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CLASS DAY

to honor the Class of 2008

Jefferson Medical College

of

THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

1824-2008

Thursday, May Twenty-Ninth
Two Thousand and Eight
One O'Clock

FIRST FLOOR
JEFFERSON ALUMNI HALL

Presiding

MICHAEL J. VERGARE, M.D.
Interim Dean, Jefferson Medical College



Address

THOMAS J. NASCA, M.D., M.A.C.P.
Chief Executive Officer
Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education
"Merry Christmas"



Speaker

DANIEL M. RELLES
"Class of 2008: Meet the Class of 2008"



Awarding of Prizes

Faculty
Members of the Class of 2008

Awards and Prizes

Awarded at Class Day Exercises on Thursday, May 29, 2008

Faculty Awards

The Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

KATHERINE TERESA BERG, M.D., Assistant Professor of Medicine

Dean's Award for Distinguished Teaching.

WILLIAM KOCHER, M.D., Clinical Assistant Professor of Pathology, Anatomy and Cell Biology

Blockley-Osler/Dean's Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching. To a faculty member of a Jefferson-Affiliated Hospital.

MATTHEW JAY BURDAY, D.O., F.A.C.P., Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine, Associate Program Director at Christiana Care Health Systems

The Leon A. Peris Memorial Award. To a member of the volunteer faculty for excellence in clinical teaching and superior patient care.

STEVEN ANDREW JOHNSON, M.D., F.A.C.S., Instructor in Surgery at Christiana Care Health Systems

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation. To an outstanding faculty member demonstrating exemplary compassion in doctor/patient relations.

SHARON RUBIN, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine, Division of Cardiology

Awards to Graduating Students

The E. Harold Hinman Memorial Prize, for extraordinary interest and accomplishment in family medicine. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of E. Harold Hinman, Ph.D., M.D., M.P.H., Professor Emeritus of Preventive Medicine.

CATHERINE EILEEN HURLEY (honorable mention: LESLIE ANN BRYDEN)

The Henry Keller Mohler Memorial Prize in Therapeutics. In memory of Mr. Jesse Hubschman's wife, Natalie, to honor Henry Keller Mohler, M.D.

ELAINE M. SUNDERLIN (honorable mention: JENNIFER I. NEUMAN)

The Carroll R. Mullen Memorial Prize in Ophthalmology. To the senior who has displayed outstanding aptitude and excellence in ophthalmology.

KRISTINA YI-HWA PAO (honorable mention: CHRISTINA BURIGO MCGOWAN)

The Sarah G. Miller Obstetrics and Gynecology Prize. To a senior who has demonstrated excellence in obstetrics and gynecology during the entire curriculum. Sponsored by Mrs. Sarah George Miller in memory of John B. Montgomery, M.D., Professor Emeritus of Obstetrics.

JUSTIN SAMUEL BRANDT

The Baldwin L. Keyes Prize in Psychiatry. Given by Mr. Joseph H. Levit in memory of his wife Mae K. Levit, in honor of Baldwin L. Keyes, M.D., Sc.D., Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry.

ELEANOR RUTH AINSLIE (honorable mention: BIANCA MICHELE PREVIDI)

The Harold L. Stewart, M.D. '26 Prize in Pathology. Awarded to the academically excellent student who has completed a pathology research project.

CHRISTIAN JOHN DAVIDSON

The Leopold Z. Goldstein, M.D. Memorial Prize in Obstetrics and Gynecology. To the student with the highest average in obstetrics and gynecology. In memory of Leopold Z. Goldstein, M.D. sponsored by his daughters.

SADAF HASHIM HUSSAIN (honorable mention: KARI MICHELE HOROWITZ)

The Dean Marie Banes Memorial in Pediatrics, for excellence in pediatrics. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of Dean Marie Banes, M.D. a graduate of the Class of 1973.

JAMIE LYNN MCMULLEN (honorable mention: SHAJI PHILIP)

The Norman F. Sokoloff, M.D. Award, for excellence in clinical and diagnostic skills.

MICHAEL D. BARATZ

The Burton L. Wellenbach, M.D. – JMC Class of 1944 Award for Excellence in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Medical Ethics. Awarded to the graduating senior who demonstrates excellence in obstetrics and gynecology and medical ethics as exemplified by Dr. Burton L. Wellenbach's 50 years of practice and dedication to Jefferson Medical College and medicine.

MEREDITH LEE BIRSNER

The Philip J. Hodes Prize in Radiology. To the fourth-year medical student displaying outstanding aptitude and interest in radiology.

LARYSSA MARIA HUD

The William C. Davis, Class of 1977 Prize in Emergency Medicine is awarded to a senior who will pursue a career in emergency medicine. Sponsored by Mrs. Charlotte Davis in memory of her son, William C. Davis, M.D., an alumnus of Jefferson Medical College.

BRIAN JOHN OSTICK (honorable mention: AMIRA MUNAS BASS)

The Joseph F. Rodgers, M.D. Memorial Award. Given to a fourth-year medical student who has exhibited excellence in the discipline of internal medicine, especially diagnostic skills and a devotion to their patients.

AMANDA RACHEL LERMAN (honorable mention: JOSEPH F. MCLAUGHLIN)

The Arnold R. Weitz Memorial Prize in Hematology. Awarded to a senior medical student for outstanding aptitude and interest in hematology. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of Arnold R. Weitz, M.D.

MELISSA ANN WILSON (honorable mention: CLAIRE M. RAAB)

The William F. Kellow Prize. To the student who most closely exemplifies the attributes of the ideal physician. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of William F. Kellow, M.D., Dean and Vice President of Jefferson Medical College from 1967 to 1981.

PHILIP JOHN DIGIACOMO III

Robert J. Mandle Memorial Graduation Award. Given to the graduating student who has shown the greatest proficiency in research in the field of microbiology or related medical science as judged by the faculty of the Department of Microbiology.

LOUIS HENRY STEIN

The Francis Torrens Stewart, M.D. Clinical Surgery Prize, for general excellence in clinical surgery. In memory of Francis Torrens Stewart, M.D., Professor of Clinical Surgery, 1910-1920.

JASON DAVID WALLS (honorable mention: LAURA HORST ROSENBERGER)

The Philip P. Ripepi, M.D. Prize in General Surgery is awarded to a senior medical student pursuing a career in general surgery, who is deemed most worthy by the Jefferson Medical College surgical faculty. It is named for Philip P. Ripepi, M.D. who was not an alumnus of Jefferson but recognized Jefferson as the best medical school in the country.

LAURENCE JUSTIN BELIN (honorable mention: DANIEL MAX RELLES)

The Edward J. Moore Memorial Prize in Pediatrics. To the student demonstrating the greatest aptitude in pediatrics. In memory of Edward J. Moore, M.D.

KATIE KUPFER LOCKWOOD (honorable mention: AIMEE LYNNE LEYTON)

The S. MacCuen Smith Memorial Prize in Otolaryngology. To the most able senior in the field of otology. Sponsored by Mrs. Stuart Lodge Bullivant in memory of her father.

BRYAN SCOTT NEWBROUGH

The Arthur Krieger Memorial Prize in Family Medicine, for excellence in family medicine. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of Arthur Krieger, M.D.

DORIANN LEE LAVERY (honorable mention: AIMEE ELIZABETH PACKER)

The Arthur Krieger Memorial Prize in Neurology, for excellence in neurology. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of Arthur Krieger, M.D.

SWATHI VIJAYARAGHAVAN (honorable mention: MICHELLE L. GARDECKI)

The Hubert Spencer Sear, M.D. Memorial Award. Awarded to an outstanding fourth-year student in radiology. Sponsored by family and friends in memory of Hubert Spencer Sear, M.D., Class of 1950.

REBECCA COOPER WINTER (honorable mention: RAMALINGA REDDY KEDIKA)

The Alexander and Lottie Katzman Award in Gastroenterology. Awarded to the most proficient student in gastroenterology as judged by the faculty. Sponsored by Joseph Medoff, M.D., and Mrs. Medoff in memory of Mrs. Medoff's parents.

BRIANNA LYNN COOK (honorable mention: REBECCA ANN MATRO)

The Philip and Bella Medoff Memorial Prize, for excellence in internal medicine and outstanding contributions to the Hobart Amory Hare Medical Honor Society. Given to a senior who is a member of the Society and who is recommended by the Magee Professor of Medicine and the faculty advisor of the Society. Sponsored by Joseph Medoff, M.D., Mrs. Medoff, and children.

THERESA MADALINE (honorable mention: KARI MICHELE HOROWITZ)

The William T. and Madeline Lemmon Memorial Prize in Anesthesiology, for clinical work or writing in the field of anesthesiology. Awarded from an endowment established by family members in memory of William T. Lemmon, Sr., M.D.

ERIC STEPHEN SCHWENK (honorable mention: JUBEEN MOAVEN)

The Annie Simpson General Medicine Prize. Awarded to the medical student who received the best general average in general medicine.

NICHOLAS ADAM MAHONEY (honorable mention: CHIRAG P. MEHTA)

The Annie Simpson Pulmonary Medicine Prize. Awarded to the medical student who received the best general average in pulmonary medicine.

ESME FENELLA SINGER (honorable mention: NISHA AGGARWAL)

The William Potter Memorial Prize in Clinical Medicine. Awarded to the graduating student with the best performance in clinical medicine, from a bequest of Mrs. Adaline Potter Wear.

SADAF HASHIM HUSSAIN

The Hyman Menduke Research Prize is awarded to the graduating senior who, as determined by the Committee on Research of the faculty, has demonstrated excellence in research while a student at Jefferson Medical College. Sponsored by Michael LeWitt, M.D., Class of 1974.

LOUIS HENRY STEIN

The Drs. Donald R. and Henry Pohl Prize for Professionalism is awarded to the senior medical student who exemplifies the ideals of professionalism.

JUSTIN SAMUEL BRANDT (honorable mention: SAMANTHA WEED)

The Dean's Student Service Award is awarded to the fourth-year student who has given generously of time and talents for the service of classmates and Jefferson Medical College as selected by the Dean.

ELIZABETH PICNIC NORHEIM

The Alumni Prize is awarded by the Alumni Association of Jefferson Medical College to the fourth-year student with the highest cumulative record.

SADAF HASHIM HUSSAIN

The Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children Prize. Awarded to the student whose performance best demonstrates the qualities of academic and clinical excellence, human compassion, and a commitment to the welfare of others as was exemplified by the life and trust of Alfred I. duPont.

GINA MARIE RUGGIERIO

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation is given to an outstanding student demonstrating exemplary compassion in doctor/patient relations.

DANIEL MAX RELLES

The Frans J. Vossenberg, M.D. Memorial Prize in Internal Medicine is awarded to a graduating senior member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society who has chosen to pursue a career in the field of Internal Medicine and has demonstrated excellence in diagnostic skills and patient compassion as exemplified by the life of Frans J. Vossenberg, M.D. Class of 1950.

KATIE M. HAWTHORNE

The J. Woodrow Savacool, M.D. Prize in Medical Ethics is awarded to the senior medical student who embodies the ideal of the physician's caring commitment to moral and ethical values in medicine. Sponsored by a committee of friends and colleagues in memory of J. Woodrow Savacool, M.D., an alumnus and Honorary Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine, Jefferson Medical College.

LAURENCE JUSTIN BELIN (honorable mention: JUSTIN SAMUEL BRANDT and CLAIRE M. RAAB)

The Philip J. Wolfson, M.D., Memorial Prize for Leadership is awarded to the senior who has served as a role model for effective leadership and professional behavior through the four years of medical school. Sponsored by the family, colleagues, and friends of Philip J. Wolfson, M.D.

LAURENCE JUSTIN BELIN (honorable mention: MEREDITH LEE BIRSNER)

Representatives of the Class of 2008

NISHA AGGARWAL
MARK D. BINKLEY
JULIE A. LINEK
CHRISTINA B. MCGOWAN
JASON D. WALLS



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