

cybernetics

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Dear Dr. Wood:

The American Society for Cybernetics was incorporated in the District of Columbia July 31, 1964, in response to the increasingly critical need for a multiprofessional approach to problems of communication and control in man, machines and societies.

Major objectives of the new society are (1) to provide suitable mechanisms for developing the theoretical and practical aspects of Cybernetics; (2) to anticipate the impact of Cybernetics on science, industry and society; and (3) to provide a ready pool of up-to-date information in this broad and rapidly developing field for use by scientists, educators, leaders of industry and labor, and especially by the Federal Government in conjunction with its recently initiated efforts to identify, assess and forecast the effects and pace of technological change on the national economy, manpower, family and community life, social structure and human values.

In recognition of your role in the development of Cybernetics and in hopeful anticipation of your continued efforts to guide and stimulate the expansion of this new field along lines consonant with the objectives stated above, the American Society for Cybernetics invites your participation therein as a Charter Member. The Society cordially extends to you an invitation to attend its Inaugural Dinner to be held at the Cosmos Club, 2121 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., Friday, October 16, 1964.

Three of our Honorary Founders will be the featured speakers at the dinner -- Dr. Julian Bigelow, Institute of Advanced Studies, Princeton, New Jersey; Dr. Warren McCulloch, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and Professor F.S.C. Northrup, Yale University.

Because the attendance at the Inaugural Dinner will be quite limited, an early response would be appreciated.

Frank Fremont-Smith, M.D.

Chairman, Inaugural Dinner

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