

American Board of Health Physics

May 31, 1989

Dear Colleague;

This year marks the 30th Anniversary of the establishment of the ABHP by the HPS on October 29, 1959. We have planned some special events at the Albuquerque HPS meeting and we encourage you to attend and participate.

1. Stop by the ABHP booth in the exhibit area and get a badge sticker to wear and show others that you are a CHP.
2. While at the booth, examine our collection of historic and interesting documents.
 - Minutes of Board meetings from 1959 to date (missing 1978 if anyone has it).
 - All Comprehensive exams given to date.
 - All Power Reactor exams given to date.
 - All publications I could find about the ABHP (review it to see if yours are there).
 - A collection of messages and remembrances from past Board members (most have actually replied); it is very interesting reading.

We are trying to put together a complete set of ABHP newsletters, and are missing 1963, 1968, 1970, 1971, 1974, 1975, 1978, 1979 and 1982. If there are any true "savers" out there, please help us out.

3. The Board has created an annual award to honor that CHP who has made an "outstanding contribution toward the advancement of professionalism in Health Physics and to the Certification process." The first recipient will be announced at the HPS Awards Banquet (pending approval), and at the AAHP Annual meeting.
4. Plan to attend the AAHP annual meeting (Wednesday 4:30-5:45 p.m.), where we will also introduce and give a Certificate of Appreciation to all former Board Members and Panel Chairman, as a token of our appreciation for the many hours they gave in support of the Certification Process.
5. Plan to attend a special session on Thursday afternoon (2:30 - 4:30 p.m.). We have some scintillating (pun intended) speakers, and we hope to see more people in the audience than the successive speakers. This is jointly sponsored by the ABHP and AAHP. John Horan and I will co-chair the session.

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SPECIAL SESSION ON CERTIFICATION
AND
PROFESSIONALISM IN HEALTH PHYSICS

<u>Title</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
The evolution and development of the ABHP. How to Cover 30 years of history in 15 minutes.	Frazier Bronson
Recollections of the formative years of the ABHP.	John W. Healy
The CHP role-delineation model and its application to the certification process.	Joe Sayeg
Attempt to correlate pass/fail with preparation method and extent for the Comprehensive certification exam.	Carl Distenfeld
Professional challenges of the 1990's.	John R. Horan
Preparation for professionalism.	Paul L. Ziemer
Professional ethics.	John R. Horan
New perspectives in medical health physics.	Richard J. Vetter
Realistic perspectives in health physics.	Bryce L. Rich

We look forward to seeing you in Albuquerque.

Sincerely,



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