



Cardinal Rays

TOP STORIES IN THIS NEWSLETTER

Gary Greathouse
provides education in
Guyana



2020 opportunities for
leadership now open.
Apply for the leadership
academy, OSRT Board
of Directors &
Technologist of the
year!



Faculty, Students and
Alumni Celebrate
NRTW 2019!!



Julie's Jingles

It seems that this is the time of year when we get really busy with all of our fall and winter activities. Hopefully you had a great National Radiologic Technology Week and you were celebrated for your quality patient care and professional expertise and contributions! Here's some information about upcoming, exciting opportunities!

The O.S.R.T.'s commitment to student professional growth and entry into professional practice is demonstrated through our Student Leadership Development Program. We strongly believe that students are our future leaders and we have an ethical obligation to help cultivate their leadership gifts and talents. This mentorship program helps student leaders to become oriented with the O.S.R.T. and professional service. The application can be found on the OSRT website and the deadline to apply is January 1st. Information regarding the program and the application are available on the O.S.R.T. website at <https://www.osrt.org/connex/student-connex/68-student-leader-program>. One of the chosen Student Leaders will be appointed to serve on the O.S.R.T. Board of Directors as a voting member. Apply soon!

The A.S.R.T. also has a Student Leadership Development Program whereby two students from Ohio will be chosen to attend the 2020 ASRT Educational Symposium and Annual Governance & House of Delegates Meeting, June 24-28 in Albuquerque, NM. Flight and hotel expenses are covered by the A.S.R.T. This program offers students the opportunity to learn about the national organization, attend educational sessions, participate in the governance of the profession, and network with medical imaging and radiation therapy students and professionals. Application is open to all students in a primary medical imaging or radiation therapy program, so first and second year students are eligible. The application is available on the A.S.R.T. website at <https://www.asrt.org/events-and-conferences/student-leadership-development-program>.

Applications are now open for the O.S.R.T. Leadership Academy! This two day continuing education workshop is designed for those members who want to learn the ins and outs of our nonprofit organization. If you are interested in pursuing a leadership role in the O.S.R.T. but didn't know where or how to get started, then the Leadership Academy is for you! Acceptance is limited to 15 participants so that you can get individualized attention. Information and the application can be found on the O.S.R.T. website at <https://www.osrt.org/connex/leadership-academy>. The application deadline is February 15th so apply today!

Have you been a member of an O.S.R.T. Committee and would like to do more? Nominations are now open for Director positions for the 2020-2023 term, President-Elect, and Technologist of the Year. Nominations are due by January 15th and you can be nominated by someone or self-nominate. More information can be found on the OSRT website (www.osrt.org).

Also, mark your calendar for the 2020 O.S.R.T. Annual Meeting on April 8-11th in Columbus. Information and registration will be available on the O.S.R.T. website (www.osrt.org) very soon. I hope to see you there!

Julie Jingles

Have you ever wondered what Radiology services are like in a 3rd world country?

Hello. I am Gary Greathouse, a proud member of the OSRT and a current director on the OSRT Board of Directors. I am also a proud member of the ASRT. I recently had been asked to work on a project in Guyana, South America, under the direction of RAD-AID international and funded by the ASRT by way of the ASRT Fellowship Grant. I was tasked with creating a quality assurance program for the radiology department to assist in improving image quality. I worked closely with the radiology residency program, which RAD-AID began in Guyana in 2017. The radiology department in Georgetown performs radiology services on 250-300 patients a day. It is a very busy department. I worked side by side with the radiologic technologists in the department to understand the workflow and be better able to make suggestions of how to improve image quality. We developed a list of 7 benchmarks that residents could look at to determine if an image is acceptable or needs correction. The residents simply mark the number on the request and place it in a designated box and they will review images in the box and meet with the radiology staff on a monthly basis. It's a very effective method of improving image quality for both the department and the patient. Diagnostic image quality is very important in diagnosis of patient condition.

Final thoughts:

Guyana is a beautiful country and I had the opportunity to grow in both my professional and personal life. I discovered once again, why I love our profession and how very important it is to stay connected both at home and abroad. I know that encouragement from colleagues and connections I have created both on the state level with the OSRT and national level with the ASRT; I was able to use my radiology skills on this trip to help those less fortunate. Stay involved or get involved with the OSRT! You too can use your skills to improve the radiologic sciences. We need you and your knowledge to move the OSRT forward into the future.

Thank You,
Gary Greathouse



Humanitarian Grant Announcement

Do you have an interest in participating in a project to help promote human welfare? Consider applying for the OSRT humanitarian grant to assist in supporting your financial needs. Refer to the foundation corner section of this newsletter for more information and a link for application.

WHO'S WHO IN THE OSRT?

Meet . . . Leslie Mays



Hi! My name is Leslie Mays. Radiology wasn't my first career but it has definitely been one of the most rewarding career decisions I've ever made. In the spring of 1994 I received my first degree from The Ohio State University. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science and was employed at Battelle Memorial and then Roxane Laboratories working in the Quality Assurance departments. In the fall of 1994 I married my high school sweetheart and we began our family. In 2008 my world was forever changed when my closest friend was diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 34. It was during that long year of surgeries, chemo and radiation treatments that I decided I wanted to be a part of the cure. I quickly learned that early detection can make a huge difference between life or death, and that is how I ended up in the field of radiology.

I am currently an OhioHealth employee in the radiology department. My specialty is breast imaging but I also served as a clinical instructor at the Pickerington Medical Campus location. I joined the OSRT as a student and have loved being more involved as a technologist. I have worked on the Annual Meeting Committee and now serve as a director on the Education and Research Foundation Board. When I am not at work I love to spend time with my family, pets and friends.

FOUNDATION CORNER

Greetings to all from the OSRT Education and Research Foundation!

As I write this article, I am watching the clouds move in to remind us that the winter season will be upon us before we know! Just as we go about preparing for all the holiday festivities, the Foundation Board has been busy preparing information on the educational grants to be awarded at the 2020 OSRT Annual Meeting.

I would like to bring your attention to a grant that will be awarded this upcoming year. It is the Humanitarian Grant. This grant will aid its members through fiscal support of opportunities for service to others to benefit the local, regional, or global community, assure effective health and education services, and promote high ethical standards, fellowship, and good will. Annual funding for the grant will be provided by the OSRT Business Association and the OSRTERF Board will be responsible for awarding the grant. The Humanitarian Grant Guidelines along with eligibility criteria can be located in the Education and Research Grants section of the Foundation drop-down tab. The application deadline for this grant is March 1st. For complete information [click here](#).

The Foundation has also revised its criteria for the posters, essays, and case studies competition. It will now include the APA formatting style. Information on the case study competition, professional poster competition, and essay competition can be located in the Competitions section of the Annual Meeting drop-down tab.

The Foundation is asking all program directors to share this information with their students in anticipation of a great response to the opportunities available to all students and technologists.

On behalf of the OSRTERF Board, we wish everyone a happy, healthy holiday season! See you all in 2020!

Thank you,
Gail Schroeder
OSRTERF Chairperson



OSRTERF Board
of Directors

The OSRT Board of Directors: Working Hard for YOU!

The OSRT Board of Directors, Staff and Appointees met for the first mid-year Board meeting on September 13, 2019. Reports are submitted from all committee chairs and appointees weeks prior to the meeting. The Executive Committee meets to review issues and create an agenda to be discussed by the Board. Discussion is always lively – so many opinions! But, a consensus is always reached and the business of the Board and the Society moves forward. One of the most important topics always on the agenda is OSRT advocacy issues. Paul Kudlak, our legislative consultant gave a very informative report at the meeting and the content is included in the latest publication of the [Advocacy Update](#), a quarterly newsletter to keep you informed of important issues.

Visit the OSRT website for more information.



OSRT Executive Committee



September 2019 Board Meeting

Are you interested in becoming a LEADER in the profession?

The OSRT is pleased to offer the 2020 OSRT Leadership Academy that will take place at Zane State College on Saturday, March 14 and Sunday, March 15, 2020.

The Leadership Academy is a two-day session (12.0 Category A continuing education credits pending ASRT approval) that will acclimate participants to the ins and outs of volunteering and leadership in a professional nonprofit organization. If you have been thinking about volunteering and becoming involved, but maybe were overwhelmed with where to start, this is your perfect opportunity. Participants will receive some preparatory materials in March, prior to the session, to help them get ready for some great activities and discussion during the Academy. You will gain a better understanding of volunteer board organizations with specific emphasis on OSRT functions and operations. You will collaborate with colleagues and board members (past and present) to gain insight into professional volunteerism.

Watch your email and check the website for more information and application details – coming soon! [Leadership Academy](#)

Sincerely,

Leadership Academy Committee



Seeking nominations for the OSRT Board of Directors and Technologist of the year

One of the privileges of OSRT membership is helping to choose the decision-making body of the organization. Nominations are open for Director positions for the 2020-2023 term, President-Elect, and Technologist of the Year. Nominations are due by January 15, 2020. You can nominate a fellow member or nominate yourself. This is also your opportunity to nominate a member for Life or Honorary membership. Click on the link for more information and nomination forms. [OSRT Board of Directors Nominations](#)

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Abby Murphy
OSRT Student
Director

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Hello Everyone!

Happy fall! Summer has flown by and the holiday season is quickly approaching. We are half-way through the semester! The mid- semester blues are starting to hit me, but I keep reminding myself that there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Whether you're in your last year of school or have one more to go, we are almost done! How was your National Radiologic Technology Week (NRTW)? This year we celebrated the week of **November 3rd through November 9th**. The theme for this year was "Waves of the Future." During this week we celebrated the important role of medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals. Health care organizations celebrated this week with public awareness campaigns, community forums, staff recognition programs and so much more. The ASRT website had new glow in the dark skeleton t-shirts available this year. I couldn't think of a better way to celebrate than to wear this shirt to work or clinical! Check out the ASRT website for this year's merchandise and NRTW swag.

I hope you were able to participate in some of the NRTW contests on the OSRT facebook page. If you have not already done so, be sure to follow the OSRT on all of their social media accounts to stay up to date.

Apply to the Student Leadership Program! I am so happy that I applied for this program. It has truly been such a great experience. I have learned so much about how a professional organization runs, made many great connections, and developed professional leadership skills. Be sure to check out the OSRT website with more information about how to apply, the benefits and the responsibilities. Make sure to have your student membership before the deadline on **November 15th**! You must be a student member when you submit your application. The application deadline is **January 1st**.

As Always, if you have any questions about the OSRT or how to get involved, please reach out to me! I am always happy to share my experience with the Student Leadership Program and the Leadership Academy.

Abigail Murphy, CNMT

Student Director

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Students, Faculty and Alumni Celebrate National Rad Tech Week 2019



UC Blue Ash

Faculty and students celebrate NRTW with a potluck and open house.



Happy Rad Tech week



Zane State College
PIC•COLLAGE

Kent State Salem

Students and faculty bagged 690 bags of corn for a total of 3,657 pounds of fresh produce ready to be distributed for Second Harvest Food Bank!



Students, Faculty and Alumni Celebrate National Rad Tech Week 2019

Cleveland Clinic School of Diagnostic Imaging Students



Cuyahoga Community College
1st year radiography students
hosted a bake sale
"Future Wave Makers 2019"

Central Ohio Technical College: Students, Faculty & Alumni celebrate NRTW with a potluck and friendly game of quiz bowl.



OSRT 2020 Annual Meeting

Join us for the 80th Annual Meeting!

April 9-11, 2020

Columbus Doubletree - Worthington

Topics/Events Planned

- CQR and Registry Review Topics
- Patient Care
- Education
- Digital Imaging
- OSRT Business Session
- Student Quiz Bowl
- Philip W. Ballinger Student Self-Assessment Exam
- Thursday night Party
- Social Media Contests
- Plus much more!!

The 2020 Annual Meeting Committee members are very excited about planning and hosting the 2020 conference. Planning is well under way and we look forward to seeing you in April! If you have never attended the Annual Meeting, make the 2020 conference your goal. This is a fantastic way to have fun, network with other imaging professionals from around Ohio, reconnect with friends and professional colleagues, and make some new friends!!

[Terri Bruckner](#); [Christine Gialousis](#)
2020 Annual Meeting Co-chairs

From the Editors

Greetings fellow educators, technologists and students,

It seems almost unreal that this is our last issue of *Cardinal Rays* for 2019. As we prepare to enter the new year, we want to thank our dedicated members for your support and work in the profession. Do you have a topic or suggestion for the next *Cardinal Rays* edition? Please write a letter to the editors and watch for your topic in the next edition!!

We wish you a blessed Thanksgiving and holiday season with your family and friends. We are looking forward to a new year with continued growth and for our profession.

See you in 2020,

Sheryl and Whitney

[Sheryl Bacon](#)

[Whitney Reese](#)



OSRT VISION

The OSRT will be the voice of Ohio medical imaging and radiologic science professionals.

OSRT MISSION

The OSRT advocates for medical imaging and radiologic science professionals by advancing professional practice to enhance the quality of patient care.

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