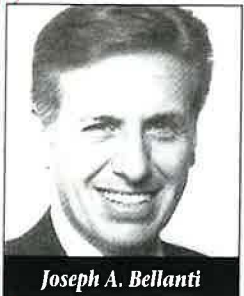


## ACAI Meets in New York, Nov. 16-20: "Allergy & Immunology: Quo Vadis?"



Joseph A. Bellanti

Theme of ACAI's 48th annual meeting Nov. 16-20 in New York will be "Allergy and Immunology: Quo Vadis?," according to Dr. **Joseph A. Bellanti**, program chairman.

"We believe our specialty has reached a critical crossroads, and the purpose of our program will be to provide direction on where we should be going over the course of the decade," Dr. Bellanti said.

The program is designed for practicing allergists/immunologists at all stages of professional development, from Fellows-in-Training to senior physicians now thinking ahead to retirement.

### Literature Review

The program actually begins with ACAI's 4th Annual Literature Review Course on Friday, Nov. 15, co-chaired by Drs. **Peter B. Boggs**, Shreveport, LA, and **William T. Kniker**, San Antonio, TX. It will provide a comprehensive update of the most important allergy/immunology literature published between Oct., 1990, and Oct., 1991.

ACAI's House of Delegates also meets on Friday.

Saturday's plenary session will include "Latest Developments in the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma: Quo Vadis" and "Hot Stuff: The Cutting Edge."

On Sunday, plenary session topics are "Dermatology for the Allergist: State of the Art," and "New Horizons in Allergy: Masqueraders."

### Special Lecture

Monday's program includes a special lecture, "The ABAI Certification and Recertification, the Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology (DLI) Exam," by Dr. **Robert Rich**, Chairman of the board, ABAI. The plenary session topic will be "Allergic Rhinitis and Asthma in Pregnancy."

ACAI's annual business meeting will be held Tuesday, followed by the Bela Schick

lecture, delivered this year by Dr. **Emil J. Bardana, Jr.**, Portland, OR. Dr. Bardana's topic will be, "The Practice of Allergy and the Crisis in American Medicine."

Tuesday afternoon's plenary session will be devoted to "Adverse Reactions to Drugs," beginning with the McGovern Lecture by Dr. **Timothy J. Sullivan III**, Dallas, TX. His topic will be "Adverse Drug Reactions and Interactions in Allergic Disease."

### Mittelstaedt Lecture

The program concludes Wednesday with a plenary session headed "Topics in Diagnostic Allergy, Immunology and Infectious Diseases." The Lester W. Mittelstaedt Lecture will be given by Dr. **Michael Blaese** of the National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda, MD., on "What Does the Future Hold for Gene Therapy?"

## ACAI Earns 4-Year ACCME Accreditation

ACAI was recently re-surveyed by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) and accredited for four years as a sponsor of continuing medical education for physicians.

ACCME rigorously evaluates the overall CME programs of institutions to assure both physicians and the public that continuing medical education activities meet high standards.

Sponsoring organizations of ACCME are: American Board of Medical Specialties, American Hospital Association, American Medical Association, Association for Hospital Medical Education, Association of American Medical Colleges, Council of Medical Specialty Societies, and Federation of State Medical Boards.

## Singer Tony Bennett Highlights ACAI Fund-Raising Dinner at Annual Meeting

A gala fund-raising event featuring a concert by singer Tony Bennett will be held Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the New York Marriott Marquis during ACAI's 48th Annual Meeting.

"Tony Bennett is a legend in American popular music, and this benefit provides a rare opportunity to spend an evening with him, while contributing to worthy causes," Program Chairman Dr. **Joseph A. Bellanti** said.

The evening will begin with a reception and sumptuous dinner in the beautiful Broadway Ballroom of the Marriott Marquis, following which Mr. Bennett will perform some of his greatest hits, including "I Left My Heart in San Francisco." Following his performance, the evening will continue with dancing to the music of a 16-piece orchestra.

A donation of \$150 per person for the entire evening's festivities will establish an ACAI Educational Fund which will:

(A) Provide a gift to AAFA; and (B) Fund a community-based asthma educational program for inner-city children.



Tony Bennett.