

## Summer News Update

It looks like summer has finally decided to join us. It was great to see so many of you out at the CAMRT 2016 conference here in Halifax. The education and social programs were excellent. A special thank you to our conference co-chairs Nicole Deveau and Melissa Sponagle for all of their hard work organizing this fantastic conference. Thank you to our volunteer coordinators, Chrissy Gamache and Carla McClemens, as well as the education stream-leads and all of the NSAMRT volunteers who helped as session moderators, badge scanners and at the registration desk.



### Congratulations to the Nova Scotian award winners at the CAMRT awards banquet! What a show!

- Shannon Gray** - Dr. Marshall Mallett Student Award Certificate of Merit - *Diagnosis and Treatment of Scoliosis*
- Lucas Jenkins** - Dr. Marshall Mallett Student Award - *Radiographic Investigation of Non-Accidental Trauma*
- Rebecca Jessome** - Award of Excellence – Highest Mark 2015 Certification Exam: Nuclear Medicine
- Elise LeBlanc** – Early Professional Achievement Award
- Brian Martell** - E. I. Hood Award Certificate of Merit - *How to Successfully Engage a Team: Our Centralized Radiopharmacy Experience*
- Brian Martell** – Steward of the Profession Award
- Roberta Sharp** – Dr. Marshall Mallett Lamp of Knowledge Award



### Congratulations to the Journal of Medical Imaging & Radiation Sciences Editor's Choice:

#### Top 5 Articles of 2015 winners from Nova Scotia!

**Carol-Anne Davis & Allan Day:** *"Investigating the Impact of Positron Emission Tomography–Computed Tomography vs Computed Tomography*

*Alone for High-Risk Volume Selection in Head and Neck and Lung Patients Undergoing Radiotherapy: Interim Finding"*

**Carol-Anne Davis & Kathryn Moran:** *The Quest for Quality: Principles to Guide Medical Radiation Technology Practice*



Thank you and congratulations to all of the NSAMRT volunteers, presenters, poster presenters and speakers at the conference. It is wonderful to see so many Nova Scotian MRTs playing an active role in research and education, and making such valuable contributions to healthcare knowledge.



**Please join me in congratulating Karren Fader on her endeavor as CAMRT President!**

#### **AGM:**

Thank you to everyone who came out to our NSAMRT AGM on Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2016. Your engagement in the business of the organization is essential and we were able to answer many questions from the membership. A draft version of the minutes will be available on the NSAMRT website soon.

#### **Awards:**



As part of the new awards program, the NSAMRT awarded the very first **Jan Musselman Memorial Award of Excellence** to her family at our AGM. This award will be presented annually to an individual who demonstrates genuine dedication to their profession & their communities. This dedication is exemplified in the promotion and advocacy of their profession; one who has encouraged, inspired, motivated and supported others to take leadership and volunteer roles. In addition they have made valuable contributions to their greater community through volunteering and involvement, giving their time, energy and commitment to enhancing the lives of others. Jan Musselman was a true professional & steadfast advocate for medical radiation technologists. Throughout her 40+ year career, she volunteered on a tremendous number of educational, departmental, provincial and national committees as well as being an active volunteer in her community. Jan loved to root out others strengths and encourage MRTs to challenge themselves, the status quo, and actualize ones potential. This award will be presented in her honour to an individual who exemplifies these qualities.

There were two **Presidents Bursaries** given out at the AGM as well. This year's recipients are Jonathan Murphy and Kelly Lawrence.

#### **Election Results:**

With the new online voting platform, 45% of the membership voted, which is a fantastic turnout. It is my pleasure to announce the newly elected 2016-2017 NSAMRT members:

- **Stephanie Schofield – 2 year term**
- **Chrissy Gamache – 2 year term**
- **Paul Menhennett – 1 year term**

#### **Call for Volunteers:**

The NSAMRT is currently looking for more volunteers. If you are interested, please email your expression of interest and to explain why you wish to volunteer to [info@nsamrt.ca](mailto:info@nsamrt.ca) by 4pm August 5th, 2016.

We are seeking volunteers to serve on committees as well as individuals to fill the following positions:

- **IT/AV support** – This role will be to assist at AGMs and educational events in ensuring all necessary AV and IT equipment is functioning as required. In addition this individual will assist in assessing AV and IT purchase proposals to ensure equipment will meet NSAMRT's needs.
- **Site Champions**- This role is to be a communication link between NSAMRT and a clinical worksite. The executive director will send out monthly updates that the site champion will post at the worksite. In addition, the site champion is encouraged to contact the executive director with any questions the clinical site may have for NSAMRT.

Have a safe summer!

Best,

Megan Brydon

President, NSAMRT