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Letter from the MSRT President:

Congratulations to the graduates of the class of 2019. The MSRT welcomes you and is proud to have you as colleagues in the imaging profession. Good luck and I wish you all success. I also want to encourage you to remain active in the MSRT and the ASRT. As they say, membership has its privileges, and there is no better way to network with other imaging professionals than by remaining a member of the state and national societies. Additionally, volunteerism can be a rewarding experience, and there are opportunities at the state level through the MSRT and the national level through the ASRT. If you are interested in volunteering for the MSRT, please contact any member of the MSRT Board of Directors for more information. To volunteer for the ASRT, visit asrt.org and navigate to "Volunteer Central."

The 78th Annual Conference of the MSRT is scheduled for October 22-24 in Natchez, MS. Our conference chairs, conference coordinator, and the MSRT Board of Directors have been hard at work to ensure this year's conference is rewarding and fun for all who attend. We would love to see you there; so, register now and mark the date on your calendar. Also, and this is very important, make sure to bring a costume for the costume party!

On behalf of the MSRT Board of Directors and its members, I would like to congratulate Dr. Kristi Moore. Dr. Moore was installed as vice-president of the ASRT in June 2019 at the ASRT's Annual Governance and House of Delegates meeting in Orlando, FL. She has represented our profession well on the state and national levels. Good luck, Dr. Moore. We know you will be successful in your new role. As I said last year, Mississippi has been, and continues to be, well represented on the national stage.

The 78th Annual Conference will be bittersweet for me. I will be concluding my second term as president of the MSRT and will be handing the duty off to someone else. I have enjoyed the last two years and am honored to have served as president of the best affiliate in the ASRT. I learned so much about our profession, advocacy, the ASRT, and the MSRT because of my tenure. However, there is no way I could have served in my role in the MSRT without the help of the Board of Directors and all the MSRT members. The guidance I received from you all made all the difference. I sincerely appreciate each person that I have had the pleasure to work with and learn from the last two years. You all represent the best of our profession!

Best,

Lee Brown, MHIIM, R.T. (R)(N), CNMT, RHIA

MSRT President

Capitol Day 2019

Students and technologists met at the Mississippi State Capitol in January during a legislative session to promote our profession. As guests at the Capitol, all attendees were recognized from the House floor during a legislative session. Hope Ladner, our Lobbyist, was on hand to help facilitate the meet and greet between students and legislators. The purpose of this Capitol Day was to advocate for our profession and inform the legislators what is required to become a radiologic technologist. Many students were able to discuss hot topics and set up additional face time with the legislators from their own district.



Represented in this picture are students, educators and technologists from all over Mississippi including: Copiah-Lincoln CC, Hinds CC, Itawamba CC, Jones County JC, Meridian CC, Mississippi Delta CC, Pearl River CC, and UMMC.



ASRT Affiliate Delegates' Report

2019 ASRT Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting

ASRT AFFILIATE DELEGATE REPORT

By Shazowee Edgerton

Thursday June 20

ASRT Expo, welcome and pin exchange

Technologists and students gathered to exchange state pins. This is always a fun event and great way to network.

Friday June 21

First seating of the House of Delegates

- Total number of delegates attended was 156. This included 98 affiliate delegates and 58 chapter delegates.
- President is Stephanie Johnston. Her initiatives are: 1) developing a volunteer roadmap to help individuals through the volunteer process, 2) Mammography roadmap for compliance requirements and 3) Diversity awareness among technologists and patients.
- Congratulations to Kristi Moore elected ASRT Vice President.
- The business meeting reported the ASRT is financially stable.
- Increase in number of memberships to 156,000 from 154,000 last year.
- Professional concerns include encroachment from other health professionals and watered down bills at the state level.
- Affiliate assistance program has been successful; applications are open for the coming year. The number of states having some form of licensure is 44 with 42 of them having passed state laws. ASRT is continuing to pursue federal level licensure for MARCA and CMS recognition of RA reimbursement.
- Increased number of services for members to include: CEU flex plan, ASRT live CEU web casts, and ASRT roadmaps for CT, MRI and Mammography. Membership services include multiple ways to contact ASRT to include phone, email and chat room.
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- ASRT research resources available include data tracking information for wage/salary, staffing surveys, enrollment numbers, white papers, digital imaging publications and access to practice exams.
- ASRT's 100th anniversary celebration is June 24 - 28, 2020 in Albuquerque, NM. The education symposium will include international speakers. Tours of the new museum will be offered on Friday June 26.
- The ASRT has a national library partnership. ASRT donates books to participating libraries throughout the country and in turn, they will have displays during national rad-tech week.
- ARRT reporting included speaker Dr. Paul Larson. He discussed CQR requirements and changes in ethic violations. Those who finished in 2011 should begin working on their CQR requirements. Applicants are given a three-year window to complete the process. This process includes completing a professional profile, taking a structured self- assessment (SSA) and completing suggested CQR continuing education to fill recognized knowledge gaps. There is no charge for the SSA, however, it must be taken with official proctoring at a Pearson VUE testing center or on line with web cam on personal device.

Dr. Larson also spoke on the new ethics violation requirements. All violations are to be reported within 30 days. He suggests if someone is unsure of a violation, it is best to report it for review by the ethics committee.

Saturday June 22

- Open forum on Proposed Changes to Practice Standards

The Practice Standards Council has combined all existing Practice Standards for Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy into one document with a glossary to include general practice standards for all imaging professionals along with specific listings for each modality. See new ASRT Practice Standards page on ASRT web site.

- Bylaws Open Forum and Commission Hearing
- Speaker/Vice Speaker Election Open Forum - Joseph Whitton was elected to Speaker of the House.

- **Chapter meetings**

Shazowee Edgerton attended the Education chapter meeting -

- **ARRT representative addressed CQR requirements.**
- **ARRT encouraged completion of practice analysis survey that will be coming out soon.**
- **ARRT discussion of the number of simulations allowed to be changed to 20 % of total procedures performed.**
- **Discussion of Post Primary certification standards being revised with new time- frame and allowed number of procedures performed per day. Visit ARRT website for specific modality requirements.**
- **JRCERT representative was present. A new draft for program standards will be coming out soon. New standards will be implemented January 2021. Educators are encouraged to review and give feedback. The JRCERT portal is going to be overhauled with new revisions. An outcomes workshop is scheduled for September 14. JRCERT is celebrating their 50th anniversary with a two- day conference November 3-5 in Chicago, IL.**
- **Discussion of an article published by the American Association of Physicists (AAPM) stating gonadal shielding was not necessary. Educators are concerned, as some clinical sites have stopped shielding practices after ACR backing of this article. ASRT wants to research this issue more before making a formal statement.**

John Melvin attended the Radiography chapter meeting

Sunday June 23

- **Second seating of the House of Delegates - no new business**
- **ASRT Installation of Officers**
- **President's Reception**

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to represent MSRT at the ASRT Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting.

The Mississippi Crew

2019 ASRT Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting





CONGRATULATIONS!!



Congratulations
Class of 2019!!

The future belongs to those
who believe in
the beauty of their dreams.

— ELEANOR ROOSEVELT



Hinds Community College



Front Row L to R: Haley McMullen, Danielle Brown, Robin Hayes, Natalie Nunnery, Kayla Faubert

Middle Row L to R: Lyndsi DeFillipo, Chelsea Berry, Perry Gillis, Ashely Bush, Allison Frock, Alicia Buck

Itawamba Community College



Front row: Madison Rish, Kailey Caldwell, Kayla Crowson, Ca'Najah Alford, Sarabeth Elrod, Megan Vining

Back row: Chris Smith, Jayson Knight, Garrett King, Drew Presley, Steven Atwal, Maura Autry, Lauren Tucker

Jones County Junior College



L-R: Denton Bushman, Shannon Murrell, Malik Porter, Falon Boler, Leoma Stallworth, Kacie McGowen, Brooklyn Smith, Mitch Murphy, Ella Gibson, Cody Rogers

Meridian Community College



L-R: Maneet Marwaha, Lindsey Atkins, Lyndsey Haggard, Alex Fulton, Madison Hearn, Amber Speed, Kerry Palmer, Katie Davidson, Briana Scruggs, Asia Vann, Jessica Weatherby

Mississippi Delta Community College



Front row L to R: Kristen Horton, Mari Max Wilson, Sara Beth Wyatt, Riley Rogers, Casey Lewis, Chelcie Young, Mary Beth James, Sarah Burdine

Back row L to R: Erin Jennings, Wendell Gilbert, Hannah Davis, Alonzo Brooks, Andrew Moseley, Jessica Woods, Tristin Hoover

Pearl River Community College



Bottom Row (L-R) Hope Husband, Sumrall, MS; Jessica Steele, Pearlinton, MS; Mallory Nuccio, Poplarville, MS; Rachel Jones, Picayune, MS; Kristie Windham, Clinical Coordinator, Sumrall, MS

2nd Row (L-R) Raegan Lee Fazende, Picayune, MS; Cynthia Mae Dunn, Wiggins, MS; Jade Breeland, Sumrall, MS

3rd row (L-R) Natalie Woo, Hattiesburg, MS; Darrian Merritt, Picayune, MS; Monica Beninato, Poplarville, MS; Ashlynn Stuart, Hattiesburg, MS; Megan Corona, Picayune

Top row (L-R): Myles Deets, Hattiesburg, MS; Kye Broom, Petal, MS; Christopher Marchetta, Waveland, MS

University of Mississippi Medical Center



Front row (from left to right): Melissa Downs, Madison Burford, Kristen Martin, Janu Patel, Hannah Ross, Aleisha Beavers, and Tiffany Eakins

2nd row (from left to right): Alex Wilcher, Amy Valenciano, Kristen Pearson, Hailey Bowie, and Kelsie Luke

3rd row (from left to right): Briana Lee, Shelby Wilkerson, Stephanie Smith, Davesha Doty, and Will Chunn

4th row (from left to right): LaKeitha Ngwiri, Aurlivia Bibbs, Samantha Mirandy, and Katie Black

78th Annual Conference October 22-24, 2019 Conference



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We prefer you edit information on your profile and renew your membership online at www.msrt.biz; however, if you prefer to mail in the actual forms, they are located on the next pages.



**MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS
CHANGE OF INFORMATION OR ADDRESS FORM**

MSRT MEMBER # _____

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City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

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Email: _____

NEW INFORMATION:

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone # : (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

**** This form can either be mailed or returned via email to the following ****

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MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE AN AUTOMATED EMAIL PROMPTING ONLINE RENEWAL. IF YOU HAVE NOT SUBMITTED PAYMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DUE DATE, YOUR NAME WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE MEMBERSHIP ROSTER.

Annual Fees: Student - \$10, RT - \$30, Associate - \$35

Please make checks or money order **payable to MSRT** and mail to:

Leigh Moser
MSRT Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 4185
Tupelo, MS 38803

Preferred membership and/or renewal is online. However, this form is accepted. Complete the following form and return with payment.

MSRT MEMBER # _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone#: (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

****MSRT is now only sending the BEAM electronically, so it is essential to provide us with an email address****

Check one: Student ____ Associate ____ ARRT certified ____

****If applying as a student, please give the name of the Radiologic Technology program you are enrolled in.****

School: _____

ARRT certified technologists: Please provide the following information: ARRT # _____

Primary Modality (Please Circle)

Radiography	Education	Sonography	CT	MRI
Bone densitometry	CIT	Mammography	Dosimetry	Radiation Therapy
Nuclear Medicine	Quality Management	Military	Management	RA RPA

Student Prep Bowl

Where: Magnolia Bluffs Hotel, Natchez MS

When: October 23, 2019 from 5:30 pm until...



Please see the rules on the following pages.



MSRT Central District Prep Bowl Rules and Regulations

To review and increase knowledge of radiologic technology among students who should be preparing themselves for the ARRT Registry. This will be an excellent form of registry review.

Eligibility: Participants in the MSRT Central District Prep Bowl must be enrolled in a JRCERT approved radiologic technology program. Each member of a team shall be in the final year of the program and all team members shall be from the same program. The students participating in the prep bowl must be a member of their state affiliate and registered for Conference in order to participate.

Team Roster: Each school will be represented by only one (1) team. Each team will be represented by no more than five (5) senior level students from the same approved program of Radiologic Technology. Only three (3) team members may serve on the panel at any one time. Students will be allowed to rotate members during scheduled breaks only.

Officials: Each official shall be a registered radiologic technologist or a radiologist.

- **The Clicker Moderator:** Shall serve as the operator of the computer during competition. It shall be the duty of the moderator to present all questions in the clicker system using a power point. The Clicker Moderator may call official breaks and time outs.
- **The Panel of Judges:** Shall be available to verify all challenged questions using text references. The decision of the judges is final. If the question cannot be verified, the question will be thrown out and a new question asked.
- **The Timekeeper:** Shall keep the official response time during competition.
- **The Scorekeeper** and Backup Scorekeeper: Shall maintain a comprehensive score record of the schools in competition. The computer clicker system will keep a running score not visible to the audience. The Backup Scorekeeper will keep score and after each round will review scores with the scorekeeper for any discrepancies.

Competition: Calculators, pencils, and scratch paper will be provided. Team members may only use the items provided. All schools will compete at the same time. Competition will consist of five (5) rounds of categorical questions according to the current ARRT Registry content. The rounds will proceed as follows:

Round	Category	No. of Questions
1	Radiation Protection	10
2	Equipment Operation and Maintenance	10
3	Image Production and Evaluation	10
4	Radiographic Procedures & Anatomy	10
5	Patient Care and Education	10
		Total: 50

Time: Each team will be allowed thirty (30) seconds to answer each question. If the answer has not been submitted in thirty (30) seconds no points will be given to that team.

Questions: For the collection of questions, the Central District of the MSRT will seek participation from educators of the JRCERT approved radiologic technology programs in Mississippi. The Central District will verify accuracy of questions collected and will not reveal the questions to anyone outside the Prep Bowl committee. Questions will be multiple choice only and presented in a PowerPoint format.

Points: Each question will be worth one (1) point for a possible total of 50 points. In the event of a tie, the competition will go into a sudden death tie-breaker, where random questions will be asked alternately until a winner is declared.

Breaks: A five (5) minute break will be placed between each round for team member rotation only. After Round Three (3), there will be a fifteen (15) minute recess for the audience and teams.

Challenge: A question may only be challenged by a member of the three person team participating at that time. The question must be challenged prior to the reading of the next question.

The Judge's ruling is final.

Penalties: Any coaching or yelling of answers from the audience will disqualify the question from competition and a new question will be asked. Continued disruption will result in removal from the competition area.

Awards: Plaques will be awarded to First, Second, and Third place teams. The First place team will also receive a \$100 cash award from the Central District of the MSRT.

Additional Rules: Alcoholic beverages are not allowed and persons with alcohol/ alcoholic beverages in their possession shall be considered disruptive and removed from the competition area.

All electronic devices (i.e. cell phones, pagers, Bluetooth, etc.) must have the power turned off and stowed away during competition.



Halloween Costume Party

Where:

Magnolia Bluffs Hotel

Natchez, MS

When:

Thursday October 24, 2019

8 PM - midnight

Nomination Form:

It is time for nominations for the elected offices of the MSRT. If you have someone you would like to nominate, please place your nominee's name in the appropriate space and mail or email to:

Robbie Nettles
shamrock.robby@gmail.com

President:

Vice President:

Secretary:

Affiliate Delegate:

**NOMINATE
NOW!!!**

Letter from the Editor:

Hello! Another summer has come and gone. I hope everyone enjoyed their summer. The MSRT Annual Conference is right around the corner. This year it will be held in the great city of Natchez, MS! I want to encourage senior students to participate in the Prep Bowl. This is a great opportunity to prepare for the registry. I also want to encourage students and technologists to participate in the exhibit competitions. Exhibit forms can be found on the website (msrt.biz). Forms must be submitted to both the MSRT President and the Conference Coordinator if you chose to compete. Make sure you "Like" the *MSRT - Mississippi Society of Radiologic Technologists* [Facebook](#) page. I hope you have enjoyed this edition of The BEAM! The deadline for the next issue of The BEAM is tentatively set for November 30, 2019.

Leigh Moser, RT(R)

