



## **2016-2017 President's Annual Report Submitted By Nancy Julin, M.Ed, RT(R)(ARRT)**

A special thanks to two of our MSRT Executive Board Members, Rick Tetrault, Secretary and Renee Puryear, State Delegate, for organizing a very successful free educational seminar at the Steward Good Samaritan Hospital on September 10th. We had a total of 38 attendees, including both technologists and students, at this event and we received very positive feedback regarding the lectures and the venue site. Additionally, we were able to collect \$150.00 that day for the charity, Homes for Our Troops (HFOT) that the MSRT has supported for a number of years. Special thanks to Steward Good Samaritan Medical Center for sponsoring the continental breakfast & the venue.

On October 20, 2016 the MSRT tried to organize a paint night at the Muse Paint Bar in Lynnfield, MA as a way for the MSRT members to meet and get to know the MSRT Executive Board members a little better but unfortunately we lacked a sufficient number of registrations to hold this event. I would like to extend my thanks to Michele Cody for working hard to organize this event. This paint night event sounded like it would be a lot of fun and would have allowed MSRT members to not only get to know their Executive Board members a little better but would have provided folks with the opportunity to drink a little wine (if they wanted to) and try their hand at painting a possible work of art and have some fun and relaxation.

Since both the MSRT Spinner's Game night scheduled this summer and the Muse Paint Bar event were very poorly attended the MSRT has decided to forgo trying to schedule any more of these types of "meet and greet" events this year.

Dave LeClair and Pat Willett, the Co-Chairs of MSRT Governance Committee and four Northern Essex Community College (NECC) Radiologic Technology students: Brittany Scarpello Emmaline Rheault, Taylor Carelli, Kim Corsaro, spent their Saturday, November 19, 2016 volunteering their time at a Homes For Our Troops (HFOT) event in Freetown, MA.

Britany's boyfriend Joe, a former veteran himself, and Pat's sister Lois also volunteered their time at this event. After a few hours of hard work, by a number of volunteers, including those who represented the MSRT and NECC, the landscaping for the home for Army veteran Sergeant Christopher Gomes and his family was completed. Sergeant Gomes and his family are scheduled to move into their new home in time for this Christmas. What a great present!

On November 5, 2016 we held another very successful educational seminar at Lahey Clinic & Medical Center in Burlington, MA. This seminar had a focus on Mammography and 46 MSRT members were able to obtain four (4) Mammography continuing education (CE) credits for a reduced rate of \$30.00. The mammography lecturers were very interesting and the speakers were great. Thank you to Jane Erekson, President Elect and Elaine McHugh, Member at Large for organizing this event. Attendees had the opportunity to test their knowledge of the material being presented in one of the lectures in a fun and anonymous way through the use of clicker technology. By the buzz of excitement in the room everyone seemed to enjoy this aspect of the lecture. A special thanks to all of the Lahey speakers who donated their time for this event and waived the honorariums we typically provide speakers. Additionally the radiologists chipped in to provide drinks and snacks during the break time which was an unexpected bonus to all those in attendance. We were able to collect another \$90.00 that day towards our charity, HFOT with an additional \$50.00 check donated for that charity. Carol Wallace, the MSRT Quarter Century Club (QCC) President raffled off two framed ASRT mammography images and the \$75.00 collected from this raffle is used to help support the QCC Scholarship fund. For those of you who sent donations towards the QCC scholarships during Radiologic Technology Week thank you for your generosity.

We held a very successful Educational Seminar on February 4th, 2017 at Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill, MA. We had 56 attendees who earned four (4) Continuing education credits that day. Attendees included both technologists and students. A shout out and thanks goes to the Medical Imaging Systems Co. who donated the breakfast food for the attendees. A word of thanks to the excellent speakers who provided great lectures that day and a special thanks to Pat Willet for organizing this very successful, and free educational seminar for our members. Thank you also to the NECC Radiologic Technology students who assisted Pat with the set-up and clean-up for this event.

We also successfully tested a new electronic tracking method for recording attendance at our February seminar. Based on a user survey sent after the seminar, we utilized this new cost effective and efficient system of tracking at the annual MSRT conference. We had some login issues that were addressed by the web administrator after the conference to streamline this system. We utilized a hard copy backup system as well for testing purposes.

Conference Co-Chairs, Michele Cody & Kayla Yameen, along with Patricia Willett organized our 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Buzz Bowl Co-Chairs, Lisa Lorick & Cacey Cafua, along with the Buzz Bowl Committee (Kelly Reynolds, Brenna Lapsley & Lynn Pellecchia) worked tirelessly organizing our 2017 competition. The conference was enjoyed by all and full details on both the conference & Buzz Bowl competition can be found in 2016-2017 Conference annual report.

By this time you should all be aware that the Licensing Regulations for Radiologic Technologists (105 CMR 125.000) were revised and the new revision became effective on 2/24/17. A dedicated group of technologists, including current members of the MSRT Board of Directors, started working on these revisions in collaboration with the Radiation Control Program more than five years ago. Needless to say we are all thrilled to see these new revisions have now gone into effect. For the most recent information on these regulations please go to the Radiation Control Programs' website at:

<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/regs/105cmr125.pdf>

Additional information about these update regulations and the new Continuing Education requirements can also be found on the MSRT Website on the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page at: <http://member.msrt-ma.org/continuing-education/faq/>

This year the MSRT has once again been selected to participate in the ASRT's Affiliate Development Program. We look forward to working closely with the ASRT in developing our future direction and goals for this program.

Pat Willett, Co-Chair of the MSRT Governance Committee and one of our State Delegates, will be receiving the American Society of Radiologic Technologist's (ASRT) Award for Advocacy for an individual at the ASRT's Annual House of Delegates Meeting held on June 23 through 25 in Orlando, FL. Pat works tirelessly to ensure that technologists in this state are well aware of the issues and potential groups that are trying to infringe on the work that is the purview of technologists. She is constantly monitoring the websites of other professional groups and works with her co-chair, Dave LeClair and the ASRT to address issues and concerns as they arise. She is well deserving of this recognition by the ASRT. Congratulations Pat!

I am grateful for all of the hard work and dedication of the MSRT board members this year.

Respectfully submitted,  
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2016-2017 MSRT President