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Bringing out a bulletin of our APNSA was on the cards for some time and the first issue is published. The bulletin will be a quarterly to start with and could be more frequent if desired and finds your support. The members could use the bulletin as a channel of communication, apart from the deliberations during the annual conferences. This forms a platform for publication of ones experience or report of cases of clinical interest. The contributions to the bulletin could be in the form of original articles, letters to the editor, case reports or any specific studies. Members may send interesting items as a quiz, or use the bulletin to present questionnaire to conduct a study or an opinion poll. This could as well be the beginning of a Journal if it finds the necessary encouragement and support.

An Idea to publish an electronic version of the bulletin was proposed earlier, but not many members have sent their e mail ids for the process to be initiated. It is still possible to do it as it reduces the cost of making the bulletin and circulation and can be more innovative. An apnsa yahoo groups was formed and a few of our members have responded to join the group. I request all the members to send their e mail ids to me at <bhasurao@yahoo.com> so that I can send them an invitation to join the group. For those who are not familiar with yahoo groups, it is a convenient way of reaching a large number of people with common goals. Once you are a member, any mail sent to apnsa@yahoogroups will reach you along with all the members who join the group. It becomes a good platform for communication and opinion formation. Let us make another attempt to make the apnsa yahoo groups our channel of communication. Another advantage of starting a yahoo groups is once our bulletin goes electronic, we can publish color pictures and be more innovative and interactive. It becomes less expensive. I once again request all the readers to send their e mail ids to me.

Yours

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A QUIZ:

A female 30 year old presented with severe pain and stiffness in the left para spinal lower back region of three years duration, first noticed on bending forward and straitening the back at washing clothes. X ray L Spine AP view is shown below (Answer on page 4 of this BULLETIN)



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dr A K Reddy, PRESIDENT, APNSA

I am happy you are bringing out the first issue of the bulletin of the APNSA. This I am sure will form a medium for exchange of views and the members would take full advantage of it. This can also be a forum for opinion polls or studies to be conducted and deliberate on controversial issues. This should be of special use to those in training. I hope this humble beginning will pave way for a journal of APNSA. Best wishes

Yours,

DR A K Reddy

Dr P. S REDDY, SECRETARY APNSA.

The APNSA is coming forward with quarterly news letter from Jan-2008. I express my sincere thanks to Prof.B.Subbarao, senior Neuro Surgeon who has taken the responsibility of printing & publishing this News letter in spite of his busy schedule. I am sure this News letter will go a long way in bringing all of us together once in four months. I am sure all the members will utilize this, to publish scientific proceedings, Advertisements or any association activities. Wishing the editor, the best in this venture. LONG LIVE APNSA

Yours sincerely

Dr.PS Reddy

Dr. S. BALAPARAMESWARA RAO.

APNSA is in the 14th year of its existence. 13 annual conferences have been conducted so far. It has grown in stature under the Leadership of Drs. Dibbala Rao, S V Ranga Rao and Srinivasulu Reddy.

I am happy to learn that a BULLETIN is slated for publication in January 2008. It was long overdue. I congratulate Drs. Srinivasulu Reddy and B. Subba Rao for their initiative to bring out the BULLETIN. This will give an opportunity for our members and stimulate them to publish their academic work in our BULLETIN. Today it is publish or perish. I wish success to Dr. B. Subba Rao who has taken up the onerous task of editorship of the BULLETIN.

Thanks & BestWishes

Balaparameswara Rao



Your opinion:

Are the plain X rays dispensable totally?: send replies to < bhasurao@yahoo.com >

The plain x rays are being given up and most consultants are ordering scans straight away. How frequently one faced a situation " I wish I had a plain X ray". The readers are requested to send me instances where it was felt essential and that such plain study ordered after the scans had significantly influenced the line of management.

A BIOGRAPHY OF APNSA

Dr B. Subba Rao, editor

1978, The NSI meet at Trivandrum: It was in 1978, when a proposal to form a state chapter came up at the annual conference of the Neurological Society of India. At the general body meeting at Kovalam Beach, Dr Subba Rao, the present Editor sought the opinion of the NSI and proposed forming state chapters. Dr Banerjee.A.K of Delhi said the idea is left to the members in each area and the society cannot or need not accept or reject the proposal. While the states like AP and Madras have sufficient members to form a state unit, there are many who hardly have enough to form a unit, he said.

1985, Neuro Science club, Guntur: Dr Subba Rao again made an attempt. A Neuro Sciences Club, Guntur was formed in 1980. It was regularly holding its meetings at Guntur with Prof. A. Shanakar Rao, Professor of Psychiatry, as its president and Dr Subba Rao, Prof of Neuro Surgery functioning as its secretary. They invited all the Neurologists and Neurosurgeons of the Andhra Pradesh to Guntur on 21st April, 1985 and held a scientific meeting. Dr B Dayananda Rao, Professor of Neuro Surgery inaugurated the one day meet and spoke on Knowledge and Immortality. Five Neurologists, 11 Neurosurgeons, six Psychiatrists, 25 Physicians, 6 Pediatricians, five Ophthalmologists and about 30 others participated in this meet. Dr.V. Bala Subrahmanyam of Chennai spoke on role of surgery in Stroke and Dr. K.V.R.Sastry from Bangalore spoke on the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance and 13 free papers were presented in that meeting.

The proposal to start APNS: it was at this meet at Guntur a resolution was signed proposing the formation of A P Neurosciences Society. (APNS). And Dr Subba Rao requested that some one should hold a meet of this nature in the coming year to continue the society. Alas! That did not happen for quite some time.

1993, The NSI conference, Chennai,: The NSI conference at Chennai in 1993 saw another attempt. Drs Dibbala Rao of Visakhapatnam and Dr Madhusudhana Reddy of Chennai got together all the delegates from Andhra Pradesh who attended the NSI meet at Chennai and the proposal of forming an A P State unit was renewed and Dr Dibbala Rao rightly took it upon himself to invite all to Visakhapatnam the following summer to take another step in that direction.

1994, The first APNS meet. Visakhapatnam: On the 18th and 19th of June, 1994, Visakhapatnam became the destination of many for a scientific meet organized with Dr. K.V Chalapathi Rao as president and Drs B Dibbala Rao and K Venkateswarlu as organizing secretary and treasurer. A number of papers were presented and a meeting was held exclusively to discuss the formation of the state unit at the Chittivalasa jute mill guest house, Bhamilapatnam. The members unanimously decided to start the AP State Unit.

Birth of APNSA: After a long period of uncertainty, and repeated attempts and a delay of almost 16 years from the concept, the birth of APNSA occurred at a sea side resort, Bhimilapatnam, Visakhapatnam on the 18th of June, 1994 with a fond hope and a sliver of doubt as to the future. It was christened "Andhra Pradesh Neuro Scientists Association"(APNSA). The organizing committee of the Visakhapatnam meet were chosen as the adhoc executive of the APNSA with Dr. K.V. Chalapathi Rao, as the President and Dr Subba Rao and Dr.Dibbala Rao as the Secretary and the Treasurer. Dr B Muralidhar invited all to Gandhi Medical College, Secunderabad for the year, 1995. Dr Subba Rao was entrusted the job of preparing a constitution for the society and present it at the general body meet at Secunderabad for its adoption.

(Note: The editor requests contributions that can be added to this column: The Biography of APNSA)

.....to be continued

ANSWER TO QUIZ: CT of the patient showed a non united fracture of left inferior facet with Facet arthropathy



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