Invitation From the President

Dear Colleague,

On behalf of the TRS officers, I would like to invite you to join us, along with your colleagues from all across our great state, for the 96th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Texas Radiological Society, the Texas Chapter of the American College of Radiology. An exceptional program is planned for Friday – Sunday, March 6-8, 2009, at the spectacular new Omni Fort Worth Hotel. Year after year, the TRS annual meeting is well regarded as the preeminent scientific and radiological educational forum in Texas, and the upcoming meeting promises to continue this annual trend. We hope that you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to get both your general and some specialty radiology continuing education taken care of in one action-packed weekend in a spectacular venue with fun social events.

The TRS meeting is not limited to TRS members. Non-members are welcome to join us for this important clinical update and to learn about the benefits of membership at the same time. Members, we encourage you to share information about this high-quality, robust scientific meeting with your colleagues.

In addition to earning CME, Category I and MEP credits (if you are a physicist), you will enjoy the opportunity to:

- Gain insight into recent medical advances in radiology
- Discuss national issues affecting the practice of radiology
- Be updated on current legislative initiatives of the TRS PAC
- Bring your family and enjoy the exciting city of Fort Worth

A special session will be held for residents again this year with a lecture by Valerie Jackson, MD, FACR as well as a fun and interactive Medical Jeopardy competition between radiology residency programs.

Registration for the TRS meeting is inexpensive and easy. Simply complete the enclosed registration form and return it by February 20, 2009 for the early registration price.

I hope you will not pass up this great educational opportunity to update your medical knowledge and techniques, meet with long time friends and colleagues, and get a change from your regular schedule for a few days. I look forward to seeing you in Fort Worth in March, 2009.

Sincerely,

Cynthia S. Sherry, MD, FACR
President, Texas Radiological Society

Continuing Medical Education

Accreditation for TRS Meeting, March 6-8, 2008

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of Scott & White and the Texas Radiological Society. Scott & White is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Physicians

Diagnostic Radiology Program: Scott & White designates this educational activity for a maximum of ***20 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits***™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Radiation Oncology Program: Scott & White designates this educational activity for a maximum of ***14.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits***™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Ethics: The following presentation has been designated for 1 hour of ethics and/or professional responsibility training: Steve Birnbaum, MD: *The Medical Ethics of Radiation Use in Diagnostic Medicine*

Self Assessment Module (SAM) Credit: Courses identified as "SAMS CREDIT" on the programs have been submitted to the American Board of Radiology for qualification as self-assessment modules (SAMs), allowing attendees to earn credit toward new MOC requirements. The final status of the SAM application will be provided on the TRS website.

Physicists: Application has been made to The Commission on Accreditation of Medical Physics Education Programs, Inc. (CAMPEP) for up to 11 Medical Education for Physicists (MEPs) credits hours for the Radiation Oncology Program, up to 16 MEPS credit hours for the Diagnostic Radiology Program, and up to 3 MEPs for the Physics Program.

Educational Objectives

At the conclusion of this program, **Diagnostic Radiology** program attendees will be able to:

- Review the advantages and disadvantages of MR compared to CT
- Describe and implement cardiovascular MR imaging techniques
- Identify and discuss unusual gastrointestinal, MSK, chest and cardiac cases
- Analyze the significance of ultrasound in the breast cancer screening process
- Analyze the past and current technology and indications for breast imaging
- Analyze US findings of 1st trimester bleeding in the ER setting

At the conclusion of this program, **all program attendees attending joint sessions** will be able to:

- Review the uses and limitations of PET/CT in diagnosis, staging, and restaging of head and neck cancers
- Discuss the environmental trends promoting corporatization of the specialty of radiology and address potential actions
- Understand the economic and policy imperatives underlying changes in the financing and delivery of radiology over the next few years
- Review the conflicting ethical issues surrounding the delicate balance of obtaining diagnostic information versus the potential risks of the modalities used to get this information

At the conclusion of this program, **Radiation Oncology** program attendees will be able to:

- Discuss recent updates in the multidisciplinary management of lung cancer, including proton beam therapy
- Review indications for and anticipated outcomes of IMRT and IGRT from a physics perspective
- Review indications for and anticipated outcomes of stereotactic radiosurgery for prostate cancer
- Discuss the interface of nanotechnology and radiation oncology

At the conclusion of this program, **Medical Physics** program attendees will be able to:

- Review current treatment technologies and clinically applied quality control and assurance techniques in use at the presenters' facilities
- Review current and future regulatory issues impacting the practice of medical physics

Target Audience & Program Structure

The primary target audience of the program consists of Diagnostic Radiologists, Radiation Oncologists and Medical Physicists. The educational program will be executed in a classroom style format, with didactic lectures supplemented with audiovisual presentations, case presentations with interactive audience response technology and question and answer discussions.