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From the president . . .

Can you believe another conference has come and gone? Each one goes by faster and faster. This conference was very special. It was the 75th Annual MSRT Conference. Reflecting the Past...Shaping the Future. We had Phil Ballinger as our keynote speaker. He was generous enough to donate and autograph a set of Merrill's for our silent auction. What an inspiration he is! Mr. Ballinger overcame a debilitating stroke which left him unable to speak, but with hard work and determination, he is now lecturing to hundreds of people.



We should employ this determination in all aspects of our lives, including that of our professional organization. To accomplish anything, it takes hard work and determination. That is why our conferences have become such great successes. It takes a year of hard work, long hours and determination to ensure that every lecture is on time and that their AV needs are met—as well as trying to find a place for the 60-plus exhibits we must display.

We should all thank David Frazier, conference coordinator; Anne Brittain, ECE and program chair; and every board member and committee member who had a hand in the behind-the-scenes operations required just to organize the four-day meeting—not to mention all the extra time and hard work required to make it great.

I want to congratulate Anne Brittain for being this year's Murray lecturer and Ben Morris for being awarded the Mallinckrodt Award for Excellence. Last, but certainly not least, congratulations to all those who aided in the success of this conference. We have a tremendous group of people who are serving this organization by holding an office or chairing a committee. This is going to be a fun and extraordinary year.

If you would like to help with next year's conference or are interested in serving on a committee or on the MSRT Board, please contact any 2007 MSRT Board member. Contact information can be found on the MSRT Web site. Thank you—and I look forward to an amazing year.

Heather Brown, BSRT R M

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Web site!

Be sure to check the MSRT Web site for the membership application, district news, events, and updates! Go to www.mosrt.org



Student Bowl Winners

Front row, from left, Chaya Florans, Julie Thole, and Angela Foppiano. Back row, from left, Rochelle Cannes and Coach Cindy Daniels.

2007 Student Scholarships

MSRT Student Scholarship:
Missy Best, Cox Health

Robert A. Feldhaus Student Scholarship:
Kim Dishon, St. John's

Stephanie Whisler Memorial Scholarship:
Thaddeus Morris, Cox Health

MSRT Board of Directors Scholarship:
Kristy Schwertz,
Rolla Technical Center
Amber McCracken,
Rolla Technical Center

2007 Student Bowl Winners

1st Place
Barnes-Jewish College of Nursing and Allied Health
Julie Thole
Chaya Florans
Angela Foppiano
Rochelle Cannes
Cindy Daniels, coach

2nd Place
Research Medical Center
Lindsey Smith
Amy Ruoff
Aaron Ford
Dwight Heincker

3rd Place
University of Missouri
Tricia Ohlms
Michelle Eckenfels
Andrew Greenbaum
Sammie Cairns
Patricia Tew, coach

4th Place
Missouri Southern State University
Stephanie Jessip
Deanna Wood
Kayla Kellenberger
Tiffany Wachsman
Alan Schiska, coach

Life Membership:
Brenda Matthews

Winner of the drawing for the free membership for completing a conference evaluation:
John Chaney R.T. (R),
O'Fallon, MO



Student Intern
Laura England, Cox Health



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From left, Darrell McKay, Donita Shipman, Jason Young, Brenda Matthews, Anne Brittain, Eric Rogers, David Frazier, Dan Cantrell, Norm Hente, Chris Harmon, Heather Brown, Laura England, Sandy Brown, and Sally Polta.

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Essay Winners / Student Category

1st place:
Marie Curie, Her Life
and Contributions
Richard Hill, Avila University

2nd place
The Advancing Technology
of Proton Therapy
Tessa Sublett, Avila University

3rd place
Radiology's Role in War
Jessica Koop,
Hillyard Technical School

Honorable Mention
Disaster Mortuary Operational
Response Team
Tammy Jo Smith,
Hillyard Technical

Ultrasound: A Harmless
Alternative to X-ray Exposure?
Thaddeus Morris,
Cox Medical



Murray Lecturer
Anne Brittain



Mallinckrodt Award
Ben Morris

The Missouri delegation, from left: Sandy Brown, Heather Brown, Anne Brittain, and Samara Moore.



MSRT (MN) and MSRT (MO) Complete Successful Speaker Exchange

—By ANNE BRITTAIN

An idea that got kicked around a dinner table in Albuquerque in February 2005 came to very successful fruition in April 2007.

In 2005, two affiliate society annual conference program chairs (Sharon Zigan from MN, and Anne Brittain from MO) happened to be at the same table for dinner following an ASRT meeting. The conversation turned to the problems associated with always having the same people speaking at the annual conference (Don't get me wrong! We love those people who will perennially volunteer to speak!) and how to get fresh, new speakers to an affiliate annual conference with little or no money to be spent. The idea of the MSRT-MSRT speaker exchange was born.

To actually complete this

exchange took a leap of faith on the parts of both affiliates' Boards of Directors. The agreement was that Missouri would send speakers for 4 CE's of lectures to the MSRT (Minnesota) meeting in October 2006, and Minnesota would reciprocate for the MSRT (Missouri) meeting in April 2007. Each host agreed to pay for the visiting lecturer's hotel and registration fees. Each affiliate paid the expenses for their delegation's travel and meal expenses.

In October, Anne Brittain, Heather Brown, Sandy Brown, and Samara Moore attended the MSRT (MN) meeting in Alexandria, MN. They arrived in time to take part in the tail end of the presidential banquet and silent auction, even winning some prizes in "heads-or-tails." On Saturday, they each presented a 1-CE lecture covering

a wide range of topics, including generational differences, getting technologists involved, dealing with "bad" patients, and molecular imaging. A couple members of the delegation were able to attend the MSRT's business meeting, which was an enlightening experience to see how another affiliate society conducts business. (On a personal note: We want to thank Minnesota for the extremely warm welcome that we received; it was like we were a part of their group when we walked in the door!)

In April the Minnesota delegation of Alan Bode, Linda Coster and Sharon Zigan attended the MSRT (MO) meeting at the Lake of the Ozarks. They arrived in time to take part in most portions of the meeting, including a board mixer, and the Presidential banquet.

MSRT (MN) and MSRT (MO) Speaker Exchange

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On Friday evening, MN President Linda Coster attended the MSRT's post-banquet board meeting where she invited the Missouri Board to the Region 4 meeting in MN later that spring. Saturday they presented lectures with topics regarding radiation exposure, Chernobyl, MS, and MRI Safety.

Overall, the speaker exchange was a huge success with rave reviews from conference attendees in both states!!

If you have questions about how to do a speaker exchange or if another affiliate is interested in taking part in a speaker exchange with Missouri please contact Anne Brittain: arutz@rolla.k12.mo.us or David Frazier: david.frazier@coxhealth.com.



The Minnesota delegation, from left: Sharon Zigan, Alan Bode, Linda Coster

2007 Scientific Display Winners

Student Category

1st Place

Andrew Greenbaum
University of Columbia
Goldenhar Syndrome:
Hemifacial Microsomia and More

2nd Place

Jamie Johnson and
LaShawnda Glover
St. Lukes Hospital, Kansas City
Know the Facts: MRSA

3rd Place

Jarred Lungren
Rolla Technical Center
MSRTs Influence on Radiography

Honorable Mention

Kristen Hanstine
Rolla Technical Center
Functional MRI

Honorable Mention

Barbara Stone
Rolla Technical Center
Medical Images as Legal
Documents

Technologist Category

1st Place

Eric Rogers
Cox Health
The Future of Lie Detection fMRI

2nd Place

Anne Brittain
Rolla Technical Center
Digital vs. Film/Screen
Mammography

3rd Place

Maggie Odgen
Rolla Technical Center
Patient Safety vs. Image Quality

