

MEMORANDUM
on
PROGRAM PLANNING

TO: The Members of the American Physiological Society

FROM: Frans F. Jöbsis, Chairman of the Program Committee

RE: Program of the Spring 1972 Meeting

First I want to thank all those members who so diligently filled out Henry Lauson's questionnaire about Symposia, Introductory Talks, Etc. in the Federation Meetings. Your response has been a tremendous help to the Program Committee. We have carefully weighed the outcome and have made several changes according to the thrust of the suggestions.

There was much approval of the Symposia and the 30 minutes Chairmen's Introductory Talks and there were many requests for more of each. Accordingly we have scheduled six symposia for this Spring (instead of the usual four) and ten Introductory Talks (instead of six). Since all available rooms in Atlantic City are always fully subscribed, this increase necessitates dropping approximately 30 contributed papers. That is the main reason for the lowered total of acceptance in the lottery to approximately 800 instead of 850.

There also were many requests for aiming the content of symposia more at physiologists not working in the specific area under discussion. We have passed this suggestion on to the Chairmen.

The many, many topics and names proposed for Introductory Talks and Discussions were very helpful indeed. This Spring's program will reflect your input and we will use your suggestions also for the planning of the 1973 Meeting.

Many thanks again. See you on the Boardwalk!