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Newsletter of the Ohio Society of Radiologic Technologists

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As we wrap up another incredible year, I want to take a moment to celebrate all the amazing work happening across Ohio in the world of medical imaging. You are the heartbeat of patient care—producing high-quality images, ensuring safety, and making a difference every single day. Thank you for everything you do!

Advocacy Update

We had a successful State Day at the Capitol, meeting with legislators to discuss why licensure for radiologic technologists is critical. Our message was clear: Ohio patients deserve imaging professionals who are clinically competent and educationally prepared. As we move into next year, OSRT will continue to advocate for maintaining Ohio's strong supervision laws and preventing any encroachment on our profession. Your voice matters—thank you for standing with us!

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for January 24! We're hosting a 3-hour Virtual CE Session featuring three incredible speakers:

- **Darcy Wolfman, MD:** Patient Shielding in Medical Imaging: An Update from the NCRP
- **Meg McCreight, MS, R.T.(R)(CT):** Taking X-Ray Out of This World: Our College Collaboration with NASA to Send Digital Imaging into Space
- **Julie Gill, PhD, R.T.(R)(QM) FASRT:** Why Values Matter in Career Decisions

This is a lineup you don't want to miss—education, inspiration, and maybe even a little space travel (virtually, of course)!

Save the Date – Student & Educator Symposium

We're gearing up for the 3rd Annual Student and Educator Symposium at the Ohioan Hotel and Conference Center in Lewis Center, OH (yes, that's near Columbus!). Join us April 9 & 10, 2026, for two days of learning, networking, and fun. We'll kick things off Wednesday evening with an Educators Gathering, then dive into sessions on Thursday and Friday. Students, educators, and professionals, this is your chance to connect and grow!

Looking Ahead

Strategic planning begins in January, and we need your input! Watch for our survey—your ideas will help shape OSRT's future. Together, we'll keep our profession strong and moving forward.

A Heartfelt Thank You

As 2025 comes to a close, I want to personally thank every imaging technologist in Ohio. You are frontline heroes, delivering exceptional care and quality images every day. To our volunteers, committee members, board members, and staff—your time, expertise, and passion keep OSRT thriving. Each of you makes a difference and elevates our profession.

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! Here's to a bright and prosperous 2026!



OSRT PRESIDENT

Tiffany Roman

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VIRTUAL CE SESSION

JANUARY 24, 2026

The session is through Zoom so you can attend from anywhere.
The 3-hour CE session begins at 9:00 AM Eastern Time.

PATIENT SHIELDING IN MEDICAL IMAGING: AN UPDATE FROM THE NCRP



Darcy Wolfman, M.D.

TAKING X-RAY OUT OF THIS WORLD: OUR COLLEGE COLLABORATION WITH NASA TO SEND DIGITAL IMAGING INTO SPACE



**Meg McCreight, MS,
R.T.(R)(CT)**

WHY VALUES MATTER IN CAREER DECISIONS



**Julie Gill, PhD,
R.T.(R)(QM), FASRT**

OSRT Member rate - \$ 15.00

Non-member rate - \$ 30.00

Student rate - \$ 10.00

The registration and payment deadline is January 21, 2026.

**3.0 Category A CE credits approved by the ASRT.*

Register by January 21!

Visit www.osrt.org or
scan QR code to register



ADVOCACY DAY

On October 29th, representatives from the OSRT and the organization's legislative agent, Paul Kudlak, had individual meetings with several state senators, representatives, and their staff at the Ohio Statehouse to discuss critical issues impacting patient care and the radiologic technology profession.

During these conversations, OSRT members emphasized the vital role radiologic technologists play in delivering safe, high-quality, and timely imaging and therapy services for patients across Ohio. As the recognized experts in medical imaging and radiation therapy, technologists ensure accuracy, safety, and adherence to best practices.



Special attention was given to the importance of proactive advocacy, given recent concerns about potential infringements of supervision policies and the scope of practice by non-imaging professionals, including nurse practitioners. OSRT leaders stressed that maintaining clear professional boundaries is essential to protect patient safety and uphold the integrity of imaging and therapy services.



The event reinforced OSRT's commitment to legislative engagement and its mission to safeguard radiologic technologists' standards of practice. By continuing these conversations and educational opportunities, the OSRT ensures that patient care remains in the hands of qualified professionals educated to deliver excellence.

Offices Visited

Sen. Landis (Dover)

Sen. Craig (Columbus)

Sen. Blessing (Cincinnati)

Rep. Lett (Columbus)

Rep. Holmes (Nashport)

Rep. Schmidt (Loveland)

Rep Abrams (Harrison)

Rep. Stewart (Ashville)

OSRT PROVIDES PROPONENT TESTIMONY ON HB 479

On November 19, Dr. Julie Gill provided proponent testimony on HB 479 regarding the supervision of contrast media. Read Dr. Gill's [full testimony here](#)!



STUDENT & EDUCATOR SYMPOSIUM

**APRIL
9-10,
2026**

The Ohioan Hotel & Conference Center

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 focuses on information for 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

- 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!

Check out the SES BROCHURE [here](#)!

Make your hotel reservations soon! The room rate at the Ohioan Hotel and Conference Center is \$174 + tax. Call the Ohioan at 614-880-4300 and use code 2604STUDE. Avoid third-party booking sites such as Expedia or Orbitz to ensure reservations are placed in the OSRT room block. A direct link for online booking will be available soon.

EVENTS

CERTIFICATION
EXAM REVIEW



CLINICAL CASE
STUDY
PRESENTATION
COMPETITION



QUIZ BOWL
COMPETITION



EDUCATOR
TOPICS



ONLINE MOCK
CERTIFICATION
EXAM



SES Meeting Highlights

**WED
4.8**

OSRT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**OSRT EDUCATION AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION CLINICAL
CASE STUDY PRESENTATIONS**

EDUCATOR'S GATHERING

**THURS
4.9**

CERTIFICATION EXAM REVIEW TOPICS

EDUCATOR'S AI WORKSHOP FOR CE

ROY BELL MEMORIAL EDUCATOR'S LUNCHEON

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**BALLINGER SELF-ASSESSMENT EXAM (GRADUATING
STUDENTS ONLY)**

PAJAMA PARTY

**FRI
4.10**

QUIZ BOWL COMPETITION

EDUCATIONAL CE SESSIONS

Red Cross Blood Drive @

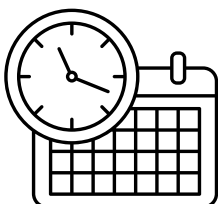
The OSRT SES!

April 9

8:00 am– 6:00 pm

Our goal is 50 pints!

**Each donor will be
entered into a
drawing for 1 of 5
gift cards!**



To Schedule Your Donation Time -
Click the link below or scan the QR Code

Redcrossblood.org

Use Sponsor Code: OSRT

but walk-ins are welcome





Student Spot!

Student Cardinal Rays



Hello Everyone, and Happy New Year! I hope you all had a happy holiday season and were able to enjoy some much needed rest and time with loved ones. As we head into the new year, it's exciting to look ahead to everything OSRT has planned for 2026 and the opportunities awaiting our students, technologists, and educators!

One event you want to keep on your radar is the Student and Educator Symposium (SES), happening April 9th and 10th, 2026, at The Ohioan Hotel and Conference Center in Lewis Center, Ohio! This symposium brings together students, technologists, educators, and sponsors for two days of learning, connection, and collaboration. Attendees can expect guest lectures, educational sessions, sponsor exhibits, and plenty of opportunities to network with professionals from across the state (and even outside of Ohio)!

Of course, the SES would not be complete without the Quiz Bowl Competition (which is always a highlight for students and a crowd favorite), the Philip Ballinger Student Self-Assessment Exam, and ARRT certification exam review sessions. We are also excited about the OSRT Education and Research Foundation Case Study Presentation competition, which gives students the chance to showcase their knowledge and compete for a cash prize! Don't forget that the OSRTERF also offers students grant opportunities.

SES is a great reminder of why coming together as a professional community matters so much. Whether you are a student just starting your journey, a technologist looking to stay engaged, or an educator supporting the next generation, SES truly has something for everyone. More details can be found on osrt.org.

Another great opportunity for first-year imaging students is the Student Director program! This wonderful program allows the selected student to be a voting member of the Board of Directors and to gain valuable insight in leadership roles. Applications will be accepted until January 31.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out with questions, ideas, or feedback via email at student@osrt.org. I'm looking forward to another exciting year and hope to see many of you in April!

Respectively,

Shayne

Shayne Caudill
Student Director
student@osrt.org



Student Spot!



MEET ASHTON THE OSRTERF STUDENT TRUSTEE



My name is Ashton Cooper, and I am a University of Cincinnati Blue Ash Student proudly serving as the first OSRTERF Student Trustee. After being introduced to the OSRT during my studies, I was drawn to their mission and values. I had a desire to get involved, explore the opportunities of membership, involvement and potentially become a board member as a student.

My passion of teaching and advocating heavily aligned with the OSRTERF, and I have been a part of the Foundation ever since. As the first student trustee, I hope to set a foundation for my successors and map out a clear vision for the position.

I also strive to shed light on potential issues that students may be facing today. Advocating for radiologic imaging students is a personal mission, which makes the OSRTERF a perfect home.

Working alongside colleagues that have similar goals gives me confidence that we can achieve anything. I am honored to be the first OSRTERF Student Trustee and look forward to serving, advocating and mentoring those who follow.



Ashton

OSRT STUDENT DIRECTOR PROGRAM: CULTIVATING FUTURE LEADERS

The OSRT is proud to invest in the future of radiologic science by supporting student professional growth through its Student Director Program. Each year, one outstanding student is chosen to serve as an official voting member of the OSRT Board of Directors, reinforcing OSRT's belief that students are the future of the profession – and that cultivating their leadership is both a privilege and a responsibility.

This unique opportunity is open to OSRT student members in their first year of a primary imaging or therapy program. The selected student will serve from April 2026 to April 2027, gaining:

- Strong professional relationships with peers and leaders
- A fundamental understanding of organizational operations
- Enhanced leadership and communication skills
- A lasting commitment to service within the profession

In addition, the Student Director will participate in the OSRT Leadership Academy on June 20, 2026, further strengthening their leadership journey.

APPLY NOW



Applications will be accepted until January 31.

2026 Leadership Academy!

- **June 20, 2026**
- Location TBD in Columbus Ohio
- 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.



Lucas Gross, M.S., R.T.(N),
NMTCB(CT), CNMT, RSO
NM Chapter Delegate Candidate



Olivia Livermore, B.S., R.T.(R)(M)
Radiography Chapter Delegate Candidate



Julie Gill, Ph.D., R.T.(R)(QM),
FASRT
QM Chapter Delegate Candidate

Feb. 10-March 3

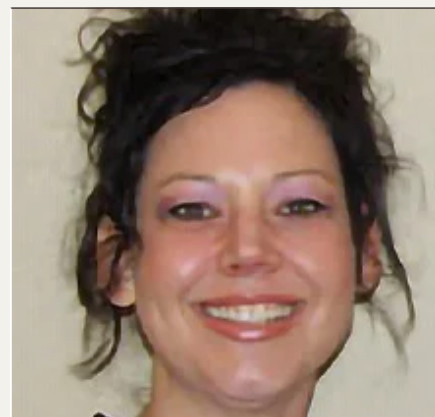
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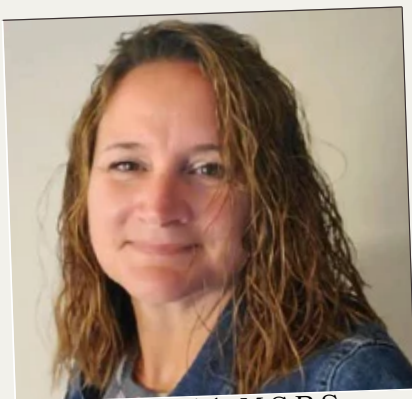
**Active and Student ASRT
members can vote!**



Melissa Machingo, MBA,
R.T.(R)(CT)
CT Chapter Delegate Candidate



Tiffany Roman, M.A.Ed., R.T.(R)
(MR)(CT)
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R.T.(R)(CT)
Education Chapter Delegate Candidate



Gary Greathouse, M.S., R.T.(R)
Management Chapter Delegate
Candidate



Teresa Taggart, M.S.,
CNMT
NM Chapter Delegate Candidate

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[ASRT Campaign Guidelines](#)



Foundation Corner

It's the start of a new year, and your OSRT Education and Research Foundation Trustees have been hard at work. We are getting ready for a fantastic year as we prepare to award student grants at the OSRT Student and Educator Symposium in April and Technologist and Therapist grants at the Annual Meeting in September. Grant awards range between \$300.00 and \$1,000.00. Last year, thanks to our generous sponsors and OSRT members, we were able to award 12 student grants and two (2) Registered Technologist/Therapist grants.

Student Grant Application

Are you interested in applying? Want more information? Each year, the OSRTERF offers at least 5 grants to OSRT Student Members. The application process is easy and only takes a few minutes. Student grants will be awarded at the 2026 Student and Educator Symposium. **The application deadline for students is March 1.**

MORE INFO



Check out the list of grants supported through the OSRTERF and get more information on the OSRT website:

- Audrey Horton Memorial Grant for Students, Technologists, or Therapists
- Dr. Phillip W. Ballinger Grant for Technologists
- W. Lee Shadle Grant for Students
- Ohio Radiological Society for Students, Technologists, or Therapists
- OSRTERF Honors Grant for Students
- OSRTERF Honors Grant for Technologists and Therapists
- OSRT Humanitarian Grant



Case Study Presentation Competition

Many of you are already working on case study projects in your educational programs. You can share your knowledge from these projects with other students and technologists by applying for the OSRTERF Case Study Presentation Competition.

MORE INFO



The initial application submission for students is due by March 1, and the top 3 applicants will be invited to present their case studies at the 2025 Student and Educator Symposium. Winners receive a cash prize!



Foundation Corner

OSRTERF Student Trustee Leadership Grant

First-year radiologic science and therapy students—Get involved in your profession by becoming a Student Trustee on the OSRTERF Board of Trustees. The Student Trustee will serve on the OSRTERF Board from June 1, 2026, until May 31, 2027 (or graduation, if earlier than May 31, 2027).

MORE INFO



The selected student will have an opportunity to develop leadership skills, expand professional relationships, and serve the profession. The selected student will also receive the \$500.00 OSRTERF Student Trustee Leadership Grant. **Applications are due by May 1.**

-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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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- September 2029 term), President-Elect, Technologist of the Year, and Life Member are now open through May 15!**

Qualification requirements, expectations, and additional information are available on the [OSRT website](#).

Candidates for Director are expected to:

- Attend the Leadership Academy, if not previously attended, on June 20
- Attend the Annual Meeting, September 24-26
- 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.

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

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

Thank you, OSRT Members!

5-year Members

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Christy Stinehelfer
Rodger Stinson
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25-year Members

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30-year Member

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40-year Members

Tracy Herrmann
Beth McCarthy

45-year Members

Linnea Hopewell
Jack Thomas

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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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