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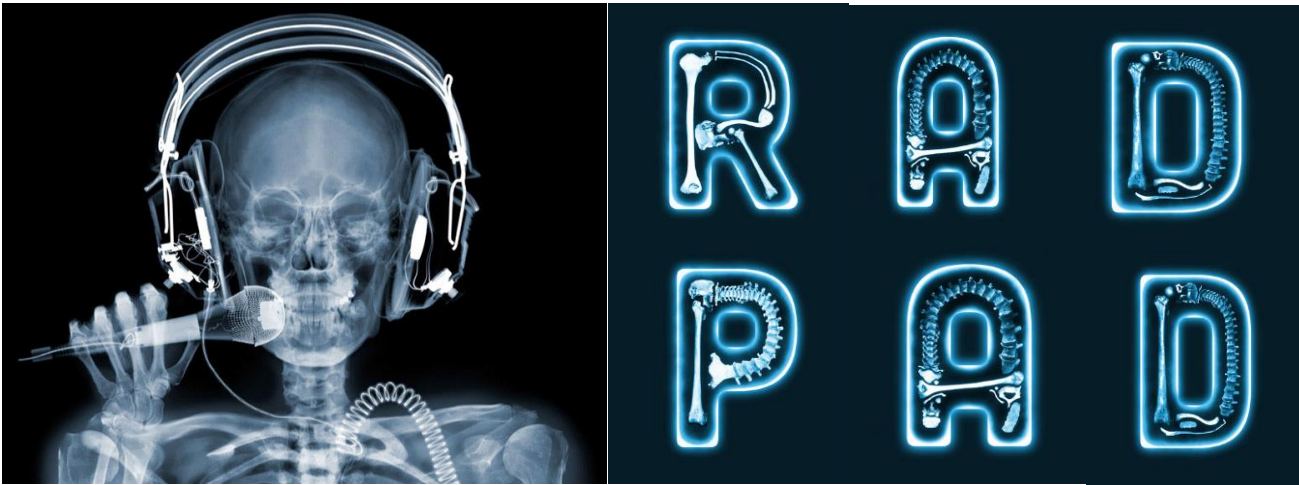


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There appears to be a lack of involvement in our state organization. The state of Missouri is listed by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) as having 6,580 registered technologists in 2011. In 2016 there are less than 600 active members of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists (MoSRT). In the modern world it can be very difficult to get involved in activities beyond family and job. There is always something to do, whether it be work responsibilities, the demands of family or simple household chores there never seems to be enough time to do all the things that need to be done. However, being involved in a professional organization would be beneficial to an individual and a professional. It opens many doors of opportunity to meet new people and work toward a common goal. It can lead to discoveries about one's professional and personal abilities and give new life to one's career.

So, why are there not more active members? When asked, most technologists responded that they did not find any benefits from the MoSRT. They did not see a reason to get involved at the state level, especially if they are a member of the national society the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT). Yet, there are several reasons to be an active MoSRT member. The MoSRT was organized to be a scientific and professional organization working as an affiliate of the ASRT, dedicated to education, communication and patient care. Currently, the society offers a biannual journal, a chance to get CE's through a state conference or your local chapters and a chance to meet other technologists. This organization is advocating for state licensure to ensure patient safety from any person exposed to medical radiation. The MoSRT is an organization that will help to advocate for the rights of Missouri radiologic technologists.

The benefits of joining a professional organization are unlimited when one puts the effort into becoming a part of one. As a professional you can advance your career, get involved in decision making processes, meet new people and make a difference for the people that you serve every day. As a member you have an opportunity to make changes or advocate for an organization that does things your way. An organization is only what its members make it and without members there is no organization. So, remember to ask not what your organization can do for you, but what you can do for your organization.

Jessica Dines, BHS, RT (R)



A Message from the President

Dear MoSRT members,

It is my honor and pleasure to serve as the President to the members of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists, MoSRT, thank you for selecting me. This is an exciting time for the MoSRT. As you may have heard, we will be celebrating our 85th annual conference; which is a Jubilee year- Sapphires and Silver! It's hard to believe that we have been active for such a long time! Wow! That says a lot about Missouri...

I am so excited about our conference it is going to be fabulous. We have such an amazing Program Chair – Kristi Littleton and Conference Coordinator Carla Allen. These ladies will not let us down they have been planning an exciting conference for the members. The theme will be: “Treasured Past Unlimited Future” Our conference will be held in Columbia, Missouri at the Holiday Inn Executive Center.

I want to extend and send out well wishes to two of our members: Norman Hente and Martin Henson. Norman is our Radiographer Chair and Martin is our Photographer & Historian. Please keep them in your prayers; they are a huge part of this organization and its history.

Now, if you are reading this message, you are viewing our newly updated Radiographer Newsletter, which has been designed by Jessica Dines – Radiographer Co- Chair. The Radiographer is designed to keep you the members up-to-date on the business at hand: current legislative issues from our LAC Chair Diane Hutton, student events and activities from our Student Intern Chair Casey Feigly and Student Activities Chair Janet Akers and meeting information, etc. Please check out our wonderful web page and site which has been designed by Joe Oller – Webmaster. Joe keeps the site up to date with great information and opportunities – such as Student Bowl, Student Scholarship, Student Essays and Exhibits, Technologist Essays and Exhibits, Registration, Membership and much more.

Let me take this time to welcome and introduce to you the new board officers members elected at the business meeting held during the annual meeting last April in Columbia, MO.

President Elect - Dustin Ward

Vic President – Casey Feigly

Secretary – Rebecca Doss

Treasurer – Donita Shipman

1st District Rep – Kelley McDonald

4th District Rep – Norman Hente

5th District Rep – Stacy Soden

I also look forward to sharing the upcoming year with an outstanding group of board and committee members. They all come to the organization with a wealth of knowledge and insight. I have been actively involved with our society since 2009 on the local and state levels. I began as a volunteer and Judge for the Student Bowl, Student Bowl Chair, District 1 Rep, Vice President, and now President in 2016.

I'd also like to bring your attention to upcoming events and opportunities for involvement:

- Our 85th annual meeting will return to Columbia, MO in 2017
- RT in JC in February/March 2017 – Missouri Licensure Support

- Our Theme for next year's conference is "Treasured Past Unlimited Future"
- Call for speakers!! Please let me know if you are interested in speaking at our next meeting.

As we move into another great year for imaging specialists, I would also like to outline some goals for our organization:

- Determination to build our membership and volunteers – remember "membership is the life's blood of an organization!"
- Increase student involvement in the organization through the student leadership development program and student activities - remember the students are our future for the organization
- Have a driving force to achieve Missouri Licensure – we are educationally trained and competent
- Building up our committees and the mentoring process in the society organization – sharing knowledge and working together
- Continue to provide excellent meetings for our members through the state and Districts – networking

I would like to thank all our members who continue to support our state society. I am very excited about the direction that Missouri Imaging Specialists will continue to take in the future.

Warm Regards,

Marilyn "Mj" Lewis Thompson, MBA RT (R) (M)
MoSRT President and Chairman



Legislative Action Committee Report

The legislative session ended the middle of May 2016. We had our House and Senate bill end this year after each bill had its hearing. Many MoSRT technologists came to testify for our House bill. I was able to be at the Senate hearing to provide testimony.

ARRT fully funded our lobbyist, Michael Grote for the 2015- 2016 legislative session. ARRT will again fund Mike for the 2016-2017 legislative session beginning in August.

I will ask each board member to make sure you sign up for your legislators electronic newsletter. As your legislator comes back to district to host kitchen talk meetings, please attend your district meeting. My goal is to make sure each legislator knows in advance of the beginning of the legislative session that the MoSRT will come back to introduce our next state licensure bill.

As we continue to work toward state licensure, we have had an increase in those organizations who might oppose the bill. I will begin communication with the various groups who have expressed concern during our campaign. I am anxious to see who is assigned to the Professional licensure committee. I believe that Rep Burlison is termed out. I had a conversation with Rep. Higdon at the end of the session, he expressed his concern with his ability to introduce our bill for the next session. Mike and I will begin interviewing for a House sponsor soon. I believe that Senator Wallingford will introduce our bill on the Senate side.

I was able to participate at the ASRT conference in the Affiliate Open forum. I talked about what the MoSRT is doing as far as advocacy efforts and our current march toward state licensure.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Hutton, BA RT(R) ARRT
LAC
June 2016**



MoSRT Student Intern

The 2016 Student Leadership Development Program in Las Vegas, Nevada was an unforgettable opportunity. Throughout the five-day span of the conference I had the chance to meet individuals directly involved with ASRT, listen to some remarkable speakers, and make new friends.

Amongst all of the incredible speakers, Cindy Parman and Cheryl DuBose presented two of my favorite lectures. Cindy spoke on “Leading (or following) Through Change” and though this topic is applicable to nearly any profession, I think it is a great reminder of what it means to be a successful leader and a purposeful follower during different seasons of change. I also thoroughly enjoyed Cheryl’s presentation on building a professional portfolio and I am eager to apply some of her tips so that I can continue growing my resume and cover letter.

Another event that I had the opportunity to attend was the welcome reception and pin exchange. It was during this event that I had the opportunity to network with individuals from across the country and make some new friends. I enjoyed trading pins, and now that I am back home, those pins serve as a reminder of the people I met.

Overall the Student Leadership Development Program and ASRT conference provided a chance to grow professionally. I witnessed first hand how the House of Delegates business meetings operate, and the number of people involved in the decision making process. It was encouraging and enlightening to see individuals from across the United States interact and exchange information regarding the bylaws that were up for discussion.

I am thankful that our profession invests time and resources into the students so that we may have these experiences. It is reassuring to have these opportunities and experiences to see that professional growth is a possibility and that there are numerous opportunities ahead.

Alleah Travis
MoSRT Student Intern

Showcase Showdown Winners Conference 2016

Essay Winners

Technologist

None

Student

First Place



Nichole Williams, Research Medical Center, “Reducing Pediatric Dose in CT”

Second Place



Shelby Liggett, Avila University, “Medical Imaging Used in Congenital Talipes Equinovarus”

Third Place



Cassie McKenzie, St. Luke’s Radiography, “Lung Cancer: Discovery, Diagnosis and Treatment”

Scientific Display Winners

Technologist

First Place



April Young, “Scatter”

Student

First Place



Rachel Reilly, Saint Luke’s School of Radiology, “The Madden Rule: Head Trauma in the NFL Imaging X-ray”

Second Place



Braden Bell, Rolla Center College Radiography Program, “Breast Tomosynthesis”



Showcase Showdown Winners Conference 2016



Third Place



Nichole Wilms, Research Medical Center, "Reducing Pediatric Radiation Dose in CT"

Scholarship Winners

Technologist



Timothy Hill

Student

Henry Y. Cashion Memorial Scholarship Award



Danny Howard, Rolla Technical Center College Radiography Program

Robert A. Feldhaus Memorial Scholarship Award



Sarah Bolte, Rolla Technical Center College Radiography Program

Stephanie A. Whisler Memorial Scholarship Award



Nicholas Robinson, Cox College

Student Intern Award

Henry Y. Cashion Student Intern Award



Alleah Travis, Hillyard Technical Center

Showcase Showdown Conference 2016



Student Quiz Bowl Winners

First Place

Rolla Technical Center College Radiography Program



**Shelby Smith,
Dan Howard,
Casey Schwartz,
Sarah Bolte,
Kelly Lakaner
Coach Maggie Ogden**

Second Place

Hillyard Technical Center



**Alleah Travis
Marissa Cockram
Alyssa Grizzle
Amber Guyer
Coach Linda Ross**

Showcase Showdown Conference 2016



Third Place

Missouri Southern State University



**Tiffanie Valdois
Cody Jackson
Jeremy Gustafson
Heather McCarthy
Coach Alan Schiska**

Fourth Place

Research Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology



**Stevie Jo Boggs
Nichole Williams
Samantha Woodward
Katie Camzonene
Coach Mark Reynolds**

Showcase Showdown Conference 2016



**Ulysses D. Murray Lecturer
Jason Young BS, RT (R)**

**MoSRT Award of Excellence
William "Joe" Oller**



MoSRT 2016 Fellows

Right to left:

**Coretta Schroer, Kelley
McDonald, Martin G. Henson, Dan
Cantrell, Dean Brake**

Showcase Showdown Conference 2016



Saint Luke's School of Radiology Honorable Mention Student Essay Winners

Background and History of Colon Cancer
Bailey VonFeldt

Brain Cancer and the Assistance of Medical Imaging
Shannon Thomas

Kidney Cancer: A Growing Problem
Chelsea A. Bosworth

Liver Cancer: A Summary on History, Diagnosis, and Treatment
Morgan Elliott

Prostate Cancer
Jason A. Kotterman

Technological and Diagnostic Research on the Pathology of Bone Cancer
Ashley A.Madsen

Understanding Ovarian Cancer:
Expanding on Diagnosis, Pathology, Imaging, and Treatment from a Radiological Perspective
Jaclene E. Swengrosh

What's next? Understanding a Patients Diagnosis of Breast Cancer
Marcie Webber



Back Row: Jason Kotterman, Shannon Thomas, Chelsea Bosworth, Marcie Webber, Ashley Madsen

Front Row: Jaci Swengrosh, Morgan Elliott, Cassie McKenzie, Bailey Vonfeldt

In the Next Issue

❖ **ePoster survey**

ePosters are electronic posters or display boards. They are created using software programs such PowerPoint and can be printed or displayed electronically. The ePosters will replace the old trifold display posters. They will allow a more standardized format for judging, less room for display and easier handling and transporting. This organization is here to serve you, so be prepared to present your thoughts in the next Radiographer.

❖ **Volunteers**

❖ **Preparing for Conference 2017**