

Alumni Update

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE



SAVE THE DATE

58th Annual Reunion September 9 - 11

Make plans to join alumni and friends Sept. 9 - 11 for a Reunion Weekend full of friendship, fun and football. The College of Medicine will be honoring the classes of 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006.

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PODEMOS: Students Say 'We Can'



Through their medical outreach efforts in Honduras, Matt Imm, Med 4, and Amy Maier, CNP, say "we can" have a positive effect on the lives of others.

supported by the College's Office of Global Health Education, founded the international health initiative PODEMOS - Spanish for "we can."

Their fledging organization was honored with an Outstanding Community Service Award from *The Lancet* in 2009. More recently, Imm accepted the 2011 American Medical Association Foundation's Excellence in Medicine Leadership Award for his team's international outreach work.

After their June Commencement, Med 4 students Matthew Imm, Jan Esker, Rein Lambrecht and Stephen Morrical will move into residency training, taking with them the valuable lessons learned and experiences gained during their College of Medicine days.

However, they will leave behind something equally valuable to future students and the people of the Central American nation of Honduras.

In 2008, the medical students along with Ohio State law student Sara Brummel,

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\$100 Million For Medical Center Expansion

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources Administration, announced in late December that Ohio State will receive \$100 million in federal funds to support Medical Center expansion.

The funds will allow for the addition of radiation oncology and associated cancer services, which are an integral component of the new Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute, slated to open in 2014. The expansion project is the largest in University history. The grant will enable the hospital to serve a greater number of cancer patients and will unify clinical care, research and education on each floor to deliver the highest quality and safest care.

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From the Director

E-mail us. Log on. Facebook us. Call or visit us in person at one of our upcoming events.

We appreciate all of the ways you choose to connect with your Alumni Society and College of Medicine. As communications media change, we remain committed to reaching out to you in the manner you, our alumni, find most convenient.

Many alumni tell us they bookmark our website – <http://medicine.osu.edu/alumni> – so they can keep updated on programs and events. They even register and pay for events, when applicable, through this secure site.

Our Facebook page is also very popular, with hundreds of alumni sharing the good news about Ohio State and the College. The page contains videos of recent Medical Center presentations and also our new admissions video that highlights our wonderful students explaining why they chose to become a Buckeye. Among Facebook groups, search for The Ohio State University Medical Alumni Society.

We always enjoy hearing from alumni. Feel free to contact me at (614) 292-1658 or send your comments to medalum@osumc.edu.

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“The commitment of our medical students to bring evidence-based care to those in need is truly inspiring and makes me proud of our Medical Alumni Society’s support for these student initiatives. From the work of students in Honduras and other developing nations to the care provided at central Ohio clinics for the underserved, our students deserve our support for their continued good works.”

MIKE LEADBETTER, MD '74,
MEDICAL ALUMNI SOCIETY PRESIDENT-ELECT

Leadbetter encourages all alumni to learn more about the many student and College initiatives deserving of alumni support by calling (614) 292-5671 or visiting <http://medicine.osu.edu/alumni>.

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PODEMOS: STUDENTS SAY 'WE CAN' | CONTINUED FROM PG. 1

PODEMOS' physician-student team traveled to Honduras for its first clinical intervention in 2008. Using donated and purchased medical supplies, PODEMOS set up a clinic and pharmacy, caring for 300 patients during the first week.

Four more clinical visits have been made, and the Honduran community is taking increasing responsibility providing translators and a place to see patients. A medical records system has been established, with patients having ownership of their conditions/care history.

PODEMOS continues to provide semiannual clinical service trips to address both acute and chronic medical problems in the communities it serves. The group now employs a part-time community health worker to monitor the care of pregnant women and patients with chronic conditions when the PODEMOS team is not available. Ohio State pharmacy and nurse practitioner students have joined medical students in the clinical visits.

Imm states that he plans to always remain connected to this international outreach effort, he emphasizes that the success of PODEMOS has come from many sources: “This has always been a team effort. It would not have been possible without the efforts of those founding students and support from faculty and staff. The very capable hands of our junior medical, nursing and pharmacy student leaders have demonstrated excellent results through their enormous talent and passion. Under their leadership PODEMOS will continue to bring evidence-based care to the people of Honduras.”

To learn more about the international outreach efforts of our faculty, staff and students, visit <http://medicine.osu.edu/orgs/globalhealth>.

NCI Bestows Highest Rating on Ohio State

After completing a scientific peer review of Ohio State's Comprehensive Cancer Center (OSUCCC), the National Cancer Institute (NCI) earlier this year granted Ohio State the highest possible rating - "exceptional."

The OSUCCC includes the James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute along with more than 250 cancer researchers representing a vast number of disciplines from 13 of the 18 colleges at Ohio State.

This action renews the Ohio State's NCI designation as a Comprehensive Cancer Center for at least another five years. This rating and re-designation came after a thorough review by a 28-member peer-review panel, appointed by the NCI, of Ohio State's nearly 1,500-page application and a three-day site visit in May 2010. The panel deemed Ohio State's Comprehensive Cancer Center as "the model for other matrix university-based centers."

The NCI's panel of reviewers noted that there has been "substantial improvement in every dimension of this cancer center. The remarkable growth is highlighted in the impressive trajectory of high-impact publications, NCI support, (and several) multi-investigator grants...along with the recruitment of 159 cancer-focused investigators in key areas that will provide new and exciting research opportunities."



"The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center has made extraordinary progress in building a broad range of exceptional research programs which spans cancer research from basic science to prevention. It now takes its place as

one of the pre-eminent cancer centers in the country," said Robert C. Young, MD, president of RCYMedicine and chairman of the External Advisory Board of Ohio State's Comprehensive Cancer Center. Young also is a past president and CEO of Fox Chase Comprehensive Cancer Center and former Chair of the NCI Board of Scientific Advisors.

The OSUCCC was first named an NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center in 1976 and is one of only 40 NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Centers. This designation requires competitive renewal every five years. Learn more about Ohio State's cancer program at <http://cancer.osu.edu>.

Donor Creates Park for Patients

The former president and CEO of Fiesta Salons has pledged \$2 million to fund the Phyllis A. Jones Legacy Park, which will be located on the west lawn in front of the new James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute. Jones says she hopes to create a restful, peaceful garden where patients, visitors and staff can seek comfort and solace.

IN MEMORIAM

RICHARD J. SOLOVE, a beloved benefactor of Ohio State University, passed away in January. The passion, dream and dedication of Solove and his good friend, Arthur G. James, MD, an Ohio State surgical oncologist, led to the creation of a freestanding cancer hospital in central Ohio.

While treating Solove's father for cancer in the 1950s, James and Solove formed the friendship that ultimately advanced cancer care for the people of central Ohio and the nation. Solove became a founding member of The James Foundation Board and served as its president for five years. Solove then made a major gift of \$20 million for cancer genetics research at Ohio State. In 1999, the University acknowledged Solove's ongoing support for Ohio State cancer research by renaming our cancer hospital the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute.

Solove was an Ohio State alumnus who earned a degree in



pharmacy at Ohio State in 1948. He became a well-known central Ohio pharmacist and business man, owning three Columbus drugstores. After selling the stores, Solove in 1962 began devoting his efforts more fully to real-estate development.

Solove was quoted as saying that he was "not interested in being the richest man in the cemetery. To see the rewards of your efforts in life, that is the true virtue." His philanthropic work has made a lasting impact on Ohio State and all who are touched by cancer.

"Literally, thousands of lives have been saved as a direct result of Dick Solove's generosity," said David Schuller, MD, vice president for Medical Center Expansion and Solove's longtime friend.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute, 660 Ackerman Rd., P.O. Box 183112, Columbus, Ohio 43218-3112, or by visiting The James online at: <http://cancer.osu.edu/go/memoriamp>.

GIFT PLANNING STRATEGIES

Congress Extends IRA Charitable Rollover

The Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Charitable Rollover has been extended to Dec. 31, 2011. This unique federal provision allows anyone 70.5 years or older to make an outright gift directly from an IRA to a qualified charity like The Ohio State University Foundation for the benefit of the College of Medicine of up to \$100,000 without paying income tax on the distribution.

Here are the answers to some frequently asked questions about this program:

If I make a gift from my traditional IRA, am I required to take a minimum required distribution (MRD)?

Yes, but you can use your donation to meet all or part of this requirement.

Do I get a federal income tax deduction?

No, but you are not required to pay federal income tax on the withdrawal either. (Note: Some states may not exclude gift amounts withdrawn from an IRA for state income tax purposes. Consult with your tax adviser.)

Do gifts from other retirement accounts qualify?

Gifts from retirement accounts other than IRAs – such as 401(k), 403(b) and SEP accounts – are not eligible to make direct transfers. However, donors may be able to make qualified, tax-free transfers to their IRA, and then make the IRA charitable rollover gift. Consult with your tax adviser.

How do I make my gift to the College of Medicine this way?

Contact your retirement plan trustee well before the Dec. 31, 2011 deadline to learn how to initiate the transfer. Instruct your trustee to make the distribution directly to The Ohio State University Foundation for the benefit of the College of Medicine with your name included in the check memo. The check or distribution proceeds should not come to you.

Learn more about this giving option by contacting Sue Frost, senior director of Development, at (614) 292-3033, or Cindy L. Craig, director of Development for Planned Giving, at (614) 292-0206.

Hilty Scholarship: Paying Forward to Pay Back

The generous giving of Milo Hilty, MD '65, and his wife Susan is helping history repeat itself.

"During the end of my first year in medical school I received a scholarship that paid the tuition for the last three years. The award was greatly appreciated by Susan and me at the time," says Hilty. Married, with one child and another on the way, the young family's budget was stretched with little room for medical school tuition. Even now, Hilty says gratefully, "It was that scholarship that allowed me to stay in medical school."

It's been 50 years since Hilty finished his first year at Ohio State's College of Medicine, but he still recalls his gratitude for that financial support and how it helped him begin a decades-long career as a pediatric clinician and scientist specializing in Infectious Diseases.

To ensure that future Ohio State medical students can enjoy a similar sense of gratitude and support, the Hiltys have established the Milo and Susan Hilty Scholarship Fund in the College of Medicine. It will be awarded to a second-year Ohio State medical student in good standing who has financial need.

"The reason for the second-year award is that we want the scholarship to go to a student who not only has a financial need, but has also demonstrated outstanding academic performance," he says.

Working with Ohio State's Office of Planned Giving in University Development, the Hiltys were able to coordinate their gift and establish multiple beneficiaries for their giving. Jim Hoobler, senior director of Development, helped the Hiltys establish a Charitable Remainder Unitrust with the OSU Foundation managing their investment. A Charitable Remainder Trust is funded with cash, marketable securities, or other property. The donor and designated beneficiaries receive income from the trust for their lifetime or a period of years. At the end of that time, the balance of the trust is distributed to the College of Medicine.

The Hilty Charitable Remainder Unitrust supports the creation of the scholarship, the establishment of a memorial gift for cancer research and arrangements for 49 percent of the trust to ultimately be distributed to Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Hilty has high praise for the staff and efforts of Ohio State University Development. "Jim Hoobler has always been available and extremely helpful answering questions and following through to accomplish our goals," says Hilty.

To learn more about Planned Giving and the Charitable Remainder Unitrust, contact Cindy L. Craig, director of Development for Planned Giving, at (614) 292-0206.

From the Alumni Society President

Recently, I have had the opportunity to meet with many OSU College of Medicine alumni and hear of their continued interest in supporting the College and our students. You have told me your stories about medical school and how much you appreciated the help of others during your medical school days. So it is fitting that this issue of *Alumni Update* offers stories of our students that will not only inspire us but help us reconnect to our own medical student experience.

From our front cover story about students in Honduras to our back cover story of alums in India on behalf of our Global Health Initiative, you will be pulled into thinking about medical education today. Things have changed a lot, but the commitment to serving our patients, their families and our communities remains the same.

During my visits with alumni, I have been asked how to re-engage in the work of the College of Medicine. There are so many ways to do that. We would be happy to talk with you about what your interests are and a quick e-mail to any of us on the Alumni Board will put that into motion (please see the names of Medical Alumni Society Board of Governors officers on page 7).

You may want to participate in events that bring together students and physicians on campus or to precept a student in your office. Your interest might lie in creating a scholarship or supporting a program that is of particular interest to you. Possibly, you want to contribute to the expansion of our Medical Center or the expansion of the Clinical Skills Education and Assessment Center. You may wish to go beyond your Annual Fund donation and create an endowment of your own. Whatever you decide to do will help carry forward medical education for students today and in the future.

Let us know where you would like to begin and we will walk with you to accomplish your goals. I can promise you that if you become involved, you will find that your support will be appreciated beyond your expectations. Our students welcome alumni involvement in their medical school journey and they aim higher when they know you are supporting them and caring about their lives.

We thank you for your participation in the past and we look forward to working with you in the coming years. To learn more about the many opportunities to become involved and to stay connected to your alma mater, please visit <http://medicine.osu.edu/alumni/>.



Linda Stone, MD '79
Medical Alumni Society
President

Wexner, Limited Brands Foundation Donate \$100 Million to Ohio State



Leslie Wexner and the Limited Brands Foundation announced in February one of the largest philanthropic gifts ever made to a public university. The \$100 million commitment includes \$65 million from Wexner and \$35 million from Limited Brands Foundation.

The gift will primarily benefit Ohio State's Medical Center and the James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute. It will also benefit Ohio State's Wexner Center for the Arts and select other University initiatives.

Wexner, chairman and CEO of The Limited Brands, is a 1959 graduate of Ohio State. He now is in his second term on Ohio State's Board of Trustees, where he serves as chair.

Questions? Comments? E-mail us at medalum@osumc.edu

Alumni Society News

Learn more about Alumni Society activities by visiting <http://medicine.osu.edu/alumni/>.

Buckeyes Welcome in the Sunshine State



Top: Linda Stone, MD '79, with hosts Richard McPherson, MD '53, and his wife, DJ. Right: Linda Stone, MD '79, shares news about Ohio State's Medical Center at the Sarasota reception.



Florida traditionally boasts a strong concentration of OSU medical alumni and this past February alumni events were held in Naples and Sarasota, thanks to the generosity of two special couples.

Bryan Martin, DO, associate dean for Graduate Medical Education at Ohio State, and his wife, Jane, hosted a medical alumni reception at their home in Sarasota, on Feb. 15. The following day, Richard McPherson, MD '53, and his wife, DJ, hosted a lunch at their club for alumni in the Naples/Ft. Myers area. Alumni were excited to share what career paths they had followed after graduation from medical school or completion of their residency training, as well as hear the latest update on Medical Center expansion.

Linda Stone, MD '79, special assistant to the dean, and current president of the OSU Medical Alumni Society Board of

Governors, was the guest host at both alumni events. Stone met all guests and thanked them for their support in helping to build the foundation upon which the College of Medicine continues to grow today. She also talked highly of the current medical students and the exciting opportunities available to them through the curriculum and commitment of faculty, staff, and alumni.

Stone was accompanied on the trip by Medical Center Development and Alumni Affairs staff members Martha Hicks and Sue Frost, as well as University Development officer Sindy Craig.

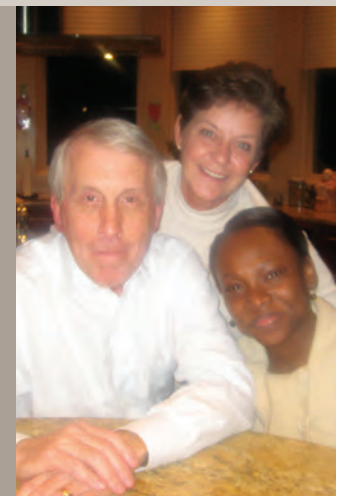
Many thanks to our gracious Florida hosts as well as all the guests who attended. We hope to see you again in 2012!



Richard Beebe, MD '64; Sarasota reception host Bryan Martin, DO; Phyllis Stephenson, MD '64; and Dr. Beebe's guest, Carolyn Conte

Alums Open Homes to HOST Students

Alumni HOSTs Michael Leadbetter, MD '74, and his wife Debbie, welcomed Patrice Scipio, Med 4, to Cincinnati last November. In 2010-11, 60 medical alumni in 25 different metropolitan areas volunteered to participate in the HOST (Helping Our Students Travel) program. Students who are traveling for interviews are matched with alumni in those cities. There were 21 successful matches in cities such as Denver, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Boston and Sacramento. Feedback from students who have participated has been overwhelmingly positive, especially for the opportunity to learn more about the cities to which they are traveling. Alumni have commented that it is an excellent opportunity to stay connected to Ohio State and learn more about the exceptional medical education that it offers.



Class of '60 Scholarship Update

Members of the Class of '60 have responded to the challenge put forth last year by John Melvin, MD '60, who chairs the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Jefferson Medical College, Thomas Jefferson University. Since Melvin announced that he would match all gifts that cumulatively added up to \$50,000, the class has raised \$45,988. Last year, the fund received 76 gifts from 26 classmates. The fund, which was established in 2005, had \$105,552 when *Alumni Update* went to press.

AMA CEO Discusses Healthcare Law



Michael Maves, MD '73; medical student John Bernot; and Steven G. Gabbe, MD, Medical Center CEO

Medical Center Development and Alumni Affairs along with Ohio State's American Medical Association (AMA) chapter welcomed Michael Maves, MD '73, AMA vice president and chief executive officer, to Ohio State in January. Maves presented "10 Key Elements in the Health Care Law and How You Can Stay Engaged" to alumni, faculty, staff and students. Maves, a board-certified otolaryngologist, headed the Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA) in Washington, D.C. prior to his AMA appointment.

Alumni Awards Displayed



Catherine Lucey, MD, FACP

Thanks to gracious funding from Interim Dean Catherine Lucey, MD, FACP, and the Office of Medical Education, the names of alumni and faculty award winners are now prominently displayed in the lobby of Meiling Hall. The new awards display, which was installed in September 2010, features previous winners of the College's Alumni Achievement, Faculty Teaching, Alumni Service and Early Career Achievement awards.

Medical Alumni Society Board of Governors

- **Linda Stone, MD '79** (Columbus) President
- **Mike Leadbetter, MD '74** (Cincinnati) President-Elect
- **Mary Pat Borgess, MD '76** (Columbus) Vice President
- **Jim Thomas, MD '69** (Bomoseen, VT) Treasurer
- **Steve Balaloski, MD '93** (Columbus) Past-President

Alumni Notes

'68 William Gross, MD, retired a year ago after 33 years of Vascular Surgery practice. Gross, who was selected three times as a Top Doctor by *Detroit Magazine*, now works as a part-time consultant for Blue Cross of Michigan.

'71 Constance Doyle, MD, FACEP, serves as deputy medical director of Washtenaw/ Livingston Medical Control Authority (EMS) in Ann Arbor, MI. She is also serving on the Disaster Committee of the American College of Emergency Physicians. Doyle is a member of the clinical faculty of University of Michigan/St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Emergency Medicine Residency.

'71 Thomas Mount, MD, recently retired from the Findlay, Ohio, Heritage Health Center, where he served as medical director for the last decade. The Heritage Health Center offers continuum of care services from adult day health and assisted-living services to skilled nursing and memory care services. Heritage Health Center staff recently submitted a check to OSU Medical Alumni Society Merit Scholarship in honor of Mount's service to the Findlay community.

'72 Glenn Hodges, MD, MS, was inducted into the Lenexa (Kansas) Volunteer Hall of Fame in November 2010 for his ongoing service to the community since his retirement in 1999. In September 2010, Hodges was named a Master Consulting Rosarian by the Central District of the American Rose Society. And, in October 2010, he was awarded the American Rose Society Bronze Award by the Johnson County (Kansas) Rose Society for many years of service to the local society.

'73 Edward Bennett, MD, assumed the leadership of Albany (New York) Medical Center's Cardiothoracic Surgery program on March 1. Bennett,



known as one of Albany's top cardiac surgeons, previously lead Cardiothoracic Surgery at St. Peter's Hospital for more than a decade.

Nationally recognized for his minimally invasive cardiac surgical techniques and specialization in valve procedures, Bennett has been certified by the American Board of Thoracic Surgery.

'76 M. Michael Wolfe, MD, returned to northern Ohio in late 2010, joining the staff of MetroHealth Medical Center as chair of Internal Medicine, a department that includes 275 physicians. Wolfe, who practiced in the Boston area for 25 years, most recently served as chief of Gastroenterology at Boston Medical Center for 14 years. An Akron-area native, Wolfe received his undergraduate and medical degrees from Ohio State and completed a residency in Philadelphia and a fellowship in Gastroenterology in Florida.

'78 Steven Steinberg, MD, and his wife, Beth Steinberg, were honored with the 2011 STAR Award at a February reception hosted by Ohio State President E. Gordon Gee



and Medical Center CEO Steven Gabbe, MD. The event, cosponsored by the Wexner Center for the Arts, is part of the Wex-STAR

Benefit to support Ohio State's Stress, Trauma, and Resilience (STAR) Program. The STAR program provides education, treatment, and research on behalf of trauma survivors and their families. The program also addresses the impact of stress and trauma on medical and mental health providers.

At the event, actress/playwright Anna Deavere Smith performed her critically acclaimed play *Let Me Down Easy*, which examines coping with illness, injury, survivorship and mortality. The evening also included a video about the experiences of a critically ill patient, and the effects that the illness had on him, his family and his Ohio State healthcare providers.

'79 Ted Wymyslo, MD, has been named director of the Ohio Department of Health. Wymyslo, who directs Family Medicine Dayton, has been active in the Ohio Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP). He received the OAFP 2009 Torchlight Leadership Award for his commitment to transforming community practice and medical education to the Patient-Centered Medical Home model of care delivery. Wymyslo was also named Ohio Academy of Family Physicians Foundation Philanthropist of the Year in 2002 and American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation Philanthropist of the Year in 2003. He was honored in 2006 with the American Medical Association Foundation's Pride in the Profession Award.

'80 Tom Von Sternberg, MD, continues to practice medicine and work as associate medical director for case and disease management, geriatrics and government programs at Health Partners in Minneapolis. He is also medical director for the new web-based convenience care clinic



David O. Warner, MD '83, is professor of Anesthesiology and associate dean for Clinical and Translational Research at the College of Medicine, Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. He received his bachelor's and medical degrees summa cum laude at Ohio State and is a third-generation OSU alumnus.

Warner completed anesthesia residency training, including a research fellowship with Kai Rehder, MD, and Bob Hyatt, MD, at the Mayo Clinic in 1988. He is active in a variety of administrative roles at Mayo Clinic, including serving

as the associate director and co-PI of the Mayo Clinic Center for Translational Sciences Activities (CTSA) and leading various diversity-related activities.

In addition, Warner serves as a director of the American Board of Anesthesiology and chairs the Research Committee of the American Society of Anesthesiologists. Funded by the National Institutes of Health for more than 25 years, his current research focuses on tobacco use in the perioperative period, and how to use this opportunity to help smokers quit. He and his wife, Julie Warner (Nursing '78), have three children.

called [virtuwell \(virtuwell.com\)](http://virtuwell.com). Von Sternberg was recently appointed to a Medicare technical advisory committee on developing measures for healthcare resource use.

'88 L. Arick Forrest, MD, MBA, was recently appointed medical director of Ambulatory Services at Ohio State's Medical Center. This is a new position that focuses on the quality and safety of patient care, processes and system of care improvement, and effective communication of outcomes at all levels of the outpatient setting. Forrest also serves as vice chair and residency program director in the Department of Otolaryngology.

'89 Roger Wilt, MD, was named to *Columbus Monthly's* Top Doctors list for the second consecutive year in the Family Medicine specialty.

'92 Christine Alexander, MD, was promoted in September 2010 to interim chairman of the Department of Family Practice, Metrohealth Medical Systems, in Cleveland, Ohio. Her husband, Scott Rager, BSBA,

1988, Ohio State, is treasurer of The Ohio State Alumni Club of Greater Cleveland.

'03 Laura Chambers-Kersh, MD, relocated to Lilongwe, Malawi, in eastern Africa in early January. She plans to provide maternity care during the coming year at a public hospital, under the auspices of the small nonprofit Health Frontiers. Malawi has one of the worst maternal mortality rates in the world, and has approximately one doctor per 50,000 people.

'05 James Natalie, MD, who practices Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in Ohio, was inducted into the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in November 2010. Natalie was a two-time Ohio State Athlete of the Year, won three NCAA titles, and earned seven All-America accolades. He was the 2001 Big Ten Gymnast of the Year and won the Nissen-Emerly Award as a senior on the 2001 NCAA and Big Ten championship teams. Natalie won the U.S. Nationals high bar title in 1999 and 2000.

'Master of the Mini-Reunion' Leads by Example

When the Class of '57 reached its 40th reunion, it was suggested that members create a class scholarship. **John Bock, MD**, and **Robert Hess, MD**, helped organize the effort.

"We thought we should do something for the students, and maybe they would get the idea for their class in the future," explains Bock.

Along the way, the 1957 classmates have not only helped medical students, but have renewed old friendships, even creating "mini-reunions" in the Wooster, Ohio, area led by Bock, a hand surgeon who for decades delivered expert care to patients at Ohio State, Riverside Methodist Hospital and Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Each summer, for the past several years, about a dozen classmates and their spouses have met at the College of Wooster for a weekend that includes performances by the Ohio Light Opera, other musical entertainment, dining and enjoying each others' company. These Wooster-area "mini-reunions" have spurred West Coast classmates to begin planning a similar gathering of the Class of '57 in Wyoming this summer.

The Class of '57 scholarship now stands at \$73,115. The scholarship has helped physicians such as Caleb Mackey, MD '07, who completed a residency here in Columbus and is now working on a fellowship in Pulmonary/Intensive Care at Boston's Lahey Clinic, a teaching hospital of the Tufts University School of Medicine.

Recalling Woody Hayes' "pay forward" mantra, Bock hopes the help he and classmates give today's students will inspire them to keep alive the tradition of helping others through a class scholarship of their own.

Residency News

Buckeyes Gather in the 'Big Easy'



Members of Ohio State's Department of Dermatology met in New Orleans Feb. 5 while attending the American Academy of Dermatology Annual Meeting. Sharing their Ohio State pride are: (front row, seated) Sarah Hostetler (2013), Currie Custer (2009), Mark Bechtel (Division Director), Andrea Losch (2013) and Georgann Poulos, (Class of '11); and (back row) Stephanie Neider (2004), Shane Clark (2014), Matthew Zirwas (Dermatology Faculty, Residency Program Director), Samantha McNail (2006), Leonard Slazinski (1980), Seth Bendo (2013), Matthew Molenda (2011), Joseph Bikowski (1978), Steve Smith (1979), David Knox (1980), Henry Wong (Dermatology Faculty) and David Lambert (1987, Dermatology Faculty).

Aldrink Cares for Young Cancer Patients

A Pediatric Surgery Fellowship brought Jennifer Aldrink, MD, to Ohio State and she liked what she found here. Noting she felt Ohio State and Nationwide Children's Hospital were "a good fit," Aldrink joined the University's faculty as an assistant professor of clinical surgery in 2009. She was recently appointed as director of Surgical Oncology at Nationwide Children's Hospital and is a member of the Children's Oncology Group and the Society of Surgical Oncology.



Working with Mark Ranalli, MD, Pediatrics, Aldrink helped establish the Surgical Oncology Clinic at Nationwide Children's Hospital. This comprehensive care clinic for pediatric cancer patients is the first of its kind in Ohio.

When asked about her success, Aldrink credits many physicians and teachers who served as role models and mentors. "My experience taught me how influential I could be as a mentor to other medical students," she says.

Presentation at ACGME

In March, an Ohio State University Medical Center team led a two-part educational session at the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education's (ACGME) Annual Education Conference in Nashville, TN. Entitled "Turning the Titanic: Implementing a Culture of Professionalism at a Large Academic Medical Center," the presentations outlined the steps that Ohio State's Medical Center has taken since 2003 to promote professionalism within education, research and clinical mission areas.

Led by Interim Dean Catherine Lucey, MD, the team of presenters included Larry Hurtubise (instructional designer); Cynthia Ledford, MD (chair, Professionalism Council); John Mahan, MD (residency program director, Pediatrics); Bryan Martin, DO (associate dean, GME); and Andrew Thomas, MD (medical director, University Hospital). The presenters shared the Medical Center's philosophical approach to improving professionalism, the implementation and structure of the Professionalism Council, the development of the professionalism consultation process, the implementation of the new Vendor Interaction Policy in 2009, and a variety of ongoing education efforts related to professionalism, including crew resource management. For more information, visit: <http://medicine.osu.edu/faculty/gov/professionalism/pages/index.aspx>.

RESIDENCY notes

Anthony Casey, MD, res. '09, was selected by the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) as one of seven recipients of the 2011 New Faculty Scholars Award. The award is in recognition of outstanding leadership potential. Casey will be recognized at the Annual Spring Conference and invited to participate in several STFM activities. **Mary Jo Welker, MD '76, FFAFP**, chair of Family Medicine, praised Casey's commitment to medical student education, his dedication to residency education and training, and his special interest in the behavioral sciences from the perspectives of patient care, research and scholarship, and teaching.

If you have completed an Ohio State residency, fellowship or other graduate education program in the College of Medicine, please send news about your professional accomplishments to share with *Alumni Update* readers. Send items to medalum@osumc.edu.

Obituaries

'47 Clotilde Dent Bowen, MD, who rose to the rank of colonel in the U.S. Army, died March 3 in Denver. Bowen was the first African-American woman to graduate from Ohio State's College of Medicine. She practiced Pulmonary Medicine in New York City before joining the Army, where she became the Army's first black female physician and the first black woman to attain the rank of colonel, to command a military hospital clinic and to be named chief of psychiatry in two Veteran Administration hospitals and two Army medical centers. Bowen was honored for her dedicated service with the Bronze Star, the Legion of Merit and the Meritorious Service Medal. Bowen, who was featured in the autumn 2010 *Alumni Update*, established the Clotilde Dent Bowen M.D. Endowed Scholarship Fund within Ohio State's College of Medicine.

'58 Robert McCoy, MD, age 81, died Jan. 16. A graduate of Capital University, McCoy served in the U.S. Navy from 1952-54 before beginning his Ohio State medical studies. McCoy was a lifelong member of American Academy of Family Physicians and practiced in his hometown of Circleville, Ohio, for more than 50 years.

'62 Maurice "Bud" Mueller, MD, passed away on Oct. 11. A native of Delphos, Ohio, Mueller served in the Navy Medical Corps for eight years and completed a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Naval Hospital in San Diego. He opened a private practice in 1971 in Northern Kentucky and delivered more than 7,000 babies during his medical career. Diagnosed with multiple sclerosis at age 55, Mueller returned to college to study medical ethics, earning a PhD and serving as chair of the Ethics Committee for St. Elizabeth Healthcare and lecturing at several colleges in the Cincinnati area.

'66 Elson Craig, MD, who died Jan. 1, was professor emeritus of Ophthalmology at Ohio State and had served the University for more than 50 years, including as chief resident in Ophthalmology in 1969-70. During his Ohio State tenure, Craig also served as associate dean for Student Affairs in the College of Medicine. He was a founder and charter member of the National Association of Medical Minority Educators. Craig was a 1st Lieutenant in the U.S. Army who served in Germany from 1956-59.

'68 Dave North, MD, died Feb. 26 at his home in Wausau, WI. A native of East Liverpool, Ohio, he was a member of Ohio State's Marching Band while working on his bachelor's degree in microbiology. After earning his MD, North was a flight surgeon with the U.S. Air Force and then completed a residency in Family Medicine at Ohio State. As a member of the Wausau Medical Center and working with the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, North helped establish the Wausau Family Practice Residency program and the Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice program.

FACULTY

Helmut Schmidt, MD, age 71, passed away Oct. 20. A graduate of the University of Toronto School of Medicine, he completed his residency in Psychiatry at Ohio State. Schmidt, a pioneer and talented clinician, opened one of the first sleep disorders centers in the nation in 1975 at Ohio State, where he practiced until 1990. He received in 1988 the Nathaniel Kleitman Distinguished Prize for outstanding achievement and contribution to the field of Sleep Medicine from the American Academy of Sleep Medicine. In 1990, he became the first president of the American Board of Sleep Medicine, the accrediting body for sleep medicine physicians. He was the founder and president of the Ohio Sleep Medicine Institute in Dublin, Ohio.

In addition, Schmidt was president of the Ohio Psychiatric Association in 1985 and 1986 and was recognized as a Distinguished Life Fellow by the American Psychiatric Association. He also retired as Colonel, United States Army Reserve, and was the recipient of the Meritorious Service Medal following his last duty as Surgeon, 83rd Army Reserve Command.

A MESSAGE FROM ARCHIE GRIFFIN

*Ohio State Senior Vice President
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Alumni Association President/CEO*



I think most people know how I feel about paying forward. My strong belief in helping those in need is one reason that the Alumni Association started its Charity Bowl efforts

prior to the BCS National Championship Game in 2007.

We are all familiar with the economic challenges that our country is facing right now. Those challenges have created a much greater need for food donations, because demand on food pantries is rising. In 2011, the Mid-Ohio Foodbank expects to distribute four million more pounds of food to those in need than it did last year. At the same time, this food bank is also experiencing a decrease in donations from the food industry. It's the same at countless other food pantries throughout the country. Demand for assistance is up, but supply is down. With this in mind, we decided to again ask alumni around the country to pitch in and support our community food pantries.

We have a widespread alumni base and people may want to help in their home regions, so we encourage you to give locally. We've already heard from alumni clubs who are donating money, food and volunteer time to food pantries in their areas. We've also heard from individual alums who are helping through donations or volunteerism.

Fill us in on your good works by sending an e-mail to community@ohiostatealumni.org with the subject line: Charity Bowl. Or contact alumni club leader Kimberly Lowe (lowe@ohiostatealumni.org) or society leader Craig Little (little@ohiostatealumni.org) to make sure that your group's effort is counted.

Learn more about OSU Alumni Association activities at www.ohiostatealumni.org.

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Upcoming **EVENTS:**

April 8 - 9 - Second Look Weekend

April 14 - Alpha Omega Alpha induction dinner; inductees include Ella Toombs, MD '81, and Lester Mohler, MD '64

April 15 - Women in White Coats (formerly known as Girls Night Out)

April 16 - Medical Alumni Society Board of Governors Spring Meeting

April 20 - Meet the Doctors

May 17 - Chicago area alumni event featuring Robert Higgins, MD, Transplant Surgery

June 2 - College of Medicine Commencement

June - Admitted Student Receptions (Cincinnati/Cleveland)

Ohio State Leaders, Alumni Visit India

Daniel Sedmak, MD '80, who directs the Office of Global Health Education in Ohio State's College of Medicine, and Michael Maves, MD '73, CEO of the American Medical Association, recently journeyed to India with a group of Ohio State leaders to expand international opportunities for Ohio State's medical students.



Daniel Sedmak, MD '80

"Our medical students have shown an increasing interest in clinical rotations in this country. Dr. Maves has great personal experience in India and volunteered to help organize the trip," explains Sedmak.

Maves, a board certified otolaryngologist, has served as vice president and CEO of the American Medical Association since 2002 and previously headed the Consumer Healthcare Products Association based in Washington, D.C.

Approximately 25 percent of Ohio State medical students take part in a College-related educational or clinical experience outside of the United States during their fourth year of study. Many other medical students participate in international health and mission trips not associated with Ohio State without College funding or credit.

To learn more about international outreach efforts by our faculty, staff and students, visit <http://medicine.osu.edu/orgs/globalhealth>.

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Look for Ohio State's College of Medicine Alumni Society on Facebook. Search "The Ohio State University Medical Alumni Society" on Facebook to find



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