



2014 HONORARY MEMBER AWARD

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Heidi Berns received an Associate of Science degree in Radiologic Technology from the Western Wisconsin Technical Institute in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. She worked in diagnostic Radiology, including CT before she became a staff technologist in MRI at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC) in Iowa City, Iowa. For thirteen years, she was the Manager of the MRI Center at the UIHC and is currently the Administrative Director of the Radiology and Nuclear Medicine Departments at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City. Heidi earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Health Occupation Education from the University of Iowa and her Master of Science degree in Health Services Administration from the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Illinois. She has been a member of the SMRT since 1991 and actively participated as a member of the Finance Committee prior to being elected to the Policy Board in 1995. She has served as Chair of the Bylaws Committee, Awards Committee, and Nominations Committees. She has also served as Secretary and President and is a Fellow of the SMRT. Heidi is currently the chair of the Ad Hoc RCEEM Committee, which evaluates submissions for CE approval. She was the Co-chairperson of the SMRT South Central regional meeting hosted by the Iowa Chapter of the SMRT, which was held in Iowa City in 1994. She also hosted the President's Regional in Iowa City in 2001. Heidi has been active in the abstract/poster presentations at the SMRT Annual Meetings and has spoken at several state and district meetings. In a joint project of the SMRT and the American Educators in the Radiologic Sciences (AERS), Heidi contributed to the course content for the publication of the MR Curriculum Guidelines. She believes that technologist education is vital and supports the mission of the SMRT.

SMRT Honorary Member Award Recipients

2013 Greg Brown

2012 Julie Strandt-Peay

2011 John D. Wilkie

2010 William Faulkner

2009 Herbert Y. Kressel

2007 Michael Mosley

2006 Anne Marie Sawyer

2004 Emanuel Kanal

2003 Frank Shellock

2002 Carolyn Roth