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Dear ORVC Members,

This quarter I bring to you more interesting news. As the current Chair of the AAPM History Committee, I made an assignment for the AAPM to create a Time Capsule. The Capsule was budgeted for and cleared by the Administrative Council. After going through various rounds of voting on what the Capsule should look like and the size of it, I have it in-hand. The History Committee, Administrative Council and the Executive Committee all agreed that the Time Capsule should be held at AAPM Headquarters in a preserved storage area, without being opened for 40 years. The Capsule would then be opened at the 100th year anniversary annual meeting by the History Committee of the AAPM in 2058. I ask of you now, if you would like to potentially take part in providing some of the materials for that Capsule. The Capsule is not that wide, at 8" or so. Anything that goes inside of it will need to be small in size. Please feel free to forward recommendations to me via email at mgossman@tsrcc.com along with a description and if you can provide it. In all likelihood, I will not be at AAPM in 2058, but some of you whom are younger may.

This brings up an interesting question, what do you think about the ORVC having its own Time Capsule? If you are interested in something like that, please feel free to reach out to the officers and let them know. I recommend communicating to the ORVC Secretary – Margaret Barker at margaret.barker@bhsi.com.

Aside of that, I wanted to share a resource for you. At times, you may have an idea, or concern for meeting, or a question about a procedure, or even need a reference on something like a journal article or piece of equipment. Feel free to make use of the Bulletin Board forum for that. The AAPM has set up a specific page for threads, dedicated for use by the Ohio River Valley Chapter. It is located at <https://www.aapm.org/bbs/category-view.asp?catlock=66>. This is a great way to communicate with your colleagues in the area about your professional interests. To date, there has not been any topic ever discussed for the ORVC thread. There is no sense in sending emails around all the time, then having to do email mining, if it can be avoided. Using the forum, one could leave a curious thread and in time get a response or comment that may assist. It has been an open source for placing political views just the same. As you view some of the historical threads from other Chapters, you may notice that members in other regions have similar interests. This could open the door to collaboration for you, not only for your clinical work, but perhaps for your research interests as well. Officers may find this a valuable tool for interregional communication for solutions related to Chapter management and goals.

Thank you for your Time. I look forward to seeing you all in Nashville at the end of the month, or alternatively at the Fall ORVC Colloquia.

Sincerely,

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