



Hoo's News

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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, please contact Michelle McCarthy (see page 4).

Residency Program Information

The University of Virginia Health System (UVaHS) has 3 ASHP-accredited residency programs: Critical Care (established 2002), Drug Information (established 1998), and PGY1 Pharmacy (established 1991). The goals are to increase total number of residents from 7 to 10 in the next 2 years. The makeup of the programs is yet to be determined. All programs are registered with the National Matching Service (NMS). Residency program directors are listed on page 4.

The Class of 2008-9: Where are they going?

Susan Cogut **PGY2-Drug Information**
Clinical Specialist-Drug Information at UVaHS

Jessica Johnson **PGY1-Pharmacy**
PGY2-Critical Care Resident at the Regional Medical Center at Memphis, TN

Amber Ormsby **PGY2-Critical Care**
Clinical Specialist at Chippenham Hospital,
Richmond, VA

Shaila Patel **PGY1-Pharmacy**
Staff Clinical Pharmacist at William Beaumont
Hospitals, Royal Oak, MI

Nathaniel Powell **PGY1-Pharmacy**
PGY2-Critical Care Resident at UVaHS

Whitney Raper **PGY1-Pharmacy**
PGY2-Pharmacotherapy Resident at University of
North Carolina-Chapel Hill, NC

Chrissie Shirley **PGY2-Critical Care**
Clinical Pharmacist at UVaHS

The Residency Class of 2009-10

The Class of 2009-10 will include 4 PGY1-Pharmacy residents, 1 PGY1-Pharmacy resident who is committed to the PGY2-Drug Information program for 2010-11 (2 year commitment), and 2 PGY2-Critical Care residents.

The PGY1-Pharmacy residents are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School of Pharmacy</u>
Philip Almeter	University of Georgia
Sarah Gruber	Albany
Jennifer Neal	VCU
Amanda Worshum	Samford

The PGY1-Pharmacy followed by PGY2-Drug Information resident is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School of Pharmacy</u>
David Crowther	University of Southern Nevada

The PGY2-Critical Care residents are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>PGY1 Residency</u>
Brenda Clark	Purdue	Comm. Health Network
Nathaniel Powell	VCU	UVaHS

News and Announcements

Births

Kristi (Peterson) Hofer (PP '99, DI '02) and her husband Shannon announce the birth of their daughter, Kayla Jo, on January 29, 2009. Kayla weighed 6 lb 4 oz and was 19 inches long.

Kim (Parnell) Lafferty (PP '97) and her husband, Rob, announce the birth of their second child, Samantha Ann Lafferty. She was born on January 5, 2009 at 9:37 am. She weighed 9 lb, 2 oz and was 22 inches long.

John Williamson (PP '98) and his wife, Keri, announce the birth of their third daughter, Sophie Reese Williamson, on January 18, 2009. Their other daughters are Olivia Grace (6 years old) and Ava Pearl (2 years old).

Nikki Yost (PP '98) and her husband, John, announce the birth of their daughter, Andie Matalin, born on December 30, 2008. Andie weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Where are they now? The Class of 2002

William (Billy) Houston Boothe, Jr. (PP '02) is a Clinical Pharmacist with Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin, MD located 5 miles outside Ocean City, MD. In his role, he is responsible for daily rounds and monitoring on patients in the Joint Center, Medical/Surgical floor, and ICU. His role also includes lead pharmacist on the bi-monthly Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee Meeting, Pharmacy and Nursing Staff Education/Development, and numerous other committees/responsibilities in regards to patient and medication safety. After completing his pharmacy practice residency, Billy worked as a clinical staff pharmacist at UVa for 5 years. During his last two years at UVa, Billy was part of the Pediatric Decentralized Pharmacy Team. After leaving UVa in 2006, Billy and his wife Monica moved to Northern Virginia where he worked two years in home infusion pharmacy. Billy and Monica have been happily married almost 3 years. They now reside in Lewes, DE. In his spare time, Billy enjoys going to the beach, watching movies, and spending time with family and friends. Billy and Monica are proud parents of a 9-month-old daughter, Ava McKenzie, and a female black lab dog, Gracie.

Jim Coons (PP '02) is a Clinical Specialist in Cardiology and PGY1 Residency Program Director at Allegheny General Hospital (AGH) in Pittsburgh, PA. In these roles, he is responsible for patient care, teaching, precepting, and practice-based research. He also serves as Adjunct Faculty at Duquesne University and the University of Pittsburgh Schools of Pharmacy. After finishing his pharmacy practice residency, he moved back to Pittsburgh to complete a cardiology specialty residency. He began his position at AGH thereafter, having started in 2003. Jim and his wife, Stacy, will be celebrating seven years of marriage this summer. Their daughter, Ava, just had her first birthday. They reside in Gibsonia, PA located in the northern suburbs of Pittsburgh. Jim enjoys spending time with family and friends, playing golf, watching the Penguins, and traveling to warmer climates.

Kristi (Peterson) Hofer (PP '99, DI '02) is Director of Scientific Projects with ASHP Advantage. In this role, she is responsible for developing and implementing educational programs and related

projects. She works closely with speakers and ensures that all programs meet ACCME and ACPE guidelines for quality. After completing her pharmacy practice residency, Kristi worked as a clinical pharmacist at UVa for 2 years. She then completed her DI residency and practiced as a drug information specialist at UVaHS for several years before joining ASHP. Kristi and her husband, Shannon, will soon celebrate 10 years of marriage. They reside in Charlottesville. In her spare time, Kristi enjoys traveling, reading, and spending time with family and friends. Kristi and Shannon are the proud parents of their 5-month-old daughter, Kayla Jo, and a male orange tabby cat, Frankie.

Alley Killian (PP '02, CC '03) has been the surgical ICU clinical pharmacist at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, GA since completing her residency training in 2003. She lives in a fantastic in-town neighborhood in Decatur, GA with her 2 cats, Sophie and Mo, and her new puppy, Neko. In her spare time, Alley loves hanging out with friends, yoga, traveling, catching as much live music as she can, and cheering on her UNC Tarheels!

Karla (Wright) Nuckles (PP '02) recently took a position as staff pharmacist and part owner at Vital Care of Southwest Virginia Compounding and Infusion Pharmacy in Cedar Bluff, VA. She is looking forward to the challenges of this new role. After completing her pharmacy practice residency, Karla took a position as a clinical pharmacist at UVaHS for approximately 2 years. At that time, she returned to her hometown of Wise, VA where she worked as Director of Pharmacy at Dickenson Community Hospital. Following another move to Rosedale, VA, she was Pharmacy Manager at Kmart Pharmacy, then took a position as a clinical/staff pharmacist Clinch Valley Medical Center in Richlands, VA. Karla, her husband Artie, and their 6-year-old daughter Sydney continue to reside in Rosedale, VA. Karla enjoys being involved with her daughter's activities as a Girl Scout troop volunteer, the song leader for children's church, and a supportive mother during dance class. Karla and her family enjoy going to Cherokee Lake in the summer, and spending time together and with family and friends all year long.

Ashley Schields (PP '02, DI '03) accepted a position in August 2008 as a clinical pharmacist at Peoples Health, a Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plan in New Orleans, LA. As part of this recent change in work environment, Ashley continues to apply her drug information skills to her responsibilities involving formulary management, medical policy development, medication therapy

management, prior authorization reviews, and as preceptor for fourth-year pharmacy students from Xavier University. She has worked in a variety of settings following the completion of her residencies including a position in the Center for Drug Policy and Clinical Economics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison functioning to support the clinical needs of Unity Health Insurance. This was followed by her position for four years as a Drug Information Specialist at Shands Jacksonville Medical Center in Florida. Ashley is enjoying finally being back home in the Big Easy and has recently enjoyed sharing her home on the parade route during Mardi Gras with her nieces and nephew.

Professional Announcements

Kelly Branham (PP '08) accepted a position as an Emergency Department Clinical Specialist at Carilion Clinic, Roanoke, VA following her PGY2-Critical Care residency at VCU.

Kristen (Schildberg) Brown (PP '98) has taken a clinical faculty position at the University of Colorado Denver School of Pharmacy. Her roles are Assistant Professor for the Department of Clinical Pharmacy and Assistant Director of Experiential Programs.

Kim (Parnell) Lafferty (PP '97) recently accepted a promotion as Senior Manager, Global Business Intelligence for Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Services.

Young Ran Lee (PP '08) presented her project on "Impact of antibiotic pressure on the acquisition of resistance in patients with spinal cord injury" as a poster at the 2009 ACCP/ESCP International Congress on Clinical Pharmacy on April 25, 2009. Young Ran accepted a faculty position at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, School of Pharmacy in Abilene, TX following completion of her PGY2-Critical Care residency at Texas Tech.

Hina N. Patel (PP '99) presented her research project at the International Conference of the American Thoracic Society in May in San Diego: Velasquez A, MD, **Patel H**, PharmD, Shaz D, MD, Perez R, MD, Leeper K, MD. Current DVT Prophylaxis Guidelines with Unfractionated Heparin (UFH) and Low Molecular Weight Heparin (LMWH) are Inadequate for MICU Patients by Anti-Xa Levels. *Am J Resp Crit Care Med* 2009; 179(7): A6093.

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2009 Dates of interest

		June 26	Farewell and Welcome Picnic for Pharmacy Residents
April 29-May 1	Eastern States Conference for Pharmacy Residents and Preceptors, Hershey, PA	June 29-30	Orientation for Residency Class of 2009-10
June 24	Residency Class of 2009 Graduation and Reception		

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