

# TECHNICALLY SPEAKING



SUMMER 2009

## EDITORIALLY SPEAKING...

MSRT and the Membership,

I apologize that I haven't given you an edition since last fall, but school and work are keeping me extremely busy. You might ask, what about your free time? I would have to say, "Free time? What's that?" My last class was five weeks in length with a total of six research papers due; one per week, two the last week. I did take time out for my son, Mark's wedding in April. Yes, my little boy got hitched. It was a great day, filled with all sorts of mixed emotions. He and I had bets over who would cry the most during the ceremony; I won 😊!

But the main reason for this letter is to tell you that this will be the final edition of Technically Speaking with me as the editor. I have had a fun filled two years bringing you important information about what is going on behind the scenes with the MSRT as well as information about your chosen profession. But I have made an important decision in my own personal life, education and career. I will be graduating in December from Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences with a bachelor's degree with honors, and have decided to go on in school. I made the decision after discovering that Wayne State University has an RA program, something I have been interested in ever since I first heard of it. Once I am finished, I will have earned a master's degree and hopefully will be able to find a job! I currently have, or will have by December, all my prerequisites for the program which begins in the spring. This includes having to take 16 credit hours in the fall. So, I had to give up some of my outside activities in order to devote more time to my studies.

When I first took over as the editor, it was still a printed publication. My first order of business was to make it an electronic product in order to post to website for better circulation. By doing this, I have saved the MSRT thousands of dollars, which has allowed the MSRT to use that money more efficiently by revamping the website into a more functional and easier to use site. If you haven't done so, I recommend going to [www.msrt.org](http://www.msrt.org) and check out all the new site has to offer.

I still intend to be around and help the MSRT whenever the need arises. For instance, you will soon see, I have once again drawn the cover for this year's annual meeting brochure. I have always loved drawing I just don't have much time to do it any more.

I want to thank anyone who ever submitted articles or photographs for previous editions. You are all greatly appreciated. I look forward to serving the MSRT in the future. Once again, I thank you for allowing me to serve as the editor of this publication.

Remember; never give up on your dreams!

Thank you, Dawn M. Dickinson RT(R)(M)(CT)

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This year's annual meeting will be held at the Doubletree Inn, in Bay City, October 7 through October 9. This venue will offer more in the way of entertainment than our previous location.

We have lots of interesting educational topics for you again this year. In store for after meeting entertainment this year are a scavenger hunt and a visit to the planetarium. All information can be found on the MSRT website, including hotel reservation form and golf outing registration form. More details of the conference registration will be made available on website as the details are finalized.

**The MSRT would like to congratulate all of the 2009 graduates of Radiologic Technology, Radiation Therapy, Nuclear Medicine, Ultrasound, MRI and CT programs around the state! You are the technologists of the future.**

**Keep reaching for your dreams and never stop learning!!**

