WYOMING SOCIETY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS



COWBOY CATHODE

Spring 2016

Presidential Address

This April, President Elect Ashleigh Ralls and I, we able to attend part of the Nebraska Society of Radiologic Technologists spring conference in Gering, Nebraska. We were joined by two LCCC students, Kevin Buck and Carolyn Spranger. I would like to say thank you to all of the members and students of the NSRT for being such wonderful hosts and I look forward to spending time with them in the future.

During our visit, we had the pleasure of listening to Linda Black talk about the accomplishments of the NSRT. It was great to hear her speak so passionately about how important it is to have affiliate societies and how they are instrumental in protecting not only our careers as imaging professionals but also setting the standard for patient care. I'm really happy that we had the opportunity to hear her speak and to talk with other members who hold our profession in such high regards.

Our trip also helped me to understand that the struggles affiliates have are shared by many of us. By working with each other we can build strength and offer help and resources to each other to ease some of the frustration.

It is easy these days to overlook the hard work that was done by the membership before us. We have become complacent and comfortable with the professional securities that were implemented before I even thought about becoming a technologist. I see all of their accomplishments and I wonder "what now?" Sure there is always the chance that some government entity will try and uproot all of our securities in the name of saving a buck, but until that happens, what more can I do? What can we do for the technologists of our state to remind them of why we are here?

There has been a recent change to the email addresses for the board members. You can now email me directly at President@WSRT.ORG. This information will be updated on the website along with the email addresses of the other board members. We want to hear from you, all of you. Not just the current membership but even if you are a technologist that is not a

member and happen to be reading this, tell us what you feel like we could do to support you in your profession. Reach out to us so we know what you are thinking. Ideas, comments, constructive criticism, it's all welcome and encouraged. For the members that have been a part of the WSRT for a long time, tell us your stories about why you have stayed involved and what lead you to becoming members.

The Spring Board meeting this year took place on April 16 at the residence of Past President David Silvey. Those in attendance were, David Silvey, Ashleigh Ralls, Danielle Opp, and Angela Foy. Due to the weather, President Jerry Rice joined the meeting via Skype.

There was extensive discussion about the Annual Conference in Cody, Wyoming. Information regarding the conference will appear elsewhere in this publication.

There was discussion about the implementation of the WSRT gift of a 1 year membership to students graduating from a Wyoming Radiography program. The board is hoping that this will encourage graduates to become members of the WSRT. A policy will be implemented at the May 4th meeting and will be available on the website for review.

The Board is happy to announce that Angela Raybuck has been appointed as interim Treasurer until elections at the Annual Conference. Angela has already offered some much needed insight and we are excited to have her on our team.

The Board chose to recess until May 4, 2016 in order to research some additional information regarding the conference and communication between the WSRT and its members. An update on additional information will be posted on the website.

Jerry Rice RT(R) WSRT President

WSRT 2016 Annual Conference Update

Location: West Park Hospital / Baker Education & Conference Center – Cody, Wyoming

Date: September 15th - 18th

It is with great enthusiasm that I am able to provide my fellow imaging technologist with the conference update for the WSRT 2016 Annual Conference. Cody has been more than welcoming to the WSRT. After the Spring Board Meeting, I returned to Cody to continue finalizing conference details. On the way I went through Torrington to visit Sam Brooks. He is doing well and sends greetings to all. I was reminded once again of how much I value his support and service but most of all his friendship through these past several years as I've tried to be of service to the WSRT in my own capacity. We will miss Sam's experience, insight and amazing outlook on the board. This being said, I would also like to welcome Angela Raybuck back to the board as Treasurer for the remainder of the term.

Upon my arrival to Cody I met with the West Park Imaging Director, Demian Kovac, who gave me a tour of the recently completed Baker Education & Conference Center and accompanying Buffalo Bistro. Demian has been most instrumental in directing my efforts in securing the conference space, audio/visual equipment, arranging for local speakers and culinary accommodations. He has been an active advocate for the WSRT at West Park Hospital and has offered his own serves as a speaker presenting on quality leadership.

In addition to the conference details I was able to secure special admission pricing for the Buffalo Bill Center of the West Museum which is located directly across the street from the West Park Hospital/Baker Education & Conference Center. Admission is \$17.00 per person good all for four days from September 15th through the 18th: approximately a 56% admission reduction. To qualify just check in at the admissions desk, tell them that you are with the "Wyoming Society of Radiologic Society" and state how many members are in your party.

Lodging accommodations:

Cody Cowboy Village.

Options: Rooms with a single King bed will run from \$155 to \$165 per night – 14 reserved, Rooms with 2 Queen beds run from \$159 to \$169 per night – 10 reserved, With our colleges in mind there are a handful of suites available that include 3 Queen beds accommodating 6 students per suite starting at \$179 per night.

These rates are available until July 31. To take advantage of the Cody Cowboy Village cabins please contact Petra by phone (307) 587-7555 or via email ccv@tctwest.net. To get the discounted pricing mention that you are affiliated with the "Wyoming Society of Radiologic Technologists".

Let's get the word out and have time well spent as the Wild West has always meant it to be.

David Silvey RT(R) WSRT Past President, Conference Chair

Current Nominees for the Upcoming WSRT Election

President Elect - Danielle Opp

Vice President - Jeannie Lane

Treasurer – Angela Raybuck

The position of Cathode Editor is also open for volunteers

Nominations for the 2016 WSRT elections is now closed

Ways and Means Committee

The Wyoming Society of Radiologic Technologist strives to elevate the status of our profession by providing education opportunities for our member as well as non-members and to promote of quality in the science and practice of radiologic technology. The Ways and Means Committee is a large part of the annual education conference. Their close involvement with sponsors and donors allows for larger opportunities for the society. If you are interested in donating contact the Ways and Means Committee at Ways&Means@wsrt.org

Vendors are also welcome at the conference. If you are interested in setting up a booth or table contact the Annual Conference Chair at Annual Conference@wsrt.org

2016 WSRT Conference Guest Speakers

Dr. Phillip W. Ballinger Ph.D., RT(R) - Keynote speaker

Professor Emeritus, Ohio State University

- "Revising Merrill's Atlas"
- "The Two Faces of Patient Care"
- "Playin' With Digital Equipment and Evaluating Exposure Indices"
- "Producing Radiation: Tubes, Circuitry and Rating Charts"

Daniel N. DeMaio M.Ed., RT(R)(CT)

University of Hartford

- "Radiation Dose: Facts, Fiction and How to Explain the Difference"
- "Dose Reduction in CT Practical Considerations for the Technologist"
- "Shielding in CT: An Update for 2016"

Julie Ostrowski RT(R), Illinois State Society of Radiologic Technologists

RT Anderson Hospital, SWIC Adjunct instructor

- "HIPAA HOOPLA" (Subject to revision)
- "Vampires and Radiology"
- "Necro-Radiology: Imaging the deceased, a Radiographers Impact"
- "Conjoined Twins: All Modality Effort"
- "Imaging Pompeii"

Additional speakers tentatively include local radiologists, imaging and medical professionals.

Demian Kovac – Leadership Presentation

Danielle Opp – Mammography Presentation

West Park HIM Director – HIPAA Presentation (Subject to revision)

Wyoming Society of Radiologic Technologists



Application For Membership

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Send application and fees to:	Wyoming Society of Radiologic Technologists PO Box 2833 Gillette, WV 82717

The WSRT is an affiliate of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists and strongly encourages its members to join the national society. Applications for membership are available on request.

Grants and Scholarships

The WSRT is proud to award educational grants and scholarships each year to deserving students and technologists

Bruce E. Johnson Memorial Grant

Available to second year and graduate students (those who have completed training within the last six months) who are members of the WSRT. Graduates must be employed in the profession or enrolled in an advanced program and proof must be provided.

Mickey Patch Scholarship

Awarded to a graduate student or RT who is pursuing their career in an advanced registry or working on any type of Continuing Education effort.

More information regarding the application process and requirements can be found at http://wsrt.org/students.html. Please note that all items required for the application to be considered must be submitted to the Education for Students chairperson by **July 1st**. Any items postmarked after the deadline and/or incomplete applications will disqualify the candidate.

Please mail applications and required forms to: Ashleigh Ralls WSRT Education for Students Chairperson PO Box 2833 Gillette, WY 82717

WSRT Scientific Paper/Exhibit Presentation Competitions

The WSRT's Annual Scientific Paper and Exhibit Presentation Competitions are a great way to be involved (and potentially earn some cash)! Don't forget these competitions are not just for students. There are two divisions: one for students and one for technologists. Applicants for both divisions must be current WSRT members.

Scientific Paper

Must be pertinent to any medical topic relevant to the radiologic sciences, between eight and fifteen (8-15) pages in length. The body/running head of the paper must contain no evidence of the author's identity. Applications must be forwarded to the Education for Student Chairperson along with an electronic copy of the paper and abstract by **July 1**st.

Scientific Exhibits

Must be pertinent to any medical topic relevant to the radiologic sciences with an accompanying written explanation of the exhibit between five and ten (5-10) pages in length. The poster may be either investigational or informational. The exhibit must be submitted to the Education for Students chairperson **as well as** the Conference chairperson by **July 1** so that proper arrangements may be made for presentation at the conference.

Guidelines and applications for both competitions can be also be found at http://wsrt.org/students.html

Applications and electronic papers for both competitions will be emailed to:

Ashleigh Ralls WSRT Education for Students Chairperson EducationforStudents@wsrt.org





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Laurel Ziegler and Carolyn Spranger Selected to Participate in ASRT Student Leadership Development Program

Ziegler and Spranger, radiologic technology students at Laramie County Community College, have been selected to participate in the American Society of Radiologic Technologists 2016 Student Leadership Development Program.

The ASRT represents more than 153,000 members who perform medical imaging procedures or plan and deliver radiation therapy treatments. The Society also provides radiologic technology students with the tools, services and support they need to prepare for careers in medical imaging and radiation therapy.

Ziegler and Spranger will receive an all-expenses-paid trip to the 2016 ASRT Educational Symposium and Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting, June 23-26, in Las Vegas, Nevada. In addition, they will attend educational courses specifically designed for students, attend the House of Delegates meetings and be assigned a professional mentor.

Ziegler and Spranger was one of 99 radiologic science students from around the country chosen to participate in the program.

"Congratulations! It is my fervent hope that this experience will mark the beginning of a long and productive relationship with your national professional organization, the ASRT," said ASRT President Sandra Hayden, M.A., R.T.(T), FASRT

For more information about the ASRT and opportunities for radiologic science students, visit www.asrt.org/students.

About ASRT

The ASRT represents more than 153,000 members who perform medical imaging procedures or plan and deliver radiation therapy. The Society is the largest radiologic science association in the world. Its mission is to advance and elevate the medical imaging and radiation therapy profession and to enhance the quality and safety of patient care.

Radiography Students Give Back

The Laramie County Community College Radiography Club recently donated \$3,000 to the Curie Fund as part of their Service Learning Project for the 2016-17 year. The Curie Fund was established in 1985 and is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting local cancer patients . The fund covers reimbursement for transportation costs and other expenses such as lodging, meals, medication, wigs and considers any other types of financial assistance. There are no overhead costs, so 100% of the donations go directly to the patients. Over the course of the past 8 years, the Laramie County Community College Radiography Club has donated \$18,100 to this fund.





Wyoming State Board Of Radiologic Technologist Examiners



REMINDER: Please renew your Wyoming State License on time!!!!! We mail out reminders---but we need correct addresses and for Technologists to renew on time. This is YOUR responsibility as a <u>Licensed</u> professional. Failure to receive notice for renewal of license from the board does not excuse a licensee from the requirement for renewal.

The board can be notified by email, written letter or phone.

Our web address is http://plboards.state.wy.us/radiology/index.asp where all information can be found pertaining to licensure and contact info.

Look for additional information about the WBRTE in future Cathode issues.

The Wyoming State Board of Radiologic Technologist Examiners (Board) would like to remind you that as <u>licensed</u> professionals, it is your responsibility to know when your license expires and the requirements for renewal of that license. The Board sends renewal notices no later than thirty (30) days prior to the license expiration date, so it is important that you update the Board office with your correct contact information. FAIL-URE TO RECEIVE NOTICE FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSE FROM THE BOARD DOES NOT EXCUSE A LICENSEE FROM THE REQUIREMENT FOR RENEWAL!

For information on renewal and other licensing requirements, or to find Board contact information, please visit our website at http://plboards.state.wy.us/radiology/index.asp.

To Submit Articles to the Cowboy Cathode

Email: editor@wsrt.org

Employment Opportunities

Invison Memorial Hospital

- •Radiology Technologist (Full time)
- •Ultrasound Technologist (Full time)

For more information and to apply visit http://www.ivinsonhospital.org/jobs/

Cheyenne Regional Medical Center

- •Interventional Radiologic Technologist (Full time)
- •Diagnostic Radiologic Technologist (PRN)

For more information and to apply visit http://cheyenneregional.org/careers/job-list/allied-health/

Campbell County Memorial Hospital

•Cardiovascular Radiology Technologist (Full Time) For more information and to apply visit http://www.cchwyo.org/Careers/

Sheridan Memorial Hospital

•Medical Imaging Technologist (PRN)
For more information and to apply visit
http://www.sheridanhospital.org/job_openings.shtml

St. John's Medical Center

- •Radiographer/CT Technologist (Full time)
- •Nuclear Medicine Technologist (Full time)

For more information and to apply visit http://sjmc.iapplicants.com/searchjobs.php

Sweetwater Memorial Hospital

- •Radiologic Technologist (Full time)
- •Ultrasound Technologist (Full time)
- •Mammography Technologist (PRN)

For more information and to apply visit https://www.sweetwatermemorial.com/HealthApp/ Jobs/default.aspx

Riverton Memorial Hospital

Radiologic Technologist (Full time, night shift) For more information and to apply visit http://sagewesthealthcare.com/careers.aspx

Looking for Adventure? Alaska is hiring!

Sitka Community Hospital

- 1. X-ray Tech/CT tech, this position is a 32hr/week. It will also require shared call afterhours. Technologist needs to be registered in both modalities.
- 2. US Tech, we are looking for proficient scanning in Abdomen, OB, Small Parts, Ltd. Vascular and Echo. The ideal candidate would additionally be ARRT certified, but is not required.

Any inquiries can be sent to scallahan@sitkahospital.org (Shannon Callahan HR)

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New developments at your hospital or clinic? Let us know!



Register to be a member of the WSRT at

http://www.wsrt.org/application.html