



Missouri Assembly of AST Newsletter

Post National Conference Edition

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Attending National Conference

Gina Brendley, CST

This was the 5th national conference that I have attended and the 2nd conference that I have gone to in the wonderful city of New Orleans. If you have never attended a national conference, I would encourage you to make it a point at some time. All the speakers were outstanding! Even when the topic was something I didn't think I would enjoy, I was surprised to find that I was very interested. Learning new things is always my biggest reason to attend, but there is so much more. Networking with CST's from all over the country makes me pause to remember what I can do to be better as well as makes me grateful for being as good as I can be at a job that I love.

This wasn't my first rodeo as they say, however it was my first time as a delegate. Getting to see first hand the way AST is run was also very interesting. Voting in a presidential election was really exciting and attending all the business meetings brought more experiences.
Hope to see you in Denver!

Dear Nicole,

Our state assembly is as busy as ever and its been about a month since many of us returned from national conference in New Orleans, LA. It was a wonderful conference full of great opportunities to learn, exhibitors with new technologies, elections, and of course a little fun too. We had a table in the exhibit hall selling our t shirts and key chains, which brought our state assembly an excellent profit to be used in our future endeavors.

We hope to see you at our next meeting which will take place on **September 28th, 2013** at Rolla Technical Center in Rolla, Missouri. We are now registering online only with payment by any credit or debit card. Registration is now open and can be found at: Missouri Assembly of AST - Fall Meeting 2013 - Rolla, Missouri

Hope to see you all soon!
Nicole Claussen, CST, FAST, MS
President Missouri Assembly of AST

Missouri Delegates for National Conference 2013



From left to right: JAnna Hightower, CST, CSFA, Nicole

Quick Links

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Elections will be coming up before you know it! If you want to run for a position on the Missouri Assembly Board, please visit our website and complete your CV and consent to serve. These forms, along with your election statement will be due to the credentials committee by February 5th at the latest according to bylaws.

However, if you wish for your election statement to be included in the newsletter to members, it will be due by Jan. 1st.

If you know of a Missouri Assembly member who has an outstanding professional accomplishment, please email Nicole Claussen at nclaussen01@gmail.com for placement in the next newsletter.

If you would like to write an article for the next newsletter, please contact us as well.

Claussen, CST, FAST, Cindy Shortt, CST, CSFA, Becky Stevens, CST, Gina Brendley, CST, and Rachel Hurtault, CST

[New AST Board of Directors](#)

Listed below are the AST board of directors resulting from the election at national conference in New Orleans.

President- Roy Zacharias, CST, FAST
Vice President - Kathy Demitras, CST-CVS, FAST
Secretary - John Ratliff, CST, FAST
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Director - Jolane Buss, CST
Director - Heather Burggraf, CST
Director - Jean Carty-Turner, CST, CSFA, FAST
Director - Don Braziel, CST, FAST

Congratulations Scholarship Recipient

Missouri State Assembly member Andrea Davis-Moshier was the winner of the AST President's Honorarium Scholarship. This scholarship is only offered to first time conference attendees. Congratulations Andrea!



Andrea Davis-Moshier (far left) with some of AST's Past Presidents

Congratulations New Fellow of A.S.T.

Audrey Bender, CST, was sworn in at AST national conference as a new Fellow of the Association of Surgical Technologists. Congratulations Audrey!



Audrey Bender, CST, FAST pictured far right

To find out more about the Fellow award, go to <http://www.ast.org/aboutus/fellow.aspx>

A big thank you to all those state assembly members who helped with the fellow application including: Tammy Mangold, Beverly Oster, Minnie Smith-Buckingham, Rosa Johnson, and Gina Brendley.