

PIMS GRAD LEADS ALUMNI BOARD

One of the most important items on the agenda for the Third Annual College of Medicine and PIMS Alumni



Dr. Michael J. Sweeney

Reunion in April was the selection of a new alumni board and president. **Michael J. Sweeney**, M.D., the new president, encouraged fellow board members to join him in building a strong foundation toward the development of a robust alumni association.

Selecting a Program in Medical Sciences (PIMS) graduate as president is an appropriate choice. PIMS began with its first students in 1971 as a way to attract service-minded students into medical school, with the hope that they might help alleviate a shortage of physicians in the Florida Panhandle and other rural areas of the state.

The College of Medicine's mission expands upon the work of the PIMS program to include service-minded students who may help address primary-care shortages in other areas of need, including caring for older patients and for those in urban and rural medically underserved communities.

Joining Sweeney (PIMS Class of 1975) on the alumni board are **Rick Sheridan**, M.D. (PIMS, '76), **Gordon Burtch**, M.D. (PIMS, '77), **Scott Warren**, M.D. (PIMS, '83), **Keith Ingram**, M.D. (PIMS, '81), **Floyd Jaggars**, M.D. (PIMS, '83), **Don Levine**, M.D. (PIMS, '91), **Shannon Price** (M.D., 2006), **Chris Sundstrom** (M.D., '06), **Tanya Anim** (M.D., '10), **Marlisha Edwards** (M.D., '11) and **Layla Lundquist-Smith** (M.D., '11).

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