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# From the president . . .

November, 1997

Fellow Technologists,

I can't believe my year as your president is half over. I still have some very important goals to meet and I need your help!

The 1998 Legislative Session will begin very soon. The MSRT Board of Directors has approved a bill to be offered that will require certification of "persons using ionizing radiation on human beings." The legislation will have the best chance at becoming law if we all put in just a little time lobbying for these standards. The standards set forth in this legislation will not only help ensure better patient care, they will also decrease health care costs by providing quality care in a timely manner. As we all know, an accurate diagnosis and timely treatment can not only help with the cure of some diseases, but it also decreases healing time and allows patients to get back to a "normal and productive" lifestyle more quickly!

Please give some of your valuable time to help promote this legislation. Call your District Representative to "volunteer" and help bring this legislation to LAW!

I also would like to update you on the MSRT's latest effort to keep our members "up to date" in the Continuing Education opportunities across the state. The Board of Directors and Max VanDyke are working steadily to develop the MSRT Hot Line. We also are looking into developing a video library for members and districts to use for quick and easy ECE hours. Keep watching the MSRT publications for further information.

The program chairman is working hard to ensure that the 1998 Annual Conference will be "jam packed" with continuing education at a price that can't be beat! Please be sure that you will receive a conference brochure . . . renew your membership NOW!!! Only those technologists with current MSRT memberships will receive the brochure mailing. Also, if your address has changed, notify Brenda Matthews, membership chairman, so you will remain on the mailing list.

Once again, I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve you—my peers, my fellow technologists, my fellow professionals! If there is anything I or the MSRT Board of Directors can do for you, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donita".

Donita Shipman, RT(R)(M)(QM)  
President  
27210 Highway W  
Smithton, MO 65350  
(816) 343-5376 (home)  
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# A letter to the editor . . .

November 7

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter in regards to your last newsletter dated September, 1997. I want to thank you for sending it to me to enjoy.

But, the main reason I am writing is to thank you and the entire MSRT for the opportunity you give to so many through your many scholarship funds, especially the Robert A. Feldhaus Scholarship. Ten years ago, and I can hardly believe it has been that long, I had the idea of endowing that scholarship in my father's name. I remember the meeting between myself and Barbara and Norm Hente, longtime friends of our family. I told them then and I repeat myself now that my father was a man who took education very seriously and who made sure that his daughters had the opportunity to be well-educated. I also know of his love for his profession and for the MSRT and the 4th District. It was not only his great joy, but our entire family's when he was made a life member. I could just imagine his true feelings when I was made an Honorary Member of this fine organization.

And so, on the tenth anniversary of his death and of this scholarship, I thank you all for keeping this scholarship going so that others can begin a profession that has made so many technological advances possible for the health care of our nation. My only regret is that I have not been able to be at each and every one of the presentations so that I could meet the people who have decided to dedicate their careers to so many patients. I also want to especially thank Barbara and Norm Hente for their help in getting it all started and for being the type of friends that care enough to do it.

Again, I thank you for all you do for so many . . . and, trust me, I will not forget.

Sincerely,

Karen Feldhaus



## Meet our new MSRT editor

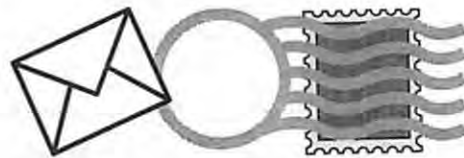
Introducing our new MSRT editor, Leslie Fields!

Leslie, 35, works in the Radiology Department at Bothwell Regional Health Center in Sedalia. She's awaiting the opening of the hospital's new cancer center, where she'll work as a radiation therapist.

Leslie has worked at Bothwell since 1983. She took an educational leave of absence to attend the School of Radiologic Technology at Nichols Career Center in Jefferson City from 1995-96. She then graduated in 1997 from the School of Radiation Therapy, Barnes-Jewish Hospital at Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology in St. Louis.

Leslie enjoys spending time with her husband, Richard, and two sons, Chad, 14, and Cory, 12. She also enjoys aerobics, doing crafts, attending stock car races, and watching her son's youth football team play.

Thanks, Leslie, for taking on this job! Glad to have you on board.



## Have you moved?

■ Has your name or address changed?

If so, please notify the MSRT membership chairman immediately so you will continue to receive your MSRT information—including *The Radiographer* and the MSRT newsletter—while they're timely! Don't be left out!

**Send any changes to:**

1997-98 Membership Director  
Brenda Matthews  
621 North Shenandoah Drive  
Columbia, MO 65201

**Or call:**

(573) 884-6063 (work)  
(573) 474-6602 (home)

# District Data . . .

## ■ District 1:

District 1 had a well-attended meeting Oct. 28. Members voted to raise technologist dues to \$15. Student dues will remain \$5. Members also decided to award a \$25 honorarium to guest speakers. The group also met Nov. 25 at Baptist Hospital.

District 1 is planning an all-day seminar Saturday, Feb. 22, and will award 6 to 8 CEs to attendees. For more information, call Mike Newsome at (816) 523-1016 (home) or (816) 276-7486 (work).

## ■ District 4:

Fourth District members met at 6 p.m. Nov. 19 at Old Incarnate Word, now called Lafayette Grand. Larry Chandler discussed "How Much is Too Much Radiation Dose?"

District 4 has a hot line number for information about upcoming meetings. Call (314) 995-1573. You also may contact Coretta Schroer for more information at (314) 355-4010.

There will be no District 4 meeting in December.

## ■ District 5:

District 5 met at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 20 at Carthage McCune Brooks Hospital. Jeff Root, RT(R), spoke on "Film Free Automation Packs."

The next District 5 meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, at Cox South in Springfield. No speaker or topic has been selected yet.

For more info, call Tracy Cramer-Copeland at (417) 269-6115.

## ■ District 6:

District 6 is planning a half-day seminar Saturday, Jan. 17, at St. Francis Hospital in Cape Girardeau.

For more information, call Deana Middleton, (573) 686-7440.

## ■ District 7:

District 7 held an extremely informative meeting Oct. 25 at Ellis Fischel on "Sexuality of Cancer Patients." A total of 21 persons attended.

For more information on future meetings, call Kay Glass at (573) 882-8644.

## ■ NOTE . . . NOTE . . . NOTE

If you did not receive this issue of *The Radiographer* at home, you will not receive the brochure for the April, 1998, Annual Conference!

Brochures for the Annual Conference will ONLY be mailed to MSRT members!!!

## ■ Remember . . .

### Share your news with friends!

If you have news of your district, please share it with your district representative, listed above! We want to know what's going on in your area.

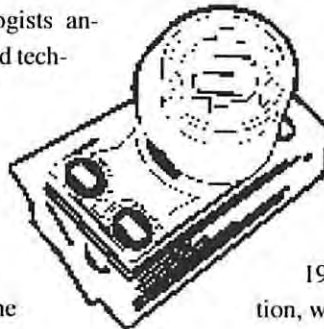
# MSRT offers scholarships for technologists

The Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists announces the availability of a scholarship for registered technologists who are continuing their professional growth through continuing education.

The MSRT is committed to advancing the art and science of the radiologic sciences and to promoting professionalism of MSRT members. The MSRT Registered Technologist Scholarship assists members who are seeking continuing education. The scholarship amount is \$500 per award.

To be eligible for consideration, the technologist must:

- Be a current member of the MSRT
- Be employed in the radiologic sciences
- Provide proof of ARRT registration



- Submit a completed application

Previous winners of the MSRT Registered Technologist Scholarship ARE eligible.

Members of the MSRT Registered Technologist Scholarship Committee are NOT eligible.

Applications must be postmarked by March 16, 1998. For further information, or to obtain an application, write or call:

Stephanie Whisler  
MSRT Senior Board Member  
(816) 942-8400, Ext. 2387 (work)

or your district representative.

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# Essay/Scientific Paper Competition Rules and Regulations

## I. AWARDS

First, second and third place and honorable mention awards will be offered in both Graduate and Student Technologist categories. Awards will be made at the discretion of the judges.

## II. ELIGIBILITY

A. **Graduate Technologist category:** Only members of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists (MSRT) are eligible to compete. Student members may be designated as co-authors if they have made a significant but secondary contribution to the work.

B. **Student Technologist category:** Only student members of the MSRT are eligible to compete. The paper must be the sole work of the student member (s).

C. Papers submitted for competition at any other state and/or national radiological or technologist meeting or which have been accepted for publication prior to the MSRT meeting are not eligible.

D. Papers must be an original with the author(s).

E. The president of the MSRT, the essay/scientific paper committee, and judges are not eligible to compete.

F. Author(s) may only submit one paper per annual competition.

## III. RULES FOR PRESENTATION OF AN ESSAY

### A. Subject Matter

1. Subject matter will be chosen by the author(s).
2. The subject matter must be pertinent to the science and/or practice of radiologic technology. For this purpose the term radiologic technology shall include all those modalities employed in the field of radiology for the diagnosis and/or treatment of disease.
3. Subject matter should be of educational and/or practical value to other technologists.

### B. Mechanics

1. All manuscripts must be sent by certified mail and shall be postmarked no later than 45 days prior to the MSRT annual meeting. The manuscript must be accompanied by an essay/scientific application. Proof of current MSRT membership or membership application and fees must also

be included.

2. Four (4) copies of the manuscript must be submitted: three (3) unidentified and one (1) identified.
3. Manuscripts must be typed and double spaced on one side of good quality white bond paper, eight and one-half inches by eleven inches (8 1/2" x 11") in size with wide margins and numbered pages securely fastened on the left side.
4. Manuscripts should be at least one thousand five hundred (1,500) words in length. Reading time should be ten to fifteen (10-15) minutes.
5. When used, references and quotes must be identified. Non-indication of references shall be construed as plagiarism. Evidence of plagiarism shall immediately disqualify the paper.
6. When used, illustrations must be incorporated into the text or may be fastened to the paper in a group at the end of the manuscript. They must be properly numbered and labeled to correspond with information in the text. Illustrations must be no larger than eight by ten (8"x10") inches. Slides may be used if appropriate. The illustrations used must not show any images or markings which could identify the author(s), patient(s), or institution in any way.

## IV. JUDGING AND AWARDING OF PRIZES

- A. Three judges will be selected by the essay/scientific paper committee chairman with the approval of the president of the MSRT.
- B. All protests regarding eligibility and/or rule violations must be lodged with the essay/scientific paper committee chairman and be resolved prior to judging. No protests will be heard after judging is complete.
- C. Awards shall be made only to those essays receiving a minimum score of seventy (70) on a scale of one hundred (100) points.
- D. First place winners shall be notified prior to the annual meeting. First place winners will have their essays published in *The Radiographer*.
- E. Awards shall be announced to the membership at the direction of the MSRT Board of Directors.
- F. Awarding of prizes shall be made at the banquet.

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# Essay/Scientific Paper Rules and Regulations . . .

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G. Judging shall use the following scale:

## Criteria

### 1. Educational Value:

- a. Contribution to higher standards.
- b. Illustration of new or unusual technology or practice.
- c. Treatment of current technology or practice so as to be better understood.
- d. Treatment of current technology or practice from an historical perspective.
- e. Value to technologists with little experience or limited facilities.

### 2. Originality

- a. Development of a new technique or idea.
- b. Improvement of existing methods or practices.
- c. Evidence of original investigative effort.
- d. Originality of essay concept.

### 3. Practical Value

- a. How well can the information illustrated be used by most technologists to which the paper applies?
- b. Ease of application under current state-of-the-art.
- c. Will the paper improve practice or standards if it is applied?

### 4. Technical Quality and Presentation

- a. Organization: Is material orderly and placed in logical sequence?
- b. Visual Material: Do images and other visual materials effectively promote understanding of the paper?
- c. Text: Is the text neat, clear, easy to read and free from errors?
- d. References: If applicable, are quotes, research results and all references properly acknowledged?
- e. Style: Is the writing style used appropriate to the content of the paper and consistent throughout?

### V. DEADLINE

All entries must be postmarked by March 11, 1998.  
*No exceptions will be made!*

## 1998 MSRT Application for Essay/Scientific Paper Competition!

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Employment or School \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Paper \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Technologist \_\_\_\_\_

■ Proof of MSRT membership required. Attach either copy of current membership card or application with enclosed fees (for ALL authors).

■ Mail manuscript (4 copies—3 unidentified and 1 identified) and proof of membership by certified mail postmarked on or before **March 11, 1998** to:

**Chairman Kristi Littleton • 3525 North River • Sugar Creek, MO 64050**

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# Scientific Poster Display Competition

## Rules and Regulations

### I. AWARDS

First, second, third place and honorable mention awards will be offered in both graduate and student technologist categories. Awards will be made at the discretion of the judges.

### II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. Graduate Technologist category: Only members of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists (MSRT) are eligible to compete. Student members may be designated as co-exhibitors if they have made a significant but secondary contribution to the work.
- B. Student Technologist category: Only student members of the MSRT are eligible to compete. The display must be the sole work of the student member(s).
- C. Displays which have previously been displayed at any other state and/or national radiological or technologist meeting will not be considered for an award. However, they may be displayed on a non-competitive basis.
- D. Displays must be an original presentation of the exhibitor(s).
- E. The president of the MSRT, the display chairman and the display judges are not eligible to compete.
- F. Material contributions by secondary sources for purposes of a display must be so noted.
- G. For displays containing commercial products, exhibitor(s) must obtain permission from the product manufacturer or vendor.
- H. Only one display entry per contestant.

### III. RULES FOR PRESENTATION OF DISPLAY

#### A. Subject Matter

1. Subject matter will be chosen by the contestant.
2. The subject matter must be pertinent to the science and/or practice of radiologic technology. For this purpose the term radiologic technology shall include all those modalities employed in the field of radiology for the diagnosis and/or treatment of disease.
3. Subject matter should be of educational and/or practical value to other technologists.

#### B. Mechanics

1. All applications for displays must be sent by **certified mail** and shall be **postmarked no later than (thirty) 30 days prior to the MSRT annual meeting. Proof of current MSRT membership or membership application and fees MUST accompany the display application.**
2. The MSRT will provide one six (6) foot by thirty (30) inch table for each display. Contestants may provide their own exhibit stands.
3. Displays submitted for competition must not show any images or any markings on either side which could identify the contestant, patients or institution in any way.
4. Exhibit space will be assigned by the display chairman. The name of the contestant and place of employment or training must be given to the display chairman before receiving permission to set up the display. A card displaying this information will be added to the display after judging is complete.
5. *NO viewboxes or any type of illuminator* will be allowed in the display area. Available room light only may be used in the display. Exhibits with viewboxes will be disqualified.
6. Displays must be set up and taken down according to the rules for the conference. Displays must be set up by 9 a.m. on the first full day of the meeting. Displays must remain on display until two (2) hours after the announcement of the winners. Displays must be down and removed from the display area by 12 p.m. NOON the day following the award of ribbons. The display chairman may grant exceptions to this rule under unusual circumstances, such as emergencies.

### IV. JUDGING AND AWARDING OF PRIZES

- A. Three judges will be selected by the display chairman with the approval of the president of the MSRT.
- B. All protests regarding eligibility and/or rule violations must be lodged with the display chairman in writing and be resolved prior to judging. No protests will be heard after judging is complete.
- C. Awards shall be made only to those displays receiving a minimum score of 65 on a scale of one hundred (100) points from the average of the judges' scores.

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# Poster Display Competition Rules . . .

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- D. Results of judging shall be made known at the direction of the MSRT Board of Directors.
- E. Awarding of prizes shall be made at the banquet.
- F. Prizes will be decided on a yearly basis by the MSRT Board of Directors.
- G. Judging shall use the following scale:

## Criteria Point Value

- 1. **Educational Value:** 0-40
  - a. Contribution to higher standards.
  - b. Illustration of new or unusual technology or practice.
  - c. Treatment of current technology or practice from a historical perspective.
  - d. Value to technologists with little experience or limited facilities.
- 2. **Originality** 0-20
  - a. Development of a new technique or idea.
  - b. Improvement of existing methods or practices.
  - c. Evidence of original investigative effort.
  - d. Originality of display concept.

- 3. **Practical Value** 0-20
  - a. Can information be used by most technologists to whom the display applies?
  - b. Ease of application under current state-of-the-art.
  - c. Will the display concept improve practice or standards as it is applied?
- 4. **Technical Quality and Presentation** 0-20
  - a. Organization: Is material orderly and placed in logical sequence?
  - b. Visual Material: Do visual materials effectively promote understanding of the display?
  - c. Text: Is the text neat, clear, easy to read and free from errors?
  - d. Esthetic appeal: Overall appearance and neatness of models, illustrations and graphics.

- V. **DEADLINE**  
Only applications sent CERTIFIED mail and postmarked by Monday, March 23, 1998, will be accepted. Applications postmarked after this date will be returned to the sender. **No exceptions will be made!**

## ■ MSRT Poster Display Application ■

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Student \_\_\_\_\_ Technologist \_\_\_\_\_

Employment or School \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Display \_\_\_\_\_

I will need a six-foot table \_\_\_\_\_ I will provide my own stand \_\_\_\_\_

Proof of MSRT membership required. Attach either copy of current membership card or application with enclosed fees (for A.I.L. contestants).

Mail application and proof of membership by certified mail postmarked on or before **Monday, March 23, 1998** to:

**Joan Hedrick • MSRT Display Chairman • 10122 West Farm Road 178 • Republic, MO 65738**

**All applications postmarked after March 23, 1998, will be returned to sender.**

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# We Need You!

## MSRT seeks qualified R.T.s for 1998-99 offices

The MSRT is looking for qualified R.T.s who are members of the MSRT to run and serve as MSRT officers in 1998-99.

The duties of the officers, and the criteria which must be met in for eligibility as an ASRT Delegate or nomination for the Mallinckrodt Award of Excellence, are listed below.

### MSRT President-Elect

■ This job requires a three-year commitment. You would serve one year as President-Elect, one year as President, and one year as a Senior Board Member.

■ You must become familiar with the bylaws of the MSRT and the ASRT, as well as parliamentary procedure.

■ You must prepare a proposed annual budget, which must be approved by the Board of Directors and then by the membership at the Annual Conference. A list of your committee appointments must be approved by the Board.

■ You must prepare an address to be given after installation as President.

■ As President, you must maintain close contact with the membership by attending as many district educational and other Society functions as possible.

### MSRT Vice-President

■ You must become familiar with the duties of the office of President and be prepared to assume the responsibilities of the President in the absence or inability of the President.

■ You must be familiar with the bylaws, standing rules, policy statements and other official documents of the MSRT. You also must become familiar with ASRT bylaws.

■ You must perform any other duties as required by the MSRT bylaws.

### MSRT Secretary

■ You must keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors, as well as the Annual Meeting. A copy of all transcribed minutes must be sent to all Board members.

■ You must keep on file all meeting minutes, committee reports, correspondence, and any other reports pertaining to the MSRT.

■ You must send meeting notifications as directed by the Board President, and answer all correspondence promptly.

### MSRT Treasurer

■ You must keep an accurate record of all monies received and disbursed during your term in office.

■ You must deposit the funds of the Society into an account in a financial institution approved by the Board of Directors.

■ You must pay all bills of the MSRT; maintain all vouchers, receipts, cancelled checks and other bank statements; and prepare quarterly, year-end and Board of Directors financial reports.

### ASRT Delegate

#### Criteria:

1. Shall be a voting member of the MSRT and the ASRT.
2. Shall have Board of Directors service within five (5) years of election.
3. Shall be available to attend all Board meetings and the Annual Meeting.
4. Shall practice at least one-half (1/2) time in the field of radiologic technology or full time in the health care field.
5. Shall show proof of continuing education.
6. Shall have served as an officer or committee chairman in the MSRT.
7. Shall be elected for a two-year term and shall be a voting member of the Board.
8. Shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms, for a total of four (4) years.

#### Duties:

1. Delegates are elected to represent the MSRT in the House of Delegates, at the Annual Conference of the ASRT.
2. Delegates shall keep the Board fully informed regarding national issues that impact on, and are of interest to, the MSRT.
3. Delegates shall attend the ASRT Annual Conference; costs will be paid for by MSRT.

### Mallinckrodt Award of Excellence

#### General Criteria:

1. The final selection will be made by the Board of Directors from candidates provided by the Executive and Nominating Committees.
2. Candidates shall have a minimum of five (5) years of consecutive and current membership in the MSRT.

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# MSRT seeks qualified R.T.s for 1998-99 offices

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3. Candidates shall be: a) a registered technologist, b) supporting members, c) other: such as a physician or other interested participant, or d) non-R.T.s who have made unusual or exceptional contributions to the Society and/or Radiologic Sciences.

4. All candidates shall have outstanding contributions to the MSRT above and beyond those normally required by the MSRT. (Example: recruiting several new members for several years.)

5. Technologist candidates for this award may have been previously honored with Life membership or invited lectureship; they may have served as officers/committee chairmen. Candidates may be considered who have not been previously honored.

## Get involved . . . join your district!

Don't miss a  
moment.  
Contract your  
district rep  
today, and  
become active!



## MEMO:

The 1999 MSRT Conference will be April 21-24, 1999, in Springfield, MO. Mark your calendars now, and plan to attend!

## Nomination Form MSRT 1998-99

Return the ballot to Coretta Schroer,  
Nomination Chairman, 627 Nirk Ave.,  
Kirkwood, MO 63122. Questions?  
Call her at (314) 822-4363 (home) or  
(314) 355-4010 (work).



You may nominate as many technologists as you choose.

President Elect

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Vice-President

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Secretary

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Treasurer

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ASRT Delegate

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Mallinckrodt Award

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All ballots must be returned by Jan. 5, 1998.

# Wanted: Your Information!

## Federal Minimum Education Standards for Radiologic Technologists

The ASRT is committed to federal minimum educational standards for all radiologic technologists. In June, the Society earmarked \$1 million for this effort, and we have begun the campaign.

In January 1998, we plan to ask Congress to amend the 1981 Consumer-Patient Radiation Health and Safety Act.

This law requires the states to establish standards for radiologic technologists. Unfortunately, the law has no enforcement mechanism, so compliance is essentially voluntary. Since the original act passed, 15 states and the District of Columbia have failed to enact any standards at all. Many other states have inadequate licensure laws.

We want Congress to give the law "teeth" and require every state to enact standards that meet or exceed the guidelines of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

Right now, we're in the data collection phase of our campaign. We are gathering information to make our case before Congress and we need your help.

■ We are looking for radiologic technologists with firsthand knowledge of cases where ionizing radiation was used inappropriately by non-registered, uneducated personnel. If you know of an instance where a patient was injured or a diagnosis was missed under such circumstances, and would be willing to testify about it, please call DuVonne Campbell or Joan Parsons at the ASRT at 1-(800)-444-2778 or (505) 298-4500, or write the ASRT Executive Department, 15000 Central Ave. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123-3917.

■ Second, we are seeking physicians and medical physicists who are willing to testify about the degree to which R.T.s work without supervision. If you know of someone, call the ASRT office.

■ We also are compiling a list of media contacts at the local, state and national levels. If you know someone who works for a television or radio station, a newspaper or magazine, who would be

## How You Can Help at Home, on the Job

The most important thing ASRT members and other radiologic technologists can do is to "give witness" to the profession. Before we can convince Congress to enforce standards for our profession, we need to educate the public about who we are.

How do you witness for radiologic technology?

■ First, introduce yourself by name to every patient you image or treat. Tell them you are a registered radiologic technologist. Ask the R.T.s you work with to do the same.

■ Spread the word away from work, too. Talk to your family, friends, neighbors and others you meet. Tell them what you do and why it's important. Tell them what the initials R.T. after your name mean, and why the person performing their imaging procedure or providing their radiation therapy treatment should be a registered radiologic technologist.

Our success will depend on everyone's efforts. Help make federal minimum standards for the radiologic sciences a reality.

willing to help publicize our campaign for federal standards, contact us.

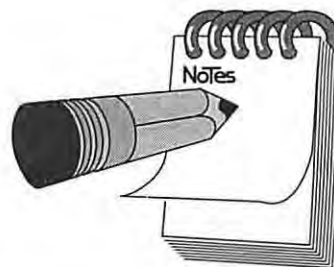
■ Finally, we are looking for political leaders and celebrities who would offer testimonials on our behalf. Write or phone us with their names, addresses and phone numbers.

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It's best for patients, and it's best for the profession.

## Remember ...

■ **April 22-25, 1998**—Plan now to join your friends and co-workers at the 1998 MSRT Annual Conference in Columbia!





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July 1, 1997 - June 30, 1998

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**Certified in:**

- Radiography
- Nuclear Medicine
- Radiation Therapy
- Sonography
- Cardiovascular-  
Interventional
- Mammography
- MRI
- CT
- Quality Management

**Position Title:**

- Staff Technologist
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- Supervisor
- Director/Education
- Instructor
- Administrator
- Chief Administrator
- Assistant Chief Administrator
- CT Technologist
- MRI Technologist
- Mammographer
- Not Employed
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Level:**

- Certificate
- Associate
- Baccalaureate  
Major \_\_\_\_\_
- Masters  
Major \_\_\_\_\_
- Doctorate  
Major \_\_\_\_\_

**Check All That Apply:**

- ASRT Member
- MSRT Member
- District Member

**Work in:**

- Hospital
- Clinic
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- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**MSRT District:** Please circle all that apply

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**STUDENT MEMBER:** Students enrolled in a training program recognized by ARRT and or of 24-month duration. This is a 2-year membership, due on or before Sept. 1. **\$20** \_\_\_\_\_

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# Profile: Barb Hente

## Newest Life Member, 1997 Mallinckrodt Award Winner

November 8, 1996

Stephanie Whisler, R.T., M.Ed.  
President, Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists  
6306 N Indiana Ave  
Kansas City, MO 64119-5030

Dear Stephanie,

I would like to recommend the elevation of Barbara W. Hente to Life Member of the Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists.

I have enclosed Barbara's curriculum vitae which details most, but not all, of her professional endeavors. I think that it is important to note that Barbara attended her first MSRT Annual Conference in 1975, and that has attended every conference since then. (That was the year that we married and though she was a research technologist in cancer biology, she accompanied me and she participated as a supporting member).

In 1978, Barbara volunteered to take on the editorship of our state Journal, a position she held for a total of ten years. This was fully three years before she began her schooling in Nuclear Medicine.

By 1980 Barbara had made such an impression on the MSRT membership that she was voted an "Honorary Radiologic Technologist Degree" which was accompanied by a certificate and her very own 'code of ethics'.

She chaired the very first Ways & Means committee in 1983 and continued to serve as Chairman until 1993, racking up 11 years of service on this one committee. On behalf of the society she developed strong ties with many of our commercial supporters. Though she no longer chairs the committee she keeps in regular contact with vendors who continue to provide prizes for the Scholarship raffle.

When Ron Bourne received his MSRT Honorary membership in, 1987, and could not be at the annual conference, Barbara later located him at a regional sales meeting of Mallinckrodt Incorporated and made the presentation to Ron before his bosses and peers.

Barbara was uniquely honored in 1995, when she received the very first R.T. (Technologist) Scholarship. She was especially recognized for her never-ending pursuit of continuing education.

Her curriculum vitae does not list them but she has lectured at the MSRT Annual Conference and at Fourth District seminars. (Also



**BARBARA HENTE**

not listed, are the numerous times that she has addressed the membership as chairman of a committee or special presenter for an honoree).

The essence of a truly dedicated professional may be distilled into the concept that such a person works not for themselves but for others. For the past 21 years that she has been associated with the MSRT, Barbara has worked at the Annual Conference Registration Desk. To my knowledge she has never been a member of that committee. For many years, Barbara has arranged for award plaques, ordering them, picking them up and transporting them to the annual conference. She has also arranged for speaker plaques and special Board of Directors honor plaques. That she is a frequent presenter of those awards on behalf of the society is most likely due to her willingness and enthusiasm for honoring her fellow technologists. All of this she has done without personal recognition of her efforts.

Today, I believe that the time has come to honor Barbara. We should do so for all of the above reasons and for those acts of kindness and help that she has rendered to so many. Though I am

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# Profile: Barb Hente . . .

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sure that not everyone in the MSRT knows Barbara, I am sure that they will before long.

Best of Regards,  
Norman L. Hente, R.T., M.S., FASRT  
Senior Board Member and Life Member

## **BARBARA W. HENTE, B.A., RT-N, CNMT**

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### EDUCATION:

- Registered CNMT(NMTGB) and RT-N(ARRT) 1982
- Nuclear Medicine Certificate, Washington University School of Medicine, Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, 1982
- Bachelor of Arts Degree, Southern Illinois University, 1975

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board  
Society of Nuclear Medicine  
Technologist Section, SNM  
St. Louis Chapter, SNM  
Missouri Valley Chapter, SNM  
American Registry of Radiologic Technologists  
American Society of Radiologic Technologists  
Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists  
Fourth District, MSRT  
Illinois State Society of Radiologic Technologists  
American Institute of Parliamentarians  
Midwest-Gateway Parliamentarians, AIP

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

#### **American Society of Radiologic Technologists**

- Region IV Nuclear Medicine Delegate, House of Delegates 1995-1997
- Member, Joint Review Committee on Nuclear Medicine Technology 1988-1992, 1992-1996, 1997-1999; • Sec.-Treas. 1991, 1992, 1993; Vice-Chairman 1994, 1995, 1996
- Region V Nuclear Medicine Delegate, House of Delegates 1988-1989, 1990-1992
- Annual Meeting Faculty, 1989, 1991

- Chairman, Nuclear Medicine Committee 1989-1990
- Member, Nuclear Medicine Committee 1982-1989
- Chairman, Scopes of Practice Committee 1992-1993
- Member, Scopes of Practice Committee 1993-1995

#### **American Registry of Radiologic Technologists**

- Technologist Member, Nuclear Medicine Task Force 1983

#### **Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists**

- Chairman, Student Bowl 1994-1997
- Chairman, Nominating Committee 1992-1993
- Senior Board Member, 1988-1990
- President and Chairman of the Board, 1987-1988
- President-Elect, 1986-1987
- Delegate to ASRT House of Delegates 1986
- Chairman, Essay and Exhibit Competitions 1985-1986
- Representative to ASRT Annual Meeting 1985, 1986
- Member, Board of Directors 1985-1986, 1995-1997
- Secretary 1984-1985
- Vice-President 1983-1984
- Chair, Nuclear Medicine Seminar, 1984, 1996
- Chairman, Ways and Means Committee 1982-1993
- Editor, *The Radiographer*, 1978-1981, 1982-1989

#### **Fourth District, Missouri Society of Radiologic Technologists**

- Scholarship Chair 1996-1997
- Board Member, 1992-1993, 1995-1997
- President and Chairman 1990-1991
- Seminar Chairman 1987-90, 1994-1996
- President-Elect 1989-1990
- Editor, *Communicator*, 1985-1987
- Vice-President 1986-1987
- District Representative to MSRT 1985-1986, 1991-1992, 1995-1997
- Senior Board Member 1985-1986, 1991-1992
- Junior Board Member 1984-1985, 1990-1991
- Chairman Exhibit and Essay Competitions 1983-1984
- Chairman Ways and Means 1981-1983
- Chairman Nominating Committee 1979-1980, 1981-1982
- Treasurer 1978-1980
- Co-Editor, newsletter, *Communicator*, 1977-1978

#### **Illinois State Society of Radiologic Technologists**

- Chairman Nuclear Medicine Seminar, Annual Meeting 1984

### CONTINUING EDUCATION:

- Evidence of Continuing Education (ECE), ASRT
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- Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety Continuing Education

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