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National Council Delegate
Message-David Perry,CNMT

I have three important items of interest to share with you. First, we had five members of the MVCTS on the national ballot this year. Both candidates for President-Elect are members of the MVCTS. No matter who is elected, our Chapter is a winner. (Mickey Clarke and Nanci Burchell)

Phil Bruch ran for Finance Committee. Carol South-Winter and Paul Berry ran for Nominating Committee. Thanks goes to all the candidates for taking an active role in national leadership.

Second, I have been working hard on the MVC website. At the mid-winter meeting in New Orleans I was given the green light to build a web page and look for free space to bring it up. Our domain name is “www.mvcsnm.org”. Look for the site to be up and running soon.

Third, don’t forget the SNM National Meeting in St. Louis beginning June 4. What a great opportunity for members of our Chapter. Remember that this year everything is starting a day early. Categorical seminars begin Saturday, June 3 and continuing education sessions begin Sunday, June 4. This change was made to make it easier to obtain CEU’s without having to spend a lot of time away from work. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity if you are able.

Finally, I am still accepting feedback, ideas, suggestions, etc. about the website. The idea is to enhance communication and provide information quickly. See you in St. Louis in June.

Don’t forget to mark your calendars now for the MVC Annual Meeting to be held October 6-8, 2000 in Des Moines, Iowa. The hotel we have selected is the Des Moines Marriott. There are approximately 12 hours of CEU’s planned. Watch your mail for the meeting brochure coming to you soon.
Greetings! This year is turning out to be an exciting one. The information age is truly upon us. The technology of this era is presenting us with an opportunity to change every aspect of our lives. One opportunity that we are ready to take advantage of is the creation of a website dedicated to the Missouri Valley Chapter. This site is under construction and is an exciting step for our membership into the next century. The implementation of the website should provide us with a method to disseminate ideas and important issues and address the changing needs of the membership. More information will follow as we solidify the location and address of the site.

Other topics I feel that are worthy of mentioning is the work that is being done to update and establish changes to the existing MVCTS bylaws. The proposals are now complete and prepared for review. An executive committee meeting will be held at the June annual meeting to review and approve proposed changes before submitting them to all members for their review and approval. The proposed changes are available in electronic format. If you are interested in having them e-mailed to you send your request to me at hubblewl@slu.edu.

I would also request that subchapters submit a list of the names and addresses of their current officers. In this way we can keep all members updated on current activities and any issues you wish to have addressed.

In closing, I hope to see you all at the National Meeting in St. Louis. Please feel free to approach me and introduce yourself. I look forward to proceeding into the next century with you.

Sometimes we don't realize the resources within our own Chapters As the technologist shortage begins to become critical we thought it appropriate to publish the Nuclear Medical Technology programs within the MVC. If you receive questions regarding educational opportunities or are in need of hiring a registered technologist this list should be a valuable resource.

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Local subchapters exist within the Missouri Valley Chapter. Below you will find a listing of the subchapters we currently have information on and their officers. If there is not a local subchapter in your area please feel free to contact the MVC President, Mark Wittry or the MVC Executive Director, Nanci Burchell about forming one.

**Southeast Vocational Technical Institute**
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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The nominations committee would like to invite you to submit names of candidates for elected office. At the MVC Council meeting in June a slate of candidates will be selected. According to the bylaws, ballots must go out 60 days prior to the MVC annual meeting and returned thirty days prior to the meeting. The following is a list of the offices for which we are seeking candidates:

MVCTS: President-Elect
Sec./Treas.

NCD

MVC: 2 Council

Members at Large

According to the bylaws, technologist candidates for office must be members in good standing of the SNM. Candidates for MVC office must be full or associate members in good standing of the SNM. Please contact Henry Royal, MD at "royal@mir.wustl.edu" for nominations for the MVC or Peggy Squires, CNMT at "psquires@metro-heart.com" for nominations to the MVCTS. You may also contact Nanci Burchell at 816-234-3214 or nancibur@aol.com for additional clarification or information.

Historical Notes......
Who was Ralph G. Robinson, MD, FACP, FACNP, FACR?

Dr. Ralph Robinson was a scientist, researcher, and physician who practiced at the University of Kansas Medical Center. In 1994 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Society of Nuclear Medicine. He received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the MVC in 1993. Dr. Robinson died in 1994 and the Ralph Robinson Memorial Lecture is presented each year in his honor. This lecture recognizes a physician from the MVC who is on the cutting edge of research. This year we will welcome Dr. R. Edward Coleman who will speak on the past, present, and future of PET imaging.

Enclosed you will find an abstract submission form. We encourage everyone (technologists, physicians and scientists) to submit abstracts by July 31, 2000. This is an opportunity to let your colleagues know of important updates or research findings. Awards are presented for the best physician/scientist and technologist papers presented. You may also submit in poster format. Questions may be addressed to: Nanci Burchell, MVC Executive Director, 6814 N. Liberty, Kansas City, MO, 64118, at 816-234-3214, or by e-mail at nancibur@aol.com
The 47th Annual Meeting of the Society of Nuclear Medicine

America's Center • St. Louis, Missouri

Categoricals: June 3, 2000
Meeting: June 3-7, 2000
Exhibit: June 4-7, 2000

At the premier event for professionals practicing nuclear medicine, you will:

- Acquire a solid review of established nuclear medicine practices and discover future directions of the field.
- Check out the latest tools available and compare the offerings of various vendors.
- Network with more than 3,000 of your peers.
- Get the continuing education (CE) credit you need (AMA category 1, ACPE, CAMPEP and SNMTS VOICE).

The top-notch categorical seminars, CE courses, scientific papers and posters are organized in eight tracks: radiopharmaceutical chemistry, instrumentation and data analysis, oncology, general clinical specialties, cardiovascular, legislative/regulatory, neurosciences and educators/business.

For up-to-date information, visit our website at www.snm.org/am, contact our Fax-on-Demand Service at (888) 398-7662 (toll-free U.S.) or (703) 336-5573, or call the SNM Meetings Department at (703) 708-9000, ext. 1229.

Register online or call Wyndham Jade, the official registration company for the SNM Annual Meeting, at (877) 246-4766 (toll-free U.S.) or (972) 381-3370. Act by April 27 to save!
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MVC Abstract Form

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Abstracts should be limited to 200 words.
- Abstracts must be typed only. Print must be black.
- Abstracts with errors, misspellings, poor grammar or incorrect abbreviations may be rejected.
- For the title use all capitals, followed by the author(s) first name, last name, and institutions affiliation. Underline the name of the presenting author.
- Leave one single space between the title and the body of the abstract. Do not space between paragraphs.
- The body of the abstract should include a statement of the purpose of the study, a statement of the methods used, a summary of the results presented in sufficient detail to support the conclusions, and a statement of the conclusions reached.
- Supporting data is not required but may be submitted if, in the opinion of the contributor, the reviewer’s understanding will be enhanced. If submitted, supporting data should be limited to one page.
- Works in progress will not be accepted.
- Do not use superscripts or subscripts to identify radionuclides. The mass number of the element should follow the elemental abbreviation on the same line and be separated by a hyphen (Tc-99m).
- Abstracts are submitted in final format. No changes will be accepted at any time after receipt of the abstract by the MVC.
- Additional forms or information may be obtained from Nanci Burchell by calling 816-234-3214 or by e-mail at nancibur@aol.com.

Mail all abstracts to: Nanci A. Burchell, Executive Director
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Who May Submit Abstracts

Original contributions from technologists, scientists, pharmacists, and physicians of the MVC are encouraged.

P.LEASE TYPE OR PRINT

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