



The Connection

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President's Message



ASCLS, a Blizzard, Haiti and 2010. Is there anything in common?

By Mary Nagel, ASCLS-ND President

Happy New Year to all of the ASCLS-ND members. I hope everyone enjoyed a happy holiday season and survived the Blizzard of 2009. I first started writing this article while I was on a missionary compound in Haiti during my December break. I needed to get out of the cold and I just escaped being stormed stayed in Bismarck. I departed Bismarck on December 26th and returned to Bismarck on January 9th. The disastrous earthquake happened on Tuesday, January 12th. I have had a great deal of difficulty focusing on things here at home when my heart is breaking for the people of Haiti. It is hard to believe that we were just in Port-au-Prince. Please pray for the people and the country of Haiti.

We have had several board meetings since our last newsletter issue and as a board we have been continuing to work on the strategic plan of retaining members, getting members involved and providing continuing

education. We participated in an inquiry of lapsed members to find out reasons for non-renewals. A common theme throughout the country for non-renewals of members is due to the loss of a second income and retirements of the current memberships. We need new and young professionals to become involved or continue their involvement in ASCLS. As an organization, we need to identify the needs of our members. ASCLS-ND along with other states in our Region will be doing a survey soon asking for member input regarding expectations of ASCLS-ND and if your needs are met in membership of a professional organization. Please help us address your needs by completing this survey.

Nominations are being addressed for the upcoming year and the time is now to consider getting involved. Toscha Larson has already sent out the positions that are available. Please take the time to read the position requirements and consider

nominating one of your fellow members or nominate yourself for one of these positions. This is a great way to get involved in your professional organization at the state level.

The members in Fargo are working very hard on planning the Spring ASCLS-ND state meeting which will be held in April. I do hope that you will take advantage of this great opportunity to meet your colleagues across the state and participate in the vendor exhibits and educational sessions. Look for program information coming soon on our website at <http://asclsndnd1.club.officelive.com/default.aspx>

Legislative Days are coming up in March and Alex Shepard and I will be attending the session in Washington, DC. This will be a great opportunity to network with representatives on issues facing the laboratory and with new legislation regarding healthcare reform.

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We will represent North Dakota well.

Now back to the title of this article: ASCLS, a Blizzard, Haiti and 2010: Is there anything in common? I really didn't make a connection at the time I started writing this article; other than these four things were on my mind. As I think about the commonalities of ASCLS, a blizzard, Haiti and 2010 it is clearer of the connection between

them. Family and Friends are very important to me. ASCLS colleagues are my family and friends. The people and the country of Haiti are my family and friends. A blizzard can be a joy too, surrounded by family and friends as I was so blessed to be during Christmas. My wish for my family and friends is to have a prosperous and happy New Year, in 2010.

I look forward to what 2010 will bring for the laboratory profession and I know that there are many dedicated professionals working for you in ASCLS membership.

God's blessings to my ASCLS family and friends and please pray for the country of Haiti as they rebuild and recover from this tragedy.



A few pictures from Mary taken in Haiti just days before the tragic earthquake.

ASCLS P.A.C.E.® Report

The P.A.C.E. committee met at the annual meeting held in Chicago. After a review of the current program it was determined that the system was working well but that more vendors and providers need to be recruited into the system.

Discussion also took place concerning "how to do" a P.A.C.E. review. While the basics were described to

the new members of the committee it was decided that a formal telephone conference aimed at the new members would be held in September at which point the entire reviewing process would be looked at in detail.

Following the committee meeting discussions were held with several vendors. One of those vendors who

planned to present their program at multiple sites over the next year has now applied for the P.A.C.E. credit. Members are encouraged to ask for P.A.C.E. credit whenever they are attending an educational session.

Submitted by the ASCLS-Region V PACE Representative – Cindy Koffman

Leadership Development



Who Needs a Mentor?

By Dawn Michelson

ASCLS-ND Past-President, Leadership Development Chair

Hi everyone-I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and managed to stay comfy and warm. Now is the time to get back to business, right? As you all probably know, I sent out a request for ASCLS-ND members to volunteer to be mentors. I have had several takers (and of course, it is not too late to add your name to the list-just let me know!) and I thank them for stepping up to the plate. Now I am in the process of looking for members who want to be mentored. Who are the individuals that may need mentoring? Students need guidance

when they begin their internship. The right mentor will teach them the technical skills and knowledge they will require in the workplace as well as install a sense that they are part of an important healthcare team and are there to help the patient. A new ACSLS member will need a mentor to inform them about the details of the organization and how it gives a voice to our profession. This process will ensure that there are younger members ready to volunteer and take the place of us "seasoned" ones. Sometimes a laboratorian may need a mentor to collaborate with if

they require some technical assistance or just want to compare kits, analyzers, discuss interesting case studies, etc.

If you feel you are in a circumstance where you would like the help of a mentor, please contact me at medtecdawn2@msn.com and I can link you up with one of our mentor volunteers. After all, one of the goals of ASCLS is to keep us connected with a whole network of fellow professionals that are ready to support you. Thank you.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report – August 24, 2009 to December 31, 2009

Current Financials:

Checking (0.25%)	\$ 6076.17
Money Market (0.50%)	\$ 7739.21
CD (renew 5-16-09) (2.00%)	\$ 5262.31
CD (renew 12-7-09) (2.75%)	\$ 9016.26
Total Assets:	\$ 28093.95

Major Deposits:

State Dues	\$ 270.00
Region V Revenue	\$ 1491.75
Total Major Deposits:	\$ 1761.75

(ASCLS-ND state meeting – Grand Forks – still pending ~\$11,000.00)

*As of 1/20/10 the final total income from the spring meeting in Grand Forks was over \$11,500.

Major Expenses:

Region V Meeting	\$ 205.38
tbg conferencing (conference call – board meeting)	\$ 62.11
ASCLS National – PACE	\$ 325.00
Sympathy Memorial	\$ 25.00
Total Expenses:	\$ 617.49

Region V Report



Region V Updates - November, 2009

By Deb Rodahl, ASCLS Region V Director

I am a firm believer in the value that ASCLS brings to the Clinical Laboratory Sciences profession and to the practitioners within this profession. ASCLS has helped shape who I am professionally and personally, to which I will always be grateful. ASCLS's Voice, Value, and Vision is more than a catchy slogan, and more than the sum of its parts. The Voice of our grass roots membership is the foundation of ASCLS and what makes this organization so effective. The Value is there for each and every one of us – simply for the taking, whether through ASCLS leadership mentoring, the numerous opportunities for networking and continuing education, or through the tireless advocacy provided by our national office. ASCLS has also clearly demonstrated the Vision to plan for the future while dealing with the reality of today. We have proven time and again the power that we have when we all work together for the same goals. ASCLS provides the foundation that allows us to do that.

Membership (VOICE):

Today many people ask themselves "what's in it for me" when they are asked to participate in something. We want to know that we will gain something for the effort. That something is not always related financial ties. In fact most people want to know there is value from the experience in terms of educational learning, professional experience (will look good on the resume), or from what good it will do for others (volunteerism). ASCLS fits well with these personal values or goals. It offers tremendous educational opportunities locally and nationally as well as in electronic format. ASCLS offers fantastic networking opportunities while at the same time providing opportunities to volunteer through the local meetings

and leadership roles. However, ASCLS is so much more than this when you also look at the resources available online, the legislative monitoring and lobbying activity managed by our executive office, and the true belief that we can make a difference in health care across the country.

We need your VOICE to help other laboratory professionals understand the value and importance of being involved in a professional organization. Your voice can help connect with those who need to see the VALUE and VISION that membership and active involvement in ASCLS can bring. Membership renewal time may have come to a close but that does not mean that our efforts have ended. Membership renewal and recruitment is a year-round activity for which we all can participate.

Education (VALUE):

FALL SYMPOSIUM



VOICE-VALUE-VISION

In October I had the great pleasure of attending the Region V meeting in Watertown, South Dakota. The hospitality of the planning committee led by Mona Glysteen was outstanding! This was a first-class meeting with first-class speakers, including: ASCLS President Mary Ann McLane, ASCLS Executive Director Elissa Pasiment, former ASCLS Presidents Rick Panning and Susan Morris, and former Region V Director Lezlee Koch - just to name a few. While this may have been the last of the Region V Tri-State meetings to be held, I am very pleased to announce a new Region V Symposium that will have its inaugural event in October 2010. The new Fall Symposium will meet every year in October and

will rotate between Rochester, Minnesota and Fargo, North Dakota. Planning duties for the meeting will be shared by all four states in Region V and will rotate each year. The first planning committee is already working on the Symposium for October 7 -8, 2010. The new symposium format will include an afternoon keynote speaker and evening exhibits for the first day and then a full day of educational opportunities on Friday. More information will be coming from the 2010 planning committee being chaired by Joyce White and Talora Zank from Wisconsin.

ASCLS National Updates (VISION):

The transition of the NCA merger with the ASCLS Board of Registry has officially begun with the new Board of Certification (BOC). There are many questions related to the new credentials and how recertification will work for NCA members. This transition is in its infancy and to avoid giving any misinformation, I advise everyone to be watching the communications that come out from the BOC as well as checking the ASCLS Web site at <http://www.ascp.org/FunctionalNavigation/certification.aspx> for updated communications and at http://www.ascls.org/FAQs%20BOR_NCA%20Unification.pdf for answers to frequently asked questions. ASCLS is very well represented with our members on the new board including Kathy Hansen, Susan Beck, Scott Aikey, and Susan Morris.

Please see my contact information below. I am always happy to connect with and hear from our members:

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National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week provides the profession with a unique opportunity to increase public understanding of and appreciation for clinical laboratory personnel.

In this 35th year, it is important to reflect on the important history of National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week (NMLPW). NMLPW originated in 1975, as NMLW, under the auspices of the American Society for Medical Technology, now called the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS). In subsequent years, other organizations have served as cosponsors and campaign supporters. In the fall of 2005, National Medical Laboratory Week was changed to National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week to emphasize the person whose expertise is needed in the performance of laboratory testing. Beginning in 2010 the organizers decided to "brand" the event by using the same theme each year, Laboratory Professionals Get Results.

NMLPW, which takes place the 4th week in April each year, is coordinated by a collaborative committee with representatives from 10 national clinical laboratory organizations, including ASCLS. Listed below are the 10 sponsoring organizations for this year's NMLPW event.

American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science
American Society for Clinical Pathology
AACC
AABB
American Medical Technologists
American Society of Cytopathology
Association of Public Health Laboratories
CLMA
College of American Pathologists
National Society for Histotechnology



Student's Corner



Happenings for Students *By Alex Shepard, ASCLS-ND Student Representative*

Hello to all ASCLS Student members! I hope your year is off to a great start! I wanted to let you in on two exciting opportunities that are available to you. The first is the ASCLS-ND Student Scholarship. This is available to any ASCLS-ND student member that is in his/her final year of school and is graduating in May 2010. All you have to do is write an essay, get a letter of recommendation from an instructor, and send in your transcripts for a chance at free money!

Another opportunity is to be the 2010-2011 ASCLS-ND Student Representative. There is some work involved in this position; however there are people that are more than willing to help show you the ropes. Some of the responsibilities of the Student Representative are representing ASCLS-ND at the national meeting which will be in Anaheim, CA in July this year,

promoting membership at the student level, and making sure information gets to students through e-mails, newsletters, and any other ways possible. Last year I didn't know if I should apply to be the next Student Representative. I didn't really know anything about ASCLS, what it did, and who I would be working with to help promote ASCLS, but I decided to give it a shot. I am so grateful for this experience. I have learned more about ASCLS and why it is important for our profession that we have a professional society to help promote us and all that we do in helping to provide quality patient care. And, I got to go to Chicago! I hope you submit an application.

In the next few weeks, the registration for the ASCLS-ND Spring Meeting should be coming out. The meeting is Monday, April 19th starting at noon through

April 21st at noon at the Holiday Inn in Fargo. There will be speakers, a social, lots of door prizes, and a student event during the evening. At the meeting, we will announce the winners of the Student Scholarship and who will be the next Student Representative. You won't want to miss it! You can find these applications on our website at www.asclsnd.org under the student information tab.

I hope you are able to take advantage of these great opportunities that are available to you and get involved with ASCLS. Every member counts. If you have any questions about either application, please feel free to contact me.

Alex Shepard
alex.shepardnd@gmail.com

Membership Development



Benefits of Joining a Professional Association *By Leola Olson, ASCLS-ND President-elect*

If you are reading this article, it is likely that you already aware of the benefits of ASCLS membership. If you are like me, sometimes it is difficult to articulate the benefits of membership in our professional society. I have been a member for so long, and have had so many opportunities to participate in ASCLS, that being a member is now just part of who I am.

Hopefully you are reaching out to colleagues who are not members and asking them to join ASCLS. Perhaps the following will help to communicate why we find membership in this professional society essential to being a laboratorian.

Voice – Vision – Value

Voice

Political clout. ASCLS tracks federal legislative and regulatory developments that could have an impact on your laboratory and your job. ASCLS, thanks to our executive director Elissa Passiment, our lobbyist Don Lavanty, and an outstanding Government Affairs Committee ASCLS has a political presence that far exceeds that of the individual member.

Opportunity to develop leadership skills. You have the opportunity to develop your own voice and to have a role in shaping your destiny by participating in ASCLS-ND. Contact a member of the ASCLS-ND executive board if you have an interest in participating in society leadership.

Vision

Information gathering. ASCLS has an excellent website, national and state newsletters, and e-mail alerts that bring the most current information about laboratory current events to you so that you can be on the cutting edge.

The bigger picture. ASCLS membership can lead to an increased awareness of laboratory issues and support for collective actions among laboratorians. Membership provides opportunities to exchange ideas and collaborate on issues regarding laboratory medicine.

Political action. ASCLS began and sponsors the Annual Legislative Symposium, now in partnership with AMT, CLMA and ASCP that educates members about legislative and regulatory issues and then assists members in meeting with Senators, Congress members, and their healthcare legislative assistants to explain the importance of the laboratory to patient care, and to present the laboratorian point of view for political issues.

Value

Endless networking opportunities. ASCLS is the only laboratory professional organization that has a North Dakota chapter and annual spring meetings in North Dakota. Region V also has annual meetings in the fall, currently alternating meetings between Fargo and Rochester, MN.

Students and young professionals: Prospective employers seek out individuals whose field of knowledge is not solely dependent on college studies. Membership conveys to an employer that you are dedicated to your field of study.

Educational opportunities. ASCLS provides continuing education online and at the state, regional and national meetings.

Stewardship of resources. On the state, regional, and national levels ASCLS works hard to do the most with the money that you send as dues and to keep costs of membership low. ASCLS has had a “virtual office” for a decade, eliminating many administrative costs. Members of the ASCLS-ND executive board seriously try to decrease the costs, last year the delegation to the national meeting car-pooled to the Twin Cities to fly from the Minneapolis airport and reduce airline costs.

This is a list of membership benefits that has been important to me. What benefits have been important to you? What strategies have been successful in reaching to invite your colleagues to join ASCLS? As current membership chair for ASCLS-ND I would love to hear from you. You can email me at leoladlo@yahoo.com

Fall Board Meeting Minutes December 5th, 2009

Members present: Mary Nagel, Nikki Dillman, Terri Hintz, Alex Shepard, Dawn Michelson, Elaine Ramstad, Alice Hawley – Also present, Mary Coleman

Members Absent: Toscha Larson, Leola Olson, Shannon Jongeward

1. Approval of minutes from last meeting – Alex motion, Nikki second
2. Auto-conferencing – clarification – 5cents / minute / phone line
3. Membership –
 - A. National and State
 - National is doing a survey for why members are non-renewing
 - Possibility of State relooking in the new year at the why? of non-renewal – spreadsheet, etc but not being too “pesty”
 - B. Bismarck
 - October student/tech rally well attended – Rasmussen / BSC / some techs
 - Got student emails and will use them when sending scholarship info, etc
 - Consolidate emails into state listing
 - C. Minot
 - CLS program started – 6 students
 - D. Grand Forks
 - Mary Coleman and Alex will discuss a session for the students at UND MLS club
 - Possibility of doing something at Altru
 - Motion made to reimburse the Student Rep for mileage for approved sessions by Dawn, Terri second
4. ASCLS National Nominations – One person nominated for each position, can nominate others by January 15 – get info to Mary Coleman
5. Strategic Plan – Availability of ASCLS-ND sessions on-line for future meetings
 - Info from the Watertown Region V will be passed along to Alice for the ASCLS-ND meeting in Fargo
 - Logistical issues with requiring payment for session, awarding credits for on-line sessions, etc
 - Was mentioned that AABB allows you to rehear the sessions that you had already attended, and then \$100.00 to hear all sessions
 - Might a \$10.00 fee for any session work better – will look at what is possible and discuss for the upcoming ASCLS-ND meeting
 - Mary will get info from the Region V meeting committee
6. State Nominations – Member of the Year form discussed, Approved by Terri, second by Alex
7. Leadership / Mentor Program – 4 individuals have expressed interest to Dawn in the mentor program
They will be going through the mentorship program on-line
Possible mentorship for Wendy Bulman to help with the exhibits at Region V- Rochester
8. Secretary / Treasurer
Still waiting for the check to come in from ASCLS-ND Grand Forks meeting – looking to do the audit soon
9. Website / Newsletter – no new news
10. By-laws – no changes
11. Student scholarships – discussion about the expectations of continued membership for the Student rep and scholarship awardees – decided to add the “will be expected” to maintain membership for one year post award to the forms – Terri made motion for the change, seconded by Alice
Alex and Nikki will continue to update forms and send them out for approval when available
12. State Meeting – April 19-21, 2010 – Fargo
All going well – waiting on negotiations with keynote – info going out soon
13. State Meeting – Minot 2011
There are individuals who are willing to chair but not be members – need to find out why that is the case and try to resolve – Mary will contact the interested parties to see what the issues might be – also looking to other Minot members that might mentor
14. Region V – Rochester – Tammy Renner – helping with program; Wendy Bulman – helping with exhibits, Mary will be touching base with them to see how things are going and ensure mentorship
15. Legislative Days – 1st year professional, Nikki, has a conflict therefore, looking at having Alex, student rep go, and then have Nikki go next year, Leola Olson will also be eligible to go as the President Elect – Mar 15-16, 2010
16. Other business – motion was made to send a sympathy card to Williston lab supervisor – an ASCLS-ND member - because of the unfortunate accidental death of his daughter at Thanksgiving time in a car accident (also an MLS working in Colorado
There is a National ASCLS list serve / prayer group that deals with such issues. Please contact either Mary Nagel, ND President or Mary Ann McLane, ASLCS National President



Leadership Academy is open to any ASCLS member and is a great opportunity to develop leaders in our state. If you are interested in a possible appointment to this academy please contact Mary Nagel or Leola Olson for more information on support from ASCLS-ND. ASCLS-ND sponsored Shannon Jongeward in 2009 for this great opportunity. Here is a synopsis of what is involved in the Academy.

Purpose:

The ASCLS Leadership Academy is designed to prepare ASCLS members for current and future leadership roles in the organization by providing a structured program of study of critical leadership topics.

Goals:

1. Identify members with potential to become leaders in ASCLS and invest in their growth and development.
2. Provide these high-potential leaders with skills required to step into leadership positions within ASCLS.
3. Energize and grow ASCLS through strong leadership at all levels of the organization.
4. Increase the future leaders' knowledge of ASCLS.

Benefits to the Participant:

1. Develop skills that can be transferred to the work setting and life in general.
2. Provide opportunities to learn from and dialogue with ASCLS leaders.
3. Provide opportunities to be mentored by ASCLS leaders.
4. Acquire the confidence and self-esteem to step into leadership roles.

Benefits to ASCLS:

1. Strong leaders make strong organizations.
2. Shape the future of the organization and the profession at large.
3. Increase passion for ASCLS locally, regionally, and nationally.
4. Develop and grow members who can work on important identified initiatives for ASCLS.
5. A successful program will be an attractive member benefit and increase membership in ASCLS.

Upcoming Events

Legislative Symposium

March 15-16, 2010

Washington, D.C.

ASCLS-ND Spring Meeting

April 19-21, 2010

Holiday Inn, Fargo

NMLPW

April 18-24, 2010

ASCLS Annual Meeting

July 27-31, 2010

Anaheim, CA

Publication Submission Deadline

The publication submission deadline for articles for the next issue of *The Connection* is Monday May 17, 2010. Submit any articles to:

Shannon Jongeward

shannon@gra.midco.net



2010 ASCLS-ND Meeting "Celebrating Unsung Heroes"



April 19-21, 2010

Fargo Holiday Inn

Contact Dawn Michelson or Sue Hollister for more information

Preliminary topics include:

Rick Panning-Legislative Advocacy
Kathy Hansen-New Board of Registry Update
Linda Gylland MT(ASCP) and Guest-Overcoming MRSA
Ann Steiner-BB Gel Testing
Dr. Richard Vetter-Hyponatremia
Joan Cook, RN-H1N1
Susan Hollister MT(ASCP)-Mixing Studies
Dr Jody Thompson-HSV PCR
Sandra Matthey MS, MT(ASCP)-Lean Lab Initiatives
Epocal Speaker-Point of Care
Dr. Steven Briggs-Massive Transfusion
Drew Wrigley-US States Attorney (ND)-HIPAA
Stephanie Borchardt-Fargo VA-Infectious Disease Outbreaks/Utilization of the Laboratory
Shannon Jongeward-ASCLS Leadership Academy
Linda Gylland MT(ASCP)-What Does It Mean To Be Safety Officer
Dr. Byron Danielson-Vitamin D
Deb Rodahl-ASCLS Professional Visibility
Siemens and Beckman Coulter-Hematology Speakers
Becton Dickinson Speaker-BD GeneOhm Cdiff PCR Assay
Abbott Laboratories Speaker-Hepatitis
Student Registry Review Sessions
Scientific Assembly Sessions

Social Activities:

Student Bowling Night
ASCLS-ND Past-President Reception
Scavenger Hunt with the Vendors
Lots of Door Prizes!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

ASCLS-ND Nominations 2010-2011

The following ASCLS-ND positions are up for election for 2010-2011!

President-elect: 1 year term. Examples of responsibilities include:

- * Becomes familiar with presidential duties to transition into the position the following year.
- * Assists the President as needed and serves as CEO in absence of the President.
- * Develops knowledge of past and present Society activities.
- * Chairs ASCLS-ND membership development committee, and serves as liaison to LEND advisory board.
- * Co-chairs ASCLS-ND delegation at the annual meeting of the ASCLS House of Delegates.
- * Prepares budget for the following year.
- * Attends the Region V council meeting, business meetings, and ASCLS annual meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer: 2 year term. Examples of responsibilities include:

- * Serves as Secretary at all meetings of the Board of Directors and all ASCLS-ND business meetings.
- * Records and permanently files minutes for all meetings.
- * Maintains a current list of active ASCLS-ND members.
- * Receives scholarship applications from CLS/CLT students by February 1 and submits the applications to the Education Committee Chair.
- * Maintains and opens checking and savings accounts for ASCLS-ND as necessary.
- * Assures receipt and expenditure of ASCLS-ND funds according to ASCLS-ND policies.
- * Prepares and presents Treasurer's Report to annual business meeting and at fiscal year end.
- * Assists the President-Elect in budget preparation for the following year.

Nominations Committee Chair: 1 year term. Examples of responsibilities include:

- * Serves as a member of the ASCLS-ND Board of Directors
- * Solicits nominations for each available elective position by January 31, via the newsletter or direct mailing to the membership.
- * Prepares absentee ballots and distributes to the membership two weeks before the ASCLS annual meeting.
- * Prepares a display of the candidates' photographs and biographical information to be exhibited in the registration area prior to the business meeting,
- * Conducts the election at the ASCLS-ND annual meeting.

Delegate: 1 year term. Examples of responsibilities include:

- * Becomes familiar with issues presented to the House of Delegates.
- * Attends all meetings of the House of Delegates and other meetings as requested by the chair of the ND delegation.
- * Submits an article for publication in the fall issue of the ASCLS-ND newsletter.

Board Member at Large: 2 year term. Examples of responsibilities include:

- * Serves as member of ASCLS-ND Board of Directors.
- * Serves as committee chair and other leadership roles as requested by the President.

Nominate a deserving member or feel free to nominate yourself if you would like an opportunity to become more involved in ASCLS-ND! Nominations will be accepted until March 15, 2010. Please include the name, email address, work phone number, and place of employment of the nominee. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at tolarson@altru.org or 701-780-1650.

Submit nominations preferably by email to:

tolarson@altru.org

or by regular mail to:

Toscha Larson

Microbiology Lab - Altru Health System

1200 S. Columbia Rd.

Grand Forks, ND 58206

ASCLS - ND Member Of The Year Update

NEW FOR 2010

The Member of the Year Award will be selected from nominations submitted by ASCLS-ND members! Please refer to the following ASCLS-ND MEMBER OF THE YEAR form and nominate a deserving member for this distinguished award! Nominations will be accepted until March 15, 2010. Feel free to contact Alice Hawley, ASCLS-ND Awards Chairperson, with any questions or concerns at Alice.hawley@meritcare.com or 701-282-2617.

Submit nominations by email to:

Alice.hawley@meritcare.com

or regular mail to:

Alice Hawley

814 8th Street East

West Fargo, ND 58078

PURPOSE

The ASCLS-ND Member of the Year Award is awarded each year to recognize a member of the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science-North Dakota who has contributed significantly to the field of clinical laboratory science, to the Society, and who has, by outstanding example, inspired others during their time as an active member in the organization.

NOMINATION

Nominations for ASCLS-ND Member of the Year are accepted from any active member of the organization. Members who have made significant contributions during the past year and members who have a long history of contribution should be considered for nomination. Nominations should be submitted to the ASCLS-ND Awards Chairperson.

SELECTION

The recipient of this award is selected by the Awards Chair and at least two members of the Board for his/her contribution to the profession and ASCLS over the entire duration of their membership.

All nominees are evaluated by their involvement in 4 categories:

1. ASCLS activities to include length of membership and participation at local, state, regional and national levels.
2. Participation in honor organizations related to the clinical laboratory sciences.
3. Professional honors bestowed for ASCLS activities.
4. Contribution to the profession to promote clinical laboratory sciences in the community.

Member of the Year Nomination Form is on the Following Page

**ASCLS – ND MEMBER OF THE YEAR
NOMINATION FORM**

To be completed by any member of ASCLS-ND

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Membership in ASCLS for **five years** prior to nomination. Membership must be current at the time of presentation.
2. Nominee must be actively involved in the profession of clinical laboratory science.

NOMINEE INFORMATION

(name of nominee)

(street address) (city) (state) (zip)

(business phone, include area code) (home phone, include area code)

(E-mail address)

Please describe in the space below or attach an explanation of why the candidate merits the award.

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

(Name of person nominating)

(street address) (city) (state) (zip)

(business phone, include area code) (home phone, include area code)

(E-mail address)

MEMBERSHIP VERIFICATION by Awards Chair _____

Current ASCLS-ND Member List

<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>City</u>
Anderson	Jessie	PF2	Georgetown	Hawley	Alice	PF1	West Fargo	Olson	Debby	PF1	Grand Forks
Anderson	Liane	PF2	Minot	Helmer	Joshua	STU	Fargo	Olson	Leola	PF1	Bismarck
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