Welcome & Congratulations

Welcome
Stuart Morgenstein, MD—Pediatric Otolaryngologist
Cindy Crawford, RN, BS, CMCN—Ambulatory Nurse Manager, AOC
Howard Mitchell—Patient Care Technician, ROC
Kaleena Weatherly, MA—Medical Assistant, AOC
Bonnice Craig—Registration Specialist/Secretary, AOC
David Chan, MD—PGY1
Kia Jones, MD—PGY1
Chad Ruffin, MD—PGY1
Jennifer Karpicke, AuD student audiology extern
Elin Roverud, AuD student audiology extern
Caitlin Weber—Baby Talk Lab
Ben Rejowski—Summer Medical Student in Research
David Miller—Summer Medical Student in Research
Tania Rahman—Summer Medical Student in Research
Ryan Phillips—Summer Medical Student in Research

Congratulations
Allan Diefendorf—promoted to full professor effective July 1, 2010. Dr. Diefendorf spoke at the University of Washington graduation ceremony honoring graduates from the Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences. He was recognized as the Distinguished Alumnus from the Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences for 2010.

Michelle Ziebarth—VA Hospital Hands and Heart Award
Michael Fritsch, MD—was elected by his peers to the Best Doctors in America for 2010.

Anniversaries
Tammy Huston—20 years
Charlotte McGarik-Hodges—10 years
Tabby Quinn—10 years
Mandy Weinzierl—5 years

Correction
Lauren Anderson de Moreno husband’s name was listed incorrectly in the last newsletter. His proper name is Oscar Moreno.

Graduating Residents
Chris Chacko, MD
Akihiro Matsuoka, MD
David Sycamore, MD

IU-Kenya Partnership

In 2009, the Department of Otolaryngology joined the IU-Kenya partnership. This collaboration provides quality ENT care to Kenyan patients and resources needed to maintain and expand clinic and operating room facilities. Financial support will enable our doctors to train Kenyan medical students and otolaryngologists to care for complex ENT patients and make a difference for countless Kenyans.

Support for the program can be made online with a credit card: http://medicine.iu.edu/humanitarianefforts. Type “ENT” in the comments section of the donation form. Donations can also be made by check payable to: “Indiana University Foundation-IU Kenya Partnership”. Write “ENT” on the memo line.

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According to the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance, approximately 55,000 Americans were diagnosed in 2008 with cancers of the head and neck, which include cancers of the mouth, throat, voice box, skin, sinuses, saliva and thyroid glands.

"When diagnosed very early, oral and other head and neck cancers can be more easily treated with fewer complications, and the chances of survival greatly increase."

Michael G. Moore, MD

Dr. Pisoni to receive Award Encomium

David Pisoni, PhD has been awarded a Silver Medal in Speech Communication by the Acoustical Society of America for “advancing the basic science of speech perception and recognition and applying the knowledge to the clinical field of cochlear implantation.”

This is an international award and he is only the eleventh recipient of the award since it was introduced 35 years ago.

The award ceremony will take place at the next ASA meeting, November 17, 2010 in Cancun.

Additional information about the award can be accessed at: http://asa.aip.org/awards.html.

Dr. Halum is awarded grants

Stacey Halum, MD received an NIH K08 award for a grant entitled “Neurotrophin-Secreting Muscle Stem Cell Therapy for Laryngeal Paralysis” and an Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute award to support start-up funding for a grant entitled “Autologous Stem-Cell Engrafted Implant for Laryngeal Replacement after Total Laryngectomy.”

Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week

Free oral, head and neck cancer screenings were offered on April 14, 2010 at the AOC clinic in conjunction with Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness week.

Volunteers worked to screen 120 people. Smoking cessation education and resources were offered as well as education on risk factors.

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The next Head and Neck Cancer Screening will take place at the Brickyard 400 on July 24 & 25, 2010. Many volunteers are still needed to staff the event.

Volunteers will be provided water, snacks, breakfast, lunch, t-shirts and in-field access to the race.

Contact Tammy Paal at 278-7272 or email at tpaal@iupui.edu to volunteer.
Kathleen R. Corbin, M.A., CCC-A and Jennifer M. Simpson, AuD, CCC-A have an article published in the new issue of the ASHA Journal’s Special Interest Division: Perspectives on Administration and Supervision entitled, Audiology: Purdue University and the Indiana University School of Medicine Joint Doctor of Audiology Program: Administration of the 4th Year Clinical Experience, Perspectives on Administration and Supervision 2010;20 76-81.

Molly Pope, CCC-A, FAAA—presented at the National Early Hearing Detection and Intervention conference on March 2 in Chicago. Her talk was titled “Promoting the Genetic Referral through the EHDI Process.”

Thank you!

Our departmental newsletter is published four times each year—March, June, September and December. It is intended to keep us all informed of the many things going on in our department. Please let me know of upcoming dates, publications, reminders, new research, improvements, etc. Many thanks to everyone who submitted information for this edition of ENT news!!! Our next newsletter will be published sometime in late September so be sure to keep me up to date. Send your contributions to Jane Adamson, RR 132 or email jaadamso@iupui.edu.

Jane Adamson & Mark Royer — out of 3,000 + participants in this year’s N.I.T.E. Ride somehow I found someone I knew!!!
Anderson de Moreno LC, Matt BH. The incidence of aspiration following supraglottoplasty following laryngomalacia. Poster presentation at COSM.


Bryan McRae, MD was an Indiana State Medical Association delegate at the AMA Resident & Fellow Section’s Annual Assembly meeting on June 12, 2010 in Chicago.

Fritsch MH, Chacko CE, Patterson EB. Operating Room Sound Level Hazards for Patients and Physicians Otology-Neurotology.


Harris MS, Moore MG. Seronegative Wegener granulomatosis. Otolaryngology—Head & Neck Surgery. 2010 Jan;142(1):142-143.


Harris MS, Moore LT, Pritz MB, Summerlin DJ, Moore MG. Skull base osteoradionecrosis following radiotherapy for acromegaly. Poster presentation at the 113th Annual Triological Society Meeting at the Combined Sections meeting (COSM), April 2010, Las Vegas, NV.

Harris MS, Moore LT, Summerlin DJ, Pritz MB Moore MG. Skull base osteoradionecrosis following radiotherapy for acromegaly. Laryngoscope, submitted.

Kelly Hiatt, MD received the Thomas McCaskey Award from the Indiana Chapter of the American College of Surgeons on April 30, 2010.


Michael Fritsch, MD is a recipient of the American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery 2010 Honor Award.

Peterson NR, Pisoni DB, Miyamoto RT. Cochlear implants and spoken language processing abilities: Review and assessment of the literature. Restorative Neurology and Neuroscience.

Royer MC. “Barefoot Doctors-training Myanmar villagers to provide medical care.” Operating Room Staff Grand Rounds, Riley Children’s Hospital, April 7, 2010.

Royer MC. “Sculpting resection of Rhinophyma using the shaw scalpel”. Presented at the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery annual meeting in San Diego, October 1, 2009. Published in the Archives of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery with Kokoska MS.


Schilt PN. “An Experimental Model to Evaluate Tracheal Anastomosis Strength” Triological Meeting, 2nd place award.


Schilt PN, Jacob S, Matt BH. “Factors Predicting Post-operative respiratory Distress in Infants Undergoing Adenotonsillectomy for Obstructive Sleep Apnea.” Presented at COSM.


Yancey A, Harris MS, Egbelakin A, Gilbert J, Pisoni DB, Renbarger J. Gender is a predictor of cisplatin ototoxicity. Poster presentation at the American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology (ASPHO) Annual Meeting, April 2010, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.