Presidential Letter

Dear fellow plastinators,

What a great meeting and what a superb workshop we had at The University of Tennessee in Knoxville!

A package of informative lectures and posters and lots of practical sessions where packed together by Bob Henry and Larry Janick. 48 experienced plastinators and newcomers from Austria, Australia, Canada, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand and the USA met in Knoxville for the Plastination Workshop and the 5th Interim Conference of the ISP. After many acetone bubbles and orange spots everyone could not only take home the new experience with the main plastination procedures, but also a sample of S10 stomach, E12 head slice and P35 brain slice.

A picnic and hayride at Cades Cove in the Smoky Mountains and a visit to the body farm guided by Dr. Bill Bass of the UT Anthropology Forensic Investigation Team completed the impressions of five wonderful and warm days in Tennessee.

In behalf of all the participants and of myself I want to thank Bob and his wife Carol for their endeavor to make this an unforgettable meeting.

I am looking forward to meeting you all in Trois-Rivières in July 1998.

Yours sincerely,

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