



## ASSOCIATION OF PROGRAM COORDINATORS IN RADIOLOGY

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Fellow APCR Members,

I feel very privileged and honored to assume the responsibility of President of our prestigious organization for the year of 2003 – 04. Hoping everyone had an enjoyable summer and were able to get some much needed time off, as ERAS will be coming back to life this month! At this time I would like to express my thanks to Dianna Otterstad and Sherry Bucholz, our past presidents, for the outstanding job that they have done for our organization.

There have been a few changes in our organization since our Miami meeting. Dr. Jerry Arndt, our liaison for APCR has stepped down and turned the reins over to Dr. George Curry, Program Director at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Branch in Dallas, Texas. I am saddened to report that Sherri Sachs, Chair of our Program Planning Committee, is changing jobs and will therefore be leaving our association. Prior to her leaving, Sherri planned an outstanding program for us in San Francisco. Also, we cannot thank her enough for obtaining \$500 for our scholarship fund. Sherri, will truly be missed by all of us!

With this change, this will move Michael Catron into the position of President-Elect and Chair, of the Program Planning Committee. Julia Clark will assume the position of Secretary-Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee. I would like to thank both of them for accepting these positions. With Sherri leaving our organization, this created an unfilled position on our Board of Directors. Lois Shuman was appointed and approved by our Board of Directors to fill this position.

The APCR had a very successful meeting in Miami this past April and we are looking forward to the AUR 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting at the San Francisco Marriott in San Francisco, April 21 – 24, 2004. Sherri Sachs put together the program for us, and Michael Catron, Program Planning Chairman will continue to work on this. Michael will also be working with Dr. Michael Shortsleeve, on APDR/APCR conjoined sessions for next year's meeting. We will be having our social hour again next year, and I am anticipating another exceptional program for our members. Be sure to mark your calendars as I am hoping you can all attend!

Lois Shuman and the Membership Committee report that we have 125 members as of August 1, 2003. The membership director is accessible on the APDR web site. Any corrections in the directory need to be sent to Lois Shuman, [lshuman@iupui.edu](mailto:lshuman@iupui.edu). The annual membership fee was increased to \$75.00 and this was approved by the membership at our annual meeting in Miami in April of 2003. If a coordinator leaves their position, and the membership was paid for by their program the membership for the remainder of the year is transferable to their replacement. Membership renewal notices were mailed in June, with a second notice being mailed the first week of August and a final notice will be mailed in September. I encourage you to return them as soon as possible and if you haven't received yours yet, you may inquire at the APDR office at (630) 368-3737. Lois and her committee will be sending out e-mails to all of the

members to update the information in our database, and will actively recruit subspecialty fellowship coordinators who are not also residency coordinators.

Janet Birkmann and the Website Committee have been extremely busy on our web page and have done an excellent job! New items posted to the website include our current Board of Directors and Committee Chairs and Members, our Rules of Operation that were updated in Miami, the membership directory, pictures of our current officers and Ralene Coble with her Outstanding Coordinator Award. Also listed is information and applications regarding the new APCR Scholarship Program and Mentoring Program. I encourage everyone to take time and visit our web page at [www.apdr.org](http://www.apdr.org) and check out all the updates and the terrific job that the website committee has done.

Margaret Romero and the Long Range Planning Committee has set the goal of creating a Radiology Coordinators Handbook to be tied in with the mentoring program. This will be a great tool for our new coordinators as well as for those of us who have been in our jobs for a period of time. As we all know many times the coordinator has already left their job prior to the new coordinator coming on board.

Michael Catron and the Professional Development Committee are working on a salary/job description survey that was sent out to all of the members. The survey will be computerized and can be completed in a short period of time. The surveys will be returned back to Michael.

Sandy Sees and the Awards Committee will begin working on nominations for the 2003 Outstanding Coordinator's Award. Sandy and her committee will keep us in suspense until our meeting in San Francisco when they will make that announcement.

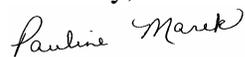
Sherry Bucholz and the Nominating Committee will have two board members to replace at our next meeting. Sandy Sees and Sherry Bucholz will both be rotating off of the board in San Francisco. Sherry and her committee are creating a nominating form for nominations for these two positions and this form will be sent out to all APCR members in the winter mailing.

I want to express my thanks and appreciation to all of our Board, Chairs and Committee Members for the excellent jobs they are doing! As you can tell, they have all been hard at work for our association. Also, this is a great time for our members to consider joining a committee and bring forth some new ideas for our organization.

Our next formal mailing from the APDR/APCR will be this winter and will contain registration and program information regarding the upcoming AUR Meeting in San Francisco. At that time we will have enclosures describing our portion of the program for your perusal.

I hope everyone enjoys the remainder of the summer and the best of luck on the upcoming interview season!

Sincerely,



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President

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