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Theme for 2022 LSRT Midwinter Connection Fuels Progress



LSRT MIDWINTER SEMINAR

The 2022 LSRT Midwinter Seminar will be a one-day event held Saturday, March 12, 2022. From 7:30 to 5:30 PM. The event will take place on the campus of LSUA in Alexandria, Louisiana. Offering a total of 5 ASRT Cat A EC credits for Technologists, and planned Student Events for Junior & Senior level. See page 5.

TECHNOLOGIST & STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Nominations for LSRT Technologist of the Year and Student of the Year are now being accepted. For qualifications and how to make a nomination, see page 3.

JOE SCHWARTZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

Deadline to apply for the Joe Schwartz Memorial Scholarship is April 15, 2022.

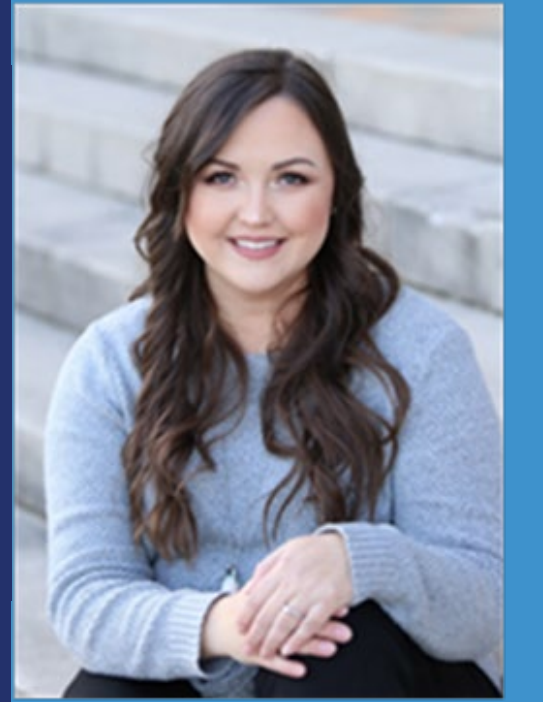
For selection guidelines and eligibility requirement and other information about the Joe Schwartz Memorial Scholarship, see page 4.

FACILITY RECOGNITION

If you would like your facility to be recognized by LSRT because the Medical Imaging or Radiation Oncology personnel are making a difference in the lives of the patients they serve, we can do that. The LSRT offer an outlet for facilities to be recognized for having outstanding personnel or state of the art imaging or therapy equipment. Your facility could be recognized in the next issue of the Focal Spot Monitor the official publication of the LSRT, and on the LSRT website. For more details go to www.lsrtnet.net, or email Susie Beasley, LSRT Historian at sbeasley@mcneese.edu for details

LSRT Offers site for Job Postings

Attention Employers and Job Seekers the LSRT has established the **LSRT Career Center** on the LSRT website at www.lsrt.net. The LSRT Career Center is an online service powered by “ymcareers®” to provide a location for: Employers to post job openings, Job Seekers to post resumes, Job seekers to review job outlook information, Education requirements, Wages, Job overviews, and other information and insights about careers. *Fees may apply*



PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REBECCA HAMM, M.ED., R.T. (R)(CT)

Last year brought many challenges for us both professionally and personally. While there will be many more over the next months, I want to first discuss the I know that each of these, however small, would not have been possible without the incredible team that is the LSRT Board and its councils, task forces, and committees. Through each persons' efforts, we have been able to give you, the members, a free virtual CE event for the first time, offer a member raffle with great prizes, and put on our own NRTW celebration through social media. I know that I had a great time seeing each of you engage through these events, and I hope that you enjoyed them as well.

As for the future, our Legislative Affairs Committee and Advocacy Task Force are working hard to make plans to successfully prevent the opening of our licensure law in Louisiana. While there is still not an official motion in play as of yet, we are told by reputable sources that there will most likely be one in the next state legislative session. Our efforts will be first and foremost, to prevent its opening, and second, to ensure that the changes go into our favor and to the benefit of medical imaging professionals in Louisiana should the law be opened. Continued growth of membership will bring forth more weight in our efforts, so please encourage your co-workers and radiology friends to join.

In less serious matters, we are making preparations for this year's LSRT conferences. The Midwinter Conference will be held at LSUA Campus this year on March 12, 2022. This event will have events for students including competitions and registry review sessions. For technologists, the event will have a total of 5 ASRT Category A credits and a VIRTUAL option should you not be available to attend in person! Please see our website, lsrt.net, and Facebook page for more details. Our Annual Conference will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Baton Rouge on July 14-16, 2022. We also have sponsorships and recruitment opportunities for your business at both events should you be interested. If you have never attended one of our events or it has been a while, give us a try! Our amazing team works so hard to make engaging and meaningful experiences for our guests.

As the start of the year begins, I hope you are blessed with time with your loved ones, wonderful memories, and safe travels. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Tech of the Year and Student of the Year nominations now being accepted

It is time for us to nominate those individuals who have gone above and beyond their daily career objectives. These individuals should be recognized for their achievements and contributions to LSRT and the Profession. These individuals deserve to be recognized and you have the power to nominate this chosen person. Nomination for the awards can be made by any LSRT Member. All nominees must be LSRT Members. All nominations will be reviewed and recipients will be selected by the LSRT Board of Directors. Any members wishing to make a nomination should submit a curriculum vitae for each nominee and a brief statement of their qualifications. ***All nominations must be received by email or USPS postmarked no later than 4/15/22***

Please submit all nominations to: Alyssa Bell, Chairman - LSRT Board of Directors, 41484 Merritt Evans Rd, Prairieville., LA 70769 or e-mail to xraygr1001@gmail.com

Selection criteria and past recipients of the award can be found on the LSRT website at www.lsrtnet.net

2022 Student BEE



Plans are under way for the 2022 LSRT Student Bee Competition. The LSRT student affairs committee tentatively plans on hosting the student bee at the 2022 LSRT Mid-Winter Seminar.

When: Saturday March 12, 2022

**Where: LSUA campus,
Alexandria, LA**

You must be registered for the seminar and be a member of LSRT to participate. Registration student badges are required at sign-in.

The questions will be taken from the Student affairs file. The references will be the same as the Quiz Bowl. The questions will be geared to Junior level students.

The questions will be read to the student by a moderator, as well as, presented on screen in a power point format. Each student will have ten seconds to begin their answer after the question has been read.

There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner. The LSRT will grant a \$200 cash prize to the school with the highest percentage of participation, in case of a tie, the schools will split the \$200 equally.

The rules for the Student Bee can be found at www.lsrtnet.net or by contacting the LSRT Student Affairs Chair.

Mary Guo, R.T. (R)

mguolsrt@gmail.com

Scholarship Available



Attention, all students and technologists who are members of the LSRT in good standing, if you have a GPA of 3.0 or above and have a need for financial assistance in pursuing your educational objective in Radiologic Science. It's time to apply for the **Joe Schwartz Memorial Scholarship**.

The application and the rules for this scholarship can be found on the official web site of the Louisiana Society of Radiologic Technologists (LSRT) at www.lsrtnet.net under the student tab and clicking on the scholarship link or by contacting *Carmen George* at lasocietyradtechs@gmail.com or by calling 1-318-235-6194 and leaving a message with a phone number or address. Written requests for the scholarship applications and rules should be addressed to the LSRT at 12521 Sherbrook Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70815. All completed scholarship applications must have a USPS postmark of no later than **May 1, 2022**.

The LSRT is very pleased to offer this scholarship in the name of one of its past presidents, **Mr. Joe Schwartz**. Joe was a life member of the LSRT and was a true professional in every aspect of the word. The LSRT wishes to remember him by offering a scholarship in his name so that others may have the opportunity to pursue the career that Joe so loved. The next Joe Schwartz Memorial Scholarship will be awarded during this year's Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge.

LSRT Life Member Nominations

Life member is the highest honor the LSRT can bestow on one of its members. Nominations for this honor can be made in writing by any LSRT member. All nominations shall be reviewed and a decision made by the LSRT Board of Directors.

Selective Criteria for Life member:

1. *Active Continuous membership in LSRT for at least 20 years,*
2. *Active participation in Society functions.*
3. *Made numerous contributions to LSRT,*
4. *Recognized for promotion of and devotion to the LSRT,*
5. *Recognized for promotion and devotion to Quality Patient Care,*
6. *Be a professional of High Ethics and Integrity.*

The nominee should not be a current member of the Board of Directors (Current President, and past two Presidents). Any member wishing to make a nomination should submit a vitae of the member nominated to:

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 41484 Merritt Evans Rd.,
 Prairieville, LA 769
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SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2022
7:30 AM – 5:30 PM
CAMPUS OF LSUA
ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA**

EARLY DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION DEADLINE
\$30 FOR TECH AND STUDENT MEMBERS REGISTERED BETWEEN
DECEMBER 18, 2021, AND FEBRUARY 12, 2022
\$40 FOR TECH AND STUDENT MEMBERS WHO REGISTER ON-SITE

GO TO WWW.LSRT.NET FOR THE FOLLOWING
OR CLICK ON THE LINKS PROVIDED BELOW

- [ONLINE REGISTRATION](#)
- [MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM](#)
- [TENTATIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM](#)

TENTATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM ON PAGES THAT FOLLOW

JUNIOR STUDENT PROGRAM

7:30 am- ONSITE Registration Opens for Students

8:00 am-8:15 am- Welcome and Program Schedule Introduction- ALL Students
(Caffey Annex Ballroom)

<p>8:15 am</p> <p>NO CE</p>	<p>Student Bee Competition (with Awards) Caffey Annex Ballroom</p> <p>All students must check-in to participate. Each student will be given an opportunity to answer questions given by the Moderator and advance with each correct answer until we have 3 places determined as winners. Participation award will be given to the program with the highest percentage of participants in the Student Bee. (2 hours)</p>
<p>10:15am</p> <p>NO CE</p>	<p>Professional Student Forum & Networking Exercise Caffey Annex Ballroom</p> <p>Providing opportunities for the students to interact from all programs while working to build communication skills, presentation skills, and educational basis for current trends. (40mins)</p>
<p>11:00am Lunch on your own- <u>ALL Junior Students</u> LSU-A Student Union Lunch Available</p>	
<p>11:45am</p> <p>NO CE</p>	<p>Current Trends & Advocacy Issues within Healthcare- (With Kahoot Quiz) Mary Guo, Chair of SAC Caffey Annex Ballroom</p>
<p>12:55pm</p> <p>NO CE</p>	<p>Studying for your Learning Style Caffey Annex Ballroom</p> <p>Interactive Look at Learning Styles and Applications of How to Best Integrate the Methods for each Learning Style (15 mins) (Handouts provided)</p>
<p>1:20pm</p> <p>NO CE</p>	<p>Interactive Critical Thinking Activity I - Patient Care & Special Considerations Focus</p> <p>Students will be placed into diverse groups and given patient care and special scenarios to work through with presentation of the “best case” action plan presented to the larger group. Additionally, this interactive activity will be helping students to build communication, critical thinking skills, and teamwork within a simulated scenario. (40 mins) Caffey Annex Ballroom</p>
<p>2:00pm-Snack Break</p>	
<p>2:20pm</p> <p>NO CE</p>	<p>Interactive Critical Thinking Activity II- Trauma & Adaptive Imaging Techniques Focus</p> <p>Students will be placed into diverse groups and given Trauma and Adaptive Imaging Techniques to work through with presentation of the “best case” action plan presented to the larger group. Additionally, this interactive activity will be helping students to build communication, critical thinking skills, and teamwork within a simulated scenario. (40 mins) Caffey Annex Ballroom</p>
<p>3:10pm</p>	<p>Why AIDET? Caffey Annex Ballroom Jessica Despino, MSRS RT(R)(MR) Angela McKnight, MSRS RT(R)(T) Assistant Professors, Northwestern State University (65 mins)(ASRT Approved for 1.25 CEs & Pending ARRT CQR Credit)</p>

4:25pm Conclusion and Prizes Given- ALL STUDENTS
(Caffey Annex Ballroom)

SENIOR STUDENT PROGRAM

7:30 am- ONSITE Registration Opens for Students

8:00am-8:15am- Welcome and Program Schedule Introduction- ALL STUDENTS
(Caffey Annex Ballroom)

8:15 am- 9:30 am	Mock Registry Assessment (100 question Exam through Google Links- Scores released at 330pm)	Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom
NO CE	Resume Submission for Review and Mock Interview Stations (Begins at 9:30am and will run through 3:30pm and use a rubric for individual feedback)	
9:35am- 10:50am	Registry Review Critical Areas: Radiation Safety Kelli Welch Haynes, Ed.D., RT(R), FASRT	Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom
	(ASRT Approved for 1.50 CEs & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)	
11:00am- 11:40am	Registry Review Critical Areas: Fundamentals of Radiographic Procedures (Part 1) Tammy Curtis, PhD, RT (R)(CT)(CHES)	Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom
	(Must complete Part 1+Part 2 for ASRT Approved for 1.75 CEs & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)	
11:40am Lunch on your own- <u>ALL Senior Students</u> LSU-A Student Union Lunch Available		
12:20pm- 1:10pm	Registry Review Critical Areas: Fundamentals of Radiographic Procedures (Part 2) Tammy Curtis, PhD, RT (R)(CT)(CHES)	Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom
	(Must complete Part 1+Part 2 for ASRT Approved for 1.75 CEs & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)	
1:20pm- 2:25pm	Registry Review Critical Areas: Patient Care Management Andy Allen, Ed.D RT (R)(ARRT)	Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom
	(ASRT Approved for 1.25 CEs & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)	
2:25pm-Snack Break		
2:40pm- 3:55pm	Registry Review Critical Areas: Image Production: Remembering the Concepts Brett Bennett, M.Ed. RT (R)(ARRT)	Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom
	(ASRT Approved for 1.50 CEs & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)	
4:05pm- 4:20pm	Post-Mock Discussion and Resources on Professional Skills: Interviewing, Resume Tips, Testing Tips, Registry Key Points and Preparation for Moving from Student to Technologist (1 provided per student in attendance)	
NO CE		

4:25pm- Conclusion and Prizes Given- ALL Students
(Caffey Annex Ballroom)

For Technologists, this program is worth a total of 6 ASRT Approved CE Credits. The Lectures are also pending ARRT CQR Credit distribution.
Provided upon request once approved through ARRT.

TECHNOLOGIST PROGRAM

8:00 am- ONSITE Registration Opens for Technologist

9:00am- 10:05am	<p>Radiology and Regulations: Connecting the Dots <i>Sarah Barnes, MBA, RT (R) (CT)</i> <i>LSUA, Assistant Professor and Clinical Coordinator</i></p> <p>Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom</p> <p><u>Lecture Description:</u> What are the rules and regulations that we need to know to be compliant with The Joint Commission and CMS? This lecture will help administrators and staff technologist become aware of what is expected of them outside of imaging of patients.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(ASRT Approved for 1.25 CE's & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)</i></p>
10:15am- 11:20am	<p>Quality Measures in Radiology <i>Devon Bloom, BS</i> <i>Radiology Partners; Group Vice President of Operations</i></p> <p>Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom</p> <p><u>Lecture Description:</u> This session will explore best practice recommendations for patient management and image utilization in radiology. Participants will gain insight into recent research guiding innovative clinical practice strategies to improve patient care and management. As technology and healthcare systems evolve to more specialized divisions, quality patient management can be challenging. Implementing strategies to enhance the clinical value chain and improve patient follow-up can transform radiology departments and optimize their ability to meet the needs of internal and external stakeholders.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(ASRT Approved for 1.25 CE's & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)</i></p>
<p>11:40am Lunch on your own LSU-A Student Union Lunch Available</p>	
12:30pm- 1:35pm	<p>A Model for Professional Development in Radiologic & Imaging Sciences <i>Elwin R Tilson, EdD, RT(R)(M)(QM)(CT), FAEIRS</i> <i>California State University, Dominguez Hills, Professor of Radiologic & Imaging Sciences</i></p> <p>Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom</p> <p><u>Lecture Description:</u> Radiologic and Imaging Science disciplines are not legally categorized as professions but are seen as technical trades. One of the issues contributing to this problem is a lack of a systematic approach to developing leaders in the profession. The model covers introducing leadership skills to students and involving them in leadership activities, developing career incentives to encourage acquisition of additional academic degrees, and collaboration among educational programs, professional societies, and health care organizations to develop early-career and mid-career professionals as leaders. Leadership skills necessary at the different stages of career development are also discussed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(ASRT Approved for 1.25 CE's & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)</i></p>
<p>1:40pm-Snack Break</p>	
1:55pm- 3:00pm	<p>X-Ray and CT: The Advancements over the Years <i>Megan Wedgeworth, MBA, RT(R)(CT)</i> <i>Northwestern State University</i></p> <p>Mulder Hall- First Floor Classroom</p> <p><u>Lecture Description:</u> Over the years we have all seen advancements in technology, from the suitcase style of a phone to having a minicomputer in our pockets. Well in the world of Radiology, things are no different. In Diagnostic Radiology, we have gone from using film and chemicals to develop an image to a computer program to produce an image. As for Computed Tomography, we have gone from a scanner imaging a bull's brain and taking 20 mins to being able to do a full body scan in less than 30 seconds.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(ASRT Approved for 1.25 CE's & Pending ARRT CQR Credits)</i></p>

Total of 5 ASRT Approved Cat A CE Credits for this program.
Lectures Also Submitted for ARRT CQR Credits- Pending Approval
Provided upon request once approved through ARRT.

ASRT Student Leadership Development

Two students from Louisiana were selected to participate in the 2022 ASRT Student Leadership and Development program. Congratulations to **Kelsey Saldana** from the Radiography program at **North Oaks Medical Center** in Hammond, Louisiana, and **Shenika Bell** from the Radiography program at **Northwestern State University** in Shreveport, Louisiana.

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2022 ANNUAL MEETING

JULY 14–16, 2022

BATON ROUGE

Renaissance Hotel