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In Fond Memory of Dr. John McNeal



Last November 3rd, the Urology Department was saddened by the news on the passing of Dr. John McNeal. Aside from the twinkle in his eyes and his smile, John will always be remembered as the kind hearted, modest and thoughtful person who showed patience in teaching and helping others. Dr. McNeal received his undergraduate training from Stanford University & the University of Miami, and graduated from George Washington University School of Medicine AOA in 1957. He completed his residency in Pathology at UCSF in 1962.

From 1983 through 2005 he was Clinical Professor and Senior Research Associate in the Department of Urology at Stanford University School of Medicine. He received the Prostate Cancer Award from the American Urological Association for outstanding contributions to the understanding of the anatomy of the prostate and the pathology of prostate cancer. He was the author of 129 articles and 3 book chapters. In his seminal article entitled 'Zonal anatomy of the prostate', Dr. McNeal defined the anatomy of the

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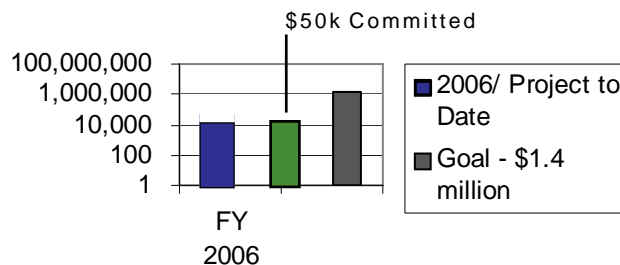


While most people relate to years, those of you and us who have been through the Department know that our year starts in July. Many of you may recall we attach departmental events to our trainees and Chief Residents. We recall the year of Michael or Chris doing this or that, or Jim's maneuver or Tom's drain, but as the years appear to pass more rapidly, our memory of dates may wane, but those of the people do not. Last year was the year that Keith Lee and Sameer Malhotra were Chiefs, that we had John Fitzpatrick (Editor of the British Journal of Urology) as our Dorothy Fenmore Sheppard Visiting Professor, that we returned to three residents a year (Simon Kimm—Northwestern, Geoff Sonn—UCLA, William Tu—Vanderbilt), and that we recruited Joseph Liao from UCLA.

We miss three loyal urologist friends of Grand Rounds who many of you will remember. Ed Butler, Henry Ritter, and Leonardo Martin attended rounds throughout the years from

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prostate as we know it today. He worked with Stanford Urology faculty from 1983 until the fall of 2005 and contributed significantly to the Urology Residency Program. He continued to work with little regard for the chronic disease from which he suffered. The Urology Department is indebted to his generosity and service. He is greatly missed, but his legacy stands high. A memorial tribute to Dr. McNeal was held in June 2006 attended by his wife Barbara and family. In honor of his heritage, Scottish bagpipes introduced and concluded the ceremony. A commemorative permanent bronze plaque with his picture designating him a "Pioneer in Prostate Pathology" is now outside the main entrance to the Department.

Staff in the News

Ann Wiersma, Urology Clinic Manager, received the 2005 Urology Employee of the Year Award. Ann was recruited as Clinic Manager in 2003. The adult clinic runs smoothly under her leadership, and she has almost single-handedly run the Department's clinic "collaborative." In doing so, the department achieved its incentive goals and was financially rewarded in 2004 and 2005. Ann increased Urology patient satisfaction and improved clinic efficiencies for the Faculty and Staff. Ann Wiersma was awarded a plaque and \$1,000.

Linda Adams, LVN published a chapter in "A Practical Guide to Performing Urodynamics" on Urethral Pressure Profile (UPP). Linda began as Urodynamics Clinical Specialist in December 2002. Linda is the current President-Elect for the Northern California Chapter of SUNA and she has been Vice President since 1999.

Postdoctoral Fellows and Special Projects

Laboratory of Dr. James Brooks

Jaques Lapointe -

"Molecular Taxonomy of Prostate Cancer."

Shijun Li -

"Developing prognostic markers for Prostate Cancer."

Laboratory of Dr. Chris Constantinou

Qiyu Peng -

"Visualization of the Pelvic Floor Function."

Laboratory of Dr. Donna Peehl

Larisa Nonn -

"Prostate Cancer prevention by vitamin D via p38 protein kinase inhibition."

"Effect of vitamin D on LAPC-4 Prostate Cancer xenograft progression to androgen independence in vivo."

Laboratory of Dr. Linda Shortliffe and Irving Weissman

Keith Syson Chan -

"Prospective isolation of tumor-initiating-cells from primary bladder tumors."

Laboratory of Dr. Thomas Stamey

Zuxiong Chen -

"Identification of Serum Biomarkers for Prostate Cancer."

Zhenbin Fan -

"Diagnosis makers for aggressive Prostate Cancer."

Laboratory of Dr. Zijie Sun

Jason Beliakoff -

"Understanding the role of Zimp 10 in Cancer Progression and Development Using in vivo models."

Yue Peng -

"The role of AR in the tumorigenesis of androgen independent Prostate Cancers."

Ming Zhuo -

"Function of ICAT."

"Function of Shorter CAG repeat AR in Prostate Cancer."

"Using KO mice model to know the function of KIAA1813."

Other News

*School of Medicine
Employee Service
Awards*

Chris Calder	27 Years
Stephanie Edelman	20 years
Kathy Combs	15 Years
Suvarna Bhamre	10 Years
Zuxiong Chen	10 Years
Tina Foote	10 Years
Pamela Trebotich	10 Years
Alina Garcia	10 Years
Nicole Gonzaga	5 Years
Janeen Peterson	5 Years

Resident and Post-Doc News

Dr. Steven Chang, PGY5, was selected as an International Volunteer in Urology Resident Scholar. He was sent on a mission to India. Steven was a graduate of the Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York.

Tatum Tarin, M.D., PGY4 was chosen as one of the two accepted to the Biodesign Innovation Fellowship for the coming year. He will work with Dr. Paul Yock's group, the bioengineering and biodesign groups; we hope that this will lead to future collaborative efforts. Dr. Tarin received his B.S. at the University of California San Diego Ravel College in 1991 and his M.D. at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in 2003.

Ilene Wong PGY3 is the first recipient of the Department of Surgery Kountz Humanitarian Award. This award was established to honor Dr. Samuel L. Kountz, a former Stanford surgical resident and faculty member, and will be "awarded annually to a resident, who best personified Dr. Kountz's attributes of professionalism, compassion

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and respect for the dignity of his or her fellow men and women and, who also like Dr. Kountz, has a record of addressing disparities in health care.” She was presented with this award by Dr. Oscar Salvatierra, who remembered Dr. Kountz “as not only an outstanding surgeon, an outstanding researcher and an outstanding educator, but most importantly...a truly outstanding and exceptional human being.” Ilene wrote 2 opinion editorials on health care disparity published in the San Francisco Chronicle over the few years. Ilene was a graduate of Yale University School of Medicine.

Hongjuan was awarded an NCI K01 career development award for her submission “Identification,

Isolation and Characterization of Prostate Cancer Stem Cells.” Her prior year of work on this project that allowed her submission was generously funded by a grant from the David Packard Urology fund.

Keith Lee graduating Chief Resident was awarded the 2006 Richard Lo Award for best published resident paper for his paper entitled “Positive Family History of Prostate Cancer not Associated with Worse Outcomes after Radical Prostatectomy,” *J Urol* (65:311, 2005) and Hongjuan Zhao, Postdoctoral Fellow, was awarded the 2006 Packard award for her paper entitled “Gene Expression Profiling Predicts Survival in Conventional Renal Cell Carcinoma.” *PLoS Medicine*, (3:1, 2006).

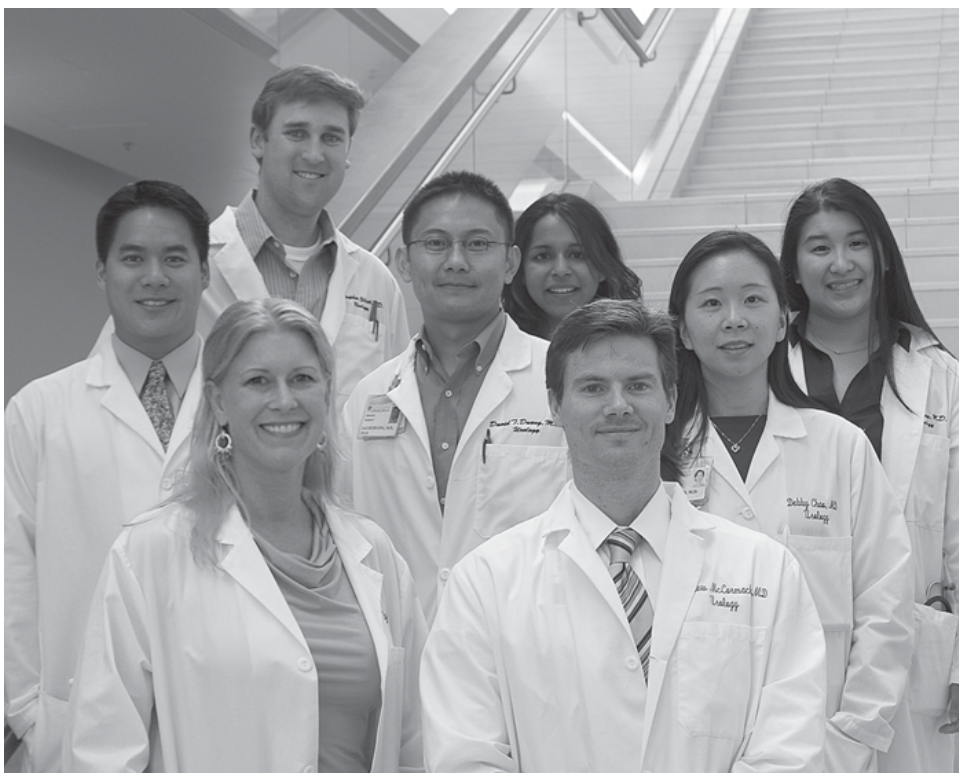
Catherine deVries, MD, FACS, FAAP Honored by AMA

Catherine deVries never followed a straight path. She completed her residency in urology at Stanford in 1990 and then joined the Urology Department at Kaiser Santa Teresa. A few years later she completed a fellowship in pediatric urology with George Kaplan in San Diego and started an academic career at the Medical College of Georgia. During this time, however, she founded International Volunteers in Urology (IVU).

To devote more time to this organization she moved to the University of Utah to join the urologists there. At this time IVU has a volunteer force of almost 2000 health care professionals and employs a small staff. She has sent surgical teams to many countries; established resident scholars mentored clinical rotations, and started a program to women’s urologic problems of incontinence and vesicovaginal fistulas in countries like Mongolia, Cuba, and Ghana. Steven Chang a current PGY5 urology resident joined one of her teams in India this fall.

As a tribute to her work, Catherine was given the American Medical Women’s Association Award for Community Service in 1998 and the Best of State Humanitarian Award in 2003. In 2006 she was nominated by the ACS and received the Excellence in Medicine Award from the American Medical Association. We congratulate you Catherine!

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From left to right, first row - Kelly Morgan, Matthew McCormack,
second row - Tatum Tarin, David Duong, Debby Chao,
third row - Christopher Elliott, Suvarna Biswas, Ilene Wong

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Saturday mornings to various night venues.

As we approach mid-year according to our residency, our Chiefs are Kelly Morgan and Matt McCormick; Ben Chung from the Lahey and Cleveland Clinics joined us as faculty, and we have 3 new interns (Mehren Movassaghi—UCLA, Winifred Adams—Stanford, and James Yu—USC). We had our first “March Spring Symposium” in September. We welcomed Claus Roehrborn Professor and Chair of the Department of Urology, University of Texas Dallas Southwestern.

As we come to the close of 2006, the middle of our academic year, we have many exciting events for which we are thankful and many to which we look forward. I am especially grateful to Dr. Leonardo Martin and his family for creating a memorial fund within the department to continue educational efforts within the department and one of our previous residents Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Spigelman who has made a significant contribution to the Research Resident Endowment.

I hope that you might consider remembering your training and days at Stanford by contributing to the Department’s educational or endowment funds. One of our goals is to endow another position in urologic residency research to ensure that Stanford continues to be at the forefront of urologic research and education.

My best wishes to you for a joyous, healthy holiday season. We hope to see you at the AUA Monday Alumni lunch, back in Anaheim California in 2007.

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Urology Ranks # 12

In 2006, U.S. News & World Report’s national survey of American Urologist ranked Stanford Hospital’s Department of Urology as #12 in the nation, and in 2005 it was ranked 10. Stanford Hospital and Clinics ranked 13 in this survey in 2006.



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