Dear Alumni:

Fall is a lovely time to be in Charleston and continues to be a very busy and productive time for us in the College of Medicine. Several weeks ago I had the opportunity to give my first “State of the College” talk as your Dean – it was wonderful to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and address the challenges facing us moving forward. For those interested, details on how to access more information about that talk are included in this newsletter. It remains my mission to do everything possible to bring further distinction to your alma mater across all of our missions – education, patient care, and research.

It was my pleasure to welcome the Class of 2015 to MUSC in August – they are a truly phenomenal group of individuals. More information on the Class of 2015 is included in this newsletter. Our admissions staff does an excellent job in recruiting the best and the brightest to MUSC, and they have already begun recruitment for the Class of 2016.

We have welcomed two new department chairs to the College of Medicine and are expecting great things from both of these individuals. Dr. Rita Ryan joined us effective July 1 from the Buffalo campus of SUNY as the new chair of the Department of Pediatrics. Dr. Lucian Del Priore joined us effective October 1 from Columbia University as the new chair of the Department of Ophthalmology. Both Dr. Ryan and Dr. Del Priore bring an exceptional combination of clinical, teaching, research, and administrative skills to MUSC.

U.S. News & World Report Best Hospitals rankings came out over the summer, and I am pleased to report that MUSC performed very well. In a new category this year that ranks area hospitals, MUSC was ranked first for the Charleston metro area. Our programs in gastroenterology, ear/nose/throat, and pediatric cardiology and heart surgery are nationally ranked. Several other specialties were considered “high performing” including cancer, cardiology and heart surgery, geriatrics, gynecology, nephrology, neurology and neurosurgery, orthopedics, psychiatry, pulmonology, rheumatology, and urology. In addition, over 35 of our physicians were included in their list of Top Doctors.

As I mentioned to you in our last newsletter, Senior Associate Dean for Research, Dr. Craig Crosson, has been working with faculty committees focused on implementing our research strategic plan in the areas of

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Message from Etta (continued)

Based on their recommendations and after much discussion, we are creating a new Department of Public Health Sciences and a new Center for Genomic Medicine within the College of Medicine. We are about to begin recruitment for individuals to lead each of these new entities, and there is a good deal of excitement and energy focused on both of these areas. Growth and investment in these areas will help us better position ourselves to translate our discoveries to treatments and interventions that will help better human health.

Many thanks for your continued support of the College of Medicine. Your gifts truly make a difference and help us in our goal of “changing what’s possible”. I welcome hearing from you.

With warm regards,
Etta D. Pisano, MD
Vice President for Medical Affairs
Dean, College of Medicine

Message from Dr. Engelman

Otis Engelman, Jr.  M.D.
President,
Medical Alumni Association Board of Directors

Dear Colleagues:

As part of a close-knit family with roots back to 1824, it is with pride that I share with you the accomplishments of fellow and future alumni of the College of Medicine and the Medical University of South Carolina in this newsletter.

Our alumni continue to play an important role in shaping the University as we have over the years. Through our gifts of time, service and financial resources, we have helped this university grow into the first-rate academic medical center it is today.

We are:

- ranked among “America’s Best Children’s Hospitals”
- ranked the 10th best medical school for drug and alcohol abuse medical education
- ranked in the Top 10 percent of “America’s Best Hospitals” for nursing care
- ranked among “America’s Best Hospitals” in seven specialties: kidney disorders, rheumatology, Children’s Heart and Heart Surgery, Digestive Diseases, Orthopaedics, ENT, and Gynecology

US News & World Report 2011
Message from Dr. Engelman (continued)

The university won more than $234 million in research funding last year and philanthropic contributions to MUSC grew to a record $76.7 million during fiscal 2010. The 8.2 percent increase in giving took place during a year when overall giving to nonprofits nationwide declined 3.2 percent.

Through years of unselfish devotion to the health sciences, you have touched the lives of countless patients and brought great pride to this institution!

We thank you, fellow alumni!

MUSC News

**MUSC listed among ‘most connected’ hospitals**

MUSC medical center was among 118 hospitals in the nation and the only hospital in South Carolina that is the ”most connected,” as listed in a ranking by U.S. News & World Report. The listing affirms MUSC as a leader statewide and nationally in its use of Electronic Medical Records (EMR). Read the full story here.

**MUSC Board Member leaves rich legacy**

Melvyn Berlinsky, whose 40-year tenure on MUSC's board of trustees spanned its ascent from a state university hospital to a leading national academic health sciences center, died Nov. 4.

Berlinsky had been the board's lay representative from the 1st Congressional District since 1971. He was the Board's vice chair from 1990 to 1994. He served as a member of the research committee, the hospital and patient care committee, and as chair of the education, faculty, and student affairs committee. He also served as the trustees' representative to the Hollings Cancer Center board. Read about Mr. Berlinsky’s life and outstanding generosity here.

**MUSC joins elite group of national depression centers.**

The Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences has recently joined the National Network of Depression Centers (NNDC), which links together more than 20 leading medical centers across the country working to improve the lives of those struggling with depression. The department received this designation due to a national reputation as a leader in depression research and a commitment to advancing knowledge and care of patients with depression. Full article [here](#).

**Congratulations to Louis J. Guillette Jr., Ph.D.**

On September 13, 2011, Teresa Heinz and the Heinz Family Foundation announces [Louis J. Guillette Jr., Ph.D.](#), reproductive biologist, endocrinologist and College of Medicine professor, as a recipient of a $100,000 Heinz Award. Guillette is professor of obstetrics and gynecology and holds an endowed chair in Marine Genomics at South Carolina’s Center for Economic Excellence at the Medical University of South Carolina. Read about Dr. Guillette’s research [here](#), and see pictures of him hugging alligators (really) [here](#).
MUSC Calendar of Events

**MUSC Calendar**  To see the MUSC university wide events calendar, go [here](#)!

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**The American Medical Student Association**

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**MUSC College of Medicine proudly present**

**The 2011 GOLDEN APPLE AWARDS**

December 6, 2011 at 12:00 pm

Basic Science Building Auditorium

Lunch provided for the first 100

Come support the excellent Faculty and Staff of MUSC!

Annual Robert P. Walton Medical Education Lecture

Dr. Etta Pisano

Vice President for Medical Affairs

Dean, College of Medicine

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**SAVE THE DATES: 2012**

April 20-21, 2012

[College of Medicine Homecoming Weekend](#)

May 17-18, 2012

[Annual Golden Grads Induction Class of 1962 (and Prior)](#)
Student News

Julius Sagel, M.D. Excellence in Medicine Award

The first annual Julius Sagel, M.D. Excellence in Medicine Award was awarded this year to medical students Loretta Jophlin and Jenny Riley (pictured right). The Julius Sagel Excellence in Medicine Award was established to honor the career of Dr. Julius Sagel, Professor of Medicine, in the Department of Medicine’s Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Medical Genetics. Dr. Sagel has been a member of the Department of Medicine since 1975, and has long been recognized as an outstanding medical educator and a superb physician. Two students each year will be selected to receive the $500 award.

If you would like to support the Julius Sagel, M.D. Excellence in Medicine Award by making a gift, please visit the Department of Medicine’s website at www.medicine.musc.edu/giving.

From left to right: Dr. Julius Sagel, Loretta Jophlin, Jenny Riley and Dr. Deborah DeWaay

College of Medicine Scholarship Awards for 2011-2012 Academic Year

**JAMES B. EDWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS**
Shayla Freeman (M1)
Nikesha Patel (M1)
Nina Serena-Burkett (M2)
Veronica Sue (M2)
Adriana Ramirez (M3)
Stephen Ramey (M3)
John Borkert (M4)
Matthew Wooster (M4)

**JAMES B. EDWARDS AWARDS**
Jamal Jones (M1)
Lauren Wingo (M1)
Christopher Smith (M2)
Carley Anderson (M2)
Conor McLaughlin (M3)

**RENE DEBACKER & HILDA SPOKHEIM DEBACKER SCHOLARSHIP**
Ashley Milligan (M2)

**HOPE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**
John Montgomery (M1)

**HUGGIN SCHOLARSHIP**
Matthew Low (M1)

**DR. JOSEPH FLOWERS SCHOLARSHIP**
Shenikqua Bouges (M2)

**RODMAN-ROHDE SCHOLARSHIP**
Sylvia Lee (M1)
JAMES B. EDWARDS AWARDS (continued)
Brandon Marion (M3)
Gini Ikuezeunma (M4)

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE DEAN’S AWARDS
David Friedrich (M1)
Neema Hooker (M1)
Rahul Loungani (M2)
Chisom Ezenekwu (M2)
Amy Brown (M3)
Jonathan Berbin (M4)
Simon Lehtinen (M4)

DAVID B. GREGG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Ann Simonin (M3)

HELEN M. KING SCHOLARSHIP
Justin Silverman (M1)
Christine Tennant (M3)

CONYERS O’BRYAN SCHOLARSHIP
Arielle VanSyckel (M1)
Christian Hicks (M1)

KENNETH W. SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Bentley Doonan (M1)

MAY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Christopher Menzel (M2)

CLASS SCHOLARSHIPS
1946 - $1,200 Edward Ball (M1)
1948 - $1,500 Jessica Jordan (M1)
1949 - $2,500 Dustin Kyle Baker (M1)
1952 - $3,200 Christopher Houck (M2)
1953 - $2,500 Elizabeth Church (M1)
1954 - $1,000 Morgan Headden (M1)
1958 - $1,500 Brandon Anderson (M1)
1959 - $1,000 Colin Cane (M1)
1960 - $3,500 Michael Petrides (M1)
1961 - $1,700 Mandev Guram (M1)
1964 - $1,400 Christopher Thurmond (M1)
1965 - $1,000 Bradley Orr (M1)
1967 - $1,000 Nicole Smith (M1)
1969 - $2,500 Jack Johnston (M1)
1974 - $1,300 Caitlin Shepherd (M1)
1975 - $1,300 Trey Williams (M1)

RICH SCHOLARSHIP
Sarah Khalil (M1) - $5,000
Layne Madden (M1) - $5,000
Samkon Gado (M1) - $5,000
Tanisha Hutchinson (M1)
Robert Williams (M1)
Pramod Chopade (M1)
Azka Nazir (M1)
Florence Dixon (M1)
Robert Allen Sharpe (M2)
Grier Albergotti (M4)
Reid Chamberlain (M4)
Thomas Niemeier (M3)
Brett Hoffecker (M3)
Rhonda Winchester (M2)
Carolyn Powers (M2)
Adam Davie (M2)
Lauren Hayes (M2)

PROCTOR FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Jeff Johnston (M1)

PITTS-AIKEN AOA SCHOLARSHIP
David Friedrich (M1)

TATUM ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Maria Shtessel (M3)

JEAN WILSON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
James Gray (M1)
Katherine Herbert (M1)
Nicholas Honko (M1)
Anna Meyer (M1)
Sasha Milleman (M1)
Shivani Patel (M1)
Ashley Milligan (M2)
Nyssa Fox (M2)
David Johannesmeyer (M4)
David Leas (M4)
Darcy Slizewsky (M3)
Matthew Parks (M3)
Scholarships (continued)

CLASS SCHOLARSHIPS (continued)
1976 - $1,400 James McGee IV (M1)
1978 - $2,900 Laura Martin (M4)
1980 - $1,400 Ka ela Reinert (M1)
1981 - $1,400 Clay Smith (M1)
1982 - $1,000 Kathryn Rosa (M1)
1983 - $1,200 Kendall Andino (M1)
1984 - $1,200 Anna Bauer (M1)
1994 - $1,200 Taylor McAneney (M1)

MARVIN & CLEO MCALHANY SCHOLARSHIP
Jeanne Lumpkin (M2)

DR. ALLEN G. THURMOND SCHOLARSHIP
Marissa Moultrie (M1)

WOODROW & GENEVA OXNER SCHOLARSHIP
Kathryn Anderson (M1)

DR. SOL & MRS. EVELYN RUDOWITZ NEIDICH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Prashant Bhenswala (M1)

DR. W. L. MILLS SCHOLARSHIP
Joseph Kavolus (M4)

DR. ALLEN JOHNSON, SR. SCHOLARSHIP
Brett Lewis (M3)

CATHCART FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Timothy Kallgren (M2)

JUNE YARBOROUGH-FRANCIS MARION AWARD
Lauren Tucker (M1)

JOSEPH & CELIA DOBSON SCHOLARSHIP
Kristin DeYoung (M2)
William Stokes (M2)

DEWEY & ALICE MOLLONO SCHOLARSHIP
Kristin DeYoung (M2)
William Stokes (M2)

J. DILL PITTMAN
John Turner (M2)

JERRY & JENNY REVES DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP
Vanessa Antoine (M1)
Adriana Tinker (M1)
Dozie Ezerioha (M1)
Chidinma Oweni (M1)
Loverica Irby (M1)
Andrea James (M1)
Kelly San Miguel (M1)
Cipriana Ayala (M1)
Florine Dixon (M1)
Robert Williams (M1)
Desiree Dawson (M1)
Shalika Whig (M1)
Sharonda Williams (M1)
Anesha Maxwell (M4)
Crystal Johnson (M4)
Ja’Pel Sumter (M2)

FULLERTON FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP
Jordan Fuson Garris (M2)

Palmira Snape Endowed Scholarship
Anne Simonin (M3)

MARIA & CONSTANTINE MOSKOS SCHOLARSHIP
Chelsey Baldwin (M2)

CHI – DELTA SCHOLARSHIP
Thomas Niemeier (M3)

PROVOST’S SCHOLARSHIPS
Amy Turner (M3)
Bobby Yawn (M4)

DEANS’ SCHOLARSHIPS
Jacob Deweeth (M2)
Mark Curry (M2)
Shauna Jenkins (M2)
Philip Kirn (M2)
Charles Leiner (M2)
Thomas Miller (M2)
Thomas Ross (M2)
Karla Williams (M2)
Christine Baraty (M3)
Bonnie Brooks (M3)
Spencer Lovelace (M3)
Ashokia Pinckney (M3)
Scholarships (continued)

CHARLESTON COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP
Alex Harvin (M4)

DR. LUTHER BELL SCHOLARSHIP
Lloyd Felmy (M1), Tahirali Motiwala (M1), Lauren Meeks (M1), Zachary Coffman (M3), Ben Garrick (M3), Shenikqua Bouges (M2)

DEWITT HARPER SCHOLARSHIP
David Young (M1), Evan Kane (M4), Jarod Suber (M4)

DEANS’ SCHOLARSHIPS (continued)
Phillip Rodriguez (M3), Andrea Shipp (M3), Brent Soder (M4), Thomas Tyner (M3), Kristen Arnold (M4), Vidya Fleetwood (M4), Susan Hurley (M4), Tara Hudak (M4), Nekaiya Jacobs (M4), Chantel Roedner (M4), Ope Soboja (M4), Dezmond Sumter (M4)

CHESTER HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP
Pete Stone (M2), Ja’Pel Sumpter (M2), Rhonda Winchester (M2)

The College of Medicine extends our warmest thanks to all of the donors whose generosity made these scholarships possible.

Philanthropy Highlights

College of Medicine Annual Loyalty Fund

Unrestricted dollars to the College of Medicine Annual Loyalty Fund provides us the ability to maintain excellence in medical education. Scholarships, curriculum enhancements, and student and alumni support are just some of the ways your support helps.

Thank you to the 655 generous donors who gave a total of $159,693.36 to the College of Medicine Annual Loyalty Fund in fiscal year 2009-2010 despite a challenging economic climate. Every donor and dollar demonstrates your belief in the quality of a MUSC medical education. To make a gift to the College of Medicine Annual Loyalty Fund on line, please click here.

College of Medicine Honor Roll

The College of Medicine wishes to showcase all of our alumni donors by publishing our annual Alumni Honor Roll. Those individuals who are noted with an * have contributed $1,000 or more in the 2010-2011 giving year, and those with a double * have given over $25,000 in their lifetime, making them members of the Society of 1824. We would like to extend a very special thank you to the members of the Society of 1824 for their continuing support and being among the colleges most loyal donors. Please click here for a complete list of this year’s donors.
Alumni Giving

Dear College of Medicine Friends and Alumni:

It is with great appreciation and pride that we report to you the many ways you have chosen to support the educational, research and healthcare mission of the Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine.

For the record, as of June 30, 2011, the overall charitable contributions and pledges to the College of Medicine in the 2010-2011 fiscal year exceeded $70 million, a 10% increase over the previous year’s total. We had a record year thanks to our loyal alumni, friends, corporations, foundations and grateful patients.

We are indebted to each of you for partnering with us in our mission to provide an excellent educational foundation for coming generations of physicians.

On behalf of the entire MUSC College of Medicine - students, faculty, patients, staff and friends – it is my pleasure and privilege to say, “Thank You.”

Respectfully,

Terry Stanley Candace Gillespie
Associate Dean for Development Director of Development

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Did you know that every 11 Minutes another person is added to the transplant waiting list.

You have the power to save lives. Become an organ and tissue donor today.

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www.donatelifesc.org or www.every11minutes.org

A Special Note to our College of Medicine Alumni

The College of Medicine gratefully acknowledges the 1,049 College of Medicine Alumni who committed a total of $719,468 in fiscal year 2010-2011.

To learn more about ways to support the College of Medicine, click here.

Keep up with the latest news and events at the MUSC College of Medicine website.
A History of Your Alma Mater

Founded in Charleston in 1824, few medical schools enjoy a long and rich tradition of excellence as the Medical University of South Carolina. Arcadia Publishing has recently released Medical University of South Carolina, a history of your alma mater by Susan Dick Hoffius, MUSC's Waring Historical Library curator, and E. Brooke Fox, university archivist. Visit the Waring Historic Library website to read more about this fascinating book and obtain ordering information.
Alumni Awards & Highlights

WRIGHT CAUGHMAN ('79) was named Emory University's executive vice president for health affairs, CEO of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center and chairman of the board for Emory Healthcare.

JOHN F. TISDALE ('86)
This year’s recipient of the Pre-Medical Society’s Outstanding Service in Medicine Award is John F. Tisdale, Class of 1986 and the son of Belton and Sara-Gantt Tisdale, Class of 1956. After completing his degree in chemistry at the College, John received his medical degree from MUSC in 1990 and did his internship and residency at Vanderbilt in internal medicine. In 1994, he joined the National Institutes of Health as a hematology fellow and has been there ever since. In 2007, he became a tenured investigator in the Molecular and Clinical Hematology Branch of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. Read the full article here.

DR. PETER C. GAZES ('44)
Distinguished University Professor Dr. Peter C. Gazes has penned an autobiography entitled Through the Back Door; The Making of a Doctor. In this book Dr. Gazes describes the obstacles he had to overcome to become a doctor. With humor and intelligence, the book covers his college and medical school training, internship, residency in internal medicine, and cardiac fellowship, private practice, and academic accomplishments. Dr. Gazes hopes that this book will encourage young people to have determination, persistence, and motivation to achieve in life all they desire. The book can be previewed and purchased on line here.

Dr. Peter C. Gazes is Professor of Medicine, Distinguished University Professor of Cardiology and former Director, Cardiovascular Division, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina. Dr. Gazes received his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina where he graduated as the first Honor Graduate in 1944 and is a member of the AOA Honor Medical Society. He is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and the Board of Cardiovascular Disease. You can read his full profile, CV, list of publications, and clinical interests here.

COM Development News

Candace Gillespie has been named Director of Development for the College of Medicine. A thirteen year veteran of the College, Candace joined the Dean’s Office in 1998 as Director of Student Affairs. In 2008, she was promoted to Alumni Development Coordinator where she successfully transitioned from working with students to cultivating alumni. In her new role, Candace will be focusing her efforts on increasing alumni giving.
Alumni Association

Membership Matters

Membership Matters means something unique to everyone who loves the Medical University of SC. That’s why your Alumni Association has launched the Membership Matters campaign. Membership Matters is an exciting effort to double membership in the MUSC Alumni Association through a variety of initiatives that enhance and personalize the alumni experience for each MUSC graduate.

Why Your Membership Matters

Your membership in the MUSC Alumni Association matters because it strengthens the bond between you and MUSC. Alumni Association members are more likely to keep in touch by sharing their gifts, time and talents with their alma mater: serving as an admissions interviewer for new medical school applicants, serving as a mentor and speaking to current students at seminars arranged by the Alumni Association, participating in joint events with current students, etc. Such gifts make a difference and benefit the University in countless ways.

How Do Your Membership Dues Benefit The Alumni Association?

The membership dues you pay will allow the Alumni Association to enhance alumni programming, serving as the bridge between our alumni population and the University and contribute to the ongoing success of our students by offering scholarships to those who excel, based on financial need. Thank you for visiting our new website: http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/alumni. Updates are in progress!

Benefits of Belonging

To thank you for your participation and support, we have developed a package of benefits available to members only:

- Lodging discounts at first-quality hotels, motels and inns
- Discounts on MUSC insignia items through the Matthews MUSC bookstore
- Use of MUSC’s library services (access the special alumni portal)
- Continuing Education Programs at reduced rates
- Reduced rate tickets for special alumni events
- Access to the Harper Student Wellness Center as an alumnus

2012 Alumni Reunion

Medical Alumni Homecoming Weekend

April 20-21, 2012

Class Reunions:

'67, '72, '77, '82, '87, '92, '97, '02, '07

Friday, April 20th

6:00pm—Society of 1824 Reception
Charleston Visitors Center
Invitation Only

7:00pm-10:00pm—Oyster Roast
Visitors Center Bush Shed
All Alumni, Faculty and Students are invited

Saturday, April 21st

12:00pm—Awards Luncheon
Country Club of Charleston

7:00pm—Class Reunion Parties
Location information will be sent

View Photos from the 2011 Reunion!
College of Medicine Class Notes

1953
William H. Lawrence writes that he and Sunny hope to come to the 60th Class of 1953 reunion in 2013!!

1956
Dr. James W. Hellams has returned to practice in Pendleton, SC. He and his wife, Nancy, recently held a ribbon-cutting at the new office on S. Depot Street.

1964
Palmira S. Snape and Ed participated in a Bike and Barge trip in Germany, France, and Luxemburg in September. Pam continues to be a volunteer Medical Director for Greenville Free Medical Clinic.

1975
Kenneth F. Hill is now locum tenens in orthopaedics. No grandchildren yet. Spent 18 yrs in France, after orthopaedics; 8 yrs in Army, including 3 yrs in Germany!

1976
Stoney A. Abercrombie is serving as President of the Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors for 2011/12.

1977
Richard Richardson, Sr., Orangeburg, SC: became a grandfather; continuing to acquire new surgical skills; have the greatest wife in the world, Teresa, 34 years and counting.

1979
Dr. S. Wright Caughman has been named Emory University's executive vice president for health affairs, CEO of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center and chairman of the board for Emory Healthcare.

1981 (Resident)
Dr. Matthew Burks has been named Medical Director of Jouvence Medical, in Sarasota, FL, an emerging leader in stem cell therapy and treatment. Dr. Burks will first focus on patient care and treatment and then lead the creation and application of innovative stem cell therapies.

1981
Dr. B. Edward O'Dell is no longer doing Obstetrics and is currently practicing Gynecology and Aesthetic Medicine at Genesis Cosmetic Laser Center in Florence. His oldest son, Jason (M’04), is currently practicing Orthopedics in Florence.

1985
Michael D. Cuomo writes that his oldest son, Michael Joseph, is a 2/C (Junior) Midshipman at the United States Naval Academy. He is studying Naval Architecture.
1987
Dr. John H. Haines, of Springfield, OR, son of Methodist missionaries, was born in Malaysia and has traveled and lived throughout the world. A board certified ophthalmologist, he holds positions as Assistant Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Utah Health Sciences Center and is a Clinical Instructor at the Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland. He celebrates twenty annual eye camps through five continents. Thousands are now seeing because of these efforts.

1989
Deborah V. Deas has been appointed Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education at the Medical University of South Carolina.

1997
Christina K. Neeley has moved from the North Carolina coast to the mountains of north east Georgia (Blairsville) and joined High Mountain Healthcare as a full time pediatrician.

1998
Virginia P. Lilienthal moved to FL from KY in March, ‘10. Works as a pediatrician for Pediatric Consultants. Married to Leslie for 11 years. Children: Rachel (7 yrs) and Robbie (2 years).

1999
Dr. David Geier, Orthopaedic Surgeon and Director of Sports Medicine at the Medical University of South Carolina, has been installed as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee for the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM). He was installed during the annual meeting in San Diego, CA.

2002
Jennifer Young Pierce married Christopher Pierce on Nov 6, 2011. Chris is in financial trades for Automated Trading Desk in Mt. Pleasant and Jennifer is an Assistant Professor in GYN/ONC at MUSC.

2003
M. Camille Hoffman is an Assistant Professor of Maternal Fetal Medicine, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, at the Denver Health Medical Center/University of Colorado.

2004
Joshua T. Watson and Theresa Martin Watson just welcomed their second child into the world on June 26, 2011. Nya Chamblee shares her birthday with her big brother, Kade, who was born exactly two years earlier. They are both finishing fellowships this year: Josh in gastroenterology, and Theresa in pediatric hematology/oncology. They will be moving to Augusta, GA where Josh will be working at Eisenhower Army Medical Center as a staff gastroenterologist.
Wayne Kelley, Jr. has joined OrthoGeorgia Orthopaedic Specialists in Macon, GA. Kelley completed degrees in biochemistry and chemistry at the College of Charleston in Charleston, SC. He received his doctoral degree from the Medical University of South Carolina and completed an orthopaedic residency at Duke University Medical Center. Following residency, Kelly spent a year completing a spine fellowship appointment at OrthoCarolina.

Vijay Rao has joined St. Francis Medical Group Indiana Heart Physicians. He is board-certified in echocardiography, cardiovascular disease and internal medicine. Rao received his undergraduate degree at DePauw University, his medical degree and doctorate in molecular and cellular biology at the Medical University of SC and completed a residency at Duke University Medical Center.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU WHO KEEP US UP TO DATE ON WHERE YOU ARE, WHAT YOU ARE DOING AND YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS!!!
Obituaries

Alexander G. Donald       July 10, 2011       1952
Henry Donato             July 20, 2011       1945
G. Thomas Fabian          August 11, 2011     1977
James C. Mitchell, III    September 6, 2011   1960
James W. Pitts, Jr.       August 20, 2011     1973
John M. Sowell            July 3, 2011        1957
Jack A. Thurmond          August 11, 2011      1953
James M. Twombly          August 17, 2011      1975
John L. Tyner, Jr.        July 17, 2011       1965

The College of Medicine would like to express their sympathies to the above alumni’s family, friends and classmates.

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