Cami, Rob and Rodny. They share the same genes, the same birthday month and now, the same legacy.

Sadly, another thing these siblings have in common is that their first encounter with the Medical University of South Carolina was marked by tragedy.

On October 20, 2002, Cami gave birth to her first child, Camden Scott Meyer. “I remember the first photos of Camden. What a handsome baby, with beautiful brown hair and a cute little smile,” Rodny reflects. Devastatingly, Camden passed away three days later. Rob and Rodny immediately drove 15 hours from Michigan to be with their sister.

After some time, The Camden Scott Meyer Pediatric Lab fund was created to build a facility in the College of Health Professions that promotes pediatric rehabilitation services and research, funds occupational and physical therapy programs and supports Camp Hand to Hands for children with hemiplegia. “We needed a way to take the sadness and move forward,” explains Cami.

In the beginning, family and friends came together to build up the fund. Through their parent’s annual garage sale and continued support from the community, the fund has grown substantially over the years. However, the most remarkable gifts have been made recently thanks to a little sibling rivalry and a whole lot of love. “We’ve always had some sibling competition. For example, Cami went for her masters, so now both Rod and I are in graduate school,” Rob laughs.

This time around, Rob and Rodny beat Cami to the punch when they left planned gifts to Camden’s fund. “The most heartwarming thing was I didn’t know they were doing it. After they told me about their planned gifts, I started considering leaving one too,” Cami shares.

Today, almost 14 years after Camden’s passing, all three siblings have made a planned gift to support The Camden Scott Meyer Pediatric Lab fund. For the trio, planned giving allows them to make a larger impact in the future. “Most people may not have the finances to help currently, but it is easy to divvy up your funds that are set aside for the future knowing you can help more later on,” says Rob. Their commitments have sealed their legacies and the legacy of Camden at MUSC.

While not everyone who walks by the engraved plaque outside of the pediatric lab will know Camden’s story, their lives and the lives of children will be changed because of him. “And that’s what matters. That’s what we’re doing this for,” Cami affirms.

Rob, Cami and Rodny are examples that the greatest gift we have is family. From tremendous loss, emerged a vision that will provide endless impact and inspiration to anyone who walks through the doors of the College of Health Professions. And for that, generations to come will be forever grateful.

To learn how you can leave your legacy at the College of Health Professions, contact Leslie Brady, Director of Development of the College of Health Professions, at 843-792-8547 or Linda Cox, Director of Gift Planning, at 843-792-9562.
“CHP Off the Old Block”
Baby tees are in!

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Elena Marie Smith, daughter of Cristina Smith, OT Class of 2006, Instructor, Division of Occupational Therapy and her husband, Brian.

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Ellie Grace Muir, daughter of Justin Muir, Information Resource Consultant II and his wife, Michelle.

Louis August Dickerson, son of Lauren Dickerson, Student Services Program Coordinator, Department of Healthcare Leadership & Management, and her husband Jake.

Jack Henry Jones, son of Dr. Jami DelliFraine, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Healthcare Leadership & Management, and Division Director, Master of Health Administration and her husband Chuck.
The College of Health Professions Alumni Association Board is proud to announce three new alumni awards! Nominations are now being accepted and are due by March 1, 2017 for consideration for a spring 2017 award presentation. Nominations received after the closing date of March 1, 2017 will be considered for a 2018 award. Full criteria and nomination form are available online:

musc.edu/alumni/my-college/chp/awards

College of Health Professions Distinguished Alumnus Award
Established in 1986, the Distinguished Alumnus Award is the highest honor bestowed by the College of Health Professions Alumni Association. The Award is given annually to one or more graduates of the MUSC College of Health Professions in recognition of outstanding professional achievement, service to the individual's profession, the community, the College, and/or the University, excellence in leadership, professional growth, and/or educational advancement or service. The Distinguished Alumnus Award is presented to an alumni member for outstanding, unique, and enduring service to the alumni association, the college, their community, and/or their profession over a period of ten years or more.

College of Health Professions Alumnus Service Award
Established in the fall of 2016, the Alumnus Service Award is presented annually to one or more graduates of the MUSC College of Health Professions who have given selflessly through extraordinary actions that benefit the university, the college, their community/organizations, and/or their profession. Nominees must demonstrate an ongoing commitment to service and serve as a model of volunteerism for others. These actions should reflect a member's contribution in terms of time and/or expertise. The actions should serve to benefit a deserving population and as an inspiration to others.

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Established in the fall of 2016, the Emerging Leader Award is given annually to one or more graduates of the MUSC College of Health Professions who have shown exemplary leadership and dedication towards the Medical University’s College of Health Professions and/or their organized profession as a whole. The nominee must be an alumnus of the College of Health Professions who has been in practice ten years or less. The nominee must have demonstrated leadership in practice, education, service, research and/or the community. Nominees must demonstrate an ongoing passion to participate in Alumni Association activities and/or in Alumni activities within the College of Health Professions.

College of Health Professions Outstanding Achievements in Research Award
Established in the fall of 2016, the Outstanding Achievements in Research Award is presented annually to one or more graduates of the MUSC College of Health Professions whose contributions to the field of research is helping to advance their profession. The nominee must be an alumnus of the College of Health Professions who makes meaningful contributions to scientific knowledge of their profession and has demonstrated excellence in the performance of research. Accomplishments may include one or more of the following:

- Development and/or advancement of technology
- Innovation or advancement of treatment efficacy and effectiveness for patient care
- Translation of research evidence into clinical practice
- Grant funding
- Scholarly publications
- Scientific presentations
- Management of a research lab/team
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Dr. Jim Zoller, 
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ALUMNI UPDATES
You Make Us Proud!

★ Dr. Adrienne Hunter, DHA Class of 2014, was promoted to Health Informatics Advisor at the CDC and relocated with her family from the CDC headquarters in Georgia to the CDC office in Malawi, Africa. Malawi is currently ranked (GDP) as the poorest country in the world, and Hunter has accepted a two-year tour of duty.

“It is an honor to be here providing health informatics expertise. By advising on improved information infrastructure and clinical workflow, my role is to improve electronic medical systems for HIV/AIDS, TB, maternity care, and for birth and death registration. I am proud to be utilizing my previous training and the education I received at MUSC to impact the world.”
Congratulations Adrienne - we are so proud of you!

★ Ryan Lee, MHA Class of 2012, was named the Chief Operating Officer of West Boca Medical Center, a 195 acute care hospital in Boca Raton, FL. Bravo! Congratulations Ryan!

★ Todd Walker, MHA Class of 2005, was recently promoted to the President of Baptist Easley Hospital, an affiliate of Greenville Health System, in Easley, SC. Congratulations and way to go Todd!

★ Dr. Larry Wrobel, DHA Class of 1999, was appointed as the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) Master of Healthcare Administration (MHA) Program Director in August 2016. Congratulations Larry – great job!

Submit your good news to brownla@musc.edu and thank you!

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If you have made a provision for MUSC in your estate plans, we would like to thank you personally. Please consider letting us know so we can celebrate you and your legacy, during your lifetime. Whether anonymous or not, we sincerely hope to hear from you and honor your wishes.

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CHP Associate Dean Praises MUSC’s Commitment to Inclusion

James S. Krause, Ph.D., professor and associate dean for research from the College of Health Professions, delivered the keynote address at the 2016 MUSC Faculty Convocation.

“There’s no greater honor than speaking for my colleagues, the college and the university,” he said.

Krause, who was paralyzed in a teenage diving accident, spoke of the importance of diversity and inclusion at MUSC, comparing the fight for access for those with disabilities to the civil rights movement.

“We face historical challenges here (in Charleston). We have wonderful, historical buildings. We have, sometimes, historical sidewalks as well,” he joked.

Though MUSC still has a ways to go, Krause said he is proud the university is setting an example for the community by striving to eliminate as many barriers as possible, both literal and figurative. “We’re all going to face some challenges in the years to come. But, if we can make a difference for someone now, someone else will make a difference for us.”

Krause went on to thank several mentors and friends who taught him important lessons over the course of his life and career: mentor Nancy Crewe, Ph.D., of the University of Michigan, college roommate Tony, Krause’s best friend who was born with no arms or legs, and colleague Bryan Kemp, Ph.D., a gifted researcher at the University of California who passed away from ALS, a neurodegenerative disease.

“Nancy taught me about compassion in how she could put others so far ahead of her own interests,” he said. “Tony taught me that you don’t need legs to move forward; you don’t need arms to reach for the sky. And, Bryan taught me that you don’t need words to say a lot; and you don’t need eyesight to have vision.”

To learn more about the incredible work Dr. Krause and his team are doing, please visit: musc.edu/chp/Health_Employment_Longevity_Project
Camp with a Purpose

Camp Hand to Hands appears to be like any other traditional summer camp: games, crafts, songs, and other activities. These classic camp activities, however, have a greater purpose for the 3-6 year olds who attend the annual camp at the College of Health Professions. Each camper has one-sided weakness or hemiparesis cerebral palsy, which means they experience the same restraints as adults who suffered a stroke. Camp Hand to Hands allows therapists to work with the children on strengthening their limbs without the kids feeling like they're in therapy. To combat the campers’ reliance on their “good side,” physical and occupational therapy students give each child a puppet to cover their preferred hand, as they work through activities with a new theme each day. This fun environment would normally cost families upwards of thousands of dollars, but thanks to generous gifts towards the College of Health Professions, the camp is free for participants. Continuous gifts, like those from the Camden Scott Meyer Pediatric Fund, ensure that the program continues and grows from year to year.

For a private tour of the Camden Scott Meyer Pediatric Lab, the home of Camp Hand to Hands, or for additional information about how you can support pediatric initiatives, please contact Leslie Brady at 843-792-8547 or BradyL@musc.edu.

To make a gift online please visit: www.musc.edu/chpgiving
Class of 2008 alumnus Timothy Grannell, CRNA, MSNA, recently was published in the Journal of Pediatric Pharmacology. Dennis McKenna, AFN Alumni Coordinator, sat down with Tim to discuss his study. Tim has practiced at Nationwide Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, for the past three years. He worked at MUSC after graduation and specializes in pediatrics.

Dennis: Tim, congratulations on the publication. Can you give me a little background on your study?

Tim: Well, it really started when we had a couple of incidents when our ENT surgeons used a large amount of Afrin nasal spray on nasal turbinate surgeries. The patients became hypertensive and bradycardic in PACU. The reaction was to start administering Afrin via a TB syringe on all our dental surgery cases. One day I was in the OR and did a little test of my own. I took a full bottle of Afrin and sprayed it with the spout facing down, like how we are all taught in school. And then I took the bottle and placed it upright, just like how you would use it, and looked at the difference between upright and inverting the bottle. The amount was crazy different. So I presented the idea of doing a study about the difference between upright and inverted Afrin bottles and administering to children of dental surgery and our research department took it from there.

Dennis: How did the study run?

Tim: Basically a week, once we had all the brand new bottles of Afrin. We had people come into our conference and do a really quick squeeze the bottle session with us.

Dennis: Will this new information alter your practice?

Tim: Actually, it has. In our dental clinic we only draw up the Afrin in a TB syringe and administer by dropping it into the nose. However, I’ve taken it to a different level and actually lift the patient’s head to administer the Afrin in the upright position.

Dennis: Tim, how does your research activity relate to your role as a CRNA?

Tim: I think CRNAs need to be more involved in research — let it be an idea like I had that evolved into a pretty good study or taking the lead for a study.

AFN Alumnus Re-examines Nasal Spray use in the OR, Lands National Publication

In 2007, the MUSC College of Health Professions set up a scholarship fund to honor the life of Kim Martino. She was a beloved member of the Physical Therapy Class of 2003 who lost her life to cancer five months after her graduation.

All of the recipients are exceptional students who look forward to enhancing health care. Today, we are asking you to help us secure this legacy for future generations, through a gift to the Kim Martino Minority Scholarship Fund.

The first thirty (30) persons to make a gift of $50 or more to this scholarship will receive a heartfelt expression of gratitude: a specially designed/created 4” x 6” mini-quilt (fabric postcard) by Kim’s mother, Dr. Marlene O’Bryant-Seabrook, a nationally and internationally exhibited fiber artist.

To make a gift, visit: https://connect2.musc.edu/health-professions

Timothy Grannell, CRNA, MSNA
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