

COUNTDOWN TO BOSTON

9 DAYS



"L" is for Legacy Luncheon

Note: I apologize for the unannounced weekend hiatus. Too much going on with my "day job". I'm told there is a meeting coming up, involving details, deadlines, etc.. Who knew?



In his profile of one of this year's two Brumback Lifetime Achievement Award recipients, Sid Gospe, published in the Fall *CNS Connections* to be posted on Wednesday, Jim Bale noted that Sid vividly recalls that as a child growing up in the Bay Area he attended one of the 1962 World Series games matching a San Francisco Giants team that included four future Hall of Fame players – William Mays, Willie McCovey, Juan Marichal and Orlando Cepeda – against a New York Yankees team that included three – Mickey Mantle, Yogi Berra and Whitey Ford. My guess is, that despite retirement, downsizing, and moving from Seattle to North Carolina in the last two years, Sid still has the ticket from that game. I mention that only to point what may be obvious to many, but overlooked by most: a ticket is a mere artifact, a visual and tactile reminder of an experience which, when held in memory, is still *alive*, still expressing itself, still being shared with, related to, passed on to others as a story....as a legacy.



The ticket itself is not itself the true legacy: the life, the blood and pulse and sensations aroused and satisfied *in* that moment and the life lived forward *from* that moment forward as experience to be valued, reflected on, and re-valued with new and evolving meaning and significance, *that* is the legacy. Similarly, the infamous napkin saved from that 1971 meeting at the Holiday Inn in LaCrosse, listing Ken Swaiman and the "LaCrosse 8" along with a small handful of others who might support the founding of a new association of child neurologists, is not a legacy itself; it is an inert object that points in the direction of the fuller, truer, living legacy of lives lived in such a way such that one of them has the Legacy Luncheon named after him. Even more to the point, he trained a resident decades ago, Steve Ashwal, who put together a 2nd edition of the Founders book this year that will be signed by subjects and authors of those profiles after the luncheon. That is what legacy is, and does.

A second "napkin signer" and member of the "LaCrosse 8", Ray Chun, played a powerful shaping role in the life of this year's Gold Humanism Awardee, Mary Zupanc. And still another founder, David Clark, not listed on the napkin, but a decisive voice at the first business meeting in Ann Arbor urging those gathered to formally establish the CNS, recruited Robert Baumann, the other 2021 Lifetime Achievement Awardee, to come to the University of Kentucky, where he remained his entire career. Similarly, Mike Painter was influential in shaping the career of this year's Training Director awardee, Miya Asato, shown below introducing the 2019 awardee, Bruce Shapiro, who mentored her and so many others, and through her, so many more.

Drs. Ashwal, Zupanc, Baumann and Asato are legatees, a part themselves of a legacy: the leaping flame passed from person to person, generation to generation. They are the planted seeds or replanted saplings watered from common sources that each grew into essentially similar, but splendidly different varieties of full-grown trees, each of them seeding several more in kind.





I will not be around in 25 years to celebrate the next milestone meeting of the CNS, recognizing the names of those officers and awardees who subsequently received and passed on the legacy we celebrate this year. Nor will many of you. But I'm guessing you might agree with me that in scanning the room in Boston next week, looking at the youthful faces of those 50 and younger, we can identify many who are likely to be celebrated in the future in no small part because they felt it important for them to take the time to honor and uphold the meaning and value of legacy simply by being there.



Phillip L. Pearl MD, President

There will be numerous presentations during the Legacy Luncheon, but simply being in the room, filled with our founders in body and spirit, will be the professional thrill of a lifetime. If you are able to travel to Boston, you will not want to miss this event.

Below you will find the agenda for the luncheon. If you have yet not purchased your ticket, I would urge you do so: tickets may not still be available on-site the day of the luncheon. If you are among those past officers and awardees being honored who did not sign up for the luncheon using the comp code sent to you via *eConnections* July 23, I would urge you recover that email and click the link to return to registration to modify your Registration:

<https://www.badgeguys.com/reg/2021/cns/register.aspx>

KENNETH F. SWAIMAN CNS LEGACY LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Welcome and Introduction

Phillip L. Pearl, MD

President, Child Neurology Society

Recognition of Past CNS Presidents

Recognition of Past CNS Secretary-treasurers and Councillors

Presentation of 2021 Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award

- Mary L. Zupanc, MD, FAAN, FAAP

Recognition of Past Gold Humanism Award Recipients

Presentation of 2021 Roger & Mary Brumback Lifetime Achievement Awards

- Robert J. Baumann, MD, FAAN,
- Sidney M. Gospe, Jr, MD, PhD

Recognition of Past Roger & Mary Brumback Lifetime Achievement Award Recipients

Recognition of Past Bernard Sachs Award Lecturers

Recognition of Past Hower Award Lecturers

Presentation of 2021 CNS/PECN Training Director Award

- Miya Asato, MD

Recognition of Past CNS/PECN Training Director Award Recipients

Recognition of Past Phillip R. Dodge Young Investigator Award Recipients

Recognition of Past Outstanding Junior Member Award Recipients

Presentation of 2021 Outstanding Junior Member Awards

- Rhandi Christensen, MD, PhD
- Darius Ebrahimi-Fakhari, MD, PhD
- Laura Gilbert, DO, MBA
- Hannah Wellman, MD

Presentation of Outstanding Junior Member Award (Post Graduate)

- Eric M. Chin, MD
- Thiviya Selvanathan, MD FRCP

Presentation of M. Richard Koenigsberger Scholarship Award

- Jennifer Keene, MD, MS, MBA

Presentation of Bhuwan Garg High School Student Neuroscience Award

- Meagan Ryan, Ossining, NY

Until tomorrow (the letters "KJ and, perhaps, H")
Roger

Roger Larson, CAE
Executive Director

On-line Registration is Open!

Registration is now open for the long awaited 50th Golden Anniversary Meeting of the Child Neurology Society in Boston. Registrants attending this milestone meeting live and in-person in Boston will want to register early (some sessions are limited and reservation-only). You will also want to book hotel rooms ASAP. A link and access code to the Sheraton Boston Hotel will be included in your registration confirmation email.

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2021 CNS 50th Annual Meeting

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