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Mark Weiss, MD, FACR President 2022-23 Term My Fellow Michigan Radiological Society Members,

I am humbled, honored, thrilled and a bit frightened to be chosen as the 2022-2023 President of Michigan Radiological Society. The past few years have been challenging which is an understatement. The Covid years were navigated flawlessly by Dr. Danny Ma, M.D. and Ralph Lieto M.S., F.A.C.R. Dr. Ma set a new standard in organization and Ralph Lieto accomplished the daunting task of organizing the MRS Centennial Gala, and it was flawless. As I look through the list of the previous Presidents of our Society, spanning back to 1921, I am overwhelmed to realize that I am now a member of this elite list of Radiologists. It is truly humbling. I am honored to have the opportunity to serve our members, our board, and the American College of Radiology.

Our profession of Radiology has been the center of my life for the past 36 years. It has challenged and rewarded me professionally and it continues to be a major part of my life. I am also thrilled and privileged to be able to work with such an outstanding Executive Board including our President Elect, Walter Sahijdak, M.D., Vice President, Rocky Saenz, D.O., Secretary, Andrew Woodrow, M.D., and Treasurer, Evita Singh, M.D. I am certain I will be leaning heavily on our immediate past presidents, Ralph Lieto and Danny Ma during my tenure.

In addition, I hope to be able to call on Perry Pernicano M.D., FACR, Stephen Kilanowski M.D. and Roger Gonda Jr. M.D., FACR, as well as other past presidents and other board members, for advice and guidance.

In April of this year, your Councilors and Officers traveled to Washington, DC for the ACR Annual Meeting. This was an in-person meeting held at the Washington Hilton on Connecticut Avenue. MRS was well represented at the Fellowship Convocation with nine new Fellows inducted into the American College of Radiology. Please join me in congratulating these new FACR inductees: Matthew S. Davenport, MD (U of M); John A. Freeby, MD (Grand Rapids); David J. Kastan, MD (HFHS); Peter J. Littrup, MD (AHS); Leena Mammen, MD (Grand Rapids); Renee Pinsky, MD (U of M); Walter M. Sahijdak, MD (Trinity); Rennard B. Tucker, MD (WBH); Michael J. Votruba, MD (Grand Rapids).

At the ACR annual meeting I had an opportunity to discuss many issues pertaining to radiology with colleagues from across the country. We are facing increasing and unprecedented challenges in radiology. The continual reimbursement cuts, the corporatization of medicine, other physicians' specialties carving out parts of imaging and now nonphysician providers practicing beyond their scope of practice, all present great challenges in our profession. In addition, Artificial Intelligence is marching forward, and I am certain many radiologists question the impact of AI on radiology.

One of the most concerning problems facing medicine and radiology is physician burnout.

While this is not a new problem, the Covid-19 pandemic, a shortage of ancillary personnel in radiology and isolation has accelerated this problem significantly. In my opinion, this has now become a major concern for all of Radiology and Medicine as a whole.

Recently, the MRS Executive Committee met, as we are in the process of planning the agenda and programs for the upcoming year. Physician burnout will most certainly be at the top of our list for 2022-2023. The ACR and our federal government is aware of this problem and based on the passing of the bipartisan Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act, the MRS needs to make certain we are included in the implementation of this Act. It is my hope the MRS will establish an ad hoc committee to better understand and advise our members how they can be advantaged by the passing of this Bill.

In addition, I will be authoring an article related to the work force needs in radiology and the current job market in radiology for a future issue of the MRS newsletter. One of the questions I will address is, how do we as Private Practice Radiologists, University Employed Radiologists and Multispecialty Radiology Practices recruit, retain, and maintain our work force?

We as physicians often feel we should be immune to the illness of society, however that is not realistic, nor is it accurate. It is estimated that more than three hundred physicians take their own lives every year, which is twice the national average for the general population.

In general, humankind rises to the occasion during challenging times. Who would have thought it possible to develop a vaccine for Covid-19 in less than one year and have it approved by the FDA for emergency use? It is my hope that physicians, administrators, legislators, and all fields of medicine come together to overcome this scourge in healthcare.

I ask my Radiology Colleagues to continue supporting MRS and ACR with your membership and participation. Donate to the <u>Michigan Radiology Political Action Committee</u>, educate your legislators and hospital administrators how essential radiology is to healthcare, and the well-being of not only patients but society through screening and prevention of diseases.

In addition, provide leadership at your local hospital and demonstrate the amazing abilities radiologists have not just in medicine but also leadership.

MRS with your support and with the ACR has resulted in successes, such as delays or foregoing reimbursement cuts and abandoning proposals allowing advanced practice nurses and certified nurse practitioners to interpret advanced medical imaging studies. This is a continual battle and will need continued perseverance through political venues and through education of legislature and the public.

Michigan Radiological Society is essential to the communication of news and events in radiology and healthcare in Michigan through our online newsletters, website, social media, and through CME meetings. MRS is also important for networking with your colleagues throughout the state of Michigan. It is our hope, through MRS, all of us will have access to their colleagues in Lansing, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Flint, Saginaw, Midland, Bay City, Traverse City, Upper Peninsula, Ann Arbor, and the metropolitan Detroit area.

MRS remains strongly committed to supporting and mentoring medical students, residents, and fellows as they are the lifeblood of the society, and many will become future leaders in Michigan. The MRS Resident and Fellow Section (RFS) officers are active participants in the society including our board meetings, ACR annual meeting and legislative visits. MRS will continue to promote diversity and inclusion in all aspects of our society. The diversity needs to be broad and inclusive in all aspects, including geographic diversity.

Please contact me, Shannon Sage, or any board member to share your thoughts or express your desire to participate in our Society.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge all the past presidents of MRS who have supported my increased activity in MRS and to express a special word of thanks to Dr. Gaurang Shah, Dr. Biren Shah and Dr. Joseph Junewick for their encouraging words throughout the years. Thank you for the privilege and great honor to serve and represent all of you as the 2022-2023 President of the Michigan Radiological Society.

Yours Truly,

Mark Weiss, MD, FACR President, Michigan Radiological Society

## Michigan Radiological Society Foundation

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The Michigan Radiological Society Foundation was established in May of 2021. We are one year old and that is reason to celebrate! As with all celebrations it is good to reflect and enjoy the accomplishments.

In October of 2021 we rolled out and introduced ourselves to the MRS membership at its Centennial Gala. It was a most enjoyable event, and we were pleased to be included in this historical celebration of the Michigan Radiological Society. Many of you were very generous in your giving to the Foundation during that event and at the end of October 2021, the MRS Foundation had raised over \$32,000.00.Since that time, we have continued to seek support for the Foundation and to date we have received \$44,000.00 in donations.



From Left: Amy Kim and Debbie Knox



From Left: Amy Kim, Stephen Kilanowski, MD, Michael Kasotakis, MD, Perry Pernicano, MD, FACR, Debbie Knox

As a result of your generous giving, in April 2022 we were able to fulfill or mission of carrying out the educational and charitable interest of the MRS by funding a Scholarship, through the MRS Medical Student Section, to Davit Meliksetyan, a Medical Student attending Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine. Davit was able to attend the ACR Annual Meeting held in Washington, DC. Davit enjoyed the ACR meeting and is excited about his future in Radiology.

In addition, we supported the MRS Student Section Symposium in 2022 and sponsored the MRS Residents Review Course this year. In May of 2022 we attended the MRS Annual Meeting held at the Oakpointe Country Club in Brighton, Michigan. At the Annual Meeting the Foundation presented our Donor Honor Roll, which reflects the names of individuals who have made donations to the Foundation as well as, Private Practice Groups who have donated. The Donor Honor Roll can be found on our website at www.michigan-rad.org/foundation



From Left: Michael Kasotakis, MD, Davit Meliksetyan, Perry Pernicano, MD, FACR



There is reason to celebrate, and we celebrate all of you who have donated to the MRS Foundation! Thank you for your support and generosity. We are excited about the future of the Michigan Radiological Society Foundation. The future presents many opportunities for us, and we need your continued support.

The MRS Foundation is local, and we are focused on Michigan Residents, Fellows, and early career Radiologists. We believe the future of our patients and our profession depends upon the successes of our future leaders, supported by the Michigan Radiological Society Foundation.

If you have not visited our webpage, we would encourage you to do so, there you will find giving opportunities, as well as other information regarding the MRS Foundation.

The Michigan Radiological Society Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization and donations are tax deductible.

Amy Kim and Debbie Knox, Foundation Administrators

## RADIOLOGICAL SAFETY COMMITTEE

Yearly reminders for MRS members in 2022

Don't forget the ACR practice parameters and technical standards are available online as a valuable resource.

## https://www.acr.org/Clinical-Resources/Practice-Parameters-and-Technical-Standards

There are 5 field review cycles for 2023 available for ACR members starting in August 15. This is your opportunity to make any changes to the practice parameters and technical standards. Here is the link:

## https://www.acr.org/Clinical-Resources/Practice-Parameters-and-Technical-Standards/Field-Review

The ACR appropriateness criteria are available to help guide appropriate imaging or treatment decisions.

## https://www.acr.org/Clinical-Resources/ACR-Appropriateness-Criteria

The manual on contrast media is available online. The manual is available for download. There is also a link for management of the contrast shortage.

## https://www.acr.org/Clinical-Resources/Contrast-Manual

ACR Manual on MR safety is available online. There is also a link for providing feedback on the manual.

## https://www.acr.org/Clinical-Resources/Radiology-Safety/MR-Safety

Take the Image wisely pledge. https://www.imagewisely.org/

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John Kalabat, MD, Henry Ford Medical Group, Henry Ford Macomb, Chair, Radiological Safety Committee







## Michelle Shnayder-Adams, MD, MPH

ACR Radiology Leadership Institute Emerging Leader Award

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**



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Big congratulations to Michelle Shnayder-Adams, MD, MPH, who earned the ACR Radiology Leadership Institute Emerging Leader Award in 2022. Dr. Michelle Shnayder-Adams, integrated interventional radiology resident from the University of Michigan, served as the Michigan Radiological Society (MRS) Resident Fellows Section (RFS) president from 2021 to 2022. During her leadership, Dr. Michelle Shnayder-Adams made multiple improvements to the chapter's organization in addition to orchestrating the annual MRS RFS meeting. She authored a handbook detailing the role of each resident executive position that provided direction for all resident officers. Dr. Michelle Shnayder-Adams also advocated for new updates to the MRS bylaws with attention to the MRS RFS election process. These changes improved equal representation from all Michigan radiology residency programs and augmented the selection for the highest qualifying candidates. This bylaw update was approved during the MRS annual meeting on May 19th, 2022. In addition to her leadership at MRS, Dr. Michelle Shnayder-Adams also served as the president of the house officers association at University of Michigan and advocated for a just work

of the house officers association at University of Michigan and advocated for a just work environment for all residents. We are lucky to have Dr. Michelle Shnayder-Adams and look forward to her exciting career to come.

#### Dedicated to the Graduating Radiology Residents of 2022

#### FULLY FLEDGED

TINY HATCHLINGS, WE FIRST SAW WITHIN OUR HUMBLE NEST, HELPLESS AND WITHOUT A FORM--FLIGHTLESS, FEATHERLESS.

NEEDY AND OBLIVIOUS AND HUNGRY, THAT'S FOR SURE! SIGHTLESS AND BEWILDERED WAS THEIR FIRST SIGNATURE.

THEY BECAME A PROJECT WITH WORK AROUND THE CLOCK TO FEED, PROTECT AND TEACH THEM AND KEEP THEM IN OUR FLOCK.

WE BROUGHT THEM TASTY MORSELS TO FILL THEIR GAPING MOUTHS— DIFFICULT WHEN FOOD WAS SCARCE DURING COVID'S DROUGHT.

THE NEST GOT AWFULLY CROWDED; WE SAVED THEM ALL FROM FALLS. WE KEPT THEM OUT OF DANGER, AVOIDING THOSE CLOSE CALLS.

SHELTERED IN THE NEST, THEY GREW FROM BLOB TO ONE FINE FORM, FROM FUZZY DOWN TO FEATHERS ON BIRDS EXCEEDING NORMS.

WE GAVE THEM SINGING LESSONS WITH TUNES THAT THEY COULD MIMIC. WITH VARIATIONS IN THEIR SONGS, THEY SHOWED US THEIR OWN GIMMICKS.

HOPPING FIRST, THEN FLAPPING WINGS, THEN TAKING TO THE AIR, FLEDGLINGS LEARNING TO BE BIRDS, TO FLY, TO SEE, TO HEAR!

SOON, SOME WILL BE LEAVING TO CHOOSE ANOTHER FLOCK, TRAVELING FAR FROM ALL OF US, OR JUST AROUND THE BLOCK.

WE WISH THEM HAPPY JOURNEYS AND LANDINGS SAFE AND SOUND, LONG LIVES AND MUCH ADVENTURE FOR AS LONG AS THEY'RE AROUND.

ALSO, MUCH GOOD WEATHER AND MORE THAN WORMS TO CATCH. WE HOPE THEY WILL REMEMBER THAT PLACE WHERE THEY WERE HATCHED.

AND SO IT GOES WITH RESIDENTS, NOW, OUR WORK'S COMPLETE. NEXT YEAR, THERE WILL BE OTHERS AND A STORY TO REPEAT.

OUR FLEDGLINGS ALSO TAUGHT US! WE CHIRP WITH GRATITUDE FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND DILIGENCE AND OPTIMISTIC MOOD.

WE HOPE YOU WILL FLY OVER AND VISIT NOW AND THEN. YOU LEAVE AS RADIOLOGISTS. PLEASE RETURN AS FRIENDS!

Congratulations!

Carole Williams Roseland, DO 2022

## **Medical** Student Liaisons

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Tony Baltazar Wayne State University



Jason Correlll University of Michigan



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Joseph Zhou **Central Michigan University** 

## 2022 Biennial Breast Imaging Virtual Conference

Please join us on November 5 & 6, 2022 for a free comprehensive and in-depth virtual breast imaging course. Free for MRS members. Our nationally renowned faculty include Christopher Comstock, MD, Memorial Sloan Kettering; Jay A. Baker, MD, FACR, FSBI, Duke University; and Catherine Giess, MD, Brigham and Women's, as well as other breast imaging experts. Our speakers will address topics targeted for radiologists in private practice or academic settings, as well as technologists, nurses, residents & fellows.



Christopher Comstock, MD Clinical Member Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center New York, New York



Jay Baker, MD, FACR, FSBI Professor, Department of Radiology Chief, Division of Breast Imaging Vice Chair, Clinical Operations Duke University Medical Center Durham, North Carolina



Catherine Giess, MD, Deputy Chair, Department of Radiology Brigham and Women's Hospital Wellesley, Massachusetts

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<u>Click here</u> to view online.

To post an open positon contact Shannon Sage at <u>shannon@michigan-rad.org</u>

