretary / Treasurer
Janice E. Chamber, Past President

Board Members
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MEMBERSHIP

From January 2005 through January 2006, the number of active Fellows increased by 20 new members, bringing the total number of Fellows to 220, with 185 Active Fellows and 35 Emeritus Fellows, representing Australia, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States. In addition, 58 were recertified and 2 achieved Emeritus Status. Please congratulate these individuals on becoming Fellows of ATS in 2005 and 2006.

Melvin E. Andersen
Bruce K. Bernard
Linda S. Birnbaum
George B. Corcoran
George P. Daston
Michael S. Denison
Donald A. Fox

Jeffrey W. Fisher
Peter L. Goering
Bryan D. Hardin
Stephen B. Harris
Michael P. Holsapple
Robert W. Kapp, Jr.
Stephen B. Pruett

Kenneth S. Ramos
Ruth A. Roberts
Colin G. Rousseaux
Kenneth P. Still
Kendall B. Wallace
Recertified Fellow in 2005:

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PRESIDENT HONORED AT 2006 BANQUET

Dr. William Slikker presented Dr. Sidney Green with a plaque to honors Dr. Green’s service as the 2005-06 ATS President. A list of the Past Presidents since 1981, and their year of service, appears on the ATS Web page.
SECRETARY / TREASURER HONORED AT 2006 BANQUET
Dr. Mildred S. Christian has served as Secretary/Treasurer

ATS thanks Mildred Christian

The recent annual ATS banquet was a fitting occasion to honor Millie for all her hard work for ATS, from its initial founding to the current transition to a management group (AIM). As most of you know, Millie has been the Secretary-Treasurer for the last six years, has served ATS both as President and Councilor prior to that, and has certainly been the corporate memory of the organization. Millie is retiring from the Secretary-Treasurer position at this time, and we honored her at the banquet with a gift and very sincere thanks. In addition, we acknowledged the very important work of her assistant, Marj Vargo, with our thanks and a plaque. We also need to thank Argus Research, now Charles River Laboratories, PA, for its support of the administrative functions of ATS during the period Millie was Secretary/Treasurer.

Several months ago Millie sent me an e-mail with a quaint and amusing bit of philosophy and wisdom. I read her e-mail to the banquet attendees in March because I thought her words were more appropriate and more charming than anything I could have invented. I wish to share those words with all of the Fellowship now (with her express permission), and I believe that you will find her reflections of special value as I do.

“My personal congratulations to you on bringing the ATS into the electronic age. I hope you enjoy your term as Past President of the group, as your presidency was a stressful position in that you took on many challenges that prior ATS Presidents and Councils chose to disregard as simply too expensive for the Academy to support. Hopefully, with AIM’s support capabilities and dues providing financial support, the officers will be able to more effectively serve and ATS will become attractive to a larger number of experts in the field, changing its perception from that of an exclusive club of “old men” that get together annually to eat and drink (although that has always been an enjoyable time) to a group of peers a developing toxicologist admires and works to join, who truly represent the best individuals in the field.

This is the third professional society in which I have participated from its fun filled visionary founding, when all activities were impacted by the concepts and capabilities of the officers, to being a stable group essentially run and supported by an external administrator, with little change or impact as the result of council changes. My experience is that the process is similar to the American move West - the “cowboy’s” individual power and authority declines, most of the fun and pride in personal achievement goes away and law-abiding citizens replace risk takers. The result is a system that is safe for “women and children” and a new culture that is “safe” and often forgets that it could never have been formed without first being the “Wild West”.

Thank you for bringing us out of the pioneer days.”

Millie, on behalf of all of the Fellows, I offer our most sincere gratitude for all the hard work and love you have put into the organization, and for having a major impact on the evolution of this organization that all of us respect and value so much. Thank you so much for the incredible time and effort, and for your willingness to be the very special “cowgirl” of the organization.

Jan Chambers
2005/6 Past President
2006 BANQUET

The 2006 Annual Banquet and Meeting of ATS was held at the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina on Wednesday, March 8th. Sixty-three Fellows and guest attended. The Academy would like to thank Covance’s generous support of the ATS by underwriting the expense of the wine served at the Banquet.

The Academy appreciates William Allaben taking pictures during the Banquet.

2006 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Dr. Green facilitated the 2006 Annual Business Meeting. The Annual Business agenda included the following.

♦ MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR DECEASED MEMBERS
  (Arthur Furst and Philip G. Watanabe)

♦ RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS AS of JUNE, 2006
  (William J. Brock, Marion F. Ehrich, Bruce A. Fowler, and I. Glenn Sipes)

♦ RECOGNITION OF NEW FELLOWS (See above listing.)

♦ STATE OF THE ATS
  • BY-LAWS REVISION
  • REVISED APPLICATION FORM
  • CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION
  • DEFINITION OF EMERITUS
  • CODE OF ETHICS
  • Web site
  • AIM

♦ RECOGNITION of OUTGOING BROAD MEMBERS
  (Janice E. Chambers, Mildred S. Christian, Michael A. Gallo and James E. Klaunig)

♦ NEW BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR
2007 ANNUAL BANQUET and MEETING

The Board of Directors welcomes input on the date and time for the 2007 Annual Banquet and Meeting. Traditionally the Banquet and Meeting have been held on Wednesday evening of the Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting. The Board is open to considering other types of functions, such as a luncheon, evening dessert reception, etc. Please send an e-mail message to Clarissa Wilson at cwilson@aim-hq.com regarding your preference on time and day of the week to hold the “Annual Banquet and Meeting.”

STUDENT TRAVEL AWARDS

To promote awareness of the Academy among young scientists, the Board of Directors again presented $1,000 to the American College of Toxicology in 2005, to be used for travel awards for students attending the ACT meeting.

The two travel award winners were Atrayee Banerjee, M.S., PGDEnM, Graduate Student, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX and Denise M. Hernandez, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS

Over the past year, the Board of Directors has worked to update the By-laws to reflect the Academy’s activities. The By-laws are posted on the ATS Web site (http://www.acadtoxsci.org/documents.htm) for review and comment. The Board is also reviewing the requirements for Emeritus status, which will be incorporated into the updated By-laws.

REVISION OF APPLICATION

The ATS application has been revised, and the Academy is now accepting electronic submission of applications. If you are aware of scientists who should apply to ATS, either direct them to the ATS Web site (http://www.acadtoxsci.org/appl.htm) or contact Clarissa Wilson via e-mail: cwilson@aim-hq.com.