

To all ACERT members:

As we all approach the end of the academic year, we are geared up to do a little relaxation and resting from the strenuous semesters we have all had!

The Board of Directors for ACERT will be meeting in June to begin plans for the 2008 conference. The conference held this past February was the most attended conference yet with over 260 attendees enjoying the lectures and camaraderie. A great big thanks goes out to all the faculty who presented such great lectures.

Some of the happenings planned for next year's conference are:

- ❖ We will again hold a New Educator's workshop. The comments from this year and last year were very positive. We welcome suggestions for lectures that will be structured for those clinical instructors or technologists in the work place who have a desire to become educators in the classroom setting. We again will present a certificate of completion for those who attend the entire workshop.
- ❖ We will focus our attention for faculty who are clinical instructors, and set an entire day aside for courses relevant to teaching in the clinical setting. Again, suggestions are welcome from clinical faculty as to what would benefit you in your work setting.
- ❖ The Wednesday evening issues forum this year was well attended and there was much participation on the topic of the curriculum. Representatives from the ARRT, JRCERT and ASRT were all present but it was the members who voice the most opinions and many thoughts and suggestions were given. We are working on next year's topic and would encourage you to attend and be a part of that forum.
- ❖ Elsevier will again offer the Elsevier Faculty Development Scholarship in conjunction with ACERT. We want to thank Elsevier for their continued support of our organization and our profession. For those of you who are working on a graduate degree, please consider applying for this scholarship. \$1000 goes a long way in defraying expenses for your education.
- ❖ Please be aware of the deadlines for student submission for the Essay competition. The requirements for the essays and deadlines are under the essay competition sections of this website.

Thank you all for your continued support of ACERT. I am honored to be serving as President for the next two years and look forward to seeing you at next year's conference in February.

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