

## May 2013 Council of Chapter Representatives Notes

1. **The Council of Chapter Representatives** met in conjunction with the ATS meeting in Philadelphia on May 18, 2012.
2. **Roll Call.** The meeting was called to order at 11 AM. Representatives from Arizona, California, DC Metro, Louisiana, Michigan, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, and Rhode Island were in attendance, and by telephone from Washington.
3. **Chapter Updates.** Information on chapter activities and a chapter brochure. There are currently 19 active chapters. Most are having annual meetings.
4. **Advocacy.** Gary Ewart from ATS Government Relations gave a presentation on Washington activities. Highlights included activities on the SGR, a number of air pollution regulations and a letter campaign advocating regulation of cigars.
5. **ATS President 2013-14-vision for the coming year.** Patrician Finn gave a summary of what she hopes to accomplish over the next year. The theme of her presidency will be health equality.
6. **ATS Executive Director-update.** Steve Crane gave a positive presentation on the financial status. Although not as well attended as last year's ATS in San Francisco, this year's Philadelphia meeting has better attendance than expected. The reserve has increased to nearly 75% of the yearly budget. The ATS is offering free maintenance of certification modules.
7. **2013 Outstanding Clinician Award.** The finalists for the ATS 2013 Outstanding Clinician Award; Allen Thomas (Arizona), Amine Temmar (New Mexico) and Steve Kirtland (Washington) will be recognized at the Clinician's Center, Monday, 3:30-4:30 PM, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Hall C, 200 level.
8. **Presentation of CCR Officers 2013-4**  
Linda Nici-Immediate Past Chair  
Samya Nasr-Chair  
Robin Gross-Chair-elect  
Steve Kirtland-Secretary
9. **ATS Foundation.** Jim Donahue, Foundation president, gave a presentation of the activities of the ATS Foundation. Currently, all monies designated for research are used to support research. The ATS is also holding a meeting with the ALA to discuss joint grants.
10. **Great Cases Symposium.** The Great Cases Symposium organized by CCR will be held on Sunday, May 19, 2:00-4:30 PM.
11. **A Look at the Coming Year.** Samya Nasr, incoming CCR Chair, reviewed plans for the upcoming year.
12. **Important Dates**  
May 16-21, 2014-ATS International Conference, San Diego  
July 1, 2013-Call for input for 2014 International Conference  
November 6, 2013-Abstract deadline for the 2014 International Conference
13. **CCR Committee Representatives 2013-4**  
Clinicians Advisory: Robin Gross

Education: Carol Welsh  
Ethics and Conflicts of Interest: Samya Nasr  
Health Policy: Dona Upson  
Planning and Evaluation: Linda Nici  
Quality Improvement: Rick Robbins  
Research Advocacy: Linda Nici  
Training: Samya Nasr

**14. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

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