Welcome, Dr. KinKee Chung
The Department of Pediatrics warmly welcomes Dr. KinKee "Henry" Chung who will be dividing his time between General Pediatrics and Developmental Pediatrics. Dr. Chung and his family live in Clay. The Crier had hoped to get an exclusive interview with Dr. Chung. Instead, we received an interview given by an unnamed interviewer which should tell you pretty much everything you need to know about Dr. Chung:

Interviewer = Int* (see below)
Dr. Chung = Chung

Int: Dr. Chung, can you help me to pronounce your first name? I don’t want to offend you.
Chung: It is pronounced as, KIN KEE (key), both syllables should be “flat” tone. Many people make a mistake and pronounce my name as “Kinky” and had caused the person calling me that some embarrassment.
Int: Dr. Chung …
Chung: You can call me KinKee
Int: OK, Kinky, oh no. Audio, can that phrase be cut out?
Chung: Don’t worry about it. BTW, I have another given name since kindergarten, it is Henry…

(Full interview is available online).

*Editor's Note: The unnamed interviewer is not related in any way to the Crier – this was an independently contracted interviewer.

The Grand Almost-Opening
Well, it is almost official. The brand new Upstate Cancer Center will be officially opening for business on August 25th. In the mean time, a series of grand opening activities took place from July 16-19. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held on Friday, July 18th followed by the Public Open House on July 19th. The soon-to-be-open cancer center is comprised of 90,000 square feet on three stories. It has 27 infusion chairs, four linear accelerator vaults for radiation therapy, a high-tech intraoperative suite, a four-season rooftop healing garden, a meditation room, a family resource center, multidisciplinary practice locations, additional rooms for counseling services, and a boutique for apparel and other personal products. It also includes two additional floors for future expansion.

For more details about the new cancer center visit Upstate Online.

Breaking Them in Gently
It must seem like a long time ago, now, but the new interns had week of orientation at the end of June that included a picnic at the program director's house and a pool party at the O'Malleys. Then, on July 1st, the real fun began.

GCH Helps Celebrate LEON Day
On June 26th (a rain date) Syracuse celebrated Leon Day marking the halfway point between Christmas 2014 and Christmas 2015. This was the first annual Leon Day Celebration held at Onondaga Lake Park and the GCH was well represented along with a dozen or so other Upstate programs and services there offering information to attendees. The Child life team recruited future doctors and nurses to participate in the festivities as pictured below.
In the News
In case you missed it, our very own Melissa Schafer had her letter published at Syracuse.com in regard to Rt I81 and Health Care. (LINK) http://www.syracuse.com/opinion/index.ssf/2014/07/interstate_81_a_health_impact_assessment_should_be_done_your_letters.html#incart_river_opinion

Pediatric Star-of-the-Month
By Lisa Blystone
This month's Pediatric Star goes to Angela Pericozzi. Angela was actually nominated for two stars last month. First, she singlehandedly took on the task of personally cleaning the GCH call rooms. This was a huge undertaking and she did a fantastic job. Second, she stepped in on short notice to help out with the ACGME CLER visit staying late one evening to meet with the site visitors in her role as assistant chief. Angela is a true star! Please see Lisa or Patty for your Stars prize.

Here Comes the Brides
Two of our new interns are also newlyweds, having "tied the knot" just before starting residency. Megan (Eyunni) Pinnamaneni and Beth (Oaks) Krieger were both married between Match Day and Start Day.

Megan and Sridhar were married on April 12th 2014 in Houston, Texas. If he looks familiar it might be because Sridhar also matched at Upstate in Orthopaedic Surgery.

Beth and Yonathan Krieger were actually married twice. Their first ceremony was in Israel on May 3rd and their second celebration was on May 31st at Tupper Lake. Interestingly, their traditional American wedding took a somewhat unusual twist when an uninvited guest showed up near the end of the ceremony. That is probably a good thing to keep in mind as far as having weddings at a place called "The Wild Center".

Also just married, congratulations to former resident Erin Hannagan who got married to David Grant on July 12th in Chambersburg, PA. One of her pediatric doctors (Dr. Kennedy) was given special recognition at the ceremony. We wish Erin and David the very best.

Pediatric Fine Arts
This month we feature another amazing picture taken by Lisa Blystone of her new puppy, Luna. She calls this shot, "Flying Luna". Thanks for sharing, Lisa!

New Arrivals-Welcome Junebug!
Just as we were going to press we received the following note from Dr. Caitlin Deluca: 'Big beautiful news. Woo-hoo!!!!! Meet our precious Juniper Jean Deluca! Junebug for short! Born Saturday, July 26th at 5:15 am, 5 lbs 5 oz, big pink lips and a full head of hair!! Mommy, Daddy and the Junebug are all doing well! Love, Caitlin and Otis Congratulations, Caitlin!

Congratulations also to former resident Sean Holdridge on the birth of baby girl Siobhan Maureen on 6/26 at 7lbs; 15oz. Everyone's doing great!

The Cresswell Kids
Former Resident Angelle Cresswell sent the following: As promised, here is a pic of the gang! Larry-9, Olivia-4, Jacob-3. They don't get any cuter than that! Thanks for sharing Angelle! Angelle has been working at the Children's Clinic of New Orleans since completing her training in 2009.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS
8/6 Steve Hicks
8/8 Tara Wilhoit
8/9 Ann Sveen, Caitlin Sgarlat
8/10 Mark Claus, Jody Sima
8/15 Melissa Schafer
8/17 Craig Byrum
8/22 Beth Nelsen