

HSCCharleston Division News

May 21, 2008

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Clark Hansbarger Honored with "Friends of Children" Award

At the annual awards dinner on Friday, April 4, 2008, the West Virginia Chapter American Academy of Pediatrics presented awards for outstanding service to West Virginia's children.

Our own Dr. Hansbarger was honored with the Friends of Children Award.

This award is given to a resident or organization headquartered in West Virginia who has made a public commitment to the improvement of health and safety of children; or has initiated, developed, expanded or supported programs that have actually improved the health and safety of children. Dr. Hansbarger is recognized for his leadership of the WV Kids Count, through his service on the Board of Directors and as President. He is also recognized for his commitment to and provision of resources in support of the WV Chapter statewide quality improvement project. Congratulations, Dr. Hansbarger on this great honor!

Faculty News

Pediatrics

Dr. Myra L. Chiang honored with "Distinguished Professorship of Special Care to Children in a Pediatric Sub-Specialty."

Dr. Myra L. Chiang, of the Department of Pediatrics was honored on Thursday May 15, 2008 in a dedication ceremony to honor her receipt of the "Distinguished Professorship of Special Care to Children in a Pediatric Sub-Specialty." The professorship was made possible through the generous support of an anonymous donor. The program included the following words about our esteemed Dr. Chiang:

A native of the Philippines, received her undergraduate degree at the University of East Philippines, graduating magna cum laude in 1975. Myra then furthered her career graduating from the University of the East Medical Center in the Philippines second in a class of 180 students. After graduating from medical school, Dr. Chiang came to the United States in 1982. She completed her Pediatric Residency at Mount Sinai Services in New York, followed by the completion of her fellowship in Pediatric Nephrology at Baylor College of Medicine/Texas Children's Hospital under the tutelage of Dr. Leighton Hill, and while attending Baylor, Dr. Chiang was nominated "Fellow of the Year". In 1988, Dr. Chiang joined the Department of Pediatrics at West Virginia University in Charleston as Assistant Professor of Medicine. Along with Dr. Ernie Hodge she started the Pediatric Renal Transplant Program at CAMC. Dr. Chiang was the only Pediatric Nephrologist in the state of West Virginia for seven years. Dr. Chiang traveled to Morgantown, WV and to Marshall University in Huntington to see patients monthly in the Pediatric Nephrology Clinics.

Dr. Chiang was promoted to Associate Professor in 1995 and to Professor in 2005. Dr. Chiang served as the Interim Chairman, and subsequently the Chairman for the WVU School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, Charleston Division from 1998-2003. She has been the Vice Chief of Pediatrics for CAMC since 2003. Dr. Chiang serves on the WV Medicaid Drug Utilization Review Board and Medicare Carrier Advisory Committee. She is the author of several articles in peer reviewed journals. She has written three book chapters in all of the editions of Oski's Principles and Practice of Pediatrics. She's been a principal investigator of several clinical trials.

Dr. Chiang comes from a big family, being one of eleven children. Her parents emigrated from China to the Philippines in the 1930's. She is married to Dr. Hwaii Soo, who is a native of Taiwan. Dr. Soo works for Dow Chemical R & D. They have a 15 year old daughter, Jasmine, who is a sophomore in high school at Culver Academy in Indiana. Dr. Chiang and her husband enjoy traveling to their daughters' soccer and ice hockey games.

Staff Happenings

From the Poison Center

Submitted by Pamela J. Chase RN, CSPI
West Virginia Poison Center

I am so excited to tell you that my daughter Katherine is one of 12 finalists for a full ride scholarship (3 years) to WV WESLEYAN. This would be a total blessing and answer to prayer as well as a dream for a 16 year old girl who really wants to work hard and do well in school. Katherine was selected amongst hundreds who applied by essay and then was a semifinalist among 20-some who were interviewed and chosen as one of the 12 finalists for the scholarship done through WV Metro News. You can see her taped interview online at: <http://www.wvscholar.com/finalists.cfm>

To select Katherine for this honor, vote at <http://www.wvscholar.com/vote.cfm>
You can vote only 1 time with each e-mail address account that you have. After voting it is necessary to go to your e-mail and retrieve the return message sent by the confirmation@wvscholar.com and hit the link they send you to confirm your vote.

Medical Coding and Billing

Laura Sullivan, CPC, RMC, PCS of WVU's Charleston Division has been appointed Chairperson for the State of West Virginia with the ACMCS Region II. Congratulations Laura

EVENTS, MEETINGS, PROGRAMS, CLASSES

Summer Research Externship Program

CAMC /WVU 2008 Summer Research Externship Program

Six Weeks, Orientation June 11-13, 2008, Program June 16 – July 25, 2008

Info: Robin Rector at CAMC Institute (304) 388-9961 robin.rector@camc.org

2008 Research Lunch and Learn Schedule

June 18 - Jim McJunkin, M.D., Fatal Cases of Shaken Baby Syndrome: Incidence and Victim Profiles in the State of WV from 1999-2005

July 23 - CAMC/WVU-Charleston Division Summer Research Extern Project Presentations, WVU Auditorium

For more info, contact Mary Huntley at mary.huntley@camc.org

FYI

WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Congratulations to Matt Darnell from Computer Services, who was the winner of the WVU Charleston Division's April "StairWELL" campaign. Matt took more than 13,000 stair steps during the month. Congrats also to Ditty Rosengarten of the CAMC School of Nurse Anesthesia and Leonard Dorcas of Building Services for their 2nd and 3rd place finishes and well as all of those who participated in the program.

A delegation of WVU Charleston Division employees took part in the Mountain State Blue Cross Blue Shield "Turn a Working Lunch Into a Walking Lunch" program. The group walked with Governor manchin from the Governor's Manchin to downtown Charleston and back. It was a great showign of WVU employees in their best WVU attire. Thanks to all who participated.

Morgantown's Health Sciences Center has a wellness website you can visit at www.hsc.wvu.edu/wellness. The Charleston Division is developing it's own wellness site and it will be launched soon!

DEVELOPMENT

Campus Campaign

During the next few weeks, WVU Charleston faculty will be receiving a gift form as part of the 2008-2009 Campus Campaign. We encourage you to support this important effort to further our missions.

HSC NEWS

HSCNews Submission

The Communications Department will be sending HSC E-News on a regular basis. If you have news you would like to share, please forward it to Jeffrey Driggs at jdriggs@hsc.wvu.edu (about:jdriggs@hsc.wvu.edu%20) or call (304) 347-1283.

HSCNews on the Web

If you would like to view the current issue of news on the web, or back issues, use the link below and chose from the HSC News links for "current issue" and "back issues." Thanks to Patricia Dawson, Web Master of the Charleston Division for keeping this archive up to now. Trish is retiring June 1st. We thank her for her assistance in shaing the Enews and wish her the best in her retirement.

http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/charleston/admin_bio.htm

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