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From the president . . .

Dear members,

It is a great honor and privilege to serve the technologists of the state of Missouri as president of the MSRT. I extend my best wishes both professionally and personally to each one of you. Your services are so important in providing for the health care to the citizens of our state. Your efforts and dedication to the ministry of health is deeply appreciated.

Many of you have been members of the MSRT for many years. I want to thank you for your continued support of your professional organization. If you are not a member and know a colleague who is not a member of the MSRT, please encourage them to join our ranks.

Licensure is a vital issue for our profession. Who should be allowed to perform radiologic procedures in the state of Missouri? We know that it should be qualified/certified individuals who have the expertise within the field. If we want to make our voices heard with our state officials and those who may oppose our efforts, we need a strong membership base.

I have issued a call for action. We need to have a MSRT membership of 1,000 or more by July 1. To be a viable organization we must have strength in numbers.

One of our programs for 1998 is TRANSFORMATION NOW.

The MSRT must be an active partner in the health care reform process. We cannot sit idly by while some other entity makes changes and decisions for our profession. We have too much at stake. We have come too far to turn back NOW.

There is a story of an old man who would tell stories to the children of the village. One day a young boy decided he would try to trick this old man. He brought a bird cupped in his hands to the old man and asked him, "Old man, is this bird dead or alive?" The wise old man was not fooled by the boy's question. He knew if he said the bird was dead, the boy would open his hands and the bird would fly free, soaring into the height of the clear blue sky. If he said the bird was alive, the boy would crush the bird dead. So, the old man wisely replied, "Son, that bird is whatever you want it to be." By the same token, the present and the future of the MSRT and our profession is in our hands. It can be what we desire it to be or to become.

Do you want to contribute to the cause? Please let me know. I am just a phone call away, or I can be reach by e-mail: passman@kctera.net

The call is for ACTION.

Thank you for your support.

Ed Passman, RT(R), B.S.



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1998 Winners of MSRT Competition

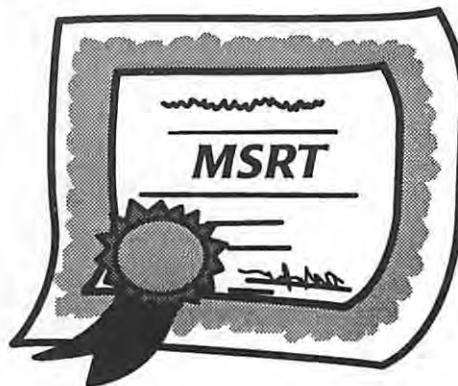
■ Scholarship Winners

Students:

MSRT Scholarship—Nicole Fuller, Avila College
Feldhaus Scholarship—Bonnie Brown, Mineral Area Regional
Medical Center

Technologists:

MSRT Scholarship—Debra Hurst, Columbia; Kristi Littleton,
Independence



■ Student Quiz Bowl

First Place—Research Medical Center School of Radiologic
Technology

Second Place—Nichols Career Center

Third Place—Rolla Technical Institute

(Note: 11 teams were entered.)

■ 1998 MSRT Poster Displays

Students:

First Place—*Inferior Vena Cava Filtration*, by Bonnie Brown,
Tori Cheek, Penny Fincher, Carrie Heinkcke and Melissa
Link, Mineral Area Regional Medical Center

Second Place—*Dacryocystoplasty* by Benjamin Morris,
Barnes Jewish Hospital

Third Place—*Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm: Facts RT's Should
Know*, by Tamara Whitecotton, Rolla Technical Institute

Honorable Mention—*Endometriosis and the Effects on
Radiography* by Rachel Spaulding, Rolla Technical
Institute

Technologists:

First Place—*The Gamma Knife*, by Anne Rutz, Rolla Techni-
cal Institute

Second Place—*Pediatric Pulmonary Valve Stenosis (Cardiac
Catheterization/Balloon Pulmonary Valvuloplasty)* by
James Gazaway and Kelly Lester, Children's Mercy
Hospital

Third Place—*Problem Based Learning* by Maggie Ogden,
Rolla Technical Institute

■ 1998 MSRT Essay Winners

Students:

First Place (tie)—*Nasolacrimal Duct Obstruction* by Ben-
jamin Morris, Barnes-Jewish Hospital, and *Radiation
Effects*, by Norman James, Rolla Technical Institute.

Second Place—*Hysterosalpingogram: Diagnostic and
Therapeutic* by Karen Galloway, Rolla Technical Institute

Third Place—*Direct Digital Radiography in Diagnostic
Imaging* by Charles Sauro, Avila College

Technologists:

First Place—*Characteristics of Effective Radiographers for
the Second Century of Radiography* by Waneta M. Ogden,
Rolla Technical Institute

Second Place—*The Gamma Knife and Its Newest Uses* by
Anne C. Rutz, Rolla Technical Institute

■ Winner of Free MSRT Membership—

Karen Heidbrier

■ Winner of Free Registration to 1999 MSRT Con- ference—

Stephanie Whisler

■ Winner of Beanie Baby Basket—

Karen Heidbrier





MSRT Past Presidents

Thanks to all who helped sponsor the 1998 Annual MSRT Conference!

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Boone Hospital, Columbia
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8th District MSRT

1998 conference statistics of note:

Attendance at the 1998
Annual MSRT Conference:

370



States represented:

Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Texas



Number of past presidents on hand: **17**

Fourth Annual MSRT Golf Tournament Winners:

First Place—

Dave Forquer Team: Ralph
Buettner, Rick Anderson,
Mark Collins

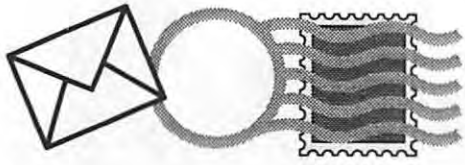
Second Place—

Keith Oser Team: Tom
Rehmy, Bob Hurst, Gary
Stevens

Third Place—

Scott Langley Team: Jerry Doerhoff, Clayton Stafford,
Steve Woebe





Have you moved?

- Has your name or address changed?

If so, please notify the MSRT membership chairman immediately so you will continue to receive your MSRT information—including *The Radiographer* and the MSRT newsletter—while they're timely! Don't be left out!

Send any changes to:

1998-99 Membership Director
Brenda Matthews
621 North Shenandoah Drive
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Or call:

(573) 761-7000, Ext. 2299 (work)
(573) 474-6602 (home)

Get involved ... join your district!

Don't miss a moment.
Contract your district rep today, and become active!



- Remember ...

Share your news with friends!

If you have news of your district, please share it with your district representative, listed on pages 4-5 of this issue! We want to know what's going on in your area.

70th Annual ASRT Conference June 6-11

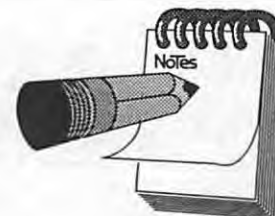
News of the 70th annual ASRT Conference June 6-11 in Houston, Texas, will be exciting!

The theme is "Leadership Through Learning." Participants will choose from more than 80 educational sessions, fulfill their CE requirements, and participate in national-level networking activities and state society evening events.

For information, call Peggy Green at 1-800-444-2778, Ext. 226.



■ Don't forget to renew your MSRT membership! The membership form is on the next page. Send it in today!





THE MISSOURI SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS

Application for Membership

July 1, 1998 - June 30, 1999

Please complete ALL sections and return to MSRT with payment today!

New Applicant Renewal (Other name membership under) _____

First Name: _____ M.I. _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Present Employer: _____

Business Address: _____

Certified in:

- Radiography
- Nuclear Medicine
- Radiation Therapy
- Sonography
- Cardiovascular-
Interventional
- Mammography
- MRI
- CT
- Quality Management

Position Title:

- Staff Technologist
- Special Procedures
- Supervisor
- Director/Education
- Instructor
- Administrator
- Chief Administrator
- Assistant Chief Administrator
- CT Technologist
- MRI Technologist
- Mammographer
- Not Employed
- Other _____

Education Level:

- Certificate
- Associate
- Baccalaureate
Major _____
- Masters
Major _____
- Doctorate
Major _____

Check All That Apply:

- ASRT Member
- MSRT Member
- District Member

Work in:

- Hospital
- Clinic
- Office
- School
- Commercial
- Other

MSRT District: Please circle all that apply

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

ACTIVE MEMBER: Radiologic Technologist registered by and in good standing with a nationally recognized certifying body. **\$35** _____

SUPPORTING MEMBER: Those persons interested in Radiologic Technology but not having qualifications for other categories. **\$35** _____

STUDENT MEMBER: Students enrolled in a training program recognized by ARRT and or of 24-month duration. This is a 2-year membership, due on or before Sept. 1. **\$20** _____

Name of School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Make your check payable to: MSRT

Submit to: Barb Hente • MSRT Treasurer • 3708 Joyce • Granite City, IL 62040

Dues structure changes considered

There has always been some confusion in the dues structure of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists and the districts within it. Currently some districts have separate dues, and do not recognize or reciprocate the technologists' membership with the state. Other districts have their own dues, but still accept the technologists' state memberships. Still others have no separate dues, but consider technologists who pay state membership fees to be members of that district.

This problem is not unique to the state of Missouri. In networking with the presidents of several other state societies, I find this is a problem with lots of other states.

One of the ways many states alleviated this problem was to have one dues structure for the entire state. All technologists who joined the state society were automatically members of their respective districts. The state, in turn, refunded a set amount of money to each district for all members who resided in that district.

The MSRT Board is looking to change our dues structure to make it more "user friendly" while still helping finance the district activities. Please complete the survey and return it prior to July 1, 1998.

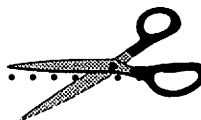
If you cannot return the survey, please voice your opinion to your district representative or call any of the Board members. This issue will be discussed at the July Board of Directors meeting in Columbia, Mo. Any proposals made by the Board will not be voted on by the membership until the April 1999 Annual Conference, and would not become effective until July 1999.

*Donita Shipman, RT(R)(M)(QM)
Senior Board Member*

Here are the survey questions.

1. Are you happy with the current dues structure?
Yes or No
2. Would you support a change in the dues structure?
Yes or No
3. Are you happy with the services MSRT is providing its membership? Yes or No
4. What new services would you like the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists to provide?

Please fill out the survey on the answer card provided for you on the back cover of this magazine. Return before July 1 to Donita Shipman.



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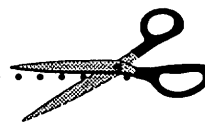
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REPLY CARD: MSRT Dues Structure Survey

Name _____ SS # _____
ARRT Registry # _____

1. Are you happy with the current dues structure? Yes No
2. Would you support a change in the dues structure? Yes No
3. Are you happy with the services the MSRT is providing its membership? Yes No
4. What new services would you like the MSRT to provide?