

#### Hoo's News

The purpose of Hoo's News is to communicate information among past, current, and future residents. If you have news that you would like to share, contact Michelle McCarthy (see page 6).

#### Residency Program Information

The University of Virginia Health System (UVA) has 3 ASHP-accredited residency programs: Critical Care (established 2002), Drug Information (established 1998), and PGY1 Pharmacy (established 1991). ASHP was on-site in October to re-accredit the PGY1, Critical Care, and Drug Information programs. The survey went well, and the programs will be reviewed at the March 2010 Commission on Credentialing Meeting.

Under the leadership of the new pharmacy director, we will begin a PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration (HSPA) residency in 2010. Residency program directors are on page 6.

#### Introducing the New Pharmacy Director

Dr. Gary L. Johnson assumed the Director of Pharmacy position in March 2009. He earned his B.S. in Biology from West Virginia University and Masters of Healthcare Administration and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees from Mercer University. He completed a general practice residency at Charleston Area Medical Center followed by a Specialty Pharmacy Practice Management Residency at the University of Cincinnati. He recently served in industry designing technologies to increase medication safety and departmental efficiencies, including barcode driven processes and perpetual inventories. Dr. Johnson has served as the Corporate Director of Pharmacy at Parkview Health System and the Assistant Director of Pharmacy at the University of Kansas Medical Center.



*From the desk of Dr. Johnson...*

Greetings from the Grounds.....you will be relieved to know that I have been properly educated regarding the Grounds, as opposed to the campus, and have been initiated in the many delicacies of the Corner.

I was excited to assume the Director role in March of this year and have spent the first nine months learning from the many talented members of the Pharmacy Department. We are embarking upon a tremendous path of change that will affect inpatient operations, clinical services, and ambulatory services. A link to the current version of the organizational chart is included to provide you a frame of reference regarding these many changes:

<https://www.healthsystem.virginia.edu/internet/pharmacy-services/images/rxorgchart.JPG>

Of interest, ASHP provided a very positive review the residency programs in October and encouraged us to grow our residency programs, which we can begin to accomplish through your referrals. As we work toward this goal, you should take pride in the strength of your residency experience and the national reputation that is developing at UVA.

Hopefully, we will have opportunities to meet in the near future, where you can share your suggestions for improvements of the UVA Residency Programs and the Pharmacy Department.

Best, Gary

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**Meet the Residency Class of 2009-2010****Philip Almeter****PGY1-Pharmacy**

Dr. Almeter is a graduate of University of Georgia College of Pharmacy where he earned his Pharm.D. degree in May 2009. His current interests are emergency medicine, critical care, infectious disease, and administration. Dr. Almeter's residency project will evaluate the outcomes in critically ill surgical/trauma patients receiving dexmedetomidine infusions greater than twenty-four hours and ultimately contribute to the development of guidelines for its use at UVA. Upon completion of the PGY1-Pharmacy residency, he will be completing a PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration residency at UVA. Philip keeps busy with his beautiful baby girl, Isabella, who will be raised as a true Georgia Bulldog fan.

**Brenda Clark****PGY2-Critical Care**

Dr. Clark is a graduate of Purdue University School of Pharmacy where she earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in May 2008. She is also a graduate of Hanover College where she earned a B.A. in Chemistry in 2004. She completed her PGY1 residency at Community Health Network in Indianapolis, IN in June 2008 and is currently completing a specialized residency in critical care at UVA. Her current interests include critical care and cardiology. Upon completion of her critical care residency, she plans to pursue a position as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at an academic medical center. Brenda spends her free time with her husband and 150 lb. Great Dane, Duke. They enjoy outdoor activities and watching sports.

**David Crowther****PGY1-Pharmacy**

Dr. Crowther received a B.S. in Physiology/Developmental Biology from Brigham Young University in 2006 prior to completing a Pharm.D. degree at the University of Southern Nevada in 2009. His areas of interest are medication management, use, and safety. His residency project is analyzing adverse drug events in the pediatric population at UVA in order to develop appropriate corrective measures. Upon completing the PGY1-Pharmacy residency, Dr. Crowther will begin a PGY2-Drug Information residency under Dr. McCarthy at UVA. During his free time, David enjoys volunteering for the Cub Scouts and spending time with his wife, Tiffany.

**Sarah Gruber****PGY1-Pharmacy**

Dr. Gruber is a graduate of Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Albany, NY, where she earned her Pharm.D. degree in 2009. Her current

areas of interest are critical care, cardiology and infectious disease. Dr. Gruber's residency project will examine the aggressiveness of initial statin therapy in males versus females admitted with an acute coronary syndrome at UVA. Upon completion of the PGY1-Pharmacy residency, she will complete a PGY2-Critical Care residency at UVA. Sarah enjoys most all outdoor activities, including biking, hiking, rock climbing, kayaking, and camping.

**Jennifer Neal****PGY1-Pharmacy**

Dr. Neal is a graduate of the Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia School of Pharmacy in Richmond, VA where she earned her Pharm.D. degree in 2009. Her current areas of interest include ambulatory care, hematology/oncology, and health care policy. Dr. Neal's residency project will examine the effect of exenatide use on weight, A1C, and lipids for patients seen at the UVA Ambulatory Endocrinology Clinic. Upon completion of the PGY1-Pharmacy residency, she plans to pursue a PGY2 residency in hematology/oncology within a tertiary care academic medical center. Jennifer is the queen of sports trivia and an avid supporter of UVA and University of Richmond athletics.

**Nathan Powell****PGY2-Critical Care**

Dr. Powell is a graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia School of Pharmacy, where he earned his Pharm.D. degree in 2008. He is also a graduate of James Madison University, where he earned a B.S. in Chemistry in 2004. He completed his PGY1-Pharmacy residency at UVA in June 2009. His current areas of interest are critical care, infectious diseases, and cardiology. Upon completion of his PGY2-Critical Care residency, he plans to pursue a Clinical Specialist position in critical care. Snowboarding and staying warm are his two most principle pursuits during the winter months.

**Amanda Williams****PGY1-Pharmacy**

Dr. Williams earned her Pharm.D. degree from Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy in Birmingham, AL in 2009. She has a broad range of interests including critical care, cardiology, emergency medicine, and pediatrics. Her residency project will be an analysis of the development of resistant organisms following the use of prophylactic broad-spectrum antibiotics after open-chest procedures in the Thoracic/Cardiovascular Post-Operative Unit. Following the PGY1 year, Dr. Williams will complete a PGY2-Critical Care residency at UVA. She enjoys spending time with

her husband, dog, and cat, and watching Alabama football (Roll Tide!).

### Pharmacy Residents 2009-2010



Front row: Sarah Gruber, Brenda Clark, Amanda Williams, Jennifer Neal  
 Back row: Nathan Powell, Philip Almeter, David Crowther

### News and Announcements

#### *Births*

**Marlea Givens Wellein** (PP '01) and her husband, Michael, welcome the birth of their first son, Coleman Michael on October 20, 2009. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 21.5 inches.

**Stephanie Baumhover** (PP '97) and her husband, Mark, welcomed a son on February 16, 2009. His name is Cort. He joins big brother Remick and big sister Mira in the Nelson family.

**Philip Almeter** (PP '10) and his wife, Heidi, announce the birth of their daughter, Isabella Reese, who was born on November 20, 2009. Isabella weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20.5 inches long.

**Stacey Baker Pattie** (PP '00) and her husband, Marsh, welcomed their first son, James McKinley, on October 8, 2009. McKinley weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

#### *Weddings*

**Julie King** (PP '07) married Joe Kidd on August 1, 2009 in Chattanooga, TN. The newlyweds are pursuing medical missions for the next 8 months in Central and South America.

**Katharine McGrath** (PP '07) married Mike Kinsman in Pittsford, NY on October 3, 2009.

**Susan Cogut** (PP '08, DI '09) married Anit Mankad in Bethesda, MD on October 17, 2009.

### Where are they now? The Class of 1995

**Kimberly (DeeDee) Gwinn** (PP '95) lives in North Carolina and works for pharmaceutical industry. If you would like to know more about her, her email is [deedee.gwinn@gmail.com](mailto:deedee.gwinn@gmail.com) and she's a member of Facebook.

**Jackie Kwong** (PP '95) recently joined Daiichi Sankyo, Inc. (DSI) in Parsippany, NJ as Director of Health Economics & Outcomes Research. Since completing her residency training at UVA, she and her family have moved around the country. She completed a pharmacoeconomic fellowship at Ohio State University, and then moved to Durham, NC to join Glaxo Wellcome as a health outcomes researcher. She completed her Ph.D. in Health Policy and Administration at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She later moved to Athens, GA to become an assistant professor at the University of Georgia. Prior to her current position at DSI, she was Director of Health Economics & Pricing at Johnson and Johnson Pharmaceutical Services in New Jersey. In her spare time, Jackie enjoys playing the piano and spending time with her son. She remains a die-hard Jayhawk fan and misses the time discussing basketball rivalries with fellow residents during her time at UVA.

**Kenneth Thompson** (PP '95) is currently an Executive Medical Science Liaison for Bristol-Myers Squibb Oncology in Richmond, VA. After completing his residency training in 1995, Ken was a Clinical Oncology Pharmacist at St. Vincent Health Center in Erie, PA for 3 years. He subsequently worked for Bristol-Myers Squibb Oncology for the past 11 years both as an Associate Director of Medical Information and as a Medical Science Liaison. Ken and his wife of 18 years, Kim, have four wonderful children, Kristen (15 years), Kathryn (13 years), Karalyn (10 years), and Kristopher (8 years). Ken is an avid Nebraska Cornhusker football fan.

**Ron Villamaria** (PP '95) is currently the Clinical Coordinator at West Shore Medical Center in Michigan. He has practiced at this site for the past 11 years and has implemented several clinical programs, automation, and MIS enhancements and achieved ISO9000 certification. He is a member of the hospital's Infection Control and Pharmacy &

Therapeutics Committees, and enjoys making educational presentations to the local and medical communities. Following his residency, he worked for 3 years as the Surgery/SICU/Burn pharmacist at the Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center in Baltimore, MD. He and his wife, Angie, live near the Lake Michigan shoreline in Manistee, Michigan with their two daughters, Caitlyn (10 years) and Quinn (6 years). He lives vicariously through them and enjoys taking of advantage of Michigan's four seasons. He is still an avid Florida Gators fan living in the heart of Big Ten country which makes for some interesting conversations during football season.

#### Where is she now?

##### **Anne Hendrick, Pharm.D.**

Anne Hendrick is currently living in Orlando, FL and is continuing to enjoy her "retirement" from pharmacy practice. After leaving UVA in 2004, Anne joined the missionary staff of the International Mission Board and served in East Asia for two years. Upon returning to the States and waiting for her next assignment, Anne spent her time sharing with church groups and working as a part-time retail pharmacist. In 2008, Anne accepted a supported missionary staff position with the Jesus Film Project, a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ. In her current role as the Production Manager for the West Africa Area of Affairs, Anne helps to coordinate the recording of audio/visual products into the native languages of people throughout West Africa. She traveled to Nigeria in April of this year and was encouraged by the faithfulness and joy she saw in the lives of people who live in extremely remote places. In her spare time, Anne enjoys sharing stories about her work with anyone who will listen, traveling, spending time with family and friends, going to the beach and other local attractions, and, of course, cheering for the Gators.

#### Professional Announcements

**Celeste Rudisill** (PP '05), has been elected to the South Carolina College of Pharmacy Journal Highlights Editorial Board and the South Carolina State HIV Planning Council.

**Brooke Beavers Bernhardt** (CC '05) is serving as co-chair for the HOPA Publications Committee.

**Meg Taylor** (PP '04) recently accepted the Clinical Coordinator position at Martha Jefferson Hospital in Charlottesville, VA.

**Trisha Nguyen Branam** (CC '08) was elected Georgia Society of Health-System Pharmacists (GSHP) District Director-Elect for the Central Savannah River Area District for July 2009 - June 2010. She will assume a 2 year term as District Director beginning in July 2010. She has been appointed as a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy. She was also honored with the GSHP Young Health-System Pharmacist Award for 2009.

**EunSil Lee** (PP '01) accepted the position as Pharmacy Educational Coordinator at UVA.

**Hannah Palmer** (PP '07), was appointed Director of the infectious diseases fellowship at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital/University of Houston College of Pharmacy.

**Kelly Branham** (PP '08), **Young Ran Lee** (PP '08), **Amber Ormsby** (PP '08, CC '09), **Hannah Palmer** (PP '07), **Shaila Patel** (PP '09), and **Whitney Raper Maxwell** (PP '09) passed the Pharmacotherapy Board Certification exam this year.

#### Publications and Presentations

##### *Journal articles*

Ferranti J, Horvath MM, Cozart H, **Whitehurst J** (DI 05), Eckstrand J. Reevaluating the safety profile of pediatrics: a comparison of computerized adverse drug event surveillance and voluntary reporting in the pediatric environment. *Pediatrics* 2008;121:e1201-7.

Ferranti J, Horvath MM, Cozart H, **Whitehurst J** (DI 05), Eckstrand J, et al. A multifaceted approach to safety: the synergistic detection of adverse drug events in adult inpatients. *J Patient Saf* 2008;4:184-90.

**Rogers KC** (PP '96), Finks SW. Job sharing for women pharmacists in academia. *Am J Pharm Edu* Nov 2009;73(7) Article 135.

**Brackbill ML** (PP '98), Sytsma CS, Sykes K. Perioperative outcomes of coronary artery bypass grafting: effects of metabolic syndrome and patient's sex. *Am J Crit Care* 2009;18:468-473 doi: 10.4037/ajcc2009718

**Brackbill ML** (PP '98), Weist PL, Coffey, WL. Standardization of rotation schedules for pharmacy students' advanced practice rotations and potential impact on rotation site availability. Education for

Health 9 (online), 2009;no.226. Available from: <http://www.educationforhealth.net>

Schultz KK, **Brackbill, ML** (PP '98). Teaching electrocardiogram basics using dance and movement. *Amer J Pharm Educ* 2009;73(4) Article 70.

**Brackbill ML** (PP '98), Phipps SD. Collaborative development of a health system-focused cardiology elective. *Int Pharm J* 2009;24:18-21.

**Bernhardt MB** (CC '05), Hicks MJ, Pappo AS. Administration of high-dose interleukin-2 in a 2-year-old with metastatic melanoma. *Pediatr Blood Cancer* 2009;53:1346-8.

### Book chapters

**Rogers KC** (PP '96), Pittman JR. Monitoring drug therapy. In: Nemire RE, Kier K, editors. *Pharmacy Student Survival Guide*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. The McGraw-Hill Companies; 2009:132-160.

The following contributed to McCarthy MW, **Kockler DR** (DI '01), eds. *Oxford American Handbook of Clinical Pharmacy*. 1<sup>st</sup> ed. New York, NY: Oxford University Press; 2009:

**Kathleen Bledsoe** (PP '02, CC '03)

**Trisha N. Branan** (CC '08)

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**Susan Cogut** (PP '08, DI '09)

**Tina Grof** (CC '08)

**Jessica Johnson** (PP '09)

**Whitney Raper Maxwell** (PP '09)

**Nikki Yost Miller** (PP '98)

**Amber Ormsby** (PP '08, CC '09)

**Leah Paige** (PP '99)

**Shaila Patel** (PP '09)

**Stacey Baker Pattie** (PP '00)

**Nathaniel Powell** (PP '09, CC '10)

**Chrissie Shirley** (PP '06, CC '09)

**David Volles** (PP '94)

### Poster Presentations at National Meetings

Wells D, **Rudisill C** (PP '05), Bookstaver B. Vancomycin target trough attainment rates and associated clinical outcomes in patients with methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infections. ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting December 2009. Las Vegas, NV.

Wang X, **Rudisill C** (PP '05), Bookstaver B. Effect of an infectious diseases pharmacist's interventions on medication errors in hospitalized human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-infected patients. ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting December 2009. Las Vegas, NV.

**Rudisill C** (PP '05), Bookstaver B, Hashem M, Yeon P. Successful treatment of vancomycin resistant *Enterococcus faecium* meningitis with high-dose daptomycin. ACCP Fall Meeting October 2009. Anaheim, CA.

Keith Christensen K, McConnell S, **Patel HN** (PP '99), White PS. Daptomycin use in critical care patients with sepsis and MRSA bacteremia. Abstract (#1422) accepted at the Society of Critical Care Medicine's (SCCM) 39th Critical Care Congress, Miami, FL.

Forrest G, **Patel HN** (PP '99), Holloway K, Donovan B, Lamp K. Outcomes and characteristics of patients treated with daptomycin for gram-positive catheter-related bacteremia. Poster (#900) presented at the Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA) 47th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

**Delk BS** (PP '06, CC '07). Clinical pharmacy services in the emergency department at a level II trauma center. ACCP Fall Meeting October 2009. Anaheim, CA.

### Preceptor News and Announcements

Barbara Wiggins, Cardiology Clinical Specialist (2001-2009), accepted a position as Clinical Manager at Chippenham Johnston-Willis Hospitals in Richmond, VA.

Heather Cox married Joe Hall on August 2, 2009 in Charlottesville, VA.

Stephanie Mallow Corbett accepted the position as Director of Clinical Services at UVA.

### Dates of Interest

Residency application deadlines	Jan 4
NMS submission date	March 5
Match results released	March 17

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