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Newsletter of the North Central Biomedical Association

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## Successful Seminar

This year's seminar at Craguns was a great success! Over 45 biomedical technicians and managers attended classes ranging from automatic external defibrillators to xray systems. Overall rating of the seminar and each individual class was very good, with some good suggestions for future topics.

Congratulations goes out to Jim Skipper recipient of the Struthers Award of Excellence. Over the years Jim has contributed greatly to the advancement of the biomedical profession. He was also instrumental in the development and growth of the North Central Biomedical Association. We are proud to have such a dedicated professional as part of our group. If you see Jim give him a pat on the back for a job well done.

We would also like to thank all the vendors that attended the seminar. Without them the seminar wouldn't be the success that it is.

Allied Electronics	Bapco
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Zoll Medical	

A special thank you to G.A.F. Sports Embroidery Inc. for their wonderful hat donation.

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## Letter from the President



I would like to take a moment to say hello to everyone involved in the NCBA. Our goal is to continue to improve what the NCBA offers to our membership for the upcoming year. With the success of our seminar held at Craguns Resort in Brainard, MN this year we will strive to improve what the NCBA offers at our quarterly meetings along with our annual fall seminar.

For those of you who could not attend this years seminar, I would like to introduce to you the NCBA's new officers:

President: Ken Erickson - Hennepin County Medical Center  
president@ncbiomed.org

Vice-President: Dean Ceminsky - St. Josephs Medical Center  
vice-president@ncbiomed.org

Secretary: Jennifer Kriske - Miller-Dwan Medical Center  
secretary@ncbiomed.org

Treasurer: Nancy Thomas - HealthEast  
treasurer@ncbiomed.org

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I would like to personally thank Sue Finney for her work as NCBA president for 1998-99. Sue's involvement with the NCBA has also included a term as Vice-President and Secretary, along with her working on the seminar planning committees in many roles since our first seminar. Thanks Sue!

What makes the NCBA a success is your involvement in our organization. If you have any suggestions to improve our association please contact one of your elected officers.

Ken Erickson  
NCBA President  
(612-347-3389)

Note: If you attended the 1999 fall seminar at Craguns Resort your membership has been renewed for the next year.



## Winter Meeting

**WHEN:** NOVEMBER 5, 1999

**WHERE:** St. Joseph's Hospital  
Brainerd MN,

**ROOM:** Theresa Room

**SCHEDULE:**

- 12:00- 1:00 LUNCH
- 1:00 – 3:00 SPEAKER - Bruce Miller,  
LAZERMAN INC.  
Topic: Complete PM Procedure and minor  
repair of Coherent Lazer model # XL-55
- 3:00 - 4:00 PM NCBA Business Meeting

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### Business Meeting Agenda

1. Treasurers Report - Nancy Thomas

### Old Business

1. Review Summer Meeting Minutes
2. Review September Meeting Minutes

### New Business

1. Spring 2000 Meeting Location - Ken Erickson
2. Website Improvements - Ken Erickson

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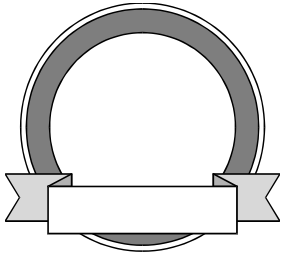
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## North Central Biomedical Association Scholarship

NCBA offers \$250.00 scholarships each spring. These scholarships are intended to aid a student currently involved in a Biomedical Equipment Technology program, as well as any biomedical technician or manager who is considering or is currently obtaining continuing education.

For consideration please submit the following information:

1. Your name, address, and phone number's at work and home.
2. The educational institutions name, address, and phone number.
3. A brief description of the course or program you are involved in.
4. A letter outlining your future goals in the biomedical field.

To: Attn. Ken Erickson  
 HCMC Bioelectronics Dept.  
 701 Park Av. ADABEC 860A  
 Minneapolis MN 55415



Deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>

## The Intermittent Short Struthers Award of Excellence

Nominations for the 2000 "Struthers Award of Excellence" are now being taken. The award will be presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> annual NCBA seminar September 8<sup>th</sup> 2000.

Nominees must have demonstrated devoted leadership and service to the Biomedical community. Giving time, energy and availability to insure the growth and development of not only to there immediate surroundings but to the entire Biomedical community. This individual will have demonstrated strong ethics and character in their day to day actions.

If you are interested in nominating someone for the "Struthers Award of Excellence" please submit the following information:

1. The name, address, phone number and employers name of your nominee.
2. Why you feel this person deserves this award.
3. Some examples of how they have meet the criteria. Your name, address, phone number, and employers name.

To: Attn. Ken Erickson

North Central Biomedical Association  
 PO Box 141073  
 Minneapolis, MN 55414  
 Attn: Struthers Award

The information will be reviewed by the "Award Committee"

Did you know the NCBA has a website?  
 Check it out at [www.ncbiomed.org](http://www.ncbiomed.org)

**NORTH CENTRAL BIOMEDICAL ASSOCIATION**

**PREAMBLE**

We are the North Central Biomedical Association, providing a forum for medical professionals on the Biomedical Engineering and Technician levels, who are involved with Biomedical equipment management. We strive to promote cooperation, education, formal/informal exchange of ideas and technical information related to the Health Care Industry. Thus, helping to assure quality patient care and cost effectiveness for the Health Care provider.

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Membership is open to all persons that have an interest in Biomedical devices.

Membership dues are: \$15/year/individual membership.

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
(complete and return along with your payment)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Facility/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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