



Pediatric Crier

Department of Pediatrics Newsletter

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Who Knew?



As has been the department tradition for the past several years, the residents enjoyed their annual houstaff/faculty holiday party on Thursday, December 17th. Another tradition has been to have a creative holiday contest at the party. This year's contest was a competitive game of "Who Knew". The game served multiple purposes. It was a fun holiday competition, but we also learned some amazing (and even disturbing) facts about some of our residents and faculty. As always, the competition was steep but as the scores were tabulated one very clear winner rose to the top, beating all the rest of the entries by a wide margin. The point of the game was to try to match factoids with those who submitted them. The entries were extremely entertaining, and nearly impossible to associate with their submitters. A complete list of answers is attached.

Our guess is that you will never look at a few of these entrants the same, knowing some of these previously undisclosed details about them.

Our grand prize for the most correct answers goes to Khalia Grant. Good job, Khalia!

We are also pleased to announce that we also have a winner of the popular Nancy Roizen, MD, "I Couldn't Possibly Have Cheated" Award given out to the one with the least answers correct. Congratulations to Robyn Borsuk. The one answer she got right was her own submission. Robyn is this year's role model for playing fair! Khalia and Robyn, you can both stop by and pick up your prizes any time at the Crier main desk (i.e. from Patty).

A Perfect Match

On December 16th all four of the PL3s who were in the fall fellowship match got spots in outstanding programs!

Ishita Kharode – Peds Endo – Cornell, NYC
 Ryan Kwong – Peds ED – Detroit, MI
 Ben Prince – Peds ED – Upstate
 Liz Quigley – Peds Critical Care – Salt Lake City, Utah

This adds to the list of Helena Gutierrez (Peds GI), and Britney Whitford (Heme) who already matched earlier this year. And of course Marie Jose Moubarak will be staying here for her fellowship in Peds ID. Congratulations to all seven of our future fellows.

Belated Thanks!

Though this story is a little late, it is never too late to share a wonderful event like this one. Dr. Karjoo invited the residents to his home for Thanksgiving dinner and several were delighted to be able to attend. As Joyce tells the Crier, "It was a lovely dinner. So generous of Dr Karjoo to invite us all."



OttoThon Followup



As reported last month, the students at SU held their dance marathon, the "OttoThon" on December 5th. The event was once again a huge success, raising over \$150,000 for the GCH. Dr. Welch commented, "I dropped by to meet with the students Saturday afternoon,

and it really made this old guy feel better about the current crop of collegians. It was a terrific group of kids, who obviously were having a whole lot of fun without alcohol. They cared deeply about children and the children's hospital, and were very interested in hearing about the things we do. Some of our patients and families stopped by during the event as well, and were very well received by these kids."

A couple of the Pediatric Residents also stopped in to show their support. Lorie Riedl from the Foundation noted, "I meant to mention that two of the Ped's residents came to OttoTHON and spoke at the 10 pm hour - along with Jenn Speicher's second tour....Avideh



Rashed and Meghan Jacobs - wonderful addition to our line-up!"

The students selected the Peds ED as the recipient of this year's donations. We are so thankful to the SU students and also all of those in the Department who showed their support. As the students put it, it is all FTK (for the kids)!

Inspiration Drivers

Our very own Drs. Bill Kerr and Hank Roane were among the top 10 researchers who were chosen as finalists for the Inaugural Nappi Family Research Awards. The event, held on December 11th, was titled the "Driving Inspiration and Innovation through Collaboration Research Competition" and was the second of a two-stage review process to determine recipients of the first annual Nappi Family Research Awards. The competition was

open to any research teams from Upstate and SU. Each team (which included one representative from SU and one from Upstate) presented their ideas for funding and competed for \$650,000 in prize money!

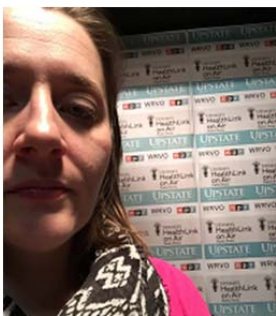
<http://news.syr.edu/su-upstate-faculty-collaborators-to-pitch-research-proposals-18988/>

And, in case you are wondering, they both (along with their respective SU partners) won! You can read the full article at Upstate Online.

<http://upstateonline.info/static/Dec17-Dec242015/blog/story-1/index.html>

On the Air!

Our very own Beth Nelsen was interviewed and aired on the HealthLink radio show on December 13, 2015. Topic: Talking about the new AAP recommendations on screening. If you missed it, you can hear the whole interview online:



(An "in the studio" Nelsen selfie)

<http://blogs.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair/2015/12/10/new-screenings-for-kids-include-cholesterol-depression-hiv/>

<http://blogs.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair/2015/12/10/healthlink-on-air-radio-show-december-13-2015/>

Fake Brain Tumor

In case you missed it, an article of Dr. Mirza Beg's was featured in the Fall issue of the Upstate Health Magazine. See page 13. Congratulations, Mirza.

http://issuu.com/upstate/docs/magazine-fall1511.12_dd53737e4e7284

Caption Contest Winner



Last month we included a photo of two of our residents that was in need of a caption. We had several creative entries but one clear winner. The prize goes to Joe Nimeh for his caption, "Dr. Sveen photobombs a game of cat and mouse"

Honorable Mention goes to Regina McConnell for her excellent caption: "This is truly a case of mistaken identity. My name is not Dorothy, my red shoes have no magic, and my dog is Pluto, not Toto."

Save the Date!

Residents and faculty should mark their calendars for Friday, February 5th for the 2016 Midwinter Dinner/Dance for Housestaff and faculty. Details will be following soon from the chiefs. So, dust off those dancing shoes!

Snowpeople Winners

The winners of the annual GCH snowman decorating contest are as follows:
"Snowflake the Snowball Catcher" - Fluoroscopy Day shift
"Golisano" - Interventional Radiology
"Mrs. Frosty - Mommy To Be"- Ultrasound
There were more entries than ever (31!) this year and almost 2000 votes cast!
Congratulations!



More Thanks!

As mentioned last month, we have been adopted by the Word of Life school. Here is another one of the beautiful thank you letters we received:

Dear Doctors/Nurses,

My name is Isabella Grace Ivanchuk. I'm a 4th grade student at Word of Life Christian Academy. One time, I went to your hospital because I broke my collar bone. When I was dancing I tripped over a chair and fell on the floor. When I stayed at your hospital it was fun just being there. Thank you for all you have done helping the children in the hospital. We appreciate you! Your hospital is so awesome. When children are sick or are injured your hospital is full of joy and that makes the children happy. We love your hospital. It makes children comfortable. I hope the children feel better with all your help.

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/4 Bob Hingre
1/8 Danyal Thaver
1/13 John Andrade
1/15 Ishita Kharode
1/20 John Friedman, Iman Naimi
1/25 Nienke Dosa