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President's Corner

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Greetings ETBA.

It's election time again. Be sure to get your nominations submitted. Nominations can be made on the website at www.etbiomed.org or contact Larry Morton or any other ETBA officer. Please talk to your nominee before submitting his/her name. Don't hesitate to throw your own hat into the ring. The board of officers for the year 2005 will be elected at the December membership meeting.

We had very good attendance at the September membership meeting in Chattanooga. The meeting was hosted by the guys at Erlanger and sponsored by GE. GE presented information on their frequency hopping telemetry technology and the equipment they use to implement it. Greg Goll and Spears McAllester of the Biomed shop in Erlanger gave us a tour of their telemetry system where they monitor over 200 beds on multiple floors in a "war room". Greg and Spears showed us the room setup, their access point system, and their data distribution system including switches and cabling closets. It was very interesting and an excellent setup. They have a very neat and well-organized telemetry system. A giant thanks to Greg, Spears, and the whole Erlanger crew for the obvious efforts they made to host a very successful meeting. It was worth the drive. I hope we can do it again sometime.

I want to encourage and invite all ETBA members and potential members to attend the December membership meeting to participate in the selection of the board of officers. I would also like for you to bring your topics and ideas for discussion. We want to know what you are doing in your arena, and what you would like to see the ETBA doing. What direction we should be going to serve to the association membership? Come, let's talk about it.

ETBA FINANCIALS

Mack Webster

Balance 3/1/2004	7553.50
Inflows	465.00
Outflows	670.20
Balance 12/06/2004	7348.30

While the net total shows a loss, several corporate members received membership through sponsorship of the September Social in 2003. That corporate membership carried into this year.

Next Membership Meeting

December 14, 2004 @ 6:30 PM

The next membership meeting will be held at East Tennessee Children's Hospital in Knoxville, Tennessee. It will feature election of officers and a round table discussion. Food will be provided! For directions, please see the East Tennessee Children's Hospital website at www.etch.com and click the parking link at the bottom of the left menu. The meeting will be in the Schmid Room on the 2nd floor of Koppel Plaza (building # 5).



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