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Dear Faculty, Staff, Students, Family and Friends,

This email is to inform you about the approaching international rotation for the third and fourth year medical students of the Leadership in Medicine for the Underserved/Vulnerable Program based at the MSU CHM-Synergy Saginaw Campus. Students will be traveling to the underserved areas of El Salvador, Nicaragua, Peru and Costa Rica to learn about and experience international health care. They are seeking supplies and/or monetary donations to support their endeavors. They will be working the Foundation for the Medical Relief of Children (<http://FIMRC.org>), based in urban, rural and indigenous areas.

Below are some ways you might choose to help the students:

1. Go to the following site <http://www.synergymedical.org/LMUUV> and read more about the student trips. Click on the donation button (Make Donation) to make a direct donation to the LMUV-Saginaw program. Your donations are tax deductible through MSU Development and you will receive a receipt by email and snail mail. If you prefer to send a check rather than using the web site, please send to Bridget Hinds (Synergy Medical Education Alliance) 1000 Houghton Avenue, Saginaw MI 48602 and indicate in the memo line that it is for the LMUV-Saginaw program.
2. Donate equipment, clothes, medications (with 6 months at minimum to expiration), art supplies (paper, crayons, sparkles etc), small ziplock bags, and anything else that will lend itself to primary care. Nebulizers and respiratory meds are helpful for kids and adults that will be treated. There are more descriptions of items on the donation site <http://www.synergymedical.org/LMUUV> Supplies may be dropped off at Bridget Hinds office at 1000 Houghton Avenue (Synergy Medical Education Alliance) or we can come by your office at a predetermined time to pick up the items from you.
3. Follow the students' blogs at <http://www.synergymedical.org/LMUUV> as they share the beauty of the people and countries they will discover.

They will be completing their final packing activities the week of January 4, 2010 to ready for their departure on January 16th. We have also included a listing of needed supplies, meds, and other materials that you might find available in your daily activities that could help these sustainable and permanent, yet needy clinics. Students will be carrying the supplies with them (unless we have supplies enough to warrant shipping). We will return February 26 and will be most eager to share with you how your contribution benefited their activities and care of the underserved. Thank you so much for your consideration.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any issues, concerns, etc. Schnuth@msu.edu or contact Bridget at 989-583-6933. Please share this request with anyone you deem interested!

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"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

-John F. Kennedy

This newsletter contains:

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Keeping up with the Joneses

For Mrs. Jones, a 35 year-old single mother of two beautiful girls, Megan 10, and Ella 8, the Old Town Soup Kitchen off Gratiot road in Saginaw has been a reliable source of food, clothing and love during her family's tough times. Every Saturday morning at 11am Mrs. Jones will come to Old Town Soup Kitchen, waiting in line, with a diverse group of people in need, 25% of which are children under 7, for the free items available. Most of the time Mrs. Jones needs the items given to her at the soup kitchen just to make it through the next week and while Old Town Soup Kitchen does provide hot meals on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays, on Saturdays they distribute groceries that can last Mrs. Jones and her girls for a few days. Also available are winter coats and shoes for the girls as well as books or toys and other household items. Without Old Town Soup Kitchen the Jones' tough situation, like many others, would become a near impossible situation. Old Town Soup Kitchen has been around for several years and is supported by corporations, various organization and lots of individual volunteers. As a medical student volunteering that Saturday, I could see the impact of a community caring for those in need on the face of Mrs. Jones and in the smiles of her daughters. It was a good reminder that in these tough and often cynical times there is goodness in the world and it is being done here in Saginaw. If you wish to volunteer and be apart of something special in your own backyard, then you can visit www.oldtowncoc.com for more detailed information.

-Joshua Boys, MS-III

Student/Resident

Experiences

And

Rotations in

Community

Health

Search Program *(taken from the Michigan Rural Health Quarterly, Fall 2009, submitted by the MDCH)*

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MSCH), in partnership with the Michigan Health Council, Michigan Center for Rural Health, Michigan Primary Care Association, and the National Health Services Corps, is establishing the Michigan SEARCH (M-SEARCH) program. They will be working with health professional training programs and community clinical sites to begin placing students in underserved communities in 2010.

The SEARCH program matches health professional students/residents with practice sites and preceptors in underserved communities. Eligible students include those enrolled in medical, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, dental, and other primary care medical residents. Each will complete 4 – 8 weeks of clinical rotations as part of a multidisciplinary health care team and the completion of a community project.

For more information, please contact the Michigan Department of Community Health, Health Planning and Access to Care Section:

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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.

Attention Residents/Faculty!

MSU's Primary Care Faculty Development Fellowship Program is actively recruiting fellows now for the program that begins in January. They will accept applications from qualified applicants until they fill their fellowship spots for next year. All medical specialties are eligible to apply for the program this year, with preferences given to MSU affiliated educational programs and the primary care specialties. Additional information about next year's fellowship program can be found on their website:

www.omerad.msu.edu/fellowship/

Core Competency Schedule

11/04/09 Virtuous Physician, Dr. Wagner, rm. 410
11/11/09 CAAM #5 – Critical Appraisal, John Clements, rm. 410 **(POST TEST)**
11/18/09 CAAM #6 – Applied Statistics; Tests, John Clements, rm. 410
11/25/09 **NO CORE COMP**

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

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Please join us in wishing a happy and prosperous birthday to the following CHM Students:

Tyler Willson, MS-IV – November 10th

Go Green! Hey all you loyal Spartan fans...interested in purchasing tickets for Spartan Sports? Here is the official website of Spartan Athletics....

<http://www.msuspartans.com/tickets/msu-tickets.html>

**Calendar of Events:
Clerkship Information**

Today ◀ ▶ November 2009 ▾ Print Week Month Agenda ▾

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Nov 1 Daylight Sav	2	3 Election Day	4 12pm Student 1pm Career C +2 more	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Veterans Da (5:00pm) CAAM #5 Post-test open +2 more	12	13	14
15 CAAM #5 Post-test open	16	17	18 12pm Student 2pm Student I 3pm Core Cor	19 6pm AOA Ban	20	21
22	23 7am Start of F	24	25 12pm Imlay C 12pm Student 3pm LMUV Proc	26 MSU Holiday Thanksgiving	27 Thanksgiving MSU Holiday	28
29	30	Dec 1	2 12pm Imlay C 12pm Student 3pm LMUV Proc	3	4	5

Events shown in time zone: Eastern Time Google Calendar