ASSOCIATION OF PROGRAM COORDINATORS IN RADIOLOGY



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Greetings Fellow APCR Members,

I hope you are surviving the interview season and are looking forward to the fourth annual meeting of the Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology in Miami, Florida this spring. It will be held at the Fontainebleau Hilton Resort, April 9 -13, 2003, and after reviewing the program I think it will be another stellar meeting:

- Pauline Marek and the Program Planning Committee have done a great job in • putting together this year's program and there are many sessions of interest for coordinators. We will be having our reception again on Wednesday night, April 9. This was very successful last year and gave us all time to network and meet new members. I'm please to announce that Ralene Coble, Coordinator at University of Texas Medical Branch @ Galveston, will be speaking on Professionalism in the Workplace. Dawn Trubiano, Senior Accreditation Administrator from the RRC for Diagnostic Radiology, will be giving a presentation "Frequently Asked Questions for Program Information Form (PIF)". Dr. John Snuggs, radiology resident at Texas A&M/HSC, Scott & White Hospital, will be giving a session "Stress at Work and Home: How does it affect you and others?" We have added a second formal Business Meeting on Saturday evening before the annual banquet to break out into new committees. We recognize the importance of closure and rather than trying to add this event into another presentation slot, we have an actual slated time for everyone to meet and develop ideas for the upcoming year. Ms. Marek is also involved in creating APDR/ APCR conjoined sessions with Dr. Janet Strife. Please review her enclosed expanded APCR program schedule. I look forward to seeing you all in Miami.
- Lori Dyar and the Membership Committee have been working hard on the Annual Membership drive in November and we are continuing to grow as an organization.
- Janet Birkmann and the Web Page Committee are progressing nicely. She is working with Dr. Spencer Gay in posting items of interest for us as well as developing special pages. One such page under consideration is a survey page where results from survey questions that frequent our email system will be posted. If any of you have results from past conducted surveys that you wish to be posted, please send the information to Janet. Her email is:

BIRKMANJ@einstein.edu. The committee is also looking into creating a "members only" page where meeting minutes and the APCR directory will be posted.

- Dianna Otterstad and the Nominating Committee are preparing for this year's member nomination to the board. If you have suggestions of someone you would like to recommend, Dianna would appreciate it if you would please email your proposal to her at: <u>Dianna.Otterstad@UTSouthwestern.edu</u> by February 1. This will give the committee time to consider your proposals and arrive at a final decision before we convene in Miami.
- The Mission Statement for the APCR is now complete and is as follows:

"The Mission of the Association of Program Coordinators in Radiology (APCR) is to promote excellence in the administration of radiology residency and fellowship programs, to provide educational opportunities in the field of graduate medical education and program administration, and to provide forums for professional growth and exchange of information".

We are hoping this will be posted on the APCR web page soon.

It's been a pleasure to serve as President of the APCR these last few months and I've enjoyed getting to know many of you better. I thank you all for your support of this inspiring organization. The Miami meeting promises to be educational, rewarding and also fun, so please come join us.

Happy Holidays,

Sherry Bucholz President