



*Alberta Association of Radiology Managers*

# 2011 Spring Newsletter

## AARM Executive

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## **President's Message AARM Spring Newsletter**

The Alberta Association of Radiology Managers continues to thrive. In the past few years we've seen membership rise to include record participation in the 2010 Annual Conference and AGM. We remain true to our mission:

*We are an Association of Radiology Managers who facilitate meetings and educational seminars for the purpose of disseminating information among the members of the association in the province of Alberta in order to provide professional growth through education, consultation, and communication with peers, and ensure a stronger professional presence and liaisons with other health care agencies.*

Based on the success of changes in 2010, we will continue with a two day conference format. Again we will host at a central location within Alberta. Please mark your calendars for September 15th and 16th, 2011 and take a trip to SYLVAN LAKE! Our conference theme will be "MAKE A SPLASH".

In Sylvan Lake we will stay at the Chateau Suites located on the lakefront. We plan to use the newly constructed on site facilities for many of our activities.

Once again, the Executive, and the Education Committee is planning a stellar speaker line up for the 2011 fall conference.

Mr. Wayne Lee will be a guest speaker on Friday morning: "Minimize Stress, Maximize Performance, Achieve Anything". In addition to Friday morning, Mr. Lee will also be providing our Thursday evening entertainment.

The "members as speakers" concept is being carried forward. We value the experience and knowledge of our members and encourage members to expand that knowledge to the rest of the membership.

Plan to come early in the evening on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>! A social event will kick off the activities, promoting network opportunities in a (very) informal setting.

The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for 12:00 on Friday, September 16. Please submit agenda items to Ron Regehr or myself. We look forward to your input, to ensure the Alberta Association of Radiology Managers remains pertinent and sustainable.

Kind Regards,

Mark MacMillan  
President, AARM 2011



## **AARM EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT 2011**

### **“FROM JURASSIC TO JETSONS” AARM Conference and AGM September 2010**

The 2010 AARM Conference was held in the Drumheller Badlands with Conference Meetings held at the Ramada Inn. Accommodation and Hospitality Suite was at the Jurassic Inn. This was the first year that we held a two day Conference, and it seems that the change was a great success. It was one of the best attended Conferences ever with 63 registrants!

Members arrived on Wednesday evening to a setting of a Jurassic Island, with decorating done by the Committee members. There was plenty of time to register and check in before sharing hospitality and networking with other members. The highlight of the evening was numerous “Minute-to-Win-it” competitions that pitted teams of members against each other performing some rather hilarious challenges!

Thursday morning everyone was up bright and early to enjoy a great breakfast and then go to the Ramada Inn to enjoy a morning of informative speakers. It started with Denise MacIver speaking of “Simulation Enhanced Training: Clinical Readiness for DI Students”. Brian DeHaan followed with a talk on “Best Practices – Diagnostic Imaging Equipment Service. Then coffee and snacks were enjoyed. Mauro Chies’s talk was titled “Are We There Yet?” – Mauro shared much information about where AHS is at and where we are going. The final speaker for the morning was Dr. Margaret O’Keefe, who discussed “Peer Review”. Lunch was served during the AGM. Kate Luchenski, Acting President made a presentation to the Past President Jack Berry, and thanked him for all of the hard work that he did during his time on the AARM Executive.

In the afternoon, we all had the opportunity to take the short but beautiful drive out to the Tyrell Museum to hear an informative presentation by Dr. Francois Therrien titled “When X-rays and Dinosaurs Collide: Applications of CT in Vertebrate Paleontology”. Dr. Therrien’s presentation was followed by a tour of the Museum – an excellent adventure! Members concluded the business day with some time to gather in the Hospitality Suite for just that – some hospitality and networking with old and new members before boarding busses for a trip to Rosebud to enjoy an evening at the Rosebud Dinner Theatre.

Friday morning began with a hot and delicious breakfast at O’Shea’s Eatery which is just across the parking lot from the Ramada Inn. Dr. Sarah Koles started the business day with “Behind the Bling: Medical Services at the 2010 Olympics” and Joe Moreau spoke on “Integrating Private Community and AHS DI Assets for Improved Healthcare”. Members enjoyed a break for refreshments before Andrea Robertson brought to light some rather ominous statistics with her talk on “Workplace Transformation”.

At lunch we honored one of our own, Richard Hudy, with the Lifetime Membership Award. He was toasted and roasted by Jack Berry.

The afternoon started with a new AARM endeavor, Vendor Associates presenting. Zahava Uddin, from GE Healthcare spoke on “Designing your Radiology Facility from the Inside Out”. Jennifer Border from Covidien followed with “Committed to the Future”, then Ken Mattie, from Phillips: “Phillips News Network >>> with Host Ken Mattie”



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The Executive and Education Committee would like to thank all who attended “Jurassic to the Jetsons’ ”, as well as the commercial representatives who so generously supported this event.

Things are changing quickly. Processes, technology, and even the ways that we view things are constantly evolving. But I have no doubt that we will weather the storm because this group has “Stamina”. Don’t be afraid of change – and don’t be afraid to try to make a difference!

Keep Smiling,

Andrea Kadar  
Education Committee Chairperson

### **AARM Treasurer Report, April, 2011**

Again, the AARM has had a positive year and the coffers have grown, thanks to the generous support of our vendor members, the interest shown by new member applications and the outstanding attendance at the 2010 Conference in Drumheller.

The challenge to the Executive and Education Committee is to use this advantage for the betterment of the membership. The several years of fiscal management have paid off, but it led to a greater level of contribution from our members. As mentioned elsewhere, we have once again gone outside the box to bring a keynote presenter to Sylvan Lake, Mr. Wayne Lee.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith Murland, AARM Treasurer



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DUES NOTICE for 2011

THIS IS THE ONLY NOTICE YOU WILL RECEIVE

Your 2011 Membership Fees are DUE by 15 July 2011

The amount of dues for this year is \$60.00

Dues Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ 2011

Receipt Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ 2011

Outstanding Dues: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member's delinquent in payment of dues will be required to pay non-member conference fees if payment is not received by August 15th, 2011.

[Please see BYLAWS Article VI - Fees](#)

Note: the grace period for lapsed dues has been extended to 2 years.

[Members who have lapsed more than 2 years 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.](#)

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

Please submit your dues to:

AARM  
c/o Keith Murland  
Treasurer, AARM  
SSP: 8-117, 10030 - 107 St.  
Edmonton, AB T5J 3E4  
Ph: 780-735-1311  
Fx: 780-904-9971

**Retain the Above for your Records**

To enable the Association to keep the Membership List current, please complete the following and attach with your 2011 payment.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT \_\_\_\_\_