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Dear OSG Colleagues:

It is hard to imagine that the next Otosclerosis Study Group meeting is only a little over 12 weeks away. We have had a record number of individuals inquiring regarding membership in our society. They must have heard about the wonderful lectures on Drs. Julius Lempert and John Shea that were presented last year in Dallas.

This year Dr. Arriaga is in the process of putting together another excellent program for our meeting in San Diego. The focus of this year's meeting will be "State of The Art Management of Far Advanced Otosclerosis". Please mark your calendars and plan to attend on Saturday, September 17, 2016.

The meeting will be held at a fantastic Italian restaurant, BiCE Ristorante. It is located in San Diego's Gaslamp District, just three blocks away from the San Diego Convention Center. BiCE offers an award winning Italian dining experience with an expansive international wine list. It is the recipient of the Gold Medallion for "Best Italian Fine Dining" by the California Restaurant Association. Follow this link <http://bicesandiego.com/> to review the restaurant and their menus.

With the membership of the OSG growing at such a rapid rate, we have reserved half of the restaurant to accommodate our membership and the platinum exhibitors. With such a large number of people attending, **it is essential that dues and dinner charges be paid in advance of the meeting.** As last year, there will be an additional fee for on-site registration. We hope to minimize registration delays that may prevent members from attending the business meeting/scientific session.

The business meeting will begin promptly at 6:00 P.M., followed by the scientific session at 6:15 P.M. While we are meeting, the spouses will enjoy hors d'oeuvres and refreshments beginning at 6:15 pm. Following the scientific session, we will join them while the restaurant staff sets up for the dinner seating at 8:00.

Please remember that **membership dues must be current in order to attend the scientific session and social activities of the Otosclerosis Study Group.** This is in accordance with the bylaws of the organization. The dues for this year will remain \$50 per member. This does not include the cost of dinner, which is an additional \$60 per person. It is only through the generous support of our exhibitors that the Otosclerosis Study Group is able to subsidize the dinner costs. I am pleased to report that we have already filled the slots for our Platinum Level exhibitors.

We anticipate having a large turnout this year and need to have an accurate head count for the restaurant. Please complete and return the enclosed registration/dues form as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Teddie Bishop (tbishop@carolinaear.us) in my office.

I want to personally thank each of you for your continued support of the Otosclerosis Study Group.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. McElveen, Jr.".

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