

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE & PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES

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Tweet from Chair, John M. Boltri, MD, FAAFP



Please enjoy this second issue of our department newsletter as we celebrate our accomplishments and mourn the loss of one of our own.

Acronym Soup



CAFAM—Council of Academic Family Medicine



The four **academic family medicine organizations** work together to coordinate activities where there is overlap, and act upon strategic initiatives that support academic family medicine and the discipline.



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Issue 1 winner: Jeri Pajor

DFMPHS 2012 FACULTY RETREAT

The DFMPHS held a faculty retreat at the Birmingham Conference Center in the afternoon on Thursday, June 14, and for the entire day on Friday, June 15.

The retreat began with a luncheon which gave attendees an opportunity to socialize prior to the meeting. Dr. Maryjean Schenk, Vice Dean of Medical Education and former Chair of the DFMPHS (1998-April 2010), kicked-off the retreat with a presentation: 'The Top 10 Reasons Why I Love the DFMPHS.' She closed with a rousing "happy dance" with retreat attendees.

Fred Bartenstein, President of Fred Bartenstein & Associates, LLC, facilitated the meeting beginning with round-the-table introductions for participants to share their hope for the retreat and 'something others don't know about me'.

Dr. Boltri spoke about the fu-

ture of the public's health and presented a description of the potential intersection of Public Health and Primary Care.

The group reviewed the department's mission, vision, and values, and had fun with an interactive activity walking through a timeline of the department. Throughout the various presentations and discussions, Mr. Bartenstein captured topics the participants wanted to vote on for in-depth discussion during the following day's breakout sessions.

On Day 2, we started with 'Why I belong to the DFMPHS' and heard there is a high level of collegiality in our department. There was a discussion about opportunities for a department-wide scholarly activity and further discussion about the benefits and challenges of service to individuals, the department and



Pictured here are the DFMPHS faculty & staff who attended Thursday's retreat.

the community. Four small groups each presented their view of the top 3 areas of interest and/or concern from the retreat discussions, including where the DFMPHS should be in 5 years.

A tremendous amount of information and insights were shared during the retreat. With everyone's input and commitment moving forward, the DFMPHS is on the road to continued growth and success.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT: RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES

Upon joining the DFMPHS, faculty members participate in an individualized orientation program including introductions to departmental faculty, sites, and key contacts and resources within the school, university, and hospital.

All faculty members receive a comprehensive faculty handbook in electronic form that provides up-to-date information about the department, school, university, profession, and career development resources.

Frequent faculty development sessions are provided for all faculty, and research sessions are held twice per month year-round.

The DFMPHS Mentoring Program includes career mentoring as well as mentoring in specific academic areas such as research, teaching, and service. During the 2011-12 academic year, 8 assistant professors and 2 associate professors are participating in the program. The program will

open to all faculty in the 2012-13 academic year.

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Applause! Applause!



Congratulations !!

The WSU Family Medicine Interest Group has been chosen as a recipient of the 2012 Program of Excellence (PoE) Award by the American Association of Family Physicians (AAFP) as a special consideration winner for Excellence in Initiatives for Third- and Fourth-Year Students. The Program of Excellence Award recognizes FMIGs for their outstanding performance in FMIG operation, community service, promoting the value of primary care, exposure to family medicine and family physicians, professional development and measures of success. Kudos to Drs. Chadwell and Binienda.



Mission Statement

We are committed to improving the health, well-being, and environment of individuals, families, and communities by advancing the science and practice of family medicine and public health through innovation and excellence in research and education.

REMEMBERING A COLLEAGUE AND FRIEND

Our long-time colleague, dear friend, and Adjunct Faculty member, Roger L. Wabeke, unexpectedly passed away earlier this Spring. Roger was born in Detroit and attended Redford High School. During his formative educational years he also worked as a carpenter alongside with his father. He was a Wayne State University (WSU) graduate from where he received both a BS and MS in Industrial Hygiene. Roger had been with the Department since 1987. During his years at WSU, Roger ran a number of courses in the areas of Occupational Medicine, Safety and Industrial Hygiene. He was an innovative educator and consistently received high marks from students.

Roger had a rich and solid background to draw from, including being a Navy Corpsman, an Industrial Hygienist at Wyandotte Chemical Corporations (now BASF Corporation), and eventually Supervisor of Industrial Hygiene at Ford Motor Company. He was also a consultant to the private sector. Because of his strong inner conviction, a solid personality and a unique and huge reservoir of knowledge and experiences, he was trusted by all sides.

Roger was involved as a subject



Roger Wabeke, MSc, MScCHE, CIH

matter expert in many difficult Industrial Hygiene cases. He taught his colleagues the reality of Industrial Hygiene and Worker Safety, how to prepare for and appear in court as an expert witness, etc. He developed the Division's motto "Employee Health is Corporate Wealth". He also provided invaluable input into our research endeavor and as such, made us a better and more stringent research team.

Roger also shared his knowledge and experiences by regularly writing an Industrial Health Newsletter. He was an important consultant to the Department when it came to evaluating patients with complex environmental health conditions. Roger was recognized widely for his expertise.

Roger had many interests besides

industrial hygiene. One of his cherished projects was hobby poisons. He had collected a number of case presentations on patients who had fallen ill because of what they were exposed to during their off hours. Roger was also an outstanding photographer. In addition, he was an inventor. He held a patent on how to radically change traffic lights to better fit with human functioning.

Foremost, Roger was a genuinely nice and friendly person who added to the camaraderie of our Department. We will surely miss Roger. He leaves behind his wife Mary, son Michael, daughter Lisa, a physician specializing in Occupational and Environmental health, and daughter Lori and their families.

Out of respect for Roger's wishes, there has been no formal arrangement in the Department to celebrate Roger's accomplishment and memory.

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FAMILY MEDICINE RESEARCH DAY

Wayne State medical students were strongly represented again at this year's Family Medicine Research Day Conference, held on Thursday, May 24. This conference was co-sponsored by the family medicine depart-



Mohamed Macki—Visceral Larva Migrants: The Unanticipated Gift From Man's Best Friend, Best Poster Presentation, Student Category

ments of U of M, MSU and WSU. Five of our WSU Year 3 students presented six clinical cases from their primary care clerkships and, for the second year in a row, one of our students was awarded the Best Poster Presentation in the student category. Congratulations to Mohamed Macki and all of the students

who presented. We also want to recognize Dr. Margit Chadwell for her mentorship of these students.

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Pictured L to R: Mohamed Macki, Pratik Patel, Dr. Margit Chadwell, Farvah Fatim, Suraiya Azom, Jeffrey Grenville

