Report of the Associated Sciences Committee

The Associated Sciences Committee's main responsibility is to oversee the activities of the Associated Sciences Consortium. The Associated Sciences Consortium is composed of 11 organizations: AHRA: The Association for Medical Imaging Management; American Institute of Architects - Academy of Architecture for Health; American Society of Radiologic Technologists; Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences, Inc; Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers; Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists; The College of Radiographers; the International Society of Radiographers and Radiological Technologists; Radiology Business Management Association; Section for Magnetic Resonance Technologists; and the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Technologists Section.

The past year was exciting and productive for the Associated Sciences Consortium. In September 2016 the Associated Sciences Consortium met in Chicago to plan their program for the 2017 RSNA Annual Meeting.

At the 2016 Annual Meeting, there was a series of eight 90-minute refresher courses that took place all day Monday and all day Tuesday. Audience response technology was used in each Associated Sciences Refresher Course.

The Student Theater was held Monday and Tuesday morning and afternoon, and Wednesday afternoon. This continues to be a popular experience for area radiologic technology students and their program directors. Topics presented in 2016: "Today's Students are Tomorrow's Leaders"; "The Life of an Interventional Technologist Starting a Career in Medical Imaging and Radiologic Sciences: Social Media, Legal and Ethical Pitfalls"; "Today's Students are Tomorrow's Leaders"; "Stress, Insufficiency, Pathological and Bisphosphonate Fractures"; "The Life Cycle of a Digital Image: Image Acquisition to Radiology Report"; "Radiographic 'Signs' of Significance"; "The Innovators and Innovations in Radiation Science Technology".

The Associated Sciences Consortium appreciates the support of the RSNA Board of Directors and staff. The Consortium strives to present programs that will be of significant value to the RSNA attendees from the radiological sciences and to participating radiologists. We believe that there will be continued growth in the attendance of our sessions as there continues to be an increase in allied health personnel attending the annual meeting.

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