

# LOS ANGELES SOCIETY OF PATHOLOGISTS, INC.

## NEWSLETTER

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### APRIL SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

**Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 6:30 pm**

5:30 – 6:30 pm pre-program reception

Moseley Salvatori Conference Center, 637 South Lucas Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90017

### **“Salivary Gland Pathology For Dummies”**

Presented by

**Lester D.R. Thompson, MD**

Southern California Permanente Medical Group,  
Woodland Hills, CA

#### Future Educational Programs

<b>May 12, 2009</b>	<b>Resident &amp; Fellow Case Presentations</b>
<b>June 9, 2009</b>	<b>Loma Linda Slide Seminar</b>
<b>July-August 2009</b>	<b>Summer Break</b>
<b>September 8, 2009</b>	<b>UCLA Grand Rounds Presentation</b>
<b>October 13, 2009</b>	<b>Jonathan Said, MD</b>
<b>November 10, 2009</b>	<b>USC Slide Seminar</b>
<b>December 8, 2009</b>	<b>Mark Wick, MD</b>
<b>January 16, 2010</b>	<b>Volkan Adsay, MD &amp; Bruce Wenig, MD</b>

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**Dear Readers,**

As always, we thank those of you who were able to attend our last academic program. The dynamic team from Cedars-Sinai delivered an outstanding collective performance. We invite you to return next month as we welcome our longtime friend and colleague, Dr. Lester Thompson.

As a reminder, the Resident Symposium will be held on May 12, 2009, following last year's format. The deadline for submissions is **March 31, 2009**, just around the corner. (For specific details regarding the format and instructions for submission, please visit our website at [www.LASOP.org](http://www.LASOP.org).) If selected, you will be contacted by the meeting's organizer by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top presentations. We challenge residents and fellows from all local training programs (UCLA, Cedars-Sinai, USC, Harbor-UCLA, Loma Linda, and UCI) to apply. This is one of our most popular programs, so we encourage all of you to attend and support our junior members.

In our last newsletter, we shared with you the departure in the near future of our Administrative Officer, Lynn Taylor. We are now pleased to announce the selection of a new Administrative Officer, Rossana Desrochers. Ms. Desrochers has been at Cedars-Sinai for over 7 years as a Management Assistant in the Department of Pathology and Lab Medicine. Originally from Lima, Peru, Rossana holds a B.S degree in Health Administration from California State University, Northridge, where she currently resides. She loves her job at Cedars-Sinai and is excited by the new challenge of joining the LASOP and following the tradition of outstanding administrators like Lynn Taylor and Georgia Froberg. Ms. Taylor has remained on staff for a limited time to ensure a smooth transition, for which we are grateful. We thank these individuals for all that they have done and continue to do. Join us next time as we introduce Rossana Desrochers to our members.

*- Board of Directors*

## *Meet the Speaker:*

### **Lester D. R. Thompson, MD**



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**Medical education:**  
Loma Linda University

**Internship:**  
Loma Linda University Medical  
Center: Orthopedic surgery

**Residency:**  
UCLA

**Board Certification:**  
AP/CP  
Cytopathology

**Past Work Experience:**  
1994-2003: Armed Forces Institute  
of Pathology

**Professional interests:**  
Head & Neck Pathology

**Publications:**  
Extensive authorship, including  
many articles, chapters in  
numerous books, AFIP fascicles  
and textbooks.

For more information, visit  
[www.lester-thompson.com](http://www.lester-thompson.com)

## Membership Information

The membership has voted the following applicant into the Society as Active Member:

University of California, Los Angeles  
10833 Le Conte Ave, 13-1456 CHS, Los Angeles, CA 90095  
310-825-3719

- **William Dean Wallace, MD**

For more information and an application for membership, please visit our website at:

<http://www.lasop.org/pgs/application.htm>

## Regional Educational Opportunities

### Grand Rounds Schedule

- **Cedars-Sinai**

**Friday, March 27 at 7:30 a.m.**

*Speaker:* Bruce R. Smoller, MD Chair, Department of Pathology, Professor of Pathology and Dermatology  
College of Medicine

University of Arkansas for Medical Science

*Topic:* "Mycosis fungoides and its mimics"

*Location:* Thaliens Auditorium

- **USC**

**Friday, March 27 at 8:00 a.m.**

*Speaker:* Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaran, MD  
Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner  
LAC Coroner's Office

Clinical Professor of Pathology, USC/UCLA

*Topic:* Medico-legal death investigation with appropriate scene investigation/consultation"

*Location:* Norris Topping Tower

- **UCLA**

<http://www.pathnet.medsch.ucla.edu/educ/grandRounds.asp>

- **Harbor-UCLA**

<http://www.harbor->

[ucla.org/pathology/ResidentConferences.php](http://ucla.org/pathology/ResidentConferences.php)

- **UC Irvine**

<http://www.healthaffairs.uci.edu/som/pathology/residencyProgram.html>

- **Loma Linda University**

<http://lomalindahealth.org/medical-center/our-services/pathology/for-health-care-professionals/residency/index.html>

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### Upcoming Seminars\*

- **June 7, 2009**

*Hematologic Disorders*  
**Lawrence M. Weiss, M.D.**

- **December 6, 2009**

*The Diagnosis of Bone Tumors  
Using and Image-Based Approach:  
A Way to Diminish Apprehension*  
**Michael J. Klein, M.D.**

- **June 6, 2010**

*Surgical Pathology of Important  
Clinical Endocrine Disorders*  
**Lester D.R. Thompson, M.D.**

\*Please visit [www.cttr.org](http://www.cttr.org) for more information.

## Announcements

### **Dear Friends,**

*I have just returned from the Annual ACGME Conference and would like to let you know the following regarding one of the LASOP's Emeritus Members - William H. Hartmann, M.D.*

*Dr. Hartmann was awarded the 2008 John C. Gienapp Award at the 2009 Annual ACGME Conference recently held in Grapevine, Texas - 3/5-3/8/09. This award is ACGME's first award to recognize those who have dedicated themselves to graduate medical education and have made outstanding contributions to the enhancement of residency education and ACGME accreditation activities.*

*Leading with knowledge, heart, and spirit, Dr. Hartmann is a beloved role model. He is a well-rounded physician. He is also a well rounded human being. By day, he loves fly fishing. By night, he sits in solitude - reflecting - and writing poetry.*

### **Georgia Froberg**

Past Administrative Assistant, LASOP

### **About Dr. Hartmann...**

Dr. Hartman has devoted his entire career to graduate medical education (and to the ACGME). From 1971 - 1973, he was the Professor of Pathology and Director of Surgical Pathology at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. From 1973 - 1987, he was Pathologist in Chief and Professor of Pathology and Chairman of the Department of Pathology at Vanderbilt. In 1988, he became Director of Pathology Service at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center in Long Beach, California. In 1993, he became Clinical Professor of Pathology at the University of South Florida and the Executive Vice President of the American Board of Pathology, a position he held until his retirement.

Dr. Hartman served on the RRC for Pathology for 12 years both as a member and its chair, he completed two six year terms (1980-1992). In 2001, he returned to the RRC as ex-officio representing the ABMS.

## Classifieds

### **Seeking Position**

Board certified in AP/CP. Experienced in hospital and outpatient settings. Hard working and productive. Seeking full-time position. Also available for part-time or locum tenens.

(Cell) 805-469-0386

## Coroner's Corner

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[http://coroner.co.la.ca.us/htm/Coroner\\_Home.htm](http://coroner.co.la.ca.us/htm/Coroner_Home.htm)

**Directions to the Moseley Salvatori Conference Center:  
(Adjacent to Good Samaritan Hospital)**

All scientific programs will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, with the exception of March 17, 2009 and July-August (as stated below):

The pre-program reception is held between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. The lecture will be held in the Main Auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m. Location of reception/program is the first floor of the Moseley Salvatori Conference Center, 637 South Lucas Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90017, 213-977-2555. Parking: \$3.00 per car.

**Parking & Directions**

Parking is provided in the Conference Center Parking Structure located directly across from the Center on Lucas Avenue. Parking is not valet but the lot is patrolled. Present your parking ticket to the LASOP receptionist in the lobby. If the ticket is not validated in this manner, the parking charge is \$6.00 as you leave the structure.

From the HARBOR FREEWAY (110) SOUTHBOUND: Take the "Downtown Exit/Wilshire Blvd." off ramp. Take Wilshire Blvd. Turn right onto Wilshire. Proceed West to Lucas Avenue. Turn Right. Parking Structure will be on the right.

From the HARBOR FREEWAY (110) NORTHBOUND: Take the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Exit. Turn Left at Beaudry Avenue. Turn Right at 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn Left on Lucas. Parking Structure will be on the left. OR

Take the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Exit. Turn Right on Flower Street. Turn Right on Wilshire Blvd. Turn Right on Lucas. Parking Structure will be on the right.

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