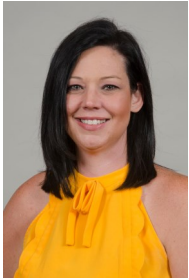




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### **Making patient interactions meaningful each time.**

I decided to dedicate my report for this issue to the importance of good patient care and meaningful patient interactions. In discussion with students and technologists from all over the United States at the ASRT House of Delegates Meeting in June, discussions taking place on the ASRT Radiography Community, and community partners in Cincinnati; the expectation for high volume and productivity in the hospital is taking precedence over the need for interactions and good patient care. The concepts of productivity and good patient care with meaningful patient interactions should not be extraneous, but synonymous.

Most of us technologists entered into the profession of medical imaging because we wanted to make a difference and to work with people. However, health care has evolved into a business. Where once there was a couple of hospitals for people to receive care; now patients have a choice, now there are urgent cares, freestanding ERs, health clinics in grocery stores, etc. in which the health care needs of the population may be met. Even as patients have more choices, technology changes, and we have the ability to increase throughput, we need to remember that we are still working with patients. Some of these individuals are experiencing a wide range of emotions and apprehension, so it is necessary to support them emotionally and through improved diagnostic quality of exams. Explaining the procedure, obtaining a patient history, offering to tie up a gown, making small talk, offering a blanket, and shielding are all examples of ways to increase the patient comfort level, decrease the stress of the procedure, and increase diagnostic quality of exams all without jeopardizing throughput. Putting the patient first and making patient care a priority also increases the likelihood that the patient will return to your facility repeatedly for their future health care needs.

In closing, meaningful interactions are not solely made by the extent of time we spend with the patient, but also by the little things we do to care for the patient while we are with them.

Tiffany Roman, OSRT President

## OSRT Was Well Represented at the ASRT Annual Meeting

Ohio was well represented this year at the American Society of Radiologic Technologists meeting on June 21st -24th in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Emma Palmer and Christine Gialousis were the voting Ohio Delegates.

Other Ohio Members in attendance were Kristin Seitz, MRI Chapter delegate; Heather Moore, Education chapter delegate; Tiffany Roman, Radiography Chapter delegate; Ryan Smith, Nuclear Medicine Chapter delegate; Jessica Bates- ASRT Student Leader; Allison Hermance-Moore- ASRT Student Leader; Nina Kowalczyk-ASRT Fellow; Tricia Leggett, inducted as newest ASRT Fellow; Deb O'Mellan, ASRT Member; and Stefanie Mazal, wife representing Jonathon Mazal-ASRT Honorary Fellow and OSRT Honorary life Member.



### Thanks to the following individuals who are actively representing Ohio well!

#### Chapter Delegates:

Nicole Douglas, Mammography Alternate Delegate  
Julie Gill, Quality Management Chairman and Delegate  
Lucas Gross, Nuclear Medicine Vice Chairman and Delegate  
Deb Meyers, Sonography Delegate  
Heather Moore, Education Alternate Delegate  
Kristin Seitz, Magnetic Resonance Imaging Delegate

#### Committees:

Tiffany Roman, Committee on RT Advocacy Member  
Ryan Smith, House of Delegates Minute Approval Committee Member  
Christine Gialousis, Practice Standards Council Magnetic Resonance Subcommittee Member  
Jacqueline Turk, Practice Standards Council (MR) Member and Subcommittee Chairman  
William Pickeral, Student Leadership Development Alumni Committee Member

#### Ohio Affiliate Delegates:

Emma Palmer, Delegate  
Christine Gialousis, Delegate  
Cindy Davis, Alternate Delegate

#### Student Leadership Development Program

Jessica Bates, Participant  
Allison Hermance-Moore, Participant

### Have you ever thought about serving as a chapter representative or officer for the ASRT House of Delegates?

If so, the ASRT is now accepting nominations for these positions. Please visit the ASRT website for more information and eligibility requirements at the following link:

<http://www.asrt.org/main/about-asrt/asrt-governance/election-criteria-and-forms>

# Congratulations Tricia!



Tricia Leggett of Bowerston, Ohio was inducted as the newest ASRT Fellow. The ceremony was live on OSRT's Facebook page, thanks to Christine Gialousis. This was a great recognition of all of the work Tricia has done so far in her profession. What an Honor!

Ohio was recognized for purchasing the most foundation raffle tickets, winning our affiliate \$700.00! Way to go Ohio!



## CALL FOR NEW MEMBERS

The knowledgeable dedicated individuals that lead our organization work very hard to make sure that our profession remain untouched by government policy. This is not possible without a supportive membership, so please spread the word to your student, technologist, professional, and education colleagues. In addition, the OSRT provides you with some of the greatest networking resources, health policy information updates, opportunities to meet other professionals, continuing education and so much more! Help us improve the advocacy power the OSRT has for our profession.



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Happy Summer! I hope you all are having a hot and adventurous summer and enjoying a little break from school. But, if you're like me and many other students who are still in the middle of their program then you are making the best of any free time you got to spend outside. Whether that be swimming, hiking, sitting by the fire, and maybe even reading for classes.

Though I know there are many students in class or clinical this summer and working very hard. I know of two others that are as well and they include the two student leaders, Haley Powell and Alison Hermance-Moore. In this edition of Cardinal Rays, one of the student leaders interviewed a fellow student in her program:

Kaitlynn Heer is a radiology student at Fortis College and participates to graduate in May of 2019. She has always been interested in the medical field but never knew what she wanted to do specifically. But, once both of her parents had cancer it really opened her eyes up to radiology. "It seemed like the perfect fit with how hands on and visual it was", says Kaitlynn. After she graduates from Fortis College in May she would love to further her studies in radiation therapy or CT. And when asked what has been her favorite experience as a student, her reply "meeting my classmates and building our own little family with each other".

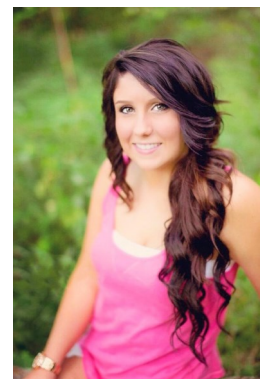


If you don't already follow The OSRT on Facebook, Twitter, and now Instagram I highly recommend doing so! It's a great way to stay updated with all the events and highlights. As a board we came together and voted upon making Jonathan Mazal an honorary OSRT member. But, soon later we came to learn the passing of such an extraordinary and selfless person that was so involved with this organization. He will be dearly missed. Also, congratulations to Kristin Seitz on her ASRT journal article, "Maximum Spatial Gradient and Implant Safety in MR Imaging"! This summer mark your calendars and spend a day with fellow RTs in Columbus to meet with our lawmakers! You still have time to pre-register on the OSRT website. If you need help you can contact me or the other student leaders at any time.

I just wanted to congratulate all the graduates this year. You all have earned it! I hope all of you have a wonderful summer and spend some time relaxing and learning. Enjoy the time off that you have and let's make this a memorable summer. If you have any questions about volunteering or becoming a member of the OSRT feel free to email me or one of the student leaders. We would love to get you involved!

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Thank you to Alison Hermance-Moore for her addition to the article.  
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### **The Foundation Corner**

The OSRTERF Silent Auction raised a total of \$937 at the 2018 Annual Meeting. The funds raised will be used for future grants and competition awards. But, it could not happen without your support! Thank you to everyone who donated a basket and/or other item for the auction. And thank you to the bidders! The OSRT membership are among the most generous people I know. They truly embrace our slogan of "Bid High and Bid Often"!

Donors and winners of auction items are listed below: Lauren Huffman, Tiffany Roman, Heather Moore, Ryan Smith, Ann Swartz, Pam Callahan, Vicki Luster, Terri Bruckner, Barbara Fertig, Deb O'Mellan, Whitney Reese, Sheryl Bacon, Jay Ball, Emma Palmer, Gail Schroeder, Deb Myers, Denise Moore, SuperTech, Gary Greathouse, Kris Seitz, Po Hu, Kelly Beadle, Folck Quest, Cierra Olberding, Donna Endicott, Kelsy Rauch, Barbara Larson, Cindy Davis, "Max" Maxwell, Cindy Parker, Jessica Brown.

Enjoy the remains of summer,

Sheryl



Thanks to you, our dedicated members, for your continued support!

Do you have a topic you would like to see included in the next edition? Send it in so others can hear your voice!

### **OSRT VISION**

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



### **OSRT MISSION**

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

We would like the membership to notify us of any members who have passed away during the last year. Any information on the technologist would be appreciated.

Please send notice to domrt62@yahoo.com.

Thanks in advance,

Deborah O'Mellan, R.T.

### **A Note from the Editor**

Hello readers!

Thanks to all of the imaging professionals who represented our state so well at the ASRT House of Delegates and Annual Meeting. As always, Ohio is small but mighty!

I hope you are enjoying your summer so far. I feel like I just blinked my eye and it is halfway through already! Enjoy the rest of what's left and be safe.

Thanks for reading! As always, I welcome feedback or suggestions for improvement.

Please feel free to contact me:  
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*Thanks!*

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*Cardinal Rays Editor*

