

# The Delaware Valley Chapter of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (DVC-AAPM)

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### AAPM CHARTER MEMBERS

JAMES N. BIERLY

ROBERT O. GORSON

JOHN HALE

LEONARD STANTON

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#### **AAPM AWARD WINNERS**

#### **COOLIDGE AWARD**

Nagalingam Suntharalingam – 1992 **Leonard Stanton – 1996** Bengt E. Bjarngard – 1998

#### **ACHIEVEMENT IN MEDICAL**

#### PHYSICS AWARD

Robert O. Gorson - 1997 **John Hale - 1998** James M. Galvin - 2008

# **FARRINGTON DANIELS**

#### **AWARD**

**M. Saiful Huq – 1992 Harold Perera - 1994** 

#### NATIONAL HOST

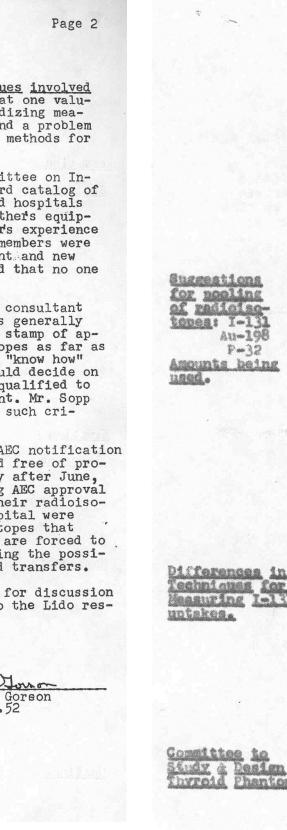
The Delaware Valley Chapter played host to the Annual AAPM meeting in Philadelphia in 1972, 1996, and 2010

Of note, the 1972 meeting was the first one to have an exhibit hall 20 vendors displayed their goods

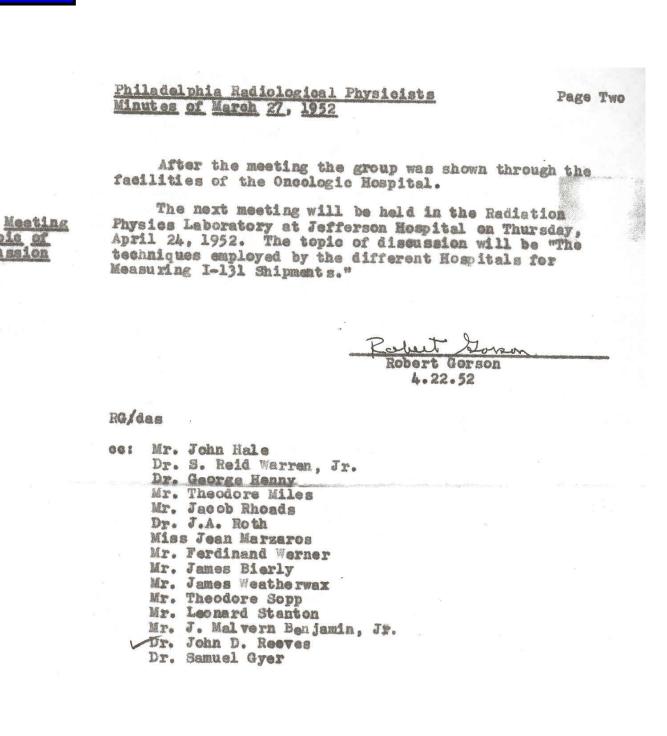
### THE BEGINNING (PRE – AAPM)

	PHILADELPHIA RADIOLOGICAL PHYSICISTS
	Organization Meeting
	Minutes of February 28, 1952
Formation of Society	In response to a memorandum from Dr. S. Reid Warren, Jr., the following persons met in Dr. Warren's office at 5:30 P. M. to discuss the organizing of radiological physicists in the Fhiladelphia area for working together on problems of mutual interest:
	Mr. John Hale ) Mr. Robert Gorson ) University Hospital
	Dr. S. Reid Warren, Jr.) Mr. Ferdinand Werner ) Univ. of Pennsylvania
	Mr. James Bierly ) Jefferson and Fennsyl- vania Hospitals
	Dr. George Henny ) Temple Hospital
	Mr. James Weatherwax ) Oncologic Hospital Mr. Theodore Miles ) Oncologic Hospital
	Mr. Theodore Sopp ) Phila. General, Hahne- mann, and Jewish Hos- pitals
Election of Chairman & Secretary	Mr. John Hale submitted an Agenda for discussion. The first item that was agreed upon was that it would be desirable to form a society of radiological physics in Philadelphia. Mr. Bierly was elected Chairman and Mr. Gorson was elected Secretary.
<u>Membership</u>	The group agreed that the following people should be invited to join the society:
	Mr. Leonard Stanton, Philadelphia General Hospital Mr. J. Malvern Benjamin, Jr., University Hospital Mr. Jacob Rhoads, Physics & Dermatology Depts., UofP Dr. J. A. Roth, Hahnemann Hospital
	Miss Jean Maszaros, Temple University Hospital
	It was felt that we should limit membership to those who are practicing or working in radiological physics, but that physicians and others interested could be invited to attend at any time. We will consider physicists in industry at a later date.
	Mr. Hale extended an invitation to all to attend the X-ray and Radioisotope Therapy Conferences in the Radio-logy Department at the University Hospital on Fridays at 4:00 P.M.
<u>Meetings</u>	We agreed to hold future meetings at 6:30 P.M. on the last Thursday of the month and rotate the meeting place from one institution to the next. It was decided to hold the next meeting at the Oncologic Hospital. The top-

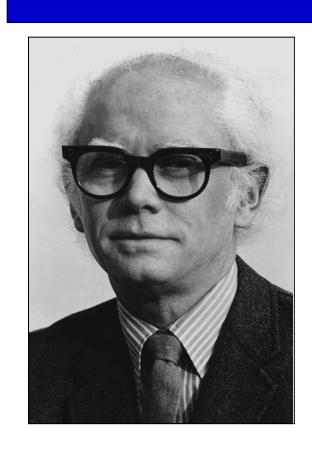
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<u>Future</u> <u>Discussions</u>	ic of discussion will be the <u>Physical Techniques</u> in <u>Radioiodine Uptake Studies</u> . It was felt that able function of the society would be standardissuring techniques in Philadelphia hospitals and for discussion in the near future is the best me assaying radioisotope shipments.	one valu- zing mea- a problem	
Committee on Instrumentation	strumentation, and he will maintain a file card radiation instruments owned by the represented hand institutions so that we may borrow each other ment when in a jam and benefit from each other's with different manufacturers' equipment. All men asked to send Mr. Hale a list of their equipment.	Mr. Hale was appointed to a one-man Committee on In- umentation, and he will maintain a file card catalog of iation instruments owned by the represented hospitals institutions so that we may borrow each others equip- t when in a jam and benefit from each others experience h different manufacturers' equipment. All members were ed to send Mr. Hale a list of their equipment and new truments as they are acquired. It was noted that no one ed an alpha survey instrument.	
Committee to Draft Criteria for Beginners in Radioisotope Field	The problems associated with acting as a coin radiological physics were discussed. It was a agreed that one must be careful in giving his st proval to beginners in the field of radioisotope health and radiological physics knowledge and "hare concerned. It was felt that the group should some criteria for judging when a beginner is que handle radioactive isotopes from this viewpoint, was nominated to a one-man committee to draft su teria.	generally samp of ap- es as far as know how" decide on alified to Mr. Sopp	
AEC Approval on Inter-Hos- pital Isotope Exchanges	Mr. Bierly brought to our attention the AEC that radioisotopes would no longer be provided fouction charge for cancer research and therapy a 1952. We discussed the advantages of obtaining A permitting local hospitals to share and pool their tope shipments. Representatives from each hospitals asked to determine the quantities of radioisotop they are currently using and the amounts they are waste. Mr. Bierly is to write the AEC concerning bility of inter-hospital isotope exchanges and the	ree of pro- fter June, EC approval r radioiso- al were es that e forced to the possi-	
Service de la companya de la company	Other items on the agenda were postponed fountil the next meeting. The group adjourned to taurant at 6:45 P.M.	r discussion he Lido res-	
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The meeting was held at the Oncologic Mospital, with Mr. Weatherwax and Mr. Miles as our hosts. In addition. the following persons were present: Mr. James Bierly Mr. J. Malvern Benjamin, Jr. about the possibility of obtaining permission for Philadel-



### OUR NATIONAL LEADERS



JOHN HALE **AAPM PRESIDENT** 1962



LEONARD STANTON **AAPM SECRETARY** 1965 - 1971



Dr. George Henny Mr. James Weatherwax Mr. Theodore Miles Mr. Theodore Sopp Mr. Jacob Rhoads Mr. Leonard Stanton

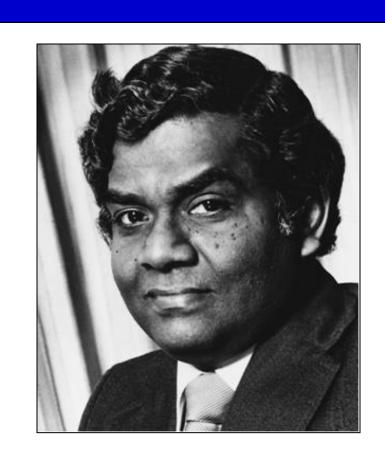
Dr.J. A. Roth Mr. J. Malvern Benjamin, Jr.

**ROBERT O. GORSON AAPM PRESIDENT** 1969

1976 - 1978

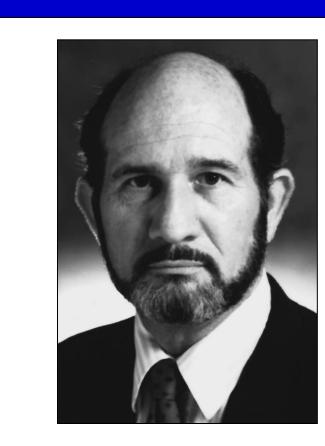


JAMES M. GALVIN **D. JOHN WRIGHT AAPM SECRETARY AAPM SECRETARY** 1997 - 1999



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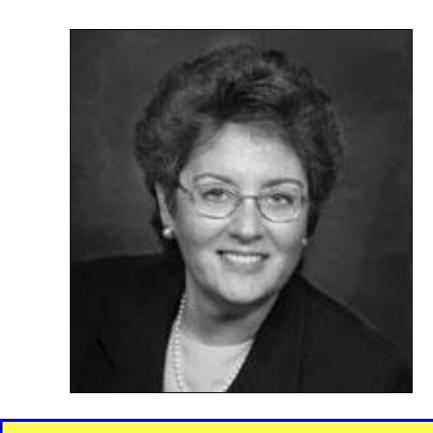
**NAGALINGAM** SUNTHARALINGAM **AAPM PRESIDENT 1983** 



**ALFRED SMITH AAPM PRESIDENT** 1990



**BENJAMIN M. GALKIN AAPM TREASURER** 1968 - 1973



**MARY MOORE AAPM TREASURER** 2008 - 2009

# RECENT DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER ANNUAL SYMPOSIA

2016 – The Expanding Role of Informatics in Medical Physics

2015 - The Future of MP: Technological Innovations and Professional Updates

2014 - New Practice standards, New Responsibilities, and New Technologies for MP

2013 – Innovations and Challenges in State of the Art Radiation Therapy

2012 – Innovations and Practice Standards in Medical Physics

2011 – Imaging and 3D Dosimetric Verifications for Cancer Treatment

# DVC PRESIDENTS

**Peter Bloch Indra Das Jerry Edelstein David George Robert Gorson Brian Hasson** Timothy Zhu Yan Chen

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