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Pierre A. Rioux, M.D., Diplomate and former President has been named to the Board of Trustees.

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Congratulations: Vicente Torres, DSPE

The following is the result of the Vicente Torres election to Diplomate: Vicente Torres was elected to Diplomate by a majority of the quorum voting.

Date of promotion to Diplomate: 1 August 2011

Congratulations to Mr. Vicente Torres on his election of to the rank of Diplomate.

Vernon M Neppe MD, PhD, FRS(SAf), DFAPA, DSPE, Elections Officer, ISPE.

With respect to the open voting process where I seek to be elected as Diplomate in the ISPE, I would like to express my gratitude to all those who made it possible. Firstly, let me thank Marc Ignasi Corral Baques. I had considered it next to impossible to gain Member status within the ISPE. Then one day I saw an announcement in *Telicom* that Marc Ignasi had been elevated to Member. Marc explained to me how I could do it, and that was all the incentive I needed. He also wrote to the officer in charge of promotions in the ISPE on my behalf. His help was priceless, and his encouragement and assistance have been a constant from beginning to end. Since he started months ahead of me, Marc was always a rank ahead of me. This is the first time I am in the lead, but my fondest desire remains that Marc would have been ahead of me at this time as well.

I must also thank my translators. Without their invaluable assistance and hard work, I would never have been published in *Telicom*. Needless to say, I am grateful to them. They are: Angel Checa, Veronica Albin, Ian Bolingbroke, and, especially, Thomas Hally, who translated many of my articles.

I would indeed be amiss if I did not include the Officers of the ISPE on my list of those people I wish to thank. They are volunteers, yet they spend their free and their energy to benefit the ISPE.

Finally, I must thank all the members of the ISPE, irrespective of rank—especially my friends who continue to make my stay in the ISPE a very pleasant one.

Vicente Torres, DSPE

Translated by Thomas J. Hally, DELE, Nivel Superior



The President's Corner

Time to VOTE! If you hold the rank of Member or above in the ISPE, please take a moment to register your votes for the three offices indicated on pp. 2 and 3 of this issue of *The Thousander*. Voting is a significant privilege accorded those who have advanced in the ISPE, and I urge you to exercise that right.

Please note that time is of the essence, as voting closes on October 15th. *Telicom* should be arriving (or should have arrived) with this same information, but the importance of elections dictates that it also be reproduced here.

Patrick O'Shea, DMA, DSPE
President

Important Officer Election

Pursuant to the requirements of the Charter, the following Officer positions have become vacant.

This is the official announcement of the election. This election begins on 1 August 2011 and officially closes on 15 October 2011.

To elect a candidate to that officer position, please vote. The winning candidate will be those who have an absolute majority of *eligible members*. Please vote for those who are unopposed as well.

To this end, it is requested that *current ISPE members of the rank of Member and above* wishing to vote, please submit their votes in one of three ways:

1. The optimal way is for your vote to be sent by *Zmail* to the email address, voting@pni.org . This provides a secure unmodifiable email where you will have a receipt of your vote. You can register for Zmail Basic (without charge) at www.zsentry.com .

2. You can send your vote by regular unsecured *email* to voting@pni.org . This will be acknowledged.

3. As a third option, the least efficient, you can mail your vote to the ISPE office:

Dr Vernon Neppe, ISPE Elections Officer,
PNI,
6300 Ninth Avenue NE, Suite 353,
Seattle, WA 98115
USA

You should provide an Email address for acknowledgement: Mailed letters will usually occur only shortly before the end of the election if an email address has been provided.

There is only one contested election and that is for President. The vote should be clear and contain content corresponding with one of the following three statements.

- *I vote for (Name) for election as President of the ISPE.*

You should sign it and indicate your rank. (If your rank is Member please indicate if you were a Member on 1 August 2011 allowing you to vote.)

Under “name” you should put in your choice for President, either Dr Patrick O’Shea, the current President *or* Carol Bernard Hoffman, the current Vice-President.

In the election for Vice President, I vote (Yes / No / Abstain) in the election of Thomas Hally.

In the election for Advancement Officer, I vote (Yes / No / Abstain) in the election of Robert Campbell.

ELECTIONS: Candidate Information

Below are each of the candidates statements for election. We look forward to the participation of eligible ISPE-ers.

Dr Vernon M. Neppe. MD, PhD, FRSSAF, DFAPA, DSPE
Elections Officer, ISPE.

Candidates for President: Carol Bernard Hoffman and Patrick O'Shea.

Carol Bernard Hoffman, DSPE, current position Vice President
Nominated by Robert McKnight, RFSPE.
Seconded by Don Grace, MSPE

Dr Patrick O'Shea, DSPE, current position President (incumbent)
Nominated by Dr Daniel Schulz DSPE, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, ISPE
Seconded by Steven Levin Esq, DSPE, General Legal Counsel, ISPE

Candidate for Vice President: Thomas J. Hally, RFSPE

Nominated by Dr Patrick O'Shea, DSPE, President
Seconded by Dr Greg A Grove, DSPE, Advancements Officer

Candidate for Advancements Officer. Dr. Robert Campbell, RFSPE

Nominated by Carol Bernard Hoffman, DSPE , Vice President.
Seconded by Dr Patrick O'Shea, DSPE, President

Candidates' statements were published in the Third Quarter 2011 issue of *Telicom*. However, for ease of access, the entire election announcement with Candidate Statements may be obtained online through the following link:

http://dl.dropbox.com/u/21835327/elections_2011.pdf

Remember that voting closes on October 15, 2011!

Rioux Appointed Trustee

Dr. Daniel J. Schultz, Chairman of the ISPE Board of Trustees has announced that the Board has appointed Diplomate and former ISPE President Pierre A. Rioux, M.D. to the Board of Trustees. Dr. Rioux is a long-time member of ISPE, and served as the Society's President from 2003 to 2005. He is a board certified psychiatrist with over three decades of experience, currently practicing in Austin, Minnesota.

In addition to his service to ISPE as President, Dr. Rioux has served on a variety of committees for the Society, and has been a valued advisor to several Presidents of the organization.

He is a voracious reader, and has broad interests in art, music, food, travel, and cinema. His deep commitment to ISPE coupled with his genuine love of intellectual pursuits and discourse of the highest caliber make him an invaluable addition to our esteemed Board of Trustees.



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"You can have no influence over those for whom you have underlying contempt." - Martin Luther King, Jr.

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