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Congratulations to Douglas E. Miller, Pharm.D., our 2005 Paul Parker Award Winner

The Paul F. Parker Award is given annually to a past resident of the University of Kentucky Pharmacy Residency Program or to an individual intimately associated with the success of the program. This award recognizes an individual who has displayed sustained contributions to the profession in practice, teaching or research; a commitment to high ideals and excellence in their chosen field; leadership and innovation; and a passion to encourage the personal and professional growth of others.



Dr. Douglas E. Miller

Douglas E. Miller currently serves as the Vice President and Chief of Pharmacy and Drug Information at Grady Health System in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Miller has demonstrated a life-long commitment to the advancement of clinical pharmacy services. His contributions to research, academia, and pharmacy practice are extensive. Dr. Miller completed pharmacy school at West Virginia University of School of Pharmacy and went on to complete his Pharm.D. degree and residency training at the University of Kentucky under the preceptorship of Paul F. Parker, D.Sc., and is R8 of 312 residents who have completed the program. We are proud to award Dr. Miller with this high distinction! Dr. Miller, thanks for your tireless work ethic and contribution to our profession.

Join Us This Year in Las Vegas

Residency Showcase

The University of Kentucky Residency Showcase (MA03) will be at Midyear will be on Monday, December 5, from 1:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. Interested residency candidates are encouraged to drop by.

Paul F. Parker Award Reception and Luncheon

The annual Paul F. Parker Award Reception and Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 6, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel in Pavilion 4. All present and past residents, as well as current faculty and staff, are invited to attend.

Kentucky Reception

We hope to see everyone at the Kentucky Reception on Tuesday, December 6, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Caesar's Palace Hotel in the Verona/Turin room. The annual reception provides an opportunity to recruit new residents, network, and meet with past residents and faculty members.

UK Appointments and Promotions

- Dr. David Feola (R258) - Tenure track faculty position in Infectious Diseases
 - Dr. Jeremy Flynn (R265) - 25% funding for research in conjunction with role as a Critical Care Clinical Specialist. Elected as Secretary/Treasurer of the ACCP Critical Care PRN
 - Dr. Julie Flynn (R277) - Internal Medicine Clinical Specialist
 - Dr. Trish Freeman - Contemporary Aspects of Pharmacy Practice (CAPP) faculty coordinator
 - Dr. JD Hammond - Faculty position in Drug and Therapeutics Information Service (DATIS)
 - Dr. Jimmi Hatton (R151) - SCCM Fellow and Critical Care PRN Co-Chair for the ACCP Frontiers Fund
 - Dr. Carrie Johnson - Faculty position in the PharmacistCARE program
 - Dr. Mandy Jones - Family Medicine Clinical Specialist
- Dr. Mikael Jones (R299) - Faculty position in the PharmacistCARE program and CAPP instructor
 - Dr. Ken Kirsh - Tenure track position in Behavioral Science
 - Dr. Robert Kuhn - Chairman of Board of Directors of Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG) for a second term
 - Dr. Daniel Lewis - Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (Pharmacokinetics) Clinical Specialist
 - Dr. Melody Ryan - Tenure and promotion to Associate Professor. Completed term as Chair of the ACCP CNS PRN
 - Dr. Kelly Smith - Medication Use Policy Clinical Specialist. Completed term as Chair of the ACCP Drug Information PRN
 - Dr. Doug Steinke - Tenure track position in Epidemiology
 - Dr. Dan Thies - Faculty position in DATIS

2005 Awards and Recognitions

Director Named the 2005 Clifton J. Latiolais Award Recipient

The Clifton J. Latiolais Award is presented annually to a graduate of the residency program in hospital pharmacy/master of science program at The Ohio State University. The award is given to an individual of high professional ideals, who has made significant contributions to institutional pharmacy practice. John Armitstead, MS, the current pharmacy services director at the UK Medical Center, received his masters degree in hospital and clinical pharmacy from The Ohio State University. He then completed a residency in hospital pharmacy at Riverside Methodist Hospitals in Columbus, Ohio. Congratulations to Mr. Armitstead for receiving this significant and rewarding achievement.



John Armitstead

Faculty Member Leading Residency Training Nationally



Kelly M. Smith, Pharm.D., Associate Professor of Pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice Residency Program Director, was appointed Chair of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Commission on Credentialing (2005-2006). The Commission on Credentialing is responsible for accreditation of more than 800 pharmacy residency and technician training programs throughout the United States. Congratulations to Dr. Smith for continuing to demonstrate excellent leadership skills in the profession of pharmacy.

Dr. Kelly Smith

Faculty Member Named as a Fellow of the American College of Critical Care

The Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) has recognized Jimmi Hatton-Kolpek, Pharm.D. (R151), FCCM as a Fellow of the American College of Critical Care Medicine for fostering the highest goals of multi-professional critical care medicine. Her contributions to programs/systems, education and scholarship in critical care have been known by her colleagues and now have been recognized on a national basis. Congratulations to Dr. Hatton.



Dr. Jimmi Hatton-Kolpek

Current UK Resident Named Rufus A. Lyman Award Recipient



Jared Freml, Pharm.D. (R313), current UK Oncology Pharmacy Resident, and his previous colleagues from the University of Iowa were honored as the 2005 recipients of the Rufus A. Lyman Award at the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Annual Meeting in Cincinnati, OH. This award is selected annually by the AACP Board of Directors to recognize the most notable original research or scholarly work published in the *American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education* in the preceding year. Congratulations to Dr. Freml for receiving national recognition for your research endeavors.

Dr. Jared Freml

UK Pharmacy Services Embraces Technology



UK Pharmacy Services continues to utilize technology to enhance patient care. To make commonly used and high turnover medications readily accessible, the use of Pyxis™ technology continues to expand. In the past year alone, the Pyxis™ system was used to dispense over 1.3 million drug doses, an increase of 12.5% from the previous year.

The use of technology in sterile compounding has also advanced. In the early spring of 2005, an Exacta-Mix™ 2400 Compounder was installed. The Exacta-Mix™ system is an automated system used to deliver both large and small volumes (0.2 mL) of additives in the compounding of total parenteral nutrition (TPN). The system can manage up to 24 separate ingredients with utmost precision, yet is user friendly and utilizes touch screen technology. This product is being used to compound TPNs for neonatal, pediatric, and adult patients at UK.



The biggest change UK Pharmacy Services has undergone, in conjunction with the UK Healthcare system, is the implementation of computer physician order entry (CPOE), Sunrise™ Clinical Manager (SCM) from Eclipsys Corp. Though the implementation of this technology was gradual, beginning in late July 2004 in numerous ancillary areas, the entire hospital finally went "live" with CPOE by September 2005. Further, Pharmacy also completed a major upgrade of the order entry/processing system (WORx™), as well as establishing a unidirectional interface with the aforementioned SCM system using the Integrated Clinical Information System (ICIS™). The implementation of this technology will enhance patient care delivery by allowing for easier communication of medication orders as well as working to reduce errors due to transcription or misinterpretation.

In the coming months, UK Pharmacy Services anticipates technology expansion by implementing a bi-directional interface between SCM™ and WORx™, and by upgrading the outdated outpatient pharmacy computer system. Visit the Pharmacy Service webpage at www.hosp.uky.edu/pharmacy/ for further information and updates in the future. Thanks to Phil Empey (R257) for his continued work in maintaining all of the Pharmacy Services web-based resources.

UK Pharmacy Services: Growing Up

Pharmacy Services continues to grow and expand with the evolution of patient care services. Work has already begun in an effort to hire two clinical pharmacists to serve the emergency department. The department is also actively recruiting clinical pharmacists to serve in the cardiology and operating room areas. Should you or someone you know be interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Kimberley Hite, Pharm.D.,

MS via email at khite2@email.uky.edu for further information.

2005 Pharmacy Services Awards

Congratulations to this year's winners of awards from UK Pharmacy Services:

- Pharmacist of the Year: David Eckmann, Pharm.D.
- Technician of the Year: Gayle Banks, CPhT

The Markey Cancer Center pharmacy is also growing, with plans to expand outpatient services even further. The construction of a new pharmacy on the second floor of the Whitney-Hendrickson building has been approved. The new facility will double the size of the current pharmacy and is slated to be completed and open for patient care in August 2006.

In addition to the growth of pharmacy services, the hospital itself is scheduled to undergo some monumental changes in the coming years. In order to better serve the needs of the community and the state of Kentucky as a whole, plans are underway to construct a new patient care facility. This new facility is planned to be built on the site of the current visitor parking garage, therefore requiring a new parking structure be erected. Anticipated completion of the new parking garage and initiation of construction of the patient care facility is planned for late 2006 or early 2007.

Trapskin, Morita Receive Inaugural Residency Research Awards



The faculty and preceptors of the University of Kentucky Medical Center and College of Pharmacy began a new tradition this year by recognizing those residents with outstanding resident research projects. Each residency year, a pharmacy practice resident and specialty resident will be recognized.

Philip Trapskin, Pharm.D. (R310, pictured at left), former Pharmacy Practice Management and chief resident, was selected for the best Specialty Practice Resident research project for, "Implementation of a Personnel Training and Assessment Program for New Standards in the United States Pharmacopeia General Chapter <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding of Sterile Products". Kazumi Morita, Pharm.D. (R316, pictured below), current Infectious Diseases pharmacy resident, and her research project entitled, "Retrospective Evaluation of the Modification of Diet in Renal Disease (MDRD) Equation for Estimation of Aminoglycoside Pharmacokinetics," was selected for the Pharmacy Practice Residency Research Award as well as accepted for a platform presentation at ACCP. Congratulations to both Dr. Trapskin and Dr. Morita for your research performance.



Residency Program Pearls

Professional Development Experience

In October, the Pharmacy Practice Residents headed to Boston, MA and visited the Brigham and Women's Hospital, Children's Hospital and Boston Medical Center. In November, the specialty residents traveled to Tennessee and visited The Med - Regional Medical Center and St. Jude Hospital. The trip ended with a visit to Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO. These opportunities provide the residents with networking opportunities, and the ability to participate in roundtable discussions with residents and preceptors from other institutions. Through these experiences we hope to open the doors of communication among residents, and promote the exchange of ideas on issues we face in clinical pharmacy practice.



Above: Pharmacy Practice Residents with preceptor P. Shane Winstead in front of the Boston Medical Center.

Residency Exchange

This year specialty residents were afforded the opportunity to exchange ideas with other residency programs in July at the annual Residency Exchange hosted by Clarian Health Systems in Indianapolis. The exchange began with a social event at the NCAA Hall of Champions and included residents from The Ohio State University, University of Wisconsin, Clarian Health Systems, and the Health Alliance. The next day, residents participated in group debates on current pharmacy practice topics. The event provided a forum for discussion regarding the future of pharmacy and also gave residents a networking environment early in the residency year. The Residency Exchange will be held at the University of Wisconsin next summer.

The pharmacy practice residents, along with Dr. Robert Kuhn, participated in Kentucky's first statewide residency exchange at St. Claire Regional Medical Center in Morehead, KY. This was the first formal opportunity our newest residents had to interact with other residents throughout the Bluegrass.

Pig Roast

The 26th annual pig roast was held on October 15th at Adena Park, the same location as the first pig roast in UK history. The pig roast is an opportunity for past and current Rs to get together and relive tradition. The evening prior to the event was hosted at the home of Jill Blancett (R312), a current Hem/Onc resident, where the pork and side dishes were prepared. The pork was smoked all through the night in preparation for a day of feasting. The next day, nearly 60 people gathered

together to eat over 50 pounds of smoked pork. Several past Rs joined us this year to celebrate this UK tradition. It was a day filled with food, fun and games...volleyball included, of course.

Below: Past and Present Rs at Pig Roast 2005



Hurricane Katrina/Rita Relief

In an effort to respond to Hurricane Katrina and Rita victims, the 2005-2006 pharmacy residents raised and donated \$700 to hurricane relief efforts.

Resident Awards

The Pharmacy Residents would like to congratulate the following recipients of the 2005 Residency Awards:

- **Extra Mile Award**, the award for the resident who always "goes the extra mile" and keeps a positive attitude: **Amber Lawson, Pharm.D. (R305)**
- **Impact Award**, the award to the specialty resident most likely to have the greatest impact on professional pharmacy practice: **Philip Trapskin, Pharm.D. (R310)**
- **Outstanding Resident Award**, a resident who maintains high standards of professionalism, serves as a positive role model, and promote pharmacy education: **Emily S. Sterling, Pharm.D. (R309)**
- **Preceptor of the Year**, given to a preceptor who consistently goes above and beyond the call of duty for the residents: **Susie Liewer, Pharm.D. (R291)**

College Update

New College of Pharmacy Building on the Horizon

The University of Kentucky received funding from the 2005 General Assembly to build a new College of Pharmacy. The new building will allow the UK College of Pharmacy to vastly expand its enrollment and provide contemporary facilities. Construction is anticipated to be completed by July 2009.

Largest Class in History

This past fall, the University of Kentucky enrolled its largest class size in history! A total of 131 students were accepted into the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy.

Retirement

Ann Amerson and Cliff Hynniman began their phased retirements from the UK College of Pharmacy. Their contributions will be missed.

Our Resident Scholars

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Poster Presentations

Department of Defense Combined Forces Pharmacy Seminar (Kansas City, MO; October 2004)

- **Yam FK, Freels A, Evans TD.** Pyxis Cubie Expansion: A Patient Safety Feature with Cost Justification.

ACCP (Myrtle Beach, SC; April 2005)

- Kelly KB, **Ball AM, Miller AD, Haslam WD, Mangum LE, Rodgers JE, et al.** Impact of Medication Access on Adherence and Outcomes of Outpatients with Heart Failure.
- **Morita K, Lewis DA, Martin CA.** Implementation of a Pharmacist-Managed Pneumococcal Vaccine Evaluation Program.
- **Yam FK, Akers WS, Smith KM, Flynn JD.** Implementation of a Pharmacy Directed Multidisciplinary Program to Improve Compliance with Guidelines and Quality Indicators in Patients post-CABG Surgery.

Amgen Oncology Fellows and Pharmacy Residents Symposium (Thousand Oaks, CA; October 2005)

- **Sutphin SD.** Implementation of a Pharmacist-Managed Anemia Clinic.

ACCP (San Francisco, CA; October 2005)

- **Blancett JR, Flynn JD, Smith KM, Liewer SE, Rapp R, Adams V.** Empiric Therapy for Neutropenic Fever:

Evaluation of Levofloxacin or Tobramycin in Combination with Piperacillin/tazobactam.

- **Fremi JM, Winstead PS, Smith KM, Martin CA, Cook A.** Impact of an Intensive Insulin Nomogram.
- **Taylor LM, Clifford T, Lewis D, Smith KM, Waid T.** Timing of Renin-Angiotensin System Blockade in Renal Transplantation.
- **Yam FK, Akers WS, Smith KM, Flynn JD.** Multidisciplinary Program to Improve Compliance with Guidelines and Quality Indicators in Patients post-CABG Surgery. **Best Paper Finalist.**
- **Weant KA, Sterling E, Winstead PS, Armitstead J.** Establishing a Pharmacy Presence in the Emergency Department.

Platform Presentations

ACCP (San Francisco, CA; October 2005)

- **Morita K, Smith KM, Liewer SE, Davis GA, Perrier DG.** Retrospective Evaluation of the Modification of Diet in Renal Disease (MDRD) Equation for Estimation of Aminoglycoside Pharmacokinetics.

ASHP (Las Vegas, NV; December 2005)

- **Yam FK, Trapskin PJ, Lewis D, Hite K, Wells L, Armitstead JA.** Development and Implementation of a Strategic Plan to Meet ASHP 2015 Goals in an Academic Medical Center.

Meet the Residents 2005-2006

Jill Blancett, Pharm.D. (R312)

Jill Blancett, originally from Paintsville, KY, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy in 2004. She completed a pharmacy practice residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center and is currently a Hematology/Oncology resident at Lucille P. Markey Cancer Center. Dr. Blancett has an active role within the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy and is involved in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation, facilitating small group student discussions, serving as a member of the Admissions Committee as well as guest lecturing at the UK College of Pharmacy. She also serves as the co-chair of the Residency Social and *Kentucky Konnection* Committees and is an active member of the Residency Recruitment Committee. Dr. Blancett is currently investigating the genetic markers for prognosis and treatment of non-small cell lung cancer. Upon completion of her Hematology/Oncology Specialty Residency, Dr. Blancett hopes to obtain a position with clinical, didactic and research responsibilities at an academic medical institution.

Jared Freml, Pharm.D. (R313)

Dr. Freml, originally from Creston, IA, received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy in 2004. He completed his Pharmacy Practice Residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center, where he is currently one of the Hematology/Oncology Specialty Pharmacy Residents. In addition to his clinical responsibilities, Dr. Freml is a member of the Pharmacy Grand Rounds, Computer, and UK College of Pharmacy Curriculum Committees, and is serving on the Rufus A. Lyman Award Selection Committee for the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy. He is also actively involved with the UK College of Pharmacy where he serves as a guest lecturer, aids in precepting fourth-year students on clinical rotations, and has been a facilitator for small group discussions. Dr. Freml's current research efforts are directed toward identifying genetic factors as predictors of therapeutic response in non-small cell lung cancer. Upon completion of the specialty residency, Dr. Freml plans to pursue a clinical pharmacy position in an academic setting.

Pete Johnson, Pharm.D. (R314)

Dr. Johnson, originally from Ridgeland, MS, received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy in 2004. He completed his Pharmacy Practice Residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center and is currently a Pediatric Specialty Resident at Kentucky Children's Hospital. His current practice interests include pediatric and neonatal critical care and pediatric pulmonology. In addition to clinical responsibilities, Dr. Johnson serves on the *Kentucky Konnection* Committee, and serves as Pharmacy Resident Secretary, and Chair of the Recruitment Committee. This year, Dr. Johnson's research project focuses on investigating the effect of previous antimicrobial exposure on community acquired methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* infections in children. Other areas of interest include precepting fourth-year students on rotation and providing guest lectures to students from the College of Pharmacy. Upon completion of the pediatric residency, Dr. Johnson hopes to obtain a position with a mixture of academia, research, and clinical services.

Kazumi Morita, Pharm.D. (R316)

Dr. Morita, originally from Tokyo, Japan received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Kentucky in 2004. Dr. Morita completed the pharmacy practice residency in June 2005 and is currently the Infectious Disease Specialty Resident at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. Her primary areas of interest include bacterial resistance and HIV. She is currently a member of the Social, Recruitment, and Pharmacy Grand Rounds Committees. She is also involved at the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy where she serves as a small group facilitator and precepts Doctor of Pharmacy Candidates on clinical rotations. Upon completion of her residency, she ultimately hopes to obtain a position that integrates academia, research, and clinical services.

Lisa Taylor, Pharm.D. (R317)

Dr. Taylor, originally from Florida, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University Of Florida College Of Pharmacy in May 2004. Dr. Taylor completed a pharmacy practice residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center and is currently a Pediatric Specialty Resident at the Kentucky Children's Hospital. She is a member of the Recruitment Committee and serves as co-chair of the Social and *Kentucky Konnection* Committees. Dr. Taylor's current practice interests include neonatal and pediatric intensive care. In addition to her clinical responsibilities, Dr. Taylor aids in precepting Pharm.D. students on clerkships and has served as group facilitator and guest lecturer for the UK College of Pharmacy. Upon completion of her pediatric residency, she hopes to obtain a position that integrates academia, research, and clinical services.

Felix Yam, Pharm.D. (R318)

Dr. Yam is originally from Providence, Rhode Island and received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in May 2004 from the University of Rhode Island. He completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in 2005. Presently, Dr. Yam is an Ambulatory Care Specialty Resident as well as Chief Pharmacy Resident. He is actively involved with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy facilitating small group discussions, teaching didactic lectures and precepting fourth-year students on clinical rotations. His current areas of interests include cardiology and oncology with a focus on ambulatory care services. Dr. Yam is currently involved in evaluating "Clinical Inertia" among patients with diabetes and determining time to goal hemoglobin A1C in "usual" care vs. specialized care. Upon completion of his ambulatory care residency, he hopes to obtain a position at an academic medical institution with clinical, didactic and management responsibilities.

Jane Lee, Pharm.D. (R319)

Dr. Lee, originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Butler University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (Indianapolis, IN) in May of 2004. She completed her Pharmacy Practice Residency at the Jewish Hospital, a partner of the Health Alliance of Greater Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Lee is currently a Critical Care Specialty Resident at the University of Kentucky. Her current areas of interest include trauma, emergency medicine, and cardiothoracic surgery. She is actively involved in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation, as well as participating in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certification program. Dr. Lee presently serves on the Residency Social, Recruitment, *Kentucky Konnection* Newsletter Committees, in addition to the Nominations and Seminar Committee for the College of Pharmacy at the University of Kentucky. She is currently investigating clinical complications and outcomes amongst the critically ill obese patient population. Upon completion of her Critical Care Specialty Residency, Dr. Lee anticipates seeking a position at an academic institution.

Stella Papadopoulos, Pharm.D. (R320)

Dr. Papadopoulos, originally from Lowell, Massachusetts, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, in May 2004. She completed her pharmacy practice residency at Duke University Medical Center and is currently a critical care specialty resident at the University of Kentucky. Her current areas of interest include trauma and neurosciences. She currently serves on the Social and *Kentucky Konnection* Committees, and the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy Curriculum Committee. She is also actively involved in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation. Dr. Papadopoulos is currently involved in investigating outcomes following implementation of a ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP) pathway. Upon completion of her Critical Care Specialty Residency, Dr. Papadopoulos plans to seek employment at an academic medical center that will provide ample clinical, didactic and research opportunities.

Residents (continued)

Josh Rusinak, Pharm.D. (R321)

Dr. Rusinak is originally from Oak Park, Illinois and received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from The University of Iowa in Iowa City, IA. He completed his Pharmacy Practice Residency in 2005 at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois and is now a Critical Care Specialty Resident at the University of Kentucky. His current areas of interest include trauma and infectious diseases with a focus in nosocomial ICU infections. Dr. Rusinak is actively involved in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation as well as guest lecturing at the UK College of Pharmacy. He is currently involved in researching the efficacy and safety of enoxaparin thromboprophylaxis in trauma patients. Upon completion of his Specialty Residency, Dr. Rusinak hopes to obtain a position with clinical and teaching responsibilities at an academic medical institution.

Amanda Ball, Pharm.D. (R322)

Dr. Ball, originally from Greensboro, NC, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Pharmacy in 2005. In addition to her clinical responsibilities, Dr. Ball is a member of the Residency Social as well as *Kentucky Connection* Committees. She is also actively involved with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy serving as a facilitator for small group discussions and precepting fourth-year pharmacy students on clinical rotations. Dr. Ball also has a strong interest in teaching, and plans to complete *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program*. Dr. Ball is currently investigating the effectiveness of itraconazole prophylaxis in heart and lung transplant recipients. Upon completion of her Pharmacy Practice Residency, Dr. Ball plans to complete a specialty residency in critical care medicine at the University of Kentucky.

Noelle Daugherty, Pharm.D. (R323)

Dr. Daugherty, originally from Dublin, Ohio, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in May 2005 from the Ohio Northern University Raabe College of Pharmacy in Ada, Ohio. Dr. Daugherty presently serves on the *Kentucky Connection* and the Recruitment Committee. Dr. Daugherty is actively involved at the UK College of Pharmacy, serving as a facilitator for small group discussions, precepting fourth year pharmacy students, and serving as a member of the Assessment Committee. For her research project, Dr. Daugherty is evaluating Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties (BPS) certification and pharmacy residency program directors. She plans to complete *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program* this year. She is currently completing her pharmacy practice residency and will pursue the UK specialty residency in Primary Care next year.

Molly Kent, Pharm.D. (R324)

Molly Kent, originally from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2005 from The University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy. Her current practice interests include infectious disease, critical care, and pediatrics. In addition to her clinical responsibilities, Dr. Kent serves on the Pharmacy Grand Rounds and Recruitment Committees. She is further involved with the College of Pharmacy's Awards and Recognition Selection Committee. Dr. Kent is currently evaluating HIV resistance patterns in Kentucky. She plans to complete *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program* this year. Upon completion of her pharmacy practice residency, Dr. Kent plans to complete a specialty residency in infectious diseases at UK. Ultimately, she hopes to obtain a position at an academic medical institution with clinical, didactic, and research responsibilities.

April Miller, Pharm.D. (R325)

Dr. Miller, originally from New Bern, NC, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University Of North Carolina School Of Pharmacy in 2005. Her current practice interests include critical care, cardiology, nephrology and infectious disease. In

addition to clinical responsibilities, Dr. Miller serves on the Residency Recruitment, Computer, and Pharmacy Grand Rounds committees. She is also actively involved at the College of Pharmacy by precepting fourth year students on rotations, leading small group discussions, and serving on the Service and Nominations committee. To help develop her teaching skills, she plans to complete the *Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate* program. Dr. Miller's research activities are focused on the trend in response to oral metronidazole for the treatment of *Clostridium difficile*. Upon finishing her pharmacy practice residency, she will complete a critical care specialty residency at UK. Ultimately, Dr. Miller hopes to obtain a position that combines both academia and clinical services.

E. Zachary Ramsey, Pharm.D. (R326)

Dr. Ramsey, originally from Stephens City, VA, received his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry in May 2001 from Hampden-Sydney College and his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy in 2005. In addition to his clinical responsibilities, Dr. Ramsey is a member of the Residency Social, Recruitment and *Kentucky Connection* publication Committees. Further, he is actively involved with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy serving as a preceptor for fourth-year pharmacy students on clinical rotations as well as a small group discussion facilitator. Dr. Ramsey also has a strong interest in teaching and plans to complete *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program*. He is currently investigating the effect of antifibrinolytic prophylaxis for on-pump cardiac surgeries on transfusion rates. Upon completion of his Pharmacy Practice Residency, Dr. Ramsey plans to complete the UK specialized residency in pediatrics. Ultimately, he plans to pursue a position that combines both academia and clinical responsibilities.

Meredith Toma, Pharm.D. (R327)

Meredith Toma, originally from Charleston, WV, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy in 2005. In addition to clinical responsibilities, she is involved in residency committees such as the *Kentucky Connection* and Computer Committees. Dr. Toma also precepts fourth-year students on rotation and facilitates small group discussions at the College of Pharmacy. Her current practice interests include hematology/oncology, psychiatry, and pediatrics. Dr. Toma's research efforts focus on examining the role of pharmacy residents in cardiopulmonary resuscitation events. She plans to complete the *Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate* program. Dr. Toma also plans to pursue a specialty residency in hematology/oncology upon completion of her pharmacy practice residency. In the future, Dr. Toma would like a position that combines academia with clinical practice.

Stephanie Sutphin, Pharm.D. (R328)

Dr. Sutphin is originally from Ashland, Kentucky and received a Bachelor of Arts in Biology from Transylvania University in 1989, as well as her Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy in 1992 and her Doctor of Pharmacy in 1995 from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy. As a Clinical Staff Pharmacist at UK she helped reinstitute a pharmacist rounding with the Gynecologic Oncology service in March 2004. She is currently a Hematology/Oncology Specialty Resident in the Lucille P. Markey Cancer Center. She is a member of the Medication Use Evaluation Subcommittee, the Curriculum Committee, and the ASHP 2015 Committee. Dr. Sutphin's research project this year will involve opening an anemia and anticoagulation supportive care clinic in the outpatient setting. She will also assist in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation and serve as a guest lecturer at the UK College of Pharmacy. Upon completion of her oncology residency Dr. Sutphin would like to remain in the Bluegrass area in a practice that integrates academia and clinical practice.

Work Hard, Play Hard

Over the past year, the residents took time to get away from rigorous schedules in order to celebrate holidays and milestones together. The festivities kicked off in June with a picnic hosted by Drs. Robert and Margaret Rapp. John Armitstead also hosted a welcome dinner for the residents. In celebration of the start of a new year, the residents joined together for a Luau. As holidays approach, Thanksgiving and Christmas gatherings allow residents to get in the holiday spirit. Dan and Ewa Lewis were excellent hosts when they opened up their home for a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner. Barb Magnuson honored everyone with an excellent dinner at her annual Christmas chili party and Dr. Kelly Smith opened up her home for the annual Secret Santa unveiling party.



Always looking for an excuse to celebrate, the residents gathered together for a fondue party. With spring approaching, the end of the residency year was in sight and the annual 100 days party was held at The Stadium. Dr. Kelly Smith also invited the residents to a spring fling celebration at her home. When thirteen birthdays are thrown into the mix, a lot of celebrations take place throughout the year!

The year ends as it begins, with Lampoon showcasing the quirky qualities of residents and faculty members. This year, the specialty residents roasted the pharmacy practice residents to the theme of the popular MTV show, *Cribs*. The pharmacy practice residents took a shot at the departing residents with their own rendition of *Resident Night Live* based on the late night show, *Saturday Night Live*. This event also provides incoming residents their first exposure to life as a UK pharmacy resident.



Finally, the year-end celebrations culminate in the dinner and awards ceremony at Spindletop Hall, where each resident receives a residency certificate and reflects on the year with a photo montage. The year seems to go by very quickly, but memories will forever remain.



2004-2005 Pharmacy Residency Class

(Left to right, from front):
 Emily Sterling, Ibis Lopez, Kazumi Morita, Anjly Sheth, Jill Blancett, Lisa Taylor, Amber Lawson, Trenika Mitchell, Kelly Smith (Residency Director), Felix Yam, Peter Johnson, Jared Freml, John Armitstead (Director of Pharmacy Services), Philip Trapskin, and Kyle Weant.

Where Are They Now?

Faculty

David Feola (R258) is an Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice and Science with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy in Lexington, KY.

Residents

Amber Lawson (R305) is a Clinical Specialist in the Department of Leukemia at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX.

Ibis Lopez (R306) is a Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Clinical Specialist at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC.

Anjly Sheth (R308) is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Infectious Diseases at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, MI.

Emily Sterling (R309) is a Neurosurgery Clinical Pharmacist at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle, WA.

Philip Trapskin (R310) is Manager, Acute Care Pharmacy Services at the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics in Madison, WI.

Kyle Weant (R311) is a Clinical Specialist in Critical Care - Neurosurgery at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, NC.

Trenika Mitchell (R315) is a Clinical Staff Pharmacist at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington, KY.

Keep Us Informed

We strive to keep our address list updated. If your address is incorrect or you know of a fellow graduate whose address is incorrect, please contact Terri Dawson at (859) 323-6289 or e-mail her at tjdaw0@email.uky.edu.

Marriages

- **Lisa Larive Forsyth (R278)** & Doug Forsyth: Married on September 18, 2004.
- **Keith Hecht (R290)** & **Jingyang Fan (R287)**: Married on April 2, 2005.
- **Pam Lada (R300)** and Michael Walker: Married on September 24, 2005.
- **Allycia Marie (R272)** and Ed Natavio: Married on September 24, 2005.

Engagements

- **Alan Zillich (R271)** and Colleen Hannigan: Plan to be married June 2006.
- **Shelly Dusing (R249)** and Chris Wiest: Plan to be married August 2006.
- **Jill Blancett (R312)** and Clay Rhodes: Plan to be married in 2006.

Future UK Residents

- Caleb Andrew Martin: Born to Valerie and **Craig Martin (R284)** on January 12, 2005.
- Robert Donald Harvey IV: Born to Christine Kempton, M.D. and **R. Donald Harvey (R237)** on March 31, 2005.
- Rachel Louise Braun: Born to Ted and **Karen (Hardinger) Braun (R259)** on May 15, 2005.
- Zachary Scott Robinson: Born to Brian and **Christine Robinson (R268)** on May 31, 2005. He joins sister Zoë, who is 2.
- Andrew Peter Lewis: Born to Ewa and **Dan Lewis** on June 14, 2005. He joins sister Ania, who is 2.
- Hailee Reed Whitby: Born to Cory and **Dale Whitby (R294)** on July 28, 2005.
- Caden and Piper Empey: Twins born to **Kerry (R266)** and **Phil (R257) Empey** on August 24, 2005.
- Anna Claire Lee: Born to Amy and **Eddie Lee (R239)** on September 30, 2005.
- **Julie (R277)** and **Jeremy Flynn (R265)** are expecting baby girl Flynn in December 2005.

Forever Rs

- **Mary Berg (R52)**: October 4, 2004
- Elijah David Feola, newborn son of Katie and **David Feola (R258)**: March 9, 2005

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