

# North Central Chapter of AAPM (1973-2015)

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Formation of the North Central Chapter was first considered in 1970. Proposed constitution, by-laws, and geographical boundary was discussed during the 1973 RSNA at the Blackstone Hotel. The first meeting was held April 5, 1974 in Madison, WI and was a joint meeting with the North Central Health Physics Society. John Cameron served as the Temporary Chairman and Acting Secretary.



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November 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM

To: Wisconsin AAPM Members

From: William G. Connor

Subject: Establishment of a Wisconsin Area Chapter of the AAPM

On November 11, 1970, several members of the AAPM (M. G. Connor, J. R. Cameron, C. A. Kelley, J. M. Heverli, H. Hansen and K. P. Doppie) held an informal meeting to discuss the desirability and feasibility of establishing a Wisconsin Regional Chapter of the AAPM. It was decided that this might be desirable and the following members of the AAPM are therefore being contacted to solicit their views. This is the purpose of this memorandum and I would appreciate receiving your comments as soon as possible.

The next step in the procedure will be to form an Ad-Hoc Organization Committee to contact the AAPM National Organization Committee and draft a constitution for our Regional Chapter. These efforts will proceed and interested members wishing to join this memorandum will be contacted about further developments. The list of AAPM members (see below) being contacted in this primary inquiry may not be complete and I would appreciate help in making sure all interested members are notified. Please tell your associates of this endeavor if their name does not appear in this list and I will include their names in the next mailing if they respond.

Thank you for your cooperation and I'll look forward to hearing from you.

AAPM Members in Wisconsin:

1. W. G. Connor	10. P. F. July
2. J. R. Cameron	11. B. M. Kervy
3. C. A. Kelley	12. M. S. Tsanig
4. J. M. Heverli	13. C. R. Wilson
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July 9, 1973

MEMORANDUM

TO: Medical Physicists in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas

FROM: John R. Cameron

A group of us have decided there is merit in having an AAPM Chapter in this area. We suggest that we call it the North Central Chapter. (It covers the same states as the North Central Chapter of the IAEA). If you are interested in joining this proposed chapter, please return the enclosed application blank. We would expect the idea to be approved by the AAPM and then we will have a half or full day meeting one or twice a year—perhaps in conjunction with the NC-HP Society or the Midwest AAPM Chapter meeting.

If we get at least 10 full members we will draft a set of by-laws based on those of other AAPM chapters and circulate them for comments. This memo is being sent to those individuals in the attached list.

If you have other interested applicants please invite them to join. You do not have to be an AAPM member to be on the chapter.

Your comments and suggestions would be welcome. If you are willing to be active as an officer or on the Board of the new chapter, please check the appropriate space.

December 4, 1973

Minutes of Proposed North Central Chapter of the AAPM (NC-AAPM)

An organizational meeting was held at the Blackstone Hotel on 28 November 1973 commencing at 1:00 P.M. with John Cameron serving as temporary Chairman. The following individuals were present: E. J. Boge, V. R. Aris, D. P. Palietos, S. G. Lane, V. C. Moore, A. G. Orvis, R. R. Paliwal, J. T. Payne, J. M. Hansen and C. A. Wilson. Ray T. Jester was also present for a short while during the meeting. John Cameron asked how the members wished to have the meeting run; they agreed to have him chair the meeting.

There was a discussion of the proposed constitution and by-laws of the NC-AAPM. Al Orvis proposed that the nominating committee should be required to submit two names for each position. This was agreed upon unanimously.

There was a brief discussion of the geographical bounds of the NC-AAPM. It was pointed out that there are not strict rules on this matter and any AAPM member can join any chapter he wishes. It was generally felt that those should be added to the list of states covered by the NC-AAPM since we have received membership applications from two medical physicists in Iowa and it is not clear that these are my other members in that state.

John Cameron reported that our application to be a chapter of the AAPM had been submitted several weeks earlier to the AAPM National Chapter Committee. The committee had not yet made a decision but there seemed little doubt that we would have our problems solved.

Cameron pointed out that 35 individuals had applied for membership and of these 25 are full or junior members of the AAPM.

Cameron suggested that an appropriate time and place for the first meeting of the new chapter would be Madison, Wisconsin on the morning of April 5, 1974. The NC Chapter of the Health Physics Society will be meeting in Madison that afternoon and we could thus have an NC-AAPM Scientific meeting in the program and an NC-HP Scientific meeting in the afternoon. The details of the program and business meeting were left to an ad hoc committee which will also serve as the nominating committee. This committee is: Al Orvis, Vaughn Moore and John Cameron. This committee is to make nominations for the various offices and to arrange the election by mail ballot before April 5, 1974.

There was a brief discussion of dues but since no money is needed at this time it was decided to postpone this matter until April 5.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted  
 John R. Cameron  
 Acting Secretary

OBITUARY

THE SPRING MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICISTS IN MEDICINE

APRIL 29, 1974 SATURDAY

at the  
 CHESAPEAKE  
 MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN  
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
 MADISON, WISCONSIN

PROGRAM:

10:00 a.m. Registration (at 9:30 breakfast break)

10:30 a.m. 1974 Year of Effort in Research

10:50 a.m. Lecture: Risk Assessment in Medicine and Biology - Harold Bartsch - Medical College of Wisconsin

11:15 a.m. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance in Medicine and Biology - Paul Neumaier - University of Wisconsin

12:00 noon Lunch (included in registration fee) and Business Meeting

1:15 p.m. Symposium: Key Reports Management in Wisconsin - Lawrence Kowalok - Wisconsin Division of Radiological Physics

1:45 p.m. Analysis of Neutron Data - John Cameron and John Menden - University of Wisconsin

2:15 p.m. Ultrasonic NDT Theory - Richard Seeger - University of Wisconsin

2:45 p.m. Medical Physics in France - Jean-Claude Trucquet - Institute Gustave Roussy

3:15 p.m. An appreciation for a brief term of the Department of Radiation Therapy of the Medical College of Wisconsin will be made available.

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4:15 p.m. The measure this meeting will be made available during the discussion period following each speaker's formal presentation.

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cocktails and Dinner

Reservations will be made at a superb local restaurant for those wishing to celebrate their day with an evening of good fellowship and delightful dining. Reservations, 2000 Chuck Wilson (414/257-5229) by **FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 1974**.

10:30 a.m. Ladies Program

Carol Wilson has graciously volunteered to be the hostess of an informal ladies luncheon. Reservations should be made over coffee at 10:00 at the Wilson's a day of shopping, sight seeing, after dinner whatever will take place finishing with a return to the Wilson's at 3:45 for the Social Hour.

DEFERENCES:

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July 13, 1978

Dear John:

Thank you for accepting the nomination of the NC-AAPM Executive Board to serve on the Local Arrangements Committee for the 1978 AAPM meeting. The committee that I chaired for the NC-HP Society and that will involve considerable work on individual efforts from both of which will be recognized by the general membership of the national body. It will, however, be very rewarding for all of us to see a project of this magnitude carried to successful completion in the North Central region. This will in turn reflect on the quality and activity of medical physics practice in our area which I feel is of concern to us all.

As most of you are aware, Ed McCullough has agreed to act as chairman of the local arrangement committee. The names of other individuals in our area I wish this letter. Individuals whose names and composition of the local arrangements committee for the 1978 National AAPM Meeting in San Francisco, Oregon and attempt to contact your chairmen or both and additional insight into the problems and the steps involved in the work for which you will be responsible. A good starting point for your thoughts along this line will be the minutes for the meeting of the central committee prepared for the National AAPM office in 1975. With the minutes that have come to us via the National AAPM office from the Cincinnati local arrangement committee headed by Jim Aris in 1977.

Thank you once again for your help. You are the individuals who will make the 1978 meeting a success. Do wish however to emphasize that this project is an opportunity to strengthen the NC-AAPM organization. If we have the effort of include as many of our members as possible in the work ahead, I encourage each of you to consider formation of a small committee to assist you when the time is appropriate.

Sincerely yours,  
 Gary D. Fullerton  
 President  
 NC-AAPM

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History of The NCCAAPM Chapter Website

- 2000-2005: E. Russell Ritenour started an html edition of NCCAAPM chapter webpage and was the first editor.
- June, 2005-2014: Sugata Tripathi volunteered as the website editor. Vendor participation, Meeting Information and agenda available/archived since 2005. AAPM hosted the chapter website at <http://www.aapm.org/nccaapm>
- August 2005: Website moved to [chapter.aapm.org/nccaapm](http://chapter.aapm.org/nccaapm)
- 2014: Mike Kowalok took over as the website editor
- August 2014: On-line meeting registration Introduced! PayPal added to the website meeting announcements for easy sign up and meeting dues.

Year Elected	Pres-elect	President	Secretary/ Treasurer	Board Rep	Year Elected	Pres-elect	President	Secretary/ Treasurer	Board Rep
1973	Temporary Chairperson - Cameron				1994	ER Ritenour	D Bourland	T Murphy	B Thomadsen
1974	RG Lane	RJ Boge	JR Cameron		1995	D Bennett	ER Ritenour	T Murphy	B Thomadsen
1975	V Moore	RG Lane	D Tolbert	E McCullough	1996	J Feimlee	D Bennett	T Murphy	B Thomadsen
1976	C Wilson	V Moore	D Tolbert	E McCullough	1997	B Schueler	J Feimlee	R Kitchen	B Gerbi
1977	G Fullerton	C Wilson	J Zagzebski	E McCullough	1998	R Wery	B Schueler	R Kitchen	B Gerbi
1978	E McCullough	G Fullerton	J Zagzebski	C Wilson	1999	J Wochos	R Wery	R Kitchen	B Gerbi
1979	B Paliwal	E McCullough	M Liss	C Wilson	2000	B Thomadsen	J Wochos	D Marvel	R Geise
1980	T Payne	B Paliwal	M Liss	C Wilson	2001	J Limmer	B Thomadsen	D Marvel	R Geise
1981	M Liss	T Payne	B Thomadsen	C Wilson	2002	D Loshek	J Limmer	D Marvel	R Geise
1982	J Allen	M Liss	L Rutz	C Wilson	2003	R Kruger	D Loshek	J Rownd	ER Ritenour
1983	J Anderson	J Allen	R Geise	B Paliwal	2004	E Hendee	R Kruger	J Rownd	ER Ritenour
1984	R Kline	J Anderson	S Reed	B Paliwal	2005	W Tang	E Hendee	J Rownd	J Limmer
1985	J Wochos	R Kline	S Reed	B Paliwal	2006	M Towsley	W Tang	P Alaei	J Limmer
1986	S Goetsch	J Wochos	S Reed	A Niroomand-Rad	2007	J Rownd	M Towsley	P Alaei	J Limmer
1987	M Fox	S Goetsch	D Simpkin	A Niroomand-Rad	2008	Y Watanabe	J Rownd	R Dahl	E Hendee
1988	S Reed	M Fox	D Simpkin	A Niroomand-Rad	2009	C Thomason	Y Watanabe	R Dahl	E Hendee
1989	D Porter	S Reed	D Simpkin	S Goetsch	2010	R Dahl	C Thomason	J Smilowitz	E Hendee
1990	L DeWerd	D Porter	M Towsley	S Goetsch	2011	P Alaei	R Dahl	J Smilowitz	D Bennett
1991	B Gerbi	L DeWerd	M Towsley	B Thomadsen	2012	G Chen	P Alaei	W Geisler	D Bennett
1992	M Garrity	B Gerbi	J Feimlee	B Thomadsen	2013	M Kowalok	G Chen	W Geisler	D Bennett
1993	D Bourland	M Garrity	J Feimlee	B Thomadsen	2014	S Tripathi	M Kowalok	W Culberson	T Murphy
1994	ER Ritenour	D Bourland	T Murphy	B Thomadsen	2015	C Abing	S Tripathi	W Culberson	T Murphy

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