



BTLS Chapter Update

March 2005

**International
Trauma
Conference**
**October 27 - 29,
2005**
**Scottsdale,
Arizona
USA**

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES APPROACHING

Please keep the following dates in mind regarding voting delegate information for the 2005 International Trauma Conference business sessions.

March 31, 2005

To receive credit for students taught, course rosters and fees for the 24-month period of January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2004 must be received by BTLS International by **March 31, 2005**. **This deadline will not be extended regardless of circumstances.**

Each chapter is allocated two delegates plus one additional delegate for every 500 students (or fraction thereof) trained during the prior 24 month period.

December 31, 2004

This is the last date course participants could have been trained to be included in a chapter's count for the 2005 conference.

May 15, 2005

Can Japan be defeated? The two-time consecutive winner of the BTLS competition will take on chapter teams at the 2005 BTLS Competition. It's time to start getting your chapter's team together. The deadline for submitting team applications for the competition is May 15, 2005. Send an email expressing your chapter's interest to loraf@btls.org.

Videotapes of the 2004 competition are available from the BTLS office by calling 800-495-BTLS, or 630-495-6442 (outside U.S.) or email info@btls.org. The price is 10 USD plus shipping.

Brady Reassigns Sales Reps

As of January 1, 2005, Brady Books has realigned its sales staff and their sales territories. These reassignments will affect chapters who work with their state sales rep or order books through Brady.

Following is the list of Brady sales reps and their assigned US territories.

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California – Northern
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Utah
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BTLS Tests

The BTLS Editorial Board has updated all Basic and Advanced tests. The March revisions contain references for the military edition of the BTLS Advanced book. The formatting of the tests has also been updated.

Copies of the new tests are attached to this memo and have been posted on the BTLS website in the members only section that is restricted to chapter coordinators and medical directors.

Please remember that the BTLS International office does not release tests to course coordinators or course medical directors without direction from the chapter. If you have questions, please contact Sue McDonough at 1-800-495-BTLS ext. 201 or suem@btls.org.

Call for Nominations

BTLS chapter delegates will elect members of the organization's Board of Directors and Speaker and Vice Speaker during the International Trauma Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona in October.

Board of Directors

Three positions will be elected to the BTLS Board of Directors this October by the chapter delegate. The BTLS Nominating Committee is seeking suggestions for nominations.

The seats of incumbents Sabina Braithwaite, MD, FACEP (Virginia), Jim Kelly, EMT-P (Virginia) and Robert Seitz, EMT-P, RN (Pennsylvania) are up for election. All incumbents are eligible to run for re-election.

The term of office is three years, and there are no limits on the number of terms a Board member may serve.

The criteria used to for Board nominations are:

1. The candidate should be an active and dependable member of BTLS.
2. The candidate should have the support of his or her chapter.
3. The candidate should be experienced in teaching or coordinating BTLS courses.
4. The candidate should be supportive of a consensus-building process.
5. The Board should be comprised of members who represent various geographic areas, rather than be clustered in one section of the U.S.
6. The Board should be comprised of members who represent the various professions that teach and coordinate BTLS programs.

Speaker and Vice Speaker

Both the Congress Speaker and Vice Speaker will be elected by the delegates in October. The Speaker chairs the business session of the conference and is assisted by the Vice Speaker. The current Speaker is Vickey Lewis, RN (North Carolina) and the Vice Speaker is William Moore, MD, FACEP (Texas). Both are eligible for re-election.

To make a nomination for any of the positions to be elected, a letter explaining the nominee's qualifications with a copy of his or her CV should be sent to the BTLS office. The Nominating Committee will accept suggestions until **July 15**.