SUPERLATIVE 1991 ABHP EXAM RESULTS

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This year the ABHP exam was an exceptional success in several ways. Listed below are the names of the 155 successful candidates. There are now 44 new names added to the list of Comprehensive Certified Health Physicists since they have successfully completed both Parts I and II. For the Power Reactor Part II exam there were 8 candidates that passed this year's exam and are also now Certified Health Physicists. In addition 5 Comprehensive Certified Health Physicists were granted Power Reactor Certification by the ABHP so they are now Dual Certified. There were also 104 candidates who passed Part I. They are now eligible to apply for Associate Membership in the AAHP. They are over the first hurdle toward certification. Sincere congratulations is extended to everyone listed.

There were some superlatives this year (1991). A record number of candidates took the exams. A brief summary follows:

- The number of individuals who applied to take the exam far exceeded any previous year. The total was 386 this year; last year the number was 287, which was above average itself.
- 2. The number who took the exam this year also exceeds the numbers during previous years. The total was 281 this year while last year there were 175 examinees.
- 3. Part I was taken by 219 individuals this year; 116 took Part I last year. The average over many years is 106.
- 4. The Part II Comprehensive exam was taken by 105 candidates this year, 73 last year.
- 5. The Part II Power Reactor exam was taken by 21 candidates this year, while 6 took the exam last year.

These numbers certainly indicate increasing interest in the certification process. The numbers mentioned above are summarized in the table below.

ABHP Exam Comparison 1991/1990

<u> 1991</u>	<u> 1990</u>	Comment
386	287	Applications
281	175	Examinees
219	116	Part I Examinees
105	73	Part II Comprehensive Examinees
21	6	Part II Power Reactor Examinees

There are other interesting results worth mentioning:

- The number passing Part I was the second highest number to pass the annual exam.
- There were two married couples (Mei and Thompson) who took the exam at the same time. All four were successful and are listed.
- 4. The exam was given in 13 locations where many CHP's volunteered to proctor the exam for candidates who could not participate in Washington, D.C. Approximately 50% of the candidates took the exam at the annual meeting place.

What is the status of Certified Health Physicists following the exam? The numbers have increased considerably. The totals are shown by category in the table below:

<u>Number</u>	Category
712	Comprehensive Certification
69	Power Reactor Certification
53	Dual Certification
147	Emeritus
19	Inactive
167	Non-Active
36	Deceased
79	Associate Members

There are now over 1,200 individuals who have been certified and there are 79 others who are well on the way. That is remarkable.

It is a real pleasure to announce the 155 successful results. The ABHP is a difficult exam. Those who were successful achieved a significant accomplishment. Those who were not successful benefitted by the knowledge gained and by the tough experience. It is better to have tried and failed than to have failed to try.

I noted with great pleasure names of friends who have taken a previous exam and have now passed. They have accomplished a great deal through additional study and experience and deserve special applause for their persistence. The additional effort resulted in knowledge, skills, and the credentials that give them exceptional qualifications. There are some last names that I recognize and wonder if they are second generation health physicists, the sons and daughters of friends.

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The following 44 individuals were granted Comprehensive Certification in 1991 by the American Board of Health Physics:

Alvarez, Joseph L. Bastian, C. Thomas Burkholder, Kirby Enyeart, Thomas D. Gaul, Wayne C. Higley, Kathryn Ann Johnson, John C. Jones, Paul Henry Lawyer, Dennis R. Liu, Chwei-Jeng Mei, Donald N. Merwin, Steven E. Miller, Mitzi G. Nicholson, Nora A. Njoku, Edwin E. Scannell, Matthew J. Schmidt, Duane W. Sills, Judd Solow, Alan J. Styers, David R. Thompson, Elizabeth Warren, Douglas A.

Anderson, Victor E. Bonvento, Michael J. Earls, Leonard M. Faraz, Yawar H. Haaker, Richard Jamison, James D. Jones, Hobert W. Kothari, Brajesh K. Leonard, Patrick R. May, Robert T. Mei, Gloria T. Methe, Brian M. Neton, James W. Nicoll, Regis Pacilio, Michael A. Scherer, David J. Schramm, Garry R. Smith, Jacqualyn Stovall, Joan E. Thacker, Rick L. Thompson, Jay M. Wrobel, Mark C.

The following 13 individuals were granted Power Reactor Certification in 1991 by the ABHP:

Barnes, James G. Coy, Sarah A. Foster, Jeffrey W. Knapp, Paul E. Mayer, Donald M. Re, Gary C. Wilson, Richard L. Byrum, William F.
Donnachie, John P., Jr.
Hildebrand, James E.
Martinec, Cynthia D.
Potocik, David P.
Solini, John A.

The following 81 individuals passed Part I of the 1991 examination:

Armstrong, Cory E.
Benson, Edward C.
Bollenbacher, Michael K.
Byrne, John M.
Christensen, Davis V.
Clark, James S.
Couch, Jack G.
Cummin, David C.

Auman, Laurence Blitchington, Steven P. Burns, Karl D. Campbell, Michael E. Cicotte, George R. Collins, Steven C. Courtney, Gregory Cure, Preston A. Davis, Johnny Joe Dobey, Ronald J. Edgerton, Patricia L. Espenan, Gregory D. Gebers, Steven W. Griffin, James P. Hardy, Byron L. Haynes, Larry E. Holden, Dale E. Hummer, James R. Karasik, Joel E. Lampe, Eric T. Lautenschlager, Gary L. Lesinski, Mark L. Madonia, Michael V. Martel, Christopher McRee, William B. Moeller, Matthew P. Mumper, Jeffrey A. Olsen, Bernard M. Parfitt, Bradley Parsons, David T. Powell, Gerald T. Reif, Ronald H. Sanza, Bruce J. Shenk, Kevin Shuman, Joseph P. Somerville, Mark O. Thompson, Sharon Turner, Ira M. Vesper, Bruce E. Wright, Edwin L. Young, Philip L.

Dennerlein, Scott Dudevoir, Scott G. Elliott, Robert W. Falo, Gerald A. Gonzalez, Daniel A. Haas, Martin N. Hatcher, Larry W. Higginbotham, Jack F. Hostetter, Dwight A. Isaacson, Jill S. Kraus, Terrance D. Lan, Changfuh D. Lebda, John Lyons, Craig L. Mann, David G. Massey, Charles D. Milligan, Patricia Moleski, Mark D. O'Donnell, John J. Packard, Bruce Parish, William C. Paul, Timothy J. Proctor, Charles Sanchez, Edward R. Schukman-Dakotas, Ruth Shuler, James M. Simiele, Gerald A. Stetar, Elizabeth Thorne, Michael D. Vazquez, George W. Vigliani, Mario A. Yates, Carl R.

We must remember that to make all of this possible it takes many willing volunteers to whom we owe much gratitude. These include the proctors at the various locations, and also include those who prepare and submit excellent and practical questions; the panel chairs and members of their panels who expend more time and mental effort towards ensuring a good exam than anyone not involved could realize; and the members of the ABHP and AAHP that have ensured the solid foundation from which we now benefit. The monthly column by Ken Skrable and the numerous preparatory courses also make significant contributions to the positive effect.

The past exam was successful but now it is time for intense preparation for the next exam, by both those who are preparing to take the exam and those who will administer it.