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2011 **ASRT Governance Meeting**

The American Society of Radiologic Technologists 2011 Annual Governance and House of Delegates meeting was held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on June 15-19. Delegates from the great state of Ohio made up 11 of the 150 voting delegates in attendance and 5 of those voting delegates from Ohio were either the Chairman or Vice Chairman for their Chapter! Trust me, Ohio was VERY well represented!

It was exciting to see the synergy that was created with such a strong group of professionals working together. Look on the OSRT website and the OSRT Facebook page for pictorial proof that your delegates were working hard. Here's a list of technologists from Ohio who were voting on your behalf:

Dava Smith MSRS, RT(R)(CT)(MR)- Computed Tomography Jan Gibson MEd, RT(R)-**Education Steering Committee** Vice Chairman Christine Gialousis BS. RT(R)(M)(CT)(MR)- Magnetic Resonance Steering Committee Chairman

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Jackie Turk BS RT(R)(CT)(MR)-Ohio Affiliate Delegate Gloria Albrecht, MS, RT (R) -Ohio Affiliate Delegate

Radiography Steering

Committee Chairman

One of our biggest claims to fame is our very own, Julie Gill. She served the ASRT Board of Directors as Secretary/Treasurer for 2010-2011 and was elected as Vice President for 2011-2012. We are so proud of you Julie!

The first night of the meeting was held with the traditional "pin exchange." During this meet and greet, society members exchange pins representing their home state. This is a wonderful way to make new friends and renew old friendships as well. Networking among our peers is so important and a great way to meet others from across the country! I have made several new friends and have made plans to visit them while not on official ASRT business.

This year marked the return of a CE event the day before the House of Delegates meeting. Several tracts of various interests were offered this year including Research, Management, General Topics and Student Topics. Participants could attend any of the tracts and earn up to 6 CE credits. Two of Ohio's finest Technologists presented at this event including Tricia Leggett DHEd, RT(R)(QM) and Nina Kowalczyk PhD, RT(R)(CT)(QM), FASRT. Thanks to them for providing their expertise to those in attendance, they did a great job! Two additional CE opportunities were also offered on the first day of the House of Delegates meeting.

New this year was the addition of 60 student essay winners at the meeting. Those students who submitted an essay earlier this year were awarded an allexpense paid trip to the ASRT House of Delegates meeting. I am proud to say two of them were from Ohio they were; Sarah Bleh from the University of Cincinnati, Raymond Walters College and Jessica Ladd from the Ohio State University. From what I hear, they had a great time, made a lot of new friends, learned a vast amount of information about the ASRT and the profession and are ready to return as Delegates when they are eligible! If you know of a student who may be interested in the ASRT, direct them to the ASRT website for information about next year's student essay or student intern competition. The experience will greatly enhance their outlook on the profession

This year marked the first seating of Delegates from the Registered Radiologist Assistant Chapter. The ASRT and the OSRT are in strong support of

this chapter and are working to get legislation passed to allow reimbursement for their services. This legislation would literally open opportunities for RA's seeking employment.

Next year the ASRT annual meeting will be held in Las Vegas! If you are interested in learning how you can become a Delegate at future meetings, please contact me at: heather.moore@uc.edu The OSRT Board of Directors will vote at the September meeting on the technologists who will be nominated as Delegates for the 2013 ASRT meeting. You must have been a member of your Chapter for 2 years and have served on a committee with the OSRT. If you have not yet served the OSRT, we are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to volunteer for a committee, please contact me. The time commitment can be small or large depending on what you would like to do. We are happy to accommodate anyone who expresses an interest in the OSRT. The OSRT is committed to representing the profession and all of the professionals who are part of it. We really work hard to make it better for you and for our patients! Heather Moore MEd, RT(R).



CARE Bill Update

Just a short note to update you on the status of the **CARE Bill**. Representative Whitfield from Kentucky did introduce the Bill on the Representative side of the House and it now has a bill number of **2104**. Please email your representative to help us gain support on the CARE Bill! You may do so easily by accessing the ASRT's legislative page at http://capwiz.com/asrt/home/ You may also contact me directly for your representative's personal email address at <u>llarnold@seormc.org</u> Thanks again for taking the time to CARE! Leisa Arnold, MHA, RT, (R) (M) ASRT Advocacy Committee Member

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Meet the Board

My name is Gloria Albrecht and I have been a radiographer for 32 years and an educator for over 30 years. I am currently the program director at the Cleveland Clinic School of Diagnostic Imaging. My first job out of college was at MetroHealth Medical Center, a level 1 trauma center in Cleveland, and I worked there for over 15 years and it was there that I found out how much I love being an x-ray technologist and educator! The variety of people you take care of and the excitement of never knowing what the next case might involve, has kept me interested in this field every single day. I have been blessed with a career that has never been boring and one that I continue to grow and learn from every single

Becoming increasingly involved with the OSRT & ASRT has pushed me beyond my normal comfort zone and helped me develop even more professionally. I also am a firm believer in mentoring by example and feel that if I want my students to develop professionally and become involved in professional societies, then I need to show them by example. I think professional involvement is part of our obligation to the profession and I encourage the faculty of our program to become as involved. One of the best things about becoming more involved is getting to know all of the wonderful people who work so hard for all Ohio imaging professionals at the OSRT. They are great people who also demonstrateby example the true commitment and dedication that it takes to run the OSRT.

My family has always supported me in my career, and desire to complete my bachelor's degree and then my master's degree. They also supported me in my decision to become a JRCERT site visitor and are proud of my accomplishments and involvement in the OSRT and ASRT. My family includes my husband Chris, who is also a radiographer working in the PACS department for the VA Medical Center, my son Chris who is a financial analyst for Sherwin Williams, and my daughter Leigh who is a client service administrator/analyst for Oswald Companies in Cleveland. And I can't forget our other family members, Murphy (Golden Retriever Chow mix) Annie (Golden Retriever), and our kitty Tigger. Our "grand-dogs" include Abby (Terrier/Pug mix), Lucy (German Shepard), and the newest edition to our family, Daisy, a Blue Heeler mix. Except for Annie, all of our family pets have been rescue animals, and we are committed to helping to support our animal shelters. My favorite interests include reading, traveling, and family vacations to Hilton Head Island, all dogs included!



OSRT VISION

OSRT will promote the excellence of professionals in medical imaging and radiologic science.

OSRT MISSION

Advocate for medical imaging and

radiologic science professionals by advancing professional practice and educational standards, and providing leadership in health policy.

Foundation Corner

Just a reminder that you can make a donation online to the Foundation at http://osrt.org/osrtfoundation/ 92-osrt-foundation/174aboutfoundation The OSRT Educational and Research Foundation provides funding for students and professionals engaged in education and research to promote high quality patient care. Interested parties may apply for a grant by submitting an OSRT Grant application. Your tax-exempt contributions to the OSRT Educational and Research Foundation support people in their pursuit of lifelong learning. You don't need to spend a fortune to make a difference. Every donation helps. from educating new students to helping professionals become better technologists, therapists, managers and educators. Thank you for your continued support!

NOTICE TO MEMBERSHIP

The OSRT is committed to becoming more and more environmentally responsible. One way to accomplish this is to decrease the amount of paper that we use within the society Beginning September 2011, membership renewal notification will be done via postcard. Members will then go to our website www.osrt.org to complete and submit the renewal form online. Members can use the convenient PayPal option for payment. Entering information online will also result in faster turn-around time of membership data processing. In 2012, we will be voting "ONLINE" as well as registration for the annual meeting. This is an effort to "go green" and be conscious of our environment for future generations



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