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President's Message - Elizabeth Mullis, RHIT, CTR

As I end my term as President of ANCCR, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support over the past two years. Being President has offered me many challenges and the opportunity to become more involved in the cancer registry field. Meeting people from other states has been an ultimate joy just to share common goals and interest.

These past two years has definitely increased my awareness of the role of Cancer Registrar. The demand on Cancer Registrars is great now but the look to the future is going to be even more demanding.

ANCCR is certainly leading the way by offering educational meetings, highly recognized speakers, and the time for all to network together. I see ANCCR as an organization that can grow without limits to benefit those in the registry field.

So my thanks to you for giving me this opportunity to serve as your President.

New ANCCR Officers for 2000 - 20001

The Sentinel

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Pictured left to right: Melanie Rogan, Treasurer, Sheila Walker, Secretary, Deborah Carrethers, Vice-President, Teresa Jarrett, President

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Triad Partnership Meeting of the American Cancer Society & American College of Surgeons Atlanta, Georgia - July 12-13,2000

What is the Southeastern TRIAD?

Several years ago, the Commission on Cancer established the Triad Clinical Cancer Control Program. The goal of the program was to expand cancer control efforts at the Division level by partnering and collaborating with state level groups and individuals involved in cancer control. With the recent formation of the Southeast Division, (NC, SC, & GA.) the opportunity now exists to expand the Triad Clinical Cancer Control Program. The major goal of the workshop was to develop a collaborative effort that will enhance cancer control activities at the community level by foregoing strong, productive relationships between organization represented down to the grassroots level. I was invited to attend as a representative from ANCCR, and also in attendance was the presidents' of SC and GA's Cancer Registrars. I will list some of the ideas that came out of the meeting.

1. Begin to introduce the TRIAD concept to various organizations.
2. Pull together all three-state plans and look for areas of overlap that are a priority for all three states.
3. Ensure ACOS representation in the plan.
4. Create a combined calendar of events, relevant to meetings, training, conferences, etc. as a means to increase communication, decrease duplication and capitalize upon resources to further all of our work.
5. Sponsor a symposium in 2001.

Specific Action Steps- for the Cancer Registrars:

- Educating/alleviating fears about confidentiality
- Encourage local education of physicians/hospitals on better documentation on medical record
- State Cancer Registries targeting education for hospital registrars to improve quality
- Invite registry staff to annual state ACOS Liaison Meetings
- State and local level advocacy -funding, law enforcement, importance of CTR's
- Financial support for annual meetings and scholarships for training
- Generate ideas and research questions for the TRIAD.

These are just some of ideas generated from the meeting. You will be hearing more from different areas at the Fall Meeting and articles in *The Sentinel* by Dr. Peter Turk.

The meeting has been called a success and has provided a platform in which many could share their ideas with other counterparts as the NC, SC & GA TRIAD.

Elizabeth Mullis

Web Site is Live!

You can reach ANCCR's home page at <http://www.ncregistrars.com>. Use the "Contact Us" feature to submit your comments. Cathy Rimmer will continue to manage the web site. Members should have received a letter informing them how to access the "Members Only" corner. The latest issue of *The Sentinel*, the ANCCR membership roster, and hospital/staffing information is available.

We'd like to list hospital cancer centers web sites as links. Please let Cathy Rimmer know if you want your hospital listed as a link. Also, please let her know of other resources to list. In addition, there is an "Announcement" section if you have information to post. Job postings for NC hospitals will be listed as well. If your hospital is having an oncology lecture or series, we can post those too. Membership forms and Luna M. Wood nomination forms are available from the site.

New Editor for

The Sentinel is Named

Carol Burke has agreed to become the new editor. She will publish the October/November issue.

National Board for the Certification of Registrars

Cathy Rimmer has been selected to serve on the NBCR. She will be attending the next Board meeting Nov. 2-3 in Chicago. If you have issues or questions about the CTR exam, please contact her at 336-718-0270 or email her at ccrimmer@novanthealth.org.

CTR Examination Schedule

Examination Date

March 10, 2001
September 15, 2001

Application Deadline

February 1, 2001
August 1, 2001

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Spring Meeting

April 5-6, 2001

Holiday Inn Sun Spree Resort

One Holiday Inn Drive

Asheville, NC

Hotel Information

Room Rates

Run of House: \$85
Two Doubles: \$85
King: \$85
King Exec: \$145

Amenities

18-hole golf course
4 Clay tennis course
2 outdoor pools
Restaurant, Spa

Local Attraction

Biltmore Estate
Adult admission: \$29.95

Rooms include coffee maker, refrigerator, computer port
Reservations must be made by Monday, March 5, 2001
Rates do not include 6% NC sales tax + 3% Room Tax

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ANCCR Fall Meeting 2001 Winston-Salem, NC

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Job Opening Tumor Registrar

Presbyterian Cancer Center

Novant Health is seeking a qualified Tumor Registrar to fill a full-time position in the Cancer Data Services department. CTR certification is preferred, CTR eligible will be considered. This is a first shift position with some flexibility. We are an EEO employer with competitive salaries and benefits. Interested persons should send their resumes to:
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