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Congratulations, Class of 2014



Congratulations to the sixth group of students from our Fort Pierce Regional Campus to graduate from the FSU College of Medicine! Here they are standing proudly with Dr. Randall Bertolette, our campus dean.

Graduation day arrived May 17 for the 115 members of the Florida State University College of Medicine's 10th graduating class, the Class of 2014. The Fort Pierce Regional Campus was home for 18 of those graduates for the past two years. They completed their third and fourth years of training here on the Treasure Coast, working one-on-one with many of the over 240 FSU clerkship faculty physicians in this area.

Five of the graduates from the Fort Pierce campus received prestigious awards at the Tallahassee ceremony. **Mary O'Meara** received the Florida Geriatrics Society Award. **Kim Manek** earned the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologist District XII Outstanding Medical Student Achievement Award. **Mia Klein, Kaitlin Love and Ann Sheddan** received an American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) Glasgow-Rubin Achievement Citation ("women graduates in the top 10 percent of their graduating class"). Mia and Ann also earned membership in the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, as well as the Gold Humanism Honor Society. Ann Sheddan also received the Excellence in Emergency Medicine Award and the Regional Campus Dean's Award. The Dean's Award is presented by each regional campus to the most outstanding graduate in recognition of dedication, compassion and academic excellence. This ceremony marked the first time that alumni hooded their siblings. Two of these alumni and their siblings were from the Fort Pierce campus. The siblings were Zarna Dahya (M.D., '11) hooding brother Vishal and Brandon Mauldin (M.D., '12) hooding brother Justin. "There can be no better recommendation for a med school," Dean John Fogarty said, "than to have a student or graduate encourage their sibling to follow them to FSU."

In early May, the graduates gathered with the campus dean, Dr. Randall Bertolette, community board members, staff and physician faculty at The Inn at Ocean Village to celebrate their accomplishments. The event was sponsored by Indian River Medical Center and Martin Health System. The Class of 2014 presented **Dr. Jay Samander**, psychiatrist practicing in Port St. Lucie and the Fort Pierce clerkship director for psychiatry, with the Excellence in Teaching Award. They chose **Dr. Paul Gaeta**, internal medicine physician with Martin Health System, for the Extra Mile Award.

Meet our new students, Page 8.

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Message from the Dean



Randall Bertolette, M.D.

Now that orientation is over for this year and the students are totally immersed in their curriculum, I thought we needed some real words of wisdom from a guy who always had something to say about everything, including medical information. Those of you who don't know who Yogi Berra was should become familiar with him before reading further. I hope you all did better in anatomy than Yogi, who once said, "I don't know (if they were men or women fans running naked across the field). They had bags over their heads." Or his powers of observation when he said, "You can observe a lot just by watching." He also compared his feelings about medicine and baseball when he quoted himself saying, "Baseball is 90% mental. The other half is physical." Known as Yogi-isms, they remain enormously popular. When in Florida, Yogi said, "It's not the heat, it's the humility." The best-known comment and the one used in medicine more than any other is, "When you come to a fork in the road, take it." So the next time you're in a quandary, think about Yogi and you might come up with the right answer.

Navy SEAL Museum Visit

Jim Shafer, M.D., clerkship faculty teaching neurology, hosted a private tour of the National Navy UDT-SEAL Museum for FSU faculty, staff, students and community board. Located in Fort Pierce, the birthplace of the Navy Frogman, the museum promotes public education by providing the opportunity to explore the history of the Navy SEALs while honoring the fallen at the SEAL memorial and caring for those warriors' families through the Trident House in Sebastian. The museum chronicles the evolution of these incredible teams of men who serve the USA with remarkable bravery.



RIGHT: Dr. Shafer, standing in front of the lifeboat taken by SEAL Team Six in the rescue of Capt. Phillips from the Somali pirates.



L-R: Class of 2016 students Kristen Dimas and Aruna Khan enjoying the tour.



Assistant Executive Director Ken Corona (right), answering questions during the tour.



L-R: Dr. Shafer with David Godshall, US Navy (SEAL) and president of the museum board.

Alumni News

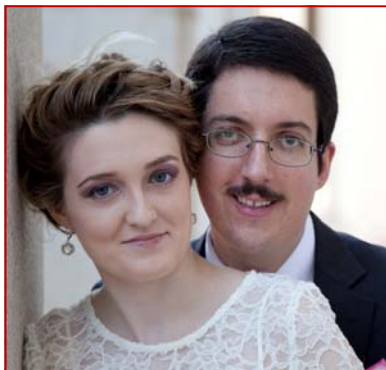


Uchenna Ikediobi, M.D., Class of 2010, completed her residency in internal medicine at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in 2013. She is now at Yale University School of Medicine in New Haven, Connecticut, completing a three-year research fellowship in infectious diseases. Based on her interest in global health, she will work for six weeks with HIV/AIDS patients in Tugela Ferry, a rural town in South Africa. Dr. Ikediobi has plans during her fellowship to continue global health research with the HIV Elite Controller population in South Africa or Ethiopia.

Glenn Hoots, M.D., Class of 2010, was elected chief of his diagnostic radiology residency at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center, Worcester, Massachusetts. Dr. Hoots will be starting a fellowship in interventional radiology in 2015 at Tampa General/University of South Florida. Finally, while in Washington, D.C., for a review course, he got engaged!



Jackson Hatfield, M.D., and **Cianna Pender Hatfield, M.D.**, Class of 2011, stopped by our campus for a visit. Jackson, chief resident, recently completed the Louisiana State University School of Medicine family medicine residency program at Ochsner Medical Center in Kenner, Louisiana. At the graduation ceremony, Dr. Hatfield earned the Outstanding Resident Award. He has started working at the Ochsner Clinic Foundation at a small rural hospital in Luling, Louisiana, doing outpatient and inpatient family medicine. Cianna just started her fourth year in the Louisiana State University School of Medicine general surgery residency program at St. Charles Parish Hospital. She recently earned the Colin Goodier, M.D. Memorial Award, in recognition of her kindness, compassion, intelligence and dedication. Dr. Pender Hatfield completes the program in 2016.



Michelle Miller, M.D., Class of 2012, is serving as chief resident in her final year of a family medicine residency at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. Dr. Miller got married in December and plans on working outpatient/inpatient in Tallahassee in family medicine in 2015.



Will Fields, M.D., Class of 2012, is serving as chief resident in his final year of an emergency medicine residency at York Hospital in York, Pennsylvania. Dr. Fields got married last year and will be moving back to Florida in 2015. His wife is an internal medicine resident in Tampa.

Jessica Gondela Schwarz, M.D., Class of 2012, is working on completing her residency in emergency medicine at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. Upon completion in 2015, she will start as an attending physician for Mayo, working 80 percent of her time as a community physician and 20 percent in academics. Dr. Schwarz stated she is happy to host FSU students who would like to do an externship there. She also commented, "I'm very grateful for the help that the Fort Pierce campus provided while I was a student at FSU. Go 'Noles!"



Aaron Hilton, M.D., Class of 2012, was married to Danielle Page on May 24th in Port St. Lucie. Aaron met Danielle, an ER nurse, while completing his fourth-year emergency medicine clerkship at Indian River Medical Center in Vero Beach. Dr. Hilton just started his third year of otolaryngology residency at the University at Buffalo School of Medicine in Buffalo, New York.



Alumni News



Vishal Dahya, M.D., Class of 2014, was very busy during his fourth year collaborating with Fort Pierce clerkship faculty on publications. He worked with Dr. Prasad Chalasani, FSU clerkship faculty for cardiology, on a case that was published online on the North American Society for Cardiovascular Imaging website, “Right Is Left and Left Is Right: Congenitally Corrected Transposition of the Great Arteries (CCTGA).” Dr. Dahya collaborated with Dr. Jeffrey Glickman, nephrologist, and Dr. Moti Ramgopal, FSU clerkship faculty for infectious disease, and published “Paradoxical immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome presenting as acute respiratory distress syndrome in a non-HIV immunosuppressed sarcoidosis patient” in the International Journal of Rheumatic Diseases. He also worked with Dr. Ramgopal and Berjan Collin, MD, FSU clerkship faculty for infectious disease, to publish “Concomitant Pseudomonas Discitis from Shared Needles in Intravenous Opioid Abusers” in Infectious Diseases in Clinical Practice. Finally, Dr. Dahya will do a poster presentation with Dr. Ramgopal, “Origin of the dengue virus outbreak in Martin County, Florida, USA 2013” at Infectious Disease Week in Philadelphia in October 2014. Dr. Dahya just started his internal medicine residency at Florida State University College of Medicine - Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare.



Kush Bhorania, M.D., Class of 2014, has started his residency in internal medicine at North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health Systems in New York. Dr. Bhorania recently checked in with the Fort Pierce campus, providing these words of wisdom, “FSU has definitely prepared me well beyond expected for residency. I am doing better than my peers and am very skilled at doing the job. I owe a lot of thanks to everyone there and please let everyone know that the preparation in years 3 and 4 has served me well. Also, my externship as an acting intern really helped me out, and I highly recommend that option to all students for their fourth year. I love internal medicine.”

Class of 2015

Our 17 newly anointed FOURTH-year students will be completing some prestigious in-state, out-of-state and international externships. Working in the disciplines of internal medicine, general surgery, family medicine, advanced critical care, orthopedic surgery, ophthalmology, neurology, infectious disease, pediatrics, anesthesiology and oncology, our students are proud to show the competencies they have achieved in their first three years at the FSU College of Medicine. We are confident they will show their outstanding confidence and experience gained by working one-on-one with the FSU clerkship faculty in our community.



Faculty Focus



Jay Samander, M.D. (on left), clerkship director for psychiatry practicing in Port St. Lucie, received an award from the Class of 2014 at their graduation dinner reception in May. For his dedication and expertise in educating our students, he was honored for Excellence in Teaching. All of our graduates worked with Dr. Samander in their third-year psychiatry clerkship and thoroughly enjoyed learning from him. The students said, “His breadth of knowledge was incredible and he challenged us with his high standards of patient care. He prepared us well for the board exam and provided an outstanding educational experience.”

Paul Gaeta, M.D. (on right), internal medicine physician practicing at Martin Health System in Stuart, was also recognized by the Class of 2014 at the graduation dinner. For his commitment and unending support, the students honored him with an Extra Mile award. He taught many of them in their third-year internal medicine course. The students presenting the award said, “Dr. Gaeta was outstanding as both a role model and a teacher. He treats patients, staff, and us students with an unparalleled kindness, patience, and respect. He never hesitates to answer a patient's question no matter if he is running late in the office or he is stopped in the middle of the hospital parking lot. He has gone the extra mile by staying with us every day after clinic to teach us EKGs, chest X-rays, and discuss MKSAP questions.” Congratulations, Dr. Samander and Dr. Gaeta!



The Gold Humanism Honor Society
An initiative of the Arnold P. Gold Foundation

Each year, the Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) members choose a faculty member to join the society. All students at all the regional campuses are asked to nominate faculty members, and submit comments as to why that faculty member should be chosen. The newly inducted GHHS students meet in March to make the final decision. In the past, the Fort Pierce campus has had three faculty members chosen to join the GHHS: Dr. Dennis Saver, Dr. Gus Espinosa and Dr. Howard Voss. This year, the GHHS students chose two faculty inductees: Dr. Pamela Carbiener, Ob/Gyn clerkship director from the Daytona Beach campus, and our Fort Pierce clerkship director for family medicine, **Dr. Nancy Baker.**



L-R: Dr. Bertollette, GHHS member Ann Sheddan, Dr. Baker, GHHS member Mia Klein, and Student Support Coordinator Sandy Stevens.



Larry Kantor, M.D., clerkship faculty in family medicine, was recognized for his 25 years of service to Martin Health System in Stuart. He has taught many of our students since joining our faculty in 2008. Thank you, Dr. Kantor, for your dedication to your patients and to the FSU College of Medicine.

Faculty Development

Good news! Our faculty development workshops will again be sponsored by TD Bank this year! We are so thankful TD Bank is providing the funds to present these important sessions to our faculty. Below is our list of our remaining workshops for this 2014-15 academic year. Remember, these dates and topics could change, so keep an eye on your email for announcements regarding registering for these workshops.



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Date	Time	Title	Presenter(s)
2014			
Aug. 14	6:00 PM	Informatics: Introduction to the FSU College of Medicine E-Library	Dudley Teel, M.D.
Sept. 16	6:00 PM	Informatics: Downloading Programs to Your Mobile Device	Dudley Teel, M.D.
Oct. 9	6:00 PM	Handling Challenging Teaching Situations	Greg Turner Ed.D., MBA, MPH
Nov. 13	6:00 PM	Informatics: Social Media and Medicine	Nancy Clark, M.Ed. and Dudley Teel, M.D.
2015			
Jan. 29	6:00 PM	Using Knowledge of Personality Types to Enhance Teaching	Greg Turner Ed.D., MBA, MPH
Feb. 26	6:00 PM	Effective Clinical Teaching: Views from Our Learners	Greg Turner Ed.D., MBA, MPH
March 25	6:00 PM	Informatics: Selecting the Best Evidence-Based Medicine Resources	Dudley Teel, M.D.
April 30	6:00 PM	Clinical Teaching: Pearls from Your Colleagues	Greg Turner Ed.D., MBA, MPH
May 20	6:00 PM	Informatics: Point-of-Care Decision Support Tools	Dudley Teel, M.D.

Welcome, Class of 2016



L-R, First row: Daniel Tarazona, Aruna Khan, Syeda Muzaffar (vice president of the class, representing the Fort Pierce campus), Kristen Dimas, Neeti Pradeep, Christina Gutierrez, Cesar Garcia-Canet. Second row: Joah Aliancy, Tara Becker, Shlermine Aupont, Saritha Tirumalasetty, Shakirat Salvador, Ivana Simpson, Kadijo Wade. Third row: Gesnyr Ocean, Mariya Zhukova, Priya Singh, Mary Jane Tucker, Silvana Rolong, Nicholas Jeffrey

Twenty eager medical students arrived on the Treasure Coast in June to begin their third year of medical school at the Fort Pierce Regional Campus. After undergoing four days of orientation, hospital visits, paperwork and scrub training, they hit the ground running to start their clinical rotations in pediatrics, surgery, obstetrics-gynecology, family medicine, psychiatry and internal medicine. In their fourth year, they will tackle emergency medicine, advanced internal medicine, geriatrics, advanced family medicine and electives. All of our students work under the guidance of our dean, eight clerkship directors and more than 240 clerkship faculty physicians in our community. Welcome!

Class of 2017

At the end of their first year of medical school, all FSU medical students complete a three-week Summer Clinical Practicum in May. This required course provides opportunities for students to practice and improve basic clinical skills. The goals include understanding the patient as a person, appreciating the concept of a health-care team, understanding how a given community can affect a patient's health, and beginning lifelong learning with reflection and self-evaluation. Students are assigned to a setting that is rural, urban-underserved, or geriatric to participate in patient care activities under the direct supervision of a primary care physician. The first-year students work at locations throughout Florida and into southern Georgia with clerkship faculty from all six FSU College of Medicine regional campuses.

We thank the faculty from the Fort Pierce Regional Campus who taught this course for 22 of the 119 students in the Class of 2017. In Vero Beach: **Joshua Shipley, M.D.** In Fort Pierce: **Ian Boykin, M.D., Dwight Dawkins, M.D., Georges Guerrier, M.D.** In Okeechobee: **Saeed Khan, M.D., Christopher Mavroides, M.D., Leland Heller, M.D.** In Stuart: **Paul Gaeta, M.D.** In Lake Placid: **Neil Shechtman, M.D.** In Jupiter: **Sareh Beladi, M.D.** In Lauderhill: **Claudia Marcelo, D.O.** In Hollywood: **Moises Issa, M.D., William Pena, M.D., Calvin Higgins, M.D.** In North Miami Beach: **Bernd Wollschlaeger, M.D.** In Homestead: **Nilda Soto, M.D, Mariela Perez, M.D.** In Tavernier: **Bernard Ginsberg, M.D.**

Community Service



L-R: **Emily Gregory**, American Cancer Society events specialist and proud FSU alumna, and **Sheldon Brown**, Class of 2015 vice president

It has become a tradition at the Fort Pierce Regional Campus for the third-year students to present a gift to the graduating class in the form of a charitable donation. To honor the Class of 2014, the third-year students chose the American Cancer Society.

For 100 years, the American Cancer Society has been leading the way to transform cancer from deadly to preventable. Donations to the organization help them support cancer patients with making treatment decisions, coping with side effects, handling financial matters, caregiving, emotional support and living well after cancer. The ACS also provides basic information about cancer and what causes it, as well as in-depth information about specific types of cancer, their risk factors, early detection, diagnosis, and treatment options. And, research is at the heart of their mission. For more than 65 years, the society has been finding answers that save lives—from changes in lifestyle to new approaches in therapies to improving cancer patients' quality of life.

Floridians Fighting Falls

Class of 2015 students Paulie Bruns and Maggie Hilder worked very hard in collaboration with numerous groups to present a Fall Prevention Expo for seniors. Paulie got the idea for this event during her Community Medicine course when she worked with the Council on Aging of St. Lucie County. She saw the need to get the word out about the importance of preventing falls in older adults. Working with the organization Floridians Fighting Falls, Paulie and Maggie organized the three-hour expo to include fall risk assessment stations, a tai chi demonstration, displays by vendors, and a complimentary lunch.

Approximately 50 seniors attended the event at the Brown Center for Innovation on the main campus of Indian River State College in Fort Pierce. Assistance from the Indian River State College nursing and physical therapy students was crucial to the success of the expo, as they conducted the fall risk assessments at the various stations. Thanks to all who participated in this outstanding community service project.



L-R: Paulie Bruns, Dr. Randall Bertolette, Maggie Hilder



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The FSU College of Medicine and the FSU Foundation have created an easy process for faculty to donate their pay back to the Fort Pierce Regional Campus. Through electronic funds transfer, faculty can sign up to have all or a portion of their compensation sent to our campus. These funds are used for faculty development, student orientations, graduation receptions, faculty appreciation, and other special events and programs. Ten of our physician faculty, **Drs. Daniel Glotzer, Calvin Higgins, Moises Issa, Alastair Kennedy, Stanley Kurek, Irene Machel, Patrick Ottuso, William Pena, Tudor Scridon and Thomas Suits**, are now participating in this program. We greatly appreciate their ongoing generosity. Please contact Dr. Bertolette or Beth Strack for details.

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