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Newsletter of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists

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I hope everyone is staying cool during this summer heat wave and finding time to enjoy some much-needed sunshine, relaxation, and downtime with family and friends. Personally, I have been enjoying time at the pool and catching up on some great books. Still, even during the summer months, the work of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists (OSRT) continues.

Over the past several weeks, OSRT leaders have remained actively engaged on behalf of our members. We recently hosted representatives from JRCERT to provide input on the ongoing Standards revision process, and we are currently preparing for our upcoming July Board of Directors meeting. Your Society continues to work hard to ensure the voices of Ohio's imaging professionals are represented at both the state and national levels.

I also want to encourage everyone to join us for our upcoming **OSRT Continuing Education Webinar**. This is a convenient opportunity to earn up to 3.0 Category A Continuing Education credits from the comfort of your home, **Saturday, July 25, 8:50 AM - 12:00 PM Eastern Time, Online via Zoom.**

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for the OSRT **Annual Meeting, September 25-26, 2026, in Canton.**

Meeting co-chairs Devin Johnson and Tammy McClish have worked incredibly hard to secure an outstanding lineup of speakers. Attendees will have the opportunity to earn approximately 9 CE credits while networking with colleagues from across the state. This meeting remains one of the best opportunities for professional development and engagement in our profession.

I recently returned from Albuquerque, New Mexico, where Quest Folck attended the ASRT Educational Symposium and House of Delegates Meeting. It was a productive week filled with networking, educational sessions, and discussions on issues impacting our profession. Common themes throughout the House of Delegates sessions and affiliate meetings included the growing role of artificial intelligence in imaging departments, the use of cardiac CT imaging as a screening versus diagnostic tool, whether advanced cardiac CT concepts should become entry-level competencies, the MR Imaging Assistant credential, and the continued discussion surrounding limited-scope operators.

As Haley will provide an advocacy report, I would like to highlight one important initiative. I encourage all ASRT members to support efforts to gain Medicare and Medicaid recognition of Radiologist Assistants (RAs). With ongoing workforce shortages and increasing demand for imaging services, RAs are more important than ever in helping deliver high-quality patient care. I encourage you to visit the [ASRT Advocacy Center](#) and contact your legislators to voice your support for the profession.

Finally, as we begin planning for the OSRT's future, please watch for an upcoming email survey requesting your input on the Society's next strategic plan. Your feedback is essential in helping us identify priorities and opportunities that will guide OSRT in the years ahead. We need your voice, so please take a few minutes to complete the survey when it arrives.

Thank you for your continued support of the OSRT. I hope to see many of you at our upcoming webinar and at the Annual Meeting this fall.

OSRT Members at the ASRT Educational Symposium and House of Delegates Meeting:

Dr. Heather Moore, Ilyas Nur, Dr. Tricia Leggett, Eric Hertenstein, Tiffany Roman, Dr. Julie Gill, Emma Palmer, Quest Folck, Kristina Muntifer, Kris Seitz, Farah Hafez, Olivia Enriquez, Alisha Hilliard, Sharlene Adams, Dr. Lucas Gross, and Teresa Taggart



Tiffany Roman
OSRT PRESIDENT

Please watch for an upcoming email containing a survey requesting your input on the Society's next strategic plan.



Virtual CE Session

Saturday, July 25

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

Registration Fees

- OSRT Member: \$15
- Non-member: \$30
- Student in a primary program: \$10

Presentations: each approved by the ASRT for 1.0 Category A CE

- Radiation Oncology: From Discovery to Precision Medicine
 - Laura Krukowski, MLIS, R.T.(T)
- Radiography Review We all Knew Back in School, but it has been a Minute
 - Meg McCreight, MS, R.T.(R)(CT)
- Digital Dosimetry and AI: Simplifying Radiation Safety and Reducing Exposure
 - Presented by Teresa Taggart, MS, CNMT on behalf of Chris Passmore, M.S., CHP, RSO

Call for Volunteers

The OSRT thrives because of members who generously share their time and talents. If you're looking for a meaningful way to get involved, we invite you to volunteer on one of our committees. It's a great opportunity to support the profession, collaborate with colleagues across the state, and help shape the work we do each year. If you're interested, we'd love to hear from you.



President-elect Andrea Tschirner is working on committees for the upcoming year (October 2026 - September 2027). Contact the OSRT Operations Manager or check out our [Volunteer Information](#) by August 31.

Annual Meeting

September 25-26



REGISTER NOW



Please join us in Canton for the 2026 Annual Meeting on September 25th and 26th! 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 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!

Register by September 12!

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



ADVOCACY *Committee Update*

Both House Bill (HB) 479 and Senate Bill (SB) 324 have recently advanced in the legislature as the session nears its close.

House Bill 479, regarding contrast administration and supervision, was passed by the House of Representatives. It is currently awaiting approval from Governor DeWine.

Senate Bill 324, regarding Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants supervising CXMOs, has passed the Senate and is moving on to the House. While the bill's passage in the Senate was unfortunately anticipated, advocacy efforts remain focused on encouraging House Health Committee members not to advance the bill further. Outreach is ongoing, including sharing prior opponent testimony and coordinating with partner organizations with shared priorities. Final action is expected to resume in fall 2026 after the November election.

In the meantime, advocacy and stakeholder engagement will continue to monitor the legislature for any other issues that may arise.



OSRT ELECTION RESULTS



Congratulations to our newly elected leaders!

Directors-at-Large

- Thomas Folck, A.A.S., R.T.(R)(CT)
- Angela Lee, M.Ed., R.T. (R)(CT)

President-elect

- Devin Johnson, MBA, R.T.(R)(MR)(CT)

Technologist of the Year

- Linnea Hopewell, M.Ed., R.T.(R)(M)(QM)



Student Spot!

Student Cardinal Rays



As Student Director for the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists (OSRT), I found participating in the OSRT Leadership Academy 2026 to be a valuable and eye-opening experience. Over the two-day virtual program, I gained a deeper understanding of how professional organizations function, beginning with the history and purpose of radiologic technology societies and how national and affiliate organizations work together. Learning about leadership styles from Devin, Quest, and Steph pushed me to reflect on my own approach to leadership and how different styles can motivate or challenge teams depending on the situation. It helped me realize that effective leadership is often a blend of styles shaped by personality, communication, and the needs of the group.

The sessions on communication, governance, financial oversight, and strategic planning gave me a clearer picture of what happens behind the scenes in a professional organization. Topics like board transparency, recruitment, retention, and SWOT analysis showed how much structure and collaboration are required to keep an organization strong and sustainable. Most importantly, this experience reinforced the importance of student membership and involvement. Being involved as a student provides early access to professional resources, leadership development, and networking opportunities that directly support career growth. It also creates a sense of purpose and connection to the profession, allowing students to contribute to its future while still learning and developing within it.

Attending the ASRT House of Delegates and Annual Governance Meeting in Albuquerque through the ASRT Student to Leadership Development Program was an incredible opportunity for both my professional and personal growth. As one of three student representatives from Ohio, I had the privilege of representing the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists and The Ohio State University while connecting with students and professionals from across the country. One of the most impactful experiences was observing the House of Delegates as members debated and voted on issues shaping the future of the profession, reinforcing the importance of leadership and advocacy in medical imaging. I also enjoyed attending educational sessions, including the MRI Chapter meeting, and touring the ASRT Museum, which deepened my appreciation for the profession's history and future. I am grateful to the OSRT, Kris Seitz, and Allison Stokes for making this experience possible, and I returned inspired to continue growing as both a future radiologic technologist and a student leader.



Best,

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Foundation Corner

NEW OSRTERF STUDENT TRUSTEE

We are pleased to welcome Kenzie Miller as our Student Trustee. Kenzie will serve as an official voting member on the Board of Trustees until May 31, 2027. She will be able to develop leadership skills, expand her professional relationships, and serve the profession. We asked Kenzie to tell us a little about herself, and here's what she has to say.



My name is Kenzie Miller, and I am honored to serve as the newly appointed Student Trustee for the OSRT. I am currently enrolled in the Radiologic Imaging Technology program at the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College, where I am pursuing my bachelor's degree.

Outside of my academic work, I enjoy swimming with friends, reading at coffee shops, and going for early morning runs. Among these interests, I am especially passionate about learning what bones and systems make up the human body, which inspired me to pursue a career in radiology. I applied for the Student Trustee position to extend that passion beyond the classroom by serving as a reliable liaison between students and professional organizations.

I am committed to actively listening to student perspectives and effectively communicating their concerns to leadership, ensuring their voices are represented. This opportunity allows me to advocate for the profession and contribute to a community I care deeply about.

I am very excited to get started in this role and truly grateful for the opportunity to serve!

TECHNOLOGIST AND THERAPIST GRANTS AND CASE STUDY PRESENTATION COMPETITION

Applications due August 1

The OSRTERF will award Education and Research 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.

We are also accepting applications for the Case Study Presentation Competition. Information about the grants and the Case Study Presentation Competition is available on the [OSRTERF webpage](#).





Foundation Corner

WELCOME NEW TRUSTEES

We are very happy to welcome two new trustees to the board, Ashton Cooper, BSRT, RT(R), and Kimberly Saghy, BS R.T. (R) (CT) (MR) (MRSO). Ashton just graduated from the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College with a bachelor degree in Radiologic Imaging Technology. Ashton was also our first student trustee last year, and he enjoyed it so much that he asked to stay on the board. We are very glad that he has chosen to continue with the Education and Research Foundation.

Kimberly is an experienced imaging professional with a background in radiography, MRI, and CT. She has also held positions as a Coordinator, Applications Specialist, MR Safety Officer, and Clinical Instructor. Kimberly is currently the CT MRI Coordinator at the Cleveland Clinic School of Health Professions. She is responsible for classroom instruction for the CT and MRI students, and coordinates their clinical schedules. Kimberly has been with the Cleveland Clinic since 2020. We look forward to working with both Ashton and Kimberly and value the experience that they bring to the board.

-Gloria Albrecht
OSRTERF Board of Trustees Chair



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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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 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!



Renewing your membership is one of the easiest ways to stay connected, informed, and supported in your profession. Your renewal keeps you part of a community that advocates for you, provides meaningful educational opportunities, and celebrates your growth. 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 the email you use matches the one 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](#).

Stay engaged, stay empowered—renew today!

[Click here](#) for more information and to renew! Don't forget to tell a colleague!

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 Manager for more information or to register.

- Thursday, September 24 at Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital

THANK YOU!

The OSRT hosted a JRCERT Standards Review Session at Nationwide Children's Hospital in May. Attendees were asked to bring a cuddle buddy for patients at NCH.



We are excited that 24 snuggle buddies were donated! Thank you to everyone who donated!



2027

Student & Educator Symposium

April 8-9

The Ohioan Hotel and
Event Center
Lewis Center, Ohio

CHECK YOUR SPAM!



Sometimes, the OSRT email is flagged by your email server as **SPAM**. Make sure you have **osrt@osrt.org** as a trusted email to stay up-to-date with OSRT information in your inbox!

GET SOCIAL!

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To promote clinical excellence
in radiologic technology

OSRT MISSION

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

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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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