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Marshall sponsors free electronic prescribing to help state doctors improve patient safety

Through a partnership in a national initiative known as National ePrescribing Patient Safety InitiativeSM (NEPSISM), Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health is offering West Virginia doctors free use of software that will let them write prescriptions electronically.

"Electronic prescribing is one of the best steps to improve patient safety, and now it will be one of the easiest as well," said Dr. Gretchen E. Oley, associate dean for clinical affairs for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. "E-prescribing is an effective way to avoid the use of duplicate drugs or adverse drug interactions, and it provides physicians with instant access to warnings about allergies and drug contraindications. It's more efficient for patients as well, because the order goes directly to the pharmacy, and the pharmacy can contact the doctor when refills are needed."

The program also can help curb the abuse of prescription medications, noted Jennifer T. Plymale, director of the Center for Rural Health.

Through the program, Marshall is providing West Virginia doctors free use of the eRX NOW[™] software developed by Allscripts, the leading provider of clinical software, information and connectivity solutions that physicians use to improve healthcare. This software already is used by more than 30,000 physicians to write millions of electronic prescriptions each year.

"Medication errors represent a significant challenge for our nation and we can and must do better by taking action – right now," said Glen Tullman, Co-Chair of NEPSI and Chief Executive Officer of Allscripts. "We welcome Marshall as our newest regional supporter and commend them for their strong commitment to this simple yet remarkable idea -- that providing free electronic prescribing for every physician will ultimately reduce errors and improve care."

In addition to providing financial support for the program in West Virginia, Marshall and the Center for Rural Health will help the state's physicians get up and running with the necessary software as needed. Physicians can find out more by going to www.wverx.com and by visiting www. nationalerx.com.

Samantha Cook Receives Award



Drs. McCarty and Cook

At the annual awards ceremony on May 3, 2007, Dr. Sarah A. McCarty, associate dean for academic affairs, presented Dr. Samantha L. Cook the Faculty Choice Award sponsored by the School of Medicine Alumni Association. This is awarded annually to the most outstanding MS-IV student as selected by the faculty. The recipient is presented a plaque and monetary award. Dr. Cook is doing a residency in pediatrics at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Marshall's med school ties for nation's top spot for graduates entering family practice

arshall University's medical school is tied for No. 1 in the nation in the percentage of medical school graduates entering family practice, according to a study in the September issue of the journal Family Medicine.

Marshall's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine shares the top spot with Florida State University. Both had 22.2 percent of their graduates enter family practice residencies in the study year (2006-07), compared to a national average of 8.5 percent.

"This number 1 ranking affirms the commitment of Marshall University's School of Medicine to educating physicians who are the front line of primary health care delivery in our nation," said Marshall University President Stephen J. Kopp, Ph.D. "Combined with the stellar medical licensure exam performance achieved by our medical school graduates each year, the MUSOM serves the State of West Virginia and our nation exceptionally well through the education of highly qualified physicians who excel in family practice and other medical specialties."

The finding represents good news for small West Virginia communities, said Dr. Robert B. Walker, who is the medical school's executive vice dean and chair of the Department of Family and Community Health.

"Most West Virginia counties have communities that rely on primary care physicians because they do not have a hospital or city where subspecialists practice," he said. "Family doctors are on the front line of our attempt to create a healthier West Virginia.

"National studies show there is an impending shortage of family doctors and other primary care physicians of monumental proportions, so we are fortunate in West Virginia that we have communities and policy makers who support the education of these physicians," he added. "We're proud of our ranking at the top, and we're grateful to Marshall for giving us the resources to achieve this ranking."

Led by Dr. Perry Pugno of the American Academy of Family Physicians, the researchers gathered data from schools that grant M.D. and D.O. (osteopathic) degrees, as well as from family medicine residency programs. The study had a 100 percent response rate.

Nationally, the percentage of students entering family practice is lower than two years ago. The researchers said that schools were more likely to have higher rates of students entering the field when the schools had departments of family medicine and were public, rather than private, schools.

As the nation's medical schools take more students to help head off a predicted shortage of doctors, a strong emphasis on family medicine remains essential, the study's authors believe. "Simply increasing the number of medical school graduates will result in a physician workforce that will continue to be inappropriately distributed to care for the needs of the nation," they said.

"An adequate pipeline of future family physicians is essential to achieving the primary care foundation needed in the U. S. health care system."

Tenth Annual MUJCESOM Golf Classic

inning the 10th annual MUJCESOM golf Classic played at Esquire Golf & Country Club are Dr. Gary Cremeans, Class of 1996, Dr. Steve Campbell, Class of 2000, Brent Shirkey and Dana Godfrey. Congratulations on a great round of golf!

Every classic has the winning team but we also have our "mega shots" team closing who came in last place. This year's "best of the worst" shot more strokes than we care to count, but each won a complimentary bucket of balls at Esquire's driving range for them to improve their games.



L to R – Dana Godfrey, Dr. Gary Cremeans, Brent Shirkey and Dr. Steve Campbell are the 2007 champs!



They might not have won at golf but these guys definitely won the best dressed (L to R) Drs. Shabbir Matcheswalla, Jeff Callard, Andy Gilliland and Jay Shepherd.



Beth "Buffy" Hammers and Linda Holmes present Dana Godfrey, Dr. Gary Cremeans, Class of 1996, and Brent Shirkey their winning Blenko water pitchers along with gift certificates from the pro shop at Esquire (not pictured, Dr. Steve Campbell, Class of 2000).



Dr. Loren Ledford, Class of 1994, a member of the 2006 winning team, shows his form at the 2007 SOM Golf Classic.



Drs. Megan Shepherd Watts, Andrea Fortunato, Elizabeth Saunders and Jay Lakhani. They are the "best of the worst" at the annual golf outing.



School of Medicine's Newest Department - Neuroscience



Dr. Bryan Payne





Dr. Anthony Alberico

Dr. Toussaint LeClercq

s part of the ongoing growth of the School of Medicine, a Department of Neuroscience has been established to better implement diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the brain and spine. This is a welcome addition to the School of Medicine, as well as to the Tri-State area. As the field of neuroscience broadens its scope, specialists now have the opportunity to closely interact with one another for the benefit of the individual patient.

The department is chaired by **Dr. Bryan Payne,** specialist in neurosurgery as well as movement disorders and brain tumors. Payne earned his medical degree from the University of Louisville. He completed a residency at Louisiana State University in New Orleans and fellowships at the University of Virginia and Emory University.

The neuroscience team also includes Anthony Alberico, M.D., professor, and Toussaint LeClercq, M.D., professor and director of spine surgery.

Alberico earned his medical degree from Temple University School of Medicine and completed his residency at the Medical College of Virginia. He specializes in neurosurgery with interests in spine disorders and brain tumors. He is certified by the American Board of Neurological Surgery and a member of the American Academy of Neurological Surgeons.

LeClercq earned his medical degree from the University of Liege in Belgium and completed residencies at the University of Wisconsin and the University of Montréal. He is certified by the American Board of Neurological Surgery and was previously a professor of neurosurgery at Louisiana State University.

Strong recruitment efforts by the School of Medicine have made it possible to bring these highly trained sub-specialists to the area, elevating the standard of patient care throughout the region. As the department expands, even more uniquely qualified physicians will be added and a neurology and neurosurgery residency program will be created.

For further information about the Marshall University Department of Neuroscience, please call (304) 691-1787.

In Memoriam



Dr. Kenneth K. Kline, Jr., Class of 1982, 52, of Lancaster, Ohio, passed away in Fort Myers, Florida, on Friday, February 29, 2008, following a courageous battle with cancer. He served for 20 years as chief of family practice for the Fairfield Medical Center in Lancaster, and then in a private healthcare clinic as clinic administrator and a family practice physician. He last served as the regional medical director for the Correctional Medical Services for the State of West Virginia.

Ken is survived by his wife, Kyra (Anders) Kline of Lancaster; sons, Patrick Kline and William Kline of Lancaster; his daughters, Katherine (Russ) Cope

of Miamisburg, Ohio, Rebecca Kline of Columbus, Ohio, and Victoria Kline of Lancaster; father, Dr. Kenneth Kerwood Kline, Sr., of Wheeling; brothers, Stevenson (Margie) Kline of Prescott Valley, Arizona, and John (Virginia) Kline of Chapel Hill, North Carolina; a sister, Elizabeth Suzanne (Henry Lafayette III) Collins of Verbank, New York; an uncle, Henry (Charlotte) Stifel of Short Hills, N.J.; and one grandchild, Raissa Cope of Miamisburg, Ohio.

At the request of the Kline family, memorial contributions may be made to The Marshall University Foundation Inc. for The MUJCESOM Class of 1982 Scholarship, and sent to the attention of Linda S. Holmes, Director, Development and Alumni Affairs, Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, 1600 Medical Center Drive, Huntington, WV 25701.

Dr. Nancy L. Haislip Craig, 58, Class of 1986, of Thornton, West Virginia, passed away April 30, 2007. Dr. Craig was a family practice physician in Grafton for more than 17 years. Surviving are her children: son, Dr. Michael David Craig of Morgantown; daughters, Mary Louise Craig of Grafton and fiancé Tony Keener of Grafton, and Sarah Virginia Craig of Thornton; her three grandchildren, Zackery Keener, Mya Louise Keener and Sydney Lee Sinclair; her two brothers, Dr. Charles "Mike" Haislip and wife Betsy Haislip of Fairmont, and Dr. Bruce Haislip and wife Maryanna Haislip of Stubenville, Ohio. Also surviving are numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Honor or remember someone special!

Let someone know you care: celebrate a life, an anniversary, birthday, graduation, job promotion or any other occasion by making a gift in his or her honor to the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

An honor gift is a thoughtful way to commemorate any event or milestone – however big or small. When your gift is received, we send a personalized card of acknowledgement to the honoree, with no monetary amount mentioned.

You can also make a gift in memory of a loved one or someone who has had a significant impact on your life. Upon receipt of this type of gift, we send a personalized card of acknowledgement to the family of the deceased, again, with no monetary amount mentioned.

For more information about making a gift, please contact Linda Holmes at (304) 691-1711 or at holmes@marshall.edu

Marshall leads the way in West Virginia in introducing electronic health records

ith the incredible explosion of technological advances in medical care in recent decades, a weak link in the chain of medical care became increasingly apparent: doctors' centuries-old reliance on paper patient records.

Over the past 3 years, doctors and other medical staff at Marshall's medical school have been engaged in a quiet technological revolution, implementing electronic health records that make patient care safer, more comprehensive and more efficient.

After 2 years of research and preparation, Marshall doctors, during the fall of 2007, began "going live" with electronic records, one or two departments at a time. As of the end of January, we had nearly 100 medical practitioners and 100 resident physicians using the electronic records; by July 2008 the remaining 150 or so physicians will be fully on board, making Marshall's physician group the largest in West Virginia to have a virtually paperless patient record and electronic prescribing system in place.

The undertaking was immense. Assuring the security of records, for example, was an absolute requirement. We're pleased to say our patients' records are protected by security measures stronger than the ones used by banks online. Thousands of hours went into selecting the best record system for our practice, customizing it to meet the needs of each specialty, and training doctors on how to use the program effectively. In addition, linkages needed to be developed to the systems of our partner hospitals.

Why have we invested this tremendous amount of time, plus the \$4.5 million to \$5 million required for the changeover? Quite simply, electronic records are the future of documentation in medicine. There is a strong national move toward getting them in place, and Marshall is proud to be a leader in implementing them in West Virginia. By Dr. Gretchen E. Oley, Class of 1982



Dr. Charles E. Meadows, Class of 1998, from the Department of Internal Medicine, juggles patient files before the transfer to EHR.

In fact, in conjunction with Marshall's transition to electronic records, our Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health is offering all West Virginia doctors free use of electronic prescribing software through a partnership in the National ePrescribing Patient Safety Initiative.

E-prescribing is one of the best steps to improve patient safety.

Since implementing it in our own practice, we have written more than 12,000 prescriptions electronically. For each of those 12,000 prescriptions, the system gave physicians proactive access to any warnings about allergies or other situations in which the drug should not be used. It gave them an effective way to avoid adverse drug interactions or duplicating a medication already prescribed by another physician. E-prescribing is easier for patients, too, since the orders go directly to the pharmacy, which can contact the doctor when refills are needed.

Electronic health records offer many other benefits for patients and doctors as well. For example:

* making it possible for patients to have one comprehensive record that all their physicians can see

- reducing unnecessary testing
- * providing doctors remarkably fast access to results from tests at local hospitals -- in some cases, doctors have the results less than an hour after writing the orders
- * giving doctors secure, instant access to patient information when they are taking calls after hours or covering for fellow physicians

With these advantages, it's easy to see why in a national survey, more than half of the people surveyed said that, other factors being equal, they would choose a physician who was using electronic health records.

Looking to the future, we hope to implement the necessary training and security steps needed to allow local emergency room physicians to access patients' records, providing instant information when every minute counts. We also plan to implement a module that allows patients to interact with our practice online --scheduling appointments, refilling prescriptions, communicating securely with doctors and nurses, and checking on insurance payments or paying bills.

Getting the electronic health records

system operational has not been a bed of roses, by any means. Despite all the planning, the walk-throughs and the dry runs, there have been glitches that we are working to address. In addition to a lot of positive feedback, there has been negative feedback as well. Our surveys show, fortunately, that satisfaction is increasing as physicians become more experienced with the system.

One of our physicians, Dr. Larry Dial, SOM Class of 1999, put it well when he wrote a year ago, "Our current system delivers a high level of service with limited resources; but with expanding work loads, teaching and documentation requirements, the current system cannot sustain itself. Implementation of Touchworks will be challenging and tiring initially, however, with continued utilization of the system the rewards will be exponentially returned."

As we near the point of having an essentially paperless system, it is my distinct opinion that the diligent work of our physicians and staff in embracing this very complex process will make Marshall a model for other academic practices as we all move forward in the health information technology world.

Congratulations to Dr. Mufson

he School of Medicine Alumni board of Association directors unanimously voted to honor Dr. Maurice A. Mufson by naming him as the Association's 2007 honorary alumnus during Investiture on May 4, 2007. Dr. Mufson is a long-time member of the School of Medicine and served as the founding chair for the department of Internal Medicine from July 1976 – June 2000. He is currently the chair emeritus. He and his wife, Diane, are generous supporters and have established the Dr. Maurice A. & Diane W. Mufson Scholarship for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine given to an entering medical student and the annual Mufson Award for an outstanding fourth-year medical student that excels in the Department of Medicine and plans a career in



Internal Medicine. Dr. Bradley J. Richardson, Class of 1993, and president of the School of Medicine Alumni Association, presented the honorary award to Dr. Mufson.

Zechary Smith first recipient of Community Leadership Scholarship



First-year medical student Zechary Smith is the first recipient of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Community Leadership Scholarship. Smith began receiving the award during the 2007-2008 school term.

A Huntington resident,

Smith was a natural for the scholarship designated for West Virginia residents "who have demonstrated exceptional leadership in character and compassion toward others through community service projects." For example, last summer Smith made his third trip to Nicaragua to help lead groups of United States volunteers who worked with residents to improve sanitation in their communities.

He has visited the inner city of Camden, N.J., as an Urban Promise volunteer four times, and has made two trips to Mississippi to aid in rebuilding after Hurricane Katrina. While a student at Alderson Broaddus College, he was a Kid Reach volunteer, coached a local soccer team, and helped with the youth group of a local church.

In an essay accompanying his application for the scholarship, Smith stated that community service should be a way of life. "It is essential for us to input ourselves into the lives of others so that we can express to them the compassion we gain from the understanding of their lives which we have been invited to share."

According to Aaron M. McGuffin, M.D., senior associate dean for medical student education, Smith epitomizes the type of medical student that is recruited to the School of Medicine. "Zechary is a compassionate, competent and caring leader who not only manages the rigors of the medical school curriculum but looks beyond to the medical community at large to see where he can make a difference," McGuffin said. "The essence of the Community Leadership Scholarship is to attract individuals to Marshall who want to reach out in love to the patients and community they serve in order to make a positive difference in their lives."

Beginning next fall, the Community Leadership Scholarship will be awarded annually to two incoming medical students, one male and one female, who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and service to their community. The scholarship is renewable annually for four years in return for a total of 50 hours of volunteer service per year in community outreach programs. This requirement was designed to address the special health care needs of West Virginians by fostering personal and professional development in the future physicians who will provide their care.

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Dr. Charles H. McKown, Jr., vice president and dean of the School of Medicine (far right), accepts a generous gift from Mr. Jonathan "Andy" and Mrs. Nancy Broh on behalf of the School of Medicine Annual Fund. Andy, a 1978 Marshall graduate, and Nancy live in Boca Raton, Fla.

Expanded University Eye Surgeons office opens at East Hills location

niversity Eye Surgeons of Marshall University's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine is expanding and moved on May 15 to the East Hills Professional Center.

Located at 5187 U.S. Route 60 East, just east of the 29th Street Exit of Interstate 64 (Exit 15), the new 10,000-square-foot stateof-the-art facility will include a laser center and a surgical suite.

University Eye Surgeons serves patients throughout southern West Virginia. Its special services include using premium intraocular lenses for cataract surgery. These lenses correct astigmatism and both distance and near vision, and they can eliminate the need for glasses after cataract surgery. The group also has the only Pentacam corneal scanner in southern West Virginia. The Pentacam uses a rotating camera to create a 3-D image of the cornea so that surgeons have the most precise details available when performing cataract or refractive surgery.

Dr. Parveen Nagra, a fellowship-trained corneal specialist who was trained at Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia, will be joining the staff in June. Her areas of focus will be corneal transplants, external disease, cataract and refractive surgery. She will be joining Dr. Charles Francis, whose focus includes comprehensive ophthalmology and refractive surgery; Dr. Michael Krasnow, the chair of the department and a fellowshiptrained glaucoma specialist whose focus includes glaucoma and cataract surgery, and Belinda Russell, O.D., whose focus includes pediatric and adult eye care.

To schedule an appointment or a referral, please call 304-691-8800.

Dr. David Hubbard guest speaker at 2007 White Coat Ceremony



Dr. David Hubbard, Class of 1989 and White Coat Ceremony speaker, and Dr. Charles H. McKown, dean and vice president of the JCESOM, congratulate first year student and Class of 2011 president, Susanna A. Kapourales. Dr. Charlotte A. Rhee, Class of 1991, provided Ms. Kapourales White Coat.

The 12th annual White Coat ceremony honoring the Class of 2011 was held at the Joan C. Edwards Center for the Performing Arts on August 10. Dr. David F. Hubbard, Class of 1989, professor and chief of the section of orthopedic trauma surgery at West Virginia University's Department of Orthopedics, was the guest speaker. As in the past, School of Medicine graduates and friends purchased white coats or book credits from the Marshall University bookstore for each first-year student. "The interest and response has been so tremendous, I was able to give each student \$100.00 in book credits" stated Linda S. Holmes, Director of Developement and Alumni Affairs.

The Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Alumni Association gratefully extends its appreciation for the generosity of the following alumni and friends who purchased white coats and book credits for the Class of 2011.

Toumas present stethoscopes to Class of 2011

A long with the white coats and book credits presented to the Class of 2011, long-time donors and loyal supporters of the school of medicine, Drs. Joseph B. and Omayma T. Touma, purchased and presented Littman Cardiology III stethoscopes to every student at the White Coat Ceremony. Dr. Joseph B. Touma said, "Omayma and I received such positive feedback from the Class of 2010 when we presented them their stethoscopes, we felt this is something that we wanted to do again and hope that some day each of them will in turn do something for an entering medical student."



Dr. Joseph Touma presenting a stethoscope at the White Coat Ceremony.

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Drs. Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, Class of 1984, Kathy L. Saber, Class of 1994, and Thomas B. Styer, Class of 1982, purchased white coats for the respective students from the Class of 2011 - Brittany L. Adams (daughter of Dr. Frederick D. Adams, Class of 1983), Neil R. Copeland and Melanie J. Jose



Committed to Learning

ri-state residents now have a convenient new location for outpatient care in internal medicine and cardiovascular services with the opening of the new clinical addition of Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health.

Located at 1249 15th Street in Huntington, the new center sits on a site close to the hearts of many Huntingtonians: the location of the historic Fairfield Stadium. With an architecture designed to complement the neighborhood that surrounds it, the building is -- in the words of School of Medicine Dean Dr. Charles H. McKown Jr., a state-of-the-art clinical setting for administering state-of-the-art clinical care.

The four-floor, 88,000-square-foot building, which opened June 4, is the home to two departments. The Department of Cardiovascular Services, in addition to its physician offices, has an outpatient diagnostic cardiovascular lab. The Department of Internal Medicine, in addition to its specialists and subspecialists, includes the Hanshaw Geriatric Center and the Marshall University Diabetes Center. For maximum patient convenience, Cabell Huntington Hospital offers satellite laboratory and X-ray services there as well.

The center, which has ample street-level parking for patients, is expected to serve 250 patients a day.

At field level, below the outpatient offices, sits a clinical teaching environment for medical students not available anywhere else in West Virginia -- and rarely available elsewhere. Marshall is one of the first medical schools to create a special teaching center designed to help medical students hone their clinical skills using volunteer "standardized patients," plus a variety of medical simulators and exam rooms equipped just like those on the floors above. The student floor



Shane Newberry and Justin Adkins, both MS-IV students, honing their clinical skills

also includes a tiered auditorium and classroom teaching space.

This new teaching space, coupled with the opening of the Robert C. Byrd Biotechnology Science Center, is allowing the school to help address a predicted national doctor shortage by increasing its class size. Through controlled expansion, the school will ultimately increase its student body by 50 percent, to about 300 students.

The center also frees up a floor of the Marshall University Medical Center, next to Cabell Huntington Hospital, for expansion of Marshall's thriving Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and the school's new Department of Neuroscience.

McKown credits the vision of Senator Byrd with making the new clinical center possible. "Certainly his interest in this center, and his success in securing the \$24 million needed to construct and equip it, were invaluable to its completion and a fitting complement to his previous support for far-sighted projects across our state.

"This project will benefit the people of our state for generations to come."

Marshall medical graduates entering pediatrics, OB at more than twice national rate

arshall University's graduating medical students learned where they will be spending the next 3 to 5 years of their medical training, and the results showed significant diversity.

The graduates are entering pediatrics and obstetrics/gynecology at more than twice the national rate, and are entering family medicine





Match day results clearly brought smiles to the faces of (L to R) Niveditha Vilasagar, Kate Williams, Noeet Elitsur and Craig Seaman (back left) and Dwight Saulle

and surgery at more than 1.5 times the national average. They also are above the national average in the percentage entering emergency medicine.

In all, 42 seniors learned their residency placements at noon on March 20 when they and their counterparts nationwide were given the envelopes containing their residency selections. Nearly 65 percent are entering the fields defined as primary care in West Virginia - family medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics/ gynecology and pediatrics - 25 percent above the national average.

Four students also learned that they were accepted for specialty programs that will begin next year in anesthesiology, diagnostic radiology and neurological surgery.

More than 40 percent of the seniors will be staying in West Virginia. Others will be spread from coast to coast at programs including Boston Children's Hospital, UCLA, Duke University, the University of Virginia, and the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

Amirah Shareef and Erica Shaver are pleased with their residencies at the Carolinas Medical Center for pediatrics and emergency medicine at West Virginia University, respectively

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Orthopaedic surgery residency training program approved at Marshall

arshall University has become one of just two United States schools since 1995 to have a first-time orthopaedic surgery residency training program approved, West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin III announced Wednesday, August 15, 2007, in Charleston.

The new program will play an essential role in meeting the health needs of West Virginians, Manchin said.

"Here in West Virginia, we have the nation's second-oldest population and more than our share of high-risk occupations, but our state lags far behind the rest of the nation in the availability of orthopaedic surgeons," he said. "As a result, our people sometimes have to travel too far or wait too long to get the services they need. Marshall's new program will bring us important new resources, and it should become a pipeline that helps supply doctors who can expand topnotch orthopedic services to underserved areas of the state."

Manchin cited a 2004 national study by the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons that showed only one state – Michigan – had a lower number of orthopaedic surgeons for each 100,000 people. West Virginia's rate was 4.5 orthopaedists per 100,000 people, compared to the national rate of 6.2.

Marshall's program will double the number of orthopaedic surgeons who can be trained in West Virginia, bringing the total to 30.

MU President Stephen J. Kopp said the program is a logical outgrowth of advances in medical education at Marshall.

"Marshall's medical school has been working diligently to complete the rigorous work required



MU President Stephen Kopp and the Honorable Joe Manchin

to earn program approval from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for our new residency program in orthopaedic surgery," Kopp said. "This new graduate medical education program will take advantage of the outstanding group of physicians assembled by the Department of Orthopaedics. Orthopaedics residents accepted into this program will experience leading-edge training in a field that has seen remarkable advances in diagnosis and treatment options. As new orthopaedic surgeons complete their training at Marshall University and Cabell Huntington Hospital, all of West Virginia will benefit, especially the rural and underserved areas of our state and region."

Kopp said the growing orthopaedic surgery program will complement the services of the new Department of Neuroscience, which offers both neurosurgery and neurology.

Dr. Ali Oliashirazi, who is chair of Marshall's Department of Orthopaedics, said the residents will be based primarily at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

"Cabell Huntington has been wonderfully helpful in making sure we have the facilities and financial backing



Dr. Ali Oliashirazi

we need to offer top-notch training," he said. "Its support was vital in making this program a reality."

He said Marshall has accepted its first residents for the training year beginning this July.

Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program Facts

- The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education has granted approval for an orthopaedic surgery residency at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. Marshall is approved to accept three students per year in the 5-year program.
- Marshall's program is one of only two new orthopaedics programs to be approved nationwide since 1995 (the other is in Detroit). The residency director will be Dr. Ali Oliashirazi, chairman of Marshall's Department of Orthopaedic Surgery.
- Marshall has recruited both Year 1 and Year 2 residents for the training year beginning July 1. Residents will do their surgical work primarily at Cabell Huntington Hospital.
- Driven in part by new and enhanced diagnostic and treatment options, there is an ever-increasing demand nationally for providing musculoskeletal training to medical students and in postgraduate medical education. Marshall's medical school has been working for the last few years to expand its instructional opportunities in orthopaedics to take advantage of the groundbreaking advances in musculoskeletal and neuromuscular medicine.
- According to figures from the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, only Michigan ranks lower than West Virginia in the number of orthopaedic surgeons for its

population: West Virginia has 4.5 orthopaedic surgeons for each 100,000 people, far below the national average of 6.2.

- Demand for orthopaedic services in West Virginia already is high because the state has a high proportion of high-risk occupations such as coal mining, timbering and rail transportation. The state also has the nation's second-oldest population, and the need for surgeons to treat age-related fractures and joint problems will continue to grow.
- West Virginia has a few larger communities that have been recognized as centers of orthopaedic services. The demand is expected to increase as more communities in the state seek to make these services available locally. The medical school anticipates that this new training program will allow us to train physicians who can help expand state-ofthe-art orthopaedics to areas that are now underserved.
- The new program also will help the medical school provide its students with cutting-edge orthopaedic training and services, helping us to continue to meet stringent credentialing and academic demands.
- The growing Department of Orthopaedic Surgery will be housed in a new and expanded office area on the ground floor of the Marshall University Medical Center next to Cabell Huntington Hospital. Also located there will be the new Department of Neuroscience, which will play a complementary role by helping patients by performing neurosurgery and providing neurological treatment. Each of these specialties is critically important in treating trauma-related injuries.

Kevin and Tammy Smith endow scholarship to assist future physicians

There are many ways physicians show compassion. One way we may not think about is when a successful physician looks back at his medical school days and thinks of the financial burden some students accrue during their studies.

Kevin S. Smith, M.D., Class of 1986, and his wife, Tammy, decided to help these students. "We saw these physicians coming out of school with this huge financial responsibility and decided to give future physicians a leg up," said Tammy. "We are fortunate enough to be able to give back in this way. And, Kevin wanted to do something special in celebration of his 50th birthday."

The Smiths are giving back by establishing The Dr. Kevin S. and Mrs. Tammy C. Smith Endowed Scholarship for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. The scholarship will go to a full-time, first-year student in the School of Medicine who has the greatest financial need and has displayed academic excellence. The Smiths would like for the award to go to a student from Logan County; however, if there is not a qualified Logan County recipient, the scholarship will go to a former athlete from West Virginia. An outof-state student athlete will be considered as a third preference. Both Smiths are from Logan.

Dr. Smith has more than 20 years of experience working in the field of pain management. Choosing this specialty was the result of a life changing experience. "While I was doing my residency at the University of Louisville, a school bus was hit by a drunk driver," Smith said. "I treated the young children and saw their pain. I continued to see patients with pain that



wasn't addressed, who not know there did treatments that were can permanently move them away from pain medication. This field also gives me more control over my professional life and is more rewarding. With this field you get to know your patients more

Dr. Smith as a medical student

than when doing anesthesia."

Dr. Smith, whose practice is Integrated Pain Specialists in San Diego, Calif., is a Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology, with a Subspecialty Certification in Pain Medicine. Dr Smith is also a Qualified Medical Evaluator with the Department of Industrial Relations.

Tammy Smith worked formerly as a national buyer for Sears. She is now the administrator for her husband's practice. The Smiths have a daughter, Gabriela, who is 10 years-old. Their Maltese, Princess, and five birds - an African Gray, a cockatoo, a love bird, and two parakeetskeep them company as well.

Scholarships may be endowed for as little as \$15,000. The donor has the opportunity to participate in establishing guidelines and in determining the name of the award. Please contact Linda S. Holmes, Director, Development and Alumni Affairs, at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, (304) 691-1711 or toll-free (877) 691-1600, ext. 1711 for more information.

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Homecoming 2007 A Lights! Camera! Action! Experience

n 2007 the School of Medicine celebrated another historic milestone when the Class of 1982 celebrated its 25-year reunion during the "Lights! Camera! Action!" Alumni Homecoming weekend, the School's 21st.

Also celebrating reunions were the Classes of 1987 (20-year reunion), 1992 (15-year reunion), 1997 (10-year reunion) and 2002 (5-year reunion).

Homecoming events included a reunion class luncheon, CME sessions, and a special celebratory dinner for the Class of 1982 at the Guyan Country Club. The dinner was followed by a reception at the Pullman Plaza Hotel with music by DJ Kevin Simpson. Tours of the MU Medical Center, the Robert C. Byrd Biotechnology Science Center, the Edwards Comprehensive Cancer Center and the new Byrd Clinical Center showcased the recent growth of the school.

A tailgate party at "The Thunder Zone" prior to the MU vs. New Hampshire game provided an opportunity for everyone to kick back and relax.

The Class of 1982 Celebrated its 25-year reunion



Dr. Donald L Chaffin, Jr.



Dr. Elizabeth "Beth" F. Kemp



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Class of 1982 - 25-year Reunion (front row L to R) Drs. Charles H. McKown, Jr., dean and vice president School of Medicine; Gretchen E. Oley; Robert B. Hayes, president emeritus Marshall University; Robert W. Coon, former dean of the School of Medicine; Joseph E. Evans; Kim M. Jordan-DeAndrade (*back row L to R*) Drs. Curtis A. Winter, Ron D. Stollings, Elizabeth "Beth" F. Kemp, Kenneth K. Kline, Rose Anne Goodwin, Thomas B. Styer, Michael E. Kilkenny, Donald L. Chaffin, Jr.



Class of 1997 - 10-year Reunion (Front row L to R) Drs. R. Trenor Williams, Matt W. Lambert, Teresa A. Duncan, Charles "Chuck" W. Clements, (back row L to R) Drs. Ishmael "Ish" W. Stevens, R. Tony Aprea, Jay T. Naegele, Nimish K. Mehta



Class of 1992 - 15-year Reunion (front row L to R) Drs. Janet Nease Wallace, Tina H. Sias, Kimberly A. Burgess (back row L to R) Drs. Drema K. Hunt, Ruth E. Baldridge



Class of 2002 – 5-year Reunion Front row (L to R) Drs. Christopher "Chris" S. Goode, Christine L. Jones, Steven "Steve" C. Lochow, class president Back row (L to R) Drs. Kevin M. Milam, J oseph "Joey" M. Hahn, Prakash "Prak" Valiveti, Jeremy L. Warner





Drs. Gretchen E. Oley & Ron D. Stollings, both Class of 1982, enjoying the 25-year reunion dinner at Guyan Golf & Country Club. Also pictured is Dr. Stollings' guest, Helen Matheny.

Homecoming 2007



Dr. Sarah A. McCarty, associate dean for academic affairs, describes the clinical skills lab to (left to right) Drs. F. Elizabeth "Beth" Kemp, Class of 1982; Rose Anne Goodwin, Class of 1982; Thomas "Tom" B. Styer, Class of 1982; Gary W. Procop, Class of 1992; and Joseph "Joe" E. Evans, Class of 1982



Two alums celebrating reunions and dancing the night away - Janet Nease Wallace, Class of 1992 – 15-year reunion, and Kevin M. Milam, Class of 2002 – 5-year reunion



Dr. Michael "Mike" E. Kilkenny, Class of 1982, and wife Delfina celebrating his 25-year reunion at the Friday night reception



Visiting at their 10-year reunion are Drs. R. Trenor Williams and Ishmael "Ish" W. Stevens, both Class of 1997



Dr. Mark F. Sheridan, Class of 1987 and past president of the Alumni Association, and daughter Katia at the homecoming tailgate party

A Lights! Camera! Action! Experience



Dr. Donald "Don" L. Chaffin, Class of 1982, is definitely the thorn between the two roses, wife Liz (left) and sister Jeane Chaffin at the Friday night reception



Drs. Joseph "Joe" E. Evans, Class of 1982, and Christopher "Chris" L. Dewese, Class of 1997 share more than special reunions (25-year and 10-year respectively): both are pediatricians at the JCE School of Medicine



Drs. Stebbins B. Chandor, former chair of pathology and associate dean for clinical affairs, and Robert W. Coon, former dean, listen intently to a presentation about the current medical curriculum



Enjoying a good time at the homecoming reception are Dr. Kevin M. Milam, Class of 2002; Dr. Charles "Chuck" W. Clements, Class of 1997 and class president; Billie Joe Peyton, and Dr. Christine "CJ" L. Jones, Class of 2002



Dr. Thomas "Tom" B. Styer, Class of 1982, is sporting his wife Julia and the football jersey each member of the 25-year reunion class received from the athletic department



Dr. Robert W. Coon, dean emeritus of the School of Medicine, addresses the Class of 1982 at the 25-year reunion dinner



Dr. Joe Werthammer's pride and joy – a group of pediatricians! (*L to R*) James "Jamie" R. Bailes, Class of 1990; Teresa A. Duncan, Class of 1997; Dr. Werthammer, chair, Department of Pediatrics; Christopher "Chris" L. Dewese, Class of 1997

Homecoming 2007



"Catching up" at the tailgate party and celebrating their 10-year reunion are Drs. R. Anthony "Tony" Aprea and Danielle King. Joining them (far left) is Lisa Aprea.



Dr. B. Danielle King, Class of 1997, at the Friday luncheon in the Byrd Clinical Center



Drs. R. Trenor Williams and Charles "Chuck" W. Clements, Class of 1987 president, seem to be talking about more than the upcoming football game



Drs. Jeffrey "Jeff" L. Shaw and Mary L. Marcuzzi, both Class of 1997, listen to Dr. Sarah A. McCarty explain the new simulation center at the Byrd Clinical Center



The Class of 1982 is well represented at the homecoming tailgate party by (L to R) Drs. F. Elizabeth "Beth" Kemp, Donald "Don" L. Chaffin and Curtis "Curt" A. Winter

A Lights! Camera! Action! Experience



Smiling for the camera are Monica Hatfield, Liz Chaffin, Dr. R. Mark Hatfield, Class of 1983, and the Hatfield's daughter Makenzie



A really great group of alums from the Class of 1997 celebrating their 10-year reunion – (Front row L to R) Dr. Charles "Chuck"W. Clements, Dr. Matt W. Lambert, (middle row L to R) Tina Naegele, Dr. Teresa A. Duncan, Dr. R. Trenor Williams, (back row L to R) Dr. B. Danielle King, Lisa Stevens, Dr. Ishmael "Ish" M. Stevens, Dr. Jay T. Naegele



Dr. Robert W. Coon, former School of Medicine dean, and Dr. Mark A. Studeny, Class of 1986 graduate and current chair of the SOM's Department of Cardiovascular Services, smile for the camera



(L to R) Drs. Jay T. Naegele and R. Anthony "Tony" Aprea, both Class of 1997, with their wives, Tina and Lisa



A great group of pediatricians – Drs. Joseph "Joe" E. Evans, Class of 1982; Teresa A. Duncan, Class of 1997; Jay T. Naegele, Class of 1997



Wow, Kim that must be some story! Dr. Kim M. Jordan-DeAndrade shares a story with Dr. Curtis "Curt" A. Winter, Dr. Donald "Don" L. Chaffin and Liz Chaffin

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Walden L. Wilson, Jr.

ilburn and Mary "Burkie" Cook White know the importance of having good medical professionals in the community. Wilburn grew up near Holden Hospital in Holden, W.Va., and knew many doctors in his neighborhood. Their son, Mark, is a graduate of West Virginia University School of Medicine and has a family practice near Fayetteville, W.Va. Their daughter, Carole, is a surgical nurse in North Carolina.

"I have always known the value of medicine and the need for good doctors and nurses," Wilburn said. "I felt the Marshall University School of Medicine was a good place to help out."

As a retired accountant for Southern Public Service Company in Salem, Va., Wilburn has been financially comfortable since he retired. Because of their commitment to the field of medicine, he and his wife chose to make a charitable rollover gift from their IRA to The Marshall University Foundation Inc., designated for the School of Medicine. This gift not only helps the school's endowment, but is a way of reducing taxes for the Whites.

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r. David Denning, professor and chair of the Department of Surgery, and Dr. Gary Rankin, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Toxicology, have supported the Take A Seat Campaign by purchasing chairs. Linda Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs, said, "Their professional contributions are widely felt throughout the School of Medicine and their participation in the Take A Seat Campaign is just another way they demonstrate their leadership and support. They clearly lead by example and I am extremely grateful for their contribution". As they have both made their professional mark on the School of Medicine, now their names will be forever etched in the Harless Auditorium.

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SCHOOL OF MEDICINE CLASS NOTES

1980s

James W. Matthews, Class of 1982, is pleased to report that his daughter is a second year law student at the University of Richmond in Virginia. His wife, Meg, works for USAir in Lexington, Ky. Jim, who maintains a private practice in general ophthalmology in Lexington, is the president of the Kentucky Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons.

Samuel R. Davis, Class of 1983, who is semiretired, is co-director of the Department of Radiology at Montgomery General Hospital in Montgomery, W.Va. He has been there since he completed his residency in 1987. Sam occasionally does a week or so of locum tenens to cover other radiologists' vacations at different hospitals in the area. He and his wife, Julie, consider their home address to be in Daytona Beach Shores, Fla. They have a condo in Ohio near Cincinnati as well as one in Charleston where they live when he is working in Montgomery. They travel quite a bit and enjoy spending time with their 7-pound Yorkshire terrier, Phoebe.



W. Doug Given, Class of 1983, practices family medicine at Braxton Health Associates Inc. in Sutton, W.Va. He and his wife, Mary Louise, have three children, Mary Elizabeth, Laura Mae

and William Daniel. They reside in Strange Creek, W.Va.

Robert A. Hess, Class of 1984, has opened a new family practice office in Jackson, Ohio. He and his wife, Jannell, celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary in March. Their son, Jonathan, has been accepted to the next School of Medicine

class, and their daughter, Stephanie, is in the 11th grade at Huntington High. She plays first seed on the tennis team and was selected to represent the school at a National Youth Leadership meeting in Washington this April.

Danny M. Phillips, Class of 1987, after almost 20 years in emergency medicine, plans to retire from active practice and open RoxboroMedAccess, the first Urgicare Center in Roxboro, N.C. The practice, which will open in late summer, will focus on acute care and minor emergencies, but will also have a component of occupational medicine as well as primary care. MedAccess will be the focus practice in a small medical park he is developing.



P. Mitchell Charles, Class of 1988, has been recognized as a "Hero of Emergency Medicine" by the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP). The award, which is part of ACEP's 40th anniversary, recognizes emergency physicians who

have made significant contributions to their field, to their communities, and to their patients. Dr. Charles is an emergency physician at Cabell Huntington Hospital and director of the MS-4 Clerkship in Emergency Medicine. He is also a faculty sponsor of the Emergency Medicine Interest Group at Marshall's School of Medicine. He reviews articles for Annals of Emergency Medicine and AAMC, and currently serves as the West Virginia ACEP chapter president. He has received the American Heart Association's "Legacy of Life" award, the WVACEP "Excellence in Emergency Medicine" award and numerous teaching awards. His passion for emergency medicine has dramatically increased the number

of emergency physicians who have returned to the Huntington area. "Emergency physicians are on the front lines of America's health care system, providing the essential community service of emergency care," said ACEP President Linda L. Lawrence, M.D. "The dedication, passion and commitment Dr. Charles has shown embodies the vision of ACEP's founders and the ideals of our specialty. He is an exemplary emergency physician who strives to harvest an interest in learning in all students of medicine. He is the inspiration for many students' decisions to practice emergency medicine. He is truly an example of what it means to be a hero in the field of emergency medicine." ACEP, headquartered in Dallas, Texas, is a national medical specialty society representing emergency medicine with more than 25,000 members. ACEP is committed to advancing emergency care through continuing education, research and public education.

Dr. Mary Jo Martin, Class of 1988, is an assistant professor of neuropathology in the division of anatomic pathology at the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond, Virginia.

M. Catherine Slusher, Class of 1988, is with Harrisonburg OB/GYN Assoc. Inc. She has been practicing general Ob/Gyn since completing her residency in Roanoke, Va., in 1994. Catherine also teaches physicians assistants at James Madison University. She is very active in the March of Dimes, chairing the Signature Chefs' Auction in Harrisonburg for the past six years. This event is No. 2 in fundraising in the state of Virginia. Catherine was the recipient of the Bridgewater College Distinguished Alumni of the Year award in 2004. She married Don Flegel of Cass, W.Va., in 2006. He is a soil scientist and forester for the NRCS of the USDA and a private consultant. They have three children, Drew Clements (19), a sophomore at WVU; Julie Clements (13); and Macie Clements (7).

1990s



Dr. Gary W. Procop, Class of 1992, has returned to the Cleveland Clinic as chairman of the Department of Clinical Pathology and director of Molecular Microbiology, Mycology and Parasitology. He was there previously in

several capacities, including associate professor of pathology at the clinic's Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve. While in the position of section head at the Cleveland Clinic, he received three Innovator's Awards and the Quest for Quality Award, and was named to the Best Doctors® in American List, 2005-2006.

In addition to his medical degree, Procop received a master's degree in biomedical sciences from Marshall. He went on to complete his pathology residency at Duke University Medical Center, followed by a fellowship in medical microbiology at the Mayo Clinic. He then went to the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine to serve as professor of pathology and director of clinical microbiology at Jackson Memorial Hospital. While at Miami, he was awarded the 2007 American Society for Microbiology BD Award for Research in Clinical Microbiology, one of the nation's top awards in that field.

Procop recalls being interested in infectious diseases and microbiology as early as the eighth grade. "Movie day would often consist of films concerning the adventures of medical pioneers in the heart of Africa," he said. "Watching physicians and nurses detect and identify the causes of exotic infections, and then administering therapeutics and vaccinations, was life-changing. Pursuing this interest, I recently went to Tegucigalpa, Honduras, to lecture and teach local groups about medical mycology. I would say teachers definitely have an impact in our formative years."

Medicine was not a foregone conclusion,

however. Procop considered becoming a science teacher like the ones who influenced him. It was a friend in a chemistry class and her husband, a urologist, who got him interested in medical school, followed by pathology training. "I took their advice, and I'm glad I did," Procop said. "As it turns out, I believe the solid medical training I obtained at Marshall afforded me the foundation to concentrate on the study of disease at Duke University. Striving to understand the entire process of infection is the only way of looking at it, in my opinion."

Procop was attracted to Marshall for a number of reasons, including small class size and the excellent professor-to-student ratio. "This enables thorough understanding of the material, rather than just memorization," he said. "That's what you really want in a physician, someone who truly understands the disease process, rather than someone who was good at memorizing a lot of facts. I remember vividly not understanding the functioning of one of the extraocular muscles, so I approached Dr. Mitchell L. Berk after class and he quickly clarified the process. It is not as easy to get that in a school with a large class size.

"Three professors stand out in my experience at Marshall" he added. "Doctors Patrick Brown and Terry Fenger, although not my official advisors, have provided friendship, guidance and opportunity for which I am forever in debt. Dr. Bryan Larsen was my senior professor for my master's degree, and in addition to guidance, he afforded me the opportunity to work in his laboratory where I developed many valuable skills. Also, because I was a little different and interested in some of the basic sciences taught in the first two years, I was pleased to find an actively engaged basic science faculty who afforded me the opportunity to explore these areas more thoroughly."

Procop took time to enjoy leisure activities while at Marshall. "There are numerous wonderful memories," he said. "These include attending tailgate parties hosted by the medical school prior to a Marshall football game at the old stadium, participating in Research Day and, again, the numerous interpersonal interactions with the faculty and fellow students."

Today, his lovely family keeps him busy with home-related activities. He also enjoys reading, woodworking and sailing.

When asked to offer one piece of advice to current and future medical students, he replied, "Follow your heart. Identify the area of medicine that excites you most and dedicate yourself to thorough study of that area."



Jeffrey T. St. Clair, Class of 1992, has been selected for the Marshall University Alumni Association Community Achievement Award for 2008. He accepted the honor at the Association's Alumni Banquet in April. Jeffrey

is assistant clinical instructor in emergency medicine at New Orleans' Charity Hospital, part of the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center.



Timothy G. Cook, Class of 1994, is deployed with the U.S. Army 325th Combat Support Hospital at Camp Speicher, Tikrit, Iraq, as an emergency room provider in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was active duty

in the Army as a family physician until 2000, when he resigned and purchased a small, busy, walk-in clinic, Convenient Medical Care, in Rutland, Vt. He did this primarily to be near his parents, both in their eighties. Then in January 2007, after watching President George Bush make the case for his surge strategy, he decided to sign back up as an Army reserve medical officer, with the specific request to be mobilized to Iraq.

Tracy J. Gemmell, Class of 1994, is with Westmoreland ObGyn Inc. in Greensburg, Pa. She has two children, Rachel (8) and John (5). She happily reports that she is now allowed to put CCD at the end of her name, as she is a certified clinical densitometrist through the International Society of Clinical Densitometry.

Deborah L. Chadwick, Class of 1995, is a general surgeon in Delta, Colorado. She has a daughter, Carrie (3), and a son, David (8 months).



Jon F. Petersen, Class of 1996, practices occupational and aerospace medicine in Branson, Mo. He retired from the U.S Air Force in August 2007 and is still active as a flight instructor (CFI-I). Jon enjoys playing

bluegrass music with the family band (four kids plus mom and dad). After graduation, Jon did residencies at Eglin Family Practice Residency; aerospace medicine at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine; occupational medicine at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine; and earned a master's degree in public health at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

Carrie Ann Twedt, Class of 1996, practices full time and is a managing partner of Piedmont Ob/ Gyn in Greenville, S.C. She and her husband, Joel Phillips, M.D., have two children, Ashton (26 months) and Ava (16 months).

R. Anthony "Tony" Aprea, Class of 1997, works full-time at MedExpress Urgent Care, and part-time at MonValley ER. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Washington, Pa., with their children, Chelsea (15), Nick (10) and Marco (5).



Dawn R. Bridge-Alexander, Class of 1998, has been with Rockingham Memorial Hospital in Harrisonburg, Va., since 2004. She also practices family medicine at Augusta Family Practice in Fisherville, Va., caring primarily for

infants, children and women. She and her husband, Bill, have three children, Morgan and Jada (3 months) and Ian (2).

William C. Dalton, Class of 1998, recently rejoined Bob Hess's family practice group in their Gallipolis office.



Frank E. Fumich, Class of 1999, is with the Orthopaedic Institute of Ohio in Lima. He and his wife, Lisa, have two children, Olivia and Nicholas.

Bryan D. Springer, Class of 1999, and **Raymond H. Kim**, Class of 2000, have been selected as the two North American representative orthopaedic surgeons for the John Insall Travelling Fellowship. Four surgeons (two North American and two international) are chosen each year to participate in the fellowship. This involves travels to 12 renowned knee arthroplasty centers in North America to observe and learn techniques in knee replacement, and participate in research and teaching. He completed his residency in orthopaedic surgery at The Mayo Clinic.

2000s

Lynn V. Amores, Class of 2000, is a staff physician at The Los Angeles Free Clinic, where she has worked since completing her family medicine residency at University of California at Irvine. In 2007 she became a Health Leadership Fellow of Coro, a national leadership institute for public affairs, health and other arenas. She was married in January 2006 to Joshua Rutkoff and they were expecting their first child in April. Jennifer M. Tassa Bhojwani, Class of 2000, and her husband, Navin, are in practice at Eastover University Ob/Gyn in Charlotte, N.C. Jennifer works part-time to spend more time with their children, Jack (4) and Kira (2).

Todd E. Chertow, Class of 2000, has opened an orthopedic practice in Hazleton, Pa., at the Hazleton Health & Wellness Center. He is an orthopedic surgeon specializing in hip, knee, ankle and shoulder arthroscopy, minimally invasive and computer-assisted joint replacements, and sports medicine. Todd, a real sports enthusiast, was the assistant orthopedic doctor for the Columbus Cottonmouths Southern Professional Hockey Team, the Columbus Catfish Professional Baseball Team and the Columbus Lions Professional Arena Football Team He was assistant team doctor for Georgia Southwestern State University and Columbus State University, and served as the assistant orthopedic team doctor for Rutgers University. Prior to relocating to Hazleton, Todd worked for Crystal Run Healthcare in New York. He completed a general surgery internship at The Ohio State University and an orthopedic surgery residency at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in New Brunswick. He completed a fellowship in orthopedic sports medicine at The Hughston Clinic, Hughston Orthopedic Hospital, Columbus, Ga.

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Amy M. Jean, Class of 2002, is completing her third year of fellowship in pediatric endocrinology at Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of New York-Presbyterian in New York City. She plans to stay an additional year for patient-oriented clinical research. Amy is studying the metabolic changes in morbidly obese adolescents undergoing bariatric surgery. She and her husband, Alan, have a new addition to their family. Aaron Peter was born on October 11, 2007. Andy and Amy are extremely proud and sleep-deprived new parents.

David A. Denning II, Class of 2002, is an anesthesiologist at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pa. Krista L Denning, Class of 2004, is doing a cytopathology fellowship, also at Allegheny General. Their baby girl, Claire Elizabeth, was born on March 1, 2007. Claire joins their son, David Tucker, who is now 4.

Leela Vadrevu Raju, Class of 2003, has accepted a fellowship for one year at Baylor College of Medicine. She will be learning more advanced techniques in cataract surgery and corneal transplantation, including DSEK, where only the endothelium of the cornea is replaced.

B. Hunter Boshell, Class of 2003, is in his third year of his radiology residency at University of Cincinnati. He has plans for an interventional radiology fellowship beginning in July 2009.





Nicole L. Grieve, Class of 2005, of Rochester, Minn., spent a great deal of 2007 traveling. She spent a month in Scottsdale, Ariz., working at Mayo Hospital. She spent March in Africa, starting with a 10-day climb of Kilimanjaro,

with the remainder of the month in Malawi working at a mission hospital. During the summer, Nicole got back into cycling and visiting family members before attending a medical conference in Hawaii.



D. Ryan Fish, Class of 2006, of Indianapolis, Ind., and his wife, Stephenie, are pleased to share a photo of their son, Charlie, on his first birthday.

Gerard J. "Joey" Oakley, Class of 2006, received the Leadership Development Award from the College of American Pathologists Foundation.

Christopher W. Russell, Class of 2006, has been named the Department of Emergency Medicine's chief resident at New York Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn, New York.

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7e are extremely pleased to announce that Mr. Aaron Lambert, Class of 2008, was accepted to receive a scholarship to the American Medical Student Association Paul Ambrose Political Leadership Institute that took September 29 - October 1, 2007. Mr. Lambert received one of the nine scholarships to which all medical students in good standing across the nation could apply. This Institute is named in memory of Dr. Paul Ambrose (Marshall University School of Medicine, Class of 1995), for whom it was a mission to improve the health care of our nation by working relentlessly with issues such as immunizations, healthy lifestyles, medical school courses and racial and ethnic disparities in health care. Dr. Ambrose was a former AMSA legislative affairs director who lost his life in the Sept. 11, 2001, tragedy. At

the time of his death, he was working as a senior clinical adviser with the Office of the Surgeon General. He was headed to Los Angeles for a conference on adolescent obesity when his plane, American Airlines flight 77, was forced to crash into the Pentagon. The Paul Ambrose Political Leadership Institute is designed to educate medical students as tomorrow's leaders by teaching them the skills to engage and change health policy in Washington and at home. It has been said that, in Paul, the nation lost an up and coming leader in health care. Marshall University Joan C. Edwards SOM is honored to report that his legacy of devotion to healthcare continues to influence our students. For more information about this Institute, please see http://www.amsa. org/legislativecenter/pli.cfm.

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