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# Chapmanville Rural Health and Clinical Education Center



*Officially cutting the ribbon on the new Chapmanville facility are Congressman Nick Rahall, Dr. Charles H. McKown, Jr., Governor Earl Ray Tomblin, Jennifer Plymale, Dr. Stephen Kopp and Kelley Goes. In the back row are Senator Ron Stollings, MD, Class of 1982, and Delegate Greg Butcher.*

The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine ceremonially opened its new Rural Health and Clinical Education Center in Chapmanville with a ribbon-cutting ceremony April 22.

Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin, the event's keynote speaker, called the project a health-giving partnership and a learning partnership that he hopes will serve as a pilot for similar projects elsewhere in West Virginia. "We expect great things out of this facility," he said.

The new facility, which houses the Coalfield Health Center, provides expanded medical services for the region as well as educational opportunities for medical students and students in other health professions. It is linked electronically to the resources of Marshall University's Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health and the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Congressman Nick Rahall noted that technology effectively puts the talents of two

hospitals and a medical school under the roof of the new center. "If we want to lower health care costs, we need to open more centers like this," he said.

From his vantage point as dean of the School of Medicine, Charles H. McKown Jr., said the collaborative project is designed to help meet the community's needs for health care while also providing valuable training opportunities for health professions students. The center currently offers primary care services, with specialty services to evolve later.

Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp said the project reflects the medical school's absolute commitment to one of its founding principles – meeting the needs of people in southern West Virginia.

"We look forward to many tremendous outcomes," he said.

## McKown named vice president for health sciences advancement



When talk turns to the strengths Dr. Charles McKown brought to the School of Medicine over the past 36 years, one word recurs with the regularity of a heartbeat: vision.

The school's founding chair of radiology, McKown also played a

pivotal role as the first chair of the Admissions Committee. He came to Marshall with a background that would serve him well: work experience in the Veterans Administration system and the National Institutes of Health, leadership roles as president of the Cabell County Medical Society and the C&O Railway Hospital medical staff, and system savvy honed by his love of history, his years in the nation's capital, and a lifetime as the son of state Sen. C. H. "Jackie" McKown.

Little wonder, then, that when storm clouds were gathering for the school in 1989, Marshall President Dale Nitzschke tapped McKown to serve as dean.

"Dr. McKown is not the first reason the medical school is here, but may be the second," Interim Dean Robert Nerhood told the Herald-Dispatch. "He came on as dean in the late '80s when the medical school was having great difficulty with accreditation, and basically rescued it from the doldrums."

"Be bold – think big," McKown told Nitzschke.

Shoehorn the school's clinical services into a new building that would be outgrown before the doors opened? No. Lose the school's two years of basic sciences teaching to a statewide consolidation plan? No. Let the school's current funding shape its future? No!

McKown proved to be a rainmaker for the School of Medicine, compellingly communicating

its possibilities to state and local leaders, including Sen. Robert Byrd and philanthropist Joan Edwards, who would be especially pivotal in turning vision into reality. Under his leadership, Marshall opened the Forensic Science Center, the MU Medical Center, the Byrd Biotechnology and Science Center, the Byrd Clinical Center, the Edwards Comprehensive Cancer Center, and the Rural Health & Clinical Education Center in Chapmanville.

"Dr. McKown's appointment as dean brought to the school a unique cocktail of organizational skills, local knowledge, and political savvy that brought the all too important quality of stability to the enterprise," Nerhood said. "This stability has enabled the school to expand the student body, the faculty, and facilities in which they learn, teach, and provide clinical care."

In his new role as Marshall University's vice president for health sciences advancement, McKown brings an intense focus to building the funding that will support Marshall's broadening health sciences programs in meeting the state's needs.

"The health needs of West Virginia and the necessity to provide and sustain contemporary, modern medical care to the people of the state are pretty clear-cut," he said. "We have a wonderful applicant pool of motivated, capable people, and scholarship support for them is clearly needed. We also need to maintain our clinical affiliations and continue to expand them in ways that are responsive to our health care training and commitments."

### Medical school names research institute in honor of longtime dean McKown

The new Translational Genomic Research Institute at Marshall University's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has been named in honor of Dr. Charles H. McKown Jr., who served as the school's dean for more than 22 years before becoming Marshall's vice president for health sciences advancement this summer.

The Marshall University Board of Governors cited McKown's "extraordinary service to the University" in approving the facility's naming, which Interim Dean Robert C. Nerhood, M.D., announced September 8 at a School of Medicine reunion dinner.

Nerhood said McKown's contributions to the medical school were many. "His uncanny ability to almost instantaneously perceive convoluted relationships and unintended consequences of simple or complex actions has ideally suited him to be an eminently successful dean of a community-based medical school in West Virginia," he said. "I am not at all sure that this talent can again be found." Nerhood said the genomic research facility is an outgrowth of McKown's vision and advocacy.

"Dr. McKown foresaw the importance of the new field of translational research in the area of cancer

care," and then worked with philanthropist Joan Edwards and U.S. Sen. Robert Byrd to turn that vision into reality, he said.

The Charles H. McKown Jr. Translational Genomic Research Institute is located on the top floor of the Edwards Comprehensive Cancer Center. Completed this summer, it includes more than 10,000 square feet of research space and has advanced scientific equipment including a "next-generation" genetic sequencer.

At the dinner, Nerhood also announced that the medical school has established a scholarship in McKown's honor. To make a donation to the scholarship, contact Linda Holmes at 304.691.1711 or use the form on page 56 and indicate it is for the McKown scholarship.

## Nerhood becomes interim dean of School of Medicine



Dr. Robert C. Nerhood has accepted the position of interim dean for the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Nerhood, who retired in 2010, is an emeritus faculty member who formerly served as the school's senior

associate dean for clinical affairs and chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

He succeeds Dr. Charles H. McKown Jr., who was dean for more than 22 years and continues to serve the university as vice president for health sciences advancement.

"Both of these leaders bring tremendous experience and knowledge to their new roles," said Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp. "I have great confidence in the talented administrative team that will be led by Dr. Nerhood and charged with advancing the priorities and mission of the School of Medicine. I also look forward to working closely with Dr. McKown to accelerate the university's overall priorities in development and community relations."

Nerhood said, "I am very pleased and honored to have been asked to participate in this exciting and important transition at the School of Medicine.

Dr. McKown has been a very able and dedicated leader, and the school owes its existence to his efforts. We owe to him a great debt of gratitude, and I feel certain the faculty and staff are prepared to successfully deal with the challenges inherent in this transition as our school continues to move forward."

Nerhood previously served as chairman of the West Virginia Section of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and his other roles in that organization included serving on its Advisory Council, as chair of the Perinatal Morbidity and Mortality Committee, and as chair of the ACOG District IV Perinatal Committee.

He is a former chair of the West Virginia Perinatal Task Force, and also was president of the Cabell County Medical Society, chairman of the Board of Directors for Cabell Huntington Hospital, and vice president of the Board of Directors for University Physicians & Surgeons Inc.

Before becoming chair of obstetrics and gynecology at Marshall, Nerhood was chairman of ob/gyn at Berkshire Medical Center and clerkship coordinator for the Berkshire Medical Center/University of Massachusetts School of Medicine.

He is a graduate of the West Virginia University School of Medicine, with internship and residency training at Harrisburg Polyclinic Hospital and WVU.

# S School of Medicine appointments

## Dr. Linda Brown named chair of Department of Anatomy and Pathology



Dr. Brown

After serving for a year as interim chair of the Department of Anatomy and Pathology, Linda Brown, Class of 1993, has been named chair of the department. She assumed her duties on January 4.

Brown has dedicated her life to the medical field in various capacities. She graduated *summa cum laude* from Marshall in 1968 with a Bachelor of Science degree in medical technology, while working as a lab receptionist at Cabell Huntington Hospital (CHH). After completing her degree, she worked as a medical technologist at CHH until her daughter was born. She returned to work at St. Mary's Hospital as a medical technologist. After returning to Cabell Huntington Hospital, as a med tech, she joined the research staff at Marshall University, focusing on microbiology and endocrinology.

At age 38, Brown decided to take her interest in the study of disease processes to the next level and apply for medical school. In addition to working eight hours a day in the lab, she studied four hours a day for her MCATs. It paid off. She was accepted into medical school.

"I really enjoyed medical school," Brown said. "My 13-year-old daughter played tournament tennis, so I traveled with her, carrying my books with me. I studied eight to 10 hours a day. I just approached it like a job." Brown had her own philosophy for making this career change. "I decided I was going to be that age anyway when I graduated. I might as well do something I enjoy. Besides, my husband was telling everyone I was going to medical school, so I just had to do it!"

Brown's husband, B.B., worked several jobs, including teaching tennis, so she could attend medical school. "The easiest thing to do at my age was to not do something that was hard. If B.B. hadn't made it possible, I wouldn't have done it," Brown added. She went on to graduate first in her medical school class.

Both of Brown's parents died before they could see her achievements. "I hope they would have been proud of me."

While in medical school, Brown had in the back of her mind that pathology would be her field. "I was a med tech, so I knew something about the hospital-based practice," Brown said. "I love the hospital setting, so it was a natural transition."

After her residency in pathology, she was offered a surgical fellowship at Cabell Huntington Hospital. Afterward, she joined Pathology Services Group, the first woman in this private practice. Eventually she would join University Pathology Services Group, where she witnessed a great deal of expansion as it added St. Mary's Hospital to its clinical practice and anatomical pathology. The group now also covers teaching basic sciences.

"It is fun to see how far the medical school has come," Brown said. "It used to be in an old hospital building on Sixth Avenue. It is a wonderful thing to be a part of educating the next generation of doctors."

As part of this educational process, as well as clinical services, the department recently added a molecular pathologist. "Each of us has an area we are interested in, mine being breast and gynecology pathology," Brown said. "We are trying to respond to the needs of the community. I think now we have all areas covered. Plus, in addition to being pathologists, all of the doctors teach."

Brown sings the praises of the department's faculty and staff as well. "They couldn't possibly be any better than they are," she said. "There isn't anyone who is not essential to the process."

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I could not do this without the good people I work with.”

“I am also blessed to have a family who supports me. I encourage everyone not to let finances keep you from doing what you want to do. Marshall is very good about helping. Don’t let anything get in the way of your dreams. I can’t thank the medical school and Cabell Huntington Hospital enough for making this all possible for me.”

B.B. is now retired. The Browns’ daughter, Julie, has her master’s degree in communications from Marshall and works as a tissue procurement coordinator in the Edwards Comprehensive Cancer Center. Julie is married and has three children. Linda is trying her hand at golf after many years away from the sport, and enjoys spending time with her grandchildren.

### Jude named chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology



Dr. Jude

David C. Jude, Class of 1988, has been named chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

“His career at Marshall has been outstanding,” said Robert C. Nerhood, interim dean for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

“Prior to his resignation as dean, Dr. Charles McKown recommended that Dr. Jude be named chair, and I fully concur with his recommendation.”

After medical school, Jude completed a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the Allegheny General Hospital/Medical College of Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh. He joined the Marshall Medical School faculty in 1993, and became director of resident education in 1998. He completed the APGO/Solvay Educational Scholars program in 2006.

Jude has served as the Zacharias Professor for Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology for

the last seven years, is the OB/GYN residency program director, and was named administrative chair in July 2006. He is certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

In addition to general obstetrics and gynecology, Jude’s clinical interests include polycystic ovary syndrome and gynecologic laparoscopy. He is on the medical staffs of Cabell Huntington Hospital and St. Mary’s Medical Center.

### Dial named acting chair of Internal Medicine



Dr. Dial

Larry D. Dial Jr. was named acting chair of the Department of Internal Medicine after Dr. Kevin W. Yingling, became founding dean of the Marshall University School of Pharmacy.

A true Son of Marshall, Dial received his bachelor’s degree in chemistry

from Marshall, and went on to become an Alpha Omega Alpha graduate of the School of Medicine in 1999. He completed his residency there as well. He has been a faculty member of the Department of Internal Medicine since completion of his education in 2002.

Dial is an associate professor of medicine and an attending physician, outpatient and inpatient. During his tenure in the Department of Medicine, he has served as student clerkship director and currently serves as program director for the residency program in internal medicine. Dial is also associate chair of medical education. He has been chief of medicine at Cabell Huntington Hospital and is president-elect of the medical and dental staff.

“I did not initially envision myself as an administrator or educator, but I have found out it is an exceptionally rewarding way to make a significant impact medically,” Dial said. “This

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is a great honor and opportunity to continue the educational and clinical legacy formed by many of my mentors.”

In 1999 Dial was awarded the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey Humanism in Medicine Award, and received the Outstanding Teaching Attending of the Year 2008-2011. He has been a physician with the Ebenezer Medical Outreach Center since 2005 and with St. Mary’s Medical Center Clinic, Cabell Huntington Hospital and the Veterans Administration since 2002.

Dial’s wife, Sarah, is a stay-at-home mom who serves as president of the PTO at Martha Elementary School. Her passion has been to raise funds for playground equipment, an exercise/walking track and a basketball court to promote and encourage healthy activities among school children and the community.

The Dials have three children, Mason, 13; Kaylyn, 10; and Kinslee, 8.

**Evans acting Chair of Pediatrics**

Dr. Joseph Evans, Class of 1982, is acting chair of the Department of Pediatrics during Werthammer’s interim appointment.

Evans, an associate professor of pediatrics, serves as director for the pediatrics clerkship and is devoted to medical student education.

“Medical education has always been important for Pediatrics,” he said. “We enjoy teaching students – they are the future of medicine and will be providing care to the next generation. We have won numerous Clinical Department of the Year awards (voted on by third- and fourth-year students). Dr. Werthammer has always taken pride in how well we prepare the students.”



Dr. Evans

Students have honored Evans individually as well: the

Class of 1990 selected him for the Society for Outstanding Instructors, and at least six other classes have named him “Best Professor” or “Attending of the Year.” He was elected to the medical honorary Alpha Omega Alpha in 1999.

Evans completed his pediatrics residency at Columbus Children’s Hospital, and remained there for an additional year after being selected chief resident. A board-certified pediatrician, he has practiced in Huntington since 1986.

Evans and his wife, Teresa, have two sons: Clark, a University of Michigan graduate who works in Chicago, and Ross, a student at Cornell University.

# W Werthammer named interim executive director of University Physicians & Surgeons, chief medical officer for School of Medicine



Dr. Werthammer

Dr. Joseph W. Werthammer has been named interim executive director of University Physicians & Surgeons and chief medical officer for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Werthammer, chair of the Department of Pediatrics since 1988, had been senior associate dean for clinical

affairs since summer 2010.

He is responsible for coordinating the clinical programs of the school and for clinical leadership of UP&S. As such, he has an active role in the oversight and development of the medical school’s clinical practice plan, and also works with the plan’s Office of Compliance and Risk Management.

“ I am honored to be appointed to the role of chief medical officer,” Werthammer said. “I look forward to promoting the strategic direction of the

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# Yingling named founding dean of Marshall University School of Pharmacy



Dr. Kevin W. Yingling, Class of 1985, became founding dean of the Marshall University School of Pharmacy in January.

Yingling has more than 20 years' experience in graduate medical education. He has been a registered pharmacist since 1981, the medical

director of the school's Center for Pharmacologic Study since 1992, and a consultant pharmacist since 1995. He is also associate professor of medicine and pharmacology.

The pharmacy school was approved by the Marshall University Board of Governors in December 2009. The timeline for acceptance of the first class of pharmacy students will be determined in consultation with the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, the pharmacy profession's educational credentialing agency.

This new role combines Yingling's passions for pharmacy and medical education. "I thought I wanted to be a clinical pharmacologist so that I could take part in clinical trials, drug development, etc.," Yingling said. "After receiving my bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from West Virginia University, I attended medical school here at Marshall with that in mind. However, while in residency training at the University of Cincinnati I developed a passion for patient care and graduate medical education, and I felt that was more important."

Yingling came from a family of educators, so this was not a totally new direction. His grandfather was a school superintendent and his father was trained as a teacher. "When Dr. Stephen Kopp asked me to accept this position, everything fit together and I saw it as a way to make a contribution to Marshall University," Yingling said. "I could continue my 20 years as an educator in graduate medicine and help develop great careers in pharmacy. Plus, I felt it

was the time in my life to return something to the profession in which I began my career."

In addition to helping reverse the significant shortage of pharmacists in West Virginia, the School of Pharmacy is expected to generate more than \$150 million in regional economic impact. The school will also present new opportunities for research funding and powerful private-sector partnerships with pharmaceutical and therapeutics companies.

Yingling adds that the school will have a major role in the further development of an academic medical center for the community. "The school will provide pharmacy education at a fair cost and less debt to the graduate," he said. "This is the next logical progression after the medical school, a physical therapy program, dietetics, speech pathology, forensic sciences and a master's in public health.

"This will also be an opportunity to help define and expand a health care team approach to patient care," he added. "The School of Pharmacy will help further develop relationships of affiliated hospitals, for example the VA Medical Center. They have taken an active role in placing clinical pharmacists with patients in order to review drug therapy and change or modify regimens between physician visits. This is a unique opportunity for the education of our students."

Yingling will continue to see patients. "Obviously, clinical practice is still a passion. I feel a sincere commitment to those patients."

In addition to his degrees in pharmacy and medicine, Yingling completed his residency and fellowship at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. He has served as an honorary visiting academic fellow in clinical pharmacology at the University of Southampton in Southampton, England.

He is a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and a fellow of the American College of Physicians. In October 2010, Yingling was honored with the Laureate Award from the West Virginia Chapter of the American College

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of Physicians, recognizing excellence in medical care, education and research.

Since 1992, Yingling has served on the board of directors of Doctors Care of Cabell County, a voluntary physician organization that provides free services to underserved patients. He has also served on faith-based medical missions to Russia, Bolivia and Haiti.

Ties to Marshall University are strong in the Yingling family. Mary Alice (Nash), Yingling's wife of 30 years, earned her master's degree in speech pathology from Marshall in 1981. The couple's four children are also deeply connected to Marshall. Their son Charlton, whose wife is a Marshall alumna, graduated with a bachelor's

degree in history from Marshall in 2006 and is now a doctoral student in history at the University of South Carolina after earning a master of arts degree at Vanderbilt University in 2009. Daughter Kathryn completed a bachelor of science degree in nursing in 2009 from Marshall, and daughter Hannah is currently finishing a degree in elementary/special education there. Their 16-year-old son Luke is a student at Cabell Midland High School and is an avid Herd fan.

"My father brought us here from western Pennsylvania in 1969 to direct all the food services for Marshall, so I have been here for more than 40 years. I have a deep connection to Marshall and Huntington."

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medical school's clinical activities and working closely with our affiliated hospitals in improving the health care of our region."

A 1969 graduate of Marshall University and a 1973 graduate of West Virginia University School of Medicine, Werthammer completed his residency at the University of California-San Diego, followed by a fellowship in neonatology at Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School.

He was recently included in *Best Doctors in America, 2009-2010* and *Who's Who in Medical Healthcare, 2009-2010*. He is on the National Advisory Board of the Children's Health Fund and the Advisory Board of Ronald McDonald Children's Charity.

Werthammer and his wife, Toby, have three sons and four grandchildren.

## Orthopaedics residents' 5K "Joints Jog" benefited food bank

Second-year orthopaedics residents sponsored the inaugural 5K "Joints Jog" for charity on October 23, 2010. Proceeds went to the Huntington Area Food Bank, which helps feed more than 85,000 people each month.

"These people are grandparents, kids, moms and dads who struggle to meet their basic needs," Dr. Stan Israelsen said in announcing the run. "Many of the families served by the food bank are the 'working poor' - people who work hard and still have to choose between eating and other basic necessities such as medicine and housing."

The "Joints Jog" began at the Ritter Park pavilion. Fairland High School grad Joe Stewart, who is currently attending Shawnee State University, was the first person to cross the finish line, and 12-year-old Brittney McMillion, a member of the Winfield Middle School track team, was the top female runner.

Information about the 2011 "Joints Jog" will be posted on the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Facebook page.

# E Elizabeth Spangler received inaugural Distinguished Alumna Award during Homecoming 2011



The true measure of a university's greatness can be found in the achievements of its alumni. The purpose of the Distinguished Alumna Award is to recognize graduates who have made significant contributions to society, and whose

accomplishments, affiliations and careers have honored the legacy of excellence of the School of Medicine.

Elizabeth "Betty" Spangler, Class of 1986, received the inaugural Distinguished Alumna Award during the School of Medicine's 25th Annual Homecoming Banquet on Friday, September 9.

Spangler has enjoyed a wide-ranging healthcare career. She began as a nurse, receiving her degree from Mercy School of Nursing in Springfield, Mass., graduating summa cum laude and earning the Alumni Key for Outstanding Achievement. She worked in many capacities throughout her nursing career, progressing from staff nurse in the operating room to director of nursing.

At the age of 37, Spangler decided to pursue a lifelong dream of becoming a doctor, ultimately receiving her medical degree from Marshall's School of Medicine. She served her internal medicine residency through West Virginia University, Charleston Division, at Charleston Area Medical Center.

After her residency, Spangler served as physician director of medical affairs at CAMC, medical director of a home health agency, volunteer and medical director of Health Right Clinic of Charleston, vice president of ambulatory

clinical affairs at CAMC, and interim chief medical officer of Carelink Health Plans. Spangler currently is the chief medical officer and vice president for medical affairs at CAMC.

Over the course of her medical career, she has served as chair of the West Virginia Medicaid/PEIA Formulary Advisory Committee, and as a member of West Virginia Hospital Association Physician Leadership Council, the Coalition for Quality Health Care, Dartmouth Atlas Project, and many more. She also has been a member and/or chair of a variety of hospital, state and national health care committees and boards, including the Charleston Task Force on Sexual Assault Victims, multiple committees of the West Virginia Medical Association, the Edgewood Summit Retirement and Assisted Living Community Board, and West Virginia Health Right Board.

She is past president of the Kanawha County Medical Society, and in 2005 became the first woman to serve as president of the West Virginia Medical Association in the organization's 180-year history.

She is certified in internal medicine, a fellow of the American College of Medical Quality, a member of the American College of Physicians, the American Medical Association and Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society.

In March of this year, she was recognized as one of the Charleston YWCA's Women of Achievement for 2011.

Spangler and her husband, Michael, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May. They are the proud parents of a daughter, Kathleen, of Houston, Texas, who is a flight attendant for Continental Airlines, and a son, Sterling, of Laurel, Md., senior web developer with the NOAA environmental satellite data and information services.

## General Corporation donates \$1 million for Maier Clinical Research Professorship for dementia research



Officials of General Corporation presented a \$1 million gift to Marshall University March 11 to endow the Maier Clinical Research Professorship at the medical school. From left: Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp, Betty Maier Culwell, Dr. Charles McKown, Susan Maier, Ed Maier, Sally Maier Rowe, and Dr. Kevin Yingling. Photo by Rick Hays, Marshall University.

General Corporation of Charleston announced on March 31 a gift of \$1 million for the establishment of the Maier Clinical Research Professorship at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

The gift honors General Corporation President Ed Maier and will support research in the area of dementia. The donation will be matched through the state's "Bucks for Brains" West Virginia Research Trust Fund.

"I am very humbled to be honored in this manner," Maier said. "The 'Bucks for Brains' program instituted by the West Virginia State Legislature is a compelling reason for our company to give back to my alma mater."

Sally Maier Rowe, corporate secretary with General Corporation, said the Maier family is grateful to Ed for his selfless leadership of the family companies for 42 years.

"Since his graduation from college, his entire professional career has ensured that the companies flourish," Rowe said. "It is fitting that we honor him with a gift to his alma mater, Marshall University, within the state where he has lived and worked."

Marshall President Stephen J. Kopp proudly accepted the gift from General Corporation while praising the Maier family.

"The Maiers personify the gold standard for leadership and philanthropy," Kopp said. "The endowed professorship recognizing this significant gift will serve as a perpetual tribute to Ed, the entire Maier family and General Corporation. Marshall University is proud and honored to accept this gift, which is dedicated to advancing promising, interdisciplinary researchers working in the field of dementia with the goal of eventually preventing this debilitating brain condition."

The professorship will support the work of a biomedical/clinical scientist in the School of Medicine engaged in dementia research. This support will foster research dedicated to investigating the cause or causes of dementia and improving the clinical management, treatment and therapeutic outcomes for present and future generations of people who are at risk or are already suffering from dementia.

"The Maier family has a rich tradition in philanthropic giving," said Dr. Ron Area, CEO of the Marshall University Foundation Inc. "We greatly appreciate their generosity in presenting Marshall University with this gift that we hope will help make dementia a thing of the past for future generations."

Dr. Kevin W. Yingling, speaking as chairman

of the Department of Internal Medicine, said the focus of the professorship will be research to better define the causes of and improve dementia.

“Dementia is a terrible illness that robs years of full life experience from patients,” Yingling said. “Treatment options are extremely limited; at best, they slow the progression of the disease. Dementia remains an enigma, and we have not begun to touch how to prevent it. There is enormous opportunity for discovering key components of its underlying mechanisms that could provide the impetus for therapeutic breakthroughs. Our

research emphasis will be interdisciplinary to draw on the expertise of the whole university, and it will be translational, geared toward moving discoveries from the laboratory to patient care.”

Dean Charles H. McKown Jr., said the gift is both timely and a good fit for Marshall’s capabilities.

“This huge charitable and humanitarian effort by the Maier family comes at a time when the burden of dementia is rapidly growing in West Virginia and when the accelerated pace of biomedical discovery makes it likely the gift will

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**Ed Maier** was educated at Woodberry Forest School in Virginia, Denison University and Marshall University, where he graduated in 1969. His true education began when he accepted a job from his father, William, working in the family businesses, not as the privileged son of the boss, but in the janitorial crew, sweeping floors and cleaning offices. He worked at

all aspects of the business, from clerical to technical to administrative. A turning point came when Ed was able to

offer to his father a strategy to turn a poorly run business around. This gave William little doubt that his son would be taking over Maier enterprises in the future. This would come in 1974, just seven years before his father’s death. At this time, Ed became president of both the family businesses and the Maier Foundation.

Ed met Susan Runyan when Ed’s son Eliot was in her second-grade class. Two years later they met again when his daughter Erica was on the basketball team and Susan was a volunteer representative for the cheerleading squad. They were married three years later. They have four children.

***The Maiers, and the Maier Foundation, have been extremely generous to Marshall over the years. Gifts include:***

- The Maier Foundation made a \$1 million bequest to the Society of Yeager Scholars Fund.
- In 1968 the Maier Foundation challenged the Masons, dollar for dollar, to raise \$1 million for needy West Virginia students to attend Marshall and West Virginia University, with the funds split between the two schools. As of June 30, 2011, there is in excess of \$4.1 million in the foundation.
- In 1973 the William J. Maier Writing Awards were established by William J. Maier Jr. in honor of his father. These awards are presented annually to students enrolled in English classes at Marshall. Ranging from \$100 to \$1,500, the awards recognize and reward good and distinctive writing.
- The Department of Classics sponsors the Maier Latin Scholarship, underwritten by the Maier Foundation. This \$2,000 scholarship supports the work of a student pursuing a Latin major at Marshall who is enrolled in advanced Latin classes. The establishment of a \$100,000 endowment fund in 2007 ensured the continuation of the Latin Awards. The endowment funds the Maier Latin Cup Awards and the Maier Sight Translation Awards, both for high school students, and the Maier Latin Scholarship, which is given to a Marshall Latin major. Ed Maier personally presents the Latin and writing awards each spring.
- The foundation provided a one-time grant to help set up the Higher Education for Learning Problems (H.E.L.P.) program
- In 2001 an initial \$30,000 gift from Ed and Susan Maier was made to establish the Susan Runyan Distance Learning Classroom in the College of Education. The classroom was named for Susan, who graduated from that college and taught in the Kanawha County Schools for 17 years.
- Robert C. Byrd Biotechnology Science Center received \$500,000 from the foundation.
- Member of the Thunder Club
- Contributor to the Elizabeth McDowell Lewis College of Business Annual Fund and Hall of Fame
- Supporter of the Foundation Hall/Erickson Alumni Center building
- The Sarah Denman Scholarship
- The Edward H. Maier Scholarship for Kanawha Valley (a \$100,000 endowment)

## Scholarship established in honor of Cindy Warren, assistant dean for admissions



Longtime Marshall employee Cynthia (Cindy) Warren has been honored – and surprised – by the Cynthia A. Warren Medical Student Scholarship. This scholarship was established to acknowledge her devotion to making a difference for students in the School of Medicine. The donor is anonymous.

Cindy, who is from L.A. (as she calls the “Logan Area”), graduated from Marshall in 1970 (consumer science) and 1973 (counseling and rehab). Her first job with Marshall was assistant director at Twin Towers while still a senior. After several career changes, including a stint as a home economist for Columbia Gas, she began her career at the School of Medicine in May 1977 as assistant director of admissions. She now serves as the assistant dean for admissions and student affairs.

Warren has played a vital role in selecting every medical school class since the school was founded. A big part of her job is advising students on the entire admissions process, which typically involves processing 1500 or more applications a year for the usual 75 annual slots. A committee of 25, drawn from a broad cross-section of people, narrows the list down to 250 or so hopefuls, who are then invited for personal interviews. When that day comes, she puts great effort and energy into putting the potential students at ease. In fact, when the happy day comes to notify the fortunate few who have gained admission, Warren personally calls each admitted student to deliver the good news ahead of the initial acceptance letter.

“I am so honored,” Warren said. “It is shocking to me that I have meant enough to someone to do this for me. It is quite humbling.”

Warren will be in consultation with the scholarship selection committee throughout her lifetime. The scholarship will be a one-time award to an entering medical student from West Virginia.

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lead to meaningful breakthroughs in preventing dementia or treating it,” he said. “Those breakthroughs will need to be evaluated, and with its extensive patient network including rural areas, Marshall is ideally positioned to do the clinical evaluations authenticating successful projects while guaranteeing patient safety.”

Yingling said a committee, which includes Ed Maier, will provide guidance on recruiting the professor or professors.

The West Virginia Research Trust Fund was established in 2008 to serve as a catalyst for economic development across the state. The trust fund program allows Marshall to double private gifts that support expansions to research faculty

and infrastructure in key areas linked to economic development, health care and job growth.

Including this donation, private gifts to date combined with the state’s match bring Marshall’s current total for the trust fund program to just over \$5.1 million to be used for investments in research at the university.

The West Virginia Legislature initially appropriated \$15 million in the trust fund for Marshall. Qualifying private gifts to the university are matched dollar for dollar by the state’s fund. For more information about the trust fund, visit [www.marshall.edu/b4b](http://www.marshall.edu/b4b) or call the Marshall University Foundation at (304) 696-5407 or toll free at (866) 632-5386.

# School of Medicine benefits from new scholarships

Scholarships can make the difference in whether a student attends medical school, and whether he or she remains there. Nurturing a student's talents and career ambitions can be rewarding, and one way to help do this is by contributing to or endowing a scholarship. Several significant scholarships have been created in the past year. Here is a look at the awards and the donors.

## Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Class of 2011 Endowed Scholarship

The Class of 2011 has established a scholarship in memory of their classmate Jason Madachy. Jason, who was from Concord, Ohio, was only 21 when he died in a tragic accident on a family vacation.

"About three weeks before we started our first year of medical school, we learned of Jason's death," said Dr. Susanna "Susu" Kapourales, class president and currently a pediatric resident at Orlando Health-Arnold Palmer Children's Hospital in Orlando, Fla. "It was very sad to hear we had lost a classmate before we even got the chance to meet him."

Jason's parents, Joe and Dolly, came to the class's White Coat Ceremony during the first week of school and called regularly throughout the four years to hear how things were going and what the students were up to. "His mom was so kind and she really wanted to be a part of our experience," Kapourales said. "I know this was very difficult for her, but she took the time to do it anyway. In doing so, we learned so much about him even though we didn't have him with us for our four years at Marshall. They are a wonderful family and I wish I would have had the chance to meet Jason."

Mrs. Madachy organized many fundraisers of her own with a goal of buying stethoscopes for every entering medical student in the country to keep her son's memory alive. She ultimately created the Jason Madachy Foundation to accomplish this.

"We decided since Jason had a love for community service, we would create the class scholarship in his memory to enable students to go on medical mission trips," Kapourales added. "Not only would this allow the students to experience

medicine in a new light, but it would also benefit communities that really need help from the healthcare field. Further, it was a way we could incorporate the Madachy family into our class."

Class of 2011 members also recognized the stresses medical students face. "Medical school is just plain difficult," she said. "The students have a lot on their plates. Through establishing a scholarship, we will be able to help students give back to communities that really need help, even if they feel like they can't afford to go on these service trips."

This is the second medical school class to endow a scholarship at its graduation, the Class of 2008 being the first.

## The Louis R. Molina, MD Scholarship

Dr. Louis "Louie" Molina, Class of 1984, was a native of Huntington. He attended Marshall as an undergraduate, and then continued on to medical school. He did his residency at the University of Miami Memorial Medical Center, where he met his wife, Dawn, a nurse. He and Dawn returned to Huntington and Louie joined his father's urology practice.

Molina joined the School of Medicine in July 2005 as a professor and chief of urology for the Department of Surgery. He served in this position until his death at age 52 on July 16, 2009.

"Louie was very supportive of the School of Medicine," said his widow, Dawn. "That is why we wanted to continue his support by establishing a scholarship in his memory. Louie was very loyal to Marshall. He wanted to see it grow and thrive. He was a die-hard Marshall supporter."

The scholarship is to be awarded to a full-time student with the greatest financial need. Preference will be given to a student from Cabell

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County, with second preference to a Wayne County resident. (Note: The third choice would be a West Virginia resident.)

“Louie always felt it was important to benefit a student from this area,” Dawn added. “He felt that if the student had ties to this community, he or she would be more likely to come back here to practice, just as he did.”

The Molina family came to Miami, Fla., from Cuba in 1961 when Louie was 6 years old. The family moved to Huntington when Louie was 10. Two of Louie’s siblings followed in his footsteps by graduating from the School of Medicine. Manuel “Manny,” Class of 1987, is an orthopaedic surgeon in Charleston, and Rafael, Class of 2000, is an obstetrician/gynecologist in Huntington. Their sister, Maria Bronosky, resides in Huntington and is a medical representative. Dawn, who was a nurse in her husband’s office, plans to go on to graduate school to become a nurse practitioner.

### **The Dean Robert W. Coon, MD, Endowment Scholarship**

The scholarship was established by Dr. R. Mark Hatfield, Class of 1983, and his wife, Monica, in honor of Dr. Robert W. Coon. Coon served as dean of the School of Medicine from July 1976 until August 1985.

“We feel Robert Coon was the most instrumental individual in helping the School of Medicine get started and continue to grow over the years,” Monica Hatfield said. “The students really respected him – he was a benevolent authority figure. He really cared about each student and hoped that each would succeed in his/her professional and personal endeavors. He did a wonderful job and has remained our friend to this day.”

Dr. Mark Hatfield, an ophthalmologist, founded Retina Consultants PLLC in Charleston in 1988. Monica received both her bachelor of arts degree (1977) and her master of arts degree (1983) from Marshall. She retired from teaching six years ago, most recently teaching math at St. Agnes Middle School. She serves on the board of directors of the Marshall University Foundation Inc. and volunteers for Common Ground, a food pantry.

The Coon Scholarship will be awarded to a fourth-year medical student who exemplifies and displays characteristics that will make him or her a caring and compassionate physician. There is no residency restriction.

### **Richey Family Endowed Scholarship**

The Richey family arrived in Brooke County, W.Va., in 1795. Dr. Hobart “Hoby” Richey, Class of 1983, was born in Los Angeles, but spent some of his elementary school years in Wellsburg, along with most summers through graduation from high school, giving him a special connection to the area.

For this reason, Richey has endowed a scholarship for a full-time, first year student with the greatest financial need and who has displayed academic excellence, first preference to be given to a student from Wellsburg.

“My hope is that this scholarship will provide one more source of assistance to help a bright, compassionate student follow his or her dream of becoming a doctor,” Richey said. “The School of Medicine gave me the basis for much of my professional path as a physician. This scholarship is a modest acknowledgement of the gratitude that I feel for the opportunities the school, administration, professors, staff and community provided me.”

Richey and his wife, Lisa, live in Venice, Fla., where Richey has been in private practice in dermatology since 1990. They have two children, a son and a daughter, both working on their respective careers in college and grad school. If there is not a qualified Wellsburg recipient, for the scholarship, it will be awarded to a Brooke County resident as a one-time award. If a Brooke County resident is not available, the scholarship may be awarded to a West Virginia resident as a one-time award.

### **Mr. Kenneth E. Guyer, Sr., & Mrs. Hazel O. Guyer Expendable Scholarship**

This scholarship was established by Drs. Kenneth Guyer and Barbara Guyer, in honor and memory of his parents. Kenneth is a biochemistry

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## Congratulations to Dr. Ratcliff

Dr. Gilbert A. Ratcliff Jr. cared for children in Huntington longer than the School of Medicine has been in existence, and he taught the school's medical students and residents for most of its history.

A specialist in neonatal and perinatal medicine, he began seeing high-risk and premature babies in 1976. In fact, his station wagon became the first ground transport to Cabell Huntington Hospital's nursery for premature infants, the precursor to today's thriving Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

In addition to being an active and popular teacher, he served as alternate chairman for the state chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, chairman of the West Virginia Committee for Perinatal Health, and chairman of the West Virginia Fetus and Newborn Committee. He was chief of Cabell Huntington Hospital's Pediatric Section for 28 years, serving on several of its committees. He is a member of the medical honorary Alpha Omega Alpha, and he received the Service to Children Award from TEAM for West Virginia Children in 2007.



Dr. Gilbert "Gil" Ratcliff is recognized as the 2011 honorary member of the association. Dr. Susu Kapourales, 2011 Class president, looks on.

The School of Medicine Alumni Association board of directors unanimously voted to honor Dr. "Gil" Ratcliff as this year's honorary member of the association and his award was announced at the 2011 Investiture. Marshall's medical alumni are pleased to name him an honorary alumnus.

## Dr. Sale receives honor at the annual student awards ceremony



Dr. Sale and Linda Holmes

At the annual student awards ceremony on May 3, 2011, Linda S. Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs, presented Mary T. Sale 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. Sale is doing a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of New Mexico. She is formerly from Charleston, and is a 2007 graduate of Cornell University.

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and molecular biology faculty member of the School of Medicine, joining faculty in 1975. Barbara is the creator and former director of Marshall's H.E.L.P. and Medical H.E.L.P. programs.

"My parents were fine people," Kenneth Guyer said. "Neither of them finished high school, but they valued education very highly. As one of the founding members of the medical school, I felt this was a way to honor them."

The one-time award will be given to a second-year medical student who has financial need and displays the qualities of a studious, dedicated student from Cabell County or, otherwise, a comparable student from elsewhere in West Virginia.

"Cabell County is where we have always lived in West Virginia," Guyer said. "It is good to have local people involved in the school since many of them come back to practice."

"I think it is important to help medical school students," Guyer added. "Many come out of school with a great deal of debt, so I think we should assist them as much as we can."

The Guyers' daughter, Greta, is a 1990 graduate of the School of Medicine. She practices endocrinology in Charleston.

### **Huntington Clinical Foundation Expendable Scholarship**

This scholarship is a one-time award for an entering first-year medical student who is deemed the most academically gifted of the class. Financial need or residency is not a consideration. The Huntington Clinical Foundation was formed March 27, 1947, to provide grants from the Switzer Trust for local organizations that either provide medical care or are involved with medical-related education or research.

"We at the Foundation felt that there was not anything more appropriate to our mission than providing a scholarship to assist Marshall University School of Medicine in recruiting one of the best and brightest with a merit-based stipend [scholarship]" said Dr. S. Kenneth Wolfe, foundation member and retired otolaryngologist.

### **Garrie J. and Madeline D. Haas Endowed Scholarship**

Garrie J. Haas, Class of 1983, and his wife, Teresa, have established a scholarship in honor of his deceased parents, Garrie J. Haas Sr. and Madeline D. Haas. The scholarship will benefit an entering first-year medical student from West Virginia who has the greatest financial need and who has displayed academic excellence.

"My parents were both born and raised in West Virginia, and were very active in our community of Charleston," Haas said. "My father impressed upon me the value of hard work and discipline and my mother a sense of compassion and confidence. I want to honor their commitment to me by establishing this scholarship for a hard-working, intelligent and motivated West Virginia native.

"We weren't wealthy growing up, and my Dad worked two to three hard labor jobs in order to provide our needs," Haas added. "Both parents were supportive of all my educational endeavors, helping me any way they could, providing for college expenses on a laborer's salary, and just emotionally increasing my confidence in all my abilities. I was lucky to have them!"

Haas attributes his success to Marshall as well. "I was also lucky to be educated at Marshall. This scholarship is meant to emulate my parents' loyalty to their son and exemplifies the loyalty I have to Marshall for its education and experience, and personal commitment to its students."

Haas is section director of the heart failure and transplant program in the division of cardiovascular medicine at The Ohio State University (OSU), and medical director of the heart and vascular research organization.

He and Teresa live in Dublin, Ohio, with their children, Jennifer, 20, a junior at OSU; Maria, 10; and Joey, 8.

### **David C. Griffin, MD, Scholarship for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine**

Dr. David C. Griffin, Class of 1990, has established a scholarship to be awarded to a

full-time student with the greatest financial need and who has displayed academic excellence. First preference will be given to a student from Wood County, or, if there is no applicant from Wood County, then to any West Virginia resident. The scholarship will be renewable for three years pending satisfactory academic achievement.

Griffin, who is board-certified in internal medicine and cardiovascular disease, is with Lebanon Cardiology Associates PC in Lebanon, Pa. He completed his residency and internship at the Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia and his fellowship at the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine in Hershey.

He lives in Lebanon, Pa., with his wife, Karen, and children, Nikki and John.

## SOM "Practitioner" yearbooks looking for a good home

If you are interested in a yearbook from 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 or 2002, you can stop by Room 3409 at the MU Medical Center, 1600 Medical Center Drive, and pick one up or email Linda Holmes (holmes@marshall.edu) for details and one can be sent for \$5.00 to cover postage and handling.

## 2011 Family Medicine Top Ten Award

The American Academy of Family Physicians reports that Marshall University's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine ranked sixth in the United States in the percentage of graduates entering family medicine residencies between 1999 and 2009.

Marshall's percentage of 18.45 percent was nearly twice the national average of 9.59 percent.

The academy also honored Marshall with a 2011 Family Medicine Top Ten Award for being one of the nation's top schools in the percentage of graduates entering family medicine residencies over the 3-year period ending in October 2010. Dr. Kathleen O'Hanlon, Class of 1986, accepted the award on the school's behalf at a reception in New Orleans.

"This contribution is important to the specialty and, more importantly, to the health of all Americans," said Dr. Perry Pugno, the AAFP's vice president for education, in notifying Marshall of the award.

Dr. John B. Walden, chair of Marshall's Department of Family and Community Health and associate dean for outreach and development, said the award is a welcome recognition of Marshall's effectiveness in producing primary care physicians.

"We have 100 graduates of our family medicine residency program practicing in 30 communities around the state, and that's not



Dr. Kathleen O'Hanlon, Class of 1986, accepts an American Academy of Family Practice Top Ten Award from Dr. Roland Goertz, president of the AAFP, at a recognition ceremony during the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Conference in New Orleans.

even counting the ones just across the river in Ohio and Kentucky, or at the Centers for Disease Control, or doing missionary work overseas," he said.

"Part of the mission of this school is a focus on training physicians, particularly those who will go into the rural areas of this state, and that's exactly what we've done," he added.

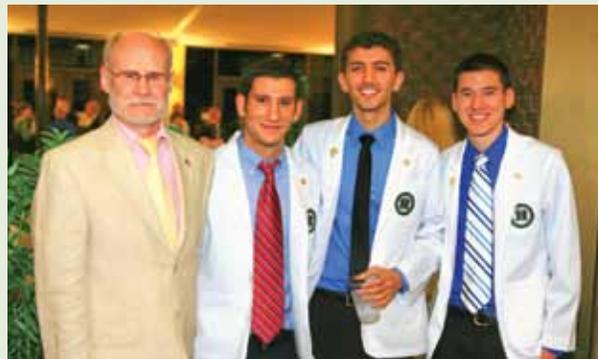
# J Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine 2010 White Coat Ceremony

## Toumas' tradition

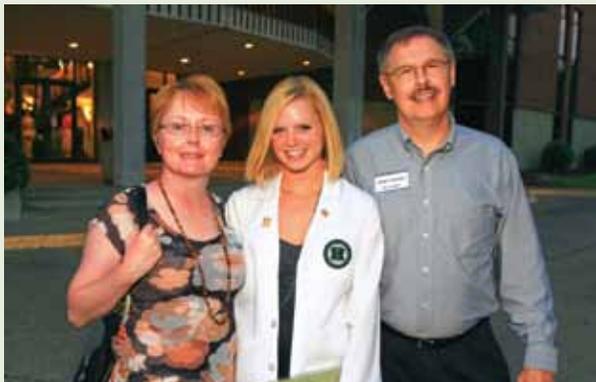
Along with the white coats and book credits presented to the Class of 2014 at the White Coat Ceremony, students received Littman Cardiology II stethoscopes from Drs. Joseph B. and Omayma T. Touma, long-time donors and loyal supporters of the School of Medicine. "We are very proud and pleased to furnish the incoming class with the most important medical tool that will serve them for years to come," Joe Touma said. "It is our way to give back to the medical profession. In return, we hope someday they will do something meaningful for the future generations. We like to say this gift is from their ears to their hearts." The Toumas began giving stethoscopes to the entering students in 2006. The first class to receive them graduated May 5, 2010.



Drs. Joseph and Omayma Touma present a stethoscope to a member of the Class of 2014.



Dr. Thomas "Tom" B. Styer, Class of 1982, with his recipients



Another school of medicine legacy - Jill A. Goodwin with her mother, Dr. Rose Ann Goodwin, Class of 1982, and father, Barry



Dr. Patricia "Pat" L. Wilson, Class of 1994, with her daughter, Laura

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Michael B. Beres, MD	1996	Ronald L. McGavic, Jr.
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Nancy B. Norton, MD	1999	Jenna K. Fields
Kathleen M. O'Hanlon, MD	1986	Robert B. Wildman
Gretchen E. Oley, MD	1982	Jill A. Goodwin
Gretchen E. Oley, MD	1982	Don A. Bertolotti
Alison S. Patterson, PhD	Friend	Kimberly N. Weaver
John A. Purcell, MD	1987	Bethany G. Bush
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Rachel G. Clarke
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Richard G. Erwin II

ALUMNI & FRIENDS	SOM CLASS YEAR	STUDENT
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Mark A. Faltaous
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Jeffrey B. Groves
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Joseph C. Hart
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Joshua F. Hendrix
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Craig A. Riccelli
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Lacey M. Vence
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Piyush V. Sovani
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991	Miranda E. Rose
Ezra B. Riber, MD	1984	Payam Heiraty
Hobart K. Richey, MD	1983	Ganesh R. Murthy
Richard E. Ryncarz, MD	1995	Piyush V. Sovani
Richard E. Ryncarz, MD	1995	Ziyang Liu
Richard E. Ryncarz, MD	1995	Ken Maynard III
Elizabeth M. Schmidt, MD	2005	Christina A. Wagner
Mark F. Sheridan, MD	1987	Laura G. Wilson
Mark F. Sheridan, MD	1987	Molly E. Seidler
Mark F. Sheridan, MD	1987	Ravi Viradia
Bernie M. Simons, MD	1990	W. Dennis Carr
Friday G. Simpson, MD	1991	Michael W. Dodrill
Friday G. Simpson, MD	1991	Shane R. Dragan
Friday G. Simpson, MD	1991	Stephen S. Cole
Friday G. Simpson, MD	1991	Lindsay M. Edwards
Donna J. Slayton, MD	1986	Zain N. Qazi
Stephen C. Smith, MD	1981	Freddie W. Vaughan II
Lucia I. Soltis, MD	2008	Mark A. Faltaous
Bryan D. Springer, MD	1999	Zubair A. Ansari
Bryan D. Springer, MD	1999	Tamara T. Barghouthi
C. Anne Steele, MD	1986	Lonnie L. Berry
Ron D. Stollings, MD	1982	Rebecca M. Hayes
Ron D. Stollings, MD	1982	Payam Heiraty
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	David R. Hourani
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Bethany G. Bush
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Alexander R. Cira
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Sirisha Devabhaktuni
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Lindsay M. Edwards
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Richard G. Erwin II
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Jeffrey B. Groves
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Joseph C. Hart
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Joshua F. Hendrix
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Sammy S. Hodroge
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Maureen L. Joyce
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Caroline L. Brady
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Adam W. Buckley
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Sonja P. Dawsey
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Jill A. Goodwin
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Luke D. Miller
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Kacey E. O'Malley
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Majd G. Sweiss
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Shawndra B. Thompson
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Alexander J. Salazar
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Lee A. Van Horn
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Molly E. Seidler
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982	Matthew Krantz
John F. Toney, MD	1981	Ryan P. Hostutler
Joseph B. Touma, MD	Friend	Katherine H. Rector
Omayma T. Touma, MD	Friend	Robert B. Wildman
M. Teresa Vives, MD	1991	Sirisha Devabhaktuni
Paulette S. Wehner, MD	1989	Ravi Viradia
Paulette S. Wehner, MD	1989	Douglas C. vonAllmen
Barbara G. Wells, MD	1996	Corey A. Keeton
Jeffrey W. Whightsel, MD	1984	Majd G. Sweiss
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	C. Nathaniel Nicholson
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	Michael J. Northcutt
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	Kacey E. O'Malley
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	David W. Feigal III
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	Lora B. Fetty
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	Jenna K. Fields
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD	1984	Sean M. Fitzpatrick
Kevin W. Yingling, MD	1985	Jessica N. Sosa
Kevin W. Yingling, MD	1985	Freddie W. Vaughan II

## CEREMONY SPONSORS

ALUMNI	SOM CLASS YEAR
C. David Adair, MD	1990
Harry H. Dinsmore, Jr., MD	1991
Mary L. Marcuzzi, MD	1997
Joseph C. Shanklin, MD	1996

**RATES HIGHER THAN NATIONAL AVERAGE IN:**

- Family medicine (2 times national average)
- Pediatrics (1.5 times national average)
- Medicine/pediatrics (1.5 times)
- Obstetrics/gynecology (1.3 times)
- Diagnostic radiology (4 times)

Graduates who will begin family medicine, internal medicine, medicine/pediatrics or OB/GYN residencies July 1: 39

**HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAMS BEING ENTERED, IN ADDITION TO MARSHALL'S, INCLUDE:** Stanford, Vanderbilt, Georgetown, Baylor, University of Massachusetts

Particularly competitive specialties being entered: orthopedics, otolaryngology, dermatology, neurological surgery, radiology, anesthesiology

A Marshall student was one of only 9 in the U.S. to get a residency combining family medicine and psychiatry

## MATCH DAY SNAPSHOT

## MATCH LIST

**Brittany Leigh Adams**

Anesthesiology at University of Florida College of Medicine-Shands Hospital  
Gainesville, Florida

**Charles Daniel Barry II**

Anesthesiology at Medical College of Georgia  
Augusta, Georgia

**Kimberly Renee Becher**

Family Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Michelle Lee Beitzel**

Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center  
Cincinnati, Ohio

**Kathryn Emily Bell**

Family Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Naveen Bellam**

Internal Medicine at Emory University  
Atlanta, Georgia

**Nathan Alex Bexfield**

Pediatrics at University of Utah Affiliated Hospitals  
Salt Lake City, Utah

**Whitney Ann Boggs**

Family Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Clifton Robert Bolinger**

Family Medicine at McLeod Regional Medical Center  
Florence, South Carolina

**Karim Wayne Boukhemis**

Orthopaedic Surgery/Research at West Virginia University  
Morgantown, West Virginia

**Gregory Thomas Burg**

Medicine/Pediatrics at Louisiana State University  
New Orleans, Louisiana

**Jessica Rae Burgy**

Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University, followed by Dermatology at Medical College of Georgia  
Augusta, Georgia

**Rebecca Lynne Byard**

Family Medicine at Washington Hospital  
Washington, Pennsylvania

**Christopher William Carey**

Emergency Medicine at Carolinas Medical Center  
Charlotte, North Carolina

## MATCH LIST

**Fung Michael Chan**

Otolaryngology at New York Medical College-New York Eye and Ear Infirmary  
New York, New York

**Neil Russell Copeland**

Pediatrics at Charleston Area Medical Center  
Charleston, West Virginia

**Megan Elizabeth Docherty**

Emergency Medicine at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**Daniel Roque Felbaum**

Neurological Surgery at Georgetown University Hospital  
Washington, District of Columbia

**William Albert Fogle**

Internal Medicine at New Hanover Regional Medical Center  
Wilmington, North Carolina

**Jennifer Kayser Gerlach**

Pediatrics at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Ladawna Lynn Gievers**

Pediatrics at Oregon Health & Science University  
Portland, Oregon

**Christina Booda Gillenwater**

Family Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Shea Marie Goodrich**

Pediatrics at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Beatrice Lyath Grasu**

Orthopaedic Surgery at Union Memorial Hospital  
Baltimore, Maryland

**Joel L. Grow**

Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University, followed by Radiation Oncology at University of Arizona Affiliated Hospitals  
Tucson, Arizona

**Forrest Steven Harrison**

Emergency Medicine at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**Michelle Lois Harvison**

Obstetrics-Gynecology at Riverside Methodist  
Columbus, Ohio

**Nathan Randall Hatfield**

Diagnostic Radiology at University of South Florida  
Tampa, Florida

**Alice Aileen Hensley**

Pediatrics at Stanford University Programs  
Stanford, California

**Joseph Bradley Hess**

Family Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Jill Allison Hopkins**

Pediatrics at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Salmaan Azam Jawaid**

Medicine/Pediatrics at University of Massachusetts  
Worcester, Massachusetts

**Jeremiah Lukas Jeffers**

Anesthesiology at West Virginia University  
Morgantown, West Virginia

**Susanna Antoinette Kapourales**

Pediatrics at Orlando Health  
Orlando, Florida

**Sonya Neda Kaveh**

Psychiatry at Charleston Area Medical Center  
Charleston, West Virginia

**Ryan Douglas Kerr**

Internal Medicine at University of Tennessee  
Knoxville, Tennessee

**Courtney Lynn Kiser**

Pediatrics at Jefferson Medical College/DuPont Hospital for Children  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



Happy members of the Class of 2011 at Match Day

## MATCH LIST

**Richard Wayne Knapp, Jr.**  
Surgery-Preliminary at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Courtney Erin Krug**  
Internal Medicine at Georgetown University Hospital  
Washington, District of Columbia

**Heidi Lewis**  
Diagnostic Radiology at University of South Florida  
Tampa, Florida

**Susan Marie Lopata**  
Obstetrics-Gynecology at University of California-Irvine Medical Center  
Orange, California

**Tristan Flynn Meador**  
Emergency Medicine at University of Maryland Medical Center  
Baltimore, Maryland

**Korey Blake Mitchell**  
Family Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Shelly Rene Nickels**  
Internal Medicine at Marshall University  
Huntington, West Virginia

**Allison Abby Palumbo**  
General Surgery at Wright Patterson Medical Center  
Wright Patterson, Ohio

**Steven Michael Peterson**  
Emergency Medicine at University of Tennessee  
Chattanooga, Tennessee

**Huong Thi Thu Pham**  
Medicine-Preliminary/Neurology, followed by Neurology, at Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
Nashville, Tennessee

**Dana Carlson Point**  
Surgery-Preliminary, followed by Urology, at West Virginia University  
Morgantown, West Virginia

**Bretton Lee Powell**  
Internal Medicine at Riverside Methodist  
Columbus, Ohio

**Jennifer Martin Riley**  
Obstetrics-Gynecology at Baylor College of Medicine  
Houston, Texas

**Hilja Rebecca Ruegg**  
Psychiatry/Family Medicine at University Hospital  
Cincinnati, Ohio

**Mary Temple Sale**  
Obstetrics-Gynecology at University of New Mexico  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

**Garrett Charles Schneider**  
Surgery-Preliminary at Hershey Medical Center/  
Pennsylvania State University  
Hershey, Pennsylvania

**Kelly Dawn Schrapp**  
Delayed Residency

**Randall Joseph Schultz, Jr.**  
Internal Medicine-Preliminary, followed by Diagnostic Radiology, at University of Maryland-Mercy Medical Center Baltimore, Maryland

**Nicholas Haddad Shaheen**  
Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University, followed by Diagnostic Radiology at St. Vincent Hospital Worcester, Massachusetts

**Jarrod Thomas Sheatsley**  
General Surgery at Riverside Methodist  
Columbus, Ohio

**Zechary Craig Smith**  
Family Medicine at University of Tennessee  
Memphis, Tennessee

**Adam Patrick Sweeney**  
Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University, followed by Diagnostic Radiology at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina



Dr. Shea Goodrich receives her pediatric match at Marshall

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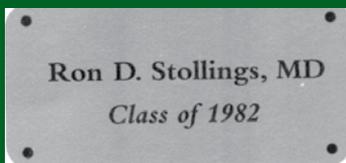
# Take a Seat Campaign

Thanks to many of our donors who have given \$1,000 to endow the "Take a Seat Campaign," the School of Medicine's Educational Technology Fund. David N. Bailey, assistant dean, continuing medical education, will utilize the funds from the endowment to integrate the continuing medical education conference rooms with the Harless Auditorium audio visual capabilities via WiFi, which is now available through the intranet. All audiovisual equipment selected will include the Bluetooth option, which is required for wireless access to the in-house network. The future plan includes a new lighting system upgrade to provide a "lights up" classroom setting.

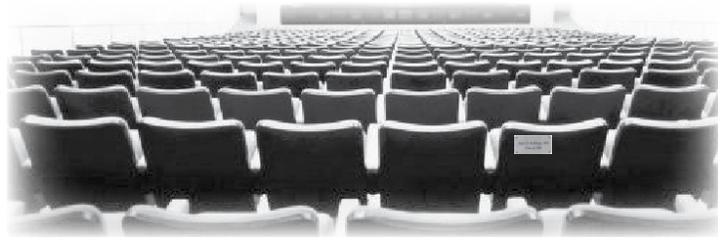
There are still seats available and we ask you to join others from the Marshall "family" in taking a seat in the Harless Auditorium. When you make your pledge, the school will inscribe a brass plaque to be placed on the back of a seat. It's a great way to recognize a graduate, remember or honor a loved one, or show your support for the School of Medicine.

Your generous gift will enable the School of Medicine to maintain and enhance its cutting-edge technological support for health sciences education.

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PLEDGE. Yes, I/we want to reserve \_\_\_ seat(s) in the Harless Auditorium.

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# M Marshall Spinathon raises more than \$3,000 for Paul Ambrose Trail

The Marshall chapter of the American Medical Association-Medical Student Section partnered with the Marshall Recreation Center to host the second annual Pedal-for-PATH Spinathon. The event, which was held on March 15, benefited the Paul Ambrose Trail for Health (PATH).

Ambrose, a 1995 graduate of the School of Medicine, was working with the Surgeon General to raise awareness about problems associated with obesity. Tragically, he was on the hijacked plane that crashed into the Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001. The trail system is a way for his efforts to continue to have an impact in Huntington. Ambrose was the son of Dr. Kenneth Ambrose, retired professor of sociology at Marshall, and his wife, Sharon.

In his memory, the Rahall Transportation Institute Foundation, in association with the City of Huntington, has designed a 26-mile bicycle and pedestrian trail system to encourage active lifestyles and alternative modes of transportation. The Pedal-for-PATH fundraiser brought together more than 80 members of the community and raised nearly \$3,000 for the proposed trail system.

Participants were eligible for door prizes donated by many local businesses including Marshall Recreation Center, Velocity Bicycles, the HIT Center, Crossfit Thunder, Fat Patty's, Chili Willi's, Dick's Sporting Goods, Outback Steakhouse, Qdoba, Latta's Toy Station, The Pottery Place, Huntington Physical Therapy, Top Hat Ballroom Dancing, The Shape Shop, Jimmy John's, Professional Hair Design, Starbucks, Glenn's Sporting Goods, Taste of Asia, Max & Erma's, Jeff's Bike Shop, Robert's Running & Walking Shop, Pita Pit, Jim's Steak & Spaghetti House, Gino's, Buddy's BBQ, Stadium Bookstore, Chili's, third & NINTH Deli, The Thai House, Huntington Road Runners, Uno Chicago Grill, Jared Miller Tennis and Ritter Park Tennis Center.

As of this writing, about \$100,000 has been raised for the trail from public events. Groundbreaking for the project took place the week of September 11. Next year's Pedal-for-PATH will take place during the week of St. Patrick's Day.

For more information about PATH, please visit [paulambrosetrail.org/](http://paulambrosetrail.org/).

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**Megan McKee Thomas**  
Obstetrics-Gynecology at St. Vincent Hospital Center  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Skyler Dale Tribble**  
Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University,  
followed by Diagnostic Radiology at Aultman Hospital/  
Northeastern Ohio Universities  
Canton, Ohio

**Shreepada Tripathy**  
Pediatrics at University of Louisville  
Louisville, Kentucky

**Julie Ann Wesp**  
General Surgery at University of Missouri-Kansas City  
Programs  
Kansas City, Missouri

**Jessica S. Whipkey**  
Psychiatry at West Virginia University  
Morgantown, West Virginia

**Jonathan Michael White**  
Family Medicine at Washington Hospital  
Washington, Pennsylvania

**Danielle Holley Whitley**  
Emergency Medicine at Christiana Care  
Newark, Delaware

**Steven Robert Zeller**  
Family Medicine at University of Louisville  
Louisville, Kentucky



The Class of 2011 at  
Match Day on March 17

## School of Medicine loses great friend and supporter, Isabelle Zacharias

Although Isabelle Zacharias left Huntington behind after her years at Marshall College, she took with her a fondness for the school that would last the rest of her life. She expressed that fondness in tangible ways that have greatly contributed to the medical school's teaching program in obstetrics and gynecology.

Isabelle was 97 when she died in Cincinnati on Sept. 27, 2010, but Marshall had been a part of her life from her earliest years: her mother, a teacher, was a Marshall College graduate. After Isabelle graduated from Huntington High School, she enrolled at Marshall as well.

Isabelle's career path took her to Cincinnati, where she became a personal shopper at one of the city's principal department stores. She was very successful in her work, and her life grew even better when she met a bright young doctor who was interning at Booth Hospital. That doctor, Lloyd F. Zacharias, would become her husband.

Dr. Zacharias became director of the ob/gyn residency program at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Cincinnati, and his teaching activities sparked Isabelle's interest in resident education. Her interest endured after his untimely death from a heart attack in his early 50s.

After her beloved Marshall University created a medical school, she became a strong supporter of its Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, making regular contributions as a tribute to her husband. Her gifts made it possible to bring national figures in women's health care to Marshall for continuing medical education events. The department also established the Lloyd F. Zacharias Award, a monetary award presented to the most outstanding graduating senior entering the field of ob/gyn.

Isabelle later made a significant donation that allowed the department to furnish and obtain state-of-the-art technical support for an excellent library and conference room for resident education. The library was named in her honor and dedicated in 1999.



Mrs. Zacharias with Dr. Bob Nerhood

The medical school's first endowed professorship was made possible by an extremely generous donation Isabelle made through a charitable remainder unitrust. The Isabelle D. Zacharias Professor of Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology was announced at an April 2004 reception in Cincinnati. "We are deeply indebted to Mrs. Zacharias for her farsighted investment in the training of tomorrow's physicians," Dr. Robert C. Nerhood, then chair of the department, said at the event.

The Zacharias Professor, Dr. David C. Jude, oversees the education, research and curriculum development for residents. "This type of support truly makes a monumental difference for the department and how we teach and train future obstetricians and gynecologists," he and Development Director Linda Holmes said in a letter after Isabelle's death to her son and daughter-in-law, Fred and Ruth Zacharias. "Isabelle was a true visionary."

The funds for the Zacharias professorship are matched dollar-for-dollar by Bucks for Brains, also known as the West Virginia Research Trust Fund, which matches private donations with state dollars to encourage university research and leverage private giving.

# spooktacular WEEKEND 2010



In 2010 the School of Medicine celebrated another 25-year reunion – the Class of 1985 – during the 24th annual Homecoming Weekend, October 29 – 30. Also celebrating milestone reunions were the classes of 1990 (20-year reunion), 1995 (15-year reunion), 2000 (10-year reunion) and 2005 (5-year reunion).

Friday's events included continuing medical education sessions moderated by perennial favorite Dr. Patrick I. Brown, retired professor of anatomy and associate dean for student affairs, a reunion class luncheon and a reception. Saturday was highlighted by a tailgate party with all the “game day” and “homecoming weekend” trappings, including music by DJ Kevin Simmons, great food and beverages, fellowship and the football game MU vs. UTEP (yeah, The HERD won 16-12).



The Class of 2000 enjoys celebrating with Dr. Pat Brown. (L to R) Drs. Russell L. Fry II, Melissa D. Porter, Keri E. Wilson Lijewski (class president), Lisa R. Carchedi and Amber L. Kuhl

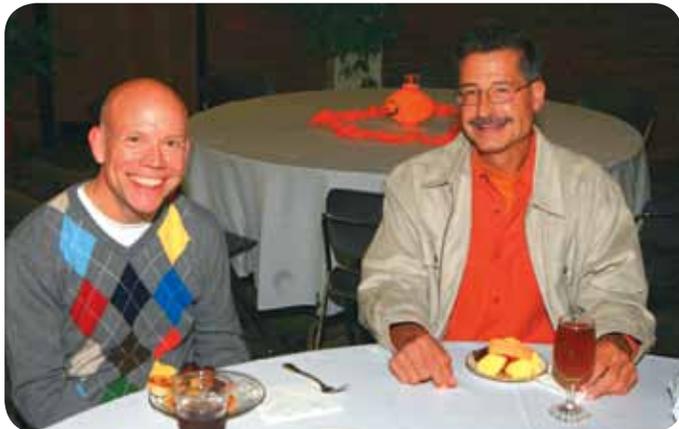
# spooktacular WEEKEND 2010



Enjoying the reception and celebrating his 15-year reunion is Dr. Richard E. Ryncarz, Class of 1995, shown here with his wife, Sue.



Dr. Pat Brown always has great bookends - Drs. Amber L. Kuhl and Keri Wilson Lijewski, both Class of 2000



Drs. Charles "Chuck" C. McCormick and Danny A. Rader, both Class of 1985, "glammin'" for the camera



Linda Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs, greets Dr. Ellie Earles Hood (president, Class of 2005), and her husband, Morgan



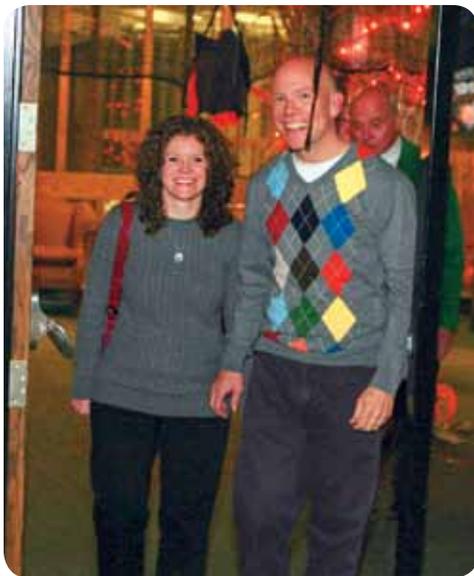
# spooktacular WEEKEND 2010



Dr. Chadwick "Chad" Smith, Class of 2000, and his guest catch up with Dr. Yoram Elitsur from the Pediatrics Department



Dr. Greta V. Guyer, Class of 1990, celebrates her 20-year reunion



Dr. Charles "Chuck" C. McCormick, Class of 1985, and wife, Krystal, enter the "Spooktacular" reception



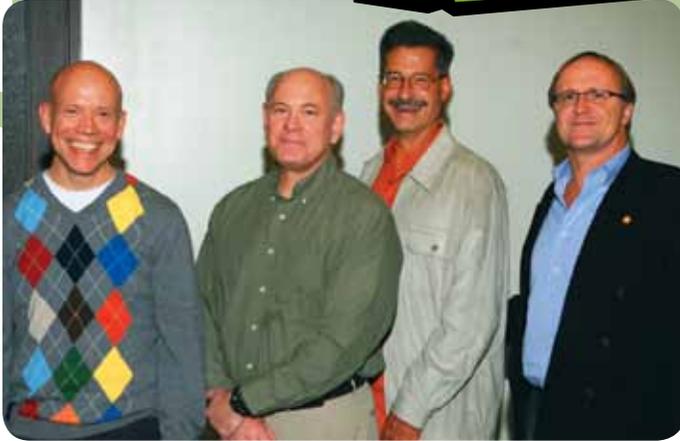
Entering legacy medical student Adam Schindzielorz, left, meets Greta V. Guyer, Class of 1990, center, at the reception with his parents Drs. Andrew H. Schindzielorz, Class of 1985, and Patricia "Pat" S. Schindzielorz, Class of 1986



DJ Kevin Simpson with his "Spooktacular" guest DJs



# spooktacular WEEKEND 2010



Celebrating their 25-year reunion are (L to R) Drs. Charles "Chuck" C. McCormick, Kevin J. Willis, Danny A. Rader and Andrew H. Schindzielorz



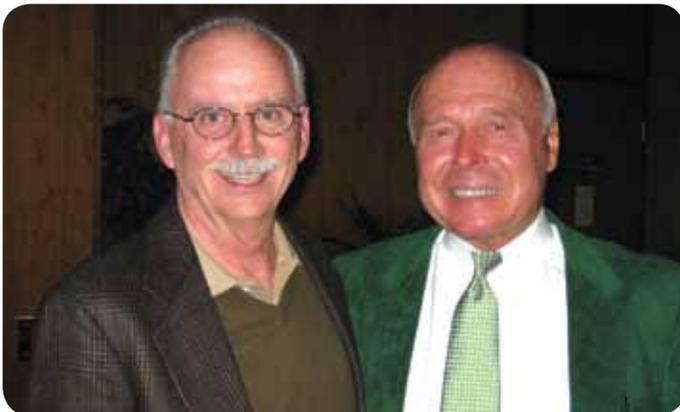
Hey guys, this conversation looks way too serious for a tailgate party - Drs. Kevin W. Yingling and Danny A. Rader, both Class of 1985



Dr. B. Danielle King, Class of 1997, enjoying the tailgate with her son, Elliott, (left) and nephew



A legacy family enjoying the tailgate party - Dr. Rose Anne Goodwin, Class of 1982, with her husband, Barry, her daughter Jill, Class of 2013, and Jill's boyfriend, Phil Putnam



Dr. Pat Brown and Dr. Charles McKown, former Dean of the School of Medicine



Dr. Tracy L. Hendershot, Class of 2008, enjoys the reunion luncheon

# spooktacular WEEKEND 2010



Dr. Patricia S. Schindzielorz, Class of 1986, and son Adam, entering MS-I medical student



Drs. Friday G. Simpson, Class of 1991, Gretchen E. Oley, Class of 1982, and Rose Anne Goodwin, Class of 1982, share a laugh at the reunion lunch



Dr. Charles "Chuck" W. Clements, Class of 1997, in a serious discussion—maybe not so serious—with Dr. Patrick Brown



Dr. Thomas B. Styer, Class of 1982, enjoys the camaraderie



Dr. Lisa R. Carchedi, Class of 2000, and husband, Dr. Charles Chitwood, made the trip from Belton, Texas, for her 10-year reunion

## Fourteenth annual golf classic

**W**inning the 14th Annual Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine golf classic with a score of 58 was Team Adams. The proceeds from the annual classic, sponsored by the Alumni and Development Office, benefited the Class of 2011's graduation activities. Another great event!



Class of 2011 vice president, Dr. Mary Sale, and Dr. Jessica Brown present Dr. Fred Adams, SOM Class of 1983, the money for winning the putting contest. Dr. Adams donated it back to the Class of 2011. Yeah Fred!



- Closest to pin #5, Dr. William "Will" A. Fogle, Class of 2011
- Longest putt #18, Bryan Beymer
- Longest Drive #16, Dr. Brittany L. Adams, Class of 2011
- Closest to pin #13, Matt Skeens (not pictured)



Bryan Beymer, Patty Beymer, Dr. Brittany Adams and Dr. Fred Adams, School of Medicine legacy father and daughter.



50/50 winner Richard Pearce is presented his winnings by Linda Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs.



Best of the Worst – Members of the Class of 2011 Drs. Gregory Burke, Ryan Kerr and Dana Point with a score of 144

# M Marshall medical graduate wins national award for medical student teaching



Dr. Scott Davis, Class of 2006

Marshall University medical graduate Scott E. Davis, M.D., is one of 16 family physicians in the United States chosen to receive a 2011 Pfizer Teacher Development Award from the American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation.

The award honors family physicians who teach medical students and residents on a part-time basis with little or no payment. Award recipients are selected based on their scholastic achievement, leadership qualities and dedication to family medicine.

“This is quite a significant award, and there couldn’t be a finer person for it,” said Dr. John B. Walden, chairman of Marshall’s Department of Family and Community Health. “The award criteria describe just exactly who Scott Davis is: academically, he was outstanding, leadership is written all over him, and his dedication to family medicine has been there since Day 1. He is a wonderful teacher and mentor, and he serves as an inspiration not only to residents and students but also to the faculty. Students who rotate with him love it.”

In a letter supporting the nomination, medical student Lauren Bevins said Davis both challenged

and encouraged her during her rotation with him in his practice at Valley Health-Wayne.

“Not only was Dr. Davis a great teacher, but I also saw first-hand the compassion and empathy that is so critical when taking care of patients, especially those who have limited medical resources,” she wrote. “I saw Dr. Davis work through lunch, stay late in the office, and see walk-in patients when his schedule was already full. He was also very aware of the financial challenges that his patients face, and he worked with patients to find lower-cost medications and less expensive screening and diagnostic tests.

“Dr. Davis is an asset to the community in Wayne as well as the Family Medicine Department at Marshall,” she said. “Any student who works with him will undoubtedly walk away from the experience with a greater understanding and appreciation for rural medicine.”

Davis graduated from Marshall’s Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine in 2006 and completed his residency in family medicine there in 2009.

The American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation said Davis and the other recipients will each receive a framed certificate and a \$2,000 scholarship.

“These awards spotlight the best of our profession: those in active practice who give of themselves to teach, mentor, and inspire residents and students,” said Richard G. Roberts, M.D., J.D., AAFP Foundation president. “Tomorrow’s family doctors, and their patients, will be better because of their efforts.”

## Congratulations and Best Wishes

At the end of June, the School of Medicine announced the following retirements.

**Dr. Sirous Arya, MD**  
Associate Professor of Surgery

**David L. Porter, MD**  
Professor/Chair, Anatomy and Pathology

**Michael R. Moore, PhD**  
Professor, Biochemistry and Microbiology

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**Class of 1995**  
**(47 members, 1 deceased, 21% participation)**

David J. Hunt, MD  
 Kevin S. McCann, MD  
 Mario R. Morenas, MD  
 Amy B. Pearson, MD  
 Ronald B. Pearson, Jr., MD  
 Richard E. Ryncarz, MD  
 Jerry W. Scott, MD  
 Rodney A. Sirk, MD  
 John T. Sweeney, MD  
 Mark R. Zeigler, MD

**Class of 1994**  
**(49 members, 2 deceased, 21% participation)**

Alicia D. Beal, MD  
 Timothy G. Cook, MD  
 Lee C. Haikal, MD  
 Becki L. Hill, MD  
 Cheryl M. Kirk, MD  
 Paula K. Larsen, MD  
 L. David Lee, MD  
 Kimberly A. Oxley, MD  
 Kathy L. Saber, MD  
 Patricia L. Wilson, MD

**Class of 1993**  
**(47 members, 1 Deceased, 13% participation)**

Jeffrey S. Holmes, MD  
 Jennifer D. Jones-Cook, MD  
 John W. Neville, MD  
 Bradley J. Richardson, MD  
 Virgil W. Smaltz, MD  
 Joanne R. Wunderlich, MD

**Class of 1992**  
**(40 members, 20% participation)**

John J. Anton, MD  
 Kimberly A. Burgess, MD  
 Timothy D. Dickinson, MD  
 William M. Miller, MD  
 William E. Passodelis, MD  
 Dianna L. Shipley, MD  
 Tina H. Sias, MD  
 Carla K. Sweeney, MD

**Class of 1991**  
**(44 members, 27% participation)**

Ronald E. Barebo, MD  
 D. Timothy Coombs, MD  
 Deborah H. Gillispie, MD  
 Gregory S. Harrah, MD  
 Bradley D. Henry, MD  
 Jack L. Kinder, Jr., MD  
 Joan B. Lehmann, MD  
 Eric A. Morgan, MD  
 Charlotte A. Rhee, MD  
 Friday G. Simpson, MD  
 M. Teresa Vives, MD  
 Tsailing Wang, MD

**Class of 1990**  
**(37 members, 18% participation)**

C. David Adair, MD  
 Jayne A. Barr, MD  
 Michelle R. Burdette, MD  
 R. Todd Chambers, MD  
 David C. Griffin, MD  
 John D. Roth, MD  
 Bernie M. Simons, MD

**Class of 1989**  
**(38 members, 1 deceased, 24% participation)**

R. Brian Boster, MD  
 Karen E. Clark-Gerbo, MD  
 Pamela A. Cyrus, MD  
 Michael G. Douglas, MD  
 Mary Ann M. Griffith, MD  
 David F. Hubbard, MD

Jonathan P. Lilly, MD  
Joseph H. Locke, Jr., MD  
William N. White II, MD

**Class of 1988**  
(42 members, 35% participation)

Joseph P. Assaley, MD  
M. Wayne Bosserman, MD  
Carolyn A. Cline, MD  
Ignacio Cardenas, MD  
Michael K. Hurst, MD  
Joan A. Lynch, MD  
Danny J. Meadows, MD  
James M. Mears, MD  
James H. Morgan III, MD  
James R. Patterson, MD  
James F. O'Neal, MD  
Mitsuko P. Shannon, MD  
M. Catherine Slusher, MD  
Sheryl L. Stephens, MD  
Melody A. Swavely, MD

**Class of 1987**  
(40 members, 37% participation)

Darin K. Bowers, MD  
Charles Bukovinsky, MD  
Yale D. Conley, MD  
C. Stephen Edwards, MD  
Nancy B. Graham, MD  
Darlene Y. Gruetter, MD  
James T. Holbrook, MD  
Allen B. Joseph, MD  
Paul T. Kuryla, MD  
Pamela G. McClure-Smith, MD  
Manuel E. Molina, MD  
John A. Purcell, MD  
Yaacov R. Pushkin, MD  
Mark F. Sheridan, MD  
Gary R. Youmans, MD

**Class of 1986**  
(46 members, 2 deceased, 40% participation)

Patrick J. Esposito, MD  
Elaine L. Flanders, MD  
Sue E. Hanks, MD  
John A. Hoffman, MD  
Edwin J. Humphrey IV, MD  
Joanne M. Lebow, MD  
Mary Nan Mallory, MD  
Kenneth F. McNeil, MD  
Scott E. Miller, MD  
Kathleen M. O'Hanlon, MD  
David S. Parks, MD  
Patricia S. Schindzielorz, MD  
Donna J. Slayton, MD  
Elizabeth L. Spangler, MD  
C. Anne Steele, MD  
James E. Tomblin II, MD  
Donald H. Trainor, Jr., MD  
Larry W. Watson, MD

**Class of 1985**  
(34 members, 23% participation)

F. Brian Brautigan, MD

Simon K. Chang, MD  
Charles C. McCormick, MD  
Michael J. Nerenberg, MD  
Terry G. Pritt, MD  
Andrew H. Schindzielorz, MD  
Kevin J. Willis, MD  
Kevin W. Yingling, MD

**Class of 1984**  
(36 members - 2 deceased, 38% participation)

Evelyn R. Banks, MD  
James W. Banks III, MD  
Timothy D. Canterbury, MD  
Robert T. Gallaher, MD  
Daniel L. Hall, MD  
Robert A. Hess, MD  
Michael A. Istfan, MD  
Kathleen E. Lucas, MD  
Perry Meadows, MD  
Susan A. Terry, MD  
Christopher J. Whitten, MD  
A. Hunter Wilson, MD  
Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD

**Class of 1983**  
(36 members - 1 deceased, 37% participation)

Lou Gene Bartram, MD  
Gerald G. Blackwell, MD  
Craig L. Bookout, MD  
Samuel R. Davis, MD  
Ronald DeAndrade, Jr., MD  
James W. Endicott, MD  
W. Douglas Given, MD  
Bijan J. Goodarzi, MD  
Garrie J. Haas, MD  
R. Mark Hatfield, MD  
Bradley R. Martin, MD  
Reginald J. McClung, MD  
Hobart K. Richey, MD

**Class of 1982**  
(23 members - 2 deceased, 38% participation)

Joseph E. Evans, MD  
Rose A. Goodwin, MD  
Kim M. Jordan-DeAndrade, MD  
F. Elizabeth Kemp, MD  
Steven D. McCarus, MD  
Gretchen E. Oley, MD  
Thomas B. Styer, MD  
Curtis A. Winter, MD

**Class of 1981**  
(18 members, 33% participation)

Dwight C. Groves, MD  
Sandra J. Joseph, MD  
Brenda C. Smith, MD  
Stephen C. Smith, MD  
John F. Toney, MD  
Keith H. Wharton, MD

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Name	Class Year
C. David Adair, MD	1990
Gregory D. Akers, MD	1988
Marsha S. Anderson, MD	1988
Joseph P. Assaley, MD	1988
Gerald G. Blackwell, MD	1983
Patrick C. Bonasso, MD	1981
John G. Boswell, MD	1982
Dennis M. Burton, MD	1981
Karen Clark-Gerbo, MD	1989
Cheryl L. Cook, MD	1985
Carol H. Cooper, MD	1989
Karen N. Dansby, MD	1983
Samuel R. Davis, MD	1983
James W. Endicott, MD	1983
Carol A. Foster, MD	1985
W. Douglas Given, MD	1983
Rose A. Goodwin, MD	1982
Mary M. Griffith, MD	1989
Wayne E. Groux, MD	1983
Jerry M. Hahn, MD	1986
Sue E. Hanks, MD	1986
R. Mark Hatfield, MD	1983
Leslie N. Heddleston, MD	1981
Karen J. Heyd, MD	1985
Pierre Istfan, MD	1985
Sandra J. Joseph, MD	1981
Jack L. Kinder, Jr., MD	1991
J. Douglas Kirk, MD	1988
David C. Kowalski, MD	1987
Carol M. Spencer-Lemay, MD	1983
Kenneth F. McNeil, MD	1986
Louis R. Molina, MD ‡	1984
James H. Morgan, MD	1988
Kathy M. O'Hanlon, MD	1986
Gretchen E. Oley, MD	1982
C. Douglas Phillips, MD	1984
Trudi L. Rash, MD	1989
David S. Ratliff, MD	1986
Evelyn Rector-Banks, MD	1984
Ezra B. Riber, MD	1984
Hobart K. Richey, MD	1983
William S. Sheils, Jr., MD	1983
Mark F. Sheridan, MD	1987
Lee B. Smith, MD, JD	1982
Nina K. Smith, MD	1981
Stephen C. Smith, MD	1981
James F. Spears, MD	1987
Ron D. Stollings, MD	1982
Katherine M. Stone, MD	1982
Mark A. Studeny, MD	1986
Thomas B. Styer, MD	1982
Melody A. Swavelly, MD	1988
Jeffrey N. Thaxton, MD	1992
Larry W. Watson, MD	1986
Samuel D. Wellman, MD	1983
Curtis A. Winter, MD	1982
Jimmy V. Wolfe, MD	1984
Kevin W. Yingling, MD	1985

Elaine M. Young, MD	1986
Sandra L. Zahradka, MD	1989
W. Matthew Zban, MD	1989

Through June 30, 2010, the following alumni\* joined other graduates as Lifetime Members of the School of Medicine Alumni Association.

Name	Class Year
Clark D. Adkins, MD	1989
LouGene Bartram, MD	1983
Michael E. Beane, MD	1996
Jeffrey B. Betts, MD	1991
R. Daniel Bledsoe, MD	2001
Kimberly A. Burgess, MD	1992
Samuel E. Carroll, MD	1997
P. Mitchell Charles, MD	1988
Amy L. Conley, MD	1998
<b>*Yale D. Conley, MD</b>	<b>1987</b>
Pamela A. Cyrus, MD	1989
Jennifer B. Day, MD	1991
Paul R. Durst, MD	1984
C. Stephen Edwards, MD	1987
Joseph E. Evans, MD	1982
J. Patrick Fouts, MD	1998
Frank E. Fumich, MD	1999
Jeffrey T. Gee, MD	1996
Bijan J. Goodarzi, MD	1983
Robert B. Gray, MD	1999
Jennifer L. Bennett Grube, MD	1996
Darlene Y. Gruetter, MD	1987
Crystal L. Gue, MD	1990
Garrie J. Haas, MD	1983
Lee C. Haikal, MD	1994
William H. Haney, MD	1986
Glenn A. Harper, MD	1995
Robert A. Hess, MD	1986
Eric S. Hopkins, MD	1998
F. Scott Hunter, MD	1981
<b>*Eric W. Irwin, MD</b>	<b>2002</b>
Eric W. Janssen, MD	1990
John W. Kessel, MD	1990
Joanne M. Lebow, MD	1990
Dawn L. MacFarland, MD	1996
James C. McCabe, MD	1988
Reginald J. McClung, MD	1983
Scott E. Miller, MD	1986
Manuel E. Molina, MD	1987
Gabrielle F. Morris, MD	1990
Stephen F. Morris, MD	1981
Kimberly A. Oxley, MD	1994
Robert C. Pennington, MD	1990
Steven Pribanich III, MD	1991
Daniel B. Ray, MD	1983
Charlotte A. Rhee, MD	1991
Bradley J. Richardson, MD	1993
Valerie L. Richey-Klein, MD	1989
Monica L. Richey-Walker, MD	1986
Rhonda Scites Ross, MD	1994
Daniel W. Russell, MD	1990
Kevin S. Smith, MD	1986
Anna M. Suray, MD	1991
Timothy B. Tabor, MD	1992
John F. Toney, MD	1981
Jack M. Trainor, MD	1996
Donald H. Trainor, Jr., MD	1986
Carrie A. Twedt, MD	1996
Ted B. Vance, MD	1985
Paulette S. Wehner, MD	1989
William A. Welton III, MD	1991
Jeffrey W. Whightsel, MD	1984
William N. White II, MD	1989

Myra L. Wilkerson, MD 1994  
 Donnah S. Wolodkin-Whitaker, MD 1984  
 Joanne R. Wunderlich, MD 1993  
 Phillip N. Zambos, MD 1984

July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, the following School of Medicine graduates joined the association as annual members.

**Annual Members**

Jayne A. Barr, MD 1990  
 Shayne E. Bates, MD 2006  
 Darin K. Bowers, MD 1987  
 Michelle R. Burdette, MD 1990  
 Timothy D. Canterbury, MD 1984  
 Lisa R. Carchedi, MD 2000  
 Ignacio Cardenas, MD 1988  
 Ryan R. Cicenias, MD 2000  
 Jodi M. Cisco, MD 1997  
 Timothy G. Cook, MD 1994  
 Robert J. Cure, MD 1998  
 Gerald A. Dague, MD 2000  
 S. Elliott Dorsey, MD 2001  
 Erika M. Faile, MD 2006  
 Joseph G. Foust, MD 2000  
 Jeremy D. Fuller, MD 2003  
 Deborah H. Gillispie, MD 1991  
 Curtis W. Harrison, Jr., MD 1998  
 Becki S. Hill, MD 1994  
 James T. Holbrook, MD 1987  
 Ellie E. Hood, MD 2005  
 David F. Hubbard, MD 1989  
 Edwin J. Humphrey IV, MD 1986  
 David J. Hunt, MD 1995  
 Erik B. Hurst, MD 2003  
 Stephen M. Jones, Jr., MD 2004  
 Joseph L. Joyce, MD 1997  
 F. Elizabeth Kemp, MD 1982  
 Devin A. King, MD 1999  
 Paula K. Larsen, MD 1996  
 Jeffrey D. Lodge, MD 2002  
 Joan A. Lynch, MD 1988  
 Mary L. Marcuzzi, MD 1997  
 Bradley R. Martin, MD 1983  
 Molly R. Mathews, MD 1996

Steven D. McCarus, MD 1982  
 Charles C. McCormick, MD 1985  
 Danny J. Meadows, MD 1988  
 Perry Meadows, MD 1984  
 Nimish K. Mehta, MD 1997  
 Bobby L. Miller, MD 1997  
 Scott W. Mitchell, MD 2002  
 Mario R. Morenas, MD 1995  
 Eric A. Morgan, MD 1991  
 Nancy B. Norton, MD 1999  
 G. Joseph Oakley III, MD 2006  
 David S. Parks, MD 1986  
 James R. Patterson, MD 1988  
 Amy B. Pearson, MD 1995  
 Ronald B. Pearson, Jr., MD 1995  
 Melissa Bays Porter, MD 2000  
 Terry G. Pritt, MD 1985  
 Richard E. Ryncarz, MD 1995  
 Kathy L. Saber, MD 1994  
 Mitsuko P. Shannon, MD 1988  
 Bernie M. Simons, MD 1990  
 Virgil W. Smaltz, MD 1993  
 Lucia I. Soltis, MD 2008  
 Bryan D. Springer, MD 1999  
 Ishmael W. Stevens, Jr., MD 1997  
 Susan A. Terry, MD 1984  
 James E. Tomblin II, MD 1986  
 Tsailing Wang, MD 1991  
 Christopher J. Whitten, MD 1984  
 Anne Kathleen Williams, MD 2008  
 Kevin J. Willis, MD 1985  
 Gary R. Youmans, MD 1987

The following Associate Members – West Virginia physicians, former residents, present and previous faculty – joined from July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.

Dr. Anthony M. Alberico  
 Dr. Hoyt J. Burdick  
 Dr. Joye A. Martin  
 Dr. Gary O. Rankin  
 Dr. Bruce A. Ratcliff  
 Dr. Suratkal V. Shenoy  
 Dr. Douglas S. Tice  
 Dr. John B. Walden  
 Dr. Kendall L. Wilson, Jr.

\* School of Medicine Alumni • † Deceased

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY JOAN C. EDWARDS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Membership Application (July 1 - June 30)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

(Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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90 & Over .....	9.8%

Two-life rates available.  
\*Effective July 1, 2010

# S Spotlight on Dr. Sam Wellman

Samuel “Sam” Wellman, Class of 1983, and his wife, Terry, have just returned from San Juan de la Maguana, Dominican Republic, where they work with clinics associated with Solid Rock Missions, a Christian-based medical mission. Each day they go to a different barrio and see 125 to 175 patients. The clinics are usually located in schools or churches. Sam provides primary medical care, and Terry is a nurse anesthetist and usually works with the surgical team. They go about three times per year.

“We have developed many great relationships over the past four years that we have been going down there,” Sam said. “We also have two families that we sponsor, so we get to spend time with them.”

The Wellmans provide some fun times for the residents as well. “We are sponsoring a baseball team called the ‘Stars of the Future.’ We took them uniforms and baseball equipment. We got involved in this because I love baseball and one of the kids we sponsor is on the team. The last time we were there we got to play a game with them.”

Last summer the Wellmans went to Ghana, West Africa, and at the end of August they were scheduled to be in Bolivia.

“At these clinics, we see various parasitic infections, pneumonia, a lot of musculoskeletal pain, cutaneous fungal infections, hypertension, diabetes, GE reflux, asthma, tonsillitis and various skin infections,” Sam added. “We see patients of all ages. It is basic family medicine. We usually will see the entire family. My training in primary care at the Marshall School of Medicine was very helpful in preparing me for this type of work.”

Wellman did his residency at the University of Louisville in pediatrics, then stayed on to do a fellowship in neonatology. He currently practices hospital-based pediatrics and neonatology in Hickory, N.C. Terry went to the University of North Carolina-Greensboro for her master’s in nursing, then on to Wake Forest University/Baptist Hospital for nurse anesthetist school.



## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE CLASS NOTES

### 1980s

**Katherine “Kay” M. Stone, Class of 1982**, writes a monthly column on Happy Hour for a local Tucson arts and entertainment magazine.

**Garric J. Haas, Class of 1983**, is section director of the heart failure and transplant program in the division of cardiovascular medicine at The Ohio State University, and medical director of the heart and vascular research organization. Garric and his wife, Teresa, have been married for 13 years. They live in Dublin, Ohio, with their three children, Jennifer, 20, a junior at OSU; Maria, 10; and Joey, 8.

**Carol M. Spencer-LeMay, Class of 1983**, is a homemaker. She and her husband, Richard, have a daughter, Marie, who graduated from college in May and will be working in a research laboratory in Boston for two years.

**Joseph “Joe” M. Kowalski, Class of 1984**, is director of the Cardiac Cath Lab at Heart Hospital of Lafayette, La., and at Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center and chief of medical staff at Heart Hospital of Lafayette. Joe is in private practice with Interventional Cardiology-Cardiology Specialists of Acadiana. He has been married for 10 years to Valerie Valentino Kowalski and has one son, 19, at Louisiana State University and one daughter, 20, at Samford University. He enjoys golf and travel.



**Donald “Don” H. Trainor Jr., Class of 1986**, has practiced for 21 years at HealthNet Community Health, which serves inner city Indianapolis in nine locations. He is the chief medical officer. The group has completed the Medicaid Meaningful Use EMR Attestation process with CMS and the state of

Indiana. On a more personal note, “My third grandson was born in April and all three of my grandsons live in Indianapolis where we live. Our adult children (and one high school senior) live within an hour of us so we are very fortunate in that regard as well.”

**J. Douglas “Doug” Kirk, Class of 1988**, was appointed chief of staff at the University of California Medical Center-Davis.

**Sheryl L. Stephens, Class of 1988**, works at the Faith Mission Medical Clinic for the homeless. “I’m looking forward to cutting back my hours so I can go on more overseas medical missions.” Her niece, who has lived with her since she was 12, graduated from Otterbein School of Nursing in June. Sheryl’s son is a senior at Xavier and will graduate with a degree in accounting in December.

**Karen E. Clark-Gerbo, Class of 1989**, has been elected governor of the West Virginia Chapter of the American College of Physicians (ACP), the nation’s largest medical specialty organization. Her term began during the ACP 2011 Internal Medicine annual scientific meeting in San Diego, California.



Drs. Mike Douglas, Matt Zban, Eric George, Clark Adkins

**W. Matthew “Matt” Zban, Class of 1989**, is a full-time emergency physician and shareholder with Mid-Atlantic Emergency Medical Associates. He works at Presbyterian Hospital Charlotte and Presbyterian Hospital Matthews. He also works part-time as a medical-legal expert. He and his wife, Susan, just celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary. He is active in Saint Gabriel’s Catholic Church, and serves on the board of directors for The Joe Martin ALS Foundation. In his free time he enjoys family, reading and golfing.

### 1990s

**Deborah “Deb” H. Gillispie, Class of 1991**, is “just trying to keep up with three kids, two horses, five goats and 20 chickens along with my ‘day job’ working in the emergency department at Cabell Huntington Hospital.”

**Anthony “Tony” M. Grieco, Class of 1991**, has been serving in the U. S. Navy for the past 32 years and currently holds the rank of captain, Medical Corps. In 2010 he received the Meritorious Service Medal for serving as the director of surgical services for



Tony Grieco

the Operational Health Support Unit for Naval Hospital Pensacola, Fla. As for his civilian career, he left the clinical practice of medicine in August 2010. He is currently employed as a full time physician executive as the medical director of Care Coordination at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana. Tony is also pursuing his Executive MBA degree, which will be awarded from Southeastern Louisiana University in May 2012. He and his wife, Debbie, reside in Madisonville, La., part of the New Orleans greater metropolitan area, with their four children.

**Cheryl R. Shafer, Class of 1992**, is medical director for Clinical Policy and Innovation at WellCare Health Plans in Tampa, Fla. "This is an exciting opportunity to develop innovative programs for Medicare and Medicaid members across the United States. The goal is to improve patients' quality of life even when they have chronic conditions like heart failure, and ensure the care they get is the care they need." Cheryl lives in St. Pete Beach near the Gulf of Mexico. Her youngest son recently graduated from Herbert Hoover High School in Clendenin, W.Va., and plans to major in theatre.

**Christopher "Chris" G. Anton, Class of 1993**, is an assistant professor of pediatrics and radiology and a pediatric radiologist at Cincinnati Children's Medical Center. He also serves as the associate program director of the radiology residency at the University of Cincinnati. His fellowship was in pediatric radiology.

**Tracy J. Gemmell, Class of 1994**, has stopped delivering babies, and has become trained in robotic surgery. She and two others started a new gynecology-only practice, Athena Women's Care in Greensburg and Latrobe, Pa. She and her husband have two children.

**Jeffrey "Jeff" T. Gee, Class of 1996** president, is medical director and chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at Princeton Community Hospital's Behavior Health Pavilion of the Virginias in Princeton, W.Va.

**Cindy Z. Pinson, Class of 1996**, is the founder, CEO and president of Pinson Mobile Medicine, DBA Travel MD. Travel MD is the only full-time house call practice in Huntington that delivers health care to private homes, assisted living facilities, the work



place and nursing homes. It is in its sixth year of operation. She is happily married to Matt, publisher of Huntingtonnews.net, for 13 years, and they have four children, ages ranging from 2 to 12. She loves gardening, and the Pinsons and four other families share a community garden.

**Barbara G. Wells Nelson, Class of 1996**, married David Nelson in February. Barbara has two daughters, Sophia, 8, and Paige, 10.



**Matt W. Lambert, Class of 1997**, after working a number of years in Davis, W.Va., as a family medicine physician, recently joined **Dr. R. Trenor Williams, Class of 1997**, at Williams' company Clinovations, LLC in Washington, D.C.

**R. Trenor Williams, Class of 1997**, is the CEO and co-founder of Clinovations LLC, an organization dedicated to providing advisory services and management consulting to healthcare delivery systems, national associations and government organizations. Additionally, he is supporting inpatient and ambulatory health information technology (HIT) engagements at MedStar Health, Bon Secours Health System and Adventist Health Care. He has significant experience developing benefits realization, physician adoption and clinical transformation strategies as well as working with third party vendors to develop evidence-based clinical content. He has a long history of leading CPOE implementation, ambulatory EHR strategy, and clinical transformation engagements. Trenor is associate editor of the book, *Improving Medication Use and Outcomes with Clinical Decision*

*Support: A Step-by-Step Guide*, which received the 2009 HIMSS Book of the Year Award. Prior to beginning his consulting career in 2002, Trenor was the medical director of Family Practice at Mammoth Hospital in California and was a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve. He completed his family practice residency at Kaiser Permanente in Los Angeles.

**Warren B. Sayre, Class of 1999**, has taken an administrative position with Summit Medical Group of East Tennessee after eight years of private practice as a partner. His title is clinical director of integrated health services, and he develops and implements corporate wellness programs and express clinic services. One of the group's main clients is the City of Knoxville, where Warren is the medical director for the City Wellness Program. He became a fellow of the American Academy of Family Practice in 2010, and is currently pursuing a master's in public health at Rollins School of Public Health (Emory University) in healthcare outcomes. He and his wife, Angie, have three children and live in Knoxville, Tenn.



**Bryan D. Springer, Class of 1999**, of Charlotte, N.C., is an attending orthopaedic surgeon with OrthoCarolina Hip and Knee Center. In April he was the James F. Wenz Visiting Professor at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, and has been awarded both the prestigious Ranawat and Insall awards for the best scientific research in hip

and knee replacement at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. Bryan will be program chairman for the 2013 American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons. He and his wife, Summerson, have three children.

**Michael "Mike" J. White, Class of 1999**, is chief medical officer for Hendry Regional Medical Center. He is also director of, and will help develop the wound care center for the hospital. He earned his master of medical management degree from Tulane University in 2009. Hendry Regional Medical Center is near Lake Okechobee in south central Florida.

## 2000s



**Lisa R. Carchedi, Class of 2000**, works with the University of Texas Southwestern Psychiatry Residency at the Seton Family of Hospitals in Austin. In June the residents awarded her "Teacher of the Year" for

2011 by unanimous vote. At the May 2011 American Psychiatric Association (APA) convention, Lisa was promoted to the status of fellow and won first prize for one of her color photographs entered in the APA Art Association's contest. *Photo: Dr. Carchedi with Dr. Dan Cowell, former chair of Marshall's Psychiatry Department*

**Jennifer L. Cornelius, Class of 2000**, is an associate professor at West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, as well as medical director of the Robert C Byrd Clinic. She and her husband own and operate an equestrian stable in Lewisburg. They have three children, Gracie, 10, Alli, 7, and Sarah, 1.



**Russell L. Fry II, Class of 2000**, has joined Marshall's School of Medicine as an assistant professor with University Eye Surgeons. From 2005 until July 2011, he worked at Metrolina Eye Associates in Monroe, North Carolina.

**Chadwick "Chad" R. Smith, Class of 2000**, has returned to the Minnie Hamilton Health System in Grantsville, W.Va., as a full-time provider. He previously saw clinic patients in the facility's emergency room and clinic. Chad, who is board-certified in pediatrics and internal medicine, was a full-time pediatrician at Minnie Hamilton from November 2003 to September 2006. He is looking forward to returning to Grantsville full-time and helping his patients in Calhoun and surrounding counties.



**Enrique Sta. Ana, Class of 2001**, is practicing with Dr. Phillips Surgical Associates in Orlando, Fla. His wife, Lulu, is a practicing colorectal surgeon, and they have a son, Rafael. "We love it down here and hope to stay."

**Helena McKinney Bozorg, Class of 2001**, is working as a hospitalist in Clearwater, Florida. She and her husband, Todd, had their first child Sahm Robert in July.



**Geoffrey "Jeff" L. Singer, Class of 2001**, took directorship of the Emergency Department at Eliza Coffee Memorial Hospital in Florence, Ala. He is working with them as they build a new hospital

with a 51-bed emergency department. “I am hoping to help them develop into the major center for northeast Alabama.” His first child, Asher Gerald, was born Sept. 15, 2010, in Palm Beach, Fla.

**Jeremy L. Warner, Class of 2002**, is still enjoying every day in private practice pediatrics in Lexington, Ky. His daughter, Madelynn, turned 3 this summer, and he and his wife welcomed identical twin boys, Benjamin and Henry, in January. “Life certainly has been interesting the last six months.”

**B. Hunter Boshell, Class of 2003 president**, is with Radiology Inc., in Huntington, and is doing interventional radiology at Cabell Huntington Hospital and St. Mary’s Medical Center.

**Matthew “Matt” L. Bush, Class of 2003**, just finished a fellowship in neurotology and cranial base surgery at The Ohio State University. He has been appointed assistant professor in the Department of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington. Matt received the American Neurotology Society Fellow Award for research entitled, “Treatment of Vestibular Schwannomas with ErbB Inhibitors” in May 2011. Owen Matthew, born February 23, 2011, joins brothers Isaac, 5, and Luke, 3.

**Kimberly “Kim” M. Druff Cheek, Class of 2003**, is with Augusta Health Internal Medicine, Waynesboro, Va., as a general internist. She and her husband, Robert, were married in 2005 and have two sons, Nate, 3, and Noah, 16 months.



**J. Jefferds “Jeff” Sinclair, Class of 2003**, moved back to Charleston, W.Va., and opened his own ophthalmology practice with a friend, Chris Stansbury, OD, who is an optometrist. The practice is called West Virginia Eye Consultants, and is located in downtown Charleston on the first floor of Laidley Tower. Jeff

practices comprehensive ophthalmology, including cataract surgery, glaucoma management and surgery, eyelid surgery and laser vision correction.

**Jerome B. Aya-ay, Class of 2004**, has opened Palmetto Proactive Healthcare LLC in Spartanburg, S.C., with a fellow physician. They are a third-party-free family medicine clinic (no insurance contracts) that emphasizes prevention, controls costs and gives upfront pricing. Visit them at [palmettoproactive.com](http://palmettoproactive.com), and at [facebook.com/palmettoproactive](https://www.facebook.com/palmettoproactive). The clinic

was featured in three South Carolina periodicals and Fox News Carolina. Recently, Palmetto Proactive Healthcare became the physicians for medical students and faculty at the Via College of Osteopathic Medicine— Carolinas, and will be assistant clinical professors for the medical students’ clinical rotations during their third and fourth years. He and his wife, Maria, celebrated the birth of their first child, Natalia Elizabeth Tascon, on February 9.



**Scott C. Jamerson, Class of 2004**, joined Dr. R. Mark Hatfield, Class of 1983, and Retina Consultants of Charleston, W.Va. He completed his ophthalmology residency at West Virginia University and a vitreoretinal fellowship at Retina Specialists of Ohio in Cleveland.

**P. Joshua O’Brien, Class of 2004**, just completed his vascular surgery postgraduate training and joined Duke University Health System’s Division of Vascular Surgery as an assistant professor.

**Ian A. Maher, Class of 2005**, is assistant professor and a Mohs surgeon for the Department of Dermatology at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Va. He was one of five young dermatologic surgeons selected for the American Society for Dermatologic Surgery’s Future Leaders’ Network (a leadership program). As part of that program, he developed a soccer-oriented sun safety awareness campaign called Sun Safe Soccer, which is currently serving several thousand children in the Richmond area. The campaign will be presented to the ASDS Board of Directors in November for nationalization. Also, he and his wife, **Mary Brooke White, Class of 2004**, have two daughters, Helen and Evelyn.



**Deborah “Debbie” Reed-Thurston, Class of 2005**, is a neonatologist at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington, Ky.

**Eliza E. Robertson, Class of 2005**, is a neurologist in general neurology and electromyography at Lexington Clinic in Lexington, Ky. She completed a residency in neurology and a fellowship in neurophysiology at Vanderbilt last summer. Her older son just graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in geology and spent the first half of the summer in Ireland for a geology camp. He is attending Purdue as a graduate student and began his graduate education with a geology team in Alaska this summer. Her

younger son, Wesley, just completed his junior year at Vanderbilt in molecular biology. He worked in a Nobel laureate's lab in Stockholm, Sweden, this summer.



**Scott E. Davis, Class of 2006**, since finishing his Marshall family medicine residency in 2009, has been practicing family medicine for Valley Health Associates in Wayne, W.Va. Recently, he was one of 16 family physicians in the United States chosen to receive a 2011 Pfizer Teacher

Development Award from the American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation (see story on page 36). He is married to Amanda (formerly Adams), and they are the proud parents of Chase, Andrew and Corey.

**Erika M. Faile, Class of 2006**, is working at Florida Health Care Plans, HMO, owned by Blue Cross Blue Shield. She also practices as part of a family practice office, plus hospital (outpatient, inpatient). She and her husband, John, have a daughter, Faith Maria, born on August 29, 2010.

**Leslie A. Pack, Class of 2006**, has completed a rheumatology fellowship at Wake Forest and is going back to join the faculty of Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, N.C., where she did her residency. "I am excited about it. Hope all is well at MUSOM!"

**Paul F. Rashid, Class of 2006**, completed his residency in general adult psychiatry at West Virginia University in Morgantown in June 2010. He was chief resident his senior year. Paul accepted a fellowship at the San Diego VA in California for psychosocial rehabilitation for severe mental illness. It is a one-year fellowship that began this summer.



**Paul B. Ferguson, Class of 2007**, just finished his neurology training at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, N.C., and joined Marshall's School of Medicine faculty July 1. He is director of the Office of Medical Education and assistant professor of neuroscience, as well as clerkship director for neurology. He sees both children and adults in the clinic as a neurologist. He and his wife, Allison, and their two daughters, Emily and Audrey, reside in Ohio.



**John-Paul "J.P." Pham, Class of 2007**, is chief medical resident at the University of Florida College of Medicine-Jacksonville. He was selected for a cardiology fellowship at Aurora Health Care/University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health for 2011-2014. J.P became

engaged to Diem Tran on Sept. 4, 2010. Diem, a pharmacist, is a 2007 graduate of the University of Florida College of Pharmacy.

**Jay A. Shepherd and Meagan W. Shepherd, both Class of 2007**, have moved to Columbus, Ohio. Meagan is starting an allergy and immunology fellowship at The Ohio State University. Jay has joined the faculty of King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland, Ky. Jay will be commuting from Columbus until Meagan's fellowship ends in two years. Their son, Parker, was one year old on August 3.

**R. Aaron Lambert, Class of 2008**, is an assistant clinical professor, assistant residency director at East Carolina University, Department of Family Medicine. "I will be fortunate enough to be involved in precepting residents and med students, covering our hospital service, delivering babies and working at a rural prenatal clinic for mostly immigrant farm workers."

**Kathleen "Kate" Williams-Levin, Class of 2008**, married Mike Levin in Roanoke, W.Va., on Oct. 10, 2009. **Neetha Vilasagar, Class of 2008**, was in the wedding party. Kate completed her pediatric residency at the Boston Combined Residency Program in Boston, Mass., on July 1, then joined the Children's Hospital Boston inpatient pediatric service as a hospitalist. "Mike and I just moved from Boston to the South Shore of Massachusetts just a few miles from the ocean. We welcome MUSOM visitors any time!"

**Adrienne M. Mays, Class of 2009**, has begun her third year of residency in family medicine at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine as a co-chief with interests in teaching and community development. "I am also busy preparing for my wedding that will take place this September."



**Rebecca L. Byard, Class of 2011**, and Shaun Stanley are the proud parents of Marion Sophia "Sophie" Stanley, born July 2.

## Other News

Kimberly “Kim” A. Burgess, Class of 1992, and Mark S. Talbert, Class of 1999, are at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Salerno near the city of Khowst, Afghanistan. “It is in the east; we can see Pakistan. Salerno Hospital is basically a surgical trauma facility, although we do see some Afghans for elective surgery on a humanitarian basis. When we did our first case together last week, we announced that the patient care ‘was brought to you by the Marshall University School of Medicine!’ The OR folks, most of whom are from California, got a big kick out of it.”



## *What's Happening With You?*

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## M **Marshall to partner with UK as part of national research funding project**

Marshall University announced yesterday it will be partnering with the University of Kentucky as part of the National Institutes of Health institutional Clinical and Translational Science Awards program aimed at speeding the time for laboratory discoveries to benefit patients.

NIH has awarded \$20 million to support research at UK's Center for Clinical and Translational Science, making it part of a select national biomedical research network. Marshall will be awarded a subcontract of up to \$750,000 over the course of the five-year grant.

The funding will support scientists in Marshall's clinical research program, training fellowships and early-stage clinical research trials. The partnership also will give Marshall access to the expertise and resources at UK's CCTS, and opportunities to apply for significant research grants accessible only through the CTSA program.

"Marshall University is proud to be partnering with the University of Kentucky on this national grant award," said President Stephen J. Kopp. "Our participation in this multi-state award ensures that the state of West Virginia will be represented in this national consortium of medical research institutions. We share the commitment of all CTSA members to work together to achieve the transformative strategic goals of this innovative program and look forward to realizing the full potential of its promise, especially on behalf of the people of Appalachia."

According to Dr. John M. Maher, vice president for research at Marshall, investigators in the national CTSA network are already working together to advance medical research on many of the diseases and conditions that disproportionately affect those who live in the region.

He said that researchers at Marshall's Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine and the Marshall Institute for Interdisciplinary Research will

be involved in the project, and that the areas targeted for clinical research collaboration with UK include cancer, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

"CTSA funding of Marshall's partnership with the University of Kentucky will accelerate our efforts in clinical and translational research, and forge new collaborations to solve some of the most pervasive health problems in Appalachia," added Maher.

Dr. Philip Kern, associate provost for clinical and translational science at UK, said, "Marshall has substantial clinical expertise and basic science research strength in these areas, and we welcome the opportunity to partner with them to enhance both of our biomedical research programs."

Dr. Charles H. McKown Jr., dean of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, said the populations served by Marshall's Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health and the UK Centers for Rural Health, which border each other geographically, provide the opportunity to enhance translational research and participation in clinical trials throughout the Appalachian region.

McKown added, "This award is significant because not only will our researchers be able to tap into the national CTSA resources to help speed the translation of scientific discoveries into treatments for patients, we will also be able to more fully engage our rural communities in clinical research efforts and better train a whole new generation of researchers."

"I congratulate Marshall University on receiving this prestigious grant," said U.S. Sen. Jay Rockefeller. "The CTSA is a significant step forward for our state because now we can combine expert research from across the country with Marshall's strong focus and experience in rural medicine. This also means that we will have access to future NIH funding and resources that will lead to better health care initiatives for people in West Virginia, and other rural and



underserved areas of the country.”

U.S. Sen. Joe Manchin noted that the announcement “...is not only a wonderful opportunity for Marshall University, but also for our entire state. This partnership fosters future progress in health studies and incorporates Appalachian rural communities into critical medical research. I applaud Marshall’s staff, faculty and students for their participation in this important partnership, because I am confident that all West Virginians will benefit from this collaborative effort.”

Congressman Nick Rahall added, “Marshall has opened an important and sizable door of opportunity to meet rural health needs and to address chronic diseases all too prevalent in Appalachia. Marshall medicine was born out of a federal investment; by supporting these initiatives and helping Marshall to unite its valuable resources and insight with researchers elsewhere, we help shape the course of future clinical research in the nation.”

“Marshall University has forged a path as a leader in the biomedical field,” Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin said. “This collaboration with the University of Kentucky further solidifies Marshall’s position while offering great promise for improved health care in our state and region. I look forward to the new discoveries that will emerge from this opportunity.”

NIH launched the CTSA program in 2006 to encourage collaboration across scientific disciplines and spur innovative approaches in tackling research challenges. With the addition of the 2011 recipient institutions, the program is fully implemented and includes 60 CTSA’s across the nation.

For more information about the CTSA program, visit [www.ncrr.nih.gov/ctsa](http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/ctsa). The CTSA consortium website, which provides information about the consortium, current members and new grantees, can be accessed at [www.CTSAweb.org](http://www.CTSAweb.org). For more information about the UK CCTS and its partners, visit [www.cts.uky.edu](http://www.cts.uky.edu).

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# In Memoriam

**Dr. Dennis M. Cupit, 59**, SOM Class of 1993, of Milton, W.Va. passed away at St. Mary's Medical Center on December 17, 2010, after a sudden illness. He is survived by his wife, Marylyn, son, Private Christopher Cupit, and two sisters. Dennis was born and raised in South Charleston. He was a retired physician, serving his patients in Putnam County. His walk in life was his love of people, and he fulfilled his life's goal of becoming a physician and caring for people.

**James D. Fix, Ph.D.**, professor and former chair of the Department of Anatomy, passed away November 20, 2010, at the age of 79. Dr. Fix served as chair and professor of the Department of Anatomy from July 1980 until July 1986. He continued as a professor in the department until his retirement in May 1997.

**Dr. Dawn D. Sturgill-Phillips, 51**, SOM Class of 1989, died December 15, 2010, in Chandler, Ariz. She left behind her husband, Mark Phillips, and her son Nathaniel, along with her father, Lionel, and three sisters. She was an incredible and gifted physician, first as a member of the teaching faculty of Northwestern University Hospital in Chicago, later moving to Phoenix where she worked as an internal medicine doctor affiliated with St. Joseph's Hospital, and finally working for a practice that made house calls to home-bound patients. She was passionate about her work and an advocate for those she served.



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

## Children's Health Fund, School of Medicine unveil Mobile Medical Clinic



Dr. Isabel Pino, the mobile clinic medical director, cuts the ribbon.

Children's Health Fund and the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine have launched a mobile medical clinic for the West Virginia Children's Health Project. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held May 26 at Spring Hill Elementary School in Huntington.

Established in 1992, the WVCHP is a collaboration between Children's Health Fund and the medical school. Staffed by Marshall physicians, this mobile clinic provides comprehensive primary care to children and adolescents living in rural southwestern West Virginia, including 10 schools in Cabell, Lincoln and Wayne counties. Clinicians also make referrals for subspecialty care and dental care, provide case management services, and deliver health and nutrition education.

The mobile medical clinic was funded in part by a grant from the Walmart Foundation. The grant is designated for expansion of health care services in rural areas. American Idol's Idol Gives Back Foundation also contributed

funding.

"Children in rural areas often face geographic barriers in accessing health care. In West Virginia, many families must travel significant distances across mountain roads to reach health care providers," said Karen Redlener, Children's Health Fund executive director. "The Walmart Foundation's generous gift allows us to bring high-quality, comprehensive health care services directly to medically underserved children at their schools."

"After nearly two decades, the medical school's mobile pediatric clinic serves as a vital link and contributor to Marshall University's rural outreach efforts," said Marshall University President Stephen J. Kopp, Ph.D. "Its proven mission of educating physicians, who are both attuned to the needs of rural West Virginians and skilled in meeting those needs, is well-documented. This new, state-of-the-art mobile clinic will enable our physicians and medical students to continue to provide high-quality

medical care to children in medically underserved areas of our region for years to come. It is still the case that many of the families whose children benefit from these services often have nowhere else to turn for care.”

Families in West Virginia face some of the most serious health problems in the country, including high rates of obesity, diabetes and dental disease, and the rural geography often makes accessing services difficult. The new mobile medical clinic was built to deliver care where the need is, providing primary care services as well as nutrition education and mental health services.

The “doctor’s office on wheels” was built with a special focus on energy efficiency, incorporating sustainable materials into the design.

“We’re proud to support programs that empower communities to improve their health,” said Margaret McKenna, president of the Walmart Foundation. “Our partnership with Children’s Health Fund is making a real difference in the lives of some of our nation’s most medically underserved children.”

The funds for the medical mobile unit are part of a \$925,000 grant from the Walmart Foundation, which funds initiatives focused on education, workforce development, economic opportunity, environmental sustainability, and health and wellness. From Feb. 1, 2009, through Jan. 31, 2010, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation gave more than \$512 million in cash and in-kind gifts globally, \$467 million of which was donated in the U.S.

Founded in 1987 by singer/songwriter Paul Simon and pediatrician/advocate Irwin Redlener, M.D., Children’s Health Fund (CHF) is the nation’s leading pediatric provider of mobile-based health care for homeless and low-income children and their families. CHF’s mission is to bring health care directly to those in need through the development and support of innovative medical programs, response to public health crises, and the promotion of guaranteed access to health care for all children. CHF currently has 50 mobile medical clinics serving hundreds of locations across the country. Over the past 24 years, the organization has supported more than two million health care visits for disadvantaged children, often in places where doctors and health care providers are in short supply.



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