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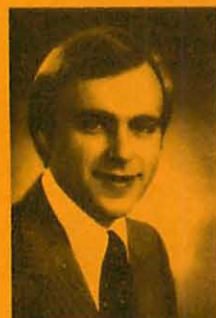
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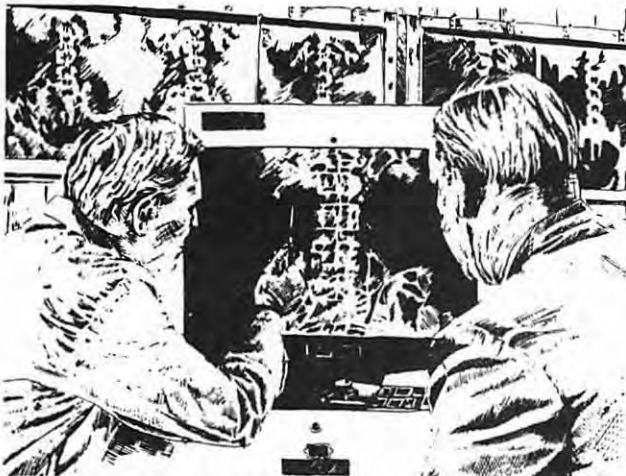
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1ST PLACE ESSAY-RT

PROFESSIONAL CARING IN RADIOGRAPHY

By, Deborah J. Andrews, R.T.

"Professionalism" is a term that has been widely discussed in the last few years by those individuals concerned with upgrading the professional standing of Radiologic Technology. Recently, several major advancements have been made toward this goal. It was announced at the National Meeting of the American College of Radiology, on September 24, 1980 that radiographers are professionals and should be recognized as such. In August of 1981, the Health Professions Training and Distribution Act (S-2375) was signed by President Reagan. The bill mandates that states shall establish minimum educational standards for operators of equipment that emits ionizing radiation.

Indeed through legislation and recognition the field of radiologic technology will gain the status it deserves in the public mind. However there is an issue that must be dealt with before the profession can assume its rightful place in the field of health care. The issue that is foremost in the mind of the public and those in the field is the nature of professionalism.

As defined by Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, a professional is "Characterized by or conforming to the technical or ethical standards of a profession".¹ Radiographers conform to technical or ethical standards when they support professional organizations. Radiographers conform to ethical standards when they demonstrate the well being of patients as primary concern, and promote the caring image of the professional radiographer.

In retrospect, "within the profession there appears to be a general malaise, a feeling of inferiority in the role of the radiologic technologist as compared with other health care specialists".²

Apathy, in radiologic technology is running rampant. "Less than 20 percent of radiographers registered by the A.R.R.T. recognize and participate in their professional responsibilities, through membership in their professional organizations."³ What is the source of this degenerating malaise? Can it be contributed solely to the lack of involvement in professional organizations, or nonparticipation in the continuing education programs that help radiographers keep up with the advances in technology. These factors only contribute to the apathy that is undermining our profession. Certainly lack of recognition at the professional organizational level is debilitating. However, the most common cause for dissatisfaction among radiographers stems from the types of, or lack of, interactions radiographers have with their closest associates: Radiologists, administrators, co-workers, and patients.

Lack of recognition from superiors, or feedback about performance, produces radiographers that feel their contribution is worthless and their potential unrealized. When radiographers are in this position their pessimistic attitudes are reflected in the way they deal with patients. It becomes difficult to interact with patients when preoccupied with low professional esteem. Only when the patient feels he is being treated by a "professional", in a "professional" manner, will the field of radiologic technology receive the respect it is due. If we fail to gain patient support, or "grass roots" support from the people we serve, then our campaign will be futile. If technologists maintain the status quo by an unwillingness to update skills and project professional attitudes, then we have failed to pass on benefits of our expertise and skills to the patient--

our primary concern.

The issue of professionalism is of primary concern to the patient, since we provide service that is related to patient well being. Any misuse of our technical knowledge or failure to recognize ethical considerations involving patient care could inflict lasting damage on the patient.

"Primum non nocere" is an ancient medical dictum that translates "first do no harm". If the profession of radiologic technology is devoted to serving this treatise, then we must evaluate the following issues in regard to our service.

Frequently, technologists fail to observe the most elementary rules of radiation safety -- protection. Technologists will often say, "I was in a hurry and forgot to shield" or "don't worry the patient is too old for x-ray to hurt him" or "just one film without shielding won't hurt". How often do radiographers try to rationalize failure to provide the basis right of adequate shielding and protection? When this rationalization takes place, the image of the whole profession is damaged. Failure of technologists to live up to the highest ethical morals leaves us all vulnerable to attack.

Occasionally, patients state they were not shielded during previous examinations, so why do they need shielding now; or more frequently, why wasn't I shielded during my last procedure? Hence, technologist credibility is threatened and the reputation of the profession is downgraded.

Another common patient complaint or observation is the manner in which the patient was physically handled. Unnecessary roughness when moving patients never makes a favorable impression. When the

radiographer is in a hurry to complete an examination the patient is rushed and feels that little concern is given to his fear of falling. Also positioning of radiographs seems to be more important than assuring the patient that they won't fall off the table.

Impatience by the technologist often magnifies this problem. Perhaps the most damning statement of all was made by a patient in an interview: "One of the more personally disturbing interviews I had was with a sixty year old highly educated, very articulate, pleasant man who had just undergone an angiographic procedure. He had glowing remarks about the department, and at the end of the interview I casually summarized his responses with the statement, "Well it seems as though you found our technologists very proficient," and he quickly replied, "Oh, honey, I didn't have technologists -- they were nurses." Our professional image is being determined by the conduct of a few uncaring radiographers. Unless we take steps to gain patient trust and support we will have to live with an unfavorable opinion from our clients -- the patient.

The caring professional is eager to gain the confidence of the patient in order to facilitate interaction between them. In the field of Radiology, the radiographer usually has only one or two meetings with the patient. This places tremendous pressure on the radiographer to make a favorable impression and to gain patient trust.

Hospitalization is a traumatic experience. Not only must the patient learn to deal with his illness, but also with new surroundings, new routines, and new individuals of the health care team.

As health care professionals, radio-

graphers have a responsibility to genuinely care for their patients emotional well being. Often an approach to caring is to be familiar or casual in their introduction to the patient. Unfortunately, the approach backfires. In attempting to establish confidence or trust, the health professional tries to show, by both actions and words that he can be trusted with that patient's health needs.

Some common actions that are subject to dual interpretations include:

(1) The health professional shares some secrets or private jokes with the patient, and there is an exclusiveness about the relationship. (2) The health professional and patient are on a first name basis. (3) The health professional tries to distinguish himself from the other health workers, by simply wearing a flower in his lapel, or by much more marked means. (4) The health professional spends extra time with the patient, and appears to give him priority over the other patients.

Some patients tolerate the above and similar behavior very well. Others, however, realize that they are being treated differently from other patients and are unable to understand it. Rather than being pleased by this extra attention, they may grow distrustful.⁴

Apparently, the only way that radiographers can establish an acceptable rapport with patients is to become familiar with and to practice those principles that denote a professional manner.

Erich Fromm's The Art of Loving, states guidelines for meaningful relationships both personally and professionally:

1. Concern--encouraging the growth or progress of the other person.
2. Responsibility--responding to the other not simply out of duty - rather as a voluntary desire to meet the needs of the other person.

3. Respect--realizing the individuality of the other person.
4. Knowledge--trying to discover what is important to the other person.⁵

If allied health personnel follow these basic guidelines when dealing with patients, interaction with the patient will be more veneficial to all concerned.

Dignity is a word that is often associated with those individuals who are professional in their manner. Certainly, radiographers whould be dignified when interacting with patients while at the same time respecting their dignity. Leaving a patient on the x-ray table, exposed, definitely fails to maintain patient dignity. Holding conversations with coworkers while performing an examination inflicts a loss of privacy. Not only is the patients loss of privacy affected, but also the radiographer diminishes the dignity of the profession when behaving in an unprofessional manner.

If radiographers feel the need to be recognized as professionals, they must act in a professional manner. When we treat our patient with respect and dignity, then we will receive their support in our fight for professional recognition.

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BOARD MINUTES 1981 CONVENTION

Pre-Convention Board of Directors meeting, October 28, 1981, 2:20 pm. Tan-Tar-A, Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.

Board Members Present:

J. Foeste, President
B. Anderhub, Past-president
J. Watson, President-elect
M. Ward, Vice-president
C. Huesgen, Secretary
R. Jerden, Treasurer
J. Schaumburg, 1st Dist. Rep.
1981 Convention Co-Chm.
D. Hurst, 3rd Dist. Rep.
R. Feldhaus, 4th Dist. Rep.
D. Hobbs, 6th Dist. Rep.

Non-Board Members Present:

U. Murray, Parliamentarian
N. Hente, Eastern Counselor,
Editor, RADIOGRAPHER
V. Watson, guest
B. Hente, guest
L. Ackerman, Membership Chm.

Board Members Absent:

D. Umfleet, 7th Dist. Rep.

Non-Board Members Absent:

T. Robinson, Nominating Chm.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the July 25th, 1981 Board of Directors Meeting were accepted as printed (Vol. 40, No. 3).

Committee Reports:

Nominating: A written report was submitted. Two situations exist that need attention: 1) The ballots for the 1981-1982 Election of Officers were mailed out incorrectly (a blank envelope must accompany the ballots, and the return address of the voting member must be on the mailing or outside envelope). 2) Ed Passman, nominated for President-elect has resigned.

Motion #1. Robert Feldhaus moved that the Board accept the ballots received as valid ballots even though there were mechanical errors made in voting procedure. Second by Beth Anderhub. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Motion #2. Beth Anderhub moved that any write-in candidate on the ballot for President-elect should be considered for nomination for this office. If the candidate chooses to accept the nomination, the membership will ratify the candidate for this office. Second by Michael D. Ward. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Convention 1981:

Jerry Schaumburg reported 221 preregistered; a total of \$14,999 fees received. Pre-registration status included all people sending in their fees by Oct. 27, 1981.

Ray Horner will not be attending the convention this year as he is no longer with the A.R.R.T.

Legislative Committee: A written report was submitted by Beth. On Oct. 6, 1981, Beth and Norman Hente testified in Jefferson City. The opposition were present at this meeting; however, the legislators made quick work of their statements. The opposition is getting more serious now; we must be prepared to work hard for our goal.

960 surveys have been mailed out to facilities in Missouri operating x-ray equipment. Hopefully, these surveys will be a useful tool in preparation for the January legislative session.

Representatives Ralph Hendrick, William Raisch, Lester Patterson and Harold Reisch, all members of the Licenses and Related Matters Committee will be attending the luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 29th. These supporters of House Bill #217 will be here the entire day.

BOARD MINUTES, cont

Education Committee: Kathy Reynolds has resigned as chairman.

Membership Committee: Lee Ann Ackerman submitted a written report. Total membership was 332. (152 active)

Public Relations Committee: Aona Declue submitted a written report.

District Representative Reports:

District 1: Jerry Schaumburg submitted a written report.

District 3: Debbie Hurst reported new officers elected and installed. A poster encouraging both technologists and students to join District 3 was displayed during the convention. District 3 would like to bid to host the 1983 convention.

District 4: Robert Feldhaus submitted a written report.

District 6: Deanna Hobbs reported the 1981-1982 fiscal year underway. District 6 is striving for increased membership.

Counselor Reports:

Western Counselor: No report.

Eastern Counselor: Norman Hente stated that the Eastern Counselor's Report was printed in the September 1981 issue of the RADIOGRAPHER.

Convention 1982: Jerry Schaumburg has submitted to Jim Watson a list of recommended persons for the positions of convention co-chairmen.

Sante Lecture 1982: Dr. Willian E. Allen, Jr. has accepted the invitation to be the lecturer.

RADIOGRAPHER: A written report was submitted by Norman Hente. \$450 has been received from advertizers for three issues. There has been a 11%

increase in expsnses over the past year. The next issue will be out in late December. As of now, there has not been any resumes submitted for the position of Editor.

Recess - 4:15 p.m.

Reconvene - 5:20 p.m.

Board Recommendations:

1. The proposed budget for 1981-82 be accepted.
2. The 1983 M.S.R.T. Convention be hosted by the 3rd District.

Correspondence: Judy Foeste read a letter from Ward M. Keller (ASRT) thanking the M.S.R.T. for the donation in helping publish communications media.

Unfinished Business:

Motion #3. Bob Feldhaus moved that a special election to elect any unfilled offices be held on Friday, 4:00 p.m. at the business meeting. Second by Roy Jerden. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Jim Watson submitted a written list of proposed committee chairmen for 1981-1982. The Board approved the appointments.

Treasurer's Report: Roy Jerden submitted a written report. The liquidity of the M.S.R.T. stood at \$2,838.23.

New Business: Bob Feldhaus raised the question of the possible necessity of increasing membership dues in the near future. Discussion followed. Several Board members expressed the opinion that this is not the time to consider a dues increase. More discussion will follow on this subject in the coming year.

Adjournment - 6:10 p.m.

BOARD MINUTES, cont

A special Board Meeting was held at 8:00 a.m. Oct. 29, 1981.

Beth Anderhub moved to resend and expunge Motion #2 made on Oct. 28, 1981. Second by Michael D. Ward. Discussion followed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes of the BUSINESS SESSIONS

Business Session October 29, 1981, 8:15 a.m.

The Rules for Procedure of the Annual Meeting of the M.S.R.T. were adopted.

The minutes of the 48th Annual Meeting printed in Vol. 40, No. 1 of the RADIOGRAPHER were accepted and approved as printed.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as printed subject to audit.

The Board Recommendations were accepted as printed.

Business Session October 30, 1981, 4:00 p.m.

1981-1982 officers were announced:

President: James Watson
President-elect:
Vice-President: Sally Stranquist
Secretary: Teresia Girresch
Treasurer: Roy Jerden
Eastern Counselor: Aona DeClue
Western Counselor: Helen Hartman
Nominee for Regional Director:
Norman L. Hente

Beth Anderhub announced the winners of the Essay Contest:

Student Division:
1. Kimberly Bilbruck
2. Kathy Bitner
3. Robert Knapp

Technologist Division:

1. Debra Andrews

Debbie Hurst, Dennis Sousley, and Aileen Hulsey were nominated for the office of President-elect. Discussion followed. Voting took place. Aileen Hulsey was elected President-Elect.

Motion: Jim Watson moved that the 1981-1982 proposed budget be accepted as printed. Second by Tom Robinson. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Business Session October 31, 1981, 3:30 p.m.

Motion: Aona DeClue moved that the Annual Convention of the M.S.R.T. be tentatively scheduled to be held at Tan-Tar-A, Lake of the Ozarks, each year (beginning in 1983). Second by Debbie Hurst. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

The Pre-convention minutes and the Business Session minutes were submitted by Secretary Connie Huesgen.

50TH ANNIVERSARY
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BOARD MINUTES, cont

The Post-Convention Board of Directors Meeting was called to order November 1, 1981 at 9:05 a.m. by President Jim Watson at Tan-Tar-A, Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri.

Board Members Present:

President and Chairman of the Board: James Watson
Past President: Judy Foeste
President-elect; Aileen Hulsey
Secretary: Teresia Girresch
Treasurer: Roy Jerden
1982 Convention Co-Chm. and
1st Dist. Rep: Dennis Sousley
3rd Dist. Rep: Debbie Hurst
4th Dist. Rep.: Robert Feldhaus
6th Dist. Rep.: Larry Ziegler

Board Members Absent:

Sally Stranquist: Vice-President
John Bryan: 7th Dist. Rep.

Non-Board Members Present:

Ulysses Murray: Parliamentarian
Norman Hente: Editor, RADIOGRAPHER
and Regional Director Nominee
Aona DeClue: Eastern Counselor and
Chm., Legislative Committee
Helen Hartman: Western Counselor
Gerald Schaumburg: 1981 Convention Chm.
Lee Ann Ackerman: Membership Chm.
Velma Watson: Guest
Barbara Hente: Guest

The Board members introduces themselves.

Pre-Convention Minutes:

Past Secretary, Connie Huesgen read the pre-convention minutes. They were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Roy Jerden submitted a written report. It was accepted subject to audit.

Committee Reports:

Legislative: Aona DeClue, Chairman, proposed we introduce a 2nd bill. Representative Garret will introduce the new bill. Our bill was received and rewritten by Mastors, making us a free standing Board.

Aona announced that Ulysses Murray attended legislative meetings in July.

Motion: Roy Jerden moved that the Chair of the Legislative Committee be given full executive authority to facilitate passage of the M.S.R.T. proposed legislation by all necessary legal and ethical means. Second by Bob Feldhaus. No discussion. Motion carried.

Aona stated that we need funds for lobbying. When the financial state of the society improves, the funds will be considered. There was a recommendation for district representatives to contact people to help at Jefferson City. A suggestion was made to set aside a group of people, once a month, to go to Jefferson City.

Legislative Committee members are in the process of getting a Senate sponsor. Norman Hente, Editor of the RADIOGRAPHER mentioned that testimony is in the previous issues of our journal and may be used as background information.

Education Committee: Mike McGeehan suggested one seminar to travel to different areas of the state as a possible educational seminar.

Membership Committee: Lee Ann Ackerman reported no change in the report already submitted.

Public Relations Committee: Bob Feldhaus is getting information together on "What is M.S.R.T.".

Nominating Committee: No report.

District Representative Reports: Districts 1,3,4,6,7 no new report. District 5 has approached Judy Foeste to aid in reorganizing the district.

(Districts 2 and 5 have been non-functioning)

Counselor Reports:

Eastern Counselor: Aona DeClue would like to visit the districts in the Eastern area. Please notify her with information on your district meetings.

Western Counselor: Helen Hartman is available for anyone in her area. Please notify her with suggestions or problems.

RADIOGRAPHER: Norman Hente had no new report. He requested information for the journal. Suggestions were made from the Board that more articles be printed. Norman noted that none are received other than the award winners. He would also like to receive letters for and Editorial and Letters to the Editor column.

Convention 1981 Report: Gerald Schaumberg, Chairman, reported the figurers submitted were \$17,499.00 from registration, \$675.00 from donations for a total income of \$18,174.00. 250 people were registered that included:

- 64 active
- 20 associate
- 77 student
- 17 commercial
- 1 life
- 24 speakers

Convention 1982 Report: Dennis Sousley, Co-Chairman reported plans were underway towards the program. One question was whether to have Nuclear Medicine as a seminar next year. Other suggestions were made by the Board on topics for the program.

The new Convention Manual was given to Dennis.

Convention Report 1983: Aona DeClue has spoken to Tan-Tar-A regarding the 1983 convention. Dates available for 1983 are October 26-30. Futher information will be iorthcoming.

Mo. Hospital Association Rep.:

President Jim Watson appointed Judy Foeste as the Missouri Radiological Society representative from the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists. President Watson will serve as representative to the Missouri Hospital Association.

Unfinished business: None

New Business:

Motion: Aileen Hulsey moved an ad hoc committee be formed to study communication problems between districts and make appropriate recommendations to the Board. Second by Larry Zeigler. Motion carried.

Members of the Board discussed the need for a hospitality committee at our convention. Such a committee will be provided for the 1982 meeting.

Discussion was held in respect to having a bigger welcome for students in coming conventions.

Judy Foeste has accepted and been appointed to the position of Convention Coordinator.

Discussion for January meeting:

1. Exhibit rules - proposing a set standard of points for displays.
2. Appointing a student member to the Board of Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The next board meeting will be in Columbia, Mo., Jan. 16, 1982 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ramada Inn.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresia Girresch, R.T.(R)
Secretary, M.S.R.T.

ET CETERA

MISSOURI HOSPITALS

	Number	Beds
<u>Public</u>		
City	13	2,217
County	27	2,607
District	12	575
	<u>52</u>	<u>5,399</u>
<u>Non-Profit</u>		
Church	36	11,997
Other	59	11,079
	<u>95</u>	<u>23,076</u>
Proprietary	12	1,120
State	16	6,334
Federal	7	2,892
Total	182	38,821

1979 REGIONAL DIRECTOR ELECTION

STATE	Dec. 78 ASRT	Feb. 79 ASRT
Arkansas	892	174
Iowa	1637	348
Kansas	1335	348
Missouri	2398	474
Nebraska	813	200
	<u>7075</u>	<u>1544</u>

Region V Vote: 1979

McRae	172
Schroer	132
No vote	4
	<u>308</u>

Source: Rad. Tech., Vol. 51,
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Radiography	2,698
Nuclear Medicine	188
Radiation Therapy	53
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Professional Activities:

American Society of Radiologic Technologists: Affiliation Committee, 1978-1979; PEPS Volunteer, 1978-1979; Second place Exhibit Award, "TMJ Arthrography", 1979 Annual meeting; Radiological Research Committee, 1979-1980; Eastern Counselor, Missouri, 1979-1980, 1980-1981; Chairman, Applied Research Committee, 1980-1981; Lecturer, Applied Radiation Research, 1981 Annual Meeting; Sergeant-At-Arm, 1981 Annual Meeting; Book Reviewer, 1981; ECE member, 1975-present, two ECE Certificates, 1978, 1981.

Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists: Vice-President, 1973-1974; District Representative, 1974-1977; Chairman, Professional Affairs, 1974-1975; President-Elect, 1977-1978; Liason, Missouri Radiological Society, 1977; President and Chairman, 1978-1979; Delegate to ASRT Annual Meeting, 1979; Immediate Past-President, 1979-1980; Convention Chairman, 1979-1980; Board of Directors, 1973-1980; Historian Committee 1980-1982; Editor, RADIOGRAPHER, 1981-1982.



Norman L. Hente

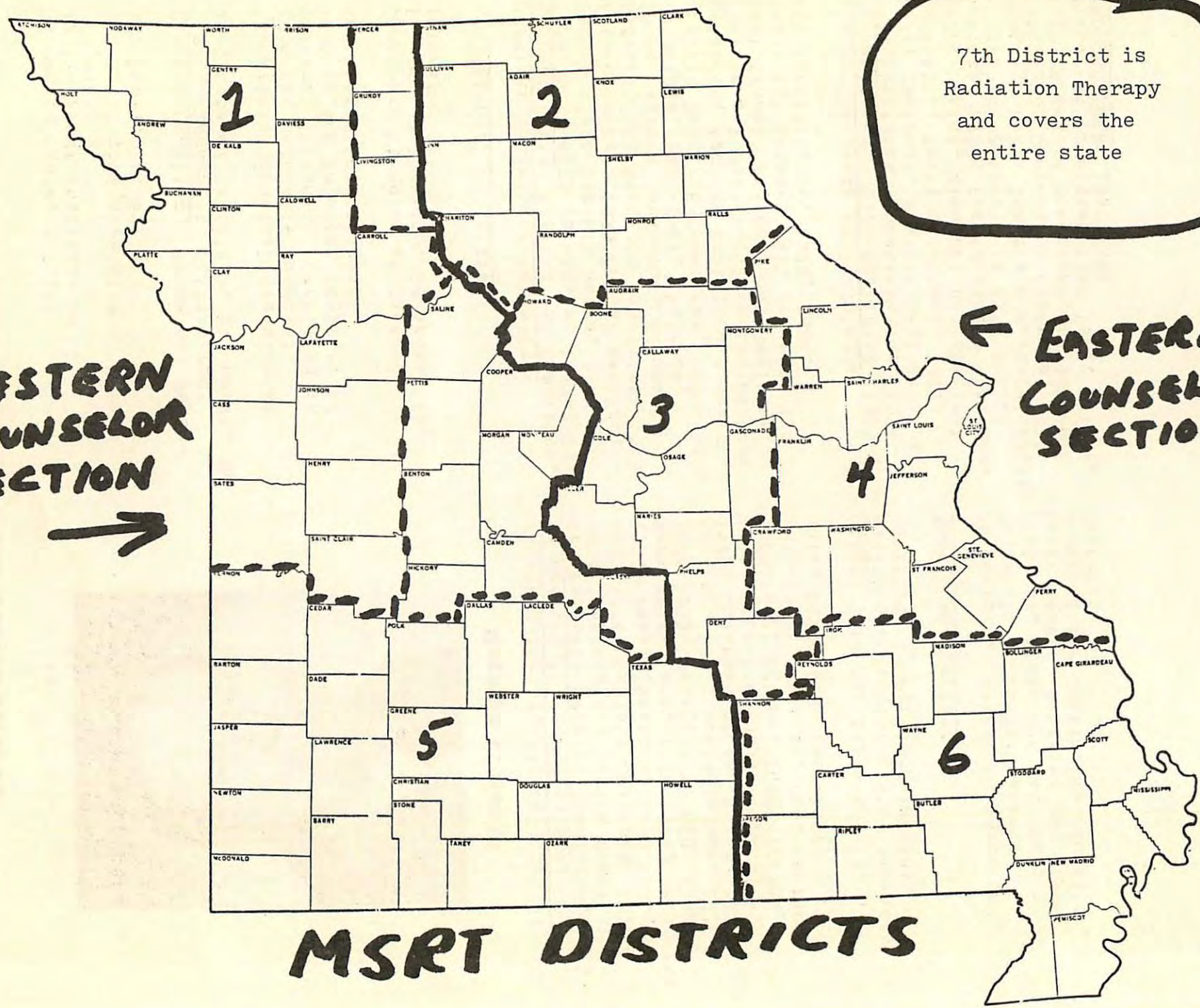
Fourth District, Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists: Professional Affairs Committee, 1972-1974; Publication Review Committee, 1973-1974; Exhibit Chairman, 1973-1974; Exxay Chairman, 1973-1974; President-Elect, 1973-1974; President, 1974-1975; Delegate to ASRT Annual Meeting, 1975; Board Member, 1975-1977; Chairman of the Board, 1977-1978; Vice-President, 1978-1979, 1980-1981; Editor, COMMUNICATOR, 1975-1981; Chairman, Diaz Lecture-ship, 1979-1980, 1980-1981.

Other: Illinois State Society of Radiologic Technologists; American Institute of Parliamentarians.

Awards and Lectures:

20 Lectures, District, State and National; 10 Exhibit awards, District, State and National; 3 Essay awards, District and State; 3 Awards for Continuing Education, District.

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7th District is
Radiation Therapy
and covers the
entire state

← **EASTERN
COUNSELOR
SECTION**

MSRT DISTRICTS









AWARD WINNERS

The 1981 M.S.R.T. competitions and award winners were as follows:

EXHIBIT COMPETITION:

Technologist category:

1st place: Interventional Radiography
Coronary Perfusion
Robert A. Feldhaus, R.T. (R)
Norman L. Hente, R.T. (R)

Student category:

1st place: Hip Me With Your Best Shot
Mary Chatman, Natalie
Clay

2nd place: A Panorama of Panalipse
Tammy Kritzer

3rd place: A Tip on the Scale
Tamara Lehmkuhl
Deborah A. Crowe

ESSAY COMPETITION:

Technologist category:

1st place: Professional Caring in
Radiography
Deborah Andrews, R.T.

Student category:

1st place: Patient Attitude Survey
Kimberly Bilbruck

2nd place: New Oral Contrast Agents
Cathy Bitner

3rd place: The New Image -- Digital
Radiography
Robert Knapp

Congratulations to all the winners!
Keep up the good work and we look
forward to your entry at the next
M.S.R.T. annual convention!!

DISTRICT 3 NEWS

Happy New Year to ALL of you! 1982 is going to be a great year for all Missouri Technologists.

The 3rd District has a very big job in store, as we are going to host the 1983 State Convention. It will be held at Tan-Tar-A resort in the Lake of the Ozarks, and everyone's help will be needed to make it a real success! (More on this later)

The 3rd Districts' next meeting is going to be held February 18th, 1982 at the Boone Hospital Center in Columbia, Mo. Our speaker will be Elliott Glassman and he will be talking on digital angiography and radiography. It should be very interesting and educational, we hope to see you all there at 7:30 pm on the 18th.

In March we will be hearing about Chest Radiography: A new look, from Terry Filebark, Dupont Corporation.

So come, bring your fellow technologists, and let's learn and work together to make 1982 a terrific year for both the 3rd District and the Missouri Society.

DISTRICT 4 NEWS

On Nov. 12, 1981, 120 technologists and students gathered in Scarpellino Auditorium, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, in St. Louis to hear the 9th Annual Diaz Lecture as presented by James O. Mom, President-Elect of the A.S.R.T. Mr. Mom who spoke of "The Applications of Computers in Medicine -- An Overview" spoke at length on the current and future applications of computers in radiology.

Technologists from Missouri and Illinois were present in force, but the award for dedication should go to those technologists who traveled from Cape Girardeau, 125 miles away, for this Ninth Annual Lecture.

This surely indicates the strength of our technologists and the importance of this lectureship.

UPDATE ON LEGISLATION

On Jan. 19, 1982 at 8:00 pm in Hearing Room #4 of the Capitol Building in Jefferson City HB908 and HB1095 were presented to the Licensure and Related Activities Committee. HB908 was presented by Lloyd Baker, Representative of Moberly. HB1095 was presented by Representative Howard Garrett of Festus.

Testifying for the bills presented were Aileen Hulsey, President-Elect, MSRT; James Watson, President, MSRT; Barbara Wagner Hente, student in Nuclear Medicine Technology; Dr. Joseph Sommers, President-Elect of the Missouri Radiological Society, and Norman L. Hente, Editor of the RADIOGRAPHER. Judy Foeste, Immediate Past-President, MSRT, submitted written testimony.

Testimony against the bills was presented by Jerry Sill, Registered Lobbyist for the Missouri Hospital Association; Larry Kruse, Registered Lobbyist on the staff of the Missouri Osteopathic Association and John Mattews, President-Elect of the Missouri Medical Association.

Following the testimony for the bills Representative Baker suggested that it would be best if the Committee on Licensure and Related Activities were to work on a compromise between the two bills. Representative Johnnie Aikens, Chairman of the Committee assured Representative Baker that the Committee would do just that.

EDITORS NOTE:

THOSE ORGANIZATIONS THAT TESTIFIED AGAINST THE LICENSURE OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS ARE THEMSELVES ALREADY LICENSED.

ST. LOUIS COMPREHENSIVE NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CENTER

On Dec. 7., 1981 at 1:30 pm, the SLCNHC, 5471 Martin Luther King Drive sponsored a panel discussion entitled "The Licensure Bill and You". Coordinated by Barbara Cole, manager of x-ray and EKG and Jean Parker Talley, Health Education Coordinator, the program was designed to inform area technologists about legislation nationally and locally.

Participants were greeted by Mr. Morris Henderson, Exec. Dir. of SLCNHC and Myrtle Davis, Deputy Director. Panelists for the program were Beth Anderhub, Norman Hente and Michael D. Ward. Mr. Hente presented a slide presentation on the "Consumer-Patient Radiation Health and Safety Act of 1981" after which prepared and spontaneous questions were fielded by the panel. Interviewers for the program were Charles McGill, Al Ross, and Mafalda Pierce. After much discussion the program was adjourned at 3:30 pm and Barbara Cole directed those in attendance on a tour of the faculty.

The M.S.R.T. thanks the SLCNHC for the opportunity to discuss today's legislative efforts with area technologists.

On Thursday, Jan. 14, 1982, at 7:30 pm at Deachoness Hospital, Aona DeClue spoke on "State Licensure - What Is It All About?". Aona who is an Instructor of Radiologic Technology in the School of Health Related Professions at the University of Missouri-Columbia is also a registered lobbyist for the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists, as well as Eastern Counselor for the M.S.R.T. She spoke on two bills currently before the House of Representatives, HB908 and HB 1095 and then answered questions from those present (35).

At the end of the meeting everyone felt that they knew a great deal more about legislation supported by the M.S.R.T.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Fellow Imagers,

I have two goals this year. The First, the revitalization of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists. The Second, the passage of the M.S.R.T. sponsored legislation.

The revitalization of this society must come from three sources. The first source is the Board of Directors. This Board must continue to work as a homogenous unit for the common good of all the radiologic technologists in the state. This Board must work harder and longer and above all be better listeners and more responsive to the membership of this Society.

The second source are the Committee Chairpersons. Some of the committees have had problems in the past and will have problems in the future. By learning from the past they must try to eliminate those problems from reoccurring. The Board must make sure these chairpersons know what their respective duties are in ample time to carry out these instructions. The membership must make themselves available to these chairpersons and be willing to give their time to serve.

I have asked the Education committee chairman to plan more educational seminars in different parts of the state to make this opportunity available to more technologists. I have asked the Public Relations Committee chairman to make the term Radiologic Technologist, and what it stands for, more widely known in this state so the public will know who we are and what we do and that we, the Radiologic Technologist's of the State of Missouri, are not NURSES!

The Third and by far most important source of revitalization is YOU the member. The time has come for you to quit sitting around complaining about what the Missouri Society is

going to do for you and start finding out what you, the Technologist can do for your society. Right now this society represents about 15% of the working technologists in this state. The first thing you can do for your society is increase our numbers. I am charging each and every member in this state to enlist one new member. Just ONE. I want you to get this new member right now! Don't wait until next week or next month, do it now.

The second thing you can do for your society is make your wishes known to someone who can do something about it. I have requested the Board to be more responsive to the members, but in order for them to do that they have to know what you want. If you have a problem or would like something changed or started, tell your District Representative. That person is your voice on the Board.

The second item I am going to work on this year is our Bill that will be before the State Lawmakers this year. I think this year is the best year yet to pass our bill but you have to work for it. The Federal Bill is now law. The time has come for every technologist in this state to do something to help. Call your local Representative, write a letter expressing your support, and get a group together and go to the capital and talk to him and to anyone who will listen. This is the only way we will get the bill we want. If you wait for someone else to do it, it will not get done.

In order for you to have a strong viable organization you, the membership, must start carrying the load. You have to bring new people into your organization to increase membership. You have to tell us which direction you want this organization to take. You have to lobby for our bill. Without you this organization cannot and will not survive.

James L. Watson, R.T. (R)
President, M.S.R.T.

COUNSELORS CORNER

As I begin my year as Eastern Counselor, I bring you good news -- The American Society of Radiologic Technologists' dues increase has been passed. This means we have begun our financial recovery. Note, I said begun, this recovery may take some time to be completed. It can only be speeded up with your continued support. Also, by an increase recruitment of new members. No organization can survive without continued increase in number.

As I am sure most of you are aware Federal Minimum Standard was passed this year. This, long time coming giant forward step, is just the first step. With the passing of our bill marks the beginning of many months of work by ASRT to assure the minimum standard included in the model legislation are what we as professionals, and the expectors in our field feel constitutes proper standards. ASRT needs your continued support! Your profession needs your continued support! You can show your support by being a member but also in joining other programs offered by ASRT, such as evidence of continued education.

Here's the punch line folks! As an Eastern Counselor, one of my primary functions is to promote E.C.E. in the coming year. I am planning to attend at least one district meeting in each district encompassed by the eastern territory. Also, I would like to hear from more of the districts concerning approval of programs for E.C.E. There is a growing need for continued education in our field. Give yourself and others the opportunity for recorded credit for attending a continued education function.

As a representative of ASRT, I have a supply of application forms and information concerning E.C.E. as well as application for membership forms. I will readily send any of these forms upon request. I will also be happy to be of assistance to the Districts for any district function, such as installation of officers.

If I can be of any assistance to you, please contact me.

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To my fellow MSRT Members of the Western District:

As counselor for the Western District I hope to have a chance to meet with you sometime in the near future.

The purpose of this office is to help you set up programs in your hospital inservice, seminars and monthly society meetings for ECE credits. If you would contact me I would make every effort to attend your meetings and explain the program and answer any questions you might have. The forms needed can be obtained by writing or calling me at either:

9805 East 79th Terr.
Raytown, Mo. 64138
phone: 358-6371

OR

Baptist Memorial Hospital
6601 Rockhill Rd.
Kansas City, Mo. 64131
phone: 361-3500 ext. 7463

Please let me be of service to you. I am only as far away as the phone or postoffice.

Helen A. Hartman, R.T. (R)

Sante Lecture

New Counselors

New Officers

"Personnel Development/Performance Appraisal"
"Measuring Productivity"

"Stress Management"

"Pitfalls in Chest Radiography"
"Image In Space"

"IVP"
"Contrast Agents"

"Trauma Radiography"

"Techniques in Tomography"

"Legal Aspects of Radiology"

"Nuclear Magnetic Resonance"

"Motivation - Friend or Foe"

"Rehabilitation Act"

"Digital Radiography"

PRIZE WINNERS

82 CONVENTION HILTON PLAZA INN KANSAS CITY OCT 13-16

JOHN CULLINAN

David Dixon, M.D.

George Coyle, RT

Dupont

General Electric

Joseph Barry
Eastman Kodak

Siemens

Reid Holbrook, Att.

Technicare

Judy Williams, RT

Scott Gregory

New District Reps

Guests

Cocktail Party

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Donations

My sincere thanks to those states of Louisiana, Kentucky, Iowa, Colorado, Maryland and Indiana for together sending in donations amounting to a total of \$3,830. Your support has been most generous and we are sincerely grateful. Another special thanks goes to my home state of North Carolina. In support of ASRT this year, the Board of Directors of the NCSRT, Inc. has offered to underwrite the entire expense of the Presidential Newsletter for the remainder of my term as President. Beginning with this issue, all printing and mailing will be handled out of Greensboro, N.C. Thank you.

Just for your information, the majority of the donations received to date have been designated for ASRT discretionary use. The money received was used to publish the August/September issue of the ASRT SCANNER.

NRTW

A reminder that ASRT is the sponsor of National Radiologic Technology Week (NRTW), November 8-14, 1981 and we encourage you to promote it with the theme of "Building A Strong Foundation For Your Future." Each affiliate is encouraged to promote NRTW within your state. This would be an extremely good opportunity to talk about recent radiation issues and promote Radiologic Technology as a career. The ASRT Executive Office has public relations information examples for your use or check the August/September issue of the ASRT SCANNER.

Nominating Committee Guidelines

Since we all are involved in the vitally important selection of our officers and regional directors, the following is provided for you information. These guidelines are the operational guides for the Nominating Committee in completion of the standing charge to provide you, the voting member, an official selection of candidates. Check this guide carefully if you intend on nominating an individual for office, or if your state is nominating for Regional Director. Any variance of this procedure must be documented in writing and sent to the chairman of the Nominating Committee, Linda Weiss, R.T., 98 Walsron Lane Extension, Troy, New York 12180.

Guidelines:

1. The Executive Director shall communicate with the Nominating Committee Chairman. The letter should include a timetable for submission of reports, the dates the office must receive resumes and position statements.
2. Nominees shall be solicited through a notice in the ASRT SCANNER, as well

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as letters to all affiliate presidents. The notification should be a reminder to nominate colleagues who are most capable of leadership, also included shall be a list of the criteria for selection and a list of the duties and responsibilities of officers. The SCANNER shall also announce the deadline for nomination(December 15), but should encourage the early submission of names.

3. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall send a letter to nominees indicating they have been nominated for office within ten (10) days of the receipt of the nomination. Included with that communication shall be a list of the qualifications for office, a resume form, a request for a written statement from the nominee regarding their willingness to serve in the specific office for which they have been nominated. They should also be asked to respond in like manner if they do not wish to serve in an elected office. The nominees should be reminded that they must submit a position statement upon notification of their eligibility for candidacy and that these items must be submitted immediately.

4. The Nominating Committee members shall forward all nominee information to the Chairman, who in return shall verify credentials.

5. Upon receipt of the resumes and consents to serve, a letter should be sent by the committee Chairman to the nominees, informing them that the material was received and that about January 4th they will receive a letter verifying their eligibility for the office to which they have been nominated.

6. Upon verification of credentials, each nominee will be sent a written notification of their acceptance as a candidate. The candidate shall be requested to forward a position statement for publication and inclusion with the ballot to be received by the Executive Director by January 18th. The candidate shall be reminded that information is to be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, and advised that failure to have the statement submitted by January 18th will mean that only their name and resume will be printed in the Scanner and on the ballot.

7. The Chairman of the committee shall at all times keep the members of the committee aware of the candidates for office, and shall ask for their continual input.

8. Candidates shall be placed on the ballot for the office for which they are nominated.

9. In the event there are no candidates for any specific office(s), candidates for other offices may be contacted and offered the opportunity to accept nomination for the other office, providing:

- a. The committee agrees upon whom to contact.
- b. The candidates contacted understand they are not obliged to make any change.
- c. The names of other candidates for any office are not divulged to the candidates.
- d. The candidate(s) accepting nomination for the office in question submit a letter to the Chairman verifying acceptance of the change.
- e. The names of candidates accepting changes in office are to remain on the ballot in the originally accepted office until the letter of acceptance is received.

Timetable:

- October 15th - Report of committee members to Chairman with resumes and additional information relevant to the nominees. The committee Chairman is to verify credentials of the candidate through the Executive Office. A list of nominees for verification will be sent to the Executive Director with no offices designated.
- November 15th - Preliminary report of the list of nominees from the Chairman to the committee members. If there are no nominees for specific offices, the committee shall discuss and must agree on whom to contact relevant to filling vacant positions.
- December 15th - Deadline for submission of nominations to the committee. Nominations postmarked after this date will not be accepted.
- January 4th - Letter to nominees verifying their eligibility for the office to which they have been nominated.
- January 11th - Chairman of the Nominating Committee to prepare a draft of the slate of candidates and submit to the committee for final input.
- January 18th - Final committee report with all materials to be submitted by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Executive Director with the report copied to the committee members.
- March 1st - Ballots prepared for mailing no later than that time period as prescribed by the Bylaws. (Final time may vary)

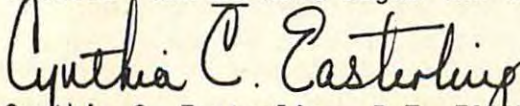
Regional Director Nomination:

Regional Director candidates will be submitted to the Executive Office, not the Nominating Committee. In the event a Regional Director candidate is nominated for an office, the candidate must decide which nomination to accept without prior knowledge of other candidates for either office. (This decision must be made by the candidate without the committee divulging the names of other candidates.)

Notes From The President

The preceding information and guidelines have been provided for your benefit. Questions always seem to arise regarding the Nominating Committee and now you know the exact procedure with which they were charged.

Remember, we have shown that everyday is election day, for throughout every hour of everyday we each exercised our right of choice. We don't have to have a local or national election in order to vote. A man's election can determine the deciding vote--for or against his own success. You ELECT to gain a thorough knowledge of your business, or you don't. You elect to be honest, or you don't. You elect to save a part of what you earn, or you don't. You elect to always do your best or you don't. And, by your own elections you will be defeated--or you will succeed--and we have begun the latter.


Cynthia C. Easterling, R.T., FASRT
President

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Dues Increase Passes

The mail ratification of the bylaws and the dues increase has been completed. The bylaws all were ratified and are effective immediately or as designated. By a 5 to 1 majority (2525 "yes", 464 "no") the dues increase was approved by the members. Effective November 1, 1981 there will be a \$30 across the board increase for all membership categories. This positive vote is a very reassuring support action for ASRT. The Board of Directors will continue to effectively address the financial status of our Society, and you as a member should question if you are in doubt. The answer will be provided and let's keep the dialogue going that was established in Salt Lake City.

Legislative Update

The ASRT continues to draft model legislation as a result of the passage of the "Consumer-Patient Radiation Health and Safety Act of 1981." The model has incorporated input from ASRT affiliates, legislative advisors, members of the ASRT/ACR Task Force on Legislation, the JRCERT, the ARRT, and a host of other sources. As soon as this model is ready, ASRT will provide you communication. In the meantime, if your state is persuing licensure, do not stop your efforts. Just because the Federal bill passed does not mean that the state level efforts can be discontinued. The opposition to the bill, basically the AMA and the AHA with all their state societies, are urging no further action on the state level. Their stand is to wait and see what the Federal level will produce. In the meantime, if you discontinue your efforts, someone else will take over your space in the legislative arena. Continue to promote legislative efforts in your state and keep in touch with ASRT to receive on going updates as to the national legislative efforts.

Each One Reach One

The Each One Reach One campaign totals have been finalized. Congratulations to all the Regional Chairmen who did a fantastic job. As of August 21, 1981, ASRT gained a grand total of 1043 new members. This achieved a 53% level of our goal of 1981 members. Special mention goes to Regions VII and VIII. Sally Rensch, R.T. of Region VII headed up achievement of 112% of her regional goal. Sandra Ireland, R.T. of Region VIII achieved 103% of her goal. The other regions' percentages were: Region I - 5%, Region II - 30%, Region III - 24%, Region IV - 19%, Region V - 47%, Region VI - 74%, Region IX - 38%, Region X - 4%. Well done to all of you who participated, but now let's continue to reach new members and it is most important to retain those that already belong.

1982 ASRT Balloting Procedure

As directed by the members in Salt Lake City at the Annual Meeting, the balloting procedure has been re-evaluated and redesigned by the Board of Directors to Provide the following procedure for the 1982 ASRT officer and regional director elections:

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con't. balloting procedure:

1. An independent external tabulation firm will be selected by the Executive Director.
2. The Executive Office will verify accuracy of the mailing list to provide one label per voting member.
3. The ballot mailing will include:
 - a. Candidate information (biographical sketch and position statement).
 - b. Ballot form
 - c. One return envelope, pre-addressed to the tabulation firm; instructions for the member to include his or her member identification on the outside of the envelope, or the vote/ballot will not be tabulated.
4. The tabulation firm will open the envelopes, tabulate the ballots, retain the envelopes and ballots for 90 days after the official installation.

Affiliate Bylaws

At the Post Board Meeting in Salt Lake City, the Board of Directors voted to extend the moratorium on current affiliate bylaws until July 1982. This means that affiliate societies still have time to bring their bylaws into compliance without ASRT Board Review.

ACR Annual Meeting

At the American College of Radiology (ACR) Annual Meeting that was held in Las Vegas, Nevada in September, the members voted to support ASRT through the following statement: "The American Society of Radiologic Technologists has embarked on a membership drive. Because a stable and strong ASRT is to the benefit of all in Radiology, the American College of Radiology actively supports this effort to broaden the ASRT membership base. Radiologists should encourage their radiologic technologists to obtain membership in ASRT as an ideal mechanism for achieving educational goals so necessary for high quality patient care."

ASRT Publications

Did you know that the following documents have been developed, printed and are available to all interested persons? Orders are to be pre-paid and directed to the ASRT Executive Office:

- "Student Rights/Student Consumerism" - \$4 member cost, \$8 non-member cost
- "Scopes of Practice and Position Descriptions in Radiologic Technology" - \$5 member, \$10 non.

Notes From The President

ASRT continues to make history. We have overcome two major challenges that will affect our future, namely passage of a Federal licensure bill, and passage of a dues increase. In both these areas our work is just beginning. We must lead the legislative front on both the national and state levels. Additionally, with a dues increase, we must be realistic and expect a decrease in our member ranks. This does not have to happen, especially with the alternate dues payment plan available. We must maintain both legislative support and membership retention. Both these take time, effort and money. Let's all exercise our member responsibility to these areas.

Cynthia C. Easterling

Cynthia C. Easterling, R.T., FASRT
President

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Dues Increase Final Vote

I would like to correct the number of votes I reported as being cast for this particular item during the recent voting. I incorrectly reported to you. The final correct count is as follows: 2842 "yes", 518 "no", 27 no vote. The passage still stands at approximately the same ratio.

Legislation Task Force Meets During RSNA

The joint ACR/ASRT Task Force on Legislation that was formed approximately a year ago met to consider the model legislation draft that has been underway for some time. It is hoped that this model legislation will be ready for distribution to the ASRT affiliates and the ACR chapters shortly after the first of the year. For the most part the task force has been working in concert, but disparities still exist. The task force is scheduled to meet again during the month of January to review further revisions that occur after the comments have been compiled. An objective to complete this document as soon as possible, is held by the task force members, but we shall not sacrifice quality and thoroughness for speed. The technologist members of the task force are: Phyllis Thompson, R.T.(T), Marilyn Holland, R.T.(R) Ward M. Keller, R.T.(R), and myself. The radiologist members of the task force are: Helmut Mueller, M.D., Jonathan Stolz, M.D., Mark Mishkin, M.D., and Otha Linton-ACR Staff.

Terminology Clarification

During my legislative activity it becomes increasingly apparent that there are some terms which are being used interchangeably and should not be. This misuse by legislators, physicians, and others, propogates misinformation. It behooves technologists to be able to appropriately utilize the terms. The following are provided for clarification:

ACCREDITATION-The process by which an agency or organization evaluates and recognizes a program of study or an institution as meeting certain predetermined qualifications or standards. It applies only to institutions and their programs of study or their services.

CERTIFICATION-The process by which a nongovernmental agency or association grants recognition to an individual who has met certain predetermined qualifications specified by that agency or association.

LICENSURE-The process by which an agency of government grants permission to persons meeting predetermined qualifications to engage in a given occupation and/or use a particular title or grants permission to institutions to perform specified functions.

REGISTRATION-The process by which qualified individuals are listed on an official roster maintained by a governmental or nongovernmental agency.

1982 ASRT Annual Meeting Format

Plans for the 1982 ASRT Annual Meeting have been finalized and the meeting information will be sent to you in the near future. In the meantime, I would like to provide you with the following advance glimpse at what will be a very exciting meeting. Only minor adjustments may have to be made to this schedule so feel free to begin to make your plans to attend.

Saturday, July 3, 1982:

Joint Review Committee Seminar
President/President Elect Mtg.
Various Open Forums

Tuesday, July 6, 1982:

Scientific Presentations 9-12 N
Exhibits 11:30-4:30 PM
Business Meeting 1-2 PM
Memorial Lecture 2-3 PM

Sunday, July 4, 1982:

Opening Session 1-2 PM
Exhibits Open 2-5 PM
Regional Meetings 5-6:30 PM
Presidential Recp. 6:30-7:30 PM
Fireworks Display 9 PM

Wednesday, July 7, 1982:

Continuing Education 9-12 N
Exhibits 11-3 PM
Business Meeting 1-3 PM

Monday, July 5, 1982:

Continuing Education 9-12 N
Business Meeting 1-3 PM
Exhibits 11-5 PM

Thursday, July 8, 1982:

Continuing Education 9-12 N
Business Meeting 1-3 PM
Reception
Presidential Banquet, Entertainment,
and Dance

The meeting will be held in one hotel, the NEW ORLEANS HILTON. You may contact them directly to make your reservations. Make sure you identify yourself as attending the ASRT meeting. A second hotel, the FAIRMONT, will be the alternative hotel for reservations.

We have a special approval pending with the Civil Aeronautics Board for 25% off of a regular coach fare when booked with Delta airlines and attending the ASRT Annual Meeting in New Orleans.

Also, I am delighted to announce that ASRT in cooperation with Western Michigan University will be awarding undergraduate baccalaureate credit to members of ASRT for their participation in the ASRT 1982 Annual Meeting.

The topics for the continuing education sessions should be a delight to EVERYONE. A thorough program has been planned to include topics for staff radiographers, special procedure technologists, educators, managers, ultrasonographers, radiation therapy technologists, research technologists, and a host of others. Meeting planning, stress, legislation, and even labor-management relations in the health care industry are some of the topics to be included. This meeting will undoubtedly provide you an opportunity to affect the rest of your professional career and you cannot afford to miss it. Let's show New Orleans a 4th of July that they will think is Mar'di gras by the numbers of attendees at our meeting. Look for the full meeting information to be mailed in December, but if you can't wait, go ahead and make your reservations, and I'll see you there!!

Registration fees will be as follows:

Pre-registration by members, which includes the banquet ticket - \$160.
Pre-registration by non-members, which includes the banquet ticket - \$320.

On site registration by members, not including the banquet ticket - \$200.
On site registration by non-members, not including the banquet ticket - \$400.

The registration fee allows for attendance at all meeting functions. The obvious economic factor will best be demonstrated by your pre-registration. Let's all think in advance!!

New Radiologic Technology Research

Several research studies by technologists have been brought to our attention and we would like to provide this information for your continued interest. The following technologists should be contacted for an abstract of these research projects:

Study 1 - "Education and Experience Effects on Radiographers' Radiation Safety Behavior"
Elwin R. Tilson, M.S., R.T.(R)
College of Allied Health Sciences
Medical University of South Carolina
171 Ashley Avenue
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

Study 2 - "Identification of Entry-Level Competencies for Associate Degree Radiographers as Perceived by Primary Role Definers"
Robert L. Thorpe, Ph.D., R.T.(R)
Div. of Radiological Science
Dept. of Medical Allied Health Professions
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Notes From The President

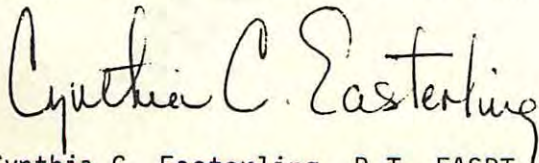
Now that we are seeing the light at the end of the tunnel, it certainly helps us plan our path for the future. But I must be candid with you and remind you that we cannot breathe but a little easier. Our dues increase passed, but we must maintain our member ranks while still seeking new members. The cry has already arisen that "membership is now too expensive". I personally do not accept that as a valid statement, only an excuse. The partial payment plan is available for those who need it; membership fees in your professional organization are tax deductible; and, best of all, it is an investment in your future. ASRT is the professional organization for radiologic technologists and now more than ever we need each other. "Legislative eyes" are upon us as the leaders. ASRT is working for you, but without your deposit, there can be no return.

During my inaugural address, I included the following statement. It is not original with me, but it provides a good business philosophy that I believe ASRT should follow.

"In order to be successful, we must all sell our goods at a profit and still satisfy our customers. If we satisfy the customer but fail to get the profit, we will soon be out of business. If we get the profit but fail to satisfy the customer, we will soon be out of customers. The secret of doing both lies in the one word service. Let's sell the service by doing something so valuable for the customer that he is glad to pay the price which allows us all to profit."

What do you think?

See you in New Orleans at the Annual Meeting - 1982.



Cynthia C. Easterling, R.T., FASRT
President

dates to remember

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| Feb. 18 | 4th Dist. meeting
St. Louis, Mo.
Forest Park Comm. Coll.
Student Presentation
7:30 pm | Apr. 30-
May 1 | Kansas Annual Meeting
Garden City Hilton
Garden City, Kansas |
| Mar. 16 | 6th Dist. meeting
Bonne Terre Hospital
7:30 pm
"Regulation of X-Ray
Technologists"
Aona DeClue, speaker | July 2-8 | ASRT Annual Meeting
New Orleans Hilton
New Orleans, Louisiana |
| Mar. 20 | 4th Dist. Seminar
St. Anthony Med. Center
8:00-4:30: "Stress", "CT",
"Industrial", "Death",
"Arthroscopy" | Aug. 1-5 | American Hospital
Radiology Administrators
Caesors Palace
Los Vegas, Nevada |
| Mar. 30 | Allied Health Program
Lester E. Cox Hospital
Springfield, Mo. 7:00pm
"All You Want To Know
About State Licensure"
Aona DeClue, speaker | Oct. 4-8 | American Institute of
Ultrasonic Medicine
Denver, Colorado |
| Apr. 15 | 4th Dist. meeting
Missouri Baptist Hosp.
St. Louis, Mo. 7:30 pm
"Endarterectomy of the
Femoral and Popliteal
Arteries", speaker Dr.
Everett Lerwick, M.D. | Oct. 13-
16 | MSRT ANNUAL MEETING
HILTON PLAZA INN
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI |
| Apr. 17 | M.S.R.T. Board Meeting
St. Louis, Mo. 10:00 am | Oct. 24-
31 | American Society of
Therapeutic Radiologists
Orlando Hyatt House
Orlando, Florida |
| Apr. 23-
24 | University of Missouri-
Columbia - Seminar
Flaming Pit, Columbia
"Trauma", Verbal Comm." | Nov. 28-
Dec. 3 | Radiological Society of
North America
McCormick Place
Chicago, Illinois |
| Apr. ?? | Arkansas Annual Meeting
Fort Smith, Arkansas | | |
| Apr. 22-
24 | Nebraska Annual Meeting
Holiday Inn
North Platte, Nebraska | | |

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