#### **CHAPTER NEWS -- August 2013**

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## **Combined Chapter and Membership Subcommittee Luncheon**

We held the annual Chapter-Membership Subcommittee Luncheon at the 2013 SVU Annual Conference in San Francisco. The format was a brainstorming session where we asked the attendees to brainstorm on three areas which included:

- 1) What information is desired from a searchable list/chapter's list
- 2) Possible topics/ideas for hands on sessions at meetings
- 3) Frequently Asked Questions or Tips to be placed on website or in eSpectrum

There were over 30 people who attended the luncheon and brainstormed with us. We had over 100 ideas generated which will be organized and distributed to the appropriate committees within SVU.

We look forward to seeing you in 2014 in Orlando, Florida! Thanks for your contributions.

## **Join Our SVU Chapter Family**

The Society for Vascular Ultrasound continues to encourage and assist in the development of new local chapters in areas where a chapter is not available to technologists. It is becoming increasingly difficult for technologists to attend the Annual Conference and other large national meetings. Local Chapters enable Vascular Professionals to obtain needed CME's, augment their skills, learn new techniques and procedures, and offers them networking capabilities with other technologists, physicians and vendors.

#### **UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETINGS**

Send your meeting dates and details to me, <a href="mailto:anitaharrington@gmail.com">anitaharrington@gmail.com</a>, and I will include your meeting information in the monthly e-Spectrum online newsletter. Advertising your meetings in the e-Spectrum is free publicity to attract technologists / sonographers in your area who may become future members of your chapter.

#### Combined meeting:

Greater Boston Vascular Technologist (GBVT) and Northern New England Vascular Society (NNEVS)

**Event:** Fall Conference

Date: Saturday, September 14, 2013

**Time:** 8:00 am-5:00 pm, (registration at 7:00am)

Location: Jacob Hiatt Auditorium, UMass Medical Center, Worcester, MA

Contact: GBVT - Paula Walsh, <u>paulamwalsh@hotmail.com</u>.

NNEVS -Nicole Ball, n.ball@fmhospital.com

**CME's:** 7

# North Texas Vascular Technologists (NTVT)

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2013

**Time:** 8 am − 1 pm

**Location:** Medical City, Dallas, TX

CME: 4 CME Credits

**Contact:** Patrick DeMuth, patrickdemuth@yahoo.com **Website:** www.northtexasvasculartechnologists.com

# Philadelphia Regional Vascular Student Chapter (PRSVC) in-person and online

**Event:** Vascular and Physics Registry Review Course

**Date:** October 19, 2013 vascular October 20, 2013 physics

Location: Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA

Contact: Traci Fox. traci.fox@jefferson.edu

**Registration information:** jeffersonreview.eventbrite.com

Website: mail-in forms available at tracifox.com.

CME's: 7.5 Vascular (October 19<sup>th</sup>) 8.0 Physics (October 20<sup>th</sup>)

## South Carolina Society for Vascular Ultrasound (SCSVU)

**Event:** Fall meeting and Rita Shugart's course

**Date:** Saturday, October 12, 2013, (with special gathering Friday evening)

Friday, October 11, 2013 Rita Shugart's course.

"Strategies for a Profitable Vascular Lab: Coding, Billing and Reimbursement Update"

**Time:** Friday, 12:30 pm – 5:00 pm.

Saturday, TBD

Location: McLeod Regional Medical Center, Florence, SC

Accommodations: Hilton Garden Inn special rate

Contact: Dawn Stirrat, RVT; 843-777-7048. dstirrat@mcleodhealth.org

**Cost**: \$50.00

**CME's:** 4.5 Friday (Rita's course)

8.0 Saturday