



PAMET – San Diego

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“PAMET-San Diego Chapter Holds First Annual Symposium”

The Philippine Association of Medical Technologists (PAMET) San Diego Chapter held its 1st Annual Symposium last March 12, 2011 at the San Diego County Health Services Complex. The symposium included lectures from experienced clinical laboratory scientists (CLS) from UCSD Medical Center and Navy Medical Center, San Diego.

We were also fortunate to have Dr. Mark Erlander, Ph.D., Chief Scientific Officer of BioTheranostics, San Diego to be one of our speakers. Dr Erlander talked about the different technology platforms used in molecular diagnostics. His video presentation highlighted the work of Clinical Laboratory Scientists (CLS) in cancer diagnostics laboratories. The results were used in targeted cancer therapies and cancer patient management.

Mr Gilbert Montesclaros, CLS, BSMT (ASCP),SH, a hematology specialist from La Jolla UCSD Thornton followed with an overview of coagulation testing. Gilbert talked about the complex processes involved with the

intrinsic, extrinsic, and the common pathways of the coagulation cascade. The third lecturer was Loreta Sigalaki, CLS, MT (ASCP), SC, a chemistry supervisor from Hillcrest UCSD Clinical Laboratories. Loreta presented the ABC’s of blood gas analysis. At the end of her lecture, attendees were interpreting blood gas analysis profiles like they were chemistry pros.

The symposium ended with a lecture by Ms. Eileen Licuanan, MHR, MT(ASCP), CLS, laboratory QA and compliance officer from the Naval Medical Center San Diego. Her lecture focused on the elements of validation protocol and the list of regulatory requirements for the validation and qualification procedures used in blood banking. The San Diego Room of the San Diego County Health Services was filled to capacity by 36 Clinical Laboratory Scientists, 7 CLS trainees, and a high school student looking into becoming a future laboratory professional.

A continental breakfast catered by Soup Plantation and 4 contact hours of continuing education were included in the \$40 fee. The event which ended at noon was the first major project of PAMET-San Diego Chapter since its founding in June 2010.



L-R, Lavenia Correa, Dr Mark Erlander and Let Negado



L-R, Loreta Sigalaki, Let Negado and Gilbert Montesclaros



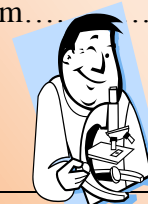
L-R, Let Negado, Eileen Licuanan and Marie Parayno



PAMET-San Diego Officers during the symposium last March 12, 2011

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“The President’s Message”



Dear colleagues,

We are almost a year old! On June 6, 2011, PAMET San Diego will celebrate its first year of founding. We started small but we are now 83-member strong. As we approach our first anniversary, I would like to thank the members of the executive board for all their hard work and perseverance in getting PAMET San Diego off the ground.

There are two important events coming up in August of this year. First is the PAMETUSA National Meeting which will be held on August 5, 2011 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay and hosted by PAMET-San Diego. Preparations have started to welcome the delegations coming from the sixteen member chapters. We are planning on producing a souvenir program to commemorate our inaugural ball and the PAMETUSA meeting. We would like to invite you to send in your business advertisements, announcements, personal greetings or family pictures to be included in the in the souvenir program by July 5, 2011. The proceeds from the journal will be used to support our future programs. Please contact Marie Parayno for more information at mmparayno@yahoo.com.

The second event is PAMET San Diego’s inaugural ball on August 6, 2011. Tickets are currently being distributed through your site contact person and by mail to those who cannot be reached by hand delivery. Ticket is \$55 with a choice of either Spice Seared Fillet of Salmon or London Broil with Cabernet Mushroom Demi-Glace. The event starts at 6:30 PM and ends at 12:30AM. Music will be provided by Mabuhay Entertainment. Deadline for ticket payment and reservation is July 15, 2011.

Our website is constantly being updated. It features our past accomplishments, current activities and future activities. Please visit us from time to time for announcements and more information.

Sincerely,

*Loreto Negado, MSPH, CLS, MT(ASCP)
President, PAMET-San Diego*

"PAMET SAN DIEGO 1st Annual Symposium"
March 12, 2011
San Diego County Health Services Complex





PAMET-San Diego Chapter
Is Proud to Host

“The 13th National Meeting of PAMET-USA”

August 5-6, 2011

Holiday Inn On The Bay

1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego CA 92101

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Cordially Invites You to

“The PAMET-San Diego Inaugural Ball”

August 6, 2011, Saturday 6:30pm – 12:30 am
at The Pacific Room, Holiday Inn On The Bay
1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego CA 92121

For inquiries and tickets, please contact the following:

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For inquiries about placing an advertisement in the souvenir program,
please contact Marie Parayno at mmparayno@yahoo.com

Or log on to www.pametsandiego.com to download prepaid registration,
souvenir program forms and for more details.



In Loving Memory



Aileen Bernabe, CLS

September 16, 1971 – March 30, 2011

1st Recording Secretary

PAMET- San Diego Chapter

June 6, 2010 – December 8, 2010

*“Your smile and friendship,
lovingly remembered.”*

