Northeastern New York Chapter Report for HPS Society Year 2012-2013

General Information

Official Year: August - July

Mailing Address:

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Dues Information:

Plenary: \$15.00 Associate: n/a Student: n/a Emeritus: n/a Life: n/a Affiliate: n/a

Charter Date: June 1960

Science Teacher Workshop? yes

Held: Periodically

Last workshop: October 12, 2012

Average number of teachers attending: 33

Collaboration with other societies? yes

Collaborations: American Nuclear Society (ANS) Outreach provided training materials, New York State Emergency Management Office (NYSEMO) donated meters, and the Science Teachers of New York State (STANYS) coordinated the overall event to support the workshop.

Website: http://hpschapters.org/neny/

Chapter Leadership & Officers

President: Vacant

President-elect: Anthony DeAngelo **Secretary:** Jerry Collins (non-HPS)

Treasurer: Heidi Voelk

Council Member: Mark Virgil (non-HPS)

Council Member: Cynthia Costello (non-HPS) **Council Member:** William Kolbe (non-HPS)

Director Liaison: Andy Miller

Chapter Incorporation & Exempt Status

Applied for Incorporation? no

Applied for an Employer Identification Number? yes Applied to IRS for Tax Exemption? no IRS tax exemption granted?

Insurance? no

Willing to share IRS paperwork? yes

Chapter Membership & Certifications

HPS Members: 42 **non-Members:** 74

Total: 116

ABHP Certified: 22 **NRRPT Certified:** 1

Meetings/Activities: Meetings/Activities (Aug-12 to Jul-13)

Sep '12 Meeting Topic: Health Physics Society: Update from the

National President-Elect Type: Annual, Social

Speaker: Dr. Harold Knox, Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory

Attendance: 25

Nov '12 Meeting Topic: New York State Department of Health

Wadsworth Center Radiobioassay Programs

Type: Technical

Speaker: Ilham AlMahamid, Ph.D., Director Radiobioassay Program, Laboratory of Inorganic and Nuclear Chemistry, Wadsworth Center

Attendance: 17

Feb '13 Meeting Topic: Low Doses of Ionizing Radiation: Estimating the Risks, Understanding Their Significance

Type: Technical

Speaker: David J. Brenner, Ph.D., D. Sc., Higgins Professor of

Radiation Biophysics; Director, Center for Radiological

Research, Columbia

Attendance: 50

Apr '13 Meeting Topic: : Health Physics Research Projects at

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Type: Technical

Speaker: Graduate Students at RPI

Attendance: 31

Comments

Special citation/recognition was justified for: George Xu, Ph.D, Chair of the Nuclear Engineering Program at RPI, recipient of HPS Fellow Award. Peter Caracappa, Ph.D, RPI Nuclear Engineering Faculty and Student Advisor, recipient of the 2013 Elda E. Anderson Award. The chapter continues effort to sustain and increase membership. It is anticipated that opportunities to partner with local ANS chapter and local colleges/universities will continue. We work to have at least one combined meeting with the ANS chapter every year and share information on all other meetings. Also, the radiation program at Excelsior College and ANS Student chapter may provide opportunities for presentations and membership. Articles were submitted to the HPS Newsletter for an outreach program and meter distribution to the Science Teachers of the State of New York and the RPI nuclear engineering program student presentations. Chapter members and radiological specialists from the New York State Departments of Health and Environmental Conservation (DOH, DEC) were requested to provide an overview of the Multi-Agency Radiation Survey and Site Investigation Manual (MARSSIM) process to the Western NY HPS Chapter via webinar. The Chapter plans to revise its by-laws primarily to allow for electronic balloting and distribution of information related to elections. A founding and dedicated member of the Chapter, Robert Ryan, CHP, passed away in September 2012. Mr. Ryan, among other talents, was a professor at RPI who educated and influenced many in the field of health physics and nuclear engineering.

This Chapter report was created on 29 June 2013 by Anthony R Deangelo.