

Utah Chapter Newsletter



Volume IV, Fall Issue

Calendar of Events

- Power Breakfast #1
(February 21 @ 0700, PCMC)
*ASCP Certification
Maintenance Program*
- CLMA National Meeting, March
18-21, Charlotte, NC

- ASCLS/CLMA Spring
Seminar, April 6-7, Ogden

- National Medical Laboratory
Professionals Week, April 23-29
- Summer Social, August, Colonial
House, Salt Lake
- Power Breakfast #2
(September 27 @ 0700, ARUP)
- CLMA Fall Meeting, November
2-3, Zion

Mission: The Utah Chapter of the Clinical Laboratory Association is a professional association dedicated to excellence in laboratory services; enhancing professional managerial and leadership skills; prompting efficient, productive and high quality operations; and to advocating on behalf of quality patient care and the membership.

Vision: The Utah Chapter of the Clinical Management Association will be the intermountain area leader and catalyst in achieving excellence in healthcare management and quality laboratory service as a positive force for a healthier America.

Message from our President

Hello to all Utah Chapter CLMA members!

A wonderful time was had once again at the 2005 Fall Meeting in Zion Park. We anticipate another excellent meeting this year, mark your calendars now for November 2 and 3, 2006. A summary of the meeting evaluation is on page 2.

Other educational opportunities this year are two power breakfasts. The first in February, which is a review of the ASCP Certification Maintenance Program and will be held at Primary Children's Hospital. Our second power breakfast (topic to be determined) will be in September at ARUP Laboratories.

Due to the great success of last year's joint ASCLS-CLMA Spring Seminar, we are going to do it again, April 6-7 in Ogden, Utah.

Back again by overwhelming popular demand is the CLMA Utah Chapter Summer Social to be held in August. This non-agenda meeting is a wonderful opportunity to network, meet new laboratorians, and touch base with those we have not seen for some time. This activity is open to anyone interested regardless of membership in ASCLS or CLMA.

Know who your board members are by reading page 2. We have several positions rotating this

year, start thinking of who you would like to nominate (even yourself!). The call for nominations will be in the spring edition of the newsletter with results announced at the Summer Social.

Visit the Utah Chapter CLMA web page at www.utahclma.org. Here you will find a wealth of chapter information such as membership lists, wonderful links to other web resources, past board meeting minutes, and newsletters.

Last but not least, Utah is a small but active chapter. Several of our surrounding states have members but lack a local or state chapter. The board has begun discussions with CLMA members in Nevada. We would like to collaborate and share in educational opportunities. Membership is always an issue for us, currently we have 57 active members. Please encourage interested colleagues to try the 60 day free membership.

I hope you will all agree that we have an exciting year ahead!

Sincerely,
Cecelia Wright, President
Utah Chapter CLMA

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2005-2006 Board of Directors

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Board of Directors Meetings Held Quarterly in the Lab Corp Conference Room at 5199 S. Green Street, Murray, Utah, from 1400–1600 on the following Fridays:

February 3, 2006

May 5, 2006

August 4, 2006

November 2, 2006 (held at the fall meeting)

Fall Meeting a Success

Once again the Utah CLMA fall meeting held in Zion National Park, November 3-4, 2005 was a huge success. Between the vendors and the presenters we were able to offer a wide variety of topics. Topics covered included: Human Error, Molecular Diagnostics, Hardiness, Customer Service, Anemia, and Quality Tools. Attendees rated the meeting as follows:

| | 1=Poor | 2 | 3=Good | 4 | 5=Excellent |
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| Quality of Food & Facilities | | 1 | | 6 | 8 |
| Amount of new/useful info | | | | 4 | 5 |
| Overall Quality of meeting | | | | 6 | 8 |
| | | | | Yes | No |
| I would recommend the Utah CLMA Fall Meeting to others | | | | 15 | |
| I am a CLMA member | | | | 7 | 8 |
| I am an ASCLS member | | | | 2 | |
| I am interested in becoming a CLMA member | | | | 2 | 1 |

Suggestions received for future topics:

- Time management
- Toyota Processing System
- Benchmarking considerations
- Generational training
- Tight glycemic controls
- Pickle man
- Higher level QA presentation
- Emotional abuse in the workplace
- New leadership models (philanthropic leadership)
- Aikido, awareness, and enhanced communication

Mark your calendars for next year's Fall meeting in Zion, November 2–3, 2006

Please send suggestions for topics and/or speakers to any board member. Also, please let us know if you would like to volunteer your help with the meeting.

Logo

Although our Utah CLMA logo is wonderful it needs to be updated to reflect the CLMA corporate identify standard.

The “new” CLMA logo is on page one, in the header, of this newsletter. The Board of Directors are pleased to present three logo options for you to chose from. Please e-mail, Cecelia Wright (wrightc@aruplab.com) with your favorite (1, 2, or 3). Votes will be tabulated at the end of February and announced in the next newsletter.

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From CLMA: The CLMA logo has been designed to communicate the organization's commitment to leadership, education, and being a driving force in ensuring the health of our profession. Our marketing platform is: *“CLMA provides leadership in the clinical laboratory industry supporting laboratory professionals at every stage of their career. We educate and advocate on behalf of our members and play a leadership role in enhancing the image and increasing the visibility of our profession.”*

We Want You!

Yes, that's right! We need volunteers to help organize the power breakfasts, spring and fall meetings, and to submit information and/or write articles for our chapter newsletter. Please contact any board member if you are interested in participating (contact information can be found on our web page: www.utahclma.org).