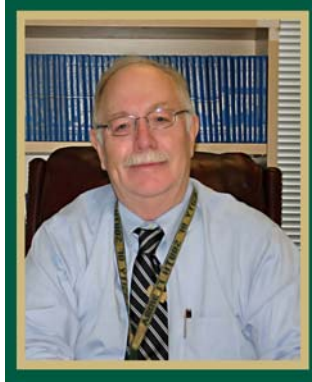


A Message from the Chairman

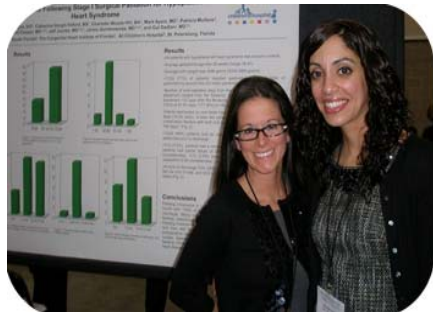
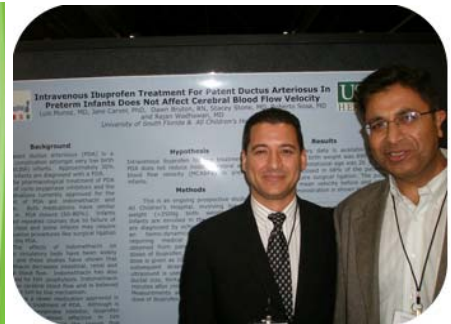


It has been the usual rollercoaster ride in the Chair's office this month. State budget news has been disastrous, but the Medical School graduation was uplifting as usual. The commencement speaker was Dr. Perri Klass, a pediatrician and writer well-known for her involvement with Reach Out and Read, a national childhood literacy program that works through doctors and nurses to encourage parents to read aloud to young children.

The Faculty lost the annual resident/faculty softball game, but the Nephrology Division demonstrated they could fall all over each other and still catch the ball. Olivia and Andrew Saltzman, children of Laura Haubner, showed the younger generation really is better than even the residents.

The weather in Vancouver, BC was cold and wet, however USF faculty and residents shined at the PAS Conference. Please note the special Grand Rounds on June 24 when Dr. Klasko Senior VP Health and Dean of the COM will talk on the "Future of USF Health".

Spotlight— Pediatric Academic Societies (PAS)



Many of our faculty and residents attended the PAS annual meeting held in Vancouver, Canada from May 1 - 4, 2010. To view conference video click on the following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H9C5qgd8pKU&feature=email>

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Softball Game– Faculty vs Residents



The annual Softball Showdown was on May 15, 2010. The event was a success and lots of fun as family and friends joined to cheer for their team! It was a close game, but the residents came back from 8-11 deficit in the last inning to take the win!!

New Awards

Dr. Kirsti Linask received a twelve-month (7/1/10-6/30/11) award from the Suncoast Cardiovascular Research and Education Foundation titled, *Validation of Folate Responsive Genes in Cardiac Development*.

Dr. Barry B. Bercu is a Co-Investigator in Dr. Ben Djulbegovic's two year (2010-2012) award from Florida Department of Health Bankhead-Coley titled, *When are Clinical Trials Ethical for Both Future and Study Patients?*



Walk Now for Autism Speaks



Members of the Rothman Center for Pediatric Neuropsychiatry attended the Walk Now for Autism Speaks fundraising event on Saturday, May 1, 2010 located in North Straub Park in St. Petersburg, FL.

The event was powered by families of loved ones with autism spectrum conditions and hundreds of volunteers.

This annual event not only generates vital funds for autism research but also raises awareness on the increasing prevalence of autism and the need for increased research funding.

The Rothman Team raised nearly \$2000 and had over 30 team members. To date, \$160,000 has been

raised by supporters of the Tampa Walk Now for Autism Speaks.

Please click on the following link to view the PowerPoint Presentation regarding this event.

<http://health.usf.edu/medicine/pediatrics/rothman/inthenew.htm>

Accomplishments

Dr. Alfonso Campos was selected by the regional councilor and approved by the OPTN/UNOS President Elect to serve as the Region 3 Representative on the OPTN/UNOS Pediatric Transplantation Committee. His term on the Committee will begin July 1, 2010 and end June 30, 2012.

Fourth Year Medical Student Awards

Gwennaelle Wilson received the Florida Chapter of the AAP Award for excellence in pediatrics and leadership. She will be doing her residency program at the Boston Children Hospital and we wish her much success.

Melinda Shivers received the Lou Barness Award for excellence in pediatrics and humanism. She will be doing her residency program here at USF and we are very excited to have her.

Charlotte Woods-Hill received the Department of Pediatrics Award for excellence in pediatrics and academic achievement. She will be doing her residency program at the Boston Children Hospital and we wish her much success.

New Employees



Name	Position	Division
Li Feng Zhang	Research Associate	Perinatal Cardiology Research
Taisha Davis	Administrative Specialist	Epidemiology
Mallory Nichols	Research Support Specialist	Epidemiology
Stephanie Hudey	Technical and Paraprofessional	Allergy/Immunology/Rheumatology
Marjorie Peak	Administrative Secretary	Allergy/Immunology/Rheumatology
Victoria Jones	Register Nurse	Adolescent Medicine
Alessandro DeNadai	Student Assistant	NeuroPsychiatry
Jennifer Park	Student Assistant	NeuroPsychiatry

June 2010 Birthdays

Name	Day
Hoka Nyanda-Manalo	1
Margaret Wootten	2
Shona Varanelli	2
Rachel Mathelier	4
Tara Saraceno	4
Diane Straub	5
Jennifer Harris	5
Jane Stephens	5
Charlotte Ward	5
Kaye Connolly	6
Jared Duff	7
Carol Lilly	8
Russell Kirby	8
Jeanne Zucker	9
Brian Bundy	9
Ricardo Jimenez-Santiago	10
Iviana Hornedo	10
Doris Wiener	11
Rebecca Sutphen	11
Priscilla Julian	11



Name	Day
Pamela Lynch	12
Carla Duff	12
Abraham Salinas Miranda	14
Jessica Meneses	14
Melissa Santos-Gregory	14
Luis Maldonado	15
Stephanie Hudey	16
Richard Weibley	17
Diane Koch	17
Lana McCauley	17
Ariz Rojas Cifredo	17
Sara Lane	17
Ever Rivera	18
Allyson Casey	18
Jimin Yang	20
Jean Morissette	20
Tiffany Chenneville	21
Joseph Nimeh	21
Michelle Shannon	21



Name	Day
Mark Bilella	23
Amy Roberts Holbert	24
William O'Brien	24
Tracy Chang	24
Michelle Nettles	25
Lisa Serra-Yolen	25
Lesia Staples-Messick	25
Karen Richardson	25
Beatriz Velez	25
Avelyna Matus	26
Gary Litman	26
Lance Wyble	26
Marianne Trubelhorn	28
Lisa Jarboe	28
Elizabeth Maginness	28
Denise Edwards	29
Cynthia Hayes	29
Jonathan Romeo	29
Barbara Ross	30
Sharon Perlman	30

Pediatrics Grand Rounds-March 2010



Lectures are held from 8:00 to 9:00 AM at MacInnes Auditorium Tampa General Hospital. Lectures are also videoconferenced to the All Children's Hospital/USF Children's Research Institute first floor conference room and to the CMS Building , Room 2004.

June 3: A Prescription to Read: Can Pediatricians Help Improve Early Childhood literacy?
Sharon Dabrow, MD
USF Pediatrics

June 17: Pediatric Dermatology
Elizabeth Arrington, MD
USF Dermatology

June 10: Secondhand Smoke Exposure and the Hospitalized Child
Karen Wilson, MD, MPH
General Pediatrics and Pediatric Hospital Medicine
University of Rochester
Rochester Site PI: AAP Julius B. Richmond Center of Excellence

June 24: *The Future of USF Health*
Stephen Klasko, MD, MBA
Sr. Vice President, USF Health
Dean, USF College of Medicine

Announcements

The new Neurodevelopmental Medicine Program held its first clinic on April 24th at South Tampa Campus. The program's mission is to provide multidisciplinary care to children and families struggling with complex medical, neurodevelopment, behavioral and learning problems through family therapy, community outreach, education, research and healthcare. To learn more about the program, contact Dr. Sally Coover, Program Director (scoover@health.usf.edu).

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