



# 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, contact Michelle McCarthy- see page 4.

## Residency Program Information

The University of Virginia Health System has 3 ASHP-accredited residency programs: Critical Care (established 2002), Drug Information (established 1998), and Pharmacy Practice (established 1991). The newest program, Primary Care, will accept its first resident in 2008. All programs are registered with the National Matching Service. Residency program directors and UVa activities at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting (MCM) are on page 4.

## Meet the Residency Class of 2007-8

### Barry Barns

PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Barns is a graduate of the Duquesne University, where he earned his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2007. His current areas of interest are critical care and cardiology. His residency project will evaluate the effect of rosuvastatin on INR. Upon completion of his residency, he plans to complete a specialized residency or pursue a career as a clinical pharmacist. Pharmacy is Dr. Barns' second career. Prior to completing his schooling, he was a baseball player for the Duquesne Dukes and played professionally for the Pittsburgh Pirates and Tampa Bay Devilrays. He retired after a 5-year baseball career and was a 2007 inductee into the Duquesne University Athletic Hall of Fame.

### Kelly Branham

PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Branham is from a military family and has moved frequently; however, she has lived in Virginia for the past 9 years. She graduated from Virginia Tech in 2003 with a B.S. in Biochemistry and minors in Chemistry and Business. She graduated with her M.B.A. in December 2006 and Pharm.D. in May

2007 from MCV/VCU Schools of Business and Pharmacy. Her career goals are to pursue a second year pharmacy residency with focus in critical care or infectious diseases, with a long term desire to play a role in pharmacy management. In her spare time, she enjoys being with family and friends, running, hiking, and boating on Smith Mountain Lake.

### Susan Cogut

PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Cogut earned her Pharm.D. in 2007 from VCU School of Pharmacy. She is also a graduate of The College of William & Mary, where she earned her B.S. in Biology in 2003. Her current areas of interest are drug information, internal medicine, and geriatrics. Dr. Cogut's residency project will compare the efficacy and safety of alternate-day dosing of HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors to conventional dosing. Upon completion of her residency, she plans to complete a specialized residency or pursue a career as a clinical pharmacist. In her free time, she enjoys watching movies, going to concerts, cooking, eating, and traveling.

### Young Ran Lee

PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Lee is a graduate of the Western University of Health Sciences in California where she earned her Pharm.D. degree in 2007. Her current areas of interest include infectious diseases and hematology/oncology. Dr. Lee's residency project will develop guidelines for erythropoiesis stimulating agents in the oncology setting. In her spare time, Dr. Lee enjoys watching movies, going hiking in the summer and skiing in the winter. Also, she loves picking strawberries and apples and tubing on a river. She tries to travel to one foreign country at least once a year. Upon completion of her residency, she plans to pursue a specialized residency within a tertiary care academic medical center.

### Amber Ormsby

PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Ormsby received her Bachelor's degree in Microbiology from Virginia Tech in 2003. She earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2007 from

MCV/VCU School of Pharmacy. Her current clinical interests include pediatrics and critical care. In her spare time, Dr. Ormsby enjoys watching TV (The Office), tending to her two dogs (miniature daschunds), snowboarding in the winter and going to the beach in the summer. She plans to pursue a second year pharmacy residency.

**Trisha Branam PGY2-Critical Care**

Dr. Branam is a graduate from the University of Georgia where she earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2006. She completed her PGY1 at the Medical College of Georgia/University of Georgia College of Pharmacy in June 2007. Her current interests lie within medical intensive care, surgical intensive care, and infectious diseases. Trisha's residency project will evaluate the use of anidulafungin in the treatment of fungal infections. Upon completion of her residency, she plans to pursue a career as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in an academic medical center. In her spare time, Trisha enjoys sports, traveling, cooking, playing with her dog, and of course, anything related to the Georgia Bulldogs.

**Tina Grof PGY2-Critical Care**

Dr. Grof is a graduate of West Virginia Wesleyan College and West Virginia University School of Pharmacy where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Chemistry in 2002 and Doctor of Pharmacy in 2006. She completed her PGY1 residency at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, NC in June 2007. Her current interests are medical, trauma, and neurosurgical intensive care and infectious diseases. Tina's residency project will evaluate and assess the appropriate titration dosing modality of dexmedetomidine in neurocritical care patients. Upon completion of her residency, she plans to pursue a career as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in an academic medical center.

**Pharmacy Residents 2007-8**



Front: Trisha, Susan, Young, Amber  
Back: Tina, Kelly, Barry

**News and Announcements**

**Births**

**Marian Quan** (PP '97) and her husband, Tep Kang, announce the birth of their second son, Ethan Michael Kang, who was born on August 28, 2007. Ethan was 3½ weeks early and weighed 6 lbs, 6 ounces. He is adored by his big brother, Justin (3 ½).

**Laura Willets Walton** (PP '01) and husband, Michael, announce the birth of their daughter, Caroline Mehring Walton, born on September 1, 2007. The family resides in Richmond, Virginia, and Laura works part-time at Henrico Doctors Hospital.

**Kim Parnell Lafferty** (PP '97) and her husband, Rob, announce the birth of their daughter, Sydney Caroline Lafferty, who was born September 5, 2007. Sydney weighed 11 pounds 10 ounces and was 23 inches long.

**Kevin Chapple** (DI '00) and his wife, Melanie, welcomed their first son, John Robert Paul "Jack" Chapple on October 22, 2007. Jack has three big sisters, Emma (6), Katie (4), and Sarah (3).

**Jennifer Davenport Phillips** (PP '03) and her husband, John, welcome the birth of their first son, William Davenport Phillips. He was born on November 1, 2007, weighed 7 lbs, 4 oz, and has a big sister, Ellena, who is 20 months old.

**Expectant parents**

**Jim Coons** (PP '02) and his wife, Stacey, are expecting their first child in April of 2008.

**Lori Hamm Dupree** (PP '00) and her husband, Jud, are expecting their first child in May of 2008.

**Weddings/ Engagements**

**Stacey Baker** (PP '00) was married to James "Marsh" Pattie on July 28, 2007 in Charlottesville. Stacey works as a clinical pharmacy specialist in internal medicine at UVa, and Marsh is pursuing a Ph.D. in addition to working as the Dean of Student Affairs at the Darden School of Business.

**Nikki Miller** (PP '98) married John Yost in Montrose, Colorado on March 3, 2007.

**Marcia Hunt** (PP '05) is engaged to Chuck Curran. The wedding date has not yet been set.

**Where are they now? The Class of 1997**

**Stephanie Baumhover** is currently employed as a compliance analyst/ performance improvement specialist at the University of North Carolina

Hospitals. After her residency, she worked as a clinical staff pharmacist at UVa for a year. After that, she moved into clinical management. The greatest residency lessons learned were commitment to quality and willingness to move the Pharmacy Department forward. Stephanie has encountered many challenges in trying to move pharmacy departments into a more progressive practice model and has heavily relied on her residency experience. She and her husband, Mark, enjoy family time with their son, Remick (4 years), and daughter, Mira, (1.5 years). In her free time, Stephanie enjoys swimming and yoga.

**Sharon Bielenda** Dybicz is a Clinical Pharmacist at Omnicare Senior Health Outcomes, LLC in King of Prussia, PA. She and her husband, Tony, have a 10 month old son, Andrew.

**Kim Parnell** Lafferty is an Associate Director of Clinical Research at Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research and Development in Raritan, NJ. She works on compounds in Phase 2 and 3 development within the Internal Medicine therapeutic area, focusing primarily on cardiovascular and urological compounds. She has an interest in transitioning to the marketing side of the business and is working on projects in global strategic marketing and market research. She obtained her M.B.A. from The Pennsylvania State University in University Park, PA, and was co-valedictorian of the class. She and her husband, Robert, are proud parents of their 3 month old daughter. The family resides in Doylestown, PA. Her hobbies now include changing diapers and taking her daughter to the park.

**Marian Quan** is a Medical Information Manager at AstraZeneca (AZ) and supports the Medical Information needs for CNS products. In this position, she creates and manages a database of standard responses on products, provides medical review of promotional materials, and works with interdisciplinary teams to support other projects. She and her husband, Tep Kang, spend their free time with their 2 sons.

#### Professional Announcements

**Marcia Hunt** (PP '05) has accepted a position as Clinical Coordinator at Good Samaritan Hospital in Vincennes, Indiana.

**Ellie Elliot** (PP '98) has been appointed the residency director for the PGY2-Psychiatry Residency at Western Missouri Mental Health Center

in Kansas City, MO where she is also a clinical pharmacist.

**Margaret "Meg" Taylor** (PP '04) was named by the Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists (VSHP) as the 2007 New Practitioner of the Year. Meg is the first recipient of this award developed to recognize an individual within 5 years of their first pharmacy degree who has demonstrated leadership through involvement in organized pharmacy or through professional pharmacy activities.

**Ken Thompson** (PP'95) was recently promoted to Associate Director of Medical Information for Bristol-Myers Squibb Oncology (BMSO). He previously worked as a Senior Medical Science Liaison for BMSO in Maryland.

#### Publications

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**Dates of Interest**

		January 11	Deadline for applicants to register with National Matching Service
December 3	ASHP MCM functions		
1-4 PM	Residency Showcase (Booth 4454)	March 7	Deadline for residency match submission
5-7 PM	Virginia Reception -Venetian-Casanova Room 506		
January 2	Residency application deadline	March 19	Match results are distributed

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