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President's Message

Carol D. Berger, CHP

President, AAHP

First and foremost, my heartiest congratulations to the newly elected officers of the AAHP. I am looking forward to working with President-elect Jerry Martin, Secretary-elect John Frazier, and Director-elect Dan Strom. I am confident that each of these individuals will serve the membership of the AAHP well, and that they will maintain the momentum we have seen over the past few years as AAHP functions and goals have become solidified. (Jerry Martin has already volunteered to assist wherever he can, in advance of when he officially assumes office. I, of course, have taken him up on his kind offer.)

The second item I want to share with you concerns the AAHP membership survey that appeared in the June edition of the *CHP News*. The response from you to date has been wonderful. In an upcoming edition of the "CHP Corner" I will summarize your input and tell you what actions the Executive Committee will take in response. However, we are always interested in your opinions; if you haven't returned your survey form yet or have other comments or questions, please let us hear from you.

The third and most important item for this month is the topic of ethics that you have been hearing so much about. One of the functions of the AAHP is the enforcement of the professional standards within the CHP community. The Professional Standards and Ethics Committee has examined the AAHP's Standards for Professional Responsibility (the AAHP code of ethics) and our procedures for dealing with issues of ethical practice. Soon you will be asked to vote on a modification to the By-Laws that addresses this area. Because this topic is so important, the AAHP Executive Committee is providing multiple opportunities for your opinion to be heard. I hope that you have taken some time to consider the following related issues and have shared your perspective with the Executive Committee:

If you have not already done so, please complete and return the survey form. If you have questions or need additional information regarding the AAHP and professional ethics issues, just give John Kelly, Bob Casey, or any member of the Professional Standards and Ethics Committee a call.

Last, but not least, it was a pleasure seeing many of you at the meeting in Boston. A lot was accomplished by the Executive Committee, and the list of "things to do" got a bit longer. I'll be telling you all about it in a future edition of the "CHP Corner."

William R. (Bob) Casey 1995 William B. McAdams Award Recipient

Congratulations to Bob Casey, 1995 recipient of the William B. McAdams Outstanding Service Award. The McAdams Award is made annually by the ABHP and the AAHP to honor a Certified Health Physicist who has made a significant contribution toward the advancement of professionalism in health physics and to the certification process. The citation and acceptance for Bob's award will be published in the December 1995 issue of the *CHP News*.

Results of the 1995 ABHP Certification Exam

Results of the 1995 ABHP Certification Exam will be mailed the end of November or early December 1995. For the protection of applicants' privacy and to ensure correct information is provided, no telephone inquiries will be taken regarding results. ■