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Newsletter of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists

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Topics with Tiffany

As we enter the new year together, I am excited to announce that we will begin developing the next strategic plan for the OSRT. This plan must reflect the needs and aspirations of our members, and that means we need your input! The first step is simple: please watch for an email from the OSRT inviting you to participate in a landscape survey. Your feedback will help us create a member-centric roadmap for the future.

Additionally, I encourage all current members to help grow our community by recruiting new members. Membership is just \$35 per year, and our strength in numbers is crucial—especially as we continue to combat professional encroachment in Ohio. Legislators frequently ask how many members we represent, and this number matters. We have been advocating for over five years on behalf of the 15,000 imaging and radiation therapy professionals in our state, and our fight is far from over. Join us to protect our profession and enjoy valuable member benefits, including networking opportunities, continuing education, and a strong professional voice.

Topics with Tiffany - President's Address

I am here today because of the unwavering support of so many—my colleagues, daughters, mentors, and students, so many of whom are sitting right in this very room. Their encouragement inspired me not only to join this organization but to commit myself to driving meaningful change within it.

I wanted feedback not just from myself as a board and active member, but to understand how the ORST is viewed from a broader perspective. As I began asking students what OSRT meant to them, one response stood out. A student shared, 'I've always had a drive and passion for wanting to learn more.' That phrase lingered with me—it perfectly encapsulates the spirit of curiosity and growth that OSRT inspires.

Over the past few years, I've had a disheartening realization: that for many, being part of OSRT isn't viewed as the vibrant and fulfilling opportunity it truly can be. I started asking the question, "Why are people viewing this as a formality or requirement?" Another mentioned that hearing others' stories, seeing their drive, and witnessing their commitment has reshaped how they viewed the field. This profession is not just about capturing images—it's about capturing impact, precision, and purpose. I want to honor the dedication behind building this organization, but I believe we can take it even further.

It seems that the deeper purpose of this organization—to support one another and connect through a shared passion—is often overlooked. OSRT isn't just a name or a requirement; it's a space where individuals can come together, learn from each other, and grow both professionally and personally. To be a part of something larger than themselves or their hospitals. When we recognize that, we begin to see OSRT not as an obligation, but as an opportunity—a chance to be part of something larger than ourselves, driven by curiosity, collaboration, and a commitment to excellence, and providing quality patient care.

As we envision the future of this organization, one thing is clear: meaningful progress must be shaped by the voices of our members. That's why I'm committed to bringing forward a more intentional and transparent plan—one built on the insights, experiences, and ideas shared by those who know this organization best.

Advocacy is the foundation of wellbeing, from patients to technologists' safety, to the ideas brought to the table within the OSRT. When we listen collectively, we lead collectively. And together, we can create a path forward that reflects not only where we want to go, but who we want to be. We have the opportunity to plant seeds across the healthcare landscape—not just in medical imaging here in Ohio, but nationally.

-Tiffany



OSRT PRESIDENT

Tiffany Roman

2025-2026

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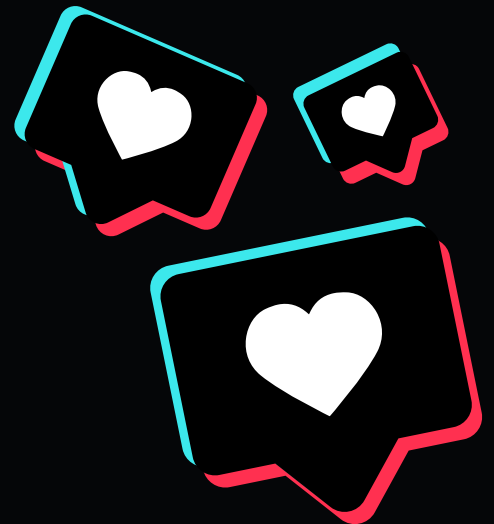


Back row (L to R): Olivia Enriquez, Kris Seitz, Andrea Tschirner, Devin Johnson, Teresa Taggart, Tammy McClish
Front row (L to R): Tiffany Roman, Andy Shappell, Becky Everetts, Shayne Caudill, Allison Stokes

THE OSRT IS NOW ON TikTok!



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FOLLOW **@THEEOSRT**
ON TIKTOK!





NATIONAL RAD TECH WEEK!



It's almost time for National Radiologic Technology Week! Celebrate with OSRT social media November 2-8, 2025. We will have daily contests, opportunities to network with other technologists, AND **PRIZES!** Anyone can comment, like, and share, but to be eligible to win, you must be a member of the OSRT. Not a member yet? Check out our membership sale on the next page!

So that you can prepare, here's some info on our daily NRTW contests:

Memory Monday – tell us about your favorite or most embarrassing memory from school or your early career.

Thoughtful Tuesday - post a thoughtful tip for students and new techs.

Wacky Wednesday - post something that you can't live without on the job/at clinical that your coworkers/classmates think is just weird.

Selfie Thursday - let's see those smiling faces! Post a selfie of you with your classmates or work crew.

Fun Fact Friday - drop some knowledge on us and share a fun fact about your (or your future) modality – the weirder the better.

Saturday - FREE CEs! OSRT members and students can join us Saturday morning for a FREE 2.0 CE credit session titled, **“The Value of Advocacy: Elevating Our Profession Through Action”**. Registration information on [page 13](#). The non-member cost is \$20. Not a member, but would like to get the free CEs? Check out the next page!



1-YEAR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP FLASH SALE!

NOW THROUGH NOV. 30!

For a limited time only, grab your 1-year active membership at a special discounted rate of \$18.95 in celebration of NRTW! Whether you're renewing or joining for the first time, this is your chance to stay connected, informed, and involved—all while saving big.

New or Rejoining Members

Complete the membership form and select a 1-year membership for the price of \$18.95.

Renewing Members

Log in to your account and complete the renewal form. Select a 1-year membership. Even if you are currently a 2-year or 3-year member, you can add 1 more year to your membership!

**The special price of \$18.95 for a 1-year active membership
is valid until November 30.***

*Offer valid for a 1-year active membership during sale dates. Not applicable to discounted dues on student, 2-year active, and 3-year active memberships.



Student Spot!

Student Cardinal Rays



Hello everyone! The past few months have been an exciting time for the OSRT! We recently wrapped up our Annual Meeting, held at the University of Cincinnati's Blue Ash Campus, and it was a fantastic event filled with collaboration and connection. Students, technologists, and educators had the opportunity to network with local vendors, connect with other members of the society, and learn from a variety of guest speakers. Topics ranged from the much-needed protection of mental health in healthcare to a fascinating trauma pathology lecture given by an interventional radiologist. The event was a great reminder of how important it is to come together as a community and support one another, from our mental health to our physical well-being.

A great opportunity I want to highlight is the ASRT Student Leadership Development Program (SLDP). As a current participant, I can say this experience has been eye-opening. I've had the privilege of attending the ASRT Annual Meeting in Reno, NV, and sitting in on House of Delegates sessions, as well as connecting with hundreds of students from across the country. These opportunities have already helped me grow both personally and professionally, and I am eager to see what the next two years in the program will bring. If leadership and professional growth interest you, I recommend you apply! Applications are now open and will close on October 31, with details available on both the OSRT and ASRT websites. If you have questions about the program or the application process, please don't hesitate to contact me at student@osrt.org. I'd be more than happy to share my experiences!

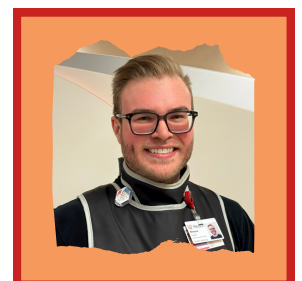
Looking ahead, mark your calendars for the Student and Educator Symposium in Columbus, April 9-10, 2026! This massive event has something for everyone, including CE credits, vendor exhibits, educator-only lectures, student lecture sessions, student and technologist pathology competition, scholarship opportunities, and the always-popular Quiz Bowl Championships! More information will be posted on osrt.org soon, including registration details and the session schedule. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, concerns, or feedback by emailing student@osrt.org or using the feedback form on the Student page of our website.

P.S. - Follow us on TikTok at @theeOSRT! We are just getting started and will be sure to provide some laughs!

Respectively,

Shayne

Shayne Caudill
Student Director
student@osrt.org





Applications for the 2026 ASRT Student to Leadership Development Program (SLDP) will be accepted until October 31. Selected students will participate in the 3-year program and learn valuable leadership skills with the ASRT and OSRT, attend the ASRT Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting (June 2026), and have excellent networking opportunities.

Students can apply directly on the [ASRT SLDP page](#)

Application requirements include:

- Currently enrolled in an accredited medical imaging or radiation therapy program.
- Current ASRT student member.
- Proof of current ASRT affiliate membership, excluding Military applicants.
- Completed application and essay.
- Signed letter of recommendation from your program director.

Selected participants receive:

- Airfare, housing, and a stipend for meals and other travel expenses.
- An educational program designed just for students.
- An insider's look into the world's largest association for medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals.
- Expanded opportunities for professional growth.
- Three years of continuing SLDP opportunities.



OSRT STUDENT DIRECTOR PROGRAM: CULTIVATING FUTURE LEADERS

The Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists (OSRT) proudly supports student professional growth through its Student Director Program. Each year, one outstanding student is selected to serve as an official voting member of the OSRT Board of Directors, reinforcing the organization's belief that students are the future of the profession – and that OSRT has a responsibility to help cultivate their leadership.

This program is open to OSRT student members in their first year of a primary imaging or therapy program. One student will be selected as a board member from April 2026 to April 2027. This period of service helps to facilitate strong relationships, a fundamental understanding of organizational operations, enhanced leadership skills, and a commitment to continued service to the profession. The selected student will also attend the OSRT Leadership Academy in June 2025.

The application period will soon open.

Foundation Corner

Happy Autumn everyone! What a wonderful season with blue skies, comfortable weather, colorful trees, and pumpkin spice everywhere you look. I hope you all enjoy this season as much as I do.

Congratulations to our 2025 Annual Meeting committee for organizing and presenting a great opportunity for continuing education in Cincinnati this year. It was wonderful to hear a variety of interesting speakers, to catch up with old friends, and make new friends!

The OSRT Education and Research Foundation (OSRTERF) has been awarding grants to deserving radiologic sciences professionals and students since 1987. At the 2025 Annual Meeting, the OSRTERF was able to award the following grants:



The Philip W. Ballinger Grant for Technologists/Therapists is funded each year by OSRT Life Member, Dr. Philip Ballinger. Dr. Ballinger is a dedicated supporter of higher education in the radiologic sciences and is also a loyal supporter of the OSRTERF. This grant is awarded to a registered Ohio technologist or therapist who is working on an advanced degree, in either a doctoral or master's program. This year the Ballinger Grant was awarded to Brandon Reisinger who is enrolled in the master's program in Medical Dosimetry at The University of Wisconsin La-Crosse.



The Ohio Radiological Society (ORS), a chapter of the American College of Radiology (ACR), is dedicated to promoting and protecting access to radiology across Ohio. This group of physicians, residents, and fellows supports the education of radiologic science professionals and their hard work by funding both a student and a technologist grant each year. The ORS Technologist Grant was awarded to Leigha Wine, who is completing a Radiation Therapy program at Kent State University-Salem.





Foundation Corner

The OSRTERF would not be able to award grants to our students and professionals without the dedicated support of our Ohio OSRT members. I would like to personally thank the OSRTERF Trustees, OSRT Board of Directors, and all those members who provided raffle prizes at the 2025 Annual Meeting. The ERF was able to raffle these donated prizes at the meeting and raised enough money to fund at least one full grant for an upcoming meeting.

There are so many deserving students and technologists in Ohio—please consider making a donation to the OSRTERF so that we can continue to provide these educational opportunities.

The OSRTERF would also like to again congratulate our new (and first!) Student Trustee. Ashton Cooper is a student at the University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College. Ashton has attended an ERF Board of Trustees meeting and participated in the ERF activities at the Annual Meeting. We are so excited to have Ashton participating on our Board of Trustees! Thanks Ashton!!

If you are a Student Member, please watch the OSRT website for ERF Grant applications. We will be awarding grants to student members at the 2026 Student and Educator Symposium (SES) in April. Also, make sure to review the Case Study Competition rules and guidelines. Selected case studies will be presented at the SES.

-Dr. Terri Bruckner
OSRTERF Board of Trustees Chair

Pay It Forward

DONATE

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

This also allows individuals to apply for the opportunity to conduct research vital to improving patient care and advancing imaging professionals. 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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STUDENT & EDUCATOR SYMPOSIUM

APRIL 9-10, 2026

The Ohioan

Lewis Center, Ohio

OSRT Student and Educator Symposium (SES) will be here before you know it, and we would love to see you there! The symposium is focused on information related to educators and students. However, all are welcome.

Student Track Highlights

- Presentations covering the four content specification areas of the ARRT Radiography certification exam
- Clinical Case Study Presentation Competition
- Online Mock Certification Exam
- Team Quiz Bowl Competition
- And yes—a party!

Students who score in the top three for their clinical case study submissions will be invited to present live at the Symposium, where final placements for first, second, and third place will be determined.

Educator Track Highlights

- A variety of presentations designed to enhance the classroom, lab, and learning environment
- Topics selected to support teaching excellence, innovation, and collaboration.
- Featured speaker, Kevin Clark, EdD, RT(R)(QM)FASRT FAEIRS, from the University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center, will present on the use of A.I. in medical imaging education.

Meet new colleagues, learn new things, and have a great time! Information and registration coming in December 2025.

EVENTS

CERTIFICATION
EXAM REVIEW



CLINICAL CASE
STUDY
PRESENTATION
COMPETITION



QUIZ BOWL
COMPETITION



EDUCATOR
TOPICS



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2025 ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

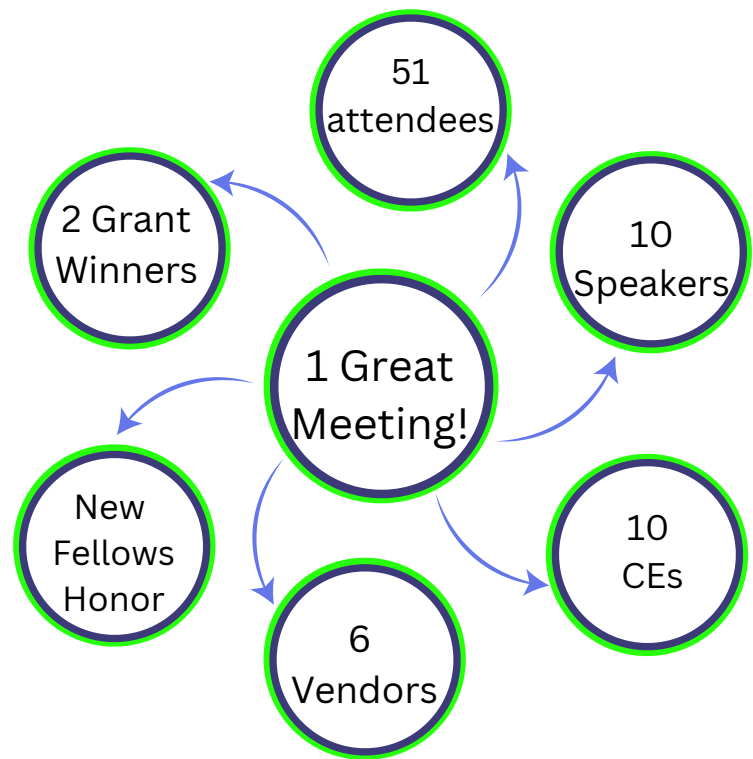
The recent Annual Meeting held at The University of Cincinnati Blue Ash College was a productive gathering featuring diverse activities and topics. Attendees had the opportunity to participate in 10 continuing education sessions, which provided valuable insight and skill enhancement across various topics. The business session included the Board of Directors Report, greetings from Dr. Heather Moore, ASRT President, and approval of the 2025-2026 Budget.

Jan Gibson, Dr. Tracy Herrmann, Linnea Hopewell, and Denise Moore were elevated to the honor of Fellow, in the OSRT's inaugural Fellow elevation.

Jan Gibson and Gloria Albrecht were recognized as Life Members. The Past Presidents Lecturer was Emma Palmer, with her presentation titled, "The Syllabus of Life".

Andy Shappell, Olivia Enriquez, and Tammy McClish were installed as new directors, and Andrea Tschirner was installed as President-elect.

Mark your calendar for next year's Annual Meeting, September 25-26, at Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital in Canton.



Call for Presentations PROPOSAL DEADLINE: FEB. 1

We are accepting presentation proposals for next year's Annual Meeting, so please consider sharing your expertise. To submit a proposal, please email the following information to osrt@osrt.org.

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

Topics should be technologist-focused and could include new technologies, working with unique populations, and general topics such as pathology, effective communication, and advocacy.

Check out the Annual Meeting pictures



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 Executive Secretary for more information or to register.

- Friday, February 20 via Zoom
- Wednesday, April 8 at The Ohioan
- Friday, July 17 via Zoom
- Thursday, September 24 at Cleveland Clinic Mercy Hospital



2026 Annual Meeting September 25-26

**Cleveland Clinic
Mercy Hospital
Canton, Ohio**

**VIRTUAL CE
SESSION!**

**Saturday,
November 8
9:00 - 11:00 am**

The Value of Advocacy: Elevating Our Profession Through Action

2.0 Category A CE credit approved by the ASRT

FREE for OSRT members and
students

\$20 for non-members

[Click here](#) or
scan to register
by Nov. 6



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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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