Chairman’s Report
October 17, 2014

Quality and Safety
- Amit Goyal, Paramita Das and Cati Miller have been working hard on quality improvement within the department, and on improving our monthly quality and safety meetings.
- Dr. Hunt would like to recognize the surgeons (residents and staff). In a recent meeting, one of the PACU nurses had high praise for the neurosurgery service for the care they provide, particularly checking in the PACU to see how things are going and identify any concerns to watch for. This supports the ‘patients are our first priority’.

Public and Professional Engagement

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<td>AANS Annual Meeting</td>
<td>May 2-6, 2015</td>
<td>Washington, DC</td>
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<td>AANS/CNS Section on Tumors 11th Biennial Satellite Tumor Symposium</td>
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- Paul Camarata, 1993 graduate of this program and Professor and Chairman of the Department of Neurosurgery at the University of Kansas is here to present the 11th Titrud Lecture in Neurosurgery.
- Paramita Das and Dr. Guillaume have a presentation at CNS next week on BBBD delivery for medulloblastoma, a prospective phase I/II clinical trial where we will report preliminary safety and efficacy findings.
- Paramita Das has another presentation at CNS regarding her lab work on medulloblastoma genetics.
- Amit Goyal is going to CSNS for his socioeconomic fellowship.
- Also Cati miller has 3 e posters at cns

Cutting Edge Training
- Today the resident leadership program formally begins.
- Applicant interviews start on 11/7, other dates are 12/5 and 1/9

Discovery
- Dr. Guillaume was in Orlando last week for the second of two MPS III A trials we are doing here (we will be a primary site for a multicenter international trial on intrathecal

Vision 2033
- Neurosurgical patients in Minnesota receive the safest and best care in the nation.
- We are a destination for those seeking outstanding neurosurgical care.
- We produce important innovations in neurosurgery and train the neurosurgical leaders of tomorrow.

Commitments
- Our patients are our first priority.
- We practice innovative, team-based neurosurgery.
- We train neurosurgical leaders who improve our communities.
- Our research improves the lives of patients.
delivery of enzyme, and I helped develop the device to be used). The other trial is gene therapy for the same disease.

**Creating Excellence**

- The office upgrade project is underway. Our goal is to make our workplace a nicer and more effective environment. Carpet and paint selections have been made. New technology will be installed in the next few months. More to follow.
- We will be selecting photographs to replace the current wall art. We need everyone’s help in selecting photos from departmental or personal collections that depict the "meaning" behind Vision 2033.