

**September 15: Dinner Meeting in Lexington, Mass.**

**Does It Have to Hurt? Strategies to Avoid Discomfort for Intense Computer Users**

The New England Chapter opens the 2010-11 season with a dinner meeting at the Yangtze River restaurant in Lexington, Mass., on Wednesday, September 15. Join your colleagues for networking, a Chinese buffet, and an interactive seminar that may make your workdays more comfortable and, ultimately, more productive.

As writers and editors, we spend most of our day working at a computer. Unfortunately, our bodies were not designed to sit comfortably at a desk for hours on end. Inappropriate designs of our work environment can lead to unnecessary pain and fatigue. Fortunately, there is something we can do to reduce the risk of injury and suffering: develop good ergonomics practices. And Terry Snyder, an expert in the field of ergonomics, will teach us how.

Ms. Snyder is the author of several publications in the field of ergonomics and brings 20 years of consulting experience to the table. She has a degree in biomedical and electrical engineering from Case Western Reserve University and an MBA from Simmons Graduate School of Management. Her company, P.S. Associates LLC, provides ergonomics consulting services to offices, laboratories, universities, and industry.

Ms. Snyder says that although there is a high incidence of wrist, shoulder, neck, and back pain associated with intensive computer use, often these problems can be avoided or resolved with proper computer set-up and behavior changes. Because ergonomics is the study of fitting the job to the worker—not the other way around—there is no one-size-fits-all solution. She will discuss ways to customize your workstation with simple (and often inexpensive) products and adjustments to best fit your body and working style.

Using case studies from her consulting experience, Ms. Snyder will help you to:

- identify risk factors for discomfort and injury
- set up your workstation to optimize comfort and productivity
- determine best behaviors for safe computing

After learning her “Strategies to Avoid Discomfort,” you won’t have to be an achy computer user. It doesn’t have to hurt!

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**DOES IT HAVE TO HURT?**

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 15

**TIME:** Social Hour (cash bar) 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Dinner 7:00 to 8:00. Program 8:00 to 9:00.

**PLACE:** Yangtze River, 25 Depot Square, Lexington, Massachusetts. DIRECTIONS ON PAGE 7.

**MENU:** Chinese buffet with many selections, some suitable for a vegetarian diet. Fill your plate as many times as you like. (You might even get to take home a “doggy bag” from the bountiful buffet!)

**REGISTRATION:** The registration fee is $19 for members, $23 for guests and prospective members. Please use the online form to register electronically. INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2.

**DEADLINE:** To guarantee dinner reservations, we must receive your payment no later than **Friday, September 10**. (Sorry, no refunds for cancelation after 2:00 p.m. that day.)

Are you new to AMWA or considering membership? Chapter meetings are a great place to meet other medical writers and editors, from beginners to established pros. If you are a longtime member, but haven’t been to a meeting for a while, that’s okay, too. Come reconnect with old friends and meet the new chapter officers! Come for the networking, enjoy the food, and stay for the seminar. Guests are welcome, as always.

—Kristin Stephan
President-Elect/Program Director

**Get PDC Points for Attendance**

You can accrue points towards an AMWA Professional Development Certificate (PDC) by participating in job-related activities such as chapter meetings. For information about the PDC and how to enroll in this program, go to www.amwa.org and click on Education/Certificates.

If you want some PDC points for attending this chapter meeting, be sure to pick up an attendance voucher at the registration desk. Fill it out, and ask any officer to sign it.
Chapter Calendar

The New England Chapter’s year begins in mid-June, when the outgoing president hands over the gavel to the incoming president. There are no general activities during July and August, but the chapter’s Executive Council (see back page) meets early in the summer to begin planning activities for the year ahead.

Regular Meetings: The chapter holds six regular meetings from September through June. Four of these meetings are in the Greater Boston area, and two are in Connecticut. Typically, meetings begin with a social hour, followed by dinner (except for a Sunday brunch in midwinter), then a program with a speaker, a panel presentation, or roundtable discussions.

Special Events: In addition to the regular meetings, a writing competition, culminating in the Will Solimene Awards banquet, is held every other year. In the alternate years, the chapter holds the New England Conference, a full day of workshops on a Saturday in the spring.

Occasional Extras: Once in a while, informal events, such as networking meetings or tours, are scheduled.

Fall Dinner Meeting in Connecticut
Watch the New England E-News for an announcement of the next chapter meeting in Connecticut. If you have any questions or comments about meetings there, please contact Michelle Horan, vice president for Connecticut, at michelle.r.horan@pfizer.com.

November 11-13
AMWA Annual Conference in Milwaukee, Wis.

This is the premier educational and social networking event of the year for biomedical communicators from the U.S., Canada, and beyond! For details go to www.amwa.org.

If you are attending the conference, don’t miss the Chapter Greet and Go on Thursday, November 11, 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. This is a chance for you to link up with other New England members. Laurie MacDougall, chapter president, will make arrangements at a nearby restaurant for anyone who wants to join the group for dinner that evening. A few weeks ahead, she will let everyone know what the specific plans are via the AMWA New England E-News.

April 9, 2011

The 9th New England Conference is scheduled for Saturday, April 9, at the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center in Sturbridge, Mass. The conference committee is a team with extensive experience in running the chapter’s education programs: Heather Minimian, site manager; Jill Shuman, workshops coordinator; Siobhan Gallagher, roundtables coordinator; and Judy Linn, registrar.

The program will offer six 3-hour workshops, four of them for credit toward an AMWA certificate. Three of the classes will run concurrently in the morning and three in the afternoon. The Conference Luncheon will include several tables devoted to career-development topics as well as open tables for those who would prefer to network, socialize, or just relax between classes.

Watch the newsletter and the AMWA New England E-News for information about the conference as plans develop.

How to Register for September 15 Meeting
Online registration is required for this event. For a link to the registration form, go to the chapter website at www.amwa-ne.org and click in the Upcoming Events box on the home page.

Please note that if you are bringing guests, you must fill out a separate form for each person.

When you complete the form, you’ll have two options:
1) You may use PayPal to pay with a credit card. You do not have to have your own PayPal account, and you will not be charged a fee for the transaction.
2) You may follow up by putting a check in the mail, in which case we will consider your registration tentative until we have actually received the check.

Science Writers to Meet in New Haven, Conn., Nov. 5-9

The annual meeting of the National Association of Science Writers (NASW), offering workshops, science briefings, tours, and networking, will be held in conjunction with “New Horizons in Science 2010,” the annual meeting of the Council for the Advancement of Science Writing (CASW), November 5-9, on the campuses of Yale University and the Yale School of Medicine. For information, go to www.sciencewriters2010.org.
May Meeting Report
Building Your Career Through AMWA

AMWA offers unparalleled opportunities, and at the New England Chapter’s dinner meeting in New Haven in May, AMWA President Thomas Geneny, MS, ELS, discussed some of the ongoing career and professional development efforts within the organization.

Tom joined AMWA in 1998 and has been actively involved in volunteering for AMWA since then. AMWA is very much a volunteer-driven organization, and the best example is AMWA’s annual conference with 94 workshops and numerous other sessions, all coordinated or led by member volunteers. “What you put into the organization is what you can get out,” said Tom, encouraging everyone to begin volunteering at the national or local level by filling out a willingness-to-serve form, available in the members-only section of the AMWA website.

The most exciting news Tom shared is the official sanctioning by AMWA’s Board of Directors for the organization to pursue the potential development of an exam-based certification process for medical writers. A task force with diverse representation from allied/stakeholder groups (Drug Information Association, Board of Editors in the Life Sciences, and others) has been researching various organizations that offer certification and will be developing an initial certification plan and strategy. Under the guidance of AMWA’s leadership and with key input from AMWA’s executive director, this initiative may take a couple of years to fully translate into an eventual certification program. Nonetheless, groundwork is being laid.

Other important recent changes include the expansion of AMWA’s education certificate program—moving from the 30-year-old “core” certificates to an “essential skills” certificate and four separate specialty certificates (with advanced specialty certificates to follow).

Most of the information on what AMWA offers is on the organization’s website, and Tom walked the audience through the various links and resources available online for AMWA members. Some of the key points he discussed were:

- If you have authored a book, fiction or nonfiction, on any subject, medical or not, you can list it on the website. (Books purchased through the Amazon link on the AMWA’s website fetch AMWA a small referral fee.)
- You have opportunities to compete for awards. Two new awards for research in medical communication—the Best Published Research Award and the Student Research Award—will debut at the 2011 annual conference in Jacksonville, Florida.
- You can download issues of the AMWA Journal from 1998. The journal is fully indexed, and there is a separate index for the “Dear Edie” column as well.
- You can tailor your listserv subscriptions (for example, opting for a daily digest instead of individual e-mails).
- You get free access to the MDConsult Core Collection, Hematology eBooks, Infections Disease eBooks, and other resources.

Finally, if you have questions about AMWA resources or services, you can find out whom to contact at AMWA headquarters by going to www.amwa.org and clicking on About.

—Manjula Puthenedam
Member, Connecticut Program Committee

Awards Banquet Report
Chapter Celebrates Excellence in Medical Writing

With Jill Shuman, awards director, guiding us smoothly through an evening of accolades, the New England Chapter’s 14th Awards Banquet, held at the Westin Hotel in Waltham, Mass. in June, brought the 2009-10 year to a festive close. During a convivial social hour, members and guests had a chance to look over the winning entries in this year’s competition for Will Solimene Awards of Excellence. Then conversations with old friends and new acquaintances continued over an elegant dinner.

Because it was the last meeting of the chapter year, the formal program began with the annual “changing of the guard,” followed by presentations of various awards.

Introduction of New Officers

After thanking the officers and directors who had served diligently on the Executive Council over the past year—some for much longer—president Debbie von Rechenberg introduced the officers for 2010-11: Laurie MacDougall, president; Kristin Stephan, president-elect; Michelle Horan, vice president for Connecticut; Margaret Lynch, secretary; and Jill Shuman, treasurer. Debbie will, of course, continue to serve for another year as the immediate past president.

(Fox brief bios of the chapter officers, see the June 2010 New England Chapter News, which you can download as a PDF at www.amwa-ne.org/newsletters.)

Judy Linn Membership Awards

These awards—which consist of a year’s membership in AMWA, compliments of the New England Chapter, and free registration for three chapter meetings—provide professional support to medical writers who are fairly new to the field. At the Awards Banquet, David Olle, membership awards director, presented certificates attesting to the award to two successful applicants: Deborah Elbaum and Hibo Mohamed.

Deborah Elbaum has a bachelor’s in psychology from Harvard University and an MD from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. Her professional experience ranges from an internship in psychiatry to writing and consulting on food

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Allergies and other medical topics, editing, and creating social media pages. She is currently developing a freelance medical writing and editing business, DAZ Communications.

Hibo Mohamed has a BS in biology from St. Joseph’s College and a PhD in pharmacology and experimental therapeutics from Tufts University. Hibo previously worked in oncology research at Novartis Institutes and is currently a medical writer at Quantitate as well as a freelance medical copywriter for Cambridge BioMarketing. Her ambition is to become a senior medical writer and, eventually, a full-time freelancer.

Neil’s Good Sport Award

Established by the late Neil Duane in 1994, the Good Sport Award—a key chain with the official AMWA seal—is given to members who not only contribute to the chapter in special ways, but do so without any fanfare and without thought of personal gain. Until now, only 16 people have received it.

At the June banquet, Judy Linn bestowed this special award on Aaron Federman, who in 2008 took over the responsibility of maintaining our chapter website and then, in 2009 when our Web firm suddenly disappeared, gamely undertook the huge job of reconstructing it. Thanks to Aaron, we now have an even better website, with enhanced capabilities and some improvements in design.

Along with the key chain, Judy gave Aaron a certificate with the traditional citation: “for being a warm guiding light and general good sport.”

Honors Award

Siobhan Gallagher, honors award director, introduced the 2010 Honors Award recipient, Harris A. Berman, MD, the featured banquet speaker.

Dr. Berman is dean ad interim of Tufts University School of Medicine and professor of public health and community medicine there. He has had a long and varied career, including as a Peace Corps physician in India, a pioneer in managed healthcare who cofounded one of New England’s first HMOs, and CEO of Tufts Health Plan for 17 years.

The original title of his talk was “From Communist to Capitalist to Socialist—All in One Professional Career.” However, after speaking with banquet attendees during the social hour and dinner, he showed his skill at quickly adapting to changing conditions or unexpected opportunities. Seeing that many AMWA members had transitioned into the field from other professional areas (or were hoping to), he completely shifted the focus of his talk.

Dr. Berman described a few pivotal times in his life, among them listening to the Kennedy-Nixon presidential debates in 1960 and Kennedy’s Peace Corps speech the next year, and related what he learned from these moments and how he shifted his plans accordingly. He advised early career changers to “prepare fertile ground” and avoid overplanning so that they could potentially follow any of several paths. And he reminded the more seasoned attendees, “You can make midcareer changes.” Not surprisingly, he concluded his talk by wishing everyone “Good luck!”

Dr. Berman was given a plaque honoring him “for visionary leadership in healthcare quality, management, reform & education; for dedication to healthcare for all, working intrepidly to level the healthcare playing field; and for holding steady in times of change and turmoil.”

Writing Awards

Judging committee co-chairs Francesca Coltrera and Andrea Gwosdow presented the 2010 Will Solimene Awards for Excellence in Medical Communication.

Plaques went to 17 entries, which, as Jill Shuman noted at the start of the ceremonies, “represent different media, different subject areas, and different points of view.” They include consumer books and health guides, magazine articles, and journal articles—some available in print, others online, some blended. All of them, Jill said, “are testimony to the fact that biomedical writers comprise a diverse range of talents and expertise.”

“I had the pleasure of serving as a judge many times while Neil [Duane] presided over the awards. We would often chat about what constitutes exceptional writing, and his answer was always a variation on the same theme: ‘It’s timely and accurate, presented in a fresh and/or innovative format, and connects in some emotional or practical way with its intended audience.’”

—Jill Shuman

Master of Ceremonies, 2010 Awards Banquet

Always a carefully guarded secret until the very last minute, the Neil Duane Award for Distinction in Medical Communication is reserved for “the best of the best”—a winning entry that received exceptionally high praise and a very high score from the judges.

This year, in an unusual move, Jill Shuman, awards director, presented not one, but three Neil Duane Awards. This special recognition—with the citations engraved on beautiful silver boxes—went to:

• Janet Cromer for Professor Cromer Learns to Read: A Couple’s New Life After Brain Injury, published by Author House. (“A moving and powerful narrative that proves it is possible to build a life with meaning and gusto even in the face of a devastating illness.”)

• Jennifer Durgin for “Sound & Silence,” an article in Dartmouth Medicine. (“A rich, personal, and empowering story that describes the difficulties in knowing how ‘best’ to treat your child.”)

• Linda Wood for Targeted Regulatory Writing Techniques, coauthored with AMWA colleague MaryAnn Foote of the Pacific Southwest Chapter and published by Birkhäuser. (“Finally! A textbook for teaching the basics of regulatory writing...”)

For a complete list of the winning publications in the 2010 writing competition and to learn about the important roles that Will Solimene and Neil Duane each had in the New England Chapter, you can go to www.amwa-ne.org/awards to download a PDF of the Awards Banquet brochure.

Jill Shuman, David Olle, and Margaret Lynch contributed to this report.

—Judy Linn
AMWA Spring Board of Directors Meeting
Notes from the New England Chapter

As one of my last duties as chapter president, I was honored to once again serve as a chapter delegate to the national Board of Directors (BOD) meeting held April 30-May 1. This was my first opportunity to attend the spring BOD meeting, which is a stand-alone, two-day affair, as opposed to the shorter fall meetings, which take place during the Annual Conference.

At every BOD meeting I have attended, I have been impressed by the dedication of the volunteers at the chapter and national levels and the AMWA staff who strive to advance our organization and our profession, and this meeting was no exception. The ideas, programs, and energy coming from our leaders at the national and chapter levels are truly inspiring.

Among the many items on the meeting agenda were approval of the slate of candidates for national office; a preview of the 2010 Annual Conference; announcement of new competitive awards (Best Published Research Award and Student Research Award); announcement of new AMWA Journal features (“Spotlight on Ethics” and “Social Media”); a Web and Internet Technology Committee report on efforts to streamline the AMWA website; endorsement of updated provisions of the good publication practice guidelines (see BMJ 2009:339:b4330); and a new task force to look into a formal certification process, which would assess the skills and experience of medical communicators (distinct from the current AMWA certificates, which simply attest to a member’s completion of a set of workshops).

For details about these and other new developments, you can read reports by President Tom Gegeny and others in the last issue of the AMWA Journal and review the extensive information posted at www.amwa.org.

One of my favorite parts of each BOD meeting is the chapter delegates session, where delegates discuss programs, ideas, and challenges. While our chapter is very active, with several meetings each year and an awards banquet and conference in alternate years, we can still learn from other chapters.

Like New England, other chapters host dinner meetings with speakers, panel discussions, and roundtable sessions on educational topics in science, medical writing, and professional development. Other types of programs reported at the spring meeting included informal networking gatherings, tours of health-related exhibits and facilities, and outreach to universities.

Most chapters report similar challenges of geography, economics, and member involvement. Creative ways of addressing these challenges include webconferencing, use of listserves, seeking out venues such as university meeting rooms, breaking tasks into manageable and finite chunks, and assuring new members that their involvement is valued.

We discussed some of these ideas at our chapter’s summer Executive Council meeting and will be exploring them soon. But the chapter belongs to us all. If you’re looking for a way to get involved with the chapter, talk to the president or one of the other council members. And even if you cannot become more involved right now, please share your ideas.

As for me, I will continue to serve our chapter even when my term as immediate past president is up. While I agreed to serve to help the chapter, I have received benefits beyond what I could ever have imagined. If you’ve read my previous updates, you’re probably tired of my saying it, but I have to repeat it: I have never belonged to an organization filled with so many people so dedicated to helping every member, no matter his or her previous experience. I’m proud to be a small part of that effort.

—Debbie von Rechenberg
Immediate Past President
& Delegate to AMWA Board of Directors

Personal Notes

Margaret Lynch, PhD, chapter secretary, is now an associate medical writer and editor at Natural Standard, producing monographs that aggregate and synthesize data on complementary and alternative therapies.

Karen L. Walton-Bowen, MSc, CStat, has joined Seaside Therapeutics, Cambridge, Mass., as senior director, biostatistics. She was previously with Abt Bio-Pharma Solutions Inc.

Kara Crowley, MS, joined Pfizer’s Clinical Research Unit in New Haven, Conn., last spring as a biomarker scientist.

Elizabeth Coons, MA, MTPW, has been elected an at-large member of the Council of the Boston Chapter, Society for Technical Communication. Elizabeth is a freelance technical and medical writer in Brighton, Mass., and a senior technical writer for Med Ed Associates.

Dustin M. Grinnell, who earned an MS in physiology from Pennsylvania State University last year, is now a medical writer at Custom Learning Designs, Belmont, Mass.

Jennifer L. Hollenstein, MS, RD, has joined Genzyme Corporation as an associate director, medical writing. She was previously clinical editor at MC Communications.

CHAPTER CHANGES: Thea L. Chalow has transferred to the Pacific Southwest Chapter; Nicola D. Hanson, PhD, to the Southeast Chapter; Laura Lee Rudolph, MA, to the Delaware Valley Chapter; Kirby N. Smith, DVM, MSPH, to the Carolinas Chapter.

Chapter Members Contribute to 2010 AMWA Meeting

At the upcoming Annual Conference in Milwaukee, Thomas P. Gegeny, MS, ELS—on top of his considerable responsibilities as AMWA President—is co-leading two credit workshops, “Effectively Searching Online Databases” and “Introduction to Basic Virology,” a new Concepts in Science and Medicine workshop. He is also a co-author of a poster display, “Outsourcing and Other Trends in Medical Writing in Pharmaceutical Companies.” Tom is a team lead and senior medical writer at Envision Scientific Solutions Inc., Southport, Conn.

Kevin P. Flynn, MA, will once again lead the credit workshop on “ Educating Sales Representatives About Science and Medicine.” In an open session on “ Tales From the Trenches: Best and Worst Freelance/Client Practices,” he will speak from “ The MedCom Perspective”; and he is also a panelist in an open session on “ Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies.” Kevin is director, scientific communications at Analgesic Solutions, Natick, Mass.
New Members
The New England Chapter welcomes those from our six-state region who have recently joined AMWA, reestablished their affiliation with the association, or moved here from another chapter area:

Jennifer Altreuter, MD
Wayland, Massachusetts

Vicki E. Altroughen
Arlington, Massachusetts
Cognizant Technology Solutions

Britt Anderson, PhD
New Haven, Connecticut

Lucy Anderson, BA, NSW
Conway, Massachusetts

Michael Bassett
Holliston, Massachusetts

Timothy Blalock, PhD
Milton, Massachusetts

Margaret Bouvier, PhD
Meg Bouvier Medical Writing
Amherst, Massachusetts

Laurel Chandler, BA
Easton, Massachusetts

Susan A. Chow, PhD
Hookset, New Hampshire

Darryl Conte, PhD
UMass Medical School
Worcester, Massachusetts

Genevieve K. Doyle, BFA
Shire HGT Inc.
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Scott P. Edwards
Edwards Communications
Holliston, Massachusetts

Catherine C. Elverston, ELS
Posed Pen - Real Dele
Kitty Hawk, North Carolina

Stephanie M. English
Stoughton, Massachusetts
NorthPoint Domain

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Catherine Foley
Perceptive Informatics Inc
Billerica, Massachusetts

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Woodbridge, Connecticut

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Vertex Pharmaceuticals
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Barbara S. Sheedy, PhD
South Dennis, Massachusetts

Ellen P. Shepeluk, MS
Exeter, New Hampshire

Theresa E. Singleton, PhD
Watertown, Massachusetts
Children’s Hospital

Matthew D. Soulsby, BS, PhD
Hamden, Connecticut

Eric J. Stevenson, PhD
Sharon, Massachusetts
Vertex Pharmaceuticals

Karissa Utzat, PhD
Andover, Massachusetts

Karen E. Williams
Weymouth, Massachusetts

Kathleen F. Young
Poland, Maine
Chapter Membership Awards

The New England Chapter’s Judy Linn Membership Awards provide professional development and networking support to medical and health communicators who are fairly new to the field. The chapter will accept applications only from candidates who live and work in New England. There is no application fee. For details and an application form, go to www.amwa-ne.org/awards.

If you have questions, contact the membership awards director, David Olle (dolle@eastshirecommunications.com).

Directions to September 15 Meeting

Yangtze River Restaurant
21 Depot Square (off Massachusetts Avenue)
Lexington, Massachusetts
781-861-6030

Depot Square is a small, three-sided block directly off Massachusetts Avenue, which is the main street in Lexington Center. The Depot Square roadway begins and ends on Mass. Ave.

There is some on-street parking as well as parking in municipal lots in back of Depot Square.

From Route 128/I-95
Take Exit 31A East to Routes 4/225, which is Bedford Street. Follow the signs into Lexington Center past the Minute Man statue, where Bedford Street joins Mass. Ave. Go straight ahead and take the third left into Depot Square.

From Route 2
Take Exit 54 to Waltham St/Waltham. Follow the signs for Lexington Center to the traffic lights at the end of Waltham Street. Turn left onto Mass. Ave. and stay in the right lane. Depot Square is on the right, about 100 yards beyond the traffic lights.

From Cambridge/Arlington
Follow Mass. Ave. north to Lexington Center. Depot Square is on the right, about 100 yards beyond the traffic lights.

Need a ride to the meeting?

If you don't have a car, contact Judy Linn (judylinn@aol.com) to find out whether there's someone from your area who might be able to give you a ride to the meeting. Or call Joann Merriman (781-891-0028) to see if she can pick you up at a T station or some other mutually convenient location.

AMWA New England E-News
A Benefit of Chapter Membership

Watch for e-mail from President Laurie MacDougall—it will come from calicomedcomm@earthlink.net with “AMWA NE E-News” in the subject line. The brief messages let you know about an upcoming meeting, job opening, freelance opportunity, or other information of possible interest to you.

The chapter E-News is sent only to New England Chapter members, but others are welcome to submit items to Laurie for consideration. Job postings must conform to the submission guidelines, which can be downloaded as a one-page PDF from the chapter website (www.amwa-ne.org/jobs).