The Society for Computer Applications in Radiology

IT IS September in Pocatello, Idaho. I am now an Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems in the College of Business at Idaho State University in Pocatello. Pocatello is a nice town of about 50,000 people in the southeast corner of Idaho, about 2.5 hours north of Salt Lake City. I will be teaching programming, databases, human computer interaction, and hope to expand my research into logistics of cost effective rural health care. Medical imaging is an important part of rural health care, so I will remain tightly associated with SCAR.

We have already begun the process for changing SCAR management groups. Beginning in January, the ACR will provide the SCAR management function under contract for membership and dues. If you have any difficulties with memberships, dues, subscriptions or the like during this transition, please feel free to contact me at (208) 236-2684, beard@cs.unc.edu, or beard@isu.edu.

I would like to again mention the SCAR World-Wide-Web server, built by Thurman Gillespy's group at University of Washington. There always seems to be new and useful information that has been added. You can access the SCAR Web server over the Internet as <http://www.scar.washington.edu/>.

A number of SCAR publications are also available. Your group's library or a colleague might be interested in the proceedings from a past SCAR conference or in one of our handbooks on Understanding PACS or on Understanding Teleradiology. These items can be obtained by calling (717) 561-5266.

There are a number of other important dates to keep in mind. RSNA 1995, with its InfoRad, will be held again November 26-December 1 in Chicago, Illinois, and SCAR's annual meeting will be held Monday, November 27. The SPIE medical imaging conference will be held in February 1996 back at the Newport Beach Marriott Hotel. Contact SPIE at (206) 676-3290 or spie@mon.spie.org. And of course, SCAR 96 will meet in Denver from June 7-10, 1996, right after the annual meeting of the Society of Nuclear Medicine. SCAR 94 in Winston-Salem was a great success, and we expect SCAR 96 to be even better.

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