After a long career in radiology and serving the University of Chicago for 27 years, Dr. David Yousefzadeh retired at the end of August, 2010. In addition to aiding in the care of countless pediatric patients, and educating medical students and residents at the University of Chicago, “Dr. Y” authored over 55 journal articles, 6 book chapters, and many abstracts. In April of this year, he received the Pioneer Award from the Society for Pediatric Radiology in recognition of his work in the field. Let us all wish him the best to enjoy his well-deserved years of retirement.

Dr. Yousefzadeh with his family: Left to Right: Wife Flora, Dr. Y and son Pejman. Backrow: Son-in-law Jason and daughter Pauletta.

Below are photos taken from the reception that was held in honor of Dr. Y’s retirement.

Nominations for Hodges’s Excellence Award

Please remember to nominate three individuals who you feel should be considered candidates for the 2011 Paul C. Hodges Alumni Society Excellence Award. Nominations should be submitted to Dr. Scott Stacy by September 30th by email or fax (sstacy@radiology.bsd.uchicago.edu or 773-834-6237.)
Radiology Residents Complete First Year of New Rotations at NorthShore University Health System

On June 29, 2009, University of Chicago Radiology Residents began their new rotations at Evanston Hospital (formerly Evanston Northwestern Hospital) as a result of a long-term academic affiliation between the University of Chicago Medical Center and NorthShore University HealthSystem that became effective in 2008. This new affiliation presented the Department of Radiology with a unique opportunity to expand and enhance its educational program, allowing the radiology residents to rotate at one of the nation’s leading teaching hospitals in a suburban-community patient care setting, complimenting their current experience at a tertiary/quaternary urban-academic medical center and exposing them to a broader array of clinical pathology. The affiliation also creates opportunities for collaborative imaging research that takes advantage of each institution’s strengths.

The NorthShore University HealthSystem is one of the most fully integrated, multi-hospital research and primary care organizations serving the area. The hospitals and offsite care facilities perform over 400,000 imaging studies and imaging-guided procedures annually. As part of the NorthShore University Health System, Evanston Hospital (EH) is a premier community teaching hospital with an established teaching program in radiology supported by nationally recognized faculty. Nearly 130,000 exams/year are performed by the radiologists at EH across all subspecialties. The faculty at Evanston Hospital have extensive experience training residents from their former affiliation with Northwestern University, and dedicated fellowships in magnetic resonance imaging, advanced cardiovascular imaging, and musculoskeletal imaging are well-established. Evanston Hospital also boasts a Research Institute and research-dedicated MR facilities.

As Director of Radiology Education for NSUHS, Dr. Marty Lazarus oversees the training of the radiology residents at Evanston, and has worked with Dr. Stacy at the University of Chicago to develop rotations based on the educational needs of the residents. During the 2009-2010 academic year, residents spent their month at Evanston rotating on one, or both, of two rotations: Ultrasonography, on which residents performed obstetrical and vascular studies under the direct supervision of radiologists, complementing the abdominal and pediatric sonography training received at UCMC; and Magnetic Resonance Imaging, on which residents obtained greater exposure to sports-medicine and advanced cardiac imaging. As a Level I trauma center, residents also received more exposure to severely injured patients while taking overnight call. Residents have praised the abundant and complimentary learning opportunities offered at NorthShore, as well as the excellent teaching by Dr. Lazarus, Dr. Carolyn Donaldson, and the rest of the faculty. Video-conferencing between Evanston Hospital and University of Chicago Hospital also began last year, with many well-received lectures given to the residents by Dr. David Rabin; the residents also attend numerous intra- and inter-departmental conferences at Evanston Hospital as part of their training. For the 2010-2011 academic year, new rotations in Body Imaging, Neuroradiology, and Mammography have been added. As a result of the new rotations, the total resident compliment will increase from 28 to 34 by the year 2011.
Faculty Spotlight - Dr. Seng Ong

The Department of Radiology is pleased to announce the addition of Seng Ong, M.D., who joined the department in September 2010. Dr. Ong comes to us from Pediatric Diagnostic Imaging in Milwaukee, WI. Dr. Ong completed a Vascular Interventional Radiology fellowship in 2004 and a Pediatric Radiology fellowship in 2005 both at the Medical College of Wisconsin & Affiliated Hospitals. He also completed his Diagnostic Radiology residency from the same institution in 2003. Please welcome Dr. Ong to the University of Chicago!

End of the Year Dinner

The annual End of the Year Dinner was held on June 19th at Wildfire Chicago, where we honored the senior residents and fellows who finished their training this year.

Award Recipients

- Chien-Tai Lu
- Avnit Kapur
- Golden Tip
- Raju Ganesh
- Neuroradiology
  - Aswin Krishnamoorthy
- Weiss Hospital
  - Sarah Orrin
- Senior Class Appreciation
  - Michael Lester
  - Scott Stacy
- Marc Tetalman Award
  - Stephen Thomas
- Excellence in Fellow Teaching
  - Jacob Oommen
- Musculoskeletal Imaging
  - Andrew Hall
- Professionalism
  - Michelle Stieber
Faculty Announcements

Congratulations to the following faculty on their promotion, achievement, and grant awards!

- Maryellen Giger - elected into the NAE - National Academy of Engineering
- Chin-Tu Chen – Numoda/CT award entitled: A single center phase Ib pharmacokinetic and radiation dosimetry study in the amount of $82,155.
- Maryellen Giger – DOD Grant entitled “Prognostic and Predictive MRI Computer-Extracted Biomarkers for Breast Cancer Assessment” Award Project Total: $127,941
- Maryellen Giger – Philips Award entitled: Imaging based Axillary Lymph Node Staging Award Project Total: $100,000
- Chad Haney – NIH Award entitled: Identifying Image based biomarkers after radiation/gene therapy in the amount of $78,000
- Patrick LaRiviere – UC-ANL DOE award entitled: Development of Fast Direct Imaginging X-Ray Fluorescence Computed Tom in the amount of $44,000
- Gillian Newstead – Philips Award entitled: Non-Invasive and Reliable Method for Staging Axillary Lymph Nodes for BC in the amount of $20,000.
- Aytekin Oto – Bayer award entitled: Eovist Enhanced Hepatobiliary MRI for Evaluation of Acute BI in the amount of $50,000.
- Aytekin Oto – Visualase award entitled: Feasibility Study to Evaluate magnetic Resonance Thermal Image-Guided Laser Induced interstitial Thermal Therapy for Focal Ablation of Prostate Cancer in the amount of $10,000.
- Aytekin Oto – Partnership 4 Cures award entitled: Feasibility Study to Evaluate magnetic Resonance Thermal Image-Guided Laser Induced interstitial Thermal Therapy for Focal Ablation of Prostate Cancer in the amount of $40,000.
- Xiaochuan Pan - application to the Developmental Research Program of the SPORE in Prostate Cancer entitled "Innovative imaging techniques for enhancing radiation therapy treatment of prostate cancer" has been approved for funding in the amount of $40,000
- Brian Roman – UIC/NIH award entitled: MR Monitoring Engineered Tissues in the amount of $61,600.

Mark Your Calendar!

The Department’s Annual Hodges Alumni gathering at Rhapsody on Adams will be held Monday November 29th. Invitations to come!

Keep in Touch!

Please forward your updated contact information to us by email.

Any suggestions, questions or comments, please contact:

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