

### **Presidential Address**

It's been an exciting time to be a part of the WSRT. I feel so privileged to be on the board and actively involved in this great organization. First, I want to acknowledge all the members who were able to make it to our Annual Conference in Cody, WY. We had a successful meeting, where we experienced wonderful Fall weather in a beautiful town. I was impressed with the quality of our speakers and, again, felt privileged to be amongst such great minds in our field. **Dr. Philip Ballinger, Daniel DeMaio, and Julie Ostrowski** all impressed with their versatile subjects. We also had our very own **Danielle Opp** share her knowledge about breast imaging modalities. I will admit that my favorite part about attending conferences is getting to socialize with the technologists from around the state, something that technology cannot replace.

Another very exciting experience during our conference was **the unveiling of our new website.** Carolyn Spranger and Danielle Opp have worked diligently to bring our members something new. We hope that you all find it user friendly and esthetically pleasing. I want to give a shout out to Mike Lewis for his commitment and continued support as we made this transition. He is a continued asset to the Board in so many ways.

This year I hope we can freshen up the Policy and Procedure manual by including a financial section, with help from the ASRT's best practices. I would also like to work on building a structured timeline for future review of both the Bylaws and Policy and Procedures, as to help future Bylaws Committee members get started in their terms.

Like Presidents before me, I am at times overwhelmed by the responsibility, but I am finding it so rewarding to be in this position. I have such a great Board to work with and I am constantly humbled by their willingness to step up to the plate. More importantly, I am honored to be serving such a wonderfully loyal set of members who know the importance of supporting their profession by their continued involvement in this organization. Without the members we would have no voice. You all make it worth the efforts! With that being said, I would like to repeat my request from the conference and ask that we all take the opportunity to share the importance of involvement in our professional societies and continue to be advocates for the WSRT. **Membership is so vital to our success.** 

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## ASRT Student Leadership Development Program

The ASRT Student Leadership Development Program offers students a chance to get to know the ASRT, attend educational sessions, and network with medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals. Selected participants will attend the 2017 ASRT Educational Symposium and Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting, **June 22-25 in Orlando, Florida,** as well as orientation the evening of June 21.

### •Selected participants receive:

- •Airfare, housing, a stipend for meals and other travel expenses.
- •An educational program designed just for students.
- •A professional mentor assigned for the meeting.
- •An insider's look into the largest association for medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals.
- •Expanded opportunities for professional growth.

**Taken from the ASRT website**: Both 1st and 2nd year students are encouraged to take advantage of this great opportunity. If you are a student and are interested in applying for the ASRT Student Leadership Development Program, applications are due by **December 19, 2016**. For more information, please visit the ASRT website: https://www.asrt. org/events-and-conferences/student-leadership-development-program

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### **Conference Award Winners**

 Winning Paper Abstracts: 1st Place: Kacee Hansen, Runner Up: Kandace Bussell, Runner Up: Megen Medina Scientific Exhibits: 1st Place: Jacqueline Alexander, Runner Up: Jamie Preuss
Student Bowl Winners: The Rad 4- Michelle Johnson, Jamie Preuss, Cassidy Lynn, Parid Shkoza Grant Winner: Hayden Fox • Lifetime Membership Award: Angela Raybuck



Wyoming State Board of Radiologic Technologists Examiners

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The board can be notified by email, written letter or phone. Our web address is <u>http://plboards.state.wy.us/radiology/index.asp</u> 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 **licensed** 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. FAILURE TO RECEIVE NOTICE FOR RENEWAL OF LICENSE FROM THE BOARD DOES NOT EXCUSE A LICENSEE FROM THE REQUIREMENT FOR RENEWAL!

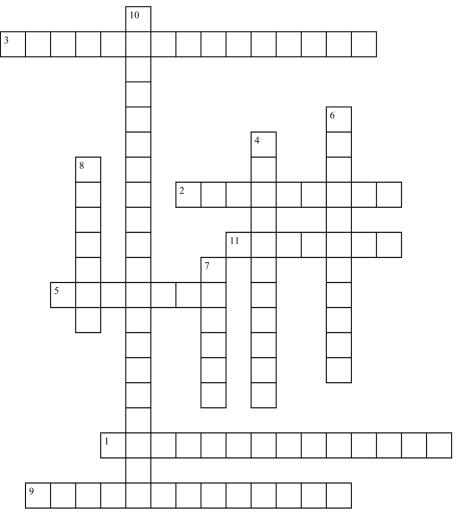
## WSRT Website News

The WSRT website has officially launched! We hope you've had a chance to see it by now, but if not, head over there! A few things to check out while you're there:

•Sign up to receive the cathode as an e-newsletter!

- •Visit the governance page to see who the current board members are or to help with a committee
- •Visit our website and facebook page during NRTW for some virtual activities (with prizes!)
- •Search for job openings or post a help wanted ad on our Job Openings page under "Rad Resources"

Here's one of the activities that will be part of a "Where's Roentgen" scavenger hunt. Get a head start by completing this crossword (save the answers for NRTW - November 6-12th - and visit the website for details!)



#### Across

- 1 Father of x-ray
- 2 Substances that cause fluorescence
- **3** Inventor of evacuated X-ray tube
- 5 X in algebraic equations
- 9 Died from x-ray exposure
- 11 Negatively charged electrode

#### Down

- 4 Developed the grid
- 6 Thomas Edison created this
- 7 Capacity to work
- **8** Where x-rays were discovered
- 10 fluorescent material used by Roentgen



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# Sign up for the e-Cathode!

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