



Alberta Association of Radiology Managers

2009 Spring – Summer Newsletter

AARM EXECUTIVE

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AARM PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

AARM FALL CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 16TH TO 18TH, 2009

As we head into the summer season it is time to start thinking about our Fall AARM Fall Conference and General meeting.

This year has seen a tremendous amount of change in Healthcare in our province. Diagnostic Imaging was no exception. AARM was formed to bring DI Managers from across the province together to share ideas and promote common goals. The formation of Alberta Health services is a continuation of some of those founding principles AARM is built on.

For this year's theme, the organizing committee has chosen an "All in the Family" theme. No, don't expect Archie Bunker to show up at the conference, but what you can expect is a brilliant line-up of speakers presenting on clinical, scientific, and organizational activities going on in Diagnostic Imaging.

Our AARM family has been coming together for 31 years as has been a leader in bringing DI healthcare professionals in the province together. We are looking forward to meeting old friends and colleagues as well as welcoming those new to the organization.

This year's conference will be held at the Jasper Park Lodge. Sitting in the scenic outskirts of Jasper and situated in the magnificent Canadian Rockies in a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge invites you to experience the charming cabins and rustic elegance sure to invoke memories that will last a lifetime.

For more information on The Fairmont Jasper, check out their website:

<http://www.fairmont.com/jasper>



Once again our Education Committee has put together an outstanding line up of speakers that include:

- Mauro Chies – AHS Vice President – Diagnostic Imaging Services
- Bill Trafford – AHS Senior Vice President & CIO Information Technology
- Dr. Stephanie Wilson – MD FRCPC Radiologist specializing in Ultrasound
- Dr. Naeem Merchant – MD FRCPC Radiologist specializing in Cardiology
- Lynn Kirkland – AHS – Director – Human Resources

As well we will be introducing a new presentation format where selected AARM members will be speaking on new initiatives in their area of the province.

Additionally, we will be having a relaxed family style dinner Wednesday evening on the deck outside the hospitality suite with an evening of games and fun including a scavenger hunt across the property. Thursday evening's formal dinner will be in the main lodge with entertainment provided by Flextime Trio to follow.

At this year's Annual General Meeting there will be an open floor discussion on future directions of the AARM. We look forward to everyone's input.

A reminder to all AHS employees, conference requests will need to be submitted to your Directors as soon as possible to ensure proper approvals are received in time to attend.

President, AARM 2009



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SPONSORSHIP

Bronze - \$250.00

Mention on Tabletop display
Mention in conference letter
Banner in Conference room – 1 banner not bigger than 4x8 (must be supplied by vendor)

Silver - \$500.00

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Mention in conference letter
Banner in Conference room – 1 banner not bigger than 4x8 (must be supplied by vendor)
2 tickets to the finale dinner

Gold - \$750.00

Mention on Tabletop display
Mention in conference letter
Banner in Conference room – 1 banner not bigger than 4x8 (must be supplied by vendor)
4 tickets to the finale dinner

Platinum - \$1000.00

Mention on Tabletop display
Mention in conference letter
Banner in Conference room – 1 banner not bigger than 4x8 (must be supplied by vendor)
2 tickets to the finale dinner
1-year complimentary web- link

Double Platinum - \$1500.00

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Mention in conference letter
Banner in Conference room – 1 banner not bigger than 4x8 (must be supplied by vendor)
2 tickets to the finale dinner
1-year complimentary web- link
1 breakfast sponsorship



AARM Education Committee Report 2008

The 2008 AARM Conference was held at the newly renovated Juniper Lodge, just outside of Banff. This provided a beautiful setting for our conference theme - which was "Pearls and Promises".

Wednesday afternoon, we welcomed everyone at registration and welcomed Dr. Ross Mitchell – who spoke to us on "Innovative New Technologies in Medical Imaging". This was a very informative session! We then enjoyed some coffee and snacks before sitting back and learning a refreshing approach to "Coping with Life Through Laughter" with Phil Callaway. Members then had time to finish checking-in before meeting in the Hospitality Suite for just that – hospitality and networking with other members. Then we were off to Brewster's Barbeque Ranch for a delicious supper, beach party, and dance. While there, tribute was paid to the Past Chairperson of the Education Committee – Linda Prior. She was thanked for the many years of dedication that she spent planning Conferences.

Thursday morning began with a hot breakfast prepared by the Juniper Lodge staff, followed by speakers Charise Jones and Grace Page. They gave us an overview of Stephen Covey's "Seven Habits of Highly Effective People". Mark Jones then asked us – "Who would Sit At Your Board Table?" This made each of us identify which characteristics we deem most important in our colleagues, family, and friends- thus guiding our leadership style. After the break the business meeting was held, then lunch on our own, followed by Management Workshops. The Hospitality Suite was opened late in the afternoon, with a semi-formal "Pearls and Lace" banquet served at the Juniper Kiguli Room. Ellen Sittler presented the Past President's Award to Barry Bowtell. Donna Bosse, Bev McKinnon, and Kate Luchenski presented the Lifetime Membership to Sheila Kirk. Kevin Knopp then shared a slide show on "30 Years of the AARM" which everyone really enjoyed! Then it was time for Elvis to entertain us! And he sang everything from Blue Suede Shoes to In the Ghetto!

Friday morning Dr. Ed Wiebe spoke on "New Applications in Abdominal Imaging" and "A Different Look at the GI Tract and Liver". The membership had many questions for Dr. Wiebe. Everyone enjoyed a quick but delicious lunch, and then it was goodbye for another year!

The Executive and Education Committee would like to thank all who attended (approximately 50) as well as the commercial representatives who so generously supported this event.

Respectively submitted,
Andrea Kadar
Chairperson, Education Committee



2009 AARM Conference
All in the Family
Jasper Park Lodge, Jasper Alberta
September 16-18, 2009

WEDNESDAY, September 16

- 1230.1315 Registration
- 1315.1330 Opening Remarks
- 1330.1445 Mauro Chies: Vice President, Diagnostic Imaging Services, AHS
- 1445.1515 Coffee
- 1515.1630 Diagnostic Imaging Panel Discussion
- 1630.1800 Hospitality Suite
- 1800 Buffet Supper served in Hospitality Cabin

THURSDAY, September 17

- 745.830 Registration and Breakfast
- 830.930 Bill Trafford: Senior Vice President and CIO, Information Technology, AHS
- 930.1030 Speaker – To be determined
- 1030.1100 Coffee
- 1100.1200 Lynn Kirkland: Senior Lead, Leadership and Employee Development, AHS- Organizational Change
- 1200-1300 Lunch provided over Annual General Meeting

Management Workshops

- 1700-1830 Hospitality Suite
- 1900 Supper in Spike Dining Room - Awards and Dance

FRIDAY, September 18

800.830	Registration and Breakfast
830.845	Opening Remarks
845.1000	Dr. Naeem Merchant, Radiologist
1000.1030	Coffee
1030.1145	Dr. Stephanie Wilson, Radiologist
1145-1200	Closing Remarks



2009 AARM CONFERENCE: "ALL IN THE FAMILY"

Registration Form 2009

Name: _____ Hospital/Company _____

Mailing Address _____

Registration (Full registration includes: 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, and 2 dinners)

Members: \$400 if paid prior to August 15, 2009
\$450 if paid after August 15, 2009

Non Members: \$450
Daily Fee \$100

Extra meal tickets:

Dinner Wednesday: \$35.00 _____
Lunch Thursday: \$35.00 _____
Dinner Thursday: \$80.00 _____
Hot Breakfast Friday: \$35.00 _____

Total Charges: _____

***NOTE: Fees Cancellation policy:

If a cancellation notice is received:

22 days prior to conference start date: full refund
15-21 days prior to conference start date: 50% refund
1-14 days prior to conference: no refund

It would be greatly appreciated if all registration fees could be sent in prior to August 15th as the final number of registrants for the conference is required by Jasper Park Lodge on or before Sept 2, 2009.

Please make cheques payable to AARM Conference 2009

Mail registration form and cheque to: PLEASE NOTE ADDRESS CHANGE

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DUES NOTICE for 2009

THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE YOU WILL RECEIVE

Your 2009 Membership Fees are **DUE by 15 July 2009**

The amount of dues for this year is **\$60.00**

Dues Paid: _____ 2009

Receipt Issued: _____ 2009

Outstanding Dues: \$ _____

Member's delinquent in payment of dues will be required to pay non-member conference fees if payment is not received in advance of conference registration time.

Please see BYLAWS Article VI – Fees

Members also please note that if membership dues have lapsed for 2 years, the grace period has been extended.

Dues of \$120.00 + \$20.00 reinstatement fee apply at the time of reinstatement.

Members who have lapsed for more than 2 yrs will be removed from the roster and will need to apply as a new member when registering. These former members will receive written notice of this lapse.

Please submit your dues to: **AARM**
c/o Ellen Johnstone, Treasurer
4526-60th Ave,
Vegreville, AB T9C 1V8
Ph: 780-603-4415 Fax: 780-403-4420

RETAIN THE ABOVE FOR YOUR RECORDS

To enable the Association to keep the Membership List current, please complete the following and attach with your 2009 payment.

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

WORK PHONE: _____ FAX _____

E-MAIL: _____

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____