

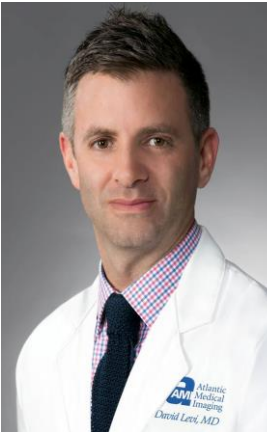
THE X-AMI-NER

The Atlantic Medical Imaging Newsletter for and about our Employees

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2016 Second Quarter Newsletter

A Message from our President and CEO, Dr. David Levi



Summer is here and with it comes an exciting time at AMI. We welcome four new radiologists in Dr. Jim Ferretti, Dr. Nancy Ibrahim, Dr. Sherif Saad and Dr. Ankur Shah. We are adding new MRI's in Galloway and Wall. And we are ready to begin construction on a new flagship office in Egg Harbor Township at the corner of Spruce Avenue and the Black Horse Pike. This new office will be state of the art in its design and equipment, and at nearly 15,000 square feet, will be AMI's largest office. I could not be more proud of all the hard work your management team and my predecessor Dr. Glassberg put in to help make this project a reality.

Our new EHT office will embody everything that is great about AMI. While the facility will be brand new, the service that we provide to our patients will be as it has been for 52 years...exemplary. I have said it many times this year, and I will say it again: AMI's foundation is strong because of our commitment to patient care. Our patients expect our equipment to be the best and for our radiologists to be subspecialized. What separates us from the pack however, is going above and beyond for our patients. It is Christine Accardi (one of our Somers Point nuclear medicine

technologists) taking the time to help an oncology patient into her car. It is Brianna Prieto (one of our Somers Point receptionists) going the extra mile to put a smile on a patient's face while she checks in. It is Wayne Martyn (one of our Galloway Vascular Institute nurses) calming an anxious patient as one of our interventional radiologists performs a procedure.

A shovel will be in the ground by the time you read this newsletter. The future is bright for AMI, and it is because of you and your commitment to patient care and customer service. Keep up the great work!

Best,

Dave (Dr. Levi)

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

2016 SECOND QUARTER NEW HIRES

Please join us in welcoming the following new AMI Family Members!

April 2016 New Hires

Erika Cahill: CT Technologist, Somers Point

Lisa Daidone: Mammography Technologist, Galloway

Jessie Fenton: Per-diem Rad Technologist, Galloway

Sara Saporito: Receptionist, EHT

May 2016 New Hires

Bridget Dooley: Receptionist, CMCH
Samantha Langdon: Scheduler
Robin Saradarian: Receptionist, Wall

June 2016 New Hires:

Dakota Evans: PT Technical Aide, Brick 455
James Ferretti: Radiologist
Erica Patrick: PT Technical Aide, Brick 455

2016 SECOND QUARTER ANNIVERSARIES

Please join us in congratulating those employees celebrating milestone anniversaries with the Practice!

One Year Anniversary: April 2016 – June 2016

Larry Fabel: Rad Technologist, Festival/Local 54
Miriam Flagg: Receptionist, Brick 455
Joann Jandras: Per-diem RN, Galloway
Kirah Leonardis: Scheduler
Francis Marinelli: Technical Aide, EHT
Melissa Ricigliano: PT Receptionist, Toms River
Kathleen Weinert: PT Technical Aide, Galloway

Five Year Anniversary: April 2016 – June 2016

Tammy Lemieux: Patient Account Representative, Somers Point
David Manfredi: Per-diem MRI Technologist, Galloway
Keith Payne: Rad Technologist, Galloway

Ten Year Anniversary: April 2016 – June 2016

Melissa Albert: Mammography Technologist, EHT
Sherry Briggs: Office Administrator, Somers Point
Kathleen DiGirolamo: Provider Relations Representative, Wall
Mandy Murphy: Patient Account Representative, Festival
Lois Price: Receptionist, Brick 455
Bethany Vandervoort: Mammography Technologist, Galloway
Nora Williams: Mammography Technologist, Somers Point

Fifteen Year Anniversary: April 2016 – June 2016

Mary Accordino: Mammography Technologist, Somers Point
Julinda Brown: Radiologist Assistant, Somers Point

WHO'S ENGAGED?

Linda Bielicka, US Technologist for the Brick Women's Center will soon have a new brother-in-law! In April 2017, Linda's sister, Dr. Rachel Swarrow will marry James Gentile who is an Army Reservist, recently promoted to the rank of Major.

Michelle DeGraw, Patient Account Representative for Northfield, is engaged to Frank Bonanata! They were engaged in Disney! Congratulations Michelle and Frank!

Danielle Kilmer, CT Technologist for Hammonton and Matthew Steiger are engaged to be married! They are planning an October 2017 wedding! Congratulations Danielle and Matthew!

JUST MARRIED!

Brittany Deiling, daughter of **John & Kate Deiling**, US Technologists for EHT, married Tyler Ritchey in a destination wedding in Riviera Maya Mexico on May 28th! Congratulations to the Deiling Family!

Lori Kreutzer, Lead Receptionist is a proud new mother-in-law. Lori's son John and his fiancée Melissa were married on August 5th! Congratulations to Lori and her family!

WHO'S EXPECTING?

Ann Seel, X-ray Technologist for Festival is going to have an eventful few months! Her daughter Gloria and her wife Maggie are expecting their first child in December AND Ann's Grandson James Gerety and his wife Tiffany (former Technical Aide for Hammonton) are expecting their first child in February. Ann is going to be a grandma and a great grandma all at once! Congrats Ann!

Karen Stevens, CT Technologist in Galloway is going to be a Grandma for the first time! Karen's daughter Kristen and her husband Chad are expecting a baby girl on November 1st. Congratulations to Karen and her family!

BABY NEWS!

Rizwan Ali, Accounting Manager and his wife Faryal welcomed a baby girl, Eshaal on July 1st. Little Eshaal weighed in at 7 lbs 3 oz. Congratulations Rizwan and Faryal.

Dr. Jonathan Pack and his wife Jennifer welcomed a baby boy, Jacob on July 27th. Congratulations Dr. Pack, Jennifer and big brothers, Jonathan, Joshua and big sister Jillian!

Nazmoon Savine, Receptionist for Galloway, and her husband Ron welcomed their first child, a girl named Meadow Marie on July 23rd. Little Meadow weighed in at 7lbs 8oz and was 20 inches long. Congratulations Naz and Ron!

Ann Seel, X-ray Technologist for Festival is a proud grandma! Ann's son Rob and his wife Ellen welcomed their second child, a boy, on August 7th! Little Harvey Kenneth weighed in at 6lbs; 10oz. Big brother Jack can't wait to play with his little brother! Congratulations to Ann and her family!

RECENTLY PROMOTED!

Please join us in wishing the following Team Members the best of luck in their new positions!

Catherine (Kip) Bourgeois was promoted from a CT Technologist in Hammonton to the Office Administrator for Hammonton.

Angela Zolda was promoted from Receptionist in Hammonton to the Lead Receptionist for Hammonton.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Linda Bielicka, US Technologist for the Brick Women's Center is a proud Big Sister because her sister Rachel Swarrow, D.O., graduated from her residency at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in June. Rachel started her fellowship in Cytopathology at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, PA. Congratulations to you Rachel!

Danielle O'Keefe, daughter of **Michelle Bird**, Lead Receptionist for Wall, graduated from Brick High School in June. Congratulations Danielle!

Brittany Deiling, daughter of **John & Kate Deiling**, US Technologists for EHT, graduated from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in May. Congratulations Brittany!

Samantha Edgell, daughter of **Christine Edgell**, Mammo/X-ray Technologist for Galloway, graduated with a dual degree from American University in Washington, DC. Samantha graduated with a BSBA in Business Administration, International Business from the Kogod School of Business where she was on the Dean's List and with a BA in International Studies from the School of International Service. Congratulations Samantha! We're sure you'll go on to do great things!

Mark Leyble, son of **Beth Leyble**, US Technologist for the Brick Women's Center graduated from Point Pleasant Borough High School in June!

Leah Oquendo, granddaughter of **Heidi Rupley**, Receptionist for EHT, recently graduated from the Pre-school program at Children's Academy in Galloway, NJ. Way to go Leah! You're Grandma can't wait for you to rock out Kindergarten!

Thomas Riccardi, son of **Dorothy Riccardi**, Mammography Technologist for the Brick Women's Center graduated from Toms River North High School in June!

Annette Tavernese, daughter of **Marianne Tavernese**, Radiologist Assistant in Wall graduated from the National Technical Institute for the Deaf in Rochester, NY with a Master's Degree in Secondary Deaf Education. Annette has accepted a position at the Indiana School for the Deaf in Indianapolis, IN. Congratulations on your graduation Annette and best of luck in your new career!

OTHER INTERESTING TIDBITS!

Lisa Lawrence, Scheduler is brimming with pride because her granddaughter, Eulisa Lawrence received the Arthur G Forman Memorial Award at the South Main Street Elementary School in Pleasantville. Congratulations Eulisa! We're so proud of you!

Congratulations to **Sharon Pindynski**, Breast Imaging Navigator for Somers Point and her husband John who celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary on June 26th. Sharon and John have 3 children: Amy, Julie and John and 6 grandchildren: Shay, Owen, Brooke, Nicholas, John and Kaitlyn.

Marlee Rupley who is the granddaughter of **Heidi Rupley**, Receptionist for EHT is an accomplished Equestrian at age 8! One June 4th Marlee won 1st Place in the Walk & Trot Equitation, 1st Place in the Walk & Trot Pleasures, 1st Place Figure 8 and 1st Place Poles (Ground) at the Show at Still a Hill Farm in Woodbine, NJ. Then on June 26th Marlee won 1st Place in the Walk & Trot Equitation, 2nd Place in the Walk & Trot Pleasures, 2nd Place in Figure 8 and 1st Place Poles (Ground) at the Show in Star Hollow Stables in Ocean View, NJ. Congratulations Marlee!

Toni White, Receptionist for EHT is one proud grandma! In June, Toni's granddaughter Nasirah Harris (9 years old), won the Dr. Joy Ann D Miller Elementary School's "*Hero of the Month*" Award for demonstrating the life skill of "Perseverance." Congratulations Nahirah we're as proud of you as your grandmother is!

Candice Laurence, CT Technologist for Galloway; and **Lindsay Kaslon**, CT Technologist for Somers Point both passed their CT Boards! **Erica Haley**, MRI Technologist for Galloway; and **Kelly Taylor**, MRI Technologist for Somers Point both passed their MRI Boards! **Ashley Stens**, US Technologist for Galloway passed her RVT Boards! Congratulations Ladies, we're so proud of you!

GETTING TO KNOW YOU!

Getting to know....Dr. David Begleiter!

Written by: Desi Palumbo

Have you ever wondered...just who is Dr. David Begleiter really? Well, he's the Chief Managing Partner and the Corporate Compliance Officer for the Practice – all very important titles. I'm sure we can all agree that he's a wonderful radiologist, such a nice guy, smart and funny, but have you ever wondered..."what makes him tick?" What's behind his winning smile? Intrigued? Need to know more about Dr. Begleiter...well read on as we dispel the mystery of just who is Dr. Begleiter....

What is your Favorite Color?

Blue

What is your Favorite Food?

Pizza

What is your Favorite Drink?

Tequila!

What is your favorite Sport?

Football

What are your favorite TV shows?

Big Bang Theory, Criminal Minds and Blue Bloods

Who is your favorite author?

Leon Uris

Which historical figure do you most admire?

George Washington...but I'd really like to party with Ben Franklin.

What is your favorite vacation spot?

Mexico

What do you find most beautiful?

My wife

If money were no object and you could buy anything your heart desired, what would that be?

A daily massage.

What are the traits you most admire in people?

Honesty and frankness.

If you could have dinner with anyone, dead or alive, who would that be?

Winston Churchill or Ben Franklin

What phrases do you most overuse?

The bottom line is....

Tell us something about yourself that would be a surprise to everyone?

I had a parachuting accident – my main chute didn't work and then the reserve chute got caught in the main chute and I hit the ground at 80 miles per hour. As a result – I am now 5 inches shorter!

If you weren't a Radiologist, what would you be?

A pilot.

What talent would you most like to have?

Being able to sing...I can sing, just not well!

What's your favorite movie quote?

"It's serious. And don't call me Shirley" – Airplane

What is the best gift you've ever received?

A hammock that my kids bought for me.

What do you consider your greatest achievement?

My kids.

Who is your favorite superhero?

Deadpool

What makes you happy?

Being home, relaxing with my family....and tequila!

And there you have it ladies and gentlemen...Dr. David Begleiter!



Pictured above, Dr. Begleiter with his family. From left to right: his son Jason, his wife Sherri and his daughter Lauren

OUR NEW RADIOLOGISTS

Meet our new Radiologists!



Please join us in welcoming Dr. Jim Ferretti!

Dr. Ferretti will be part of our Team working alongside Dr. Altin and Dr. Graule to cover ARMC overnight, and he will be rotating into our AMI Offices and ARMC for occasional day shifts as well.

Dr. Ferretti completed his radiology residency (and was also chief resident) at Nassau University Medical Center, in East Meadow, NY in 2011 and his MRI Fellowship at Tufts University in 2012. He most recently was an Assistant Professor of Radiology at SUNY – Upstate University in Syracuse, NY.

Welcome to the AMI Family Dr. Ferretti!



Please join us in welcoming Dr. Nancy Ibrahim!

Dr. Ibrahim completed her radiology residency at Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia and most recently finished her women's imaging fellowship at George Washington University Hospital in Washington DC.

Dr. Ibrahim will be working as a Women's Imager in our Brick Women's Center as well as in our Wall Township Office.

Welcome to the AMI Family Dr. Ibrahim!



Please join us in welcoming Dr. Sherif Saad!

Dr. Saad recently completed his musculoskeletal radiology fellowship at the University of Maryland Medical Center.

Dr. Saad will be working primarily in our Atlantic County Offices as well as at the ARMC Campuses.

Welcome to the AMI Family Dr. Saad!



Please join us in welcoming Dr. Ankur Shah!

Dr. Ankur Shah recently completed his neuroradiology fellowship at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Dr. Shah will be working primarily in our Wall, Brick and Toms River Offices.

Welcome to the AMI Family Dr. Shah!

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF....

A Day in the Life of....An X-ray Technologist

Written by: Desi Palumbo

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to work as an X-ray Technologist for AMI? Well, I had the opportunity to speak with a group of our amazing X-ray Techs: **Suzanne Alexander**, Brick 455; **Susan Colao**, Hammonton; **Diane Giallombardo**, Brick 455; **Victoria Keenan**, Hammonton; **Julie Perfetti**, Festival; **Denetria Reynolds**, EHT; **Carla Russo**, CMCH; and **Eric Wessner**, EHT, who gave me a glimpse into their work day and provided insight into why they do what they do. I have to say I have such great admiration for them and I hope you will too. So join me in exploring *A Day in the Life of....An X-ray Tech....*

What lead to being an X-ray Tech?

Carla originally wanted to be a teacher but her father did not want her to go away to college. Carla's mother worked for a local hospital and told her 'you're going to X-ray School' and that was that! **Victoria** also wanted to be a teacher but her high school social studies teacher told her that there were too many teachers and it would be hard for her to find a job. So one day she was looking at her brother's yearbook and noticed under someone's picture that they were going to X-ray school to be an X-ray Tech and she thought that would be a great career and enrolled in X-ray school after high school. **Eric** knew he wanted to be in the medical field, but his parents couldn't afford to send him to college. Not wanting to be saddled with debt, he thought that X-ray school was a cost effective program to get into and once there, he found everything to be so interesting and rewarding. **Denetria** heard about an X-ray program during a high school career day and knew that's what she wanted to do. **Suzanne** started her career as a medical assistant and ventured through an X-ray program briefly. But it was her brother who is an orthopedic surgeon who opened her up to patient care and gave her the push into healthcare. For **Julie** she was always interested in the medical field and after high school she enrolled into a radiology program and in the first two weeks she found it so fulfilling that she stuck with it and never looked back.

Other than the obvious...how would you describe your role as an X-ray Tech?

All agreed that it's not just about the X-rays, it's really about the patient and doing all you can do to make the patient experience a positive one. **Suzanne** views herself as a caregiver, while **Carla** views herself as a representative for AMI. **Susan** says that her role is to effectively communicate with the patients and her fellow co-workers throughout the day to ensure a positive environment.

What do you like most about your job?

For **Susan** it's definitely the interaction with the patients and more importantly, making patients feel comfortable in an uncomfortable environment. **Diane** enjoys time spent with her patients, hearing their stories and seeing interesting cases. For **Eric, Denetria and Julie** it's their co-workers and the bond they've formed with one another that allows them to work as one

cohesive unit together. **Eric** I believe said it best, "when I wake up, I don't feel like I'm going to work, my co-workers are like my sisters."

What is the hardest part about your job?

For **Carla** it's that the job is not routine – it's not just about what's on the schedule, you have walk-ins and other things that happen throughout the day that disrupts the workflow and makes the day difficult. **Eric** struggles with sometimes feeling unappreciated because x-ray is not the modality that brings in the money the other modalities do, however he's knows that in his role, he is helping AMI grow because in his view, if the patients don't have a good patient experience in X-ray they won't come back for the other modalities so he knows so he continuously works to provide a great patient experience so patients continue to return.

What is a typical day like in the X-ray Department?

Everyone agrees that there is no typical day in X-ray but **Victoria** reminds us that at Hammonton they have the Emergency Department so some days can be very hectic and navigating through their day can be a challenge.

What would you describe as your biggest challenge as an X-ray Tech?

Susan talks about how she oftentimes has too much empathy for her patients and the concern she has for her patients follows her home...she worries about them, wonders how they're feeling and is often concerned about their outcomes.

What does it take to be a successful x-ray tech?

Suzanne and Carla agree, it's about compassion, understanding and the ability to be a good listener. **Diane** stresses the importance of being patient. **Susan** finds that a good X-ray Tech must always have a positive attitude. **Denetria** says that you need to ensure that you're treating the patient as you would want your loved ones to be treated. For **Julie** it's important to have a good bedside manner, patience and a smile on your face.

What have you found most rewarding in your role?

Susan finds when a patient tells her "you did a great job" the most rewarding. For **Carla** it's when the patient tells her a little about themselves, it helps her to connect with the patient on a personal level. **Suzanne** loves when the patients give her a hug; while **Julie** feels great when a patient tells her "this is why I come back here, because you treat me so well."

What is your favorite patient story or what patient had the biggest impact on you?

Diane was most moved by a young patient in his early 20's who was a scallop fisherman but had an accident while working, his leg was amputated when it was caught in fishing line. He came in and told her his story but he had such a positive attitude and passion for scallop fishing. Even after he had such a terrible thing happen to him, he spoke to Diane about how he couldn't wait to get back on the boat and back to work.

Carla had an elderly couple who came in for testing, both were very sickly and the woman told her how she and her husband spent very little money and saved it all for when they were older and ill so that they could pay for their medical expenses. The patient told Carla, "Don't do what we did. Live, spend your money on yourself and enjoy your life."

Using one word, describe what it's like to be an X-ray Tech

Carla: Challenging

Denetria: Demanding

Diane: Rewarding

Eric: Gratifying

Julie: Educational

Susan: Dynamic

Suzanne: Satisfying

Victoria: Fulfilling

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

A Mom; Her Son and; a Very Special Baseball Team – Employee Spotlight, Jennifer Myers

Written by: Desi Palumbo

Jennifer Myers, Technical Aide in Galloway is just a regular mom...An ordinary, everyday mom who would do anything for her son. You see, her son Braeden has a learning disability but his disability has never dampened his spirit or gotten in the way of his dream of being the best baseball player he can be. It's because of Braeden's love of baseball that 7 years ago, Jennifer registered him to play Baseball with an organization called the South Jersey Field of Dreams. And since that very first time that Braeden stepped onto that field, Jennifer and her family have been advocates for, and have done so much work on behalf of the South Jersey Field of Dreams.

On their website, The South Jersey Field of Dreams is described as *"a place where physically and mentally disabled children and adults can play and participate in that great American pastime, Baseball"* The City of Absecon donated a baseball field for the organization's exclusive use.

Jennifer is very active with the organization, helping in whatever way she can to promote the Field of Dreams because for her, it's the least she can do for an Organization that has done so much for her son. Not only is Jennifer very active with the Organization...it's also a family affair. Her father's company, *Norman Gross Masonry* is a sponsor for the Team and her daughter Jordyn's entire soccer team volunteers their time once a week to help work with the team during practices.

This year, Braeden was chosen to be one of the *Six Faces of the Field of Dreams* and with that honor, he will be on the promotional materials for the Organization and now has his face on his very own baseball card!

For more information on the South Jersey Field of Dreams visit their website at <http://southjerseyfieldofdreams.com/>

Thank you Jen for bringing awareness to this incredible organization and for all you do for them.



Pictured above, on the left, Braeden Myers' Promotional Picture for the South Jersey Field of Dreams; and on the right, Jennifer with her family, son Braeden, daughter Jordyn and husband Gerald.

AMI FOUNDATION NEWS

Written by: Carla Wyatt

Our 8th Annual Tools for School Drive is in full swing and will run through Friday, August 19th. Many children in our communities face the possibility of arriving for their first day of school without the most basic of school supplies. Through our drive, we are able to join with our patients and the community to ensure that hundreds of children in need will have the basic supplies they need to be prepared for school this September. **We're not just giving out tools for school, but it's really tools for success for the children.**

All of the school supplies collected through the Tools for School drive stay in the communities in which they are collected, for distribution by local school systems. Since 2009, over 2,000 students have benefited from the Tools for School drive.

And now is a great time to get the best deals on school supplies since most of the larger retailers have supplies on sale.

The list of requested school supplies needed includes:

- pencils
- erasers
- spiral notebooks
- pocket folders
- crayons
- colored markers
- colored pencils
- glue sticks
- highlighters
- soft pencil cases

The Tools for School drive is much more than just a financial contribution, it's a tangible opportunity to support local schools and connect directly with the community. Through this drive, we are making a difference in the communities we serve!

Dear Ms. Wyatt - I want to thank you and all your staff for your wonderful donations of so many backpacks and school supplies to Lanes Mill Elementary School in Brick. We have a number of needy families who were able to benefit from the generosity of your kind and compassionate staff. There have been hard times for many in our community and your kindness was so deeply appreciated by our school and our community. Thank you so much for your big hearts and huge "angel wings." Sincerely, Susan Talty LCSW



EMPLOYEE SATISFACTION COMMITTEE

Our Employee Satisfaction Committee has adopted a **Mission Statement** and it is as follows:

The Employee Satisfaction Committee will work to create an environment that fosters teamwork and a pleasant working environment. We believe that a positive workplace environment will ensure the delivery of an exceptional experience for each patient.

Our Committee has many wonderful things planned for our AMI Family over the next few months:

- **Our AMI Family Cookbook** - the Cookbook will be available for purchase right around Thanksgiving, and all proceeds will benefit the AMI Foundation.
- **Everything Apple Day** – Thursday, September 22nd
- **Everything Pumpkin Day** – Thursday, October 20th
- **Hats on Halloween** – October 31st
- **2nd Annual AMI Thanksgiving Day** – Thursday, November 17th
- **1st Annual AMI Holiday Cookie Exchange** – Monday December 19th
- **3rd Annual AMI Ugly Sweater Contest** – Thursday, December 22nd with the winner announced on Friday, December 23rd.

Watch for more updates on all of the events we have planned over the next few months!

INSPIRATION ALLEY

Quotes to Brighten Your Day!

Despite everything, no one can dictate who you are to other people.

Prince

When you have exhausted all possibilities, remember this: you haven't.

Thomas Edison

Go the extra mile, It's never crowded.

Unknown

Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence.

Vince Lombardi

If the world was blind, how many people would you impress?

Boonaa Mohammed

Life is a one-time offer, use it well.

Unknown