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Acknowledgements

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Diane Iseminger  
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Dr. and Mrs. John N. Pittman Surgery Awards
John N. Pittman, MD (1933-2014) was a pioneer in open heart surgery and on the team that performed the first open heart procedure in 1965 at Methodist Hospital. Dr. Pittman, a distinguished alumnus and strong supporter of the IU School of Medicine, provided his legacy to recognize five (5) outstanding IU graduating medical students for their academic accomplishments.

Alex Clem  Kali Kuhlenschmidt  John Mayo  Rebecca Sorba

Class of 1985 and Todd B. Taylor Leadership Award
This Award is to be bestowed upon a third or fourth year student who have demonstrated leadership skills by serving as an officer, class representative, center representative or committee chair for the Medical Student Council or class for a minimum of two years.

Parth Muckund Patel

Jay Thomas Award
This campus-specific award is in honor of Jay Thomas, who as a first year medical student was the victim of an airplane accident in 1956. This award and honorarium are made to the outstanding medical student in physiology from the Medical Sciences Program.

Braden Sciarra  Andrew Bowman
Awards Presented Previously

Gerald Bepko Award for Excellence in Professionalism  
Katie Meyer

Gerald Bepko Award for Excellence in Community Service  
Meredith Faller

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Rikki Enzor

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Rikki Enzor  Tirajeh Saadatzadeh

Lynda Means Award  
Aklecia McVoy

Julius M. Goodman Scholarship  
Woody Han  Benjamin Kevin Hendricks  Chad Tuchek

Janice M. Pascuzzi Awards  
Kristyn Jeffries  Lara Magnabosco  Priyanka Parekh  Evan Thayer  Edward Westfall

Chancellors Award on Academic Achievement  
Schools within the IUPUI Campus are contacted each year to submit the name of a graduating senior that will receive the Chancellor’s Scholar designation. The recipient has the highest cumulative grade point average as determined by the school. The recipient is honored at the Chancellor’s Academic Honors Convocation held in late April.

Woody Han

Forty-Third Annual  
Senior Banquet & Awards Ceremony

Greetings from the Dean  
Jay L. Hess, MD, PhD, MHSA  
Vice President for University Clinical Affairs, Dean of Indiana University School of Medicine, Walter J. Daly Professor

Greetings from the Class  
Parth Patel  
Senior Class President

Introduction of the Keynote Speaker  
Frank Rutigliano  
Class of 2016 Center Representative

Keynote Speaker  
Gary L. Dunnington, M.D.  
J L. Grosfeld Professor of Surgery

Presentation of The Medical Class of 2016 Faculty Awards  
Parth Patel  
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Presentation of Departmental & School Awards  
Peter M. Nalin, MD, FAAFP  
Associate Vice President for Education, University Clinical Affairs, Executive Associate Dean for Educational Affairs, Indiana University School of Medicine

Bradley Allen, MD, PhD  
Senior Associate Dean for Medical Student Education

Abigail Klemsz, MD, PhD  
Assistant Dean of Academic Advising, Medical Student Education
## Basic Science Faculty Awards

- **Valerie D. O’Loughlin, PhD**
  Bloomington

- **Derron L. Bishop, PhD**
  Muncie

- **Dale Saxon, PhD**
  Evansville

- **Roman Dziarski, PhD**
  Northwest–Gary

- **Glenn Merkel, PhD**
  Fort Wayne

- **John Barone, MD**
  Terre Haute

- **Mark F. Seifert, PhD**
  Indianapolis

- **David Halperin, MD**
  South Bend

- **Gerald Wehr, MD**
  West Lafayette

## Clinical Science Faculty Awards

- **David A. Nakata, MD, MBA**
  Anesthesia

- **John Christenson, MD**
  Pediatrics

- **Joseph Turner, MD**
  Emergency Medicine

- **Maria C. Poor, MD**
  Psychiatry

- **Ruben Hernandez, MD**
  Family Medicine

- **Richard B. Gunderman, MD, PhD**
  Radiology

- **Virginia Reed, MD**
  Internal Medicine

- **Atilla Nakeeb, MD**
  Surgery

- **Robert M. Pascuzzi, MD**
  Neurology

- **Michael Moore, MD, FACS**
  Surgery Subspecialty (ENT)

## Support Staff Award

- **José R. Espada**

## Outstanding Clerkship

- **W. Graham Carlos, MD**

## Awards Presented Previously

### Gold Humanism Honor Society

The Indiana University School of Medicine chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society was established during the 2005-2006 academic year by the Department of Pediatrics, as a means of formally recognizing medical students and resident physicians who demonstrate exemplary behavior that promotes humanism in medicine. Creation of this GHHS chapter was made possible by a grant from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation. By encouraging the creation of chapters in medical schools around the country, the Gold Foundation seeks to honor senior medical students, residents, role-model physicians teachers & other exemplars who demonstrate excellence in clinical care, leadership, compassion & dedication to service.

- Laura Mary Catherine Ades
- MacKenzie Bonder Austgen
- Heather Benson
- Nathan Lechae’s Delafield
- Daniel Jay Driver
- Alexandra Jane Edwards
- Meredith June Faller
- Ethan Leighton Ferguson
- Sunetris Kenyana Fluellen
- Anna R. Gaddy
- Keith Samuel Hansen
- Benjamin Kevin Hendricks
- Alan David Hyslop
- Nathan Alexander James
- Kristyn Jeffries
- Thomas Michael Jetmore
- Tingshan Jiang
- Kreigh Alan Kamman
- Katarzyna Ewa Kania
- Neil P. Keshvani
- Talar Betty Kharadjian
- Lara Evelyn Wu Magnabosco
- Loren Ashley McLendon
- Aklecia McVoy
- Kathryn Joy Meyer
- Bharathi Muthusamy
- Kilby P. Osborn
- Priyanka Hiten Parekh
- Parth Mukund Patel
- Brittany Nicole Sherron
- Rebecca Sorber
- Evan Charles Thayer
- Megan Marie Tuohy
- Benjamin Mark Wahle
- Erika Layne Weil
- Edward James Westfall
Awards Presented Previously

**Alpha Omega Alpha (ΑΩΑ) Honor Society**

AOA members include over 50 Nobel Prize winners and more than 75 percent of U.S. medical school deans. New members are elected based on their scholarly achievement, character, leadership and service.

- Aleksander Alavanja
- Phillip H. Behrens
- Kristin E. Briscoe
- Robert A. Cassady
- David Chrobak
- Alex M. Clem
- Ellen E. Cotant
- Elizabeth A. Emhardt
- Christopher M. Evenson
- Ethan L. Ferguson
- Brent D. Fiechter
- Rebecca C. Gerber
- Kathleen E. Gilbert
- Cambia S. Green
- Holly J. Irwin
- Thomas M. Jetmore
- Jennifer M. King
- Jacquelyn D. Lajiness
- Brandt T. Lydon
- John S. Mayo
- Mitchell R. McClean
- Samantha H. Morley
- Richard W. Nicolay
- Gregory J. Pajot
- Priyanka H. Parekh
- Parth M. Patel
- Andrew C. Pauszek
- Geoffrey W. Peitz
- Kateryna Petyaykina
- Jennifer L. Peugh
- Andres S. Piscoya
- Nisha K. Raiker
- Tennie L. Renkens
- Rachel M. Rincker
- Eric J. Schafer
- Rebecca A. Sorber
- Michael A. Trevino
- Irene Tsung
- Jenna Voirol
- Erika L. Weil
- Edward J. Westfall
- Johnathan Weighenmeyer
- Jennifer Yu
- David Collins
- Christopher Deig
- Patrick Hackler
- Benjamin Hendricks
- Heather Hopf
- Wajeera Hussain
- Michael Isaacs
- Kali Kuhlenkischt
- Elizabeth Mcmahon
- Kathryn Meyer
- Andrew Pfaff
- Karen Trevino
- Megan Tuohey

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**John Barnhill Award**

(Anatomy)

- Named for Dr. Barnhill, a noted teacher, anatomist and otolaryngologist, the Department of Anatomy presents this award to the outstanding student in courses in Anatomy.

**Student Excellence in Anesthesia**

- The Department of Anesthesia selects the graduating medical student who demonstrates the best combination of academic achievement and citizenship among those graduating medical students who have chosen to pursue a career in the field of Anesthesiology.

**Department of Dermatology Award**

- The faculty of the Department of Dermatology presents this award to the graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance and scholarly achievement in the field of dermatology.

**Society for Academic Emergency Medicine**

- This is award is presented to the senior medical student who distinguishes himself or herself by overall academic performance, emergency medicine clerkship performance and contributions to emergency medicine.

**Medical Student Professionalism and Service Award**

(Emergency Medicine)

- This award recognizes a student who excels in the compassionate care of patients, professional behavior, and service to the community and the specialty of emergency medicine.

**Department of Family Medicine Award**

- This award is presented by the Department of Family Medicine to the graduating senior with highest academic honors and demonstrated clinical competence entering residency training in family medicine.
Departmental Awards

**Spirit of Excellence Award for Community Service and Leadership**
*(Family Medicine)*
This award honors those individuals whose spirit of dedication in community service and leadership serve as outstanding role models for the rest of us. These individuals, even so early in their medical career, exemplify the highest values of our profession: commitment of service, community involvement, altruism and leadership.

**John B. Hickam Award**
*(Internal Medicine)*
This award is presented in memory of Dr. John B. Hickam, a renowned educator and physician, and former Chair of Medicine. It is granted by the Department of Medicine to a graduating senior planning a career in medicine or medicine/pediatrics who has demonstrated outstanding clinical and academic competence in internal medicine.

**Alexander Treloar Ross Award**
*(Neurology)*
Dr. Ross established the Department of Neurology at Indiana University and served as the first Chairman for 23 years. He is responsible for IU becoming a national leader in neurological education and was a champion for compassion and empathy in the care of patients. This is presented to the graduating senior who follows the tradition of Dr. Ross by demonstrating excellence in neurological scholarship and outstanding care of neurological patients.

**American Academy of Neurology Medical Student Award for Excellence in Neurology**
This award is presented to the graduating senior who has demonstrated exemplary performance in clinical neurology. This student has demonstrated a high level of competence and intellectual curiosity during the core required clerkship and during a special elective in the fourth year. The faculty believes this student has tremendous potential to be successful in his/her future career in Neurology.

**Roy Norman Rheinhardt Memorial**
*(Obstetrics and Gynecology)*
This award is in honor of Roy Norman Rheinhardt, a senior medical student, who was killed in an auto accident. Classmates and friends established the award because of Mr. Rheinhardt’s deep interest in obstetrics and gynecology. The department faculty presents this award to the senior who shows sincere interest and the highest academic and clinical performance in this discipline.

**United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award**
The USPHS mission is to protect, promote and advance the health and safety of our nation, and to recognize medical students who have positively impacted public health in their communities.

**Dean's Award**
This award is presented to the member of the senior class who has been most helpful to the Dean in matters pertaining to administration and service to the medical community and the School of Medicine.

**Medical Student Education Outstanding Student Award**
Outstanding Service to the Office for Medical Student Education

**Valedictorian & Marcus Ravdin Medal Award**
Marcus Ravdin of Evansville, IN, an avid supporter of the medical school in its early years, provided in his will for a trust fund. As part of this trust, he directed that a proper award commemorating the occasion be made each year to honor the student graduating with the highest academic honor. The award has been presented since 1917.

**Salutatorian Award**
This award is given to the senior student who best exemplifies dedication to education and is given to the Salutatorian of the graduating senior class.
Departmental Awards

George H. Rawls Exemplary Scholar Award
Conferral by the IUSM Diversity Council and named after a Pillar in the African American and IUSM communities; surgeon, educator, and advocate, Dr. George H. Rawls. This award goes to a student who stands as an example for academic excellence, commitment to community, and commitment to fellow medical students.

Patricia A. Kenner Service Learning Award
The Patricia A. Kenner, Service-Learning award is presented to a medical student who exemplifies the core values of patient-centered health care.

Lorraine E. and Raymond A. Gaffney Scholarship Award
The Lorraine E. and Raymond A. Gaffney Scholarship is given in honor of Dr. Margaret Gaffney’s parents for the positive influence they had on her career and life. These awards are peer-nominated and conferred by the Indiana University School of Medicine Scholarship Committee on the fourth year medical students who have demonstrated outstanding commitment to community service during their time at the medical school and who are well on their way toward making lifelong contributions to their community at large.

Mary Jean Yoder Award
Dr. Mary Jean Yoder was a Mennonite & graduate of the Indiana University School of Medicine. In memory of her ideals, this award honors a graduating senior who exhibits high moral character, academic excellence, and, especially, dedication to service to others. This award is sponsored by the Class of 1964.

Richard S. Hansell, MD Teaching Award for outstanding Senior Student Teaching in Obstetrics & Gynecology
This award is named in honor of Dr. Hansell who is a beloved and recently retired ObGyn faculty member who was a dedicated teacher, advisor and mentor. This award is given annually to a student who demonstrates a passion and commitment to educating 3rd year medical students in women’s health.

Edward C. Weisberger, MD Award
(Otolaryngology)
This award is sponsored by the Indiana Academy of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery and honors Dr. Weisberger for his lifelong commitment to excellence in patient care, teaching, & collegiality while serving the people of Indiana. The award is given to a member of the graduating class entering a residency program in Otolaryngology, who has distinguished her/himself by overall medical school performance, otolaryngology clinical clerkship evaluations, & citizenship.

J. Donald Hubbard Award
(Pathology)
This recognition is given to honor Professor J. Donald Hubbard, MD, who was a long-time teacher and mentor of medical students & recipient of the Golden Apple Award. It is given to reward scholastic ability as measured by the Pathology Statewide Final Examination.

Carleton D. Nordschow Award
(Pathology)
This award recognizes the contributions of Dr. Nordschow, Chair & Professor of Pathology for more than 20 years. The department honors the senior student chosen by faculty who demonstrates outstanding creative ability in the field of pathology including participation in service, education & research.

Indiana Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Award
The Indiana Chapter, American College of Surgeons’ Surgery Award is in recognition of a student’s high level of scholarship at Indiana University School of Medicine and especially their performance on the Surgery clerkship during their third year of study. This award recognizes the high caliber of achievement of a student who is pursuing residency training in a surgical field.
Departmental Awards

Pathology National Honor Society
(Pathology)
The Intersociety Council for Pathology Information (ICPI) & the Association of Pathology Chairs (APC) recognize outstanding students at various medical institutions with participation in the Pathology Honor Society. The Pathology Honor Society fosters scholarship & excellence in academic & service pathology. The Pathology Honor Society distinguishes senior students chosen by faculty who demonstrate a special aptitude and interest in the discipline of pathology.

John E. Heubi Award in Ambulatory Pediatrics
(Neurology)
Given in memory of John E. Heubi, MD, a distinguished teacher of pediatrics, to that member of the graduating class who demonstrated the most outstanding performance on the ambulatory pediatrics clerkship, as well as excellence in other medical studies, and who plans to become a practitioner of general pediatrics.

Tina Kwan Award
(Pediatrics)
Dr. Kwan was a member of the Indiana University School of Medicine Class of 1969. Dr. Kwan's life had been shaped by the forces of war, national & world events and through the strength of her family and values. Dr. Kwan overcame many obstacles in her youth to eventually come to the United States. She went on to care for many underserved Chinese speaking patients during her career in San Francisco. Her gratitude toward Indiana University for the opportunity to pursue her medical career has led to this award, presented to a female student in the graduating class pursuing a career in pediatrics.

Lyman T. Meiks Clinical Award and Research Award
(Pediatrics)
The Lyman T. Meiks Pediatric Awards are given to honor a master clinician, gifted physician, and dedicated teacher who was a distinguished leader in the School of Medicine and Riley Hospital for over 40 years. These awards are conferred by faculty of the Department of Pediatrics on the seniors who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in pediatrics during the undergraduate years and who seem destined to make lifelong contributions to the health and welfare of children.

The K.K. Chen Award
(Pharmacology)
This award is named for Dr. K.K. Chen, Professor Emeritus of Pharmacology, who was a distinguished teacher and researcher in the Department of Pharmacology. The award is given to the senior with outstanding achievements in pharmacology.

The Dr. Ralph M. Buschbacher Award in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation or Physiatry is a branch of medicine which focuses on improving patients' physical function. Dr. Ralph Buschbacher is an IU Professor of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation and was Chair of the Department for 10 years. Dr. Buschbacher is an extensively published author and researcher who practices musculoskeletal medicine with an emphasis on occupational medicine. This award goes to an outstanding student with an interest in PM&R, showing excellence in service, research, & teaching.

Student Excellence in Radiology Award
The faculty of the Department of Radiology and Imaging Sciences is proud to present this award to the graduating medical student pursuing a career in radiology who has demonstrated the highest academic performance in radiology course work and shows great promise in contributing to the field of radiology in the future.

Patricia H. Sharpley Award
(Psychiatry)
This award honors the student who best embodies the principles taught by distinguished faculty and residents of the Department of Psychiatry. The recipient exudes the highest levels of concern and care for patients, as well as the establishment of excellent working relationships with staff and peers. This prize was named in memory of Patricia Haig Sharpley, M.D. in 1999. She began serving on the faculty of the Department of Psychiatry of Indiana University School of Medicine in 1965. Her untimely death in 1997 cut short a distinguished career as a psychiatric educator, administrator, and clinician which had won her both local and national recognition within her profession.

IUSM Diversity Affairs Outstanding Service Award
Conferred by the Diversity Council, the IUSM Diversity Affairs Outstanding Service Award goes to a graduating student who was nominated by fellow students, faculty, or staff for service and dedication to an underserved community.