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Since 1996, the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has marked the transition into the medical profession with its traditional White Coat Ceremony. A rite of passage for first-year medical students, the annual ceremony was held Aug. 8, 2014, during which the school welcomed 79 entering medical students to the Class of 2018.

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ON THE COVER: THROUGHOUT THEIR CAREERS, CLASSMATES EZRA RIBER AND DONNAH WOLODKIN WHITAKER HAVE USED THEIR RESOURCES TO GIVE BACK TO THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. PHOTOS BY BRAD HELTON AND SCOTT NUELKEN.

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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK



Dear graduates and friends of the School of Medicine,

Another academic year has come and gone and, as I enter my fourth year as dean, we've celebrated many milestones at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

This past May, 64 graduates received their Doctor of Medicine degrees and headed toward outstanding residency positions throughout the country and here in West Virginia. Our investiture ceremony was very successful—thank you to Amy Smith, Dr. Bobby Miller, Linda Holmes and others—

and I was personally gratified that my former chair and mentor at the University of Colorado, Dr. Robert Schrier, was able to visit and give a wonderful commencement address. This generous individual donated his speaking honorarium to begin much-needed research work into our region's catastrophic surge of babies born to addicted mothers. He was very impressed with the work we are doing. It meant so much to me to have him visit.

While graduation was a wonderful experience, the year has also been punctuated by several significant losses as well. The unexpected death of one of our medical students, Saeed Keshavarzian, MS-1, and the untimely death of Marshall University President Stephen J. Kopp; and the illness and passing of my dear friend and professor of medicine Michael Krasnow, have shaken our community to its core. With these instances, we are reminded of our frailty and challenged to live our lives to the fullest.

On a positive note, Interim President Gary White is doing a terrific job, the admissions team—kudos to Cindy Warren, Jennifer Plymale, Dr. Chuck Clements and others—has entered another stellar group of students as the Class of 2019, and we also welcome our inaugural class of students in the Accelerated B.S./M.D. program in August.

Both our undergraduate and graduate medical education programs are fully accredited without any negative qualification, our research programs are gaining momentum and our clinical arm, Marshall Health, continues to grow. These efforts continue to be buoyed by the outstanding work of Drs. Bobby Miller, Paulette Wehner, Sean Loudin and Joe Werthammer as well as Marshall Health Executive Director Buffy Hammers and her team.

Many of you have heard and are probably wondering about the status of the planned merger of Cabell Huntington Hospital and St. Mary's Medical Center. The arrangement appears to be going forward and, hopefully, will be finalized this fall. This merger will present a number of opportunities for the medical school. It was the brainchild of Dr. Kopp and required the vision and endorsement of Brent Marsteller, retired president and CEO of Cabell Huntington Hospital, and Michael Sellards, president and CEO of St. Mary's Medical Center, along with many of our community leaders—none more important than the late A. Michael Perry, a truly amazing individual. All in all, this is a great time for the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine.

Finally, let me thank you for your encouragement and financial support to our school. It was good seeing you at the annual School of Medicine Homecoming Oct. 2-3.

Warm regards,

Joe I. Shapiro, M.D.
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MARSHALL SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH ST GEORGE'S UNIVERSITY OF LONDON MEDICAL SCHOOL

The Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine and St George's University of London Medical School signed an agreement to begin a new education program that allows medical students from each school to study at the partner institutions. Up to 30 St George's students will initially be selected to spend their clinical years at Marshall. Marshall students may opt for medical electives and research experiences at the school in London. The first cohort of St George's students started clerkships and rotations at Marshall in August 2015. St George's is open to first-year and fourth-year Marshall medical students to begin electives and special research experiences.



“Marshall students may now opt for *medical electives* and *research experiences* at St George's University of London Medical School.”

Marshall's Amy Smith, assistant dean for student affairs; Eric Hardin, Accelerated B.S./M.D. program coordinator; Dr. Bobby Miller, vice dean for medical student education; and Dr. Tracy LeGrow, associate dean for academic affairs, with St George's Dr. Peter Kopelman on a recent visit to the London college.

NEPHROLOGY FELLOWSHIP APPROVED TO BEGIN IN 2016

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education has approved the start of a new nephrology fellowship program at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. The program, which begins July 1, 2016, was approved to accept up to four fellows. The two-year nephrology fellowship is completed after a three-year internal medicine residency.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE LAUNCHES PSYCHIATRY RESIDENCY PROGRAM

JCESOM was awarded initial accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education to offer a psychiatry residency-training program. The four-year program made its inaugural match in 2015. Four graduating medical students, including two from Marshall, matched into the four available slots. The program will train a total of 16 resident physicians at capacity.

Retirees

Since July 1, 2014, the School of Medicine has announced the following retirements.

MICHAEL A. GOLDMAN, M.A., M.S.W.

Assistant Professor, Psychiatry & Behavioral Medicine
Dates of employment: July 25, 2005 - June 30, 2015

SUSAN H. JACKMAN, Ph.D.

Professor, Biochemistry & Microbiology
Dates of Employment: Dec. 1, 1989 - April 30, 2015

EVERETT B. WRAY III, M.D.

Associate Professor, Cardiovascular Services
Dates of Employment: Nov. 17, 2008 - July 29, 2014

MUSOM STUDENTS SELECTED FOR NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Justin M. Pacor, a second-year medical student from Montauk, New York; Lauren M. Burgunder, a third-year medical student from San Diego, California; Anna C. Clarke, a fourth-year medical student from Charleston, West Virginia; and Brad A. Leath, a fourth-year medical student from Westmoreland, Tennessee, were chosen by their peers to

serve on the Organization of Student Representatives (OSR) to the national Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). OSR ensures that students actively participate in their medical education and gives medical students a voice in academic medicine at both the national and local level. The students will serve until they graduate.



Left to Right: Justin M. Pacor, Brad A. Leath, Anna C. Clarke and Lauren M. Burgunder.

DR. STEPHEN J. KOPP: FOREVER A SON OF MARSHALL



On Dec. 17, 2014, the Marshall University community lost one of its most accomplished leaders with the passing of President Stephen J. Kopp.

Kopp served as Marshall's president for nearly 10 years, and during his tenure worked to expand, renovate and erect several buildings across campus, including the Edwards Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Robert C. Byrd Biotechnology Science Center, the Visual Arts Center, the Arthur Weisberg Family Applied Engineering Complex and numerous other campus-wide beautification projects.

Kopp also had a tremendous impact on Marshall's academics, including establishing new high-demand majors and degree programs, such as digital forensics, as well as the additions of the School of Pharmacy and School of Physical Therapy.

The Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine is forever grateful for Kopp's vision and leadership, and extends its condolences to the Kopp family.

COTTRILL NAMED WEST VIRGINIA'S 2015 PEDIATRICIAN OF THE YEAR

The West Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics named Norman C. Cottrill, D.O., a board-certified pediatrician at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, the 2015 Pediatrician of the Year. Cottrill is an assistant professor of pediatrics and has been with Marshall Pediatrics since 1998.



GULLO NAMED NEW ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION

Charles A. Gullo, Ph.D., who most recently was in Singapore with the Duke/NUS Medical School and the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine, is responsible for oversight of the medical education program, including curriculum improvement, development and implementation, as well as assessment and improvement of medical education evaluation methods.



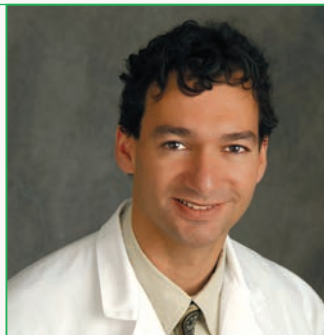
SERRAT RECEIVES NATIONAL ANATOMY AWARD

The American Association of Anatomists named Maria A. Serrat, Ph.D., assistant professor in the department of anatomy and pathology at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, the 2015 recipient of the Basmajian Award. The Basmajian Award recognizes members teaching human or veterinary gross anatomy, in the formative stages of their career, who have made outstanding accomplishments in biomedical research or scholarship in education.

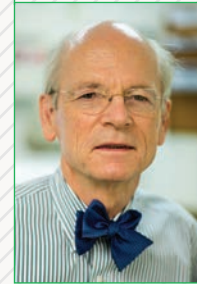


SHARMA ANNOUNCED AS NEW CHAIR OF RADIATION ONCOLOGY

Sanjeev S. Sharma, M.D., Class of 1993, was named administrative chairman of the newly formed department of radiation oncology. Sharma also leads research efforts for prostate and lung cancers. A board-certified radiation oncologist also trained in Cyberknife®, his short-term goals for the department include beginning a fellowship in radiation oncology and the expansion of patient services.



YARBROUGH APPOINTED CHAIR OF NEWLY FORMED MARSHALL DERMATOLOGY



Charles L. Yarbrough, M.D., a longtime Huntington dermatologist, was named inaugural chairman

of the newly formed department of dermatology. Yarbrough graduated from the Medical College of Virginia and completed a residency in dermatology at Emory University. He is board-certified in dermatology by the American Academy of Dermatology and in Dermatopathology by the American Boards of Pathology & Dermatology.

SPENCE NAMED NEW ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ALUMNI AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS



Sheanna M. Spence was named assistant director for alumni affairs and community relations at

the School of Medicine and Marshall Health. A native of Huntington, Spence has worked for nearly 10 years in development and community outreach, most recently as the director of institutional advancement for Mountwest Community & Technical College.

RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND MEDICAL SCHOOL PARTNER WITH INTERNATIONAL COMPANY IN DRUG DEVELOPMENT VENTURE

The Marshall Institute for Interdisciplinary Research (MIIR) and JCESOM are partnering with Shanghai-based HD Biosciences Co. Ltd. to develop potential anti-cancer drugs. The three partners will share the costs and risks of discovery and development of these new drugs. They also will jointly own any intellectual property and commercialization rights to products developed through the collaboration.

According to Dr. Zijian Xie, MIIR's director, getting new drugs from the research laboratory to clinical trials—where it is determined if the treatment is safe and effective for humans—is an expensive and time-consuming undertaking. This joint effort with HD Biosciences will significantly shorten the process because of their expertise in drug discovery, and ultimately will reduce the risk for all the partners.

SEVERE ALZHEIMER'S PATIENT RESPONDS TO BRYOSTATIN TREATMENT



Researchers at the Blanchette Rockefeller Neurosciences Institute (BRNI) and the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine announced their findings from a new study entitled, "PSEN1 Variant in a Family with Atypical AD." An Alzheimer patient with very severe disease, genetically confirmed to have a known variant of PSEN1, showed promising benefits during treatment with the drug Bryostatin 1. Genetically confirmed Alzheimer's patients as severely advanced as patient IV-18 have not shown this level of clinical improvement previously with other treatment(s).

RESEARCH GRANTS

Dr. Gary Rankin, chairman of the department of pharmacology, physiology and toxicology, and his co-investigators received a five-year renewal grant from the National Institutes of Health totaling more than \$17 million for the West Virginia IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence. The grants allow for the expansion of cancer and cardiovascular disease research and the development of biomedical research programs at colleges and universities across West Virginia.

Maria A. Serrat, Ph.D., assistant professor of anatomy and pathology, and a team of multidisciplinary researchers from several institutions received federal grant funds totaling \$383,000 to continue research into the effects of temperature on bone elongation.

Dr. Vincent E. Sollars, associate professor of biochemistry and microbiology, received a \$432,000 grant from the National Cancer Institute to research epigenetics, a cutting edge concept to fight cancer. Sollars and his team are testing the role of canalization in the process of maturing cells and cancer development. They will be targeting leukemia specifically with this grant but the results of their study can apply to all types of cancers.



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A Shorter Road TRAVELED

Marshall welcomes inaugural class to B.S./M.D. Program

Some students know long before they set foot on a college campus that they want a career in medicine. They are committed to this goal—a commitment matched by their maturity and academic achievements. For those students, Marshall University's new Accelerated B.S./M.D. Program offers a chance to complete a Bachelor of Science and a Doctor of Medicine degree in just seven years.

In August 2015, 13 students will begin the program as Marshall University freshmen and will be guided through their undergraduate years by both an undergraduate adviser and a School of Medicine mentor to help ensure their success in the accelerated program.

"We all recognize that West Virginia needs more doctors," said Joseph I. Shapiro, M.D., dean of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. "One of the ways we can make that happen is to develop programs that attract and retain our state's best and brightest students."

The program is designed for highly motivated West Virginia high school students who achieve a minimum ACT composite score of 30 (or equivalent SAT), an ACT math score of 27 (or equivalent SAT), as well as a cumulative GPA of 3.75 on a 4.0 scale. Continuing requirements for the program include selecting biology as a major, maintaining a minimum overall GPA of 3.5, successfully completing at least 26 credit hours during each academic year and participating in enrichment programs.

Students who successfully complete the program requirements will matriculate directly into medical school and are not required to take the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT). Additionally,



Marshall University Interim President Gary White recognizes Alexis "Paige" Lester for admittance into Marshall's new B.S./M.D. program. Photo courtesy of Putnam County Schools.

they will receive a tuition waiver for the medical school portion of the program.

"These are exceptional students who had many opportunities to continue their education elsewhere but chose Marshall," said Jennifer T. Plymale, associate dean for admissions at the School of Medicine. "It is our goal that these outstanding students will remain in the state to care for West Virginia's residents."

For more information on B.S./M.D., please contact Eric K. Hardin, program coordinator, at 304.691.1767 or BSMDprogram@marshall.edu.

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ACCELERATED B.S./M.D.
INAUGURAL CLASS



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MADISEN R. BURNS
Cabell County

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Jackson County

JACOB R. KILGORE
Wayne County

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Wood County

ALEXIS P. LESTER
Putnam County

JORDAN E. RATCLIFF
Wayne County

HANNAH A. RAY
Wayne County

DANA L. SHARMA
Cabell County

EMILY H. SHORT
Nicholas County



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For Drs. Ezra Ribler and Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker, classmates and friends of the Class of 1984, giving back to the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine just makes sense.

“I tell people that I have a really good life because Marshall gave me a chance, and I’m really grateful,” Wolodkin Whitaker said. “I just don’t think I would have the life I do if Marshall hadn’t given me a chance.”

Both Ribler and Wolodkin Whitaker fund scholarships in their names for students in the School of Medicine, as well as donating to the Class of 1984 Scholarship. The Dr. Ezra B. Ribler Scholarship goes to a student who is environmentally cautious, or one displaying excellent

leadership skills. The Dr. Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker Scholarship supports a student from Wheeling, West Virginia, Wolodkin Whitaker’s hometown. She also generously created an expendable scholarship this summer. Both scholarships grant first preference to a student from Wheeling. If there is not an eligible student from Wheeling, the second preference is a student from Ohio County, West Virginia, and third preference is Marshall County, West Virginia. The first recipients of Wolodkin Whitaker’s endowed and expendable scholarships are Mallory N. Morris, Class of 2018, and Samantha “Sami” D. Richardson, Class of 2019, respectively, both from Wheeling.

“Everything that I’ve been able to do has been because of the School of Medicine,” Ribler said. “It has enabled me to do my life’s work and fulfill a dream I had as a little boy, so I like to give back however I can.”

Ribler and Wolodkin Whitaker first met in medical school and formed a friendship bonded by their career paths – both are anesthesiologists. Since graduating, the two have stayed close, working hard to make sure the School of Medicine students are supported.

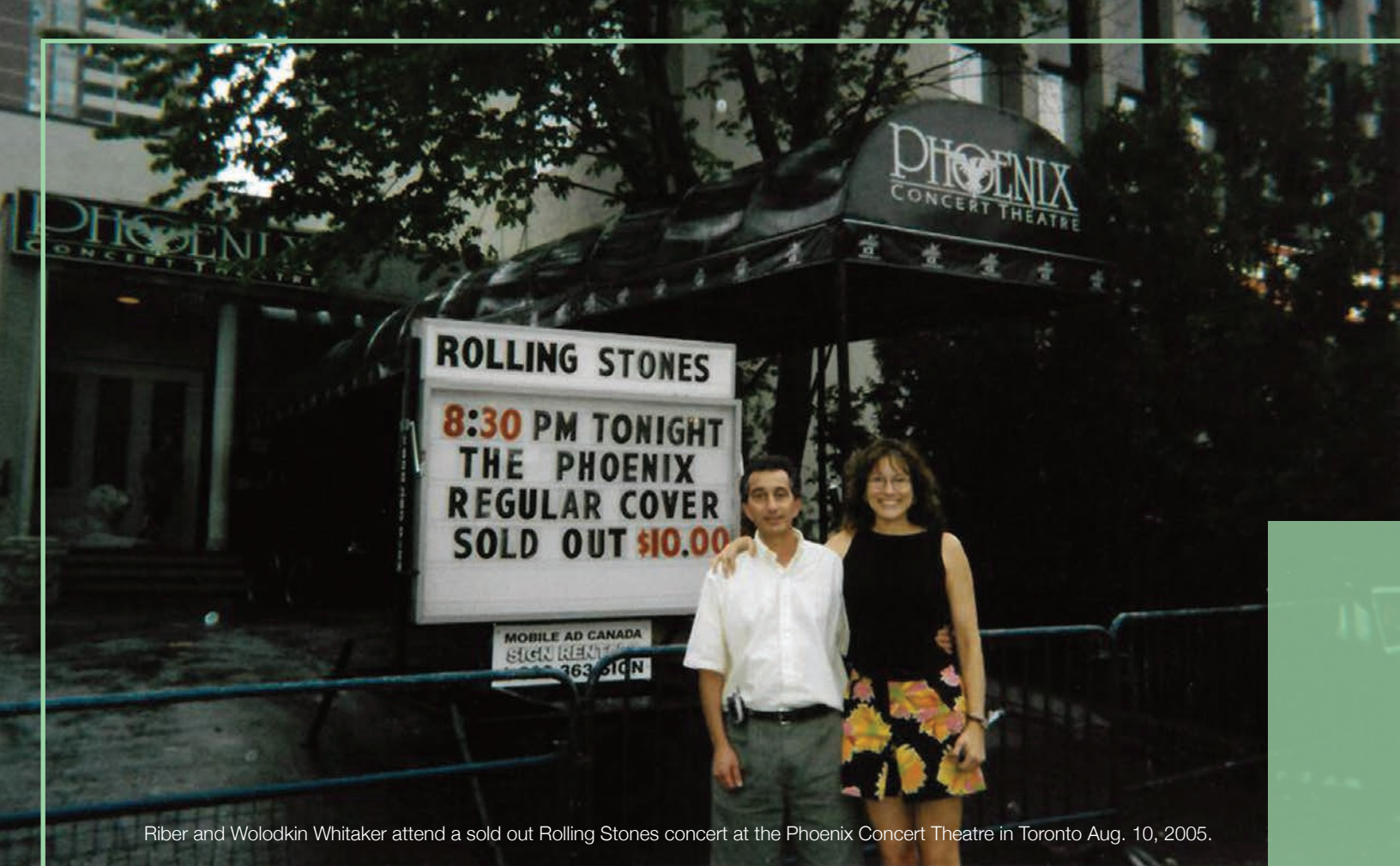
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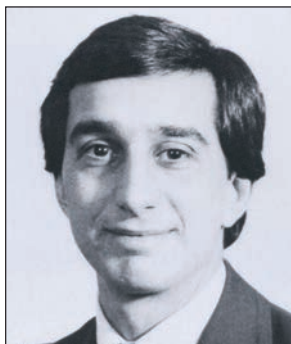
-Dr. Ezra Ribler

BY REBECCA STEPHENS

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Riber and Wolodkin Whitaker attend a sold out Rolling Stones concert at the Phoenix Concert Theatre in Toronto Aug. 10, 2005.



Wolodkin Whitaker (left) and Riber (right) during their years as med students at Marshall University.

Wolodkin Whitaker connected in many ways, including their commitment to the School of Medicine.

Linda Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs, said Riber and Wolodkin Whitaker are the types of alumni she wishes all School of Medicine graduates would aspire to be – loyal, supportive and engaged.

“It’s so important to have the support of our graduates who believe in helping our current medical students get a ‘leg up’ on their debt. Both are very active in trying to get other members of their class to start scholarships while supporting the school and paying it forward.”

Riber, who is originally from Manhattan and earned

his bachelor’s degree from Stony Brook University, moved to West Virginia just five years prior to attending medical school. He was in a master’s degree program at West Virginia University when he was accepted into Marshall’s School of Medicine. Riber said he saw it as a chance to be a part of something new, as the medical school had only been founded three years prior.

“We certainly knew we were the pioneers,” Riber said. “It’s so pleasing to have been there and now know 30 years later how the school has progressed and how it’s grown. It makes me proud to have been there at its inception. The professors knew they were establishing something important; the community and businesses were excited. They were proud to have a medical school.”

Wolodkin Whitaker, who attended Marshall for her bachelor’s degree, said she could have gone elsewhere, but felt at home attending Marshall.

“I could’ve gone to WVU, but already having been at Marshall, and knowing some of the students and faculty in the medical school already, I just felt like the faculty at Marshall cared about the students and making sure they succeeded,” she said.

And succeed they did. After graduating, Riber and Wolodkin Whitaker went on to complete residencies – Riber at the University of Cincinnati and Wolodkin

Whitaker at the Cleveland Clinic – before beginning their successful careers in anesthesiology.

Riber has been in South Carolina since completing his training, while Wolodkin Whitaker stayed in Northeast Ohio and has worked at Lake Health in Lake County for the entirety of her career.

“I really work with great people,” she said. “I think that’s why I’ve been here so long. The people are so nice to work with. The nurses are wonderful and the surgeons are wonderful. People are really easy to get along with. I just never really wanted to go anywhere else.”

Riber is an anesthesiologist with a fellowship in pain medicine at Palmetto Pain Management in Columbia, South Carolina.

“For the most part we have a very nice, appreciative

“Anything we can contribute as donors to scholarship students, that’s money the students don’t have to dig out of their pocket. Even a *small amount* of help really has an *impact*.”

-Dr. Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker

patient base that is just happy to have help with chronic pain,” he said. “It’s very gratifying work.”

Riber said he dreamed of becoming a doctor since childhood thanks to the influence of his pediatrician. For Riber, medical school was not just his dream, but his only plan.

“I remember being interviewed at Marshall for medical school and they asked me what I would do if I didn’t get in, and I told Dr. Patrick Brown, former associate dean of academic and student affairs, ‘I don’t have any alternate plans, this is what I know I want to do.’ He told me later on that answer is what got me in.” Riber said.

Wolodkin Whitaker, on the other hand, didn’t always know she wanted to be a doctor. It was a change in perception during a chance encounter while in college working as a nightshift emergency room secretary that made her realize her calling.

“I was sitting there and this doctor walked into the emergency room, only I didn’t realize she was a doctor, not at first,” she said. “Her style and demeanor was laid-back. It was just not what I had always pictured for a doctor and I thought, ‘If she can do it, I can do it.’”

Following that same idea, Wolodkin Whitaker said she believes personal appearances don’t matter to make a difference in a student’s life. All it takes is generosity.

“Anything we can contribute as donors to scholarship



students, that’s money the student doesn’t have to dig out of their pocket,” she said. “Even a small amount of help really has an impact.”

Wolodkin Whitaker’s first scholarship launched this past fall, and as luck would have it the first recipient, Mallory Morris, was not only from Wheeling, but lived on the street where Wolodkin Whitaker’s mother used to live.

Wolodkin Whitaker and Morris had the opportunity to meet when Morris attended a show where The Jillettes, Wolodkin Whitaker’s band, performed in Wheeling. They met for a second time in June when The Jillettes performed at Outstanding in Our Field 2, a scholarship fundraiser for the School of Medicine.

“I had the best time meeting her, both in Wheeling and at the fundraiser,” Wolodkin Whitaker said. “My husband and I play in the band together and it’s the most incredibly fun hobby. I never imagined we would be doing this together.”

Aside from their bond as anesthesiologists and their commitment to the School of Medicine, Riber and Wolodkin Whitaker’s friendship is also bound by music with their love of The Rolling Stones.

“We’ve gone to a number of shows, and some with our families,” said Riber, who recently attended his 41st Stones concert June 6. “We both have that Rolling Stones-itis.”

“It’s just a fun thing we share,” Wolodkin Whitaker added.

Holmes said graduates such as Riber and Wolodkin Whitaker embody the characteristics the School of Medicine hopes to instill in all its students.

“They’re very unique in what they do,” Holmes said. “They have a special friendship. It’s a pleasure to be around people like that. They shake the stereotypes of physicians.”

**REBECCA STEPHENS IS THE MANAGING
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MARSHALL MEDICAL OUTREACH



Early in the morning, one Saturday a month for more than four years, a group of local people gathers in an empty church parking lot preparing to care for Huntington's most underserved population—the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless.

The health care providers are mostly students with Marshall Medical Outreach, a student-created and student-run initiative established at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine in 2011 to deliver medical care for those who need it.

Initially staffed by a small group of volunteer medical students and a supervising faculty physician, the group now boasts of dozens of Marshall medical and pharmacy students, all supervised by a professionally diverse team of physicians, pharmacists and other medical personnel who want to volunteer. While basic health care assessment and treatment remain the foundation of care, screenings for cancer and mammograms are available, as is ophthalmology and dermatology services.

"We started with a few chairs and the van and saw four to eight people for minor problems. We never would have believed that we would be providing the comprehensive level of services we do now," said Charles W. Clements, M.D., professor of family medicine and the group's faculty sponsor. "Although it is tempting to take a lot of the credit for this,

it really belongs to all of the students who make it happen, and who want to make the community a kinder, welcoming place for those most needing care. I think the support the effort has received from the other physicians who regularly volunteer as well as the dean's full support speaks to the 'heart' of what this medical school is, and it has attracted incoming students who are looking for that caring medical education that this exemplifies."

By 9 a.m. on clinic Saturdays, the parking lot is busy with patients who weave through the mobile clinic area at the direction of the intake team. The process is much like what you'd find at your own doctor's office except that volunteers do it all. Upon check-in at the outreach tent, first-, second- and third-year medical students take personal demographic information and then vitals like blood pressure and temperature. The patient is then seen by a fourth-year medical student who provides the medical assessment, diagnosis and treatment plan, all under the direction of the faculty physicians who sign off on the care.

Marshall Medical Outreach volunteer coordinator and school of medicine staff member, Missy Browning, says approximately 30-40 patients are typically seen monthly.

"Should over-the-counter medications be needed, they are provided by school of pharmacy students under the supervision of Dr. Rob Stanton, a school of pharmacy

faculty member,” Browning said. “If a prescription is needed, we have a system for that as well. Most of the cost for clinical operation is picked up through grants and generous donations from the community.”

In addition to the health care that’s provided, there’s usually some sort of secondary outreach occurring. Coat drives, food and personal hygiene items are part and parcel of nearly every clinic and are usually orchestrated through Browning, who has been dubbed “MMO Mom” by many of the students. Future expansion for MMO includes implementation of an electronic health record as well as additional health services like dentistry.

“When I came to Marshall three years ago, MMO was one of the programs with which I was most impressed,” said Joseph I. Shapiro, M.D., dean of the school of medicine. “This is an outreach effort that personifies the Marshall School of Medicine and its commitment to provide care to everyone in our region. I’m very proud of our students and faculty for their dedication month after month.”

Marshall Medical Outreach has been recognized for its work by Gov. Earl Ray Tomblin as part of the Governor’s Day to Serve. It also received the Huntington Coalition for the Homeless “2013 Heart for the Homeless Award.”



MMO receives grants from The Stella Fuller Settlement and Huntington Clinical Foundation to further its volunteer medical outreach efforts. To date, MMO has provided free medical care to 1,400 of Huntington’s homeless and underserved populations. Pictured left to right are Father Chip Graves of Trinity Episcopal Church; Missy Browning; Del. Jim Morgan; and Dr. Chuck Clements. Photo courtesy of Missy Browning.

CLEMENTS, BROWNING HONORED FOR OUTREACH EFFORTS

Marshall Medical Outreach has been so successful in providing treatment for the medically underserved and homeless in our community thanks to its committed leaders and volunteers—two of which were honored this year for their service.

Chuck Clements, M.D., Class of 1997, was selected by Dean Joseph I. Shapiro, M.D., to receive the School of Medicine’s 2015 Award of Distinction from the Marshall University Alumni Association (MUAA) for his service. Clements was also presented with the 2015 Leonard B. Tow Humanism in Medicine Award. This award, presented to a faculty member at more than 100 of the nation’s medical schools, recognizes outstanding compassion in the delivery of care; respect for patients, their families and healthcare colleagues; and clinical excellence. Clements was previously recognized for his outreach efforts in 2013 by MUAA with the Carolyn B. Hunter Distinguished Faculty Service Award.

Missy Browning, a two-time Marshall graduate and employee in the Department of Psychiatry, received MUAA’s 2015 Community Achievement Award and was named the 2014 recipient of *The Herald-Dispatch* Zack Binkley Award for Community Service. Browning was recognized for her work with Marshall Medical Outreach and the countless support drives and events she has organized for dozens of organizations in and around Huntington—all with the goal of helping those in need.

WHITE COAT CEREMONY

Since 1996, the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine has marked the transition into the medical profession with its traditional White Coat Ceremony.

A rite of passage for first-year medical students, the annual ceremony was held Aug. 8, 2014, during which the school welcomed 79 entering medical students to the Class of 2018.

Hundreds of generous School of Medicine alumni and friends helped carry on this tradition for the Class of 2018 by sponsoring a student's white coat and/or medical equipment. Dr. Joseph B. Touma, former chair of the Marshall University Board of Governors and founding physician of River Cities Ear, Nose & Throat Specialists, and his wife, Dr. Omayma T. Touma, generously donated funds to provide each student with a stethoscope and presented the gifts during the ceremony.



To sponsor a white coat or medical equipment for a medical student, contact:

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White Coats

ALUMNI & FRIENDS	CLASS YEAR	SOM STUDENT
Nader G. Abraham, Ph.D.	Faculty	Chelsea L. Gilliam
Drs. James A. Akins & Ann Lamberdis Akins	1994/1992	Forest H. Lefevre
Joseph P. Assaley, M.D.	1988	Christopher M. Bird
Dr. Jerome B. & Mrs. Maria Tascon Aya-ay	2004	Daniel B. Desiderio
Michael E. Beane, M.D.	1996	Casey L. Hazlewood
R. Daniel Bledsoe, M.D.	2001	Zeynep C. Koc
Drs. Joshua A. & Whitney A. Boggs	2010/2011	Rachael J. Hager
E. Fritz Braunlich, M.D.	1994	Jacob T. DePolo
Samuel E. Carroll, M.D.	1997	Jacob R. Potter
Peter A. Chirico, M.D.	Faculty	Jenna K. Barbour
Peter A. Chirico, M.D.	Faculty	Brittani S. Lowe
Jodi M. Cisco, M.D.	1997	Paulina R. Skaff
Charles W. Clements II, M.D.	1997	Alexander R. Vance

ALUMNI & FRIENDS	CLASS YEAR	SOM STUDENT
Robert J. Cure, M.D.	1998	Hannah M. Ashworth
Jerry A. Dague, M.D.	2000	Kathryn B. Thornton
Samuel R. Davis, M.D.	1983	Heath T. Blankenship
Ronald deAndrade, Jr., M.D.	1983	Luke W. Finley
Sean C. DiCristofaro, M.D.	1997	Basem A. Dahsha
Benjamin W. Dyer, M.D.	2004	Joseph AbuRahma
Yoram Elitsur, M.D.	Faculty	Mohit Harsh
Joseph E. Evans, M.D.	1982	Jeremy M. Adkins
Joseph E. Evans, M.D.	1982	Justin M. Pacor
Jeremy D. Fuller, M.D.	2003	Melissa C. Saab
Dr. Jeffrey T. & Mrs. Mary Gee	1996	Nickolas A. Bacon
Christine L. Gilkerson, M.D.	2001	Alexandria D. Cremeans
Rupinder K. Gill, M.D.	2004	M. Ganga Navada
Rondal E. Goble, M.D.	1987	M. Jeremiah Matson

White Coats

ALUMNI & FRIENDS	CLASS YEAR	SOM STUDENT
Christopher S. Goode, M.D.	2002	Andrew A. Blanco
Dr. Nancy B. & Mr. P. Nolan Graham	1987	Niccia diTrapano Valentine
S. Nichelle Graham, M.D.	2009	Olivia Teng
Robert B. Gray, M.D.	1999	Bina R. Malapur
Wayne E. Groux, M.D.	1983	Tariq Latif
Greta V. Guyer, M.D.	1990	Caitlin A. Ensor
Sue E. Hanks, M.D.	1986	Anu Pokharel
Dr. R. Mark & Mrs. Monica J. Hatfield	1983	Makenzie E. Hatfield Kresch
Mary J. Haynes, M.D.	1997	Leah D. Harrell
Erich R. Heinz, M.D.	1995	Raj Singh
James T. Holbrook, M.D.	1987	Rachael E. Whitley
David J. Hunt, M.D.	1995	Aladdin Tarakji
Michael A. Istfan, M.D.	1984	Lucas A. Bracero
Kim M. Jordan, M.D.	1982	Aubrey T. Fleming
Joseph L. Joyce, M.D.	1997	Brent J. Smith Jr.
Stephen R. Kennedy, M.D.	2003	M. Zach Moore
Devin A. King, M.D.	1999	Saloni Bhatt
Joseph M. King, M.D.	2007	Travis D. Parkulo
Nicole E. Leedy, M.D.	2007	Mary E. Hanks
David L. Martin Jr., M.D.	2005	Chase W. Chambers
John E. Mason, M.D.	2002	Olumayowa M. Dayo
Reginald J. McClung, M.D.	1983	Joseph H. Ta
Dr. Bobby L. Miller & Mr. Eric K. Hardin-Miller	1997	Michael F. Matheney
J. Jeffrey Mullins, M.D.	2010	Keegan S. Mullins
Nancy B. Norton, M.D.	1999	Kelsey D. Ash
Gretchen A. Oley, M.D.	1982	Jennetta P. Meadows
Leslie A. Pack Ranken, M.D.	2006	Lacey D. Martin
James R. Patterson, M.D.	1998	Justin L. Vanhove
Charlotte A. Rhee, M.D.	1991	Stacey M. Lewis
Hobart K. Richey, M.D.	1983	Brandon S. Merritt
Maria A. Serrat, Ph.D.	Faculty	Jenna C. Kerby
Dr. W. Mitchel & Mrs. Micki R. Shaver	1990	Adam C. Shaver
Bernie M. Simons, M.D.	1990	Joseph E. Klaus
Friday G. Simpson, M.D.	1991	Caleb P. Webb
Mr. Terry A. & Mrs. Amy M. Smith	Friend/Staff	Lauren M. Burley
Mr. Terry A. & Mrs. Amy M. Smith	Friend/Staff	Kimiknu Mentore
Stephen C. Smith, M.D.	1981	Shahed Elhamdani
Lucia I. Soltis, M.D.	2008	Deena Hossino

ALUMNI & FRIENDS	CLASS YEAR	SOM STUDENT
Staci K. Stalcup, M.D.	2002	Megan N. Lilly
Mark A. Studeny, M.D.	1986	D. Patrick Blair
Thomas B. Styer, M.D.	1982	Joseph D. Barbera
Drs. Gary Rankin & Monica Valentovic	Faculty	Brad C. Gillon
Drs. Gary Rankin & Monica Valentovic	Faculty	William D. Rollyson
Lee Van Horn, M.D.	2014	Henry D. Heisey
Lee Van Horn, M.D.	2014	Hayden A. Ansinelli
Ray M. Van Metre, M.D.	2000	Andrew D. Vess
Tsailing Wang, M.D.	1991	Zachary D. Hunter
Donald W. Wickline, M.D.	2006	Andrew S. Feyh
Kevin J. Willis, M.D.	1985	Christian N. Warner
Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker, M.D.	1984	Mallory N. Morris
Elaine M. Young, M.D.	1986	Brooke C. Andrews

Medical Instruments

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Nader G. Abraham, Ph.D.	Faculty	Mohit Harsh
R. Tony Aprea, M.D.	1997	Brad C. Gillon
Joseph P. Assaley, M.D.	1988	Christopher M. Bird
Dr. Jerome B. & Mrs. Maria Tascon Aya-ay	2004	Daniel B. Desiderio
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L. Richard Boggs, Jr., M.D.	1983	Zeynep C. Koc
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E. Fritz Braunlich, M.D.	1994	Jacob T. DePolo
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Kevin J. Conaway, M.D.	1991	Hayden A. Ansinelli
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Pamela A. Cyrus, M.D.	1989	Paulina R. Skaff
Jerry A. Dague, M.D.	2000	Kathryn B. Thornton
Jennifer Beth Day, M.D.	1991	Lacey D. Martin
Sean C. DiCristofaro, M.D.	1997	Basem A. Dahshan
Laura Feaster Duncan, M.D.	2003	Deena Hossino
Benjamin W. Dyer, M.D.	2004	Joseph AbuRahma
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Dr. Jonathan A. & Mrs. Genny M. Hess	2012	Tariq Latif
Dr. Jonathan A. & Mrs. Genny M. Hess	2012	Jacob R. Potter
Dr. Robert A. & Mrs. Jannell P. Hess	1984	Henry D. Heisey
Dr. Robert A. & Mrs. Jannell P. Hess	1984	Anu Pokharel
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David L. Martin, Jr., M.D.	2005	Chase W. Chambers
Kenneth F. McNeil, M.D.	1986	Michael F. Matheney
Eric A. Morgan, M.D.	1991	M. Jeremiah Matson
James H. Morgan III, M.D.	1988	Aubrey T. Fleming
James H. Morgan III, M.D.	1988	Kimiknu Mentore
J. Jeffrey Mullins, M.D.	2010	Keegan S. Mullins
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Barbara G. Wells Nelson, M.D.	1996	Brooke C. Andrews
Donald W. Wickline, M.D.	2006	Andrew S. Feyh
Kevin J. Willis, M.D.	1985	Christian N. Warner
Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker, M.D.	1984	Melissa C. Saab
Marc A. Workman, M.D.	1986	Bina R. Malapur
Jeanne M. Zekan, M.D.	1987	Megan N. Lilly
Jeanne M. Zekan, M.D.	1987	Niccia diTrapano Valentine

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ALUMNI & FRIENDS	CLASS YEAR
Lurleen R. Benzian, M.D.	1991
Jennifer Beth Day, M.D.	1991
W. Douglas Given, M.D.	1983
Dr. R. Mark & Mrs. Monica J. Hatfield	1983
Mary J. Haynes, M.D.	1997
Eric W. Janssen, M.D.	1986
Joseph L. Joyce, M.D.	1997
Amber L. Kuhl, M.D.	2000
Kenneth F. McNeil, M.D.	1986
William M. Miller, M.D.	1992
Carmella Evans Molina, M.D.	2001
Gerard J. Oakley III, M.D.	2006
Charlotte A. Rhee, M.D.	1991
Christopher W. Russell, M.D.	2006
Mark F. Sheridan, M.D.	1987
Marc A. Workman, M.D.	1986
Mark S. Zalaznik, M.D.	1993

MATCH DAY 2015

SOM seniors garner outstanding results at this year's Match Day

Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine students consistently work hard in classroom, laboratory and clinical settings to prepare themselves for excellence as clinicians and researchers. The Class of 2015 was no exception and garnered outstanding results during this year's National Residency Match.

Nearly half of this year's graduating seniors entered fields defined as primary care—family medicine, internal medicine, OB/GYN and pediatrics—continuing Marshall's mission of educating physicians for the nation's rural areas. Additionally, about one-third of the class will remain in West Virginia, with more than a dozen new doctors staying for training at Marshall.



RESIDENCY MATCHES FOR THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE CLASS OF 2015

CALIFORNIA

Eric Michael Riley *Los Angeles* Anesthesiology at University of Southern California

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

John Mather Davitt *Washington* Obstetrics-Gynecology at Washington Hospital Center

Steven Wayne Nakano *Washington* Internal Medicine/Neurology-Preliminary at Union Memorial Hospital-Baltimore, Maryland, followed by Neurology at Georgetown University Hospital

FLORIDA

Carl Nicholas Chotas *Daytona* Family Medicine at Halifax Medical Center

Clinton Frazier McDaniel *Gainesville* Anesthesiology at University of Florida College of Medicine-Shands Hospital

Afton Elise Turner *Jacksonville* Pediatrics at University of Florida College of Medicine

Amos Thomas Turner *Jacksonville* Psychiatry at University of Florida

Shayne Michael Gue *Orlando* Emergency Medicine at Florida Hospital-Orlando

ILLINOIS

Anita M. Rao *Chicago* Pediatrics at University of Illinois College of Medicine

KENTUCKY

Brian Trent Schambach *Lexington* Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University, followed by Diagnostic Radiology at University of Kentucky Medical Center

Adam Joseph Van Horn *Lexington* Otolaryngology at University of Kentucky Medical Center

Gregory Scott Bills *Louisville* Internal Medicine at University of Louisville

James Thomas Buchanan *Louisville* Internal Medicine at University of Louisville

MARYLAND

Jay Richard Bronder *Baltimore* Internal Medicine/Neurology-Preliminary at University of Maryland, followed by Neurology at University of Maryland

George Hager Clements *Baltimore* Internal Medicine at University of Maryland

Jacob Bradley Hamm *Baltimore* Surgery-Preliminary at Allegheny General Hospital-Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, followed by Diagnostic Radiology at University of Maryland

MASSACHUSETTS

Naina Limbekar *Boston* Internal Medicine/Neurology-Preliminary at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center, followed by Neurology at Tufts Medical Center

Alexander Henry Slocum *Boston* Surgery-Preliminary at Brigham & Women's Hospital

MICHIGAN

Kelley Ann Groves *Detroit* Pediatrics at Children's Hospital of Michigan

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sarah Elizabeth Slocum *Lebanon* Psychiatry at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

NEW YORK

Michael Patrick Leone *Rochester* Neurology at University of Rochester/Strong Memorial Hospital

NORTH CAROLINA

Aaron Matthew Dom *Charlotte* Obstetrics-Gynecology at Carolinas Medical Center

Jonathan Scott Seibert *Charlotte* Obstetrics-Gynecology at Carolinas Medical Center

Jared Scott Hollinger *Winston-Salem* Neurology at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center

OHIO

Katherine Abraham *Cincinnati* Surgery-Preliminary at Allegheny General Hospital-Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, followed by Diagnostic Radiology University of Cincinnati Medical Center

Rudolph Burcl *Cincinnati* Anesthesiology at University of Cincinnati Medical Center

James Lee Flannery *Columbus* Transitional Year at West Virginia University-Morgantown, West Virginia, followed by Diagnostic Radiology at The Ohio State University Medical Center

Meaghan Alexa Tranovich *Toledo* Orthopaedic Surgery at University of Toledo

OREGON

Christopher Heath Fine *Portland* Internal Medicine at Oregon Health and Science University

PENNSYLVANIA

Kevin Justin Mills *Hershey* Internal Medicine at Hershey Medical Center-Pennsylvania State University

Nicholas Adam Bailey *Pittsburgh* General Surgery at Allegheny General Hospital

William Daniel Hall *Wynnewood* Obstetrics-Gynecology at Lankenau Medical Center

SOUTH CAROLINA

Shane Edward Cook *Charleston* Transitional Year at West Virginia University-Morgantown, West Virginia, followed by Dermatology at Medical University of South Carolina

TENNESSEE

Dennis Ray Lester *Knoxville* Internal Medicine at University of Tennessee Graduate School of Medicine

Joseph Vito Russo *Memphis* Medicine/Pediatrics at University of Tennessee College of Medicine

Amanda Woelfel Adkins *Nashville* Pediatrics at Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Brian David Adkins *Nashville* Pathology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Jessica Ann Merritt *Nashville* Psychiatry/Child Fast Track Program at Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Stephanie Leigh Taylor *Nashville* Neurology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center

TEXAS

Rahul Girish Khetan *Houston* Internal Medicine-Preliminary at Marshall University, followed by Diagnostic Radiology at University of Texas Medical School

VIRGINIA

Stephen Douglas Clark *Charlottesville* Internal Medicine at University of Virginia

Charles Wesley Clements *Charlottesville* Family Medicine at University of Virginia

Charles Donovan Davis *Roanoke* Pediatrics at Carilion Clinic Virginia Tech

WEST VIRGINIA

Jesse Randall Chaffin *Charleston* Family Medicine at West Virginia University

Andrew Dolphus Myers *Charleston* Internal Medicine at West Virginia University

Katlyn Sabo Viglianco *Charleston* Obstetrics-Gynecology at West Virginia University

Melinda Diane Becker *Huntington* Medicine/Pediatrics at Marshall University

Christopher Luke Damron *Huntington* Pediatrics at Marshall University

Anthony Jamaal Johnson *Huntington* Pediatrics at Marshall University

Sarah Elizabeth Johnson *Huntington* Pediatrics at Marshall University

Brandon Keith Lilly *Huntington* Psychiatry at Marshall University

Andrew Scott Martin *Huntington* Obstetrics-Gynecology at Marshall University

Courtney Nicole Nichols *Huntington* Medicine/Pediatrics at Marshall University

Casey Dawn Patick *Huntington* Pediatrics at Marshall University

Beverley Paige Phillips *Huntington* Pediatrics at Marshall University

Ronald Richard Joco Reyes *Huntington* Surgery-Preliminary at Marshall University

Adam Hubert Schindzielorz *Huntington* Psychiatry at Marshall University

Sarah Page Sexton *Huntington* Family Medicine at Marshall University

Brandon Scott Shiflett *Huntington* Internal Medicine at Marshall University

NEARLY 94 PERCENT OF STUDENTS FROM THE CLASS OF 2015 MATCHED TO RESIDENCY PROGRAMS ON MARCH 20, 2015, NATIONAL RESIDENCY MATCH DAY.

Congratulations to all SOM Seniors!

WebXtra:

View the class of 2015's Match Day video and more Match Day photos.

Go to: jcesom.marshall.edu/benefactor





Let's get this party started. Pictured left to right are Drs. Michael P. Leone, Andrew S. Martin, James T. Buchanan (kneeling), Charles D. Davis and Brian D. Adkins.

LOOKING TOWARD THE **FUTURE:** **INVESTITURE** 2015

Marshall University Interim President Gary White conferred 64 Doctor of Medicine degrees at the school's annual Investiture Ceremony on May 8, 2015.

Graduates of the Class of 2015 included eight students who maintained perfect 4.0 GPAs during their medical school years. This class also featured students who matched into highly competitive residency specialties, like orthopaedics, emergency medicine and radiology, as well as students paired into prestigious primary care programs across the country.

This year's special guest speaker at the investiture was Robert W. Schrier, M.D., professor emeritus of medicine at the University of Colorado and former longtime chairman of the school's department of medicine. Known the world over by researchers and scientists for his research into acute kidney failure and other facets of kidney disease, Schrier has received several honorary doctorates from universities around the world and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree at the Marshall ceremony.



Top Left: Drs. W. Charles “Chuck” Clements II, Class of 1997, hoods his son, C. Wesley Clements III, Class of 2015.

Top Right: Class of 1982 graduate C. Dwight Groves, M.D., proudly hoods his niece, Kelly A. Groves, Class of 2015.

Middle Left: The Van Horn family’s two doctors—Adam (right), Class of 2015, and Lee, Class of 2014.

Middle Right: One happy new doctor, Sirisha Devabhaktuni, M.D., Class of 2015.



WebXtra:

View the video of the 2015 investiture ceremony and more photos.

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The Class of 2015

A MESSAGE FROM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT DR. NANCY B. NORTON



Dr. Nancy B. Norton

**2015-2016 Joan C. Edwards
School of Medicine Alumni Association**

PRESIDENT

Nancy B. Norton, M.D., Class of 1999

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Robert J. Cure, M.D., Class of 1998

PRESIDENT ELECT

Tina M. Sias, M.D., Class of 1992

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Paulette S. Wehner, M.D., Class of 1989

BOARD MEMBERS

- Joseph P. Assaley, M.D., Class of 1988
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- Paul B. Ferguson, M.D., Class of 2007
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- Deborah H. Gillispie, M.D., Class of 1991
- Greta V. Guyer, M.D., Class of 1990
- Marc Hettlinger, M.D., Class of 2009
- Patti Jo Marcum, M.D., Class of 2001
- Adrienne M. Mays, M.D., Class of 2009
- William "Skip" A. Nitardy, M.D., Class of 2006
- Justin M. Nolte, M.D., Class of 2007
- James M. Reynolds, M.D., Class of 2001
- Jay A. Shepherd, M.D., Class of 2007

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- Amy M. Smith, Assistant Dean, Student Affairs
- Sheanna M. Spence, Assistant Director
- Cindy A. Warren, MU Alumni Representative
- Matthew M. Snyder, MS-IV President
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- Karl G. Shaver, MS-I President

Hello my fellow graduates and friends of the School of Medicine.

It always brings a smile to my face to see many of our 1,600-plus alumni at various events throughout the year. From White Coat and Homecoming to Investiture and Outstanding in Our Field 2, our alumni have been incredibly engaged and involved during the past year.

One of my goals as president is to assist in the school's fundraising efforts. To facilitate this growth, the alumni association board of directors voted two years ago to transition away from a dues-based membership organization. This change, which allowed alumni to make a gift of their choice to the School of Medicine to become an active member of the association, has led to unprecedented growth in our scholarship endowments. Thank you for your generosity. As an organization, we remain indebted to those who became charter lifetime members (see page 23 for complete listing) during the early days of the association. We will always remember their loyalty to the School of Medicine.

As a full-time associate professor with the School of Medicine, I have the pleasure of getting to know our future colleagues as students and watch them grow into outstanding physicians. For those of you who sponsor a scholarship or support your class scholarship, I get to see your gift at work first hand.

As I enter the second and final year of my term as president, I am issuing a challenge to you to make an effort to return for a special event, reconnect with a former classmate or support the School of Medicine by making a gift in 2015-2016. Or better still, consider creating your own endowed scholarship to help current medical students.

There will be many more opportunities this year to mentor current medical students, reunite with classmates and give back to the medical school that made all that you've worked for possible. Trust me, it will be worth the effort and time you put into it. Just think of what the School of Medicine would be able to accomplish if all 1,600-plus of us gave just a little.

Best wishes,

**Nancy B. Norton, M.D., Class of 1999
President, Alumni Association
Associate Professor, Pathology**

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Lifetime MEMBERS

The alumni association is forever grateful to the individuals who made the organization's success possible as charter lifetime members and those who later joined as lifetime members. Lifetime memberships in the School of Medicine Alumni Association were created at the inaugural meeting of the board of directors on Oct. 9, 1992.*

Charter Lifetime Members

C. David Adair, M.D.	1990
Gregory D. Akers, M.D.	1988
Marsha S. Anderson, M.D.	1988
Joseph P. Assaley, M.D.	1988
Gerald G. Blackwell, M.D.	1983
Patrick C. Bonasso, M.D.	1981
John G. Boswell, M.D.	1982
Dennis M. Burton, M.D.	1981
Karen Clark-Gerbo, M.D.	1989
Cheryl L. Cook, M.D.	1985
Carol H. Cooper, M.D.	1989
Karen N. Dansby, M.D.	1983
Samuel R. Davis, M.D.	1983
James W. Endicott, M.D.	1983
Carol A. Foster, M.D.	1985
W. Douglas Given, M.D.	1983
Rose Anne Goodwin, M.D.	1982
Mary M. Griffith, M.D.	1989
Wayne E. Groux, M.D.	1983
Jerry M. Hahn, M.D.	1986
Sue E. Hanks, M.D.	1986
R. Mark Hatfield, M.D.	1983
Leslie N. Heddleston, M.D.	1981
Karen J. Heyd, M.D.	1985
Pierre Istfan, M.D.	1985
Sandra J. Joseph, M.D.	1981
Jack L. Kinder Jr., M.D.	1991
J. Douglas Kirk, M.D.	1988
David C. Kowalski, M.D.	1987
Carol M. Spencer Lemay, M.D.	1983
Kenneth F. McNeil, M.D.	1986
Louis R. Molina, M.D.	1984
James H. Morgan, M.D.	1988
Kathy M. O'Hanlon, M.D.	1986
Gretchen E. Oley, M.D.	1982
C. Douglas Phillips, M.D.	1984
Trudi L. Rash, M.D.	1989
David S. Ratliff, M.D.	1986
Evelyn Rector-Banks, M.D.	1984
Ezra B. Riber, M.D.	1984
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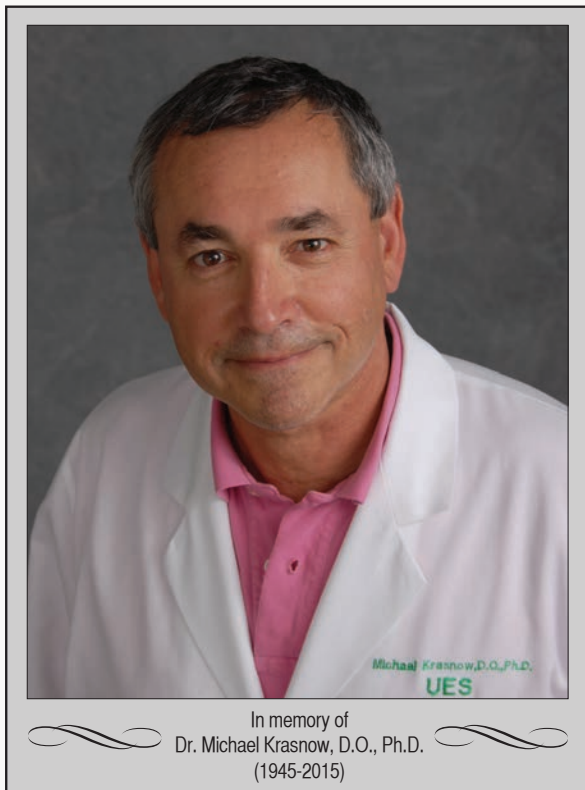
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In memory of
 Dr. Michael Krasnow, D.O., Ph.D.
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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Each year, the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Alumni Association has the distinct pleasure of honoring two very special individuals—one physician who is honored with membership into the alumni association and one outstanding student who is selected by the faculty.



2015 HONORARY ALUMNUS

Michael A. Krasnow, D.O., Ph.D. (1945-2015)

Dr. Michael A. Krasnow was selected by the School of Medicine Alumni Association board of directors as this year’s honorary member.

Nancy B. Norton, M.D., Class of 1999, and president of the alumni association, presented the award during the annual Graduation & Investiture ceremony on May 8, 2015, at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center. Dr. Norton recognized Dr. Krasnow with the following sentiment:

“Tonight, we honor an individual who has rendered outstanding service to our school of medicine for more than 20 years. Beginning in 1994, first in the Department of Family & Community Health and then as the inaugural chair of the Department of Ophthalmology, his name has become synonymous with outstanding eye care for adults and a ‘can-do, must-do’ philosophy.

Delivering health care, though, wasn’t always part of his vision. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati with a bachelor’s degree in anthropology and then completed a doctorate in anthropology at the University of Massachusetts. This demanding academic path also included post-doctoral work at the University of Chicago. A few short years later, he earned his optometry degree from the New England College of Optometry and then graduated from the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific. He completed a residency in ophthalmology at Oklahoma Regional Medical Center and then followed with a fellowship in glaucoma at the University of Iowa.

His medical career was nothing short of stellar. As the only fellowship-trained glaucoma specialist in southern West Virginia for many years, he was exceedingly busy. Averaging 60 plus patients a day plus some 25 surgeries a week, he cared for thousands of patients over the years.

We applaud his service, admire his energy and appreciate his thoughtful and determined leadership.”

Dr. Krasnow passed away Sept. 2, 2015, after a short illness.

2015 FACULTY CHOICE AWARD

Casey D. Patick, M.D.

Dr. Casey D. Patick is the recipient of the 2015 Faculty Choice Award sponsored by the School of Medicine Alumni Association. The award was presented by Linda S. Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs, at the annual Student Awards Ceremony on May 6, 2015.

A native of South Charleston, West Virginia, Patick earned her undergraduate degree from Marshall University. She is staying in Huntington to complete a residency in pediatrics at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. The Faculty Choice Award goes to the most outstanding MS-IV student as selected by the faculty. The recipient receives a plaque and a monetary award.

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On behalf of the entire Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine family, I want to personally thank each of you for your generosity and support of our mission of educating future physicians. I am truly grateful you have chosen to include the School of Medicine in your personal philanthropy and hope you will continue to do so in the future. The Development Office has seen the long-lasting results of philanthropic support from alumni and friends through the years. Your continued generosity creates limitless possibilities for the future of the School of Medicine. The following donors made gifts from July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015.

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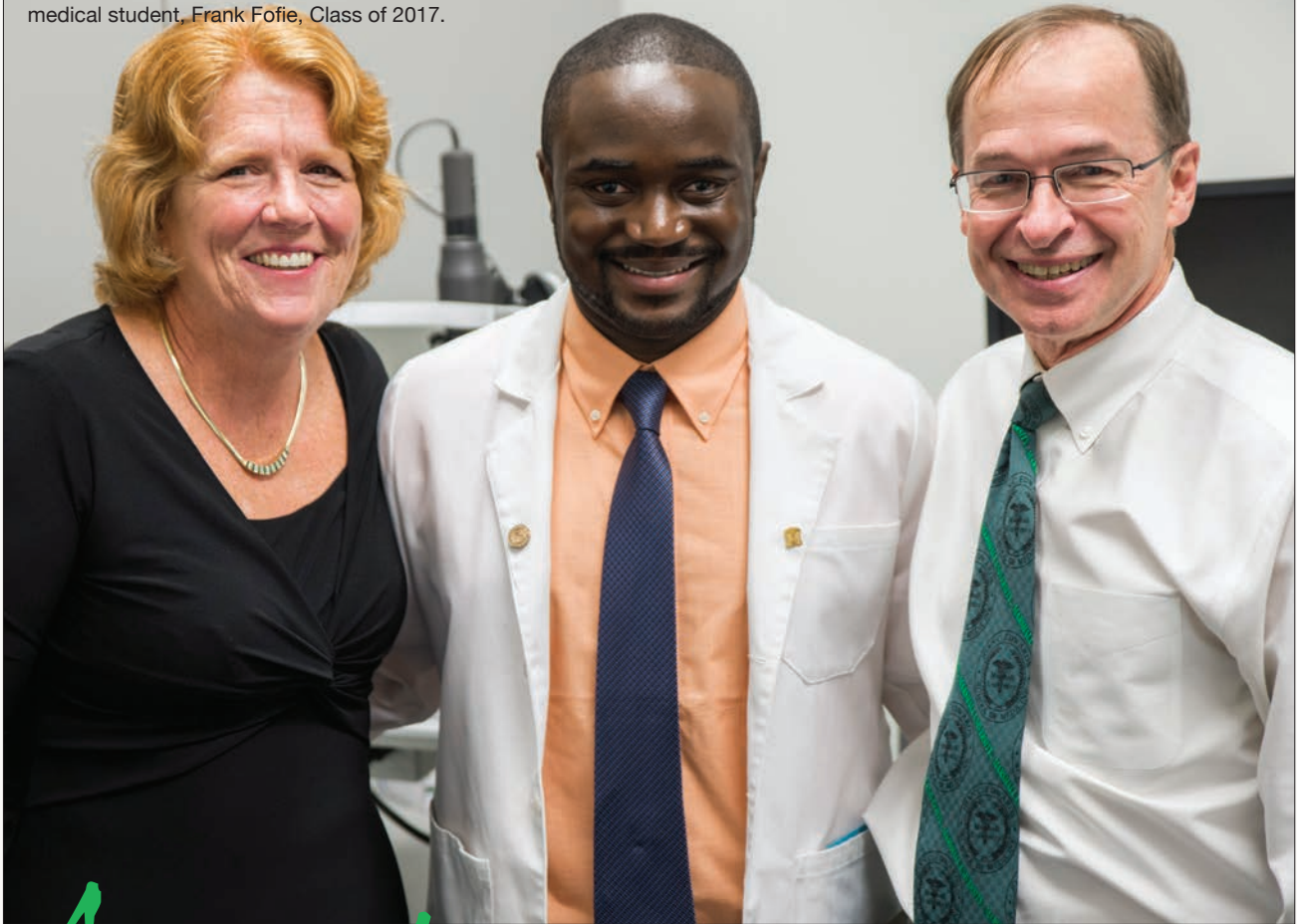
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A Seat

Inside Marshall University Medical Center's Harless Auditorium sits 100 brass-plaquet chairs—each with its own story to tell.



Marshall's great-grandfather, William Edward Echols, M.D.

For Sandy Echols Marshall, M.D., the chairs she sponsored as part of the School of Medicine's Take a Seat Campaign represent four generations of physicians and the stories that inspired her to become a doctor.

Coming from a long line of physicians, Marshall, a 1989 Marshall School of Medicine graduate, heard countless stories growing up about her great-grandfather, grandfather and father.

Marshall's great-grandfather, William Edward Echols, M.D., rode horseback to see his patients across the West Virginia countryside, and her grandfather, John Edward Echols, M.D., practiced at Sacred Heart Hospital in Richwood, West Virginia, — established in 1913 by the same eight Pallottine Missionary Sisters who later established St. Mary's Medical Center in Huntington.

Marshall's father, well-known Huntington cardiologist William J. Echols, came to Huntington just months before the 1970 Marshall University plane crash rocked the community to its core. Among the victims was Dr. Pete Proctor, who practiced in the medical partnership of Proctor, Burton and Echols. Echols and Dr. Zeb Burton soon joined the emerging medical partnership that became Huntington Internal Medicine Group (HIMG). Dr. Marshall has practiced as part of HIMG since completing her residency at Wright State University in 1993.

Take a Seat is a long-term campaign that supports the School of Medicine's Educational Technology Endowment. Each gift of \$1,000 enables the School of Medicine to maintain and enhance its cutting-edge technology support for health sciences education.

Marshall's husband, Bobby, read about the Take a Seat Campaign in last year's Benefactor magazine and came up with the idea to purchase seats in honor of Marshall's father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

"I thought, 'What a wonderful way to honor the men I love while supporting the school that gave me so much,'" Marshall said.

When you make your pledge, the school will inscribe a brass plaque to be placed on the back of a seat in the Harless Auditorium. Today, you'll find the names of Marshall, her father, grandfather and great-grandfather inscribed on the back of seats in the auditorium.

"When our plaques were installed, I brought my father over to the auditorium to see them," Marshall said. "He was so surprised."

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Charles and Norma Carroll, both graduates of the College of Business at Marshall University, have established the Charles

FOX FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Fox Family Scholarship, established through a gift from David A. and Laura J. Fox III, has been created for a first-year medical student who is a resident of Cabell County, and is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. The scholarship was finalized in September 2014, and the first recipient was Forest H. Lefevre, Class of 2018.



Larry Tweel, Christopher Bird, Forest Lefevre, Laurie and David Fox. Bird received the Larry and Cheryl Tweel Scholarship and Lefevre received the Fox Family Scholarship.

W. and Norma C. Carroll Scholarship in honor of Dr. Kevin W. Yingling, Class of 1985. The recipient shall be a first-year medical student with first preference to a resident of Cabell or Wayne County, West Virginia; second preference to a West Virginia resident of any other county, and if none of the preferences are applicable, at the dean's discretion. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. This scholarship will become endowed through a specific bequest from Charles W. and Norma C. Carroll's estate upon final administration.

DRS. MITCH CHARLES AND PAULETTE S. WEHNER SCHOLARSHIP

The Drs. Mitch Charles and Paulette S. Wehner Scholarship was created by Mitch Charles, M.D., Class of 1988, and Paulette Wehner, M.D., Class of 1989. Dr. Charles is an emergency room physician for Cabell Huntington Hospital and a member of the School of Medicine faculty.

Dr. Wehner is a cardiologist with Marshall Cardiology and serves as the vice dean for graduate medical education for the School of

Medicine. This scholarship will be awarded to an entering medical student from Pike County, Kentucky, or Preston County, West Virginia. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress.

FAITH FRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Iralane Lambros, M.D., FAAP, established the scholarship in honor of Faith Marie Fry (Aug. 14, 2002 – April 10, 2014), who was born with a rare congenital anomaly known as Trisomy 18, or Edward’s Syndrome. Faith became well known to the close-knit pediatrics community at Marshall Pediatrics and Cabell Huntington Hospital. The scholarship is designated for a rising fourth-year medical student interested in pediatrics and helping children with disabilities.

DRS. SUBHASH AND RASHMI KUMAR SCHOLARSHIP

The endowed scholarship is for first-year medical students at Marshall with strong academic backgrounds and financial need. First preference for The Drs Subhash and Rashmi Kumar Scholarship will be given to a student scoring a 36 or higher on the MCAT and with an income of less than \$60,000. Second preference is given to a student who scored 32-35 on the MCAT and who has an income of less than \$60,000. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. Brian J. Warner, Class of 2019, from Lawrence County, Ohio, is the inaugural recipient.



Drs. Subhash and Rashmi Kumar with Linda Holmes, executive director.

HIMG FOUNDERS’ SCHOLARSHIP

The HIMG Founders’ Scholarship was established by HIMG, which contributed to the establishment and development of



BRENT A. MARSTELLER SCHOLARSHIP

Cabell Huntington Hospital and Marshall Health established a \$1 million endowment for the Brent A. Marsteller Scholarship Fund in honor of Marsteller’s commitment to medical education. Marsteller, who retired as president and chief executive officer of Cabell Huntington in December 2014, led the hospital for 14 years. The scholarship will be funded over five years in \$100,000 yearly installments by both Cabell Huntington Hospital and Marshall Health.

the School of Medicine through the efforts of two of HIMG’s founding members—Dr. Rowland H. Burns and the late Dr. Charles E. “Skip” Turner. This scholarship is designated for a first-year medical student who is a resident of West Virginia. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress.

JOHN R. KARICKHOFF, M.D., EXPENDABLE SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. John R. Karickhoff, a Marshall College graduate from the class of 1960, and a graduate of Duke University School of Medicine, Class of 1964, established a scholarship for first-year medical students, with first preference given to a student from Roane County, West Virginia, with financial need and second preference to a student from any county in West Virginia. Karickhoff is an ophthalmologist in Falls Church, Virginia. He is a pioneer in laser treatment of eye floaters, doing his first case in 1990. He has a national and international practice using the procedure. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. Cameron M. Ross, Class of 2019, from Jackson County, West Virginia, is the inaugural recipient.

RICHARD M. NILES, Ph.D., ENDOWMENT

The endowment honors the contributions and service of Dr. Richard M. "Dick" Niles, a longtime member of the JCESOM family. Niles served the School of Medicine from July 1, 1992, through his retirement on Aug. 31, 2014, most notably as professor and chairman of biochemistry and as vice dean for biomedical sciences. The endowment, established by his colleagues and friends, supports research and training of graduate students in the Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program.

MARY R. SHAPIRO SCHOLARSHIP

Joseph I. Shapiro, M.D., dean of the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, established a scholarship at the school in honor of his wife, Mary Ryan Shapiro. The endowed



scholarship will be awarded to a medical student who is a poster or oral presentation winner at the annual School of Medicine Research Day. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress.

SANJEEV S. SHARMA, M.D., AND BARBARA A. LAHR, M.D., SCHOLARSHIP

The Sanjeev S. Sharma, M.D., and Barbara A. Lahr, M.D., Scholarship was established by Sanjeev Sharma, M.D., Class of 1993, and his wife, Barbara Lahr, M.D. Dr. Sharma is a board-certified radiation oncologist at Premier Radiation Oncology Inc. at St. Mary's Medical Center and serves as the administrative chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology for the School of Medicine. Dr. Lahr is a graduate of the University of Iowa Medical School and is a board-certified radiologist at the Huntington VA Medical Center. The \$1,000 award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. Donald A. Gygi, Class of 2019, from Wayne County, West Virginia, is the inaugural recipient.

JOAN AND ARTHUR WEISBERG CHARITABLE LEAD TRUST EXPENDABLE SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The Weisberg Charitable Lead Trust established the Joan and Arthur Weisberg Expendable Scholarship for the School of

Medicine. The scholarship supports four students annually in the School of Medicine. The recipients of this one-time award are medical students with strong academic credentials, with first preference given to students whose parent(s) are employees of State Electric or Service Wire, and second preference given to students who reside within 30 miles of Huntington, West Virginia. The recipients with parent employees of the company are Matthew A. Burton, Class of 2017, of Putnam County and Troy J. Wallace, Class of 2017, of Wayne County. Also receiving scholarships are Dennis F. Cole, Class of 2016, and Travis L. Ferguson, Class of 2016, both of Cabell County.

PHILIP N. ZAMBOS, M.D., SCHOLARSHIP

The Philip N. Zambos, M.D., Scholarship was established by Phil Zambos, M.D. Dr. Zambos is a Raleigh County, West Virginia, native who works as a radiologist and is a member of the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Class of 1984. Zambos' scholarship was created through the school's "Adopt a Medical Student" program. This award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. Adam D. Christian, Class of 2019, from Raleigh County, West Virginia, is the inaugural recipient.

C. DOUGLAS PHILLIPS, M.D., F.A.C.R., SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship was created by Dr. Doug Phillips, Class of 1984, in honor of his parents, Mr. Clifford R. and Angelia E. Phillips, lifelong West Virginia residents who reside in Randolph County. The recipient of the Phillips award is an entering first-year medical student with preference to a resident of Randolph County, West Virginia. Second



preference is for a resident of one of the surrounding counties, including Barbour, Pendleton, Tucker, Webster or Upshur. The award is renewable for three additional years pending normal academic progress. Julia L. Preusch, Class

of 2019, from Randolph County is the inaugural recipient.

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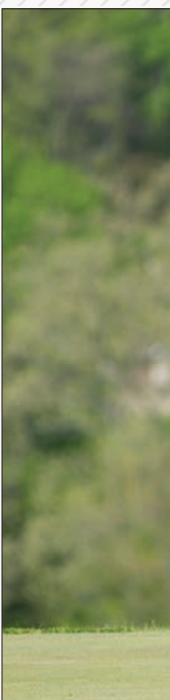
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17th Annual GOLF Classic



1. **Longest Drive:** #14, Dr. Alexander H. "Alex" Slocum, Class of 2015, pictured with Dr. Frank D. Shuler.
2. **Putting Contest Winner:** Michael D. Buchanan (pictured with Linda Holmes), brother of Class of 2015 graduate James T. Buchanan Jr., M.D., travelled the farthest to play in this year's Golf Classic and won the putting contest.
3. More than 100 golfers came out to play on a gorgeous West Virginia spring day.
4. **50/50 Winner:** Cabell Huntington Hospital Board Chairman Steve Burton won this year's 50/50 drawing.
5. **2015 Winners:** This year's winning foursome came in 12 under par. Congratulations to David Robinson of Insurance Systems; daughter Lindsay Robinson, incoming MS-I student; Ryan Keaton; and Kendall Staggs. David Robinson also won for #12 closest to pin (second shot).
6. **Closest to the Pin:** #2 second shot, Dr. Adam J. Van Horn, Class of 2015, pictured with Linda Holmes.



The 17th Annual Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Golf Classic was held May 5, 2015, at Silo Golf Course in Lavalette, West Virginia. The event not only raised funds for graduation week activities and the class scholarship but also gave students, alumni, faculty and friends a chance to unwind and celebrate the upcoming graduates.



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OUTSTANDING



Top Left: Double the Fun. The 2015 event nearly doubled in size from the previous year thanks to the hard work of Event Chair Terry Deppner Hardin.

Top Right: Rockin' Good Time. Music was provided by The Jilletes from northeast Ohio, featuring Dr. Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker, Class of 1984.

Bottom Left: Starry Night. Guests enjoyed dancing well into the evening.

Bottom Right: Master of the Grill. Cabell Huntington Hospital President & CEO Kevin Fowler (right) led a team of CHH chefs who prepared a delicious assortment of churrasco, or grilled meats.



G IN OUR FIELD 2

The Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine hosted its second annual Outstanding in Our Field scholarship fundraiser June 6, 2015, successfully raising nearly \$100,000 for much-needed medical school scholarships.



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Giving Back. More than two-dozen medical students volunteered to set up and work as servers (also pictured below).



“The evening allowed me and my classmates the opportunity to see the people who *support and help us as students.*”

Medical school tuition is not inexpensive and scholarships are an *essential* part of the equation for most students.”

- Matthew Snyder, president of the Class of 2016
(top row, second from left)



Fun on the Farm. More than 350 people attended the event, which was hosted by Bobby Miller, M.D., Class of 1997 and vice dean for medical education, and Eric Hardin-Miller, at their farm located just outside Huntington.



Cheers to 1984. Members of the Class of 1984 celebrated their 30-year reunion. Congrats to (pictured L to R) Drs. Jimmy V. Wolfe, Bobby A. Miller, Kathleen E. Lucas, Class President Ezra B. Riber, Donnah Wolodkin Whitaker, Daniel "Dan" D. Sumrok, C. Douglas "Doug" Phillips, Susan A. Terry, Del. Matthew "Matt" A. Rohrbach, Timothy "Tim" D. Canterbury and Thomas "Tom" B. Maloney.

MOUNTAINS & *Memories*

Medical alumni and friends celebrate the School of Medicine's 28th Annual Homecoming Weekend

There's nothing quite like the West Virginia mountains.

For Homecoming 2014, we welcomed more than 250 alumni from near and far back to the Mountain State to reminisce about their days at MUSOM.

The two-day event kicked off Friday, Oct. 10, with the Dean's Reunion Lunch hosted by Dr. Joseph Shapiro. It included various Continuing Medical Education activities, the annual banquet and reception. We also made some great memories at the alumni tailgate party, despite the rain, and The Marshall Thundering Herd football team followed it up with a 49-24 win over the Middle Tennessee Blue Raiders.



Dr. Philip "Phil" N. Zambos, Class of 1984, never misses a party.



Starting from Upper Right: Dr. Adam M. Franks, Class of 1999, and his wife, Emily, celebrating his 15-year reunion.

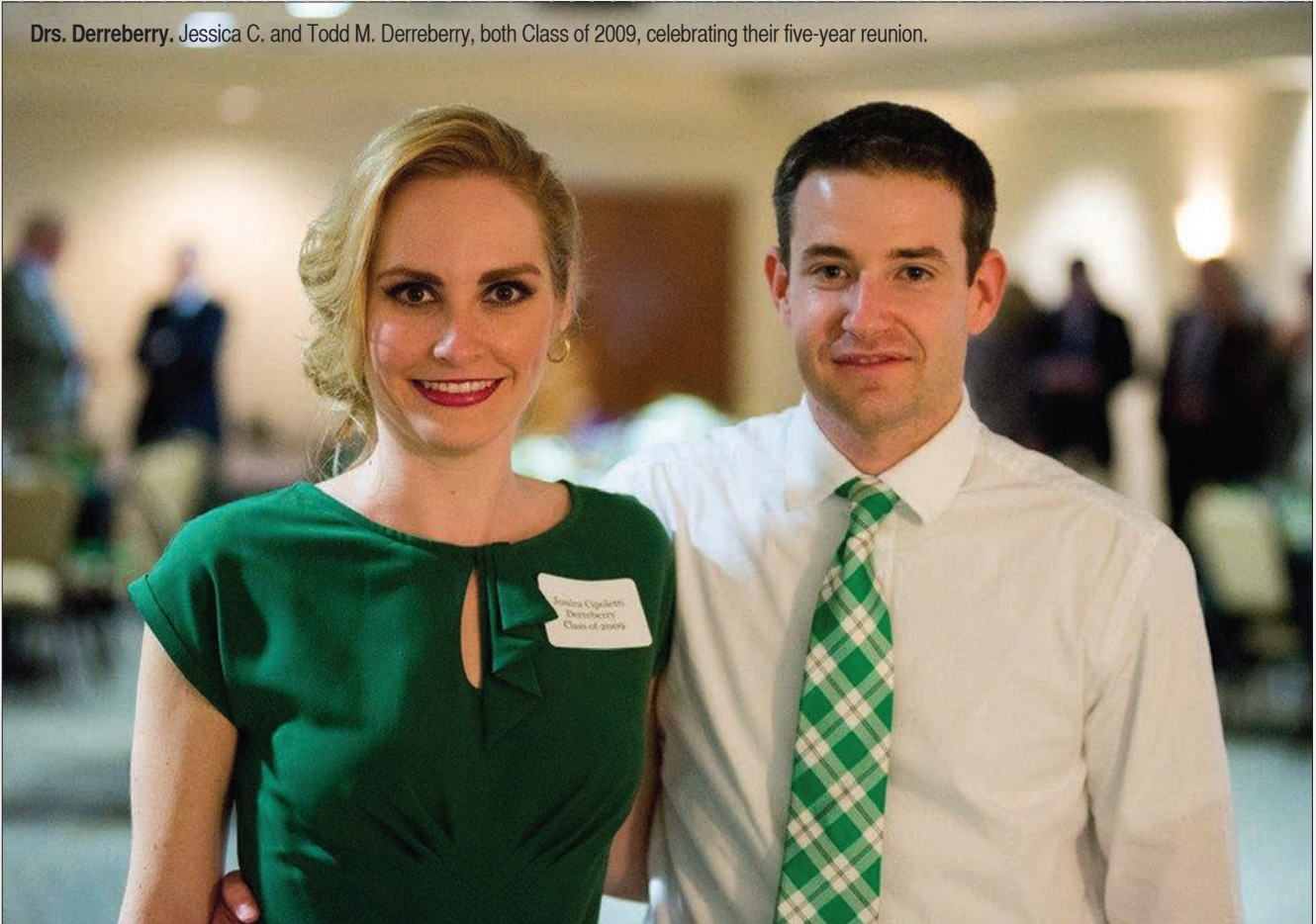
Drs. Adam M. Franks and Nancy B. Norton from the Class of 1999

The New, The Honored and The Past. Dr. Joseph Shapiro, dean, and Dr. Charles McKown, former dean, congratulated Dr. Doug Phillips, Class of 1984, after Phillips received the 2014 distinguished alumnus award.

1994 classmates Drs. Mark S. Wright, Kimberly “Kim” A. Oxley and E. Allen Mullins catch up at their 20-year reunion.

Hatfields in the House. Dr. R. Mark (Class of 1983) and Monica Hatfield

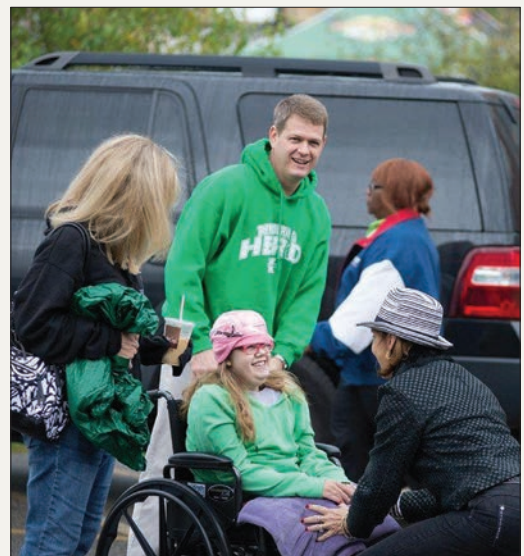
Drs. Derreberry. Jessica C. and Todd M. Derreberry, both Class of 2009, celebrating their five-year reunion.



Left: A True Fan. Pictured left to right are Linda S. Holmes, director of development & alumni affairs, with Dr. Kathleen E. Lucas, Class of 1984. Dr. Lucas got her football jersey at her 25-year reunion.



Below: The Hendershot family stopped by the tailgate party. Dr. Tracy L. (Class of 2008) and Mary Hendershot with their daughter, Reilly, were greeted by Linda Holmes.



'80s



Jack Bodey Lee, grandson of Kim and Ron deAndrade

Kim M. Jordan deAndrade, Class of 1982, is associate program director of internal medicine and senior health physician at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

Her husband, **Ronald “Ron” deAndrade Jr.**, Class of 1983, retired from the practice of nephrology in June 2015. Their youngest, Anderson, is starting his junior year at Georgetown

University and is a member of the Hoya men’s soccer team. Their oldest son, Ronnie, is a high school teacher in Las Vegas and their daughter, Jordan Elizabeth, and her husband are beginning their third year of residency at Wake Forest University. “The most exciting news definitely has to be birth of our first grandchild, Jack Bodey Lee, in October 2014,” said Kim. “Ron and I are head-over-heels for our little grandbaby.”

Michael “Mike” E. Kilkenny, Class of 1982, is director of the Cabell-Huntington Health Department. Prior to this position, he was in practice at the St. Mary’s Family Care Center in Ceredo, West Virginia.

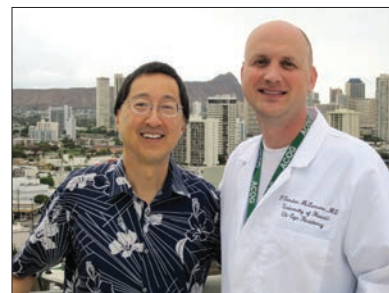
Curtis A. Winter, Class of 1982, is vice president of Virginia Market, Privia Health Care, a national health care company that focuses on high performance health care. Privia is involved in Medicare ACO Management and Value Based Contracting with Medicare Advantage and Commercial Payers. Winter will be responsible for network management and development in the western Virginia region. He also continues to practice gynecology at Windsor Medical Services in Winchester, Virginia. In other family news, his son, Daniel “Luke” Winter (DDS ’14 WVU SOD) has completed his first year of residency in pedodontics at Bon Securs Health System, Richmond, Virginia. Luke is engaged to Pamela McDonald, DDS (WVU SOD ’13), who just finished her residency in pedodontics at the Medical University of South Carolina. The wedding is scheduled for July 2, 2016.

Lou Gene Bartram, Class of 1983, is at the new Student Success Center at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. The Center incorporates Student Health, Counseling

Center, Disability Services, and other ancillary services. She is also with the local community hospital, Sentra RMH, the facility that brought her from Arizona as a staff psychiatrist in 2001. Bartram is at that location several days a week for outpatient only.

Carol M. Spencer LeMay, Class of 1983, is a volunteer leader at the First Parish Congregational Church, Saco, Maine, teaching members how to support individuals experiencing a significant life stress. Her son, Eric, will be a senior in high school. Her daughter, Marie, is now a third-year medical student at the University of Vermont Medical School.

Kathleen E. Lucas, Class of 1984, of Greensboro, North Carolina, spent four days in West Cambodia with a small group of Doctors Without Borders, giving immunizations and minimal care level duties. She also had the opportunity to go to Chang Mai, Thailand, trekking in the Teak Forest with elephants in a Mistreated Elephant Reserve Camp. Lucas also went to Singapore and West Cambodia during her adventures.



Simon K. Chang, Class of 1985, and P. Gordon McLemore Jr., Class of 2013, at the Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children (KMCWC) in Honolulu, Hawaii, with Diamond Head in the background.

Simon K. Chang is in private practice and has been alternating as chief and vice chief of KMCWC. He is on the board of the Hawaii Cord Blood Bank, which also includes doing research for the collection and public banking of umbilical cord blood. Additionally,

he is with the University of Hawaii School of Medicine as assistant clinical faculty. McLemore is a third year OB/ GYN resident. He and his wife, Chisako, have three children: Koyo, 6; Kaito, 3; and infant Keiji.

C. Douglas Phillips, Class of 1984, was named to the Castle Connolly listing of Top Neuroradiologists. Phillips is professor of radiology and director of Head and Neck Imaging at Weill Cornell Medical



C. Douglas Phillips and his wife, Dr. Deborah Shatzkes

College, New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York, New York. Castle Connolly Medical Ltd. identifies top doctors, both nationally and regionally, based on an extensive nominations process open to all licensed physicians in America.

Michael “Mike” J. Nerenberg, Class of 1985, retired from emergency medicine two years ago after 24 years. He has since been appointed to the Pueblo, Colorado, Human Relations Commission (and the City and County) Board of Health. Nerenberg organized a drug forum to talk about and increase awareness of the growing heroin problem. He was then able to organize a Syringe Access Program, building local support and getting the approvals of city and county governments, police and sheriff and the district attorney. After being in operation eight months, the program already has 120 discreet individuals. Nerenberg also volunteers at the local detox center as the physician for a DOC program testing whether a long acting injectable drug will help people stay off narcotics and alcohol and stay out of prison. He treats the SAP patients as they transition into treatment. Most recently, he received a governor’s appointment to a statewide commission, The HIV Alliance for Prevention, Treatment and Care, where he will be on the Injection Drug User working group. He has had several speaking engagements about his trips to Haiti; needle exchanges and Harm Reduction; and speaking to medical coders about how doctors think.

Danny A. Rader, Class of 1985, married his wife Michelle, a cardiac catheterization nurse, on May 2, 2015, in Melbourne, Florida. Rader spends part of his time working in the Emergency Room at Charleston Area Medical Center Memorial Hospital and the other part of his time in Florida.

Kevin S. Smith, Class of 1986, was named in the Best Doctors edition of *San Diego Magazine* for 2014.



Elizabeth “Betty” Spangler

Elizabeth “Betty” L. Spangler, Class of 1986, has relocated to Spring, Texas.

James “Jim” M. Mears, Class of 1988, began a one-year fellowship in palliative care at The Ohio State University College of Medicine in July. He plans to return to West Virginia after completing the fellowship.

Sheryl L. Stephens, Class of 1988, and her husband, Lannie Rowe, welcomed their first grandchild, James Thomas Rowe, born April 17, 2015.

Jonathan “Jon” P. Lilly, Class of 1989, was recognized in 2014 as one of Golden Living’s Medical Directors of the Year. He serves as director for two LivingCenters – GLC-Glasgow and GLC-Riverside. Lilly is also a senior partner with Dunbar Medical, a 12-provider primary care practice with two offices in Dunbar and Teays Valley, West Virginia.

'90s

James “Jamie” R. Bailes, class of 1990, has served on the scientific advisory board for Atkins Nutritionals since 2010. He works for Cabell Huntington Hospital Pediatrics in Huntington.

G. Montgomery “Monty” Baylor, Class of 1991, is an anesthesiologist and pain management physician at Blue Ridge Pain Management Associates in Roanoke, Virginia. He has held the rank of associate professor of anesthesia pain management at the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine since 2007.



George Montgomery “Monty” Baylor

He has also served his country for the past 23 years in the U.S. Army Reserve. During his service he was mobilized three times in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom, retiring with the rank of lieutenant colonel in 2013. Baylor and his wife, Kathy, have two daughters.

Gregory K. Bell, Class of 1991, practices interventional radiology with the Austin Cancer Center in Texas. Alexandra, daughter of Bell and his wife, Patti, has been living in Munich, Germany, and is a student at the University of Munich. Son Nevin will be a senior in high school this fall. He is interested in soccer, he loves to travel, and is looking at colleges for 2016.

Kevin J. Conaway, Class of 1991, a physician with the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, became board certified in pelvic floor medicine and reconstructive surgery (urogynecology). In addition, he was promoted to professor, effective July 2015.

Friday G. Simpson, Class of 1991, has moved her practice, Doctor Friday's PLLC, to 2501 Third Ave. in Huntington.

Cmdr. Richard "Rick" L. Siemens, Class of 1993, has accepted a position as clinical director/chief of staff at the Rosebud Public Health Service/Indian Health Service Medical Center in South Dakota. Until that transition is complete, he will remain chief of primary care and acting Chief of Medicine (specialty) at the VA Medical Center in Manchester, New Hampshire. Siemens finished his military career in Fallujah, Iraq, in 2008, with the Marines.



Cmdr. Richard "Rick" L. Siemens

G. Marshall Lyon III, Class of 1994, served on the medical team at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, caring for the two patients treated for Ebola virus disease (EVD) in August 2014. He is the lead author of an article titled, "Clinical Care of Two Patients with Ebola Virus Disease in the United States," published December 2014 in the *New England Journal of Medicine*.



G. Marshall Lyon III

Rodney A. Sirk, Class of 1995, is the owner of Fairhope Vein Treatment Center LLC in Fairhope, Alabama. Approximately five years ago, he transitioned to a practice dedicated solely to venous and lymphatic disease. He is a Diplomate of The American Board of Venous and

Lymphatic Medicine and provides medical and minimally-invasive surgical treatment for a wide range of venous and lymphatic disorders. "I welcome all Marshall alumni, residents or students with an interest in venous or lymphatic medicine to contact me or visit my practice," said Sirk.

Paula F. Taylor, Class of 1996, is president of St. Francis' medical staff and director of the Emergency Department. On August 28, 2015, she was installed as president of the West Virginia State Medical Association.



Linda Holmes, director of development and alumni affairs; Paula Taylor and her husband, John; and Buffy Hammers, executive director of Marshall Health

Charles "Chuck" W. Clements II, Class of 1997,

professor at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine's Family Medicine Department, received the School of Medicine's 2015 distinguished alumnus honor at the Marshall University Alumni Association's 78th Alumni Awards Banquet on April 25. He and his wife, Serena, are pleased their son, C. Wesley "Wes" Clements III, Class of 2015, followed in his father's footsteps. Wes is starting a family medicine residency at the University of Virginia.

'00s

Lisa R. Carchedi, Class of 2000, is chief of staff for Seton Shoal Creek Hospital in Austin, Texas. She still loves working in the psychiatric emergency room. Carchedi is also psychiatry clerkship coordinator for University of Texas, Medical Branch and Texas A&M medical schools.

Jerome Aya-ay, Class of 2004, is co-founder and executive chair of Palmetto Proactive Healthcare, South Carolina's first and fastest-growing Direct Primary Care (DPC) practice. In addition to caring for his patients, Aya-ay is an associate professor of clinical medicine at the Via Edward College of Osteopathic Medicine. He also serves as a mentor at the Iron Yard's Digital Health Accelerator, a program that helps startups build the future of health care. He is an advisory

board member of a mobile patient engagement application as well as a hospital acquired infection solution. He enjoys spending time with his wife, Maria, and three girls, Natalia, Amelia and Johanna, learning Spanish from his pre-school children and trying international street food.



Ashley W. Bennett

Ashley W. Bennett, Class of 2005, joined the University of Kansas Medical Center in July 2014 as assistant professor of surgery where he works with the division of trauma and surgical critical care. His interests lie in complex abdominal wall reconstruction and emergency general/trauma surgery.

Ellie E. Hood, Class of 2005 and class president, is an OB-GYN with Valley Health Systems in Huntington. She and her husband, Morgan, welcomed a daughter, Julie, on Jan. 21, 2015. Julie joins older brothers Jeff, 8, and Matthew, 5.

Sherrine A. Ibrahim, Class of 2006, is an attending physician in maternal fetal medicine at Indiana University in Indianapolis. She and her husband, Ian Towler, have three children: daughter Keira, 6; son Liam, 2; and daughter Teagan, almost 1.



Sherrine Ibrahim and Ian Towler, with children, Keira, Liam (standing) and baby Teagan in August 2014



Stephanie L. Hutchison

Stephanie L. Hutchison, Class of 2006, practices obstetrics and gynecology at the Murray-Calloway County Hospital in Murray, Kentucky.

Paul B. Ferguson, Class of 2007, is interim chair of the Department of Neurology at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, effective July 1. He and his wife, Allyson, have two daughters, Emily and Audrey.



Abby Franklin with her parents, Nicole and Darren Franklin

Nicole Y. Franklin, Class of 2007, is in private practice with Insight Physicians in Richmond, Virginia. She and her husband, Darren, welcomed a daughter, Abby, on Nov. 22, 2013.

Jay R. Lakhani, Class of 2007, is assistant professor of Marshall Pediatrics. He and his wife, Kait, welcomed a daughter, Sonali Rae, on Dec. 6, 2014.



Sonali Rae, daughter of Jay and Kait Lakhani

Justin M. Nolte, Class of 2007, assistant professor in the Marshall neuroscience department and a member of the SOM Alumni Association board of directors, was inducted by the MUJCESOM into the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Medical Society in April at the Touma Medical Museum.

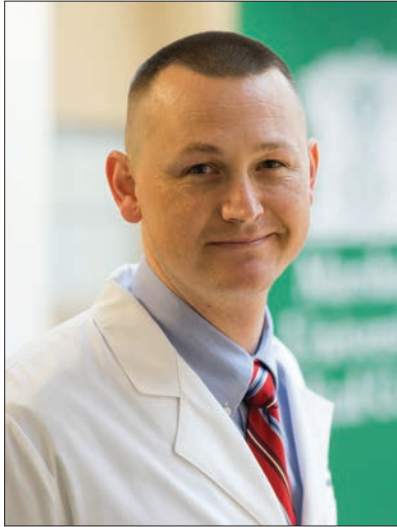
Philip A. Galapon, Class of 2008, is the 2015-2016 vice president for the West Virginia Academy of Family Physicians, and was honored with the degree of Fellow, American Academy of Family Physicians, or FFAFP, in April 2015. Galapon is beginning his fifth year with Madison Medical PLLC, and his third year as a public health officer at Boone County Health Department in Danville, West Virginia.



Tracy Hendershot

Tracy L. Hendershot, Class of 2008, was inducted as president of the West Virginia Academy of Family Physicians in April 2015.

James C. “Chris” Kitchen, Class of 2008, has joined the Department of Surgery and the medical staff at Cabell Huntington Hospital. He is a fellowship-trained vascular surgeon. While at Marshall, he was president of Alpha



James C. “Chris” Kitchen

Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, Beta Chapter, and received the School of Medicine’s Faculty Choice Award his senior year. He completed a general surgery residency at Marshall and a vascular surgery fellowship at Duke University in North Carolina.

Erica B. Shaver, Class of 2008, is the emergency medicine residency program director and vice chair of education at West Virginia University in Morgantown. She and her husband, Darrell, have two children, Madison, 4, and Rylan, 3.



Clockwise, Darrell, Erica, Rylan and Madison Shaver

Nathaniel S. “Seth” Adkins, Class of 2009, a fellowship-trained critical care surgeon, has joined the Department of Surgery and the medical staff at Cabell Huntington Hospital. While in medical school, Adkins received the Department of Surgery’s “Cutting Edge,” given in memory of Homer Cummings, M.D., to the best fourth-year medical student interested in surgery. After graduation, he completed residency training in general surgery at Marshall University followed by a fellowship in critical care at Indiana University.

Sana Ashraf, Class of 2009, completed a pediatric cardiology fellowship at David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA in Los Angeles in June 2015. She is joining Kaiser Downey in Downey, California, as a pediatric cardiologist.

Zenobia W. Jones Foster, Class of 2009, is a hospitalist at WellStar’s Kennestone Regional Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia. She and her husband, An’del, have three children: daughter Seniya, 4; daughter Nasani, 2; and baby son, Zavier.

Marc Hettlinger, Class of 2009, has joined the Marshall University School of Medicine Department of Internal Medicine, and serves as assistant clerkship director. Hettlinger resides in Huntington with his wife, Nika, and children, Hampton and Campbell.

Jonathan D. Lewis, Class of 2009, completed his Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship at Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh in December 2014, and began a faculty position at Texas Children’s Hospital as an assistant professor in pediatric emergency medicine at Baylor College of Medicine.

William “Billy” D. Terrell, Class of 2009, completed his fellowship in retinal surgery at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center at the end of June and has joined Retina Center of Nebraska in Hastings. He and his wife, Nicole, have two children: Ethan, 2, and Emma, 1.

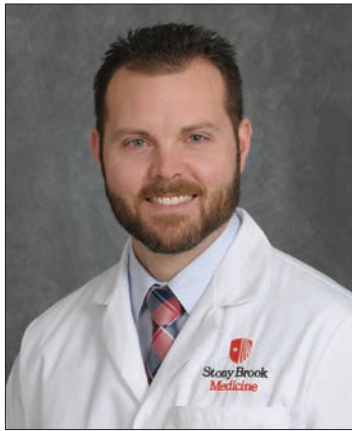
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Michael C. Binder, Class of 2010, has accepted a faculty position in internal medicine at University of Cincinnati Medical Center. Also, Binder and **Elise M. Henning**, Class of 2012, were married May 9, 2015.



Newlyweds Michael Binder and Elise Henning

Camden B. “Cam” Burns, Class of 2010, is completing an orthopaedic surgery residency at SUNY Stony Brook. In August he will start an orthopaedic trauma fellowship at the University of Kentucky, followed by a spine surgery fellowship at Harvard University-Massachusetts General Hospital/Brigham and Women’s Hospital beginning in August of 2016. In addition, Burns is co-authoring a chapter titled, “Spinal Injuries in Sports” for the second edition of *Orthopaedic Surgery Essentials: Spine*.



Camden B. “Cam” Burns

at CHS-Union in Charlotte, North Carolina. He is also the patient satisfaction director. Mullins and his wife, Laura, welcomed a son, Mason, in September..



Katie Osley and Kushagra Verma

Katie L. Osley, Class of 2010, and Kushagra Verma were married on May 16, 2015. Osley is moving to San Francisco to begin her first job out of her dermatology residency at Kaiser Permanente, Vallejo.



Cora Lee Francke, daughter of David and Becky Francke

David D. Francke, Class of 2010, is in his second year of a cardiology fellowship at Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. He and his wife, Becky, welcomed their third child, Cora Lee, on May 25, 2015. Cora Lee joins siblings David and Mary Cate.

T. Ryan Gallaher, Class of 2010, heads the Infectious Disease Department at Physician’s East in Greenville, North Carolina. He was previously an infectious disease fellow and chairman of the resident advisory committee at the Medical College of Georgia, Georgia Regents University, where he was Internal Medicine Resident of the Year in 2013 and the Graduate Medical Education Office’s Resident of the Year in 2014. Gallaher and his wife, Ashley, have three children: Sara Lydia, John Coleman (Cole) and Elizabeth Lake.

John E. Loudermilk, Class of 2010, is a family medicine physician at the Stateline Primary Care office of Dearborn County Hospital in Lawrenceburg, Indiana. Loudermilk has a special interest in the treatment of arthritis and encourages maintaining fitness through athletic and recreational activities.

James J. “Jeff” Mullins, Class of 2010 and class president, was promoted to director of the Emergency Department

William A. Fogle, Class of 2011, has returned closer to home as an emergency medicine physician at Marietta Memorial in Marietta, Ohio, after completing an internal medicine internship at University of North Carolina-Wilmington and an emergency medicine residency at Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center in Toledo, Ohio. Fogle said, “I am pleased to be home, closer to my family, bringing my training back to the wonderful people of Southeast Ohio and West Virginia.”



William Fogle and his colleague at Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center in Toledo, Ohio

Shea M. Goodrich, Class of 2011, is a pediatrician for the Ironton, Ohio, office of Valley Health Systems.



Shea Goodrich

Jeremiah L. Jeffers, Class of 2011, has completed an anesthesiology residency at West Virginia University Medical Center and has taken a private practice position as staff anesthesiologist with Arizona Anesthesia Consultants in Phoenix, Arizona.

Huong T. T. Pham, Class of 2011, completed her neurology residency at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, and started a fellowship in July, also at Vanderbilt.

Jonathan M. White, Class of 2011, is with Thomas Health System in Winfield, West Virginia, as an outpatient primary care physician.

Gargi Bajpayee, Class of 2012, was selected chief resident of her internal medicine class for this upcoming July 2016 at Mount Sinai Beth Israel in New York, New York. She will be applying for a cardiology fellowship after her chief year.

Lisa Bajpayee, Class of 2012, completed her internal medicine residency at Boston University Medical Center in June 2015 and began a pulmonary/critical care fellowship in July. Also, she became engaged in December 2014 and is planning a June 2016 wedding.

Lauren E. Bevins, Class of 2012, is chief resident for her internal medicine program at University of Virginia School of Medicine, starting July 2015. She will be going into primary care after her chief year.

Jared T. Brownfield, Class of 2012, a third-year obstetrics and gynecology resident at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, was selected as the June 2015 Resident of the Month. He is an active participant in the Marshall Medical Outreach Program and Faith in Action of the River Cities, and participated in the "Sons of Thunder" Medical Mission in Livingstone, Zambia, where he and his wife, Brittany, worked a rural health clinic.



Jared Brownfield, left, accepts the June Resident of the Month award from Kevin Conaway, M.D., OB/GYN residency program director

Jeremy D. Cumberledge, Class of 2012, is chief resident for his internal medicine program at University of Kentucky College of Medicine in Lexington. He will be applying for a gastroenterology fellowship after his chief year.

Aashutosh "Asit" U. Goswami, Class of 2012, is completing his family medicine residency at Creighton University Affiliated Hospitals in Omaha, Nebraska.

Elise M. Henning, Class of 2012, is chief resident for her internal medicine program at University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. She was awarded the Graduate Medical Trainee Award of Excellence for 2015. Henning and Michael Binder, Class of 2010, were married May 9, 2015.

Kevin A. Johnson, Class of 2012, is chief resident for his internal medicine program at University of Florida College of Medicine. He will be applying for a pulmonary/critical care fellowship after his chief year.

Maria I. Nash, Class of 2012, and her husband, Derek, welcomed a daughter, Gabriella Lumina, on Aug. 4, 2014. Gabriella joins big sister, Julia, born April 20, 2010.

Jodi M. Pitsenbarger, Class of 2012, a third-year resident in pediatrics, was selected January's Resident of the Month. She served as chief resident and had the distinction of being the first chief to be selected by her peers. Pitsenbarger will be joining Marshall Pediatrics later this fall.

Sarah A. Samuel, Class of 2012, was married Aug. 15, 2015, in Ashland, Kentucky, to Jerimiah Adam Boyd. Samuel is a third-year resident at Christiana Care Health System in Newark, Delaware. She is applying for fellowships in female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery to start July 2016.

Johnson "John" B. Walker, Class of 2012, a third-year surgery resident physician with MUJCESOM, was selected as the December recipient of the Resident of the Month Award. He is also chair of the Resident Advisory Committee. Walker and his wife, Megan, welcomed a son, Daniel, on March 5, 2015.



Johnson "John" B. Walker (right)

Joshua “Josh” A. Hess, Class of 2013, was inducted by the MUJCESOM into the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Medical Society in April at the Touma Medical Museum.

Jacob T. Kilgore, Class of 2013, a second-year internal medicine/pediatrics resident at MUJCESOM, was the April 2015 Resident of the Month. While a student, Kilgore was inducted into the Gold Humanism Honor Society and the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, as well as being recognized for his academic achievement and community service. He is an active participant in the MUSOM Global Medical Brigade, Christian Medical Association and the Marshall Medical Outreach Program.



Jacob Kilgore, left, receives the April Resident of the Month award. He is pictured here with William Nitardy, M.D., program director for the med/peds residency program.



Brittany Venci Seminara and Jacob Seminara

Brittany L. Venci Seminara, Class of 2013, is currently doing an internal medicine residency at the Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte with plans to apply for gastroenterology fellowships. Also, she was married on New Year’s Eve in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to Jacob Seminara, who works for Joe Gibbs Racing in North Carolina.

Katherine J. Steele, Class of 2013, a third-year family medicine resident, was selected as the July 2015 Resident of the Month. While a medical student, Steele was recognized for community service with REACH Cabell County and Marshall Medical Outreach programs. Prior to medical school, she served in the Peace Corps in Mozambique and volunteered with Doctors Without Borders.

Scott R. Studeny, Class of 2013, and several other pediatrics residents were spotted on camera at the 57th Annual

Grammy Awards in Los Angeles this past February, with none other than host LL Cool J.

Amanda W. Adkins, Shane E. Cook, Andrew S. Martin, Casey D. Patick and Meaghan A. Tranovich, all students from the Class of 2015, were inducted by the MUJCESOM into the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Medical Society in April at the Touma Medical Museum.

Alex H. Slocum and Sarah E. Slocum, Class of 2015, welcomed a daughter, Eleanor Catherine, on April 24, 2015. Sarah begins a psychiatry residency at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire.

On March 2, the following alumni were inducted into the Third Annual Gold Humanism Honor Society Chapter at the Byrd Clinical Center Auditorium: **Paul B. Ferguson and Jay R. Lakhani**, Class of 2007; **A. Ally Roy**, Class of 2013; and **Thomas A. Alberico and Aaron M. Brownfield**, Class of 2014.

IN MEMORIUM

Galen E. Castle, M.D., Class of 1981, of Anchorage, Kentucky, died July 21, 2015. He was 66. Castle was a member of the School of Medicine’s first graduating class and completed a radiology residency at West Virginia University. He was practicing as a radiologist at the VA in Louisville, Kentucky, and at clinics in Evansville and Paris, Kentucky. He was a Mason. Castle is survived by his wife, Dora M. Castle; children, Amy Castle Bradley, Cory Castle-Collucci and Thomas E. Castle; a stepson, Thomas Shelton; and four grandchildren.

Saeed Keshavarzian, first-year medical student and husband of **Rebecca “Becky” L. Klug**, Class of 2013, died on May 12, 2015.

Sandra T. Maia-Cohen, M.D., Class of 1989, died July 21, 2015. She was 53. After medical school, she went on to complete her residency at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. Maia-Cohen spent more than 25 years in dermatopathology, diagnosing many types of cancer so that other physicians would be able to treat and assist cancer patients on the difficult journey. Maia-Cohen is survived by her husband, Victor Cohen; her daughter, Libby Hall; and her granddaughter, Josie Hall.

Gai L. Smythe, M.D., Class of 1997, of Charleston, West Virginia, died Sept. 6, 2015. She was 65. Smythe practiced medicine in Charleston for 15 years, the last six of which were spent at Family Care Health Center. Smythe also held degrees in geology from the University of Maryland and environmental science from the University of Charleston. She is survived by her two sons, Alex and Tory Walbe.

Paul B. Ferguson, M.D.

Interim Chair of the newly formed Department of Neurology at Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine

Class of 2007

Hometown: Princeton, West Virginia



What was your childhood dream?

To become a pediatrician. I've wanted to be a physician since I was a child, but it wasn't until my third-year clerkship that I became drawn to neurology.

What are your clinical interests?

Multiple Sclerosis and movement disorders.

What do you consider to be your greatest achievement so far?

I am proud of the growth of our neurology department in recent years. We've incorporated neurology into the curriculum all four clinical years. The Class of 2015 was the first to experience all four years of the curriculum. Student interest in neuroscience has also grown from averaging one student per year to seven. In 2015, all seven students matched into competitive residency programs.

What are your goals for the department of neurology moving forward?

To establish a residency program, to remain on the cutting edge of the clinical experience and increase the amount of the department's funded research.

Why do you serve on the Alumni Association board?

I feel like I bring a unique perspective from inside the medical school to the alumni board that I'm able to share with other alumni. I also think it's important to offer a network that enables alumni from across the country to connect with one another.

Why do you support the School of Medicine?

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