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Newsletter of the Nebraska Society for Clinical Laboratory Science

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Filter Deadlines

You may submit articles to The Filter. Tell us what is going on in your laboratory. Send your information to snoble@alltel.net or call 402-423-3050.

Next deadlines:

November 15, 2004

March 15, 2005

July 15, 2005

Announcing the 2004 NSCLS Award Recipients

Submitted by Sandy Latshaw MA MT(ASCP)SM

The following awards were presented at the NSCLS Annual Meeting Awards Luncheon on Friday, April 16, 2004 at the Omaha Hilton. All of the nominees and recipients were excellent representatives of our laboratory profession! Next year, watch for the nomination form in the Winter Filter, consider the quality individuals at your institution and be sure to submit their names for the 2005 Awards!

Filter Award

The filter award is presented to an outstanding NSCLS member who has made a significant contribution to our society. This award was presented by Marty Fattig, Lab Manager at Nemaha County Hospital, who was a long time friend of Russ Perry, the original sponsor of this award beginning in 1963. This year's very deserving recipient was **Shirley Noble**, an instructor with the Medical Laboratory Technician Program at Southeast Community College in Lincoln. Shirley has been involved in numerous NSCLS activities, including president, Filter editor, Spring Meeting chair, PACE chair, and National Medical Laboratory Week chair. Her dedication to the laboratory profession is certainly an asset to our Society!

Key to the Future Award

The Key to the Future Award recognizes newly active members of NSCLS who have demonstrated leadership potential by their contributions to our organization. **Robbie Peetz**, who is currently serving as the 2003-2004 ASCLS Student Chair for our national organization, was this year's very worthy recipient! Her many talents, willingness to serve and already proven leadership ability definitely make her a "key" to our profession's future!

Award of Excellence

The Award of Excellence is awarded to a Medical Technologist/Clinical Laboratory Scientist or Medical Technician/Clinical Laboratory Technician who has made a significant contribution to that person's profession, institution and community. **Trichel Lawton**, a medical technologist in the Virology Department at Creighton University Medical Center, was this year's recipient. Honorable mention went to Erin Pelland, Great Plains Regional Medical Center in North Platte; Theresa Rockwell, Children's Pathology in Omaha; and Michael Valasek, Nebraska Methodist Hospital in Omaha.

Technical Support Award of Excellence

The Technical Support Award of Excellence was established to recognize a person who supports the laboratory profession, such as a phlebotomist, lab assistant, secretary or client services representative and has made a significant contribution to that person's profession, institution and community. This year the award was presented to **Cindy Janecek**, an anatomic pathologic technician at Children's Hospital. Helen Fifer, a Nebraska Methodist Hospital secretary, received honorable mention.

Exhibitor Appreciation Award

The Exhibitor Appreciation Award is presented to an exhibitor, salesperson, or technical representative to show appreciation for his or her outstanding educational or financial support to the field of Clinical Laboratory Science and NSCLS. **Beth Sargent**, technical representative for Roche Diagnostics and co-chair for the 2004 Spring Meeting was this year's worthy recipient.

Congratulations to all of this year's award winners and nominees!!!

DATES TO REMEMBER

2005 ASCLS Annual Meeting

Orlando, Florida
July 26-30, 2005

2005 CLEC

Williamsburg, Virginia
February 24-26, 2005

National Medical Laboratory Week

April 24-30, 2005
Treasurers Report

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
Quarter 4, July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004
Submitted by Karen Keller, Treasurer

Beginning Balance – July 1, 2003		28,947.08
Cash Receipts		
Interest – checking	31.10	
Interest Scholarship CD	535.37	
Interest Legislative CD	219.01	
Merion Publishing	148.57	
NSCLS 2003 Spring Mtg	7,751.00	
ASCLS membership	<u>1,610.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$10,295.05	39,242.13

Disbursements		
President	1,421.19	
President-elect	210.00	
Student National Mtg Funds	1,000.00	
Treasurer	86.00	
Region VI Assessment	600.00	
Website Maintenance	50.00	
2002 – 2003 Budget	1,400.82	
Filter	838.40	
Board Meeting	160.68	
Awards	690.31	
Scholarship	500.00	
Legislative Affairs	683.93	
Membership	84.00	
NMLW	223.00	
PACE	<u>250.00</u>	
TOTAL	8,198.33	

Checking account balance June 30, 2004		31,043.80
Less Scholarship cash fund		<u>1,000.00</u>
Less Student Forum National Meeting Fund		
Available balance June 30, 2004		30,043.80

NSCLS STATEMENT OF ASSETS – June 30, 2004

Commercial Federal General Fund Balance 6/30/04		31,043.80
15 month Scholarship Certificate of Deposit Balance 4/16/04		13,293.29
Legislative Certificate of Deposit Balance 4/16/04		5,423.82
Spring Meeting Checking Account Balance 6/30/04		<u>14,164.01</u>
NSCLS TOTAL ASSETS – June 30, 2004		63,924.92

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