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President's Message



Committed to Advancing Radiologic and Imaging Nursing

Bonjour Mes Amis ... "Good day, my friends"!

I know every past President has said this, but it really is true... I can't believe how fast the time is passing! With summertime upon us, I want to update everyone on the various projects that the

ARIN Board of Directors has been working on.

ARIN is excited about the pending release of the *Joint Practice Guidelines for Sterile Technique During Vascular and Interventional Radiology Procedures*. This is a collaborative project between the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR), the Association for periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN), and ARIN. This document is expected to be published concurrently in the December 2012 issues of the *Journal of Radiology Nursing (JRN)* and the *Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology (JVIR)*.

ARIN is especially grateful for the contributions of Christine Keough, BSN, RN, CRN, who is the corresponding author representing ARIN for the Joint Practice Guidelines document. Chris, from Rochester, NY, is also the current President of the ARIN Empire State Chapter.

The revised draft of the *Radiologic and Imaging Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice* is anticipated to be posted to the ARIN website, www.arinursing.org, in mid-August, 2012, for public comment. At the same time, the draft document will be posted nationally on the American Nurses Association (ANA) website at www.nursingworld.org. Interested persons and consumers are asked to weigh in on the discussion of our revised Scope and Standards of Practice document and we will seek



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public comment for 45 days from posting on both websites.

Pending the results of the feedback from public comment, I anticipate that we should have the completed Scope and Standards document ready to submit to ANA by mid-October, 2012. I have set an aggressive timeline to publish this project by January 2013. While the entire Board of Directors has worked very hard on this project, I especially want to thank Linda McDonald, Immediate Past President, for her leadership on this project, and Kathy Duncan, Secretary, for her contributions and dedication to the project.

In my last President's Message, I wrote that I am especially committed to improving our ARIN Webinar services. It is my great pleasure to announce the appointment of Karen Marshall, President of the Great Lakes Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing Chapter (GLARIN), and Mike Wilson, President-Elect of GLARIN, as the ARIN Webinar Committee Co-Chairpersons. Karen and Mike have been instrumental in providing a successful webinar program for GLARIN for the past several years. They bring a wealth of experience that will enhance the current ARIN national webinar program. The Website Committee is not far behind!

The Chapters Committee is pleased to welcome Cathy Brown, BScN, RN, CRN as the ARIN International Members Representative. Cathy is from Alberta, Canada, and has jumped into her position with both feet. Cathy is working with Dancy AMC staff to send a letter of interest for forming an international members chapter. Currently, ARIN's international members hail from Canada, Saudi Arabia, New Zealand, Australia, United Arab Emirates, Barbados, Hong Kong, United Kingdom, Brazil, Argentina, Thailand, Taiwan, Ukraine, India, Venezuela, and the Philippines.

I would encourage all ARIN members who have the luxury of a local ARIN Chapter to join! I would also encourage anyone interested in starting a local chapter to contact the Chapters Committee Co-Chairs, Ron Schoenfeld or Carol Cirone, for information regarding starting a local chapter. Lezlie Sears, Chapter Services Specialist, is the ARIN National Office chapters point person.

Registration is now open for the ARIN 6th Annual Fall Symposium and Imaging Review Course to be held in Pittsburgh, PA, September 29-30, 2012, at the Marriott Renaissance Pittsburgh Hotel. The Program Planning Committee has planned a great schedule of events, and early registration discounts are available through August 29, 2012. The Greater Pittsburgh Chapter of ARIN, lead by Chapter President Ann Lewis, will be our local host. There are many opportunities for local entertainment, including restaurants and casinos, and I personally am excited for the opportunity to attend a Major League Baseball Game!

The hometown Pittsburgh Pirates will be playing the Cincinnati Reds at PNC Park on Saturday night, September 29th. The ballpark is within walking distance of the Marriott Renaissance Hotel. This is a special event in the Pittsburgh area that includes Skyblast, a fireworks display from Zambelli Fireworks, and an outdoor concert featuring Lifehouse. After a long day of learning, I can't think of too much more fun than friends, baseball, hot dogs, beer, music, and fireworks! Those of you local to Pittsburgh might think about bringing your family for a quick getaway. Check the ARIN website for more details on tickets.

Planning for the ARIN 2013 Annual Spring Convention in New Orleans, LA, April 14-17, is well underway. The Program Planning Committee is in the middle of the abstract review process as I write and ARIN and AVIR

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are collaborating on the jointly sponsored first day of convention. As the "local representative," I truly can't wait for you to come to my house!

Laissez les bon temps rouler, cher.
We'll pass a good time!

Sincerely,



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ARIN Core Purpose

To foster the growth of nurses
who advance the standard of
care in the Imaging
environment.

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ARIN's Race for Relevance



The Merriam-Webster online dictionary defines "relevance" as "a practical and especially social applicability" or pertinence. This definition clearly portrays the future of the Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing.

In November, 2011, Linda Mc Donald, MSN, RN, CRN, ARIN Immediate Past President, and Christy Lee, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN, ARIN President, attended the Nursing Organizations Alliance (NOA) Fall Summit in Miami, Florida. NOA is a coalition of nursing organizations united to create a strong voice for nurses.

During this conference, they participated in a session led by Mary Byers, CAE, as she discussed her book, *Race for Relevance: 5 Radical Changes for Associations*. She implored board leaders of non-profit organizations to align their strategic plans with three major factors:

1. Board size
2. Appropriate products and services
3. A possible reconfiguration of member markets

ARIN's board size is just three more than the proposed five members. Ms. Byers and co-author Harrison Coerver believe that board size is important for achieving effectiveness. Groups of 6-7 are the most effective at decision-making. The Board make-up should be based on competency in the position in which each member serves. The ARIN Nominating Committee is charged with identifying members who bring the necessary skills to the table. This allows a greater focus on the "role" and alignment/adherence to the ARIN Strategic Plan. I encourage anyone interested in becoming a board member to look at their skills critically to match them with the best position.

Committee development and alignment support the strategic plan. As the ARIN Board works through the "relevance" process, committee structure and necessity will be redefined and refined. This will allow precious resources, both financial and member-related, to be allocated in a responsible manner.

Many of you know that ARIN is managed by Dancy Association Management Company. These dedicated individuals play an important role in every aspect of our organization. As we move toward committee

“relevance,” Dancy AMC staff will be vital to the committee’s function: assisting in identifying, screening, and selecting the right volunteer member for the task at hand. While our nurse members are the content experts, Dancy AMC staff supply the expertise in managing a project, communicating, building consensus, and dealing with conflict – all while navigating the association bureaucracy.

The membership market is the third focus in this discussion. In this particular time in history, nurses choose to join an organization that will provide value for their member dollars. It is the board’s responsibility to focus on the needs of a definable segment and focus on programs and causes that benefit the identified membership. This is not meant to imply that other ventures are inappropriate – just that critical decisions need to be made following a defined plan. We may need to forego supporting a “cause” if it is not within this market. As such, the decisions will not be easy.

This third component can be likened to the American Nurses Association, which focuses on nurses, whereas ARIN is designed to foster the growth of nurses who advance the standard of care in the imaging environment. Toward that end, the Board is conducting the first of several surveys (via SurveyMonkey) to gather information related to what matters most to you, the members. Please take a few moments to complete this survey — help your board help you. We are counting on you to assist in defining the value of your association. Watch your e-mail inbox for more information.

As the ARIN Board of Directors analyzes its strategic plan, it will critically examine each factor and refine areas appropriately. The Board’s focus is to remain strong and function efficiently while remembering our defined membership and the patients under our care.

The Race for Relevance will take time to navigate. The Board began this process March, 2012 in San Francisco, and is dedicated to the time and effort it will take to do this process justice. We will be meeting face-to-face in Pittsburgh in September, 2012 during the Fall Symposium and again in January, 2013 in Atlanta. Completing this process will take dedication – a quality this Board possesses. The result of this endeavor will position ARIN as the primary organization imaging nurses turn to for information and guidance.

To paraphrase Mag Browne-McManus, ARIN Past President: *We will continue to develop our legacy one pearl at a time.* As the ARIN Executive Director, I commit to keeping you apprised of the Board’s progress.

Reference

Coerver, H. and Byers, M. (2011). Race for Relevance: 5 Radical Changes for Associations. ASAE. Washington, DC.

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ARIN Executive Director

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ARIN Nominating Committee Announces Leadership Opportunities

The Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN) Nominating Committee has issued a Call for Nominations for open positions on the ARIN Board of Directors. This is an exciting time to be a leader in an

organization whose core purpose is to foster the growth of nurses who advance the standard of care in the imaging environment. Are you ready to consider an opportunity to step into a leadership role that will be rewarding both personally and professionally? [Click here to nominate a colleague](#) for office or to submit a self-nomination. Candidates are being sought for the following positions:

President-Elect: The functions of the President-Elect are to fulfill duties in the absence of the President, monitor committee activities, and perform other duties as prescribed by the Board of Directors or as delegated by the President. Travel is required and expenses are reimbursed as per the current ARIN policy. The position entails a three-year commitment: first year as President-Elect, second year as President, and third year as Immediate Past President.

Secretary: The Secretary shall record and review the minutes for all Board of Directors and Membership Business Meetings of the Society. Travel is required and expenses are reimbursed as per the current ARIN policy. This position requires a two-year commitment.

Board Member: Board members direct the business and financial affairs of the association, establish policy, foster the growth and development of the association, and engage in strategic planning. Board members serve as liaisons to ARIN committees. Travel is required and expenses are reimbursed as per the current ARIN policy. This position requires a three-year commitment.

Nominating Committee Member: The Nominating Committee oversees the elections process, solicits and screens applicants, and presents a slate of candidates to the membership for voting. The business of the Nominating Committee is conducted via e-mail and conference call; travel is not required. This position requires a two-year commitment.

Members of the Nominating Committee may not run for office during their term on the committee.

A candidate must have been an active member of ARIN for a minimum of one year preceding nomination. In addition, the President-Elect should have served at least one year on the Board of Directors or served as a chairperson of an ARIN national committee for a minimum of one year prior to nomination. Nomination does not guarantee that a person's name will appear on the final ballot.

The deadline to submit the Call for Nominations is September 15, 2012.

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6th Annual Fall Symposium Registration Now Open!

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Click [here](#) to register online for the ARIN 2012 Fall Symposium!

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Don't wait—make your reservations today! The Renaissance Pittsburgh is holding a block of rooms for ARIN participants at a special rate of \$179* for single and \$199* for double occupancy. For call-in reservations, dial toll free 866-454-4400. Be sure to inform reservations personnel that you are with the ARIN convention in order to receive the special rate.

Room rate is guaranteed until **August 29, 2012, or until room block is filled, whichever comes first.*

It's important that attendees stay at the host hotel when possible. The hotel has given ARIN a special rate, and if the rooms are not used, ARIN will be charged a fee for unused rooms. Registrants who book with the event hotel through a third-party travel provider such as Travelocity or Orbitz should contact the National Office. We will contact the hotel to make sure ARIN receives credit for your stay. Thank you in advance for your help in making your convention a success!

Click [here](#) for more information on lodging

Click [here](#) to visit the Marriott Renaissance Pittsburgh

Air Transportation

Pittsburgh International Airport: PIT

Distance to Renaissance Pittsburgh: 18 miles NW

Click [here](#) to visit the Pittsburgh International Airport website.

Ground Transportation

Super Shuttle

The hotel does not provide shuttle services. Super Shuttle is an alternate shuttle service available outside of baggage claim. Prices for the shuttle are \$26.75 one way or \$51.50 round trip. Reservations are required and can be made at reservations@supershuttle.net or by calling 800-BLUE-VAN (800-258-3826). Click [here](#) to visit Super Shuttle.

Taxi

Estimated taxi fare: \$45 USD (one way)

Click [here](#) for transportation information.

Exhibitors

Representatives from a variety of companies and organizations will be on hand to answer your questions and demonstrate their products. You will learn about the latest products and services for your practice and benefit from a productive relationship with industry representatives who can keep you informed of developments in technology, pharmaceuticals, software, publications, and other products and services for radiological and imaging nurses.

Contact Hours

An application has been submitted to the Georgia Nurses Association for approval of 13.5 contact hours. Please call Leslie Long at the ARIN National Office at 850-474-7292 (toll free 866-486-2762) for more information.

The program will also be submitted to the American Society of Radiological Technologists (ASRT) for continuing education units.

2-Day Imaging Nurse Review Course

This continuing nursing education activity was approved by the Georgia Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

The maximum of 15.0 contact hours will be awarded for this educational activity.

This educational activity is approved by the American Society of Radiologic Technologists Department of Education for 17.0 credits.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!



Join your colleagues for a night of fun as we cheer on the Pittsburgh Pirates, playing in their hometown against the Cincinnati Reds. Tickets are available (upon registration for the Fall Symposium) at the discounted rate of \$24; they are available on a first-come, first-served basis and the discount applies only to the game taking place on Saturday, September 29. The game starts at 7:05 p.m. at PNC Park, a short walk across the Allegheny River from the hotel. Following the game, stay for the Skyblast featuring Zambelli Fireworks and Lifehouse in concert (presented by Iron City Beer).

PNC Park's prime location along the shore of the Allegheny River and adjacent to Federal Street takes advantage of scenic vistas of the downtown skyline and riverfront, as well as pedestrian and riverboat access, creating an exciting and dramatic urban sports venue.

PNC Park is the first ballpark with a 2-deck design to be built in the U.S. since Milwaukee's County Stadium was completed in 1953. Because of its intimate design, the highest seat is just 88 feet from the field, giving every fan in the park an ideal sight line.

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Award & Scholarship Opportunities

Nominate an ARIN member or submit a self-nomination.

Deadline to submit is September 15, 2012

Radiology Nurse of the Year Award

The Radiology Nurse of the Year Award is presented to an ARIN member in recognition of outstanding radiology nursing practice as demonstrated through leadership, mentorship, and ongoing professional development. Click [here](#) for details.

Chapter of the Year Award

The Chapter Award honors the chapter that best promotes the goals of ARIN through their member relationships, community activities and promotion of community health issues. All chapters are encouraged to submit an application for this award. Click [here](#) for details.

Dorothy Budnek Memorial Scholarship

The Dorothy Budnek Memorial Scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to ARIN members who have returned to school to advance their nursing education. The recipient will receive a scholarship in the amount of \$600. Individuals who have been members of ARIN for at least three years are eligible to apply for the Dorothy Budnek Memorial Scholarship. Click [here](#) for details.

Helen Malenock Award

The Helen Malenock Award was established to provide financial assistance to a radiological nurse who is interested in becoming a member of ARIN. The recipient will receive a complimentary 1-year membership in ARIN. Click [here](#) for details.

Charlotte Godwin Scholarship

The Charlotte Godwin Scholarship was established to provide assistance for members to attend the annual Spring Educational Meeting. The recipient will receive a complimentary registration for the annual meeting and a cash scholarship of \$200 to defray the expense of attending the meeting. Click [here](#) for details.

CRN Exam Scholarship Award

The Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing CRN Exam Scholarship Award was established to provide financial assistance to ARIN members who are seeking to become certified radiology nurses. The recipient will receive a complimentary registration for the CRN Exam. Click [here](#) for details.

Download the award/scholarship application at <http://www.arinursing.org> or contact the ARIN National Office for an award/scholarship application.

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From the List Server: PICC Line Measurement

It is an Infusion Nursing Practice Standard to chart length, manufacturer, lot number, and expiration date. The industry standard for nursing is the Infusion Nurses Society (INS) [Infusion Nursing Standards of Practice](#). (For the section specific to documentation, see Practice Standard 14.)

Physicians should be including the same information in their Smart Notes that they complete for procedures. The "inserter," whether PICC nurse or MD, is responsible for procedure documentation.

Licensed personnel performing procedures may wish to check with the Joint Commission or IHI for procedure documentation requirements, or

with the FDA for information regarding medical devices.

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Radiology in the News: Amnesty for Old X-Ray Machines

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection recently announced a three-month amnesty program for X-ray machines and operators. The goal appears to be to bring everyone into compliance with registration and inspections. Not only is this aimed at the medical community but X-ray machines used in dental, chiropractic, and veterinary practices as well. This effort by Pennsylvania may be seen as a test case for other states to follow. For more information, visit the Pennsylvania Bureau of Radiation Protection website at <http://www.dep.state.pa.us/brp/>.

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Radiology in the News: Functional MRI for Studies on Emotions

We've seen great advances and know the value of MRI for studying structures, but what about thoughts? Functional MRI is proving uniquely suited to the study of emotions and brain function. While not new, recent studies are focusing on regulation of emotion and how the brain synchronizes activity during emotional perceptions. Additionally, one study by multiple institutions looks to understand the development of emotion regulation in childhood. For more information, [view the article](#), "The development of emotion regulation: an fMRI study of cognitive reappraisal in children, adolescents and young adults."

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Radiology in the News: CT Screening for Smokers

CT scans for smokers is a concept not uncommon to most of us. CT is the modality of choice for lung biopsies at many institutions. Recently, the *Journal of the American Medical Association* published [a 22-page article](#) entitled, "Benefits and harms of CT screening for lung cancer." The authors recommended that smokers and former smokers, ages 55-74, with 30 pack years or more would benefit more from annual screening using CT over chest X-rays. These recommendations came after extensive analysis sponsored by the American College of Chest Physicians, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, and the National Comprehensive Cancer Network.

The [American Lung Association](#) had previously encouraged the use of low-dose CT screening but the new recommendations (or guidelines) specifically pinpoint benefits over risks for the select at-risk population, while stating that the younger, lower-risk population should not be screened with CT. The article states that an estimated 4,000 deaths can be prevented by using CT imaging, which provides more detailed images over the standard chest X-ray. One additional caveat is the recommendation that these low-dose CT scans only be conducted at academic medical centers with specialized radiologists and surgeons. False positives may lead to invasive procedures and risk of death from complications but these risks outweigh the high mortality rate of lung cancer.

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Chapters: We Want to Hear From You

Do you know about exciting things going on in your chapter? Tell us all about it! We want to hear from you. Let your chapter's upcoming events, developments, and accomplishments be heard. To send chapter news for inclusion in an upcoming issue of *Vision*, e-mail articles to Cynthia Reeser at the National Office at Cynthia.Reeser@dancyamc.com.

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RNCB Announces Newly Certified and Recertified Radiology Nurses

CERTIFICATION

Certification is one of the most important decisions a nurse can make. Certified nurses are recognized by their peers and employers for having achieved a standard of competency in the nursing specialty. The Radiologic Nursing Certification Board, Inc. (RNCB) would like to congratulate the following nurses who passed the Radiology Nurse Certification exam on May 5, 2012 and met the requirements to obtain the Certified Radiology Nurse (CRN) credential.

Norma J. Blair, Manteno, IL
Henriette Blanchard, Lake Oswego, OR
Barbara A. Boyle, Brunswick, ME
Kimberly A. Calderon, Midland, TX
Alan S. Campbell, Bailey, CO
Mary L. Cohen, Torrance, CA
Dirk M. Colavecchio, Perry Hall, MD
Sheila W. Craig, Six Mile, SC
Brenda A. Crump, Cramerton, NC
Karen M. Currie, Asheville, NC
Terri Lynn Daniels, Kew Gardens, NY
Adrienne B. Del Favero, Garfield, NJ
Darcie D. Epling, Marina Del Ray, CA
Guilaine Evariste, Brooklyn, NY
Maranda G. Eversoll, Ridgeland, MS
Mary E. Farr, Parker, CO

Oknam Frederick, New York, NY
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Lori A. McKinney, Barrington, IL
Vikki L. Moss, Stephens City, VA
Timothy R. Navarro, Oak Creek, WI
Tamara J. Oliver, Alpena, MI
Susan A. Orchard, Athens, PA
Janet L. Plessner, Santee, CA
Belinda A. Quin, Tomball, TX
Kusalakumary Raveendran, New Hyde Park, NY
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Barbara L. Wodehouse, Pasco, WA
Sarah D. Wright, Kansas City, MO

In addition, the RNCB would like to inform you of the Certified Radiology Nurse exam results for the May 4, 2012 exam. Sixty-seven nurses took the certification exam, with a total of 47 passing. This is a pass rate of about 70 percent.

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