New York’s finest
Neurosurgeon, alumnus plies his art at Weill Cornell
Dr. John Raymond named President and CEO of The Medical College of Wisconsin

John R. Raymond, MD, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost of the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC), has been named President and CEO of The Medical College of Wisconsin. Linda T. Mellowes, Chairman of the Medical College’s Board of Trustees, announced that Dr. Raymond will assume office as the Medical College’s sixth president on July 1.

Dr. Raymond was selected by the Medical College’s Trustees to succeed T. Michael Bolger, JD, who will retire on June 30 after serving 20 years as president and CEO. Bolger will assume the title and office of president emeritus.

“The possibilities and potential for The Medical College of Wisconsin are without bounds,” said Mellowes. “John Raymond is an energetic and exceptional leader who will inspire collaboration and build on the Medical College’s record of accomplishments.”

In accepting the Trustees’ offer to become President and CEO, Dr. Raymond said, “The Medical College of Wisconsin has dynamism, and I welcome the tremendous opportunity to lead an outstanding clinical, research and educational enterprise that is growing rapidly in scope, stature and prominence.”

Dr. Raymond has served since 2003 as Chief Academic and Research Officer for the public, freestanding medical university in South Carolina. MUSC is an academic medical center comprised of six health sciences colleges and a university-owned hospital and medical practice with an annual budget exceeding $2 billion. The university conducts more than $200 million in funded research.

“Complex institutions like The Medical College of Wisconsin require a visionary leader with extensive knowledge of academic medicine and research,” said Steven J. Smith, immediate Past Chairman of the Medical College’s Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee. “John Raymond has the wisdom, passion, and determination to help the Medical College achieve its next level of greatness.” Smith is Chairman, CEO and President of Journal Communications, Inc.

A practicing nephrologist who plays active roles in clinical care, teaching, and faculty mentorship, Dr. Raymond is also a medical researcher studying the basic mechanisms of kidney cell function. He has published over 100 full-length manuscripts and has received more than $38 million in competitive extramural funding.

He is the recipient of 2009 Marcy Speer Outstanding Reviewer Award from the National Institutes of Health’s (NIH) Center for Scientific Review, the highest honor for extraordinary commitment to peer review of NIH grant applications. Annually, approximately 16,000 reviewers assist the NIH with scientific evaluations of research grant applications as the NIH invests more than $20 billion in the most promising research grants, paving the path to biomedical breakthroughs that improve public health and save lives.

Dr. Raymond joined the MUSC faculty in 1996 as the Dialysis Clinics Incorporated (DCI) Professor of Medicine. He served as Associate Chief of Staff for Research at the Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center in Charleston, S.C., from 1998 to 2002. Dr. Raymond was MUSC’s Associate Provost for Research from 2001-2006, and was Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost for six months before being named to the position in 2003.

He received his undergraduate and medical degrees with honors from The Ohio State University, and performed his internship, residency, chief residency and nephrology fellowship training at Duke University Medical Center. After completing his training, he joined Duke’s faculty where he rose through the ranks to attain tenure.

Dr. Raymond serves on the editorial boards of the American Journal of Physiology – Renal Physiology, and Assay Drug Development Technology. He was selected for membership in both the Association of American Physicians and the American Society for Clinical Investigation. Among Dr. Raymond’s many honors are awards for excellence in leadership, research, teaching and clinical care from the Ohio Commission on Aging, Duke University Medical School, the American Federation for Clinical Research, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.
A M O M E N T ’ S  N O T I C E
Providing a brief look inside this issue of Alumni News

No place like home
Now that technology has caught up to the concept, the patient-centered medical home is gaining momentum as an innovative approach that could help reform the health care system while improving quality of care for patients. By coordinating and integrating all aspects of a patient’s care and improving accessibility while compensating physicians for value added, the medical home concept could benefit doctors and patients. The Medical College's Department of Family and Community Medicine is on the leading-edge of the concept, and is in the review process for certification of its residency sites as patient-centered medical homes.

Classes represented in this story: ’81, ’91, ’92, ’94

Anatomy of an alumnus
Impressive are the bodies of work of this year's three alumni award recipients. Lt. Gen. C. Bruce Green was named Alumnus of the Year for his military service, including his current role as Air Force Surgeon General. Dr. Thomas Chisholm received the Humanitarian Award for his dedication to the underserved domestically and internationally. Dr. Jane Neumann received the Distinguished Service Award for her years of service to the Alumni Association.

Classes represented in this story: ’59, ’70, ’78

One presidency to the next
As Dr. Steven Bergin’s term as President of the Wisconsin Medical Society ended, his term as the new President of the Medical College of Wisconsin/Marquette Medical Alumni Association began. Other new alumni officers and directors were also elected this spring.

Classes represented in this story: ’61, ’64, ’71, ’74, ’78, ’84, ’87

Radiologist sets up scholarship
On board a Naval vessel, Dr. Orlando L. Manfredi met his mentor, a man he is honoring with the establishment of a new endowed scholarship fund for medical student education. Dr. Manfredi built a significant radiology practice on Staten Island prior to his recent retirement.

Classes represented in this story: ’52

Alumni Weekend brought many old friends together April 30-May 1, including (L-R) Dr. Kary Aytes, Dr. Thomas deHoop, and Dr. Patrick Sullivan, who celebrated 20 years in medicine with other members of the Class of 1990. For other snapshots from Alumni Weekend, see page 15.

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Philip Stieg, MD ’83, PhD (right), and his surgical colleagues at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, perform a delicate surgery. Read about Dr. Stieg’s work as an academic neurosurgeon at Weill Cornell Medical College on page 21.
Top 2010 faculty honors go to three alumni

All three recipients of The Medical College of Wisconsin’s Distinguished Service Awards this year are alumni. The award is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a Medical College faculty member. The 2010 recipients are:

Tom P. Aufderheide, MD, GME ’86, is Professor of Emergency Medicine and Associate Chair of Research Affairs for Emergency Medicine at the Medical College. A valued faculty member for 24 years, he also co-directs the Clinical and Translational Science Institute’s Adult Translational Research Unit.

A senior attending physician at Froedtert Hospital, Dr. Aufderheide’s scholarly accomplishments have advanced how pre-hospital care is performed in the community. He is an internationally recognized researcher in emergency cardiac care and resuscitation whose studies have changed CPR guidelines and practice internationally. He has been instrumental in the creation of CPR coursework for the American Heart Association. He is lead investigator for three National Institutes of Health-funded, national multi-center clinical trials evaluating interventions and outcomes.

Roger W. Byhardt, MD ’68, is Professor of Radiation Oncology at the Medical College and has been on the faculty since 1975. He was Chief of Radiation Oncology at Zablocki VA Medical Center for 34 years, and for the past four years, the Radiation Oncology Medical Director at St. Catherine’s Hospital in Kenosha. Currently, Dr. Byhardt is the Radiation Oncology Medical Director at the Alyce and Elmore Kraemer Cancer Center at St. Joseph’s Hospital in West Bend.

Dr. Byhardt is an expert in lung cancer treatment whose leadership helped shaped the direction of clinical lung cancer research in this country. He has worked tirelessly to apply new technology and interdisciplinary methodology to set a high standard of cancer care for VA patients.

Marlene D. Melzer-Lange, MD ’75, GME ’78, is Professor of Pediatric Emergency Medicine at the Medical College, where she has been a faculty member for more than 30 years. She serves as Medical Director of the Emergency Department and Trauma Center and President of the Medical Dental Staff at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin.

An advocate for women and youth violence prevention, Dr. Melzer-Lange led the 1995 development of Project Ujima, a support program for victims of youth violence. In 2001, she became its Medical Director. Her community leadership has improved health care for the underserved. Her work has advanced medical education and training at the College, where she has also served as Director of Resident and Student Education for Pediatric Emergency Medicine since 1988.

Graduate School Dean

Ravi P. Misra, PhD, Professor of Biochemistry, has been named Dean of the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences after an extensive national search.

Since joining the Medical College faculty in 1993, Dr. Misra has been significantly involved in nearly all aspects of graduate education at the College, as well having significant participation in medical education. He is currently Chairman of the Interdisciplinary Program in Biomedical Sciences Graduate Program Curriculum Committee.

He has served as a mentor or dissertation committee member for approximately 50 doctoral candidates, postdoctoral fellows and medical students conducting summer research. He also serves as Chairman of the College’s Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and as a steering committee member for the College’s program in regenerative medicine.

As a scientist, Dr. Misra conducts research that revolves around understanding the molecular and genetic mechanisms involved in cardiac function and heart formation, focusing on the molecular genetic basis for the development of the coronary vascular system.

He has served as a Charter member of the National Institutes of Health Cardiovascular Differentiation and Development Study Section, a reviewer for numerous scientific journals, and as an ongoing ad hoc member of various other national and international scientific review panels, including the American Foundation for Aging Research and the Wellcome Trust.

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For more information about 2010 commencement and teaching awards, visit mcw.edu/commencement2010.

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LEADERSHIP UPDATE

Senior Associate Deans

Effective Sept. 1, Ming You, MD, PhD, will become Director of The Medical College of Wisconsin Cancer Center; Professor of Pharmacology and Toxicology; Senior Associate Dean for Cancer Research, Education and Clinical Care; and the Joseph F. Heil Professor in Molecular Oncogenesis.

Dr. You is an expert on the genetics and chemoprevention of lung cancer. He is currently the principal investigator or co-principal investigator for eight National Institutes of Health R01 grants and is a member of the Board of Scientific Counselors of the National Cancer Institute.

He joins the Medical College from Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, where he was the Mary Culver Distinguished Professor, Director of the Chemoprevention Program at The Alvin J. Siteman Cancer Center, and Professor of Surgery.

Karen J. Marcdante, MD ’80, GME ’83, has been appointed Senior Associate Dean for Education. She is Professor of Pediatric Critical Care at the Medical College and a staff physician at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. She joined the faculty in 1983.

Dr. Marcdante has a distinguished record of achievement in medical education leadership and will now be responsible for the full continuum of medical education at the College – medical student, graduate medical education and continuing medical education.

Most recently, Dr. Marcdante has served as Vice Chair of Education in the Department of Pediatrics, Chair of the Dean’s Education Innovation Advisory Committee and Special Assistant to the Dean for Strategic Planning for Medical Student Education.

Associate Deans

Syed Ahmed, MD, MPH, DrPH, has been appointed Associate Dean for Public and Community Health and Faculty Director for the College’s Healthier Wisconsin Partnership Program. He will continue as Professor of Family and Community Medicine and Director of the Center for Healthy Communities.

A faculty member since 2001, Dr. Ahmed has made internationally recognized contributions to the field of community health, community-academic partnerships and community-based participatory research. Under his leadership, the Center for Healthy communities has established numerous community-academic partnership programs related to cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer, substance abuse and mental health in Milwaukee and rural Wisconsin areas.

Stephen Hargarten, MD ’75, MPH, has been appointed Associate Dean for Global Health and will lead the Global Health Program, part of the College’s new Institute for Community, Population & Public Health. He will continue as Professor and Chair-

man of Emergency Medicine and Director of the Injury Research Center at The Medical College of Wisconsin.

A full-time faculty member since 1989, Dr. Hargarten conducts research at the intersection of injury prevention and health policy to address the burden of injuries. He has international health experience in patient care, research and administration. He has extensively investigated U.S. citizen deaths that occur abroad and is a leading expert in this area of global health.

Center Directors

The Founding Director of The Medical College of Wisconsin Neuroscience Research Center is Cecilia J. Hillard, PhD ’83. Dr. Hillard is Professor of Pharmacology and Toxicology, and she directs the neuroscience graduate training program. A faculty member since 1985, Dr. Hillard is an authority on the biochemistry, physiology and pharmacology of cannabinoids.

Arthur Derse, MD, GME ’83, JD, has been named Founding Director of The Medical College of Wisconsin Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities. He is Professor of Bioethics and of Emergency Medicine, having previously directed the College’s Medical Humanities program and been Associate Director of the Center for the Study of Bioethics. His areas of expertise include medical ethics, law, and ethics education.
No place like home

Personal. Integrated. High quality. Comprehensive. Convenient. Cost-effective. Most patients would use these words when describing their vision of ideal patient care. The field of medicine, however, is littered with obstacles to this archetype, from office organization to payment structure to time. Recently, however, an older idea is being revived with the advent of new technology and new motivation to reform health care delivery around a primary care model that works for patients and physicians.

It has been said that the patient-centered medical home is what patients think their doctor’s office has been doing all along – that they are guided throughout their life through all aspects of care, and that their doctors communicate with each other to coordinate care and monitor their status. Reality in a fee-for-service system, where primary care physicians are strapped for time, is that care is usually episodic. Unless a patient is in the office, they are seldom on the radar.

This dilemma was observed at least as early as 1967, when pediatrics leadership coined the term “patient-centered medical home.” The concept could not take flight as the resources necessary were not yet developed. The birth and subsequent growth and implementation of the electronic medical record (EMR) and other communications technologies has more recently created an environment conducive to the adoption of the medical home model, said James G. Slawson, MD, GME ’91, Assistant Professor and Director of Clinical Activities in Family and Community Medicine at The Medical College of Wisconsin. As a result, the approach is viewed by many as a solution to some of the issues of access, continuity of care, chronic care management, cost, and patient and physician satisfaction present in the current health care system.

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Read about the potential impact having a patient-centered medical home could have on The Medical College of Wisconsin’s Family and Community Medicine residency program at mcw.edu/pcmh.
“In this country, we have expensive health care, inequitable distribution of that health care and a looming shortage of primary care providers, which is just going to make it worse,” said Rodney A. Erickson, MD ’81, a family practitioner in Tomah, Wis., and a Director of the Wisconsin Academy of Family Physicians, which is advocating for the large-scale realization of the medical home concept. ‘The public is saying ‘we want higher quality health care at a lower cost,’ and we see the patient-centered medical home as a vehicle to provide that.”

At its heart, a patient-centered medical home is an approach in which care is coordinated by the primary care physician throughout the patient’s life, where all parties are working and communicating in sync, where patients have convenient access to care, and where evidence informs decision-making.

In 2007, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Physicians and the American Osteopathic Association arrived at a consensus definition and endorsement of the patient-centered medical home. Their Joint Principles describe the characteristics required for the approach to work and serve as the guidelines used by such agencies as the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) to establish benchmarks and certification for medical home implementation.

The three residency sites overseen by the Medical College’s Department of Family and Community Medicine are deeply engaged in the practice principles essential to the patient-centered medical home and requisite for NCQA certification. The NCQA is currently reviewing the applications for level III (top) medical home certification for the St. Joseph and the Columbia St. Mary’s family medicine residency sites. The application for the Waukesha site will be submitted shortly.

The opportunity to seek level III certification is the result of ongoing advances in the practices that are consistent with medical home ideals. One of the department’s earliest initiatives engaged its EMR in an outcomes study that addressed immunization rates.

When the project began in 2004, the state of Wisconsin set a goal for 80 percent of children to be fully immunized by the age of 2. Dr. Slawson’s clinic used its EMR to define a complete population of 2-year-old children and their vaccination status. Their rates were about 45 percent, typical for a Milwaukee County practice. Instead of waiting for patients to come in for a well-child visit, the team assigned a nurse to the project who checked the immunization status of any child in the age range entering the clinic for any reason and followed up with appropriate vaccinations. They also created a registry of children who were not up to date and had nurses call parents to set up immunization appointments; sometimes a community nurse even made home visits.

“This initiative has given us rates over 90 percent,” Dr. Slawson said. “Three times we have been recognized by the American Academy of Family Physicians. It’s not necessarily for our high rates – it’s for how we changed and implemented this project. It’s an example of using the EMR to create a registry, then readjusting your office practice with the patient at the center.”

Just as technology has helped drive the patient-centered medical home, so has a renewed emphasis on the importance of primary care. Dr. Slawson observes how preventive services can fall through the cracks when patients manage their own care and visit specialists without a central physician providing coordination and communication. It also can result in duplication of services, labs or medications, which is not optimal for the patient.

A patient-centered medical home also places a premium on availability, so the offices are usu-
ally structured to include after-hours and weekend scheduling as well as maintaining a percentage of open spots to allow for same-day visits. This helps reduce the number of patients visiting emergency departments and urgent care clinics for non-emergencies and allows patients to see their home doctor.

“It’s called patient-centered because you’re looking at how you practice medicine from the patient’s perspective,” Dr. Slawson said. “Traditionally, it has been from the provider’s perspective to maximize the efficiency of the doctor. Here, you’re really trying to maximize meeting the needs of the patient.”

The policy and procedural changes required for a functional patient-centered medical home permeate the entire practice. Duties change, tasks are added and accountability increased in a monumental restructuring of practice operations and philosophy. But these are all value-added investments, advocates agree.

Dr. Erickson said the Wisconsin Academy of Family Physicians has endorsed the medical home approach because of the merit it has for patients and the value it holds for physicians.

“First, if we can implement it fully as we see it, I think it will allow us to provide the care that we have long sought to provide people,” he said. “Professionally, we’ll be able to fulfill our mission the way we’ve hoped. Second, a component of the patient-centered medical home provides reimbursement for care management, not just fee for service. There has to be change in how we are reimbursed to make it work in the long run.”

Providing proper payment to physicians who are performing additional services like answering e-mail, talking to specialists or scheduling fewer appointments, is a challenge in the medical home approach that is beginning to be met creatively. Kenneth J. Phenow, MD ’92, MPH, is Senior Medical Director for CIGNA HealthCare of Texas and Oklahoma. CIGNA currently has the first commercial payer-sponsored medical home in Texas, consisting of a group of 45 practices in north Texas. They have an interoperable EMR and 20 clinical protocols around chronic diseases.

CIGNA funded upfront the hiring of a care coordinator for the group and provides the offices with predictive models, gaps in care data, specialist quality and efficiency evaluations and other data to guide care. At the end of this two-year pilot program, the level of medical cost improvement will fund a shared savings bonus pool that will be distributed to the client and to the group based on meeting certain quality indicators. In this model, patient and physician satisfaction would improve, medical costs would be reduced, and physicians could earn compensation for their effort, Dr. Phenow said.

“Primary care physicians provide much more cost-effective quality care over a person’s lifetime,” he said. “We also feel it’s good to get the best value we can for the health care dollar. We see this medical home approach can really do this, and that’s our responsibility to our clients – employers who purchase health coverage for their employees and are the ultimate payers of health care costs.”

In other parts of the country, pilot patient-centered medical homes have already shown results. The Geissinger Clinic’s medical home in Pennsylvania, for example, saw a 14 percent reduction in hospital admissions overall, an 18.5 percent reduction in hospital readmissions and a 9 percent total medical costs savings over 24 months, equaling nearly $4 million after infrastructure investment. The Group Health Cooperative of Puget Sound in Washington piloted a medical home that was budget neutral after investment and experienced a 29 percent reduction in emergency visits and an 11 percent reduction in hospital admissions.

With health care costs growing at an unsustainable rate of about 8 percent per year, the value realized by the patient-centered medical home is particularly poignant, and underscores why national payers like CIGNA are interested in partnering with providers for a remedy.

“Patient-centered medical home is not the panacea, but it’s a solution,” Dr. Phenow said. “The bottom line is we’re going to get higher quality, lower cost, with increased patient satisfaction. The medical home is not a place – it’s an approach to improve care. It will take care of so many problems in the current system: fragmentation, lack of coordination, quality and affordability and really improve the patient experience.”

As an OB/GYN in the Affinity Medical Home in Kaukauna, Wis., Andrew Weiss, MD ’94, can attest to how the approach can directly benefit patients. A patient he knew with chronic back pain, and more recent pelvic pain, was evaluated and referred to spine specialists who did not find a specific cause. Subsequently, she saw a physical therapist on the medical home team who asked further questions about her symptoms, then consulted Dr. Weiss about a possible connection. He spoke with the woman’s primary doctor, who was able to see her that day, and identified pelvic prolapse as the primary cause of her worsening low back pain and planned management accordingly. The collaboration was timely and the continuity seamless, he said.

“The medical home model is most notable for the culture of proactivity,” Dr. Weiss said. “When we practice being a team, focused on patients during all steps from access to the visit to follow up, we become more confident of the process, with no time wasted wondering whether the system will do its job.”

Patients notice the continuity when they schedule appointments or share their history with the nurse, he said, and they report being more satisfied with the team as a whole, rather than perceiving gatekeepers or redundant steps.

“The medical home is absolutely a good answer to most of the problems with access, cost and error reduction, and continuity of care,” Dr. Weiss said. “Its implementation simply requires an attitude of cooperation and service and puts leadership where it belongs.”
Anatomy of an Alumnus

Examining the bodies of work of the Medical College’s 2010 alumni honorees.

Alumnus of the Year
Lt. Gen. C. Bruce Green, MD ’78, MPH

Humanitarian Award
Thomas Chisholm, MD ’59

Distinguished Service Award
Jane L. Neumann, MD ’70, GME ’73, Fel ’75
Alumnus of the Year

Voice of reason: “I have pursued my military career tirelessly and believe I have made a difference for our Wounded Warriors. I have been true to our professional ethic and always thought only those pursuing excellence in academic medicine could be Alumnus of the Year. My pursuits have been in the application of our art, and I am humbled and incredibly proud to be named.”

Task at hand: Dr. Green is Surgeon General of the U.S. Air Force. He oversees a budget in excess of $6 billion and a service of about 42,000 officers, enlisted and civilian personnel in a worldwide system of health care that operates 75 military treatment facilities, including 16 hospitals and medical centers. The Air Force Medical Service delivers medical care for more than 2.6 million people, including active duty, family members and retirees. He previously served as USAF Deputy Surgeon General. He also has served as commander of three Air Force hospitals and Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland AFB, Texas.

Legwork: Medical training
- Family Medicine residency, Eglin Regional Hospital, Eglin AFB, Fla., 1981;
- Master’s in Public Health, Harvard University, 1988;

Heart of the matter: Dr. Green is an expert in disaster relief operations. He led rescue efforts in the Philippines following the 1990 Mindanao City earthquake. He planned joint medical responses for operations Desert Thunder and Desert Fox. Highly involved in aeromedical evacuation, Dr. Green played a key role in the evolution of the Air Force’s first transportable hospital and the Air Force’s first transportable trauma center.

Gut feeling: “My early work with flyers and their families inspired me to fully adopt Air Force values of integrity, service before self, and excellence in all we do. I found myself always looking for a better way to accomplish the mission. Today, Air Force Expeditionary Medical Systems have successfully responded, just the last year, to earthquakes in Indonesia, Haiti, and Chile. Air Evacuation has now moved over 70,000 casualties with only four losses in nine years from Afghanistan and Iraq. I am blessed that the Air Force has seen fit to promote me and let me continue to build my skills and expertise.”

Feet on the ground:
Home — Washington, D.C.
Family — wife, Becca; daughters Kelly, Kristen, Rachel, and Jordan Claire
Hobbies — biking, computing, motorhome travel

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Read expanded commentary at mcm.edu/AOY2010 or read our archived 2009 feature article on Dr. Green at mcm.edu/green2010.
Humanitarian Award

Voice of reason: “Few have the pleasure and honor of accepting a humanitarian award from one of our peers, still upright, alive and healthy, joining an illustrious group of Humanitarian Award recipients. This profound meaning and ensures an even greater appreciation for my alma mater, just as or even more important, it is a distinction many more qualified than I should receive—many I know personally—some serving even now at home and abroad.”

Task at hand: A general practitioner, Dr. Chisholm sees uninsured patients at the Open Door Clinic in Chippewa Falls, Wis. He also helps determine claimants’ disability levels for the Minnesota Office of Economic Security. He was a U.S. Army medic for four years prior to medical school. He had a rural practice in Arcadia, Minn., for seven years before returning to the military. His 45-year active and reserve Army career included caring for casualties after the terrorist bombing of the Marine barracks in Beirut while Chief of Surgery at Landstuhl Medical Center. He retired as a colonel in 1993. Dr. Chisholm also practiced trauma and vascular surgery for eight years in northern Minnesota.

Legwork: Medical training
- Internship, Georgetown University Hospital, 1960;
- General Practice residency, St. Joseph Hospital (now Genesys Regional Medical Center), Flint, Mich., 1963;
- General Surgery training, Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas.

Heart of the matter: For the last four years, Dr. Chisholm has overseen the establishment and operation of the Open Door Clinic, a free clinic in his hometown of Chippewa Falls, Wis. For 10 years, he served in several free clinics run by the Sisters of St. Joseph in the Twin Cities. He was a full-time doctor at the Santee Sioux Reservation Tribal Clinic in Flandreau, S.D., for over three years. Since 2000, he has travelled annually to Jalapa, Nicaragua, for medical missions. He also remains a Hospice volunteer in Chippewa Falls.

Gut feeling: “I may have a congenital propensity for the less fortunate. I was born into a happy family, the fifth of six children, son of a dentist and musician mother. I was very aware of the poverty during the Depression and the families needing food provided by others and free dental care provided by my dad. As the years passed, I realized the need to help those less protected, less gifted, less educated than myself. Helping others was what I was trained to do, and finally, it is our duty beyond searching for the cause of disease.”


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Read expanded commentary about Dr. Chisholm’s humanitarian efforts at mcm.edu/humanitarian2010.
Jane L. Neumann, MD ’70, GME ’73, Fel ’75, receives the 2010 alumni Distinguished Service Award for her leadership on the Alumni Association Board and as a representative of her graduating class.

**Voice of reason:** “My first reaction was I was a little embarrassed to receive the award. I certainly didn’t expect it. I’m very honored and very flattered by it.”

**Task at hand:** Since August 1975, Dr. Neumann has been a pulmonologist in Waukesha County with a private practice based in Waukesha Memorial and Oconomowoc hospitals. In addition, she is Medical Director for Respiratory Therapy at Waukesha Memorial and Medical Director for Clinical Informatics at ProHealth Care. Dr. Neumann’s clinical focus is on chronic diseases, such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. She is former president of Metastar, a Madison-based, non-profit, health care quality improvement organization, and served on its board for 20 years.

**Heart of the matter:** Dr. Neumann served on the Medical College of Wisconsin/Marquette Medical Alumni Association Board for six years, from 1998 through 2003. She was elected President of the Association for the 2002-03 term. She has chaired the Class of 1970 reunion committee each reunion year since graduation (though she admits she “allowed” someone to co-chair with her this year).

**Gut feeling:** “I owe everything I am today to having been an alumnus of this school. Without going to medical school, I don’t think I’d be where I am today. It’s certainly been a great life for me. I’ve watched the Medical College grow over the years, and it has been special to be a part of that.”

**Legwork:** Medical training
- Rotating internship followed by internal medicine residency at Milwaukee County General Hospital, 1973;
- Fellowship in pulmonary medicine (then called “medical chest”) also at Milwaukee County General Hospital, 1975.

**Feet on the ground:**
- Home — Waukesha, Wis.
- Family — son, Brad; daughter, Valerie Bonne, MD, Fel ’07; three grandchildren
- Hobbies — lake living, church
As he transitions from one presidency to the next, Steven C. Bergin, MD ’74, GME ’78, is determined to continue his advocacy for an improved health care system in the U.S. This spring, Dr. Bergin was elected President of the Medical College of Wisconsin/Marquette Medical Alumni Association, just as he was completing his term as the 155th President of the Wisconsin Medical Society.

While leading the state society, Dr. Bergin’s presidential theme focused on improving health care quality, controlling costs and increasing access to health care. The health care bill passed by Congress in March leaves him cautiously optimistic that meaningful change will occur, but this is only the beginning of the journey to effective reform, he said.

“Now that health care reform legislation has become the law of the land, we must recognize that it is only the framework for change,” Dr. Bergin said. “The real reform will evolve from the administrative rules and regulations that have yet to be written. Physicians cannot become complacent during the discussions that will ensue and must maintain political activism.”

Serving as Alumni Association President will give Dr. Bergin ample opportunity to engage in thoughtful discussion on this topic with classmates and other Medical College graduates in and out of Wisconsin. Through this role he can encourage physician participation in shaping the future of health care. He will also use the platform to promote his top priority among alumni – reducing medical students’ financial burden.

“Medical education is costly for medical schools and the students in training,” he said. “With the current economic conditions, it is imperative that Medical College alumni support their alma mater vocally and financially. Scholarship support is essential to recruit the best candidates. With the visionary leadership our administration has shown, this is the least we as proud MCW graduates can do.”

Buoyed by his relationships with patients, the variety of his work and the enduring miracle of life, Dr. Bergin has enjoyed 31 years of obstetrics and gynecology practice in the Stevens Point area. He currently sees patients at the Aspirus Weston Clinic and the Aspirus Wausau Hospital. He was a clinical instructor with the Medical College at Milwaukee County General Hospital before relocating to Stevens Point.

“I feel very fortunate to have been trained at The Medical College of Wisconsin,” Dr. Bergin said. “When I left, I felt I was more than prepared to meet the challenges of medicine as they existed at the time. I’m extremely proud of the way the school, under excellent leadership, has advanced, becoming one of the premier medical schools in the nation.”

Dr. Bergin has been dedicated to his craft through the years. He serves on the board of directors for the Wisconsin Medical Society Foundation as well as for MetaStar, a health care quality improvement organization. He is an officer of the Portage County Medical Society and a member of the American Medical Association. In the community, he is a Past President of the Central Wisconsin Symphony and Monteverdi Master Chorale.

For recreation, Dr. Bergin collects post-war Lionel trains and enjoys gardening, fishing and hiking. He and his wife of 38 years, Susan, have three adult children – two sons and a daughter, Ashlee, who just completed her OB/GYN residency in June.
To gether again in 2010

Classmates and friends were reunited April 30-May 1, as Medical College of Wisconsin graduates flocked to Milwaukee for the 2010 Alumni Weekend celebration. The classes of 1955, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995 and 2000 enjoyed reunion activities throughout the weekend, while the signature banquet on Friday evening was the backdrop for the annual Alumni Association awards (see pages 9-12). Photos from the event fill the next several pages.

Ginny Bolger named Honorary Alumna

As the first lady of The Medical College of Wisconsin for 20 years, Ginny Bolger has met and befriended a great number of alumni. Now she can consider herself among them, as she has been named an Honorary Alumna of the Medical College.

With her husband, College President and CEO T. Michael Bolger, JD, Mrs. Bolger has traveled around the country for alumni dinners, the annual clinical conference and myriad fund-raising events. Like her husband, she has a long history of involvement with the College. When she was President of the Friends of The Medical College of Wisconsin, the organization raised the largest amount from a single event in its history, $113,000, used to build the endowment that now focuses on medical and graduate student scholarships.

Mrs. Bolger is also a founding member of the College’s Women in Science advocates and serves on the Cancer Center Advisory Board. She previously was on the Wisconsin Breast Cancer Showhouse Board.

She is also very active in the community, particularly around environmental issues. She serves on the City of Mequon Park Board, the Mequon Preservation of Rural Open Space Commission, and is Trustee Emeritus of both the Ozaukee Washington Land Trust and The Nature Conservancy. Past activities include Riveredge Nature Center Teacher Naturalist, Chairman and board member; The Nature Conservancy board member; and charter member of the Ozaukee Land Trust (President and Vice President).

Mrs. Bolger graduated from University of Florida and taught junior high school English in Ft. Lauderdale.

She and Mr. Bolger have two children and three grandchildren.

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1) Rosellen Condon; Richard Barthel, MD ’70; Diana Barthel; Patricia Frommell.
2) Richard Mabie, MD ’55; Newton Scherl, MD ’55.
3) Cynthia Salazar, MD ’00; Aleksandyr Lavery, MD ’00.
4) Stephen Hargarten, MD ’75, MPH; Maria Bustillo, MD ’75; Lawrence Routenberg, MD ’75; Douglas Lobberg, MD ’75; Philip Girard, MD ’75; Gregory Kuhr, MD ’75.
5) Gail Marchbein; Harvey Marchbein, MD ’75; Russel Gonnering, MD ’75, GME ’80; Sandy Gonnering.
6) Jon Resar, MD ’85; Jill Marten, MD ’86; Kathleen Baugrud, MD ’85, GME ’88.
7) Paul Trebian; Elizabeth Gore, MD ’90; Kathleen Trebian, MD ’90.
8) Dana (Welsh) Gray, MD ’00; Becky Massey, MD ’00; Jeremy Tompkins, MD ’00, GME ’04; Bonnie Spence.
Class reunion photos

1955

(Seated, L-R):
Sheldon Burchman,
Newton Scherl,
Daniel Burschinger,
Richard Mabie,
Samuel Skemp.
(Standing, L-R):
James Stabenau,
Raymond Zastrow,
Joan Barrett, Wayne
Hellman, Francis
Van Lieshout.

1965

(Seated, L-R):
Donald Shaw, Wess
Vogt, Michael Hart,
E. Jerry Schulte, A.
James Buttles.
(Standing, L-R):
Thomas Carter,
Thomas Imray,
Richard Molloy,
William Klein, Grace
Wolff, William David
Jones, Gene
Pawlowski, Peter
Jochimsen, Paul Carter.

1970

(Seated, L-R):
Herbert Zimmers,
Richard Barthel,
Jane Neumann,
Michael Conway,
Robert Nordland.
(Standing, L-R):
Peter Grey, Edmund
Donoghue, Arthur
Kaemmer, George
Frommell, Joseph
Petrusek, Lawrence
Condon, George
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In full graduation attire, the Class of 1960 celebrated 50 years in medicine by walking in The Medical College of Wisconsin’s commencement processional on May 21. The Golden Circle alumni were also given new Medical College diplomas to honor and commemorate their achievement. Throughout the weekend, the classmates were invited to take part in scheduled reunion activities as well as to catch up with old friends.
Class of 1952 radiologist funds endowed scholarship for Medical College students

Orlando L. Manfredi, MD ’52, was only 17 when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II. During two years aboard the USS Briareus, he met a physician whom he still credits as his mentor. More than 60 years later, Dr. Manfredi has created a scholarship fund to honor the man who introduced him to medicine and to help future doctors fulfill their ambitions.

The Dr. and Mrs. Orlando L. Manfredi Endowed Scholarship Fund was established at The Medical College of Wisconsin with philanthropic gifts honoring the late Charles F. Snopek, MD, who was senior medical officer on the Briareus. Dr. Manfredi said “he was a great teacher and a wonderful human being.”

Motivated by Dr. Snopek, Dr. Manfredi began his journey toward a career in radiology with undergraduate studies at Seton Hall University before graduating from Marquette University School of Medicine (the Medical College’s predecessor). His medical training led him back to his home state of New York where Dr. Manfredi established himself as a prominent clinical radiologist and educator.

Although he is now fully retired, Dr. Manfredi practiced for decades on Staten Island, N.Y. He was Chairman of Radiology at St. Vincent’s Medical Center from 1957-1999, and he founded and directed its radiology residency program from 1963-1999. For six years, he also directed the radiology residency program at U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, the birthplace of the National Institutes of Health. He taught at New York University School of Medicine – Bellevue Hospital, Wagner College and New York Medical College.

In 1989, Dr. Manfredi founded Regional Radiology, the first freestanding, outpatient imaging facility on Staten Island, which has since grown to include six locations.

“It was unique and still is,” Dr. Manfredi said. “I started this as a free-standing and therapeutic center. Because it was free-standing, patients didn’t have the hassle of going into the hospital setting and were able to go into a very attractive building with personnel at their fingertips who were very eager to take care of them.”

After retiring from practice, Dr. Manfredi served for several years as Deputy Director of Technology Transfer for New York State Institute for Basic Research where his work focused on autism. Throughout his career he had pursued research related to radiation oncology and nuclear medicine.

A Zeit Fellow, Dr. Manfredi knew that he wanted to support the Medical College and found that student financial assistance was a good fit for his interests. He used the transfer of stock totaling over $25,000 in value to fund the scholarship endowment.

“I thought a gift was overdue in the first place, and this is a good start. I wish I had done this sooner so I could see the students who benefit grow in their careers,” he said. “I had those stock certificates on the side and thought this would be an easy way to start the scholarship, simply by relinquishing them to the Medical College.”

With the average indebtedness of the 2010 graduating class exceeding $153,000, scholarships are an important but underfunded resource for medical students. Tuition for the 2010-2011 academic term at the Medical College is $41,311, but the average amount of institutional aid scholarship dollars received per student is $6,252.

“All the way through our medical students to focus on acquiring knowledge and experience on their path to becoming strong doctors, not on finances,” said Kenneth B. Simons, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. “Scholarships ease worry about as well as actual debt, providing a dual service.”

Only 26 percent of Medical College students receive some level of institutional scholarship. Even fewer, 11 percent, receive private scholarships.

“The Manfredis are doing a great service to our current and future students by setting up this scholarship fund, which honors two dedicated doctors in Dr. Manfredi and Dr. Snopek,” said T. Michael Bolger, JD, College President and CEO. “Making medical education affordable is key to ensuring that no one with the will and talent to be a quality physician is denied the opportunity because of cost.”

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See a photo of the ship on which Dr. Manfredi served in the Navy, the USS Briareus, at mcw.edu/manfredi.
Philip E. Stieg, MD ’83, PhD, is an accomplished surgeon, educator, administrator, media commentator and radio host, but things may have turned out differently had he been a better tennis player.

“I’ve always enjoyed the game,” he said, “but wasn’t good enough to make it a career or I probably would have.”

Instead, he became a neurosurgeon with expertise in cerebral vascular and skull base tumor surgery and in the last 10 years, has built a leading neurosurgery department in New York City. As Professor and Chairman of Neurological Surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College and Neurosurgeon-in-Chief at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Dr. Stieg oversees faculty neurosurgeons and neuroscientists gaining acclaim for innovations such as gene therapy for Parkinson’s disease and a groundbreaking Avastin clinical trial for glioma patients.

Currently, he is developing plans for the Weill Cornell Brain and Spine Center, New York City’s first “hospital within a hospital,” in which teams of neurosurgeons, neurologists, medical staff and neuroscientists will provide a new model of integrative care to improve patient experience and outcomes. The center will officially launch in fall 2011, but patients are already benefitting from the new approach, Dr. Stieg said.

“I love taking care of patients,” he said. “There’s no greater feeling that I have than when a patient wakes up from a surgical procedure that I’ve performed, and they smile, and they realize that they’re alive and all their neurological function is stable.”

Dr. Stieg grew up in Milwaukee and remembers watching Ben Casey, a drama featuring a neurosurgeon on the ABC network in the early sixties. “That show didn’t make me want to be a surgeon,” he said, laughing, “but one thing I’d say about it is we do a lot better than Ben Casey did!”

With a PhD in Anatomy and Neuroscience from the Albany Medical College of Union University and an MD from the Medical College, he completed his residency at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School.

In 1989, he was appointed Instructor in the Department of Surgery at Harvard Medical School and became Associate Chief of the Division of Neurosurgery at Brigham and Women’s Hospital, an Associate of the Department of Neurosurgery at The Children’s Hospital of Boston and Clinical Associate in Neurosurgery at Massachusetts General Hospital.

“Harvard was an excellent place to begin my career,” he said. “Everyone was bright and hard-working, and I thoroughly enjoyed it.”

He assumed his current duties in 2000 and lives in Manhattan. Throughout his career, he has concentrated on research in the areas of cerebral protection and restorative function. He has authored or co-authored more than 100 published works and has had editorial responsibilities with journals such as Neurosurgery and The New England Journal of Medicine.

He has built a team of neuroscientists at Weill Cornell who are pioneering innovative treatments for Parkinson’s disease, epilepsy and malignant brain tumors. As a professor in Cornell’s Skull Base Laboratory, he works to improve techniques such as 3-D imaging that help facilitate endoscopic surgery.

He created, and for several years hosted, a public radio show called “How to Save Your Life,” interviewing a broad range of medical experts. He is a frequent guest and commentator on network news channels, including CNN and ABC.

Dr. Stieg has received numerous awards and honors, including citations in “Who’s Who in Health and Medical Services” and “The Best Doctors in Boston, New York and America.” New York magazine regularly names him one of the city’s “best doctors.” Additionally, his outreach efforts have taken Cornell’s neurological expertise to China, Qatar, Tanzania and other international locations.

Aside from his many professional accomplishments, Dr. Stieg said, “my greatest joy is spending time with my kids Nicholas, 18, and Claire, 17, and helping to nurture their development and interests.”
FICA refunds possible for some GME alumni

On March 2, 2010, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) made an administrative determination to accept the position that housestaff are exempt from FICA taxes based on the student exception for tax periods ending before April 1, 2005. On April 1, 2005, new regulations regarding the student FICA exception became effective. One part of these regulations states that an employee who works 40 hours or more for a school, college or university is not eligible for the student exception. The regulations specifically exclude medical residents from the student exception.

The issue of housestaff exemption from social security tax was first successfully litigated in the late 1990’s. The Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliated Hospitals (MCWAH) is pursuing FICA refunds for housestaff it employed from 1997 through March 31, 2005.

If you were not employed by MCWAH, contact your former training program or hospital to learn its plans for pursuing refunds. Refunds can be claimed only if they were filed within three years after the tax year.

In June 2010, the IRS will begin contacting hospitals, universities and medical residents who filed FICA refund claims. More information and claim procedures will be identified at that time. Refund claims are subject to the same requirements that apply to all FICA refund claims including verification by the IRS of the amount of the claim and payment of interest. With more than 300 hospitals and medical schools pursuing refunds for over 250,000 housestaff, it is likely that a lengthy claim process will be involved.

MCWAH will periodically update its website (www.mcw.edu/gme ). If you were employed by MCWAH between Jan. 1, 1997, and March 31, 2005, please e-mail your home address and e-mail address to mcwahfica@mcw.edu.

We anticipate that more than 2,000 former MCWAH housestaff may be eligible for a refund. At some point in the process, MCWAH employed housestaff will be sent a consent form that itemizes the potential refund and requires approval for MCWAH to pursue the employee portion of FICA refunds on their behalf.

See www.irs.gov/charities and click on Medical Resident FICA Refund Claims for questions and answers regarding the March 2, 2010, IRS determination.

Residents should consider the advantages and disadvantages of the issue and discuss it with their accountants before pursuing a FICA refund claim individually or allowing their training institution to pursue a FICA refund claim on their behalf.

Primary care residencies draw Medical College seniors

Graduating medical students at The Medical College of Wisconsin, and their peers nationwide, learned March 18 on “Match Day” where they will serve their residency training. Of the 193 graduating seniors at the Medical College, 179 students obtained first-year residency positions through the Match. Of the remaining 14 students, 11 obtained positions outside the Match and three students deferred their residency.

The most popular choices for Medical College graduates this year were largely in primary care fields, which attracted 34.2 percent of graduates. These included pediatrics (15 percent of the class); internal medicine (9.8 percent); and family medicine (7.3 percent). The next top four choices were emergency medicine (10.4 percent); surgery (8.8 percent); obstetrics & gynecology (8.3 percent); and anesthesiology (7.3 percent).

Of the remaining 20 percent, specialties included orthopaedic surgery, ophthalmology, radiation oncology, plastic surgery, pathology, radiology, neurology, neurosurgery, urology, physical medicine & rehabilitation, dermatology and otolaryngology. This year, 250 medical school graduates will also enter Medical College of Wisconsin Affiliated Hospitals residency programs this summer, making a total of 825 physicians in graduate medical education at the Medical College.

Foundation establishes spinal cord injury research laboratories

The Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation has donated $1 million to The Medical College of Wisconsin to support spinal cord injury research and establish The Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation Laboratories. Bryon Riesch was a 19-year-old Marquette University student in 1998 when a spinal cord injury paralyzed him from the chest down. He received treatment and continues to rehabilitate at Froedtert & The Medical College of Wisconsin Spinal Cord Injury Center.

Leaders of the Medical College’s spinal cord injury clinical care and research team include alumni Dennis J. Maiman, MD ’77, GME ’82, PhD, Professor and Chairman of Neurosurgery at the Medical College and Director of Clinical Neurosciences at Froedtert Hospital, and Shekar Kurpad, MD, GME ’01, PhD, Associate Professor of Neurosurgery at The Medical College of Wisconsin and Medical Director of the Spinal Cord Injury Center at Froedtert Hospital.
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1940s

Isabel Estrada, MD’42, and Sanbo Sakaguchi, MD’43, enjoy visiting with each other at a “mini-reunion” in the Los Angeles, Calif., area this spring.

1960s

Parnell Donahue, MD ’64, GME ’69, will release a book on July 12, 2010, titled Messengers in Denim, about parenting teenagers, based on his many years practicing pediatric and adolescent medicine. The book discusses drugs, sex, suicide, medical care, financial responsibility, self-image, religion, even the importance of being nice, while revealing how teens feel about these and other subjects and what teens perceive their parents feel about the same issues, through the use of true stories. Dr. Parnell resides in Brentwood, Tenn.

Roger H. Strube, MD ’68, began writing a book titled Creative Design for Health Care Reform in February. He retired in 2000 after being in family practice for 14 years and spending 15 years as a medical director for various managed care organizations. He expects to complete the book later this summer.

1970s

Michael E. Dillon, MD ’72, is the founder of Lobola Pharmaceuticals, a company that makes products for the health of horses. He has produced equine products for about 20 years.

Mahendr S. Kochar, MD, MS ’72, was awarded a Juris Doctor degree from Concord Law School of Kaplan University, the nation’s leading fully online law school, on Feb. 27, 2010. Dr. Kochar is Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education at the Medical College. He recently announced his retirement effective June 30, 2010, after 35 years at the College.

George Balfour, MD ’73, is the president of the California Society of Industrial Medicine and Surgery, and recently became a board member of the California Orthopedic Association. He is also a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery. He practices hand and orthopaedic surgery in Van Nuys, Calif.

William B. Campbell, PhD, Fel ’75, is the recipient of the 2010 Paul M. Vanhoutte Award in Vascular Pharmacology. He is a Chairman and Professor of Pharmacology and Toxicology at The Medical College of Wisconsin. He received the award in recognition of his substantial lifelong scientific achievements and commitment to the identification of local hormones that are produced in the wall of blood vessels and cause dilation of arteries, decrease inflammation, maintain blood flow and decrease blood pressure.

Stephen W. Hargarten, MD ’75, MPH, Chairman and Professor of Emergency Medicine at The Medical College of Wisconsin, has been appointed to the inaugural six-member board of directors of the Great Lakes Transportation Enterprise Institute. Dr. Hargarten is Director of the Injury Research Center at the Medical College, and is also Associate Dean for Global Health.

Harvey Marchbein, MD ’75, has been an OB/GYN in New York for 31 years. He has also been a certified mohel for the last seven years.

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Mark Hermans, MD ’84, GME ’87, in January was named Vice President of Medical Affairs for Appleton Medical Center and Theda Clark Medical Center in Neenah, Wis. He has been a physician in the Fox Cities since 1987, when he joined the Internal Medicine Associates of Neenah/Menasha. In 2002, he joined
ThedaCare’s hospitalist program, working with patients at both AMC and Theda Clark.

**Angela Nilius, PhD ’88,** received a Distinguished Alumna in Clinical Laboratory Science Award in April from Marquette University’s College of Health Sciences and Alumni Association. She is a global project team director for HIV pharmaceuticals for Abbott Laboratories in Illinois. She is a past research technologist at the Medical College of Wisconsin and a civilian scientist at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center near Chicago.

**1990s**

**Behrooz Kalantarian, MD ’90, GME ’00,** recently started his own practice in plastic and reconstructive surgery in Fountain Valley, Calif.

**Padma Doniparthi, MD ’92, GME ’97,** has been practicing interventional pain management for the last 12 years. She currently practices at Waakesa Memorial Hospital and Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital. She lives in Hartland, Wis., with her husband and three children.

**Gary R. Figge, MD ’92,** became president of the Arizona Medical Association in June 2010. He is practicing emergency medicine in Tucson, Ariz., and has been a member of the Arizona Medical Association since 1993.

**2000s**

**Mohini S. Rao, MD, GME ’01,** recently joined the medical staff of Marion General Hospital in Marion, Ohio. She is certified by the American Board of Anesthesiology and the National Board of Echocardiography in transesophageal echocardiography.

**Deidre L. Faust, MD ’01, GME ’04,** has recently joined the Mequon location of Madison Medical Affiliates as an Internal Medicine Physician. She and her husband Jerry have three young children.

**Matthew C. Carnahan, MD, GME ’02, MS,** recently became the Chair of Chiefs of Ophthalmology for The Permanente Medical Group (Kaiser Permanente). His practice is transitioning from Sacramento, Calif. to Santa Rosa, Calif., in July 2010. He has been the chief of eye services (ophthalmology, optometry and optical) for the Sacramento area since 2007. He is married with three children.

**Andre Krainik, MD ’02,** and his wife, Aimee, along with their son Liam, announce the birth of their daughter, Amelia Zuzu, born on Jan. 19, 2010. Dr. Krainik has been practicing as a pediatrician for ThedaCare Physicians in Appleton, Wis., since August 2005.

**Casey G. Batten, MD ’03,** was appointed as Head Team Physician at the University of California-Berkeley. After completing his residency in family medicine at the University of Tennessee, Dr. Batten completed a sports medicine fellowship at the University of California, Davis. He is now entering his fifth year of providing care to California athletes at the University of California-Berkeley. In addition to providing direct care to student-athletes and coordinating the work of all clinicians in the Cal Sports Medicine Program, Dr. Batten will work in collaboration with the school’s High Performance Initiative.

**James A. Foley, MD ’03, GME ’08,** joined Arrowhead Orthopedics in Redlands, Calif., in August 2009. His focus is on hand and upper extremity surgery. He has also joined the faculty at Loma Linda University Department of Orthopaedic Surgery as an associate professor. Dr. Foley completed the Mary S. Stern Hand Surgery Fellowship in July 2009. He and his wife, Jessica, had their first child, Lachlan James, on Jan. 11, 2010.

**Srinivas Erragolla, MD, GME ’05, Fel ’08,** is practicing physical medicine and rehabilitation, pain medicine and electrodiagnostic medicine in Dayton, Ohio, in private practice. He was named an America’s Top Physician in 2009 by the Consumers’ Research Council of America. He is married with one daughter.

**Vicki L. Anderson, MD, Fel ’08,** has been appointed Assistant Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at The Medical College of Wisconsin. She serves as the department director for the Medical College’s spinal cord injury medicine fellowship program. She was a fellow in spinal cord injury at the Zablocki VA Medical Center before joining the Medical College faculty. She recently authored a chapter on physical medicine and rehabilitation in The Ultimate Guide to Choosing a Medical Specialty.

**Denise Teves, MD, MS ’08,** Assistant Professor of Medicine (Endocrinology) at The Medical College of Wisconsin, was selected by The Business Journal to be in its 2010 Forty Under 40 list. The annual list honors 40 people in the Greater Milwaukee area under the age of 40 who are making a difference in their professions and communities. More than 250 people were nominated this year.

**Alumni scholarships awarded** – Nine medical students received scholarships from the Alumni Association this year. Pictured (L-R) are Association President Thomas G. Wittmann, MD ’84, GME ’87; M2 Elica Inagaki; M2 Lauren Lietzau; M2 Jessica Brown; M1 Jessica Shaheen; College President and CEO T. Michael Bolger, JD; M1 Erin Ruedinger; M3 Nicholas Kuehnelt; M3 Cheryl Maenpaa; M1 Jonathan Pace; and M2 Simon Griesbach.
Edward R. Annis, MD ’38, died Sept. 14, 2009, at his home in Miami, Fla. He was 96 years old. Dr. Annis was a general surgeon and chief of surgery at Mercy Hospital in Miami, Fla. He also served as president of the American Medical Association from 1963-1964 and as President of the World Medical Association. He was the Director of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States from 1969-1975. He was instrumental in championing legislation for pasteurizing milk in the state of Florida. He enjoyed playing tennis and spending summers in Alabama, where he was most proud of his blueberries. He is survived by his eight children, 21 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty.

Francis X. Paletta, MD ‘39, of Kirkwood, Mo., died Feb. 12, 2009. He was 93 years old. He served as an Army battalion surgeon during World War II, then in 1950 he joined the surgery faculty at St. Louis University and formed a residency program there in 1954. Dr. Paletta started the Midwest’s first cleft palate service at SSN Cardinal Glennon Children’s Medical Center in St. Louis in 1956, and served as chief of the division of plastic and reconstructive surgery until his retirement in 1985. He also started the plastic surgery service at John Cochran Veterans Administration Hospital in St. Louis. He was the founding member of both the Plastic Surgery Research Council and the American Society of Surgery of the Hand. Dr. Paletta is survived by his wife, Mary, eight children, 25 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

George J. Worm, MD ’40, of Wauwatosa, Wis., died Jan. 15, 2010, of congestive heart failure. He was 93 years old. When Dr. Worm began practicing general medicine he made house calls, a tradition and service he continued for four decades. Upon completing his medical degree, he served in the Navy in the southwest Pacific for four years. He is survived by his eight children, 21 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, and a daughter.

Myron Schuster, MD ’41, died Jan. 30, 2010, in Racine, Wis. He was 91 years old. Dr. Schuster was the chief of pathology at St. Mary’s Medical Center in Racine for 44 years. He is survived by his two sons, grandson and great-granddaughter. He was preceded in death by his wife Beverly of 16 years, and wife Phyllis of 42 years.

Rosario “Russ” Fischella, MD ’43, of San Diego, Calif., died Nov. 26, 2009. He was 91 years old. After serving as a captain in the Army during World War II, Dr. Fischella practiced as an OB/GYN in Monterey, Calif. At age 39, he returned to active duty in the Navy and was involved in establishing and commanding the first naval hospital in Saigon during the Vietnam War. He earned 15 decorations from the military including the “Legion of Merit.” After his military career, Dr. Fischella practiced general medicine in Poway, Calif., for 20 more years. He is survived by his wife, Terrye Anne, four children and one grandchild.

John Kassis, MD ’43, died Feb. 9, 2010, in Sacramento, Calif. He was 94 years old. Dr. Kassis practiced general medicine for almost 50 years in private practice. He was also a major in the Army Medical Corps., and was a business man who developed many apartments and commercial properties in the Sacramento area. He is survived by his wife, Marion, four children, eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Robert M. Anderson, MD ’46 (March), died Jan. 8, 2010, in Tucson, Ariz. He was 89 years old. Dr. Anderson served as chief of cardiothoracic surgery at the University of Arizona Medical Center, and as associate dean of the University of Arizona College of Medicine. He is survived by his wife, Alice, four sons, 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Leonard W. Kuehnle, MD ’46 (March), of Blue Ash, Ohio, died March 15, 2010. He was 90 years old. Dr. Kuehnle practiced as an OB/GYN in Cincinnati, Ohio, was on the executive committee at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Cincinnati and spent many years involved in the American Medical Association and the Cincinnati Academy of Medicine. He was an avid Cincinnati Reds baseball fan. Dr. Kuehnle is survived by his daughter and grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, and two sons.

Peter J. Bartzen, MD ’48, of Manitowoc, Wis., died July 27, 2009. He was 83 years old. After serving in the Navy as a Naval doctor, Dr. Bartzen practiced obstetrics at the Duluth Clinic LTD and St. Mary’s Duluth Clinic, both in Minnesota. Practicing for 37 years, Dr. Bartzen delivered 10,534 babies in his lifetime. He was also an Emeritus Trustee at the College of St. Scholastica in Minnesota, and served as president of its board of trustees. He is survived by seven children, 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Mary Ann.

Lorraine Sievers, MD ’50, of Detroit, Mich., died March 24, 2010. She was 87 years old. She practiced as an OG/GYN in Detroit for many years.

Courtney E. Quandt, MD ’52, of Jefferson, Wis., died Oct. 9, 2009, at his home. He was 83 years old. Dr. Quandt worked with his brother in their family medical practice in Jefferson for 37 years. He was also an ensign in the Navy during World War II, and served in Guam. He is survived by his wife, Linda, four children, seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Arlene.

Craig Larson, MD ’56, of Wauwatosa, Wis., died Jan. 15, 2010. He was 80 years old. Dr. Larson practiced psychiatry and was a community volunteer. He is survived by his wife, Ann, four children and three grandchildren.

Aivars A. Zeps, MD ’56, GME ’68, of Milwaukee, Wis., died April 9, 2010. He was 83 years old. He was a dedicated physician until his retirement in 1998. Born in Latvia, he immigrated to the United States from Germany in 1950, after living in a displaced persons camp in Lubeck, Germany, for five years. Dr. Zeps greatly enjoyed nature and was active in Latvian cultural activities. He is survived by his wife, Mara, one daughter and two grandchildren.

Gale L. Mendeloff, MD ’58, died March 6, 2010, in Palm Desert, Calif., after experiencing trauma due to a fall. He was 76 years old. Dr. Mendeloff was first an Instructor, then a Clinical Professor of Surgery at The Medical College of
Wisconsin. He began a private practice at Columbia St. Mary’s Hospital in Milwaukee as a staff physician in 1963, and later became the Chairman in the hospital’s Department of Surgery, Director of the Vascular Laboratory and Chief of Staff prior to his retirement in 2002. He also served as president of the Milwaukee Surgical Society, the Milwaukee Academy of Surgery, and the Wisconsin Surgical Society. He is survived by his wife, Sunny, four sons (including Jeffrey Mendeloff, MD ’90) and five grandchildren.

**Ronald Rudy, MD ’59**, died Jan. 30, 2010, at his home in Middleton, Wis. He was 76 years old. Upon graduation from medical school, Dr. Rudy served as a medical officer in the Navy. After residency training, he practiced orthopaedic surgery at Dean Clinic in Madison, Wis. He also served as chairman of St. Mary’s Hospital Medical Center’s department of surgery in Madison, and an associate clinical professor of orthopedic surgery at the University of Wisconsin. He was a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery. After retiring in 1996, he continued to serve as a volunteer physician at the Benevolent Specialist Project- Free Clinic. He was inducted into the Kenosha Sports Hall of Fame in 1990 for his talent in high school football. Dr. Rudy is survived by his wife, Petie, three children and two grandchildren.

**Read R. Nelson, PhD ’61**, of Oxford, Ohio, died June 29, 2007 of complications from Parkinson’s disease. He was 78 years old. While in the Navy, he became a radio officer on the USS Rochester during the Korean War. He was a researcher and Professor of Zoology at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, for 37 years. He flew and taught flying for most of his life. Dr. Nelson is survived by his wife Annie, four children and six grandchildren.

**John Edward Keith, MD, GME ’63**, died July 7, 2009, in Albuquerque, Ariz. He was 80 years old. Dr. Keith practiced as a pathologist in Joliet, Ill. for 33 years. He is survived by his wife, Norma, four children and seven grandchildren.

**William S. Lambert, MD ’71, GME ’76**, of Wilton, Maine, died June 18, 2008, after a two-year battle with leukemia. He was 62 years old. An orthopaedic surgeon, Dr. Lambert was a team doctor for the Green Bay Packers, Milwaukee Bucks and Milwaukee Brewers. He served as a lieutenant in the Navy, caring for Marines at the Naval Hospital in Quantico, Va. He spent most of his career in Maine, practicing primarily at Franklin Memorial Hospital and Aroostook Medical Center. He retired in 2008. His survivors include his wife of 24 years, Jeanne; two daughters; three grandchildren; his former wife and children’s mother; and step children and grandchildren.

**James A. Leibsohn, MD ’74, Fel ’79**, of River Hills, Wis. died March 31, 2010. He was 62 years old. Dr. Leibsohn practiced cardiology in Milwaukee. He is survived by his wife, Anna, and two young children.

**Fred Ozawa, MD ’74**, died March 22, 2009, in Las Vegas, Nev. He was 61 years old. After completing a residency in the Navy at the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla., Dr. Ozawa became a family physician in Visalia, Calif., eventually as a partner with the Sierra Medical Group. In 1991, he relocated to Las Vegas and practiced there for the last 18 years. He also spent several years as a physician for Hospice. He is survived by his wife, Sharleen, four children and two grandchildren.


**Paul E. Newton, PhD ’79**, of Kalamazoo, Mich., died Oct. 23, 2008. He was 63 years old. Dr. Newton was a Diplomat of the American Board of Toxicology and was most recently employed by MPI Research in Mattawan, Mich. He enjoyed golf and fishing. His survivors include his wife of 38 years, Julie; three daughters; and four grandchildren.

**Edward W. Carroll, PhD ’82**, of Germantown, Wis., died Feb. 10, 2010. He was 67 years old. Dr. Carroll was a clinical assistant professor of anatomy and physiology at Marquette University for 25 years. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne, four children and three grandchildren.

**Susan L. Kaehler, MD, GME ’87**, died Jan. 28, 2010, in West Allis, Wis. She was 58 years old. Dr. Kaehler practiced adult psychiatry at Psychiatric Consultants and Therapists in Milwaukee, and she was a clinical professor of psychology and neurology at the Medical College of Wisconsin. She was an active member of the American Psychiatric Association and the Wisconsin Psychiatric Association. She is survived by her partner, Michael Finley, and son.

**Rick J. Andrews, MD ’94**, of West Hollywood, Calif., died Oct. 21, 2009. He was 52 years old. He practiced at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, Calif. He enjoyed writing poetry.

**Lawrence K. Rowlands, MD ’95**, died of a heart attack Oct. 12, 2009, in his home in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was 51 years old. Dr. Rowlands practiced medicine for 13 years, including at Integrated Physical Medicine, his Salt Lake City practice. He enjoyed skiing, hiking, rock climbing and adventuring. In addition to mountains in California and Utah, he traveled in the last 10 years to Argentina, Chile, Peru, Honduras, Vietnam, Thailand, the Philippines, United Kingdom, France, Spain, Croatia, Denmark, Ukraine and Turkey.

**Lisa Ellen Woody, MD, MPH ’96**, died Jan. 18, 2010, after a nearly two-year battle with lung cancer. She was 51 years old. After four years in internal medicine, she changed her focus to acute care and occupational medicine. She practiced at the William W. Backus Hospital in Norwich, Conn., and at the Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, Ill. She is survived by her husband, Robert O. McAllister, four children and three stepchildren.

**Other special remembrances**

**Jessica S. Lin, MD.** of San Francisco, died Feb. 6, 2010, in a motor vehicle crash. She was a fifth-year resident in the Department of Neurosurgery at The Medical College of Wisconsin and divided her time between Froedtert Hospital and Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. She was also an accomplished violinist. She is survived by her husband, Les Thomas, MD.
ALUMNI EVENTS

Specialty receptions
American Academy of Otolaryngology
Boston, Mass.
Sept. 28, 2010
American Society of Plastic Surgeons
Toronto, Ontario
Oct. 2, 2010
American College of Surgeons
Washington, D.C.
Oct. 4, 2010
American Society of Anesthesiologists
San Diego, Calif.
Oct. 16, 2010
American Academy of Ophthalmology
Chicago, Ill.
Oct. 17, 2010

Alumni Association
Board meetings
Oct. 6, 2010

Symposium for Senior Physicians
October 2010

Management of Advanced Non-Hodgkin Lymphomas
Dec. 3, 2010
Orlando, Fla.
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Aug. 16, 2010

The 16th annual Medical College of Wisconsin Alumni Scholarship Golf Classic will take place this fall at Broadlands Golf Club in North Prairie, Wis.

Proceeds from this event fund medical student scholarships at the College. Since 1995, the golf classic has provided $231,000 in scholarships to 123 medical students.

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Feb. 28-March 4, 2011

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