Gold Class Employee of the Month: Dr. Bryan Vance

Our Gold Class Employee of the Month was recognized on November 20 with a celebration in the BEH Emergency Department. UTCOM employees selected the GEM Story recognizing Dr. Bryan Vance as the winner in our November vote. The winning story recognized a remarkable example of commitment to meeting all the needs our patients have. You will recall the following story shared earlier this month in Daily Pride:

“Dr. Bryan Vance is an Emergency Department resident. One of his recent patients was a confused, elderly, homeless gentleman with very poor personal hygiene. When Dr. Vance noticed that the nursing staff was overwhelmed and the ED Technicians were busy, he stepped up and went the extra mile. Dr. Vance assisted the patient with a much-needed shower. After the shower, he assisted the patient into clean scrubs and personally provided him with a warm meal. Dr. Vance went above and beyond to recognize this patient’s needs and to exceed them. Dr. Vance is a caring, involved doctor. He is a resident now, full of compassion and well on his way to becoming an amazing physician. The ED team recognizes Dr. Vance as being Gold Class!”

Dr. Vance’s actions reflected all five of our core values. The ED team celebrated with them over cupcakes and punch. Thank you to all employees who took the time to vote. Thank you Dr. Vance for your leadership and dedication to our patients!
**SCCM Presidential Citation: Dr. Mark Rowin**

Mark E. Rowin, M.D., Associate Professor in the Department of Pediatrics and Pediatric Intensivist at T.C. Thompson Children’s Hospital, has been selected as one of the recipients of the Presidential Citation by The Society of Critical Care Medicine for his extraordinary contributions of time, energy and resources to the SCCM during 2012. The Society established the Presidential Citation Award in 1995 to honor SCCM members who have made outstanding contributions to the organization. This is the second consecutive year Dr. Rowin has been selected for this prestigious honor.

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**Board Certification: Dr. Malissa Talbert**

Congratulations to Dr. Malissa Talbert, an instructor with the Department of Family Medicine since 2008, who received her Geriatric Medicine Board Certification in November, 2012 from the American Board of Internal Medicine.

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**Food for the Hungry: Dr.’s Paul & Jeanie Dassow**

Drs. Paul and Jeanie Dassow (UTCOM Family Medicine and OB/GYN faculty) returned from a trip to Ethiopia with a faith-based poverty solution partner called Food for the Hungry (FH). A 41-year old organization, FH works in 23 nations in three global regions to “walk alongside” vulnerable communities to assist them in solving their most pressing problems. Dr. Jeanie Dassow, who has served on the international board of directors for four years, is grateful to be involved in creating sustainable solutions to health, food and sanitation needs of vulnerable communities. She is the only physician on the board which also includes a Canadian lawyer, a Swiss Businesswoman, a Rwandan bishop, a Kenyan businessman, and member of the house of Lords in Britain.

Ethiopia was chosen as the site for their quarterly meeting as FH is administering a $132 million five year USAID grant. The Dassows found inspiration in the hope of the rural communities, which are working together to start irrigation for crops and a seedling business. Child-headed households, made necessary primarily by the AIDS epidemic, are another focus of the work in Ethiopia.

A highlight of the trip was a visit to the Hamlin Fistula Hospital in Addis Ababa where more than 35,000 women have received surgical care for severe pelvic trauma from obstructed labor. Dr. Catharine Hamlin, an OB/GYN from Australia, has been working in Ethiopia since 1959. She has trained surgeons all over the world in her pioneering procedures and she is still operating at age 89.
Research Corner: Upcoming Research Events & Activities

• **Annual Research Week:** The 31st Annual Research Week begins on April 15, 2013. Residents’ posters will be on display in the Medical Mall at Erlanger all week. On Friday, April 19, residents will present their research to a panel of judges. All presentations will be held in the Probasco Auditorium and everyone is welcome to attend. On Friday evening, awards will be presented during a dinner at the Walden Club.

• **Save the date: The Nuts and Bolts Research Methods Symposium** will be held on Friday, August 16, 2013. Information will be posted on the the Research Events and Educational Series section of the website (www.utcomchatt.org, Research tab, Research Events & Educational Series section) as it becomes available.

• **New Research Staff Welcome:** The UT College of Medicine Chattanooga is proud to have Amy Casey Hutcherson, Ph.D., join us as Director of Research Compliance and Sponsored Projects. She is a three-time graduate of Vanderbilt University with degrees in Psychology and Child Development (B.S.), Applied Developmental Psychology (M.Ed.), and Early Childhood Special Education (Ph.D.). She also has a Board Certified Behavior Analyst® credential. Dr. Hutcherson spent the last 10 years working with Robin McWilliam, Ph.D., at both Vanderbilt University Medical Center and the Center for Child and Family Research at Siskin Children’s Institute. During that time, she coordinated federally-funded research projects, wrote grants, published journal articles, and co-authored a book about children’s engagement. She served on the Board of Directors for the Council for Exceptional Children’s Division for Research for 5 years. In the last year, she has served as a committee member on the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) Institutional Review Board and completed the Grant Preparation Institute offered by the Office of Partnerships and Sponsored Programs at UTC. She is eager to learn more about medical research, help research teams comply with policies put in place to protect research participants, and assist investigators with grant proposals. She also likes to spend time with her husband and 2-year-old son!

• **Research Coordinators’ Forum:** The Research Coordinators’ Forum will continue! The next meeting is Tuesday, April 23, at 12:00 in the Dean’s Conference Room (Suite 100, Whitehall Building). Lynne Marks, R.N., Clinical Quality Improvement Department Director, has been asked to speak. More information about her talk, in addition to details about the meetings on May 28 and June 25, will be posted on the Research Events and Educational Series section of the website (www.utcomchatt.org, Research tab, Research Events & Educational Series section).

• **Research Speaker/Topic Suggestions:** Dr. Hutcherson is developing a list of topics and speakers for the next academic year. If you have suggestions, please send them to amy.hutcherson@erlanger.org.

• **Research Grants & Funding:** Dr. Hutcherson receives lists of funding opportunities from federal agencies daily. Some recently-announced grant opportunities might be perfect for your team! If you are interested in receiving information about newly-announced funding opportunities, please send your area of interest to amy.hutcherson@erlanger.org. (The more detailed you can be, the less non-applicable opportunities she will send!)

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SSGIM Scientific Meeting

The UT College of Medicine Chattanooga Department of Medicine participated in the Southern Regional scientific meeting of the Society of General Internal Medicine held in New Orleans, February 21-23, 2013. Dr. Mukta Panda was a Panel Mentoring Co-Chairperson for the meeting. Dr. Victor Kolade worked with Drs. Alex Dwuma and James Ragins, Internal Medicine Residents, to coordinate a spirited Medical Jeopardy competition during the event. A podium presentation was made by Dr. Alia Durrani, a Transitional Year Resident: “Cardiac Arrest with Asystole after Exposure to Gadolinium-based Contrast Media”; coauthors were Drs John Lewis and Shadi Ayyoub.

Dr Ryan Moore, Transitional Year, presented a poster entitled “Abdominal aortic aneurysm with inferior vena cava compression: an unusual cause of deep venous thrombosis”. Co-authors were Rutter E, Zapko D, Ayyoub S, Kolade V. Dr. Katherine Fyall, Transitional Year, presented a poster titled, “A woman with bilateral Achilles tendon masses and a quirky personality - exploring the role of Internet search engines in medicine”. Coauthors were Drs Kristen Dunbar, Katrin Usifo and Jay Sizemore.

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