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Happy February!

Can you believe we already have the first month of 2012 behind our belt?!? Based on the temperate climates in most parts of our area, who knew it was even winter out there?? Before you know it, spring will be around the corner. The NCBA Board has been working diligently on a variety of things that this may be our busiest year yet! I am so proud

to say that we have our first stand-alone class, Medrad Contrast Injectors presented by Maull Biomedical, almost full! Remember, this class will be held in March at the Aramark location in Charlotte. You can register online at www.ncbiomedassoc.com/events.cfm and the deadline to register is February 8!

We have also finalized a stand-alone CBET review class to be held May 1-4 on the campus of Duke University. Please look for more details on that class in this newsletter. The main reason we are offering this class in May is because AAMI will be proctoring the CBET test (along with other certifications) when they have their show in Charlotte on June 5. You can go to www.aami.org/certification to get more information on the exam. The deadline to register for the June test is April 28, 2012 so you will want to plan ahead! John Noblitt, MA Ed, CBET will be instructing the 4 day



CBET review course and he had a 88.7% passing rate for the last CBET review he conducted. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in getting their CBET as this detailed course will be offered just a few weeks before the test. Adding "CBET" behind your name will help position you for the next level in your career!

As I believe I mentioned in a prior newsletter, we plan to offer one stand-alone class each quarter and it looks like the first two quarter classes are ready to go. We are currently trying to coordinate an ECRI Incident Investigation 1-day course, but we are still fine tuning the details. We would love to get feedback from our members to find out what classes you all would like to see. We do exist to support and educate our membership. Please email the Education Committee with any ideas at education@ncbiomedassoc.com

Have you noticed that your inbox is getting more love from the NCBA than usual? We have been sending out a lot of emails lately and we hope that you do not find that bothersome. We are working on increasing our awareness and trying to stay in front of our membership. The NCBA is designed to be a resource and that is why we are communicating more frequently. It can be easy to forget about what you can find on our webpage, like the job openings. As always, you can remove yourself from the distribution list by clicking unsubscribe...but keep in mind that unsubscribing yourself will eliminate you from ALL future mailings including the newsletter. Be sure to keep checking our website, www.ncbiomedassoc.com, for any updates and new information in between newsletters.

As always, feel free to email me at pres@ncbiomedassoc.com if you have any questions, comments, and concerns.

Alison Lauer – NCBA President

Your 2012 NCBA Leadership

Alison Lauer - President

Tony Bisese - Vice-President

Helen Jones - Recording Secretary

Steven Comas - Membership Secretary

Paul Mundy - Treasurer

Chad Granade - ExOfficio

Alex Fox

Boyd Campbell

Dan Harrison

Clint McCoy

Codi Nelson

John Noblitt

John Shore

Non-Board Positions

Patrick Lynch - Newsletter Editor

Jeremy Collins - Webmaster

David Wilson—Golf Coordinator

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Medrad Injector Training Seminar

What: Mark V+ and Stellant
When: March 13th and 14th
Time: 8:30am – 5:00pm
Where: Aramark Technical Resource Center, Charlotte NC
10510 Twin Lakes Parkway
Charlotte, North Carolina 28269
Cost: NCBA Members \$2500.00 for the 2-day class,
Non-members \$2650.00 (Normal fee
\$3,300.00)

Lunch: will be provided each day

Class size is limited to 6 participants.

Instructor: Stephen Maull

Accommodations :

Comfort Suites Northlake (NC319)
7315 Smith Corners Blvd , Charlotte, NC, US, 28269

- Phone: (704) 598-0478

Through Maull Biomedical Training, you (or your service engineer) will be trained on the proper Operational Checkout Procedures, PMs and Calibration/Calibration Verification procedures so you no longer need to have your pumps under an expensive service contract. For the price of one OEM annual service contract, you can get a service engineer trained on how to maintain your contrast injectors.

Maull Biomedical Training was started in 2008 by Steve Maull in an effort to provide the biomedical service industry training that did not exist but was in demand.

Steve Maull started his biomedical equipment training career in the US Air Force in 1991. He served as a BMET overseas at RAF Upper Rissington and in Tampa Bay, FL at MacDill AFB. In 1997, he was stationed at Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls, Texas to serve as a BMET Instructor at what is now the DoD BMET School where he taught and developed biomedical service training curriculum for 4 years. After leaving the Air Force in 2001, he became an instructor for a radiology training company in Solon, OH teaching X-ray, Clinical Lab, Networking, PACS and DICOM.

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Get trained in Charlotte in March 2012 by Maull Biomedical

North Carolina Biomedical Association Board of Directors Meeting

Novant NLC, Kannapolis, NC, Jan 13, 2012

MINUTES

Call to order 10:30 a.m. Jan. 13, 2012

Present:

Alison Lauer	John Shore	Boyd Campbell	Helen Jones
Chad Granade	Codi Nelson	Clint McCoy	Paul Mundy
Steven Comas	Tony Bisese	Greg Johnson (via phone)	
Dan Harrison (via phone)			

Guest: Ronnie McBride, Pat Lynch, Jeremy Collins

Absent:

John Noblitt Alex Fox

Minutes from Dec. 9, 2011 were submitted for approval. There was a motion by John Shore, seconded by Chad Granade. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Alison Lauer

Net worth Total: \$98949.00

Alison paid for storage for the year. Payment for first semester of scholarships has been paid; next payment will be paid after grades for the present semester have been submitted.

Net Income \$ 20,897.87

Membership: Alison Lauer for Pat Lynch

Emails have gone out for membership status, i.e. "time to renew", or "you are a member through..."
Currently we have 887 active members, 391 memberships are due for renewal at end of Jan. 2012.

Education: Tony Bisese deferred until later

Scholarship: John no report

Chad has scholarship plaques and suggested that the scholarship committee go to the schools to give students the plaques. Work is progressing on gathering bio's on scholarship honorees. Glenn Scales has not responded to requests for bio info for the scholarship in his honor. Helen is to contact Richard Eliason for a bio on Kevin Scoggin for the featured shop process which will be established in Kevin's memory.

Membership requirements to be changed through a bylaw change can be sent out now in this upcoming newsletter and other newsletters from now until symposium.

Newsletter: Pat Lynch

Pat is getting much input to put into newsletter. Boards of Director Minutes are to be added after they have been approved either by subsequent board meetings or by email. Next one is due out within 30 days from today.

Old Business

Treasurer transition: Alison Lauer

Transition is in the works, Paul and Alison went to the bank before the meeting today, and cards have been signed and submitted.

Future Board of Directors Meetings Locations – Tentative (check website for current)

Feb. 10: Caldwell Community College???- John Noblitt has not responded

Mar. 9: Paul Mundy hosting at UNC, Chapel Hill, NC

Jun. 8: Conference call

Oct. 12: Helen Jones hosting at MedWest Harris, Sylva, NC

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Website: Jeremy Collins

Currently we are using both Wild Apricot and Reg-on-line for membership data base and registration needs. We do not want to incur the expense for both. Wild Apricot is not really able to meet our needs for both registration on line and maintaining a membership data base. Jeremy is building a membership base that will reside on the website so we can eliminate Wild Apricot and its expense and can rely on Regonline for the registration. Integrating PayPal into our website will incur a one-time cost, approx. \$140.00 for a license, first year we would be allowed to use their code and get updates, after that can renew for \$75.00. This keeps the liability with PayPal. John Shore moved we accept Jeremy's work and use the PayPal app for the code. Tony seconded, the motion passed. Jeremy showed us the new NCBA website that is still under construction. He demonstrated applying for and paying for a membership. This will eventually tie in to symposium and class registration. There will be different access for members based on their classification within the association. Under the board member access there will be tabs for each office that will have tools that that officer can use to update information on the website regarding their duties. The president would have access to the president and board tabs but not the tabs for other positions. Access will be flexible so that more than just the board seat would be able to use the tab. Board members will be granted access to various tabs as needed, i.e. the vice president will have access to the education tabs because that education planning is in the vice president's job description and education committee members would have access to the VP tab. Jeremy asked for any suggestions for improvements or enhancements to the website. The board thanked him for the great job he has done on this tremendous project.

Membership Secretary:

Alison said we need a volunteer. Pat Lynch gave a review of the membership duties. Stephen Comas offered his services. Alison appointed him to that position.

Shop of the Year: Dan Harrison

Discussion of criteria for nomination followed. The board had wanted a subjective process. NCBA website has directed people to submit a written nomination to bod5@ncbiomedassoc.com. Dan will create a submission form that will be sent out via an email blast. The shops that have been selected throughout the year will be the ones that are chosen from for the Shop of the Year designation probably at the symposium.

Pig Pickin' Greg Johnson

Greg had prepared a comparison of costs and options for the pig-pickin'. Hotel has pits out back but Greg was not sure if the hotel can do whole hog b-b-q. Greg will see if we can go to the hotel to sample b-b-q on Feb. 10 or Apr. 20 during our board meeting. Vendor hall reception on Wed. from 4:30-7:30 pm attendees will have two drink tickets that will be limited to use in the vendor hall. We will probably continue to have the Patio Party on Wednesday evening from 8-10 pm. We have a vendor (Absolute Imaging) that wants to sponsor the Patio Party.

Seminar Planning: Education Committee

Injector training in March:

Alison said that no one had registered but 48 people clicked on the link. Boyd had heard from someone who was interested in sending two people. Horizon and Aramark are interested in sending one person each.

CBET Review Class is tentatively scheduled for May 1-4, 2012. Dan has been arranging this with Tracy Hughes at Duke University Medical Center. They are working on a list of lodging options and arranging box lunches for the class. John Noblitt will teach the course. The cost will be \$300.00 for NCBA members; \$450.00 for non-members. We will pay John's hotel bill.

ECRI Incident Investigation Class:

Tentative for July. Discussion of possibly including Risk Management departments for attendees.

Discussion followed for an additional class to be determined after the symposium in September-possibly iPad communications.

Symposium: Tony Bisese

We have three firm commitments for educational opportunities at the symposium (Sonodepot, RSTI, and Philips).

Pat Lynch asked if hotel could make an effort to group our classrooms together. Boyd contacted Greg to have him ask for this.

Hotel rooms could be at a premium because of the drag races scheduled at the same time.

Attendee rates for the symposium: Discussion followed about having a flat rate for symposium attendees or maintaining our present structure. It was decided to keep our present structure.

Vendor: Codi Nelson

Ten vendors have signed up under pre-registration; several have requested the same booth. To guarantee that booth they must register and pay.

Discussion followed about how to boost attendance in the vendor area. Ronnie McBride asked if we wanted him to ask NHRA racers to come over to be in the vendor area on Thursday morning during vendor time.

Golf: Dan Harrison

He and David Wilson are playing phone tag, Dan is planning on being in Charlotte next week to meet with golf people at Hotel, will verify rates and reservations. He will be able to report in Feb.

Scholarships: John Shore

July 15 is deadline. He will be getting up with instructors next week.

Honorary Members:

Will keep this on the agenda as a reminder to be thinking about possible nominees.

NCBA Booth: Alison

Old one needs updating. She will get firm prices.

Newsletter deadline for submission Feb. 1 to get info to Pat Lynch. Newsletter out by Feb. 7.

Promotional items for NCBA: Alison

Magnets seem to be appreciated. Suggestions: mouse pads, coffee cups, iPhone covers, thumb drives.

Action items:

Save the date ongoing first magnets now emails

Stand-alone classes progressing

Website looking good for Feb. 29

Vendor early registration is open.

New board member appointment is complete.

CBET review: cap of 25 attendees; members \$ 300.00, non-member \$ 450.00

Scholarships: progressing

Professional of the year: progressing

AAMI booth needs to be updated before Alison takes it to AAMI, Chad Granade and Pat Lynch volunteered to be there also, they will work out a schedule of booth coverage

Board meeting locations: In progress

All symposium payments have been paid

By-Laws Alison email updating members on updates to bylaws

Scholarship plaques presented to recipients: Chad and Boyd

Next newsletter deadline Feb 1

Shop recognition Dan to create a form and verbiage for an email to blast out

Embassy Suites: Greg to arrange b-b-q and patio party

AAMI reduced group rate for the test???Alison

ECRI class: tentative July: Tony

Edu/Comm symposium class before April

Hotel code for early registration at Embassy Suites is BIO

NHRA racers at Vendor Hall Thursday of Symposium: Ronnie McBride

Minutes from general session NCBA Sept. 2011 have not been received from outgoing recording secretary John White. Board Members look at agenda from general session and fill in your best recollections. Get those notes to Helen.

Promo items: Alison

AAMI booth numbers

Plaques Chad will update old plaques, "Professional of the Year", "Past Presidents".

Motion to adjourn Paul moved, Tony seconded.

Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

AAMI 2012 Conference & Expo

Come to the premier conference for biomedical equipment technicians, clinical engineers, and other healthcare technology management professionals. Learn about new technologies and techniques to improve patient safety and productivity, get an update on Joint Commission requirements, and get a first-hand look at the latest medical devices.

For details, visit www.aami.org/ac.

AAMI2012
Conference & Expo
June 2–4, Charlotte, NC



Healthcare Technology Week 2012 to be held May 20-26

From AAMI (www.AAMI.org)

Healthcare Technology Management Week—a special week honoring clinical engineers, biomedical equipment technicians, and other healthcare technology professionals—has been scheduled for May 20–26, 2012. The annual celebration has become a unifying celebration across the field, with hospitals from coast-to-coast and beyond holding special events to recognize the important work of healthcare technology management professionals.

In 2011 during the special week, AAMI and its Technology Management Council (TMC) held a different event each day—from holding free webinars and distributing free resources, to announcing the winners of several awards.

Just a few of the complimentary resources distributed during the 2011 celebration include a roundtable discussion on alarm safety, which was the lead story in the Spring 2011 issue of *Horizons*; a white paper from the Wi-Fi Alliance that identifies issues to consider when developing and maintaining Wi-Fi networks in hospitals; and this brochure that outlines for the C-Suite the value you offer.

In the coming months AAMI will begin announcing plans for the 2012 celebration, and will distribute complimentary resources to help you participate to the fullest.

To the NCBA's Corporate Supporters and Exhibitors

Codi Nelson, Vendor Coordinator

The NCBA would like to invite you to attend 2012's 34th Annual Symposium. It will once again be at the Embassy Suites in Concord NC (near the Charlotte Motor Speedway). The dates are September 12 through 14. This is one week later than normal because of conflicts with the Democratic National Convention, which bumped us a week. General vendor registration will open on March 1st. This year we will have a slightly different vendor hall layout. The layout will be available on the NCBA website and updated as vendors register and secure their booth locations. **Payment must be accepted before booth location is finalized.** If you have any questions please contact this year's vendor coordinator at vendor2@ncbiomedassoc.com.

CBET, CRES, CLES Exams to be held only in Charlotte on June 5, 2012

The AAMI Annual Meeting is in Charlotte in 2012. The day after the annual meeting, Charlotte will be the site of the only certification exams for CBET, CRES and CLES. These certifications establish your expertise in the fields of general biomed, radiology equipment repair and laboratory equipment repair. Please visit the AAMI website (www.AAMI.org) to learn more about certification. You can print a list of the body of knowledge to review the information areas on the exams. This is a great opportunity for NC and SC biomedes to further their professional credentials for a nominal cost.

SAVE THE DATE

CBET REVIEW SESSION

Date:	May 1-4, 2012
Location:	Duke University Medical Center – Durham, NC
Course Facilitator:	John Noblitt
Participant Limitation:	20 Attendees
Cost:	\$300 (NCBA Member Rate) \$450 (Non Member Rate)

Lunch will be provided during the session. Accommodations are still being finalized at this time. An email, with additional information, will be sent to the membership when finalized.

NCBA / Kevin Scoggin Biomedical Shop Recognition Program

Do you have, or know of a Biomedical Engineering shop worthy of special recognition? In honor of Kevin Scoggin, the North Carolina Biomedical Association (NCBA) is accepting nominations for the new Kevin Scoggin Biomedical Shop Recognition Program.

In each Newsletter, the NCBA Board of Directors will recognize one nominated shop in a feature article that demonstrates some of the special and or unique things that they are doing in an effort to demonstrate and promote the value of the Biomedical profession within their organization.

During the NCBA Symposium Business Luncheon, one shop will be identified as the Kevin Scoggin / NCBA Shop of the Year. As part of this recognition, the NCBA will sponsor a luncheon for the selected shop and feature them in the newsletter following the Symposium.

If you know of a shop deserving of this special recognition named to honor the memory of one of our Honorary Members, Kevin Scoggin, please submit an email about the shop de-



Guess who is going to be at the NCBA booth in September?

NCBA / Kevin Scoggin Biomedical Shop Recognition Program

Submission / Nomination Form

General Information

Name of NCBA Member Submitting Nomination:

Contact Telephone Number:

Email Address:

Shop Specific Information

Facility Name:

Department Name:

Biomedical Shop Manager:

Name of assigned staff (if known):

Nomination Specific Details

Please detail below why you believe this shop / manager are deserving of recognition?

Please submit all nominations to bod5@ncbiomedassoc.com

All submissions will be reviewed by the NCBA Board of Directors. The Board will vote on and select the winner from the submitted nominations at the NCBA Board of Directors Meeting.



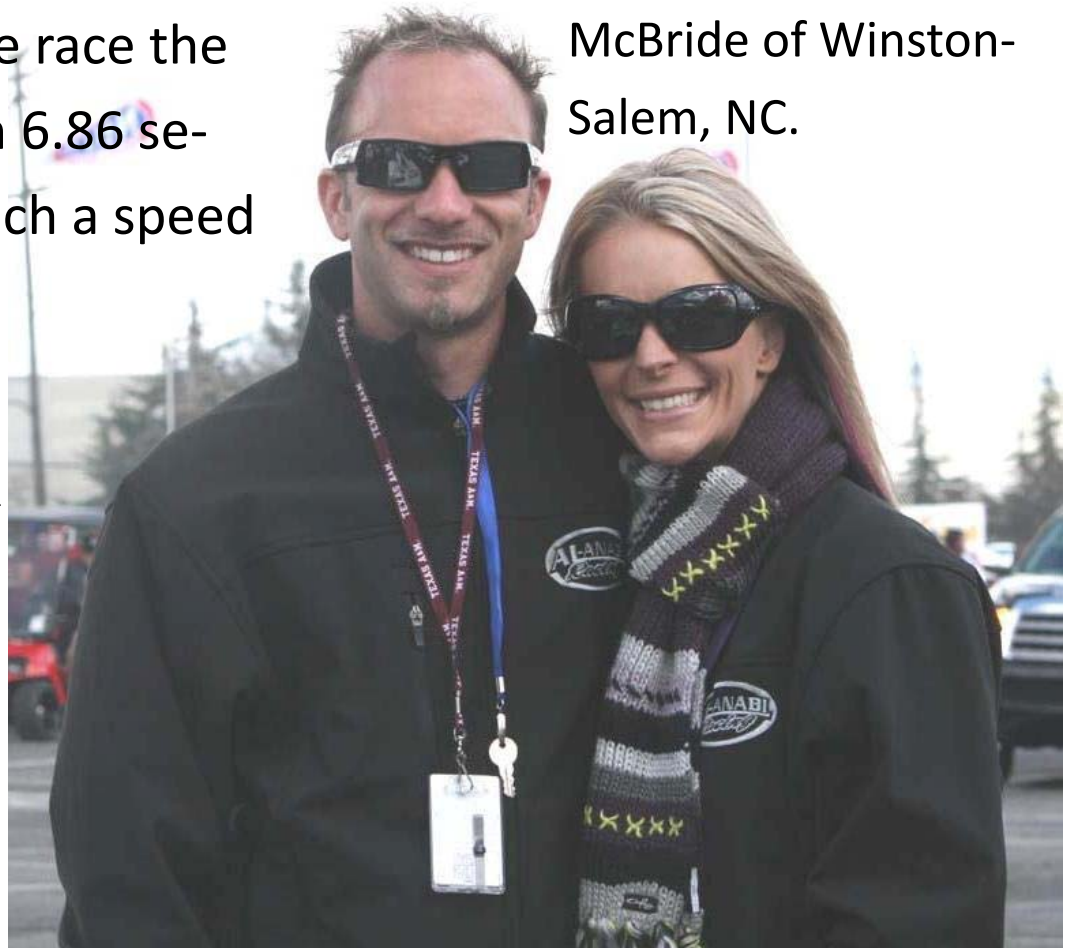


Yessir, the NCBA has arranged for a motorcycle drag racing couple to be in the NCBA booth. Angie (McBride) Smith and her husband Matt will be in the NCBA Booth **ALONG WITH THEIR BIKES** to meet fans and sign autographs. Come see these monster machines close up. To learn more about this daredevil duo and their monster machines, visit their website at www.mattsmithracing.com .

Angie is the daughter of the NCBA's own Ronnie McBride of Winston-Salem, NC.

Matt and Angie race the quarter mile in 6.86 seconds, and reach a speed of 195 mph.

Matt is the 2007 ProStock Motorcycle Champion.



2012 NCBA Board Meetings

Board meetings will generally be scheduled for the second Friday of each month at 10am to 3pm with the exception of April because of Spring Break times and August because of upcoming symposium. Most meetings will be in person as conference calls are not as productive. There is only one scheduled conference call meeting in June as a result of AAMI being the week prior. Please visit the website for up-to-date locations..

January 13 – Novant Logistics Center – Conference Rm D

February 10—Embassy Suites, Concord

March 9—UNC-Chapel Hill

April 20—???

May 11—WakeMed, Raleigh

June 8 – Conference Call

July 13—WakeMed, Raleigh

August 17—???

September 11-14 – 2012 Symposium – (Board Meeting after elections on Sept 14)

October 12—???

November 9-10 – Board Retreat – Location TBD

NCBA Members are invited to all Board Meetings. Prior notice is required.

Next Newsletter

The NCBA News is published 6 times per year. The next one is scheduled to be emailed on **April 9, 2012**. one month after the March Board Meeting. Please send to the editor any articles that you wish published or news to be included. The NCBA News wants to include educational and informative information, not just NCBA operational news, although that is of interest to our members, also.

Pat Lynch

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