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As a reminder, dues notices for 2008 were sent electronically to all members in October 2007 and are payable by January 1, 2008. All members with unpaid 2008 dues will be required to pay for the current year prior to registering for the 2008 Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting.

Are you a Genetics Media Star?

Are reporters contacting you for comments about genetics stories? If so, ACMG has great resources for the media and public including news releases, policy and practice guidelines, news statements, the free online Find a Geneticist tool, genetics experts and much more.

If you are interviewed by the media for a genetics story and think ACMG possibly should be included, please refer reporters to the ACMG Online Newsroom at www.acmg.net or have them contact Kathy Beal, MBA, ACMG Media Relations Officer at kbeal@acmg.net. "Together, we can ensure that current and accurate information about medical genetics is conveyed to the media and public," said Kathy Beal.

You Can Support the Future of Our Profession. Donate to the ACMG Foundation

Donations to the ACMG Foundation help support the practice of medical genetics and can be made year round. The American College of Medical Genetics Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Gifts and grants from individuals, foundations and corporations are fully tax-deductible according to law. Such contributions enable the educational activities of the American College of Medical Genetics, which strives to fulfill the medical genetics needs in human health, improving the quality of life for all. For more information about the ACMG Foundation, please write or call: ACMGF, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814; Phone: 301-634-7127.

New ACMG Exhibit Booth a Huge Success

ACMG unveiled its new exhibit booth and membership brochure at the 57th Annual American Society of Human Genetics in San Diego, CA. The new exhibit booth, part of the overall ACMG branding project, was designed to capture the viewer's attention by drawing them in with a uniquely *medical* genetics feel.

Part of the new exhibit experience included bold new promotions, which drew visitors, in record numbers, to the booth:

- Any new member submitting a membership application at the conference was eligible for a \$75 coupon toward any products or programs ACMG offers, including registration for the Annual Meeting.
- The most successful promotion, however, was the iPod Video Nano giveaway. All visitors who completed a short survey about ACMG publicans, products and programs were eligible for the drawing, which was held on the last day of the exhibits. The lucky winner of the 8G iPod Video Nano was Shivan Nazaretiy

"I've never seen such a steady amount of traffic. We did great business the entire time the exhibit hall was open," stated Lori Oxendine, Project Coordinator for the ACMG.

"We are no longer just a group of genetics professionals who exhibit at other conferences. We are now among the ranks of professional exhibitors!" said an ACMG member, upon visiting the booth.

If you missed the ACMG Booth in San Diego, look for us at the 2008 Annual Clinical Genetics Meetings in Phoenix. A visit to the booth will not only make you proud to be an ACMG member, you will be able to meet the staff that keep ACMG running behind the scenes, and browse through our numerous products, publications, and more.

Mark your Calendars Upcoming ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meetings

March 13-16, 2008
Hyatt Regency Phoenix & Phoenix Convention Center
Phoenix, Arizona
Call for Abstracts will be distributed in October 2007
Visit www.acmgmeeting.net

March 25-29, 2009
Tampa Convention Center & Marriott Waterside Hotel and Marina
Tampa, Florida