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2500th baby born at Maternity Centre of Hamilton!

New...

Website Tools are now available to support faculty in their research endeavours... More information is available on page 8, or check out our website under section "Funding and Research Sources"

<http://fammedmcmaster.ca/research/>

FAMILY MEDICINE HIGHLIGHTS JULY TO DECEMBER 2007

NEWS/UPDATES

Dr. Redwood-Campbell has been working hard to develop a global health tutorial which would be part of Clerkship. The society of Rural Physicians is hosting a Rural Critical Care Conference, to be held Feb 16—23, 2008 at Dakak Park Beach Resort in the Philippines. For more information, please visit www.srpc.ca/rcc. Physicians will be paired up with rural physicians and go to their village.

The Medical Education Research Group is moving forward with an "action plan" that will be shared with others who attended the June retreat. We are circulating a brief survey to identify what folks are working on or interested in working on in this area. If you have not already done so, please send your response to Debra Farquhar. We will be following up to learn more about your activities and help to move some projects forward. A formal needs assessment will be conducted early in 2008.

The Maternity Centre recently celebrated its 2500th birth and was featured in the Hamilton Spectator. To view the entire article, please go to:

<http://fammedmcmaster.ca/deptinfo/departments-news-items/building-babies>

Stonechurch Family Health Centre was awarded the City of Hamilton "Urban Design & Architecture Awards 2007". From a former insurance company vehicle inspection and claims centre into a community health clinic. The project demonstrates an ambitious landscape design that allows the interior spaces of the building to extend into a new surrounding landscape bringing natural light and nature into the building. To view the entire article, please go to:

<http://www.stonechurchclinic.ca/Clinic%20News/stonechurch-family-health-centre-award/>

McMaster Family Practice Dr. Russ Springate will be stepping down as Unit Director of McMaster Family Practice (MFP). Dr. Springate will continue to be involved in some of our teaching and actively involved in obstetrical care through the Maternity Centre. Dr. Joyce Zazulak has graciously agreed to assume the role of Acting Unit Director of MFP. The process for a new Unit Director has already begun and we hope to have the process completed within the next several months.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

"It is never easy to keep reaching for dreams. Strength and courage can sometimes be lonely friends. But those who reach, walk in stardust."



Dr. Cathy Risdon successfully defended her PhD thesis on December 6, 2007, Doctorate of Management, Hertfordshire University

Thesis title: "Curricular Processes as Practice: The Emergence of Excellence in a Medical School"



Dr. Michelle Howard successfully defended her PhD thesis on June 29, 2007, Health Research Methodology, McMaster University

Thesis title: "A comparison of emergency department and walk-in clinic use in different primary care models in Thunder Bay, Ontario: Results and discussion of data collection and analysis issues"

Congratulations to the Integrating family Medicine and Pharmacy to Advance primary Care Therapeutics (IMPACT) Project Team (Lisa Dolovich, Principal Investigator) for receiving a certificate of excellence from Blood Pressure Canada.

Congratulations to the Vascular Intervention Program (Lisa Dolovich, Investigator), a project led by the Group Health Centre in Sault Ste Marie for receiving an Ontario Hospital Association Leading Practices Award at the OHA Health Achieve 2007 conference.

Congratulations to Dr. David Chan and his OSCAR team. **OSCAR-CAISI** was the Silver Award Winner in the Category of "Efficiency and Operational Improvements — Not For Profit" in the Canadian Information Productivity Award 2007 <http://cipa.ca/>. CIPA is a celebration of IT and innovation implementation excellence in all types of organizations across the country. A CIPA award constitutes the highest form of recognition for the capabilities of an organization and its executives year's CE&B Research Day.

Congratulations to Angela Barbara. Angela was one of the winners awarded the Michael Gent Prize for the Best Poster by an HRM Student at this year's CE&B Research Day.



Congratulations!

COMING AND GOINGS

Welcome...

Sue Robinson has been recruited to work part-time as a Nurse Practitioner with the Maternity Centre team.

Alison Young will be working part-time as a Social Worker with the Maternity Centre team.

Suzanne Padhi has accepted the position of Administrative Assistant with the department and is a welcome addition to the administrative team.

Jason Silver has been hired as our new web programmer. Jason's main priority will be developing the Family Medicine website but is also available to assist with graphic design, computer troubleshooting and software use.

Bruna Almeida Aviles has accepted the position of Administrative Assistant with the department and is a welcome addition to the administrative team.

Jocelyn Viera has accepted the position of Administrative Assistant with the department and is a welcome addition to the administrative team.

Dr. Lisa Dolovich has accepted the appointment as our new Research Director for the Department of Family Medicine. Along with serving as Research Director she will remain affiliated as a scientist with the Centre for Evaluation of Medicines at St. Joseph's Healthcare.

Dr. Sarah Kinzie will be assuming the role of Education Coordinator at Stonechurch Family Health Centre.

Dr. Ainsley Moore is a welcomed member to our full-time faculty team and has accepted a GFT position at Stonechurch Family Health Centre.

Dr. David McCann is a new GFT working with our Stonechurch Family Health Centre.

Dr. Kuldeep Sidhu has been newly appointed Division Director for Emergency Medicine in the Department of Family Medicine.

Dr. Indy Ghosh as the Program Director for the Division of Emergency Medicine in Family Medicine. We are excited to have Dr. Ghosh as part of our residency program.

*"There are two ways
to live your life.*

*One is as though
nothing is a miracle.*

*The other is as if every-
thing is a miracle"*

Albert Einstein

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Our achievements, seen in the work, publications and contributions of our members to family medicine research, are both individual and collective.

PUBLICATIONS CONTINUED...

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Schwartz L, Adelson N, Elit L, Redwood-Campbell L, Sinding C. Ethics in conditions of disaster & deprivation: learning from health workers' narratives. CIHR. Amount: **\$150,000**

Dolovich L, Gagnon A, McAiney CA, Sparrow L. What are pharmacists' perspectives and initial experiences with the Meds Check pharmacist medication review in Ontario? Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care – Ontario Public Drug Programs. Amount: **\$60,335**

Agarwal G. Report on ethical issues for New Brunswick DM screening: Pilot project. Public Health Agency of Canada. Amount: **\$9,940**

Schabort I. Faculty Development Grant for Teachers of IMGs. Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada (AFMC). Amount: **\$7,500**

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Kelly L. DM Robb Community Based Research Award CFPC. Amount: **\$ 4,000**

Redwood-Campbell L, Shankardass K. Building capacity of health professionals in Branda Aceh, Indonesia. Rotary Club of Dundas. Amount: **\$ 30,000**

"I believe that the extraordinary should be pursued. But extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence."

Dr. Carl Sagan

BOOKS/CHAPTERS

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“There is nothing like looking, if you want to find something. You certainly usually find something, if you look, but it is not always quite the something you were after.”

EVENTS

The Cardiovascular Health Awareness Program team held a workshop at the Stroke Strategy meeting for Southwestern Ontario in London in November, 2007, This was a timely opportunity to bring together key partners from our 20 program communities across Ontario to discuss plans for the next phase of CHAP, funded by the Ministry of Health Promotion (\$500,000). The “CHAP + Action Plan” project will focus on sustainability of CHAP in the communities, enhanced components to help older adults to address modifiable risk factors, improve management of and work with FHT’s to integrate CHAP with their chronic disease prevention activities and cre-



MIME Report — **Dr. Gina Agarwal** presented the results of the MIME research study. Overall job satisfaction among participants was rated at 86%. Ninety-four percent of staff indicated that they would recommend their unit (either MFP or SFHC) to someone seeking a job.

July — December 2007

Research Project Funding	Research Publications
11 research projects received funding	18 publications
Proposals & LOI’s Submitted	Books/Chapters
31 proposals and letters of intent	3 book chapter(s) have been published

EVENTS

The Social Work Conference held at Stonechurch Health Centre on September 28, 2007 was a great success, with over 90 attendees. Conference planners are hopeful that this conference will become an annual event. Many thanks to Wendy Milburn and Linda Pontrelli for their help in coordinating the day. Thanks also to the many members of our Department who were involved in teaching sessions throughout the day.



Academic Forum

November 29, 2007 an academic forum on education research in our department took place in the MDCL Building — Speakers included:

Joyce Zazulak — Renewal of the behavioural science curriculum using appreciative inquiry

Lisa Dolovich — Development and evaluation of the family practice simulator

Allyn Walsh — Evaluation of a practice-based small group learning approach to acquire effective feedback skills.

Future and past Academic Forum events can be viewed at this link:

<http://fammedmcmaster.ca/research/forum/index.html>

5th Annual Innovations in Palliative Care Day — February 27, 2008

Elizabeth Latimer, Professor with the Department of Family Medicine, Division of Palliative Care is on the planning committee for “Innovations in Thought and Practice” Information and registration can be found

The Carl Moore Lectureship — Presented by: Dr. John Sellors

Ewart Angus Lecture Hall—HSC 1A6 — April 8, 2008 — 5:00pm

Making a Global Difference: One Family Physician’s Story

Cervical Cancer is the most common cause of death from cancer in women in developing and poor countries. This is the story of how one family physician, working with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, created a program to tackle this issue.

The Spring Meeting will be held on **May 9 & 10, 2008**. Dr. Louise Nasmith has agreed to be the keynote speaker. The focus for this two-day meeting will be on Interprofessional education, Interprofessional care and relationships. Planning is still in the initial stages. More information to follow.

If you want to report on or post an event/activity please forward it to:

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Upcoming Events and Activities are now on the web:

<http://fammedmcmaster.ca/dept-calendar>

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Research Resources web tools designed to help you.... every step of the way!

A list of relevant and helpful journal article links, websites, presentations, guides, and tools have been compiled.

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Funding Sources: This section will link you to some of the more popular funding available to researchers

Statistics: Provides calculators specific to research

Terms and Definitions: This section had definitions and critical appraisal tools

Writing for publication: Provides uniform journal requirements, effective oral presentations tips, power point and poster design tools

Administrative: Provides important and useful information regarding research ethics, etc.

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