

2020 SAMRT Council

President: Mary Rafferty

Vice President: Katelyn New

Past President:

Scott Mildenerberger

Elected Members

Ariel Adamson

Finte Adem

Kaylyn Hagel

Brenda Lock

Nathan Rosenberg

Appointed Public

Representatives

Alan Cannon

Ryan Klassen

Eugene Paquin

CAMRT Director

Ada Bunko

Council Elect

Michael McKechnie

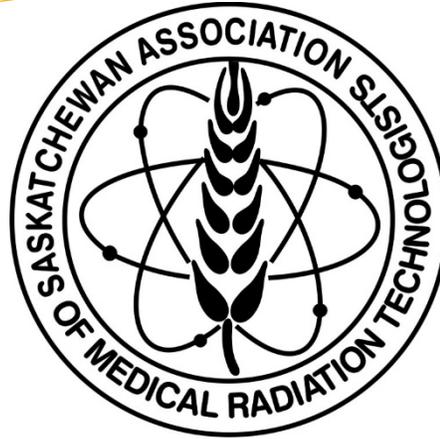
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President's Message – Mary Rafferty

Dear SAMRT members and fellow colleagues,

This is our last newsletter of the year and what a difficult year it has been for everyone. As we approach winter let us hope that we can continue with low COVID numbers. On behalf of SAMRT I would like to thank you all for your hard work and dedication during this year. Our main duty as the regulatory body is to ensure we keep the public safe through your competence and care as you carry out your day to day imaging services.

I would like to thank all those who attended the virtual AGM. It was well received, and we welcome suggestions and feedback from the members.

Member's renewal has begun and the good news is that the fees remain the same as last year. Our website is up and running so please visit it and check out the annual report 2019, if you were unable to attend the AGM..

We are looking for committee volunteers on the Sonography and Continuing Competency Committees. If you are interested in sharing your talents with these groups, please reach out. More information about the committee vacancies and application forms will be sent out by eblast in November.

The awards committee created two new awards which were presented at the AGM for the first time. Congratulations to Cole Fransden – Clinical Excellence and to Janet Patterson - Mentorship. Members can now nominate their colleagues for these awards and for Life Member for 2021. All the details can be found in this newsletter.

Work will continue with all the committees as we move forward into winter. We will continue to focus on the activities identified in the 2020-2022 Strategic Plan, collaboration with Sonographers, development of an online continuing education portal for members as well the ongoing operational tasks.

Congratulations to our new and returning council members: Mary Rafferty, President, Katelyn New, Vice President, Finte Adem and Mike McKechnie, and thank you for your time and commitment.

Finally, a word of thanks to outgoing and past council and committee members, as we recognize your contributions to advancing our profession.

Best wishes,

Mary Rafferty



SAMRT Awards – Call for Nominations

The SAMRT Awards Committee is accepting nominations in the following categories:

Clinical Excellence Award

Recognizes an individual who participates in the development of new knowledge or research and provides respectful, efficient, effective, safe and ethical care and who promotes the profession by example of clinical excellence to others.

[Clinical Excellence](#)

Mentorship Award

Recognizes an individual who directly participates in activities that promote education and development of medical radiological technology students, colleagues, and other health providers and who promotes the profession by being an excellent mentor to others.

[Mentorship](#)

Life Member Award

Recognizes a member who has made an outstanding contribution to the profession of Medical Radiation Technology or to the Association.

[Life Member](#)



SAMRT Awards Presentation

The SAMRT is pleased to recognize MRTs demonstrating exceptional skills and patient care, as well as for achievements in areas of academics and service to our members.

Awards Chair, Scott Mildenerger, presented the awards.

The Academic Excellence Award recognizes the highest mark in the national certification exam for Saskatchewan students and was awarded this year to three new MRTs: Cain Grisdale, Kyla Hankins and Taylor Stelzer-Rossignol.

The President Award

This award recognizes the significant contributions the member made during their term as President. Scott Mildenerger has served on the SAMRT Council since 2016 and completed two terms as President in 2018 and 2019.

The Outgoing Council Award

Bashir Jalloh was recognized for his service on Council. Bashir served on Council from 2011 to 2019, including two terms as President in 2015 and 2016.

The Clinical Excellence Award acknowledges an individual who provides exemplary direct care to patients in medical radiation technology. They provide respectful, efficient, effective, safe, and ethical care, participates in the development of new knowledge or research, and promotes the profession by example of clinical excellence to others. Congratulations Cole Fransden.

The Mentorship Award acknowledges an individual who directly participates in activities that promote education and development of medical radiological technology students, colleagues, and other health professionals. They also promote the profession by being an excellent mentor to others. Congratulations Janet Patterson.

The SAMRT 2020 AGM

The SAMRT held a very successful virtual fall AGM

The first virtual SAMRT Annual General Meeting was held Saturday, September 26th. Attendance was excellent with 110 members participating.

President Mary Rafferty introduced the SAMRT staff, elected Council members and the Public Representatives. Melanie Hilkewich served as the AGM Parliamentarian.

We announced that Mary Rafferty was acclaimed for a 2nd term as President and Katelyn New for a 2nd term as Vice-President beginning January 1, 2021. Congratulations to our new and returning Council members.

Attendees were awarded 2 continuing education credits. The certificates were emailed to members in mid-October. If you attended and have not yet received your certificate, please contact the office to discuss.

Congratulations to Arlene Heinrich, winner of the \$50.00 Best Buy gift card.



Celebrating MRT Week Nov. 4 - 8

2020 Renewal Information

MRT Week Activities

Members who attended the virtual AGM received the newly designed SAMRT pins and were invited to post pictures of themselves wearing their new pin on our social media accounts on Facebook and Instagram at samrt_sk to help promote awareness of MRTs.

In addition, we continue to sponsor a billboard campaign to celebrate the work of our profession during MRT week. The digital image will appear on billboard displays in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, and Yorkton throughout the month of November providing more than 80,000 opportunities to promote awareness about the MRT profession.

| Date | City | Location |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| Nov. 16 - Nov. 22 | Moose Jaw | Thatcher Drive East & Main Street |
| Nov. 16 - Nov. 22 | Prince Albert | 2nd Ave West & 17th St. West |
| Nov. 9 - Nov. 15 | Regina | Lewvan Drive & Dewdney Ave. |
| Nov. 16 - Nov. 22 | Regina | Saskatchewan Drive & Broad Street |
| Nov. 23 - Nov. 29 | Regina | Victoria Ave & Park Street |
| Nov. 2 - Nov. 8 | Saskatoon | Idylwyld Dr North & 39th Street East |
| Nov. 16 - Nov. 22 | Saskatoon | Idylwyld Dr & 33rd Street |
| Nov. 16 - Nov. 22 | Yorkton | Highway 4 & Broadway Street East |

CAMRT Saskatchewan Director – Ada Bunko

We are pleased to announce that Ada Bunko was appointed to a 2nd one-year term as the Saskatchewan representative on the CAMRT Board. Ada encourages all members to consider applying for this position next year and notes that for her, it has been a challenging and rewarding experience.

The renewal period opened on October 15, 2020.

- To be eligible for a full practice licence, members must:
 - ✓ Have practiced a minimum of 1200 MRT practice hours in their primary discipline or 300 MRT practice hours in an additional discipline in the previous 5 years;
 - ✓ Have a minimum of 10 CE Credits; and
 - ✓ Hold professional liability insurance.
- Members must declare these 3 requirements, and review the character declarations. *Please read these questions carefully* as you make the declarations.
- If you are taking a leave of absence, leaving the province or retiring in 2021, you must still complete the renewal process to resign in good standing.

Late fees take effect Nov. 1

Technical Support is available for members. Click on the icon to log a question



Annual Review

[Scope and Standards of Practice &](#)

[Code of Ethics](#)

The SAMRT encourages all MRT members to review these two important policies annually at renewal time.

These documents are on the website under Legislation and Policies and linked in this article.

