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## ALCOR CEO SPEAKING AT NEW YORK CONFERENCE

Humanity+, the world's leading nonprofit organization advocating the ethical use of technology to expand human capabilities, today announced its first conference in partnership with [Parsons The New School for Design](#), a leading art and design school in New York City dedicated to the advancement of design thinking and education. Transhumanism Meets Design explores the role of design in transcending and transforming human potential, and will take place at The New School May 14-15, 2011. This groundbreaking conference features lectures and panels that bring together and explore the nexus of emerging technology, transdisciplinary design, culture, media theory, and biotechnology.

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Transhumanism aims to elevate the human condition. Design is a process for problem solving. At [Transhumanism Meets Design](#), these two domains will join forces as leading transhumanists, cyberneticists, life extensionists, singularity advocates, artificial intelligence experts, human enhancement specialists, inventors, ethicists, and philosophers gather to explore human futures, ask questions, construct ideas, and peer over the edge into the unknown.

"Translating this narrative calls for a transdisciplinarity that brings emerging technologies and creative insights to the forefront. Transhumanist aesthetics pioneers how we will design our existence and future identity," said Natasha Vita-More, vice chair of Humanity+, who co-chairs the conference with Ed Keller, associate dean of Distributed Learning and Technology at Parsons. "We live in an era of unprecedented interest in design," said Keller. "Recognizing that the body could be the next frontier, we are challenging designers to use the research tools developed to enhance products to engage

## MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

A new position called the Member Communications Director has opened at Alcor. The Member Communications Director's job will be to communicate with Alcor's members by email, by telephone, and in person for multiple purposes.

For detailed information on the position requirements and job description please click on the link below.

[Qualifications/Compensation HOW TO BECOME AN ALCOR MEMBER](#)

Becoming an Alcor member is easy and surprisingly affordable, if you are in good health and eligible for life insurance, which will pay for your cryopreservation. (If you are not insurable, other financial arrangements can be made. Please ask us for details.)

[ALCOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTIONS](#)

Alcor Life Extension Foundation is on Facebook. If you would like to connect with Alcor members and supporters then visit: [Official Alcor Facebook](#)

Become a fan and encourage interested friends, family members, and colleagues to support us too!

To find out about: Alcor Training Sessions; Regional Cryonics Meetings as well as Non-Alcor Events in your area, please visit: the [UPCOMING EVENTS](#) page on our website.

and extend the human body."

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[PRINTABLE INFORMATION PACKET ONLINE](#)

Alcor's information packet is now instantly available for people who are thinking about becoming an Alcor member or for people who would like to receive more information about cryonics. It is available in three different ways: (1) to view online; or (2) to download, print, and save for future use; or (3) to request a packet by mail.

The information package consists of the following items:

- [Welcome letter from Alcor's CEO](#)
- [Scientists' Open Letter on Cryonics](#)
- [The Biology of Cryonics](#)
- [Comprehensive Member Standby](#)
- [Alcor Membership Brochure](#)
- [Alcor Membership Application](#) (fill in and submit online)
- [Sample Cryonics Magazine](#)

Please tell anyone interested in membership to visit [www.alcor.org/InfoRequest](http://www.alcor.org/InfoRequest) to obtain your free information package now!

[READINESS AND TRANSPORT](#)

Recent Team Training

The Scottsdale team held a one day training session. There were sixteen people in attendance which included four Alcor staff members. The Arizona team training sessions are different from that of regional teams due to the availability of Alcor's rescue vehicle, and the use of different equipment and supplies.

AZ Training 2011

Upcoming Team Training

There is a training opportunity scheduled in the Pacific Northwest (Portland) - May 7th & 8th, 2011. Please continue to visit the [Alcor blog](#) or the [Events page](#) on our website for an update regarding the time and location.

Laughlin, NV

A two day training session was conducted for our Laughlin, NV response team. They now have 16 staff members who are trained and able to respond. While the team was initially developed for a local response, they do have support from their management to participate in a regional based standby, should Alcor request their assistance, to gain valuable hands-on experience.

The training included two full scenarios where all medications and supplies were used on a mannequin in a real-time environment. The visit also provided an

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opportunity to deliver their newly organized medications and supply kits.

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## NEW STATISTICS (As of March 31, 2011)

### Membership

Alcor had 935 members on its Emergency Responsibility List. Eight memberships were approved during this month, no memberships were reinstated, four memberships were cancelled and one member was cryopreserved. Overall, there was a net gain of three members this month.

### Applicants

Alcor currently has 54 applicants for membership. Nine new applicants were added, 9 applicants were converted to members and no applicants were cancelled resulting in no net gain or loss of applicants for this month.

### Information Packets

Alcor received 109 info pack requests this month. Eleven were handed out during facility tours or from special requests. The average total of 132 info packs sent per month in 2011 compares to 199 in 2010.

## WORLD FUTURE SOCIETY TOURS ALCOR

Twenty members from The Arizona Futurists Society toured our facility on April 21, 2011. The Arizona Futurists Chapter of the World Future Society is a community of thinkers, strategists and communicators interested in looking forward to the future.

### Objective of the AZ Futurists Chapter:

- \* Share information about the Futures Community with the Local Community.
- \* Expand open forum, discussion and awareness of the future and importance of its study.
- \* Advance serious and responsible investigation of the future -- global, national, and regional.
- \* Promote futures studies methods/approaches /theories.
- \* Facilitate communication and cooperation among organizations and individuals interested in studying or planning for the future.

## THE NEXT ALCOR BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Alcor [Board of Directors](#) meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2011, at the Alcor facility (7895 East Acoma Drive in Scottsdale, AZ) at 11:00 A.M. (PDT). Members and the public are encouraged to attend.

## DONATIONS ACCEPTED ON ALCOR WEBSITE

Now our valued supporters can [make a charitable donation](#) anytime just by clicking the "Donate" button on the Alcor website.

Alcor has a long, proud tradition of innovation and technical excellence in the field of cryonics. Your gift will

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make a difference in our quest for better cryopreservations.  
Your decision to [DONATE](#) is sincerely appreciated.  
Remember donations are tax deductible.

#### ALCOR NEWS BLOG

Don't forget! You don't have to wait for this monthly newsletter to learn more about happenings at Alcor. Check the Alcor News Blog throughout the month for the most up-to-date information.

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