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President's Message

Dear Fellow Technologists,

It's hard to believe that it's almost August. As summer progresses our thoughts turn to vacations, cookouts and relaxing. It's such a nice time of year albeit much too short.

The CSRT board continues to work on increasing membership in addition to arranging educational offerings and monitoring legislative issues. We will continue our efforts throughout the summer and culminate this year with the annual meeting which will be held at the Waterbury Marriott on October 8th and 9th. Please check our website: www.csrtinc.org, for updated information.

As always we invite any and all technologists, old or new, to become active in the society. New ideas and fresh faces are welcome. I'd like to thank the current board and committee members for their dedication to our profession, but in order to continue we need to grow. Come grow with us and be a part of something special. The CSRT is not just about CEUs rather we're about camaraderie, networking and safeguarding our jobs and profession.

So, have a wonderful summer. We hope to see you in October for the annual meeting and look forward to serving you for another year.

Sincerely,
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2010 CSRT Board Members

Officers elected and installed during the 2009 CSRT Annual Conference:

President - Sharon Ritton-Holly

President Elect - TBD

Vice-President - Marie Wilde

Membership - Donna Crum

Secretary - Robin Smith

Treasurer - Donna Crum

Chairperson - Alicia Giamo

Senior Board Member - Diane Kosenko

If you are a CSRT member and are interested in becoming involved with the society, you may contact any board member. This can be done by logging onto the CSRT website: www.csrtinc.org. There are several committees that you may become involved with and new ideas are always welcomed.

2010 CSRT Annual Conference

Please reserve October 8 & 9, 2010 to attend the CSRT Annual Conference. You can look for updates on our website: www.csrtinc.org or in future editions of the Newsline.

The CSRT Board has been arranging a conference that should have something for everyone. The board is excited to announce that Dr. Henry Lee, world-renowned forensic expert, will give the Friday evening, October 8th, keynote address. The board has decided to open this lecture to other medical professionals with a

\$35.00 registration fee for **all** attendees. This lecture will provide 1.5 Category A CEUs, pending ASRT approval. Please be advised that Dr. Lee's lecture may contain graphic details that may not be appropriate for the general public. A Hors D'oeuver reception, with cash bar, will follow the lecture.

Saturday's lectures will provide 7.5 Category A general CEUs and 5 Mammography Category A CEUs, pending ASRT approval. Additionally, Dr. Bernie Siegel is returning and will provide the Saturday afternoon keynote lecture. There will be a \$35.00 charge (will include lunch) for any guest wishing to attend Dr. Siegel's lecture.

Please log onto our website: www.csrtinc.org , for additional information. The conference registration form can also be accessed on the website.

As a reminder, the CSRT membership renewal form can also be found on the website. The membership year runs from October 1st through September 30th of each calendar year. You can renew in advance or, if you plan on attending the annual conference, the membership renewal is included in the conference registration fee.

We hope you will be able to join us for Dr. Lee's lecture on Friday, October 8th and at the conference on Saturday, October 9th. Please remember that any other medical professional is also welcome to Dr. Lee's lecture.

We are also reminding all members to help increase membership. If everyone were able to bring in one new member we could easily double the existing membership. Without your help the society may not survive.

2010 CSRT College Bowl

The 2010 College Bowl was held on March 31, 2010 at Danbury Hospital. Five programs participated and Quinnipiac University, a first time competitor, won the competition. Stamford Hospital was the 2nd place winner. We want to congratulate all participants.

Preceding the competition Catherine Camputaro, from Yale New Haven Hospital, gave a lecture

entitled "3D Imaging: Just a Pretty Picture". The lecture was informative and all in attendance enjoyed her presentation.

Essay Contest

The CSRT and Jo Picone are sponsoring an essay contest to be conducted in conjunction with the annual conference. Any registered technologist or student enrolled in an accredited program, and who is also a CSRT member, is eligible to participate. There are two topics; one for a technologist and one for a student:

Technologist: What do I love about radiography?

Student: Why I want to become a Radiographer

You can access rules and information about the contest at the CSRT website.

2010 ASRT Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting Albuquerque, NM June 25-27, 2010

ASRT delegates from across the United States converged on the Sheraton Uptown Hotel in Albuquerque, NM for the 25th Anniversary of the ASRT House of Delegates Meeting. On Friday night delegates enjoyed refreshments and networking at the "Welcome-Pin Exchange" a perfect way to "break the ice" and welcome old friends while making new acquaintances. State and affiliate pins were exchanged and this year the Practice Standards ribbon pin was distributed by Practice Standard Committee members.

On Saturday morning (June 25) four Continuing Education Credit opportunities were offered. First time attendees were walked through parliamentary procedure by Kay Crews, the ASRT new parliamentarian. Other topics included updates on the Practice Standards, Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) of 2008, and a keynote address on "Communication". At 2:00 p.m., 97 affiliate delegates and 49 chapter delegates met in the Grand Ball Room for the first seating of the 2010 House of Delegates. The Sergeant-of-Arms, Alan Croat, verified the number of seated delegates (146) and the HOD began. The

credentials report, standing rules and the establishment of a quorum were approved.

The ASRT Annual Report was presented by Diane Mayo, President of the ASRT. Ms. Mayo thanked the many ASRT staff and volunteers who help to make the ASRT a great professional society. The hard work of the many volunteers on committees, commissions, and chapters continue to make the ASRT strong by representing imaging professionals around the country and the world. It is the professional society that Congress called on to discuss radiation doses (Sandra Hayden, Vice Speaker of the House, testified in Congress on this subject). The grassroots effort by many affiliates keeps affiliate members abreast of changes at the local and state levels. A report from the ASRT Education and Research Foundations was presented by Cathy Parsons. The foundation continues to grow and each year more radiographers are able to further their education and perform research based on scholarships and grants provided by the ASRT Education and Research Foundations. Nominations for next year's Speaker of the House and Vice Speaker were opened and voting will take place during the second seating of the House of Delegates. Two late motions were introduced during the first seating of the HOD. A 2/3 majority was required to allow the motions to be debated during the second seating of the House. Both motions were defeated and the late motions were not heard at this year's HOD concluding the first seating of the HOD. The evening events included a successful PACs fundraiser for the Atomic Energy Museum, catching up with old friends, relaxing at local restaurants, shopping or just relaxing at the hotel. On Saturday (June 26) there were open forums on the ASRT, ARRT, JRCERT, By-law changes, commission reports and chapter meetings to attend. To see a listing of all of the activities, reports and officers from this meeting please visit the ASRT website, www.asrt.org. Two individuals were elevated to Life Members: Ward Keller and Mattie Tabron. Both of these individuals have shared many hours, days and years of their professional life to strengthen the ASRT. Additionally, four well-deserving ASRT members were elevated to the status of Fellows. Connie Mitchell – NE; Kevin Rush - IL; Beth Weber – SD and Gary Duehring - MI. Each of these individuals made substantial contributions to the ASRT and it was an emotion packed ceremony.

The second seating of the House of Delegates started at 8:00 am on June 27. After an official count of seated delegates, the House preceded to discuss and debate the 20 by-law amendments that were proposed, and 40 practice-related motions presented by the Commission. Of the 40 practice-related motions presented, 21 were pulled for debate and discussion. The chair of the By-law committee, Barbara Smith swiftly steered the delegates through the proposed changes. 17 proposed changes were adopted with 3 proposed changes defeated. Of the 40 proposed commission changes, 3 were rescinded, 4 were withdrawn and the others were adopted some with amendments. Please visit the ASRT website, www.asrt.org to see all changes to the practice standards and the By-laws. The delegates remained on task and with the utilization of the audience response system, the ASRT House of Delegates 2010 Annual Governance was completed in record time. Donna Thelar-Long will remain the 2010-2011 Speaker of the House and Sandra Hayden will continue as Vice-Speaker. Under the direction and leadership of Donna and Sandra, the HOD adjourned at 11:51 am.

The culmination of this year's meeting was the installation of officers for the 2010-2011 membership year, an event full of pomp and circumstances. The military chapter started the evening with the presenting of "Ole Glory" to the out going president Diane Mayo. Diane thanked her executive committee for their dedication and hard work over the last year and she installed the in-coming officers. James Temme – President; Dawn McNeil – President-elect; Michael Lattimer – Vice President; and Julie Gill – Secretary. James Temme then gave a fantastic pictorial tribute to the field of radiography which included a thank you to his mother, family, program officials and his number one fan, his grandson, Josh.

It will be one year before the next House of Delegate meeting and we departing delegates look forward to the changes that may be in store as James Temme and his staff takes the helm of the largest radiography professional society in the United States. I would like to thank the CSRT membership for the opportunity to represent them at the 2010 House of Delegates.

Report submitted by Donna Crum