

# CARDINAL RAYS

Newsletter of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists

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## *Topics with Tiffany*

Each year, as we conclude another very successful Student and Educator Symposium (SES), I find this to be the perfect time to pause and reflect on the strength, dedication, and future of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists (OSRT).

This year's SES was a tremendous success, made possible by the incredible individuals who volunteer their time and talents to OSRT. A heartfelt thank you goes out to Lauren Huffman, Dr. Julie Gill, Tammy McClish, and all members of the SES Committee for their hard work and commitment. Their efforts truly made this event impactful and memorable.

The symposium featured outstanding presenters and engaging content, including multiple presentations on artificial intelligence and its evolving role in medical imaging. We were also grateful for the strong presence and support of our vendors, who help advance education and innovation within our profession.

One of the most inspiring highlights was our American Red Cross blood drive, which collected 73 pints of blood—a powerful reflection of the generosity and compassion of our imaging community.

Student involvement was phenomenal this year. We saw strong representation across programs, including an intense 16-team, 8-hour, double-elimination Quiz Bowl competition. Congratulations to Columbus State Community College for taking first place and Central Ohio Technical College for earning second place.

Academic excellence was also on full display during the OSRTERF Case Study Presentation Competition, where Brynn Myers and Shayne Caudill, from the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College, earned first place with their informative presentation on Atrial Fibrillation, taking home a \$1,000 prize. In addition, Amanda Koons from Columbus State was recognized for achieving the highest score on the Ballinger Self-Assessment. Thanks to the generosity of our donors and supporters, OSRTERF awarded grants to many deserving students this year. Check out the [Foundation Corner](#) for the full list.

And of course, no SES recap would be complete without mentioning the collection of amazing OSRT TikToks—if you haven't checked out the channel yet, you're missing out! Every year, I am continually amazed by the work, time, dedication, collaboration, and ongoing support shown by OSRT members. Even while driving home from Columbus—very tired but still energized—I felt genuinely excited about the future of OSRT.

If you were unable to attend SES, don't worry—there are more opportunities ahead. The OSRT is sponsoring several upcoming events, visit the [OSRT website](#) for info, including:

- May 29 - JRCERT Standards Revision Open Forum
- June 20 - Leadership Academy
- July 25 - Virtual CE Session
- September 25-26 - Annual Meeting

On the advocacy front, the OSRT continues to monitor House Bill 479 regarding contrast administration and Senate Bill 324 related to supervision of General Machine Operators (GXMO). We don't have any new updates at this time, but the OSRT remains actively engaged—monitoring, commenting, testifying, and collaborating with key stakeholders to protect imaging scopes of practice.

There are many opportunities for members who wish to volunteer, gain leadership experience, or serve as speakers. I encourage you to explore the OSRT website to learn how to get involved. We are [seeking volunteers](#) for this upcoming year.

After a long, cold, snowy winter, I hope you take advantage of the improving weather—Ohio style—by spending time outdoors. Whether it's hiking, swimming, walking barefoot in the grass, or simply enjoying a moment of calm, take time to destress and recenter as the seasons change.



**Tiffany Roman**  
OSRT PRESIDENT

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# JRCERT Accreditation Standards Draft Review

With Traci Lang, Ed.S., R.T.(R)(T), ACNP  
JRCERT CEO



May 29, 2026

10:00 am - 2:30 pm

Nationwide Children's Hospital  
Columbus, OH

[REGISTER HERE](#)



**NOTE:** Seating will be limited to 80 registrants, and no virtual option will be available.

The OSRT requests that all registrants please bring a snuggle buddy (teddy bear, plushie, etc.) to donate to Nationwide Children's Hospital patients.



**Saturday, July 25**

**9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

**Join us for another great virtual  
session!**

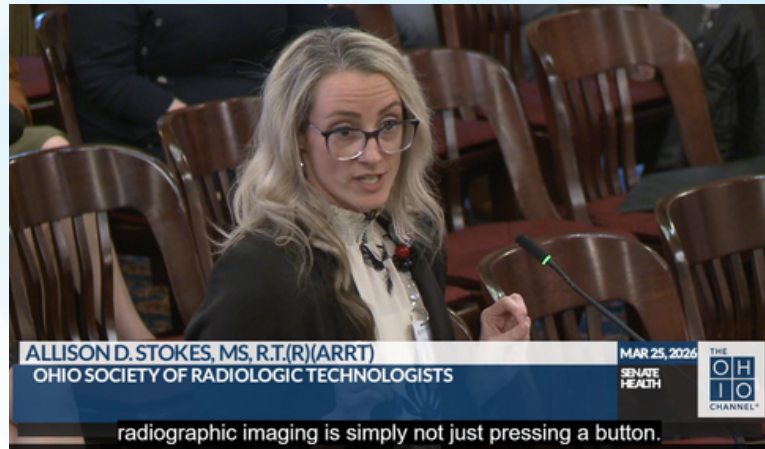
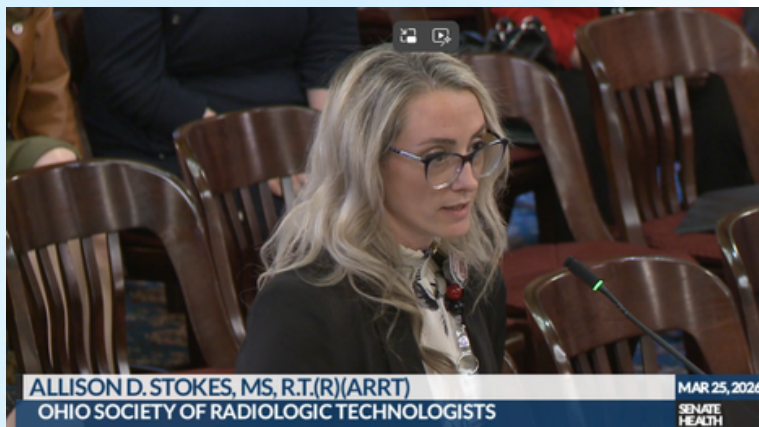
**Details coming soon.....**





# OSRT ADVOCACY *Committee Update*

The OSRT Advocacy Committee remains actively engaged at the Statehouse, continuing to advocate for appropriate scope of practice and patient safety. Recently, Allison Stokes provided opponent testimony before the Senate Health Committee on behalf of OSRT, sharing concerns regarding Senate Bill 324, which proposes allowing nurse practitioners to supervise GXMOs. Allison did a fantastic job representing OSRT, clearly articulating the potential implications for scope of practice and emphasizing the importance of maintaining the highest standards of patient safety and clinical oversight.



[Click to watch the full testimony.](#)  
(starts around 18:00 minute mark)

In addition to work in the Senate, the Advocacy Committee is actively participating in ongoing conversations with members of the House of Representatives related to House Bill 479. The committee is focused on ensuring the language of this bill is written appropriately, accurately reflects professional roles, and protects patient safety.

**THE OSRT WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR DEVELOPMENTS CLOSELY AND ADVOCATE FOR POLICIES THAT PRIORITIZE SAFE, HIGH-QUALITY PATIENT CARE.**

# Annual Meeting

## September 25-26



**REGISTER NOW**



Please join us in Canton for the 2026 Annual Meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>! We will meet at Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital for CE sessions, the awarding of technologist grants, and the Installation of new officers!

CE session topics include Dealing with Aggressive and Angry Patients, Managing Dementia-Related Behaviors in the Imaging Suite, Images Behind the Smoke - X-posing the Dangers of Tobacco, Cannabis, and Vaping, Early Detection - How Imaging Changed Preventive Medicine, and many more. Nine (9) Category A CE credits will be offered (pending ASRT approval). The full schedule and registration information are available at [www.osrt.org](http://www.osrt.org) under the Events tab. We look forward to seeing you there!

Recommended Hotels:

- [Hyatt Place Canton](#)
- [Staybridge Suites Canton](#)
- [Hampton Inn & Suites Canton](#)
- [Courtyard by Marriott Canton](#)
- [Holiday Inn Canton \(Belden Village\)](#)

There will be lots to share and learn, and new colleagues to meet!  
Registration is now open!

## **Make it a weekend getaway!**

Canton Area Attractions

[Pro Football Hall of Fame](#)

[Akron Zoo](#)

[McKinley Presidential Library & Museum](#)

[Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens](#)

[Canton Museum of Art](#)

[Canton Walking Trails](#)

## **EVENTS**

TECHNOLOGIST  
-FOCUSED  
EDUCATION  
SESSIONS

CLINICAL CASE  
STUDY  
PRESENTATION  
COMPETITION

FRANCINE TODD  
MEMORIAL  
BUSINESS  
SESSION

INSTALLATION  
OF NEW  
OFFICERS



# OSRT NOMINATIONS DUE MAY 15

Are you or someone you know passionate about the medical imaging and therapy profession? Please consider submitting a nomination for the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists Board of Directors. **Nominations for Director-at-Large (September 2026-April 2029 term), President-Elect, Technologist of the Year, and Life Member are now open through May 15!**

Qualification requirements, expectations, and more information can be found on the [OSRT website](#).

Candidates for Director are expected to:

- Attend the entire Leadership Academy, if not previously attended, on June 20
- Attend the Annual Meeting, September 25-26
- Attend all Board meetings during the term of office.
- Chair, vice-chair, or be an apprentice on a committee during the term of office
- Participate in additional committee work
- Committee meetings are held at the discretion of the chairperson and are generally conducted face-to-face or virtually
- Term commitment is three years.

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## 2026 ASRT Election

Congratulations to the following OSRT members elected as chapter delegates in the ASRT!

**Melissa Machingo, M.B.A., R.T.(R)(CT)**

Computed Tomography  
Chapter Delegate/Vice Chair

**Julie Gill, Ph.D., R.T.(R)(QM), FASRT**

Quality Management  
Chapter Delegate/Alternate 1

**Teresa Taggart, M.S., CNMT**

Nuclear Medicine  
Chapter Delegate/Chair

**Olivia Livermore, B.S., R.T.(R)(M)**

Radiography  
Chapter Delegate/Chair

**Lucas Gross, M.S., R.T.(N),  
NMTCB(CT), CMNT, RSO**

Nuclear Medicine  
Chapter Delegate/Vice-chair



# Student Spot!

Student Cardinal Rays



Hello,

My name is Ilyas Nur, and I'm a junior in the Radiography Program at The Ohio State University School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences. Born and raised in Columbus, Ohio, specifically in the Worthington neighborhood, I'm a lifelong Buckeye. In fact, I was born at the OSU Wexner Medical Center, the same hospital I walk past on my way to class every day. It feels like the profession has been calling me home since day one.

My passion for medical imaging began early, shaped by the positive experiences I had as a young patient receiving care. Those moments stuck with me. Later, career fairs and hearing faculty and working professionals speak about the field in real time solidified my decision to pursue Radiology. After graduation, I'm excited to build a career in MRI, with the long-term goal of becoming an MRSO/MRSE and focusing on the patient safety side of medical imaging. Ultimately, I hope to work as an Application Specialist with leading manufacturers like Siemens Healthineers or GE, helping bridge technology and excellent patient care.

As the 2026-2027 OSRT Student Director, I'm truly honored to serve on the Board of Directors as the voice for students across all medical imaging programs throughout Ohio. I'm looking forward to advocating for our needs, amplifying student perspectives, and strengthening the connection between tomorrow's professionals and the organization that supports us. I want to encourage every one of my fellow students to get involved with the OSRT, whether it's attending conferences, joining committees, or simply becoming a member. The benefits I've already experienced have been huge, and I'd want all of you to experience them too. On a personal level, I'm excited to grow my leadership skills and make this year impactful for students across the state.

I am honored and look forward to this role, and I can't wait to help make this a great year for the OSRT!

Best,

*Ilyas*

Ilyas Nur  
Student Director  
student@osrt.org



# STUDENT SPOT!



## Student Cardinal Rays

**After passing your certification exam, don't forget to renew your OSRT membership!** You would now be an active member, which allows you to vote, be on a committee, and run for the Board of Directors! Renewing is easy, and there are multiple options. [Click here](#) for more information and to renew!



Farah Hafez  
Cuyahoga Community College



Ilyas Nur  
The Ohio State University



Kristina Muntifering  
Graduate of Northern Kentucky University

MEET OUR 2026 ASRT STUDENT TO LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS!

# 2026 Leadership Academy!

- **June 20, 2026**
- Columbus State Community College
- Virtual Meet and greet 1 week prior

- Learn the ins and outs of volunteering and leadership.
- Enhance your skills as a professional in a non-profit organization.
- Collaborate with colleagues.



**APPLY NOW**

• Pending Category A CE approval by the ASRT

# CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering is a rewarding way to give back to the profession! If you are interested in volunteering for the upcoming year (October 2026 -September 2027), contact the OSRT Operations Manager or check out our [Volunteer Information](#)



# Foundation Corner

The 2026 OSRT Student and Educator Symposium (SES) was again an amazing success. On behalf of the OSRT Education and Research Foundation (OSRTERF), we would like to thank everyone for all of their help before and during the symposium.

Because of the generosity of OSRT members, corporate sponsors, educational institutions, and friends of the OSRT, the OSRT Education and Research Foundation (OSRTERF) was very pleased to award 14 grants to student radiographers this year.

Please remember that the OSRTERF will award registered technologist grants at the OSRT Annual Meeting in September. If you are a registered technologist or therapist and are working on an advanced degree, you may be eligible for one of the OSRTERF grants. Information about these grants and the Registered Technologist Case Study Presentation Competition is available on the [OSRT website](#).



### Ohio Radiological Society Grant

Jenna Cry, S.T.  
The Ohio State University

### W. Lee Shadle Grant

Josey Pyle, S.T.  
Central Ohio Technical College

### Audrey Horton Memorial Grants

Mia Jones, S.T.  
The Ohio State University

Mia McCarthy, S.T.  
Zane State College

Macenzie VanNess, S.T.  
Zane State College

### iRadTech Grant

Jonah Ammons, S.T.  
The Ohio State University

### University Hospitals Urgent Care Grant

Ashley Campbell  
Kent State University Salem

### Cleveland Clinic Imaging Grants

Analise Bruno, S.T.  
Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions

Grace Gutierrez, S.T.  
Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions

Gabriella Novak, S.T.  
Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions

### OSRT Education and Research Foundation Honors Grants

Robert Weigand, S.T.  
Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions

Taylor Finefrock, S.T.  
Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions

Abbey Coleman, S.T.  
Columbus State Community College

### OSRTERF Student Trustee Grant

Ashton Cooper, S.T.  
University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College



# Foundation Corner

## Case Study Presentation Winners

Shayne Caudill, S.T., and Brynn Myers, S.T., from the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College, won first place in the student division of the case study competition with their presentation entitled “Atrial Fibrillation”. Congratulations to Shayne and Bryn for their hard work and their extremely interesting and well-researched presentation.

## Chance Raffle

The OSRTERF again held a chance raffle this year to raise funds for future student and registered technologist and therapist grants. A special thanks to the OSRTERF Trustees and OSRT Directors who donated prizes for the raffle and sold raffle tickets during the meeting. We also want to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets and made this an extremely successful fundraiser. Educators, members, students, and vendors were wonderfully generous this year in buying raffle tickets, and the OSRTERF raised over \$1,197.00 for future grants from the raffle! Thank you again to everyone who donated to make this fundraiser so successful.

-Gloria Albrecht  
OSRTERF Board of Trustees Chair



## Pay It Forward



Would you like the opportunity to help others in your profession? If so, please consider a tax-deductible donation to the OSRT Education and Research Foundation. Donating to the OSRTERF will allow medical imaging professionals to excel in clinical, administrative, and educational settings.

You can make an [online donation](#), or if you have questions, feel free to contact a representative on the Foundation Board. Donations may be small or large; we are just happy you are willing to help!



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# Thank you to our 2025-2026 Donors

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# FELLOW PROGRAM OF THE OSRT: THE MARK OF EXCELLENCE!

Within the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists, excellence often shows itself quietly – through years of mentoring students, educating peers, and serving the profession beyond what is required. The OSRT Fellow Program was created to formally recognize members whose commitment and contributions have strengthened radiologic technology across Ohio. Fellowship is not simply a reflection of longevity, but of meaningful impact, leadership, and service recognized by one's peers. By honoring those who have helped shape standards, inspire colleagues, and advance our profession, the Fellow Program celebrates professional legacy while encouraging continued engagement and leadership within OSRT.

OSRT Fellows are members who have demonstrated sustained professional excellence and service to the Society and the profession of radiologic technology. Qualifications for fellowship include a history of active OSRT membership, significant contributions through leadership roles, committee service, education, research, or professional advocacy, and a clear record of mentoring or supporting the growth of others. Candidates exemplify high ethical standards and a commitment to advancing radiologic science and professional practice. Fellowship is awarded through a peer review and nomination process, underscoring the respect and recognition of colleagues across Ohio.

Do you fit the Fellow description? Check the [criteria and apply!](#)



*Deadline*

May 15

## Call for Proposals

We are accepting presentation proposals for the 2027 Student and Educator Symposium, so please consider sharing your expertise. **To submit a proposal, please email the following information to [osrt@osrt.org](mailto:osrt@osrt.org) by no later than September 1, 2026 or complete the [Speaker Interest Form](#).**

- Name,
- academic credentials,
- email address,
- title of the presentation,
- presentation description,
- and 3-5 learning outcomes.



Please feel free to share this announcement with your professional colleagues!

# Symposium *highlights!*



The 2026 Student and Educators Symposium (SES) was a resounding success, with an outstanding attendance of 533 participants from eight states: Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, California, West Virginia, Texas, and Pennsylvania.

We welcomed 23 vendors offering employment opportunities, equipment, and merchandise to attendees.

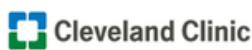
Here's to building on this amazing success for an even bigger and better SES in 2027!

Check out the full slideshow of pictures!

**CLICK HERE**



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# Congratulations!



Philip W. Ballinger Student  
Self Assessment Winner



Amanda Koons, S.T.  
Columbus State Community College

OSRTERF Case Study  
Presentation Winners



Brynn Myers, S.T.  
Shayne Caudill, S.T.  
University of Cincinnati  
Blue Ash College

1st Place Quiz Bowl Team



## Columbus State Community College

Team Members: Cameron Ansley, Amanda Bedinghaus, Gabby Hill, Amanda Koons, Michaela Ott, Amanda Potter, Bella Russo  
Quest Folck, Advisor

2nd Place Quiz Bowl Team

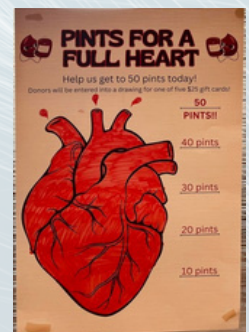


## Central Ohio Technical College

Team Members: Aubrey Beaubien, Ian Brodhage, Thomas Charnas, Colin Hiester, Marina Siles, Alex Varian, Heaven Webb  
Sarah Grandstaff, Advisor

A special THANK YOU to Shayne Caudill, outgoing OSRT Student Director, and Ashton Cooper, outgoing OSRTERF Student Trustee for your hard work this year!

The OSRT teamed up with the American Red Cross for an AMAZING blood drive! At the end of the day, 73 pints of life saving blood was donated, with 38 of those being first time donors.



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE

All are welcome to attend the Board of Directors meetings. **They are free to attend, but pre-registration is required.** Please contact the OSRT Operations Manger for more information or to register.

- Friday, July 10 via Zoom
- Thursday, September 24 at Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital



## 2027

# Student & Educator Symposium

## April 8-9

### The Ohioan Hotel and Event Center

### Lewis Center, Ohio

## REMEMBER TO RENEW!

Don't forget to renew your OSRT membership! Look on your membership e-card or contact the Operations Manager to see when it is your time to renew.



Renewal notifications will be sent via email before your membership expires. To avoid missing these emails, set the OSRT email as a trusted sender so our emails don't end up in your junk folder. Also, be sure that the email you are using is the email in your member profile.

Why renew? Well, why not? OSRT membership has many benefits, including professional advocacy, discounted rates for CE opportunities, networking, scholarships, and volunteer opportunities. For more information, check out our [membership benefits](#).

## HELP THE OSRT WIN AGAIN!!



**Ticket Sales:** ends May 31

**Webpage:** [Click here!](#)

**Eligibility:** Only ASRT members are eligible to purchase tickets and win prizes.

As part of the Annual Drawing, prizes are awarded to affiliate societies credited with the most money raised per capita and the societies with the most overall tickets sold. Ticket sales can be credited to Ohio by selecting "Affiliate" and then "Ohio" when purchasing tickets.

# GET SOCIAL!

Click on the icons for the OSRT social media pages



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## OSRT VISION

To promote clinical excellence  
in radiologic technology

## OSRT MISSION

We advocate for radiologic  
technologists by advancing  
professional practice to  
enhance patient care.

## From the Editor

Thank you for taking the time to read this issue of Cardinal Rays! I appreciate any feedback that you have about Cardinal Rays. What information would you like to read about? Let me know!

*Lauren Huffman*

Cardinal Rays Editor



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