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## MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS NEWSLETTER

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

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### *President's Message*



It is that time of year again when the students go back to school and before long the leaves begin to fall and memories of the warm summer nights become a passing thought. As you reflect on the summer take a moment to remember when you first joined the MSRT and what it meant to you. Maybe you were new to the area and wanted to meet others, maybe you were a student or maybe you just wanted to become involved in your professional society; whatever the reason the MSRT continues to work on your behalf.

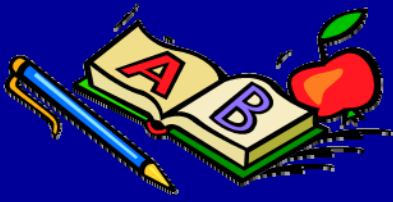
Over the past year we introduced more social media sites to keep you informed: Facebook, Twitter and coming soon LinkedIn. During the summer the board looked at ways we could benefit our membership. One way is the creation of a promotion/marketing committee. This committee will investigate ways to offer discounts from local businesses to our membership. If you are interested in brainstorming with us and help make this a reality please email us at [msrt-ma@comcast.net](mailto:msrt-ma@comcast.net), we would love to hear from you.

Another exciting bit of news is that the MSRT has been chosen along with 5 other affiliates to participate in the Student Leadership Program. The program offers students the opportunity to become future leaders within the MSRT/ASRT. These students will have the opportunity to attend the Educational Symposium and Annual Governance and House of Delegates meeting in Albuquerque, N.M. This past June two of our students attended this event in Las Vegas.

On the home front the Governance Committee has been visiting their state representatives as well as Senators Kerry and Brown's office reminding them to support the CARE Bill. We encourage all members to write to their representatives in support of this very important bill. Templates for letters may be found on the ASRT website.

I look forward to a very prosperous year and want to remind the membership to attend board meetings and become active, volunteer. Alone we stand but together we become a force. As John Quincy Adams once said:

*"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."*



# A Teacher's Perspective

By Patricia Willett, BS RT(R)(CT)(ARRT)  
Professor, Radiology Program  
Northern Essex Community College

Summer is over and school is back in session. Parents are excited and young children are disappointed that summer playtime is over. However, are excited to be back with their school friends, as the teachers are looking forward to a new year with mixed feelings. If you are just beginning college as a Radiography student you are likely experiencing all of these emotions and more.

You will spend the next two years completing the courses of the Radiography Program. The courses will be challenging, the schedule will be more demanding than you imagined and at times you may wonder what you have gotten yourself into. Your success will have a lot to do with the amount of time, dedication and commitment you spend towards your chosen profession. You will have to absorb a lot of information and apply that information in the lab and clinical setting. It is a very organized process and you must complete all the steps; there are no short-cuts. You will have to develop critical thinking skills, empathy, and knowledge relating to the field of Radiography. That is how it is. Every patient, every situation is unique. You may not know all the answers, but you will be expected to apply basic skills that you have learned every day. You will be educated and held accountable for your professional attributes - those qualities over and above what you learn and the skills you develop that are essential for your success. You will be expected to demonstrate respect for others, communicate effectively, cooperate with fellow workers, and display the dependability expected of a professional. In the clinical environment you are beginning what is often referred to as a two year job interview. Treat your classmates, instructors, patients, and co-workers, as you would like to be treated. In any workplace we are all faced with dealing with difficult people. Don't take criticism as a personal attack, keep an open mind and don't gossip.

Make the most of your experience. Your professors, college staff, clinical instructors and all of Registered Technologists in your clinical site are there to help you and want you to succeed. Become a student member of the MSRT and ASRT and take advantage of all of the resources available to help you. Become an active participant in your new profession both in and out of school. You can become a Registered Technologist, Radiography (RTR) and enjoy a rewarding and successful career. It is up to you, the student, to be successful; we are here to help you achieve your goals.

## Tips for Success:

- **Show up in body and spirit.** Get to class and clinical on time and be an active participant in your learning. If you don't understand the something, ask.

- Find a good distraction-free place to study.
- Be organized, use a calendar, and pay attention to due dates.
- Do the assigned work. This is the best preparation for exams.
- Start assignments early and start studying early.
- **Begin studying at least three days before an exam.** Study for about two or three hours per day if you have to. But don't wait until the day before your exam to cram for eight hours. You won't remember much and you'll be worn out come test time.
- Learn to write well. Writing is an extremely important skill that is a prerequisite for almost all careers. You will be amazed at how much you will need to write.
- **Establish a routine study time.** Getting into a rhythm at the beginning of every term will help you stay focused and disciplined. Lacking a routine may lead to bad habits or apathy.
- Find a study partner or two. Study partners can help you stay focused and can point out some things that you may have overlooked.
- **Read your email, but not during class.** Don't read or send text messages in class.
- Be protective of your online identity. Don't post photos on Facebook that you wouldn't want your parents, your professors, your future in-laws, or your future employers to see.
- Get to know your professors and the clinical staff and let them get to know you.
- Don't be a member of a clique. Get to know as many people as possible and not just those with the same background as you.
- Become a novice. You'll learn more and get more out of your education if you don't hold onto the attitude that you know everything already.
- **Learn to listen - to your patients, your teachers, to the staff.** The key to being a great communicator is to learn to listen. Understanding what the other person is thinking will help you and is the best way for you to succeed.
- Learn from your mistakes and admit when you are wrong. It may be difficult, painful, or embarrassing, but it is constructive.
- Don't ask for extra credit.
- Stay healthy: eat well, exercise, and get enough sleep.
- Try new things (clubs, sports, volunteering, etc.), but don't spread yourself too thin. With a demanding schedule on and off campus, Radiography students can sometimes become isolated from the rest of the college community; don't let this happen to you. Enjoy the whole college experience.
- If things start going wrong, ask for help. Don't lie to your professors; they've heard them all (otherwise known as the "dead grandmother rule").
- Don't cheat. Taking credit for another person's thoughts or words by [plagiarizing or cheating](#) is grounds for expulsion at most colleges. Know how to cite your sources within your papers and do so consistently. The penalties are steep and this is not ethical behavior.

**Good luck to all of you and welcome to the Radiology Profession!**



## BUILDING SPECIALLY ADAPTED HOMES FOR SEVERELY INJURED VETERANS

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We are Homes for Our Troops, a national non-profit, non-partisan 501(c)(3) organization founded in 2004. We are strongly committed to helping those who have selflessly given to our country and have returned home with serious disabilities and injuries since September 11, 2001. It is our duty and our honor to assist severely injured veterans and their immediate families by raising donations of money, building materials and professional labor and to coordinate the process of building a specially adapted home that provides maximum freedom of movement and the ability to live more independently. The homes provided by Homes for Our Troops are given at NO COST to the veterans we serve.

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## Upcoming Home For Our Troops Events

There is an independent fundraiser that is taking over our 5-Mile Run in Raynham, MA. It will be on November 11th at 9am. Information can be found on our events calendar, or the direct registration link is <https://www.racemenu.com/events/13994-5-Miles-Home>.

## HOLD THE DATE!

The MSRT will host a 1/2 Day Seminar on Saturday, October 20th at Lawrence General Hospital. The following lectures will be held:

- 8:00 AM "The Role of Radiology in Toxicological Diagnosis" with Irving S. Danesh, MD FACEP - 1 Cat A/DR/CT credit
- 9:00 AM "The Use of Tomosynthesis in Breast Cancer Screening" with Ellen Johnson, MD - 1 Cat A/DR/M credit
- 10:00 AM "Radiation Safety Issues Facing Today's Technologist" with O'Connell, Wilds & Tocci - 1 Cat A/RP credit
- 11:00 AM "Controversies In CT Imaging" with Mark J. Rieumont, MD - 1 Cat A/DR/CT credit

If you are interested in attending, please download a registration form from our website Calendar Section and mail to the MSRT office or Pay Online. Please contact the MSRT office if you have any questions or suggestions.



**Special Thanks to Lawrence General Hospital Radiology Department for sponsoring the Continental Breakfast**

# MSRT Executive Board Meeting

MCPHS Boston • June 19, 2012

**Meeting Called to Order:** 5:40 PM

## Members Present

Cheryl Hollyfield, Chris Mercurio, Corina DiPalma, , Pat Willett, Darren Sack, Lisa Fanning, Susan Blanchard, David LeClair, Amy Vietro, Nancy Sutcliffe, Mary Frangiosa Creesy, Karl Ellison ( via phone) and Mary-Anne O'Donovan

**MSRT Members Present:** Michael Delvecchio, Michael Foley, Victoria Glassman (Volunteered to be an Educational Councilor MSRT), Ella Penny

## Treasurer's Report

- Karl had sent out the Budget for 2012-2013 prior to tonight's meeting. We went through the Budget line by line and made some adjustments.
- The budget was approved with revisions.

## President's Report

- Lisa discussed the still vacant position of President-Elect. The ASRT has stated that is OK that we have not filled this position. If no one volunteers with the requirements needed to be appointed to this position it will remain vacant for this year. If it remains vacant then next years President position must be filled by someone with experience as in a past President, since the President – Elect position is used as a year to shadow the President. This needs to be re written, according to the by-laws a special election would need to be held to fill the President –Elect position for the 2012-2-13 year
- Cheryl Hollyfield was installed as the new Secretary.
- Derek Carver was not able to attend tonight's meeting but will be installed as a new State Delegate.
- Social Media Position created & filled by Chris Mercurio. Lisa created a new position.. Social Media Chairman and Chris Mercurio has volunteered. He will handle Facebook, Twitter etc. This position is a NON VOTING position.
- Lisa, David and Darren met with DPH - Radiation Control Board. RCP is working with the MSRT to recruit representatives of the profession to serve on the Advisory Commission. 14 resumes were submitted for the 3 new positions open on the Advisory Commission. .

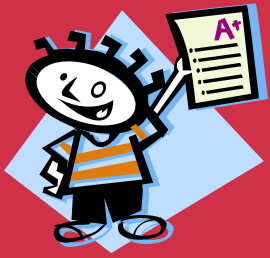
## Committees

- No term limits on committee assignments
- Educational Councilors were discussed:. Victoria Glassman has volunteered be a councilor.
- **Governmental Affairs Committee:** Was discussed as we need to have a back-up person in case Dave is unavailable. **Care Bill:** We need to ask Members to write to Rep. Frank. Rep. Tierney, and Rep Keating as they have still NOT signed on. If approved in House then Sen. Brown and Sen. Kerry need to be contacted for their support.
- **Historical Committee:** A committee needs to be formed to work on organizing all the documents and photos. Discussion was made to open this up to Radiology schools as this would also encourage RT students to participate and learn about the MSRT. Lisa, Pat, Nancy and Ella all volunteered to join Dave on this committee
- **Quarter Century Club:** Mary will continue this year with Nancy DiTullio shadowing to take over next year.
- **Scholarship Committee:** Discussion around the application form. All agree the application form needs to be revised to include the question- Are you an active participant in the MSRT?
- **Buzz Bowl Committee:** Derek Carver has volunteered to be Buzz Bowl Coordinator. Karen Farris has also volunteered to serve on the committee.
- **Conference Committee:** Kerriane Covey & Kate Labrecque will be Conference Co-Chairs for the 2013 Annual Conference. Patricia Willett will mentor them in the position. Committee will be determined.

## Old Business

- **Contact List:** Susan Blanchard volunteered to compile a list of contact persons at Hospitals. Having the correct contact person would be helpful in letting people know when and where the MSRT seminars are. Sending flyers directly to contact person to post in the department we are hoping will increase awareness to seminars.
- **Online CEU:** Nancy Sutcliffe has been in contact with SWANK and we will discuss this at next board meeting as today didn't allow due to budget approval at tonight's meeting.





# "Back to School for Radiology Students"

## A STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

By: Cheyenne Abba, Jillian Twomey, Hadley Cheverie (Students) and Nancy Sutcliffe, Program Director, Massasoit Community College

The morning sun rises later, dusk comes earlier, the geese are starting to fly south, and the air itself has a different feel to it. Summer is over and it is autumn and you know what that means; it's back to school. Students in radiology programs across Massachusetts and the United States have returned to classes or have begun their radiology education over the last few weeks. They have the same concerns as that of a child going to school for his or her first time; the fear of the unknown.

We have to remember that radiology students aren't the typical seventeen year old high school graduate who is going off to college. The average age of a student radiographer is approximately 26, the majority of them are commuters, many are parents, while in school many have a job to support themselves and their families, and some already have an educational degree. They have to be able to manage their time between school, clinical, home and a job. Most say that they don't sleep much or have much of a personal life. A good motto for some is "live one day at a time". Cheyenne Abba says you need to try to stay on top of your studies as much as you can. While Hadley Cheverie says "I keep reminding myself that it is only two years and if it's the week of final exams my family may get kicked out of the house"! I tell my students it is about prioritizing but family may be your first priority at times and that's okay.

One of hardest adjustments new students may have is in the clinical setting. Jillian Twomey says "one of the most obvious difficulties about being in the clinical setting is being a student and feeling completely clueless in your first few weeks". "It can be frustrated being the "newbie". I believe that this is especially true if the student has been successful in the workplace in a previous job especially if they were in a management position. To go from "knowing it all" to "knowing nothing" can be difficult for a student in a new program of studies. She goes on to say "it is equally challenging in learning and adapting to the different working and teaching styles of each staff technologist". Each staff technologist has their own way in systematically performing an examination and a student is trying to learn each staff person's routine in order to work along their assigned staff technologist as well as trying to figure out their personalities. Jillian says "it can be tricky to navigate their personalities and balance it all but regardless all technologists have qualities and technical skills that you can learn from". Hadley says that her hardest adjustment to the clinical setting was her transition from one clinical site to her next site. It was the change from protocols for examinations and the amount of trauma at her new clinical site that made her adjustment difficult. We all have a bad day at work at times but students have bad days. Jillian says "I suppose it's your worst days that force you to push yourself even harder and they make the good days that much brighter". For many it's the day that you are acknowledged for doing something well that makes them forget the bad ones. "The day the scrub nurse and surgeon told me I did an impressive job on an OR case was my redemption day says Hadley! For Cheyenne it was the day that a patient remarked to the front desk personnel that what a great job that she and the technologist had done and the patient even knew her name! That really impressed her.

I asked the students if they had any suggestions for future students. Cheyenne makes it through her day with a smile. "Smiling will turn the worst of your moods around and brighten so many peoples' days". Some of the comments were; take a deep breath, if you are a perfectionist get over it, don't psyche yourself out and the people who are going to understand you are your fellow classmates, so try to find comrades for your sanity. Many bonds are made during a student's education and many last for years. Three of my good friends today were my fellow students and that is over an expanse of forty-four years.

Students desire to be radiographers to make their lives and those of their families better and this is what motivates them to succeed and this is what makes them have high expectations of those who are responsible for their education; program faculty, clinical staff, and themselves. We, faculty and staff, need to respond to their expectations by acting as mentors to them during their education. Mentoring comes from the Greek word meaning "enduring". It can be defined as a sustained relationship between a youth and adult. In an education mentoring situation there are two principle people, the learner and the leader. The experienced leader offers; support, guidance, assistance, direction and motivation. Characteristics of a mentor are; fairness, integrity, enthusiasm, a good communicator, an enforcer and follower of the rules, and knowledgeable in the area of the subject matter. All of the students who contributed to this article said it is the staff and the clinical instructors who play a major role in their education. You are the technologists who are working with the students on a daily basis and from whom students will develop their clinical skills, ethical behaviors and professional attitudes. Their expectations of you are high as yours of them should be. Paulo Coelho asks the question "What is a teacher? I'll tell you he says: it isn't someone who teaches something, but someone who inspires the student to give of her best in order to discover what she already knows." And that's what we all should be bringing to a student radiographer's education.

# ASRT HOD Meeting 2012 Highlights

## Las Vegas, Nevada



David LeClair, Chris Mercurio, Jessica Gardner & Patricia Willett



Nancy Sutcliffe, David LeClair, Michael DeVecchio, Patricia Willett & Christopher Mercurio



ASRT Fellows welcome the four newly elevated Fellows after the Honors Evening program. Seen gleaming in the front row with their medallions and plaques are new Fellows from left James Johnston, Bart Pierce, Michael DeVecchio and Paul Laudicina

Nancy Sutcliffe



GrassRoots Advocacy Group



# My Trip To Vegas

## A First Time Alternate Delegate Speaks

By: Nancy Sutcliffe, M.Ed, RT(R)(QM)~ 27th ASRT Annual House of Delegates

Bright lights, ka-chink-ka-chink, Paris, Venice, Celine Dion, Jersey Boys, Circus du Soleil, and the ASRT Annual Governance Meeting-I must be in Vegas in June! Did I forget to mention the temperature has been between 104-107 degrees in the mid-day? I am here as an alternate delegate to the House of Delegates at the ASRT's Annual Governance Meeting and I am representing the state of Massachusetts and the MSRT. When I volunteered to be the alternate delegate I didn't know what my responsibilities would be and what to expect over the 4 days of the meeting. I didn't know I would be in for a learning experience that would make quite an impression upon me.

Oh sure I read about previous Governance meetings of the ASRT House of Delegates in past ASRT Radiologic Technology journals, the pictures were always nice and I even recognized some of the names since they were educators who have published text books or articles that I have read. That was the interesting part of the article. But to read some of the proposed motions that were to be voted upon by the delegates I have to admit I felt detached. Why that feeling of ambivalence? Maybe because I was here in Massachusetts and they were there in Albuquerque NM. Distance doesn't always make the heart grow fonder!

But now I am an alternate delegate and I need to be prepared in case David or Pat win big in the casino and decide to leave the radiology profession and then I would have to take one of their places!!! Before I even arrive in Las Vegas I was required to review two ASRT online videos on the House of Delegates "Rules of Order". Now I have been a member of many college committees and professional organizations that I thought followed these "rules of order" but after viewing this video I feel I could debate anyone in the United States Congress since the ASRT governance meeting is a well oiled machine and mimics the United States Congress as to its parliamentary procedures.

On Saturday there were meetings to discuss additions of late main motions, discussion of main motions, the consent calendar (grouping main motions to be voted upon as a block without debate) and this may require further discussion, amending of a pending motion, then voting upon the amended pending motion; see why I was hoping that Pat and David would lose at the casinos!!

It is Sunday and the House of Delegates is now convening. They are corralled away from the rest of us lowly alternate delegates and members who are here to observe our professional governance at work! It's all pomp and circumstance! It goes like this.

- The motion is read.
- Discussion on the motion begins.
- If you want to speak on the motion you raise your hand, are brought to one of six microphones by a sergeant at arms, and cannot speak until you are recognized by the Speaker of the House who like Congress is standing at a podium above the delegates.
- You state your name and the state you represent. You then begin your discussion of the motion and you are allotted five minutes to talk on the motion presented.
- Voting on the motion is then done electronically! Pretty fancy!

Now that was just the Governance meeting! There were chapter meetings for radiography, computerized tomography, educators, administrators, PET and Nuclear Medicine that were held after Saturday's business meeting of the House. Installation of officers and recognition of Fellows were held in the evening! My four days were full of activities. Though we did get to see the play Jersey Boys one night! What did I take away from my first ASRT Annual Governance Conference?

- ASRT is a well run organization that serves its members and their profession in an effective manner.
- ASRT promotes leadership of the new radiology graduates
- ASRT listens to its membership
- ASRT officers and staff are dedicated to the radiology profession and its members

I need to be more proactive in my professional organization and so don't each of you! This can begin with volunteering at the state level! If you are a current member of the ASRT take a moment and read the proposed motions in the journal Radiologic Technology that comes out before the yearly Annual Governance meeting. Be aware of the changes happening in your profession. The old adage "What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas" doesn't apply to my trip! What I learned in Vegas at the ASRT meeting is something I will share with fellow faculty, fellow technologists, and my students because they need to learn from my own personal experience.

# 2012 ASRT House of Delegates Meeting

Las Vegas, Nevada

By: David LeClair, BS RT(R) & Patricia Willett, BS RT(R)(CT)

MSRT Affiliate Delegates ~ 27th ASRT Annual House of Delegates

In late June we had the responsibility and privilege of representing the MSRT membership as affiliate delegates at the Annual ASRT House of Delegates and Governance Meeting. Also attending from Massachusetts were Nancy Sutcliff, Alternate Delegate, Marie Oliver and Michael Delvecchio and Student Leadership Development winners & 2012 radiography graduates; Chris Mercurio and Jessica Gardner.

On the first day we participated in an educational symposium featuring lectures in Management, CT, General Imaging and student topics. Following the symposium, the annual pin exchange was a great ending to a productive day and a fun way to meet and greet the more than 400 technologists and students attending the meeting. The MSRT pins were a hot commodity! Be sure to attend one of the MSRT ½ Day Seminars this fall to get yours.

The 4 day schedule from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. left only a little time to explore Las Vegas, but our central location at Bally's was a convenient starting point to experience the sights and sounds of "Sin City". The Governance meeting would begin bright and early the next morning so by Vegas standards after dinner and briefly trying our luck at the casino after a full day we called it an early night. Updates from the ARRT and JRCERT were on the agenda early in the morning followed by the first HOD business meeting where the real work takes place.

**The First Business Meeting** was called to order by Speaker of the House Sandra Hayden at 1:35pm on Friday June 29, 2012.

There were 150 delegates credentialed out of a possible 170 consisting of 96 Affiliate Delegates and 54 Chapter Delegates which was enough to establish a quorum.

The standing rules were adopted with 99% voting affirmative and the agenda was adopted with 98% voting affirmative.

There was one late main motion introduced that required a 2/3 vote to debate. The motion was to amend the position statement titled "Campaign Guidelines" by inserting ASRT members running for national office or chapter delegate positions shall limit their campaign activities to ASRT-published candidate position statements and the use of the ASRT Communities social networking tool to ensure fairness and equal opportunity for all candidates. 82% of delegates voted in affirmative and the motion was numbered C-12.18

The first business meeting of the 2012 House of Delegates was adjourned at 3:44 p.m., Friday, June 29, 2012.

**The Second Business Meeting** of the ASRT House of Delegates was called to order at 8:05 a.m., Sunday, July 1, 2012 by Speaker of the House Sandra Hayden.

**Committee on Bylaws Report.** The Committee had no main motions assigned to it and had no proposed amendments.

**Commission Report.** After the Committee presented motions 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14 they were removed from the Consent Calendar. Following this action the remainder of the Consent Calendar, consisting of motions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 13, 15, 16 and 17 were all adopted by voice vote without objection.



Motion	Title	Result
C-12.01	Amend the Mammography Practice Standards	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.02	Amend the Sonography Practice Standards	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.03	Adopt the Quality Management Practice Standards	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.04	Rescind the Position Statement “Breast Sonography”	Adopted as amended 149 – 0
C-12.05	Rescind the Position Statement “Qualifications for Performing Breast Sonography”	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.06	Rescind the Position Statement “Qualifications for Performing Mammography”	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.07	Adopt the Advisory Opinion Statement “Medication Injection through Existing Vascular Access”	Adopted 147 - 3
C-12.08	Rescind the Position Statement “Vascular Access”	Adopted 143 - 5
C-12.09	Adopt the Advisory Opinion Statement “Medication Injections by Radiologic Technologists”	Adopted 149 – 1
C-12.10	Rescind the Position Statement “Medication and Contrast Media Injections by Radiologic Technologists”	Adopted 147 - 3
C-12.11	Adopt the Advisory Opinion Statement “Placement of Personal Radiation Monitoring Devices”	Adopted 147 - 1
C-12.12	Adopt the Advisory Opinion Statement “Placement of Personal Radiation Monitoring Devices”	Adopted 143 - 4
C-12.13	Amend the Practice Standards Glossary	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.14	Rescind the Position Statement “Computed Tomography Procedures on Pediatric Patients”	Referred to Practice Standards Council 132 - 15
C-12.15	Rescind the Position Statement “Opposition to Multiloading of Film Cassettes”	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.16	Rescind the Position Statement “Continuing Education for the Radiologic Technologist”	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.17	Rescind the Position Statement “Fluoroscopy by Radiologic Technologists”	Adopted on Consent Calendar
C-12.18	Amend the position statement titled “Campaign Guidelines”	Adopted 141 - 8

**Sandra Hayden** was elected as speaker by a voice vote without objection. Election results for Vice Speaker: G. Tim Wescott – 51 / Amanda Garlock-Corbin - 96. **Amanda Garlock-Corbin** was elected as vice speaker. Speaker of the House Sandra Hayden adjourned the second meeting of the 27th Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates at 10:02 a.m., Sunday, July 1, 2012.

During a brief break in the schedule the MSRT delegation had an opportunity to meet with Cathy Dressen, M.H.A., R.T.(R)(MR)\_ Affiliate Relations and Volunteer Manager. The ASRT is a resource not just for individual members but for affiliate societies as well and we look forward to working with Cathy during the next year to enhance MSRT membership benefits.

The Honors Evening and Elevation of Fellows had special meaning for all of us from Massachusetts. We were proud to be there to support Michael Delvecchio, BS, RT(R), FASRT as he was recognized for his many contributions to the ASRT and the radiology profession. Congratulations Michael!

During our 5 day trip we learned a lot, shared a lot of ideas and had a little fun. Sadly none of us won big money but we certainly profited from our trip to Vegas. A full report of the Governance & HOD meetings can be found at; <http://www.asrt.org/docs/governance/2012HODMinutes.pdf>

# NEWS & ALERTS

A Public Hearing was held on September 10th to discuss proposed amendments to regulations 263 CMR 5.08 (7) governing the authorization of physician assistants to perform fluoroscopic procedures.

View testimonies submitted by our President & Vice President on behalf of our membership by clicking the News & Alerts link of our homepage.

## ATTENTION STUDENTS!

We would love to get students perspectives for upcoming issues of The Exposure. If you would like to share your experiences, please email the MSRT office.

## HOLD THE DATES!

In addition to the upcoming 1/2 Day Seminar on October 20th, the MSRT is offering the following 4 credit 1/2 Days Seminars:

1/12/2013 Whidden Hospital  
2/23/2013 Childrens Hospital Boston

Please check the Calendar Section of our website for updated information.



Special Thanks to Medical Imaging Systems for sponsoring the Continental Breakfast at our 1/2 Day Seminar at Childrens Hospital Boston

## IMPORTANT MSRT MEMBERSHIP

Now is a great time to renew your MSRT Membership.

Encourage a colleague to join just in time to attend our 1/2 day seminars.

If they list your name on the membership application, you will be automatically entered into our "Each One Reach One" Raffle

Membership Applications as well as On-Line Payments available on our website



The ASRT has made it easy to Take Action. Simply click the Support The CARE Bill icon on our homepage, enter your zip code, contact information & a form email will be sent to your





# Job Openings



**Harvard Vanguard  
Medical Associates**  
Atrius Health

## **PACS Systems Analyst III**

**Division:** Information Technology

**Location:** Needham 2, MA

**Job Type:** Full Time

**Schedule:** Monday - Friday @ 8:30 - 5:00

The PACS Analysts primary responsibilities are to provide project management assistance, technical support and operational services in the implementation and maintenance of the Picture Archiving and Communication System. The PACS Analyst will provide day-to-day work-flow analysis and design as well as take a lead role in identifying opportunities for the improvement and maximization of existing functionality of current system(s) and operational workflows. Working in conjunction with the PACS Administrator, the PACS Analyst will perform the following functions and activities:

- Day-to-Day operations of PACS equipment
- Daily system monitoring
- Systems analysis and project related tasks
- Storage media management
- User management
- Network management
- Quality control and performance monitoring
- Study and patient information management
- Training and consulting new & ongoing users
- Security
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