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MSU Saginaw Doctors among "Best Doctors in America"

A number of Michigan State University College of Human Medicine physician faculty was named to the 2009-10 **Best Doctors in America**. The listing represents doctors rated by their peers as being among the very best in their specialty. Here is a list of the Saginaw physician faculty members included in the list:

- **Edward A Jackson, M.D.**
Saginaw
- **Guy M Boike, M.D.**
Saginaw
- **Sambasiva R Kottamasu, M.D.**
Saginaw
- **Timothy A Smith, M.D.**
Saginaw
- **Mark Charles Lester, M.D.**
Saginaw

To see the complete listing of CHM faculty included in the 2009-10 Best Doctors in America list, go to <http://chm.dev.ur.msu.edu/news/BESTDOCTORS.php>.

Your Strength, Your Heart...

With the medical crisis in Haiti and healthcare reform in limbo, it is opportune time to reflect about how exactly healthcare is progressing. Are things improving within America, and internationally?

This progress is happening within Saginaw. We currently have eleven 3rd-year medical students from our Leadership in Medicine for the Underserved (LMUV) program in Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Peru who are providing healthcare and public health activities to local populations. They've successfully raised over \$4,000 for medical supplies to support their endeavors abroad. We also have 4 students remaining within the Michigan continuing to provide their bright minds and energy to help a state with abounding potential.

Amidst long hours and a huge census, it is convenient to lose sight of the bigger picture of what we do. But then, certain experiences remind you. I had a tender moment in the Hurley E.D. with a mother whose boy had first-time onset of seizures. She was distraught at the care she received and wanted to pursue help elsewhere. Speaking earnestly, I told her that if she leaved, we wouldn't be able to help her son and his care would be delayed. Upon discharge, I was convinced that the mom knew that our care helped her son.

With all the hard work we do, it might be naïve of me to think that each patient experience could leave a warm fuzzy feeling in our stomachs making our days complete. Realistically, each experience grants us more meaning into what we've devoted our lives so intensely for. It leaves us not with an illusion that we've done good, but a certainty that we've given our personal best for our patients who place their trust and health in our hands. Our strength and our heart sustain them.

-Melvin Ku, MS-III

"Every man is proud of what he does well; and no man is proud of what he does not do well. With the former, his heart is in his work; and he will do twice as much of it with less fatigue. The latter performs a little imperfectly, looks at it in disgust, turns from it, and imagines himself, exceedingly tired. The little he has done comes to nothing, for want of finishing."

-Abraham Lincoln

This newsletter contains:

1. *Best Doctors in America*
2. *Melvin Ku*
3. *Thank you*
4. *Class of 2010 reminders*
5. *Core Competency*
6. *Birthdays*
7. *Calendar*

Thank you for your Overwhelming Support...

Six months ago the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Leadership In Medicine for the Underserved/Vulnerable (LMUV) class of 2011 began the process of collecting donations for the Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children (FIMRC) sites in Central and South America. At that time, "beginning the process" only meant choosing four students to spearhead the fundraising, and discussing what could be done to collect supplies and financial support. The LMUV classes prior to the class of 2011 had also collected donations for the FIMRC clinics. Now it was our turn to start the process. What could we contribute...and what were we really contributing for?

In addition to what the previous LMUV classes did for fundraising, the class of 2011 set up an online donation page, wrote letters to airlines requesting baggage fee waivers (for medical supplies), began the *Two-to-Treat Campaign* (where each student is asked to donate just two-dollars) across campuses with designated point persons at each campus to encourage donations, and wrote letters to community organizations requesting permission to set-up donation boxes in check-out lines.

Our financial goal was to raise \$5000. We have almost reached our goal. We raised a total of \$4645.34 and packed over eleven large bins of medical/dental supplies for the FIMRC clinics. Currently, we are still taking donations. Donations received throughout February will likely be used at the clinics this month. Any donations received after February will be used in the following year.

Most importantly, thank you very much to our donors. You have helped us bring much needed medical supplies to the clinics of FIMRC. We purchased four Travel Packs from Medical Assistance Programs International. These Travel Packs are prepackaged kits of medications and medical supplies designed for clinic settings in the developing world. It was quite wonderful to see that during the first day at the Costa Rica site, our medications were already being used. Art supplies and hygiene supplies are being used for health education presentations about, among other things, personal goals, dental hygiene, hand washing, and sexual health.

To see specifically what we are doing each day, visit our blog at <http://chmlmuv.blogspot.com/>. Here we have pictures of health education presentations, clinics we set-up in indigenous communities, creatures we have met, and many other activities.

Since our arrival, we also have been able to see the work of previous LMUV classes. The LMUV class of 2010 used a portion of their donation money to build an incinerator at the Nicaragua site. We are happy to report that the project was a success and the incinerator is currently in use.

Finally, please be aware we are still in the process of inventorying all of our donors. If your name or organization is not listed below, it will be included in the March newsletter.

-Melissa Silverman, MS-III

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ATTENTION CLASS OF 2010!

You must apply for graduation. You will need to submit a completed application by the first week of the semester you expect to complete your degree requirements. If you will complete your degree requirements during Summer, apply for Summer by the first week of Spring semester.

Both Spring and Summer applicants will be included in the Spring Commencement Ceremonies. For students with MSUNetId and Password, fill out the on-line graduation application form. For students without MSUNetId and Password, print and complete the hard copy graduation application form and fax or mail it to the Office of the Registrar.

You can find the application form at:

<http://www.reg.msu.edu/StuForms/GradApp/GradApp.asp>

The Michigan State University College of Human Medicine 2010 Commencement ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 9, 2010 at 3:00pm at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts. This is the first time that CHM commencement will be held on the same weekend as the regular MSU commencement. You are strongly encouraged to make hotel accommodations for your family and friends as soon as possible, as hotels in East Lansing and the surrounding area have limited availability for that weekend. You can always cancel a reservation later, but you may find it extremely difficult to find a room as we get closer to the celebration.

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ERAS 2010 Timeline for Allopathic Schools

Date	Activity
March 2010	NRMP Match results are available, beginning at 1pm. Scramble.
May 31, 2010	ERAS Post Office will close to prepare for the ERAS 2011 season.
July 1, 2010	Residency training begins.

NRMP 2010 Timeline

January 31, 2010 – Program Quota Change Deadline

February 24, 2010 – Late Registration deadline. Rank Order Lists closes at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

March 18, 2010 – Match Day

Core Competency Schedule

2/03/10 **NO CORE COMP**

2/10/10 **NO CORE COMP**

2/17/10 **NO CORE COMP**

2/24/10 **NO CORE COMP**

All student materials (except for Virtuous Physician) are located on the MSU-CHM ANGEL website at: <https://www.angel.msu.edu>



