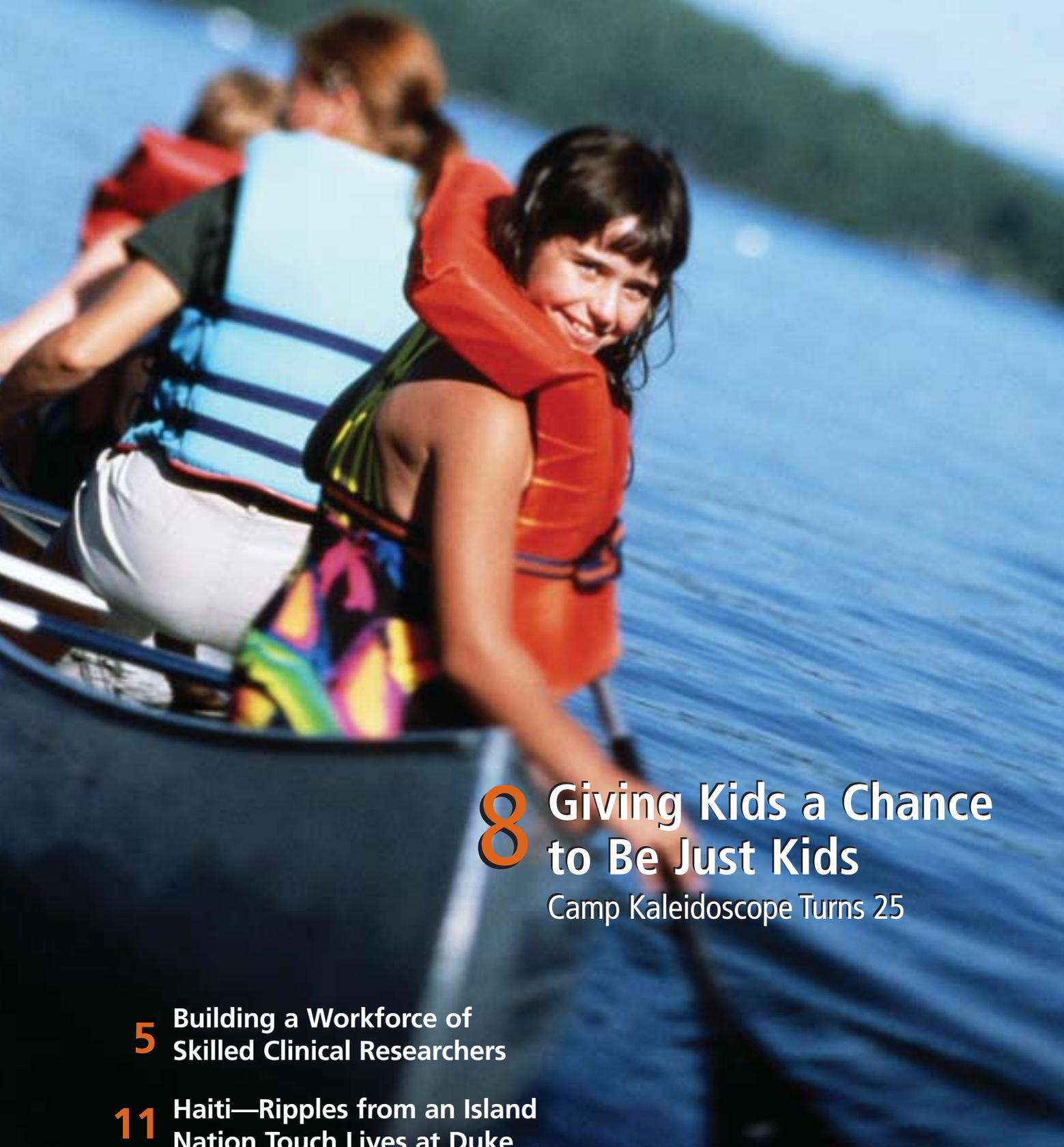




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Medical Alumni Weekend 2004



Graduates from any year ending in 4 or 9 and the Half Century Club, comprised of all classes from 1953 and earlier, are invited back to Duke for Medical Alumni Weekend, October 8-9, 2004.

Registration materials will be mailed in July. A list of probable attendees is now available on the Web at <http://medalum.mc.duke.edu>. Click on *Medical Alumni Weekend, Attendees*.

Parents and Families Get a Taste of Medical School



Gustaaf de Ridder, MS1, (far right) shows medical education materials to his family (from left): wife, Audra, and parents, Linda and Andre de Ridder during a Medical Families Weekend tour.

On March 19-20, Duke School of Medicine welcomed more than 100 parents and family members of Duke medical students to Medical Families Weekend 2004. Sponsored by the School of Medicine and the Medical Alumni Association, the annual event gives families insight into what their students experience during medical school.

"Medical Families Weekend is an opportunity to introduce parents to the educational program at the School of Medicine so that they get to see what their sons and daughters do on a daily basis," said Ellen Luken, executive director of Medical Alumni Affairs and External Relations. "They get an opportunity to meet the faculty members and Duke University Medical Center leaders, and to socialize with other parents and with students."

The weekend kicked off with a welcome dinner and social on Friday evening, followed by "Gray's," the annual medical student-faculty show. The show's title refers to the legendary anatomy text *Gray's Anatomy*. This year, the show parodied the musical "Grease."

Saturday events included a continental breakfast buffet, a presentation giving attendees an insider's look into medical school, a lunch with Dean R. Sanders Williams, and walking tours of the medical school.

Online Ethics Course Now Available to Those Outside of Duke

A Web-based course in clinical research ethics is now available to physicians and other health care providers outside the Duke community. The CME-accredited curriculum provides a variety of resources to those involved in clinical investigation, including researchers themselves, institutional review board members, and administrators.

Interested providers can complete three fundamentals modules—with topics that include Protecting Research Subjects and What Counts as Research with Human Subjects—for \$425. Elective modules—which include topics like Databases in Research, Protecting the Confidentiality and Privacy of Research Participants, and Prisoners Involved as Participants in Research—cost \$150 each. New modules are to be added every six months.

CME accreditation is managed through Duke's Office of Continuing Medical Education, while Continuing Education Units are coordinated by Duke University Hospital Education. Credit is awarded when a user completes the test and evaluation form at the end of each module.

To learn more, visit <http://www.researchethicstraining.org>. (Note: Identical modules will remain available to Duke employees free of charge at <http://researchethics.mc.duke.edu>.)



Health Data Exchange to Reduce Medical Costs

The Duke Fuqua School of Business has launched an initiative aimed to improve the quality of health care while reducing costs. Health Data Exchange, a national electronic health information network, will make patient medical information available online to medical providers, insurance companies, pharmaceutical companies, and other segments of the health care industry.

Using a Web site, patients would provide their medical histories to the network, which will automatically update the patients' medical records. Only groups and users with specific authorization from individual patients would be able to access a patient's medical record with his or her name attached.

"Instead of focusing initially on the technology—and 'build it and they will come' approach—we have outlined a consumer-first strategy," says Kevin Schulman, MD, director of the Health Sector Management program at Fuqua. "Through public outreach and education, Health Data Exchange plans to build consumer understanding and acceptance of a national health network, as well as strong motivation to participate in the exchange via voluntary submission of personal health information.

For nearly 40 years, the concept of an electronic health information network has been a vision in the health care industry. Yet despite the millions of dollars spent on information technology efforts, the goal has not been achieved."

Reaching out to employers and other organizations, Duke's program will inform consumers of the benefits of a health information network, which include reduced medical errors, the flexibility of having comprehensive medical records available online, and eventually, a reduction in the overall cost of health care through efficiencies and other innovations made possible by the network.



Ali S. Raja, MD'03, was pleased with his match in emergency medicine at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center.

Students Matched in March

March 18 was Match Day 2004 for 101 Duke medical students. Internal medicine was the most popular specialty with 35 matches, followed by radiology with 11 matches, and pediatrics with seven matches. The students were matched to 16 other specialties, as well. Nineteen

students will stay at Duke and 29 will remain in the state. Of the more than 25,000 U.S. medical students who participated in this year's match—coordinated by the National Resident Matching Program—93 percent were successfully matched with openings in participating residency programs.

August Deadline for 2005 MAA Awards Nominations

Know of a fellow DukeMed alum who deserves to be recognized in a big way? Now's the time to nominate him or her for a 2005 Medical Alumni Association Award. Nominations are being accepted for Distinguished Alumnus/a, Distinguished Faculty, Distinguished Service, Humanitarian Service, Honorary Alumnus/a, and the W.G. Anlyan, MD, Lifetime Achievement Award. Candidates selected will be presented their awards in October 2005.

Letters of nomination should include the candidate's name, his or her class year and/or house staff years and specialty, the award category, a statement saying why the nominee should be considered, letters of support, and your name, address, telephone number and/or e-mail address, class and/or house staff years, and specialty.

Please submit nominations by August 15, 2004—by mail, to MAA Awards Nomination, Duke Medical Alumni Association, 512 S. Mangum Street, Suite 400, Durham, NC 27701-3973, or online, at <http://medalum.duke.edu> by clicking *Awards Program*, then *Make a Nomination*.



Medical Students to Study Obesity Treatment

A new multidisciplinary course will train medical students on the treatment of obesity. In response to the national obesity epidemic, doctors at Duke University Medical Center created a new course—"Clinical Management of Obesity"—to allow students to study the underlying causes of obesity and available treatment options.

Fourth-year medical students learn how to manage overweight and obese patients non-judgmentally and counsel adults and children to make healthy lifestyle choices. The month-long course rotation, which was first offered in Fall 2003, includes the treatment of patients in Duke's Hypertension Center, Pediatric Obesity Clinic, Diabetes Clinic, Weight Loss Surgery Center, and Diet and Fitness Center.

"Every physician who practices in the 21st century should have a basic knowledge of the principles of human nutrition and their application to a wide variety of clinical problems," says Jarol Boan, MD, assistant professor of medicine and surgery and creator of the course. "However, physicians have typically had very little exposure to obesity treatment. Part of the reason for this is that obesity is not considered a disease, so students don't get training for obesity."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nearly 64 percent of adults and 15

percent of children in America are overweight or obese. A recent CDC study showed that poor diet and inactivity caused an estimated 400,000 deaths in 2000 and could become the leading preventable cause of death among Americans.

Boan, a clinician and researcher at the Sarah W. Stedman Nutrition and Metabolism Center at Duke, designed the course to expose students to Duke's weight loss program and to research such as how nutrient levels can affect the expression of genes. Also, students learn to determine when surgery is an appropriate treatment option, how to assess a patient's motivation and readiness for change, and how to provide specific goals and techniques for achieving better health.

"In no other rotation did I spend time with that many different groups of people," says fourth-year medical student Julia Dombrowski, one of the first students to complete the course. "It taught me things I hadn't learned at any other time in medical school. Overweight and obesity are very common problems in any field of medicine, but I hadn't learned much prior to the course about how to counsel patients regarding weight loss. I also learned how extraordinarily difficult it can be to lose weight and what people struggle with."



Building a Workforce of Skilled Clinical Researchers

Scholars Program Brings In Young Physicians

by Jeni Lyttle

If basic scientific discoveries are to reach the patients who will ultimately benefit from them, skilled clinical research, or patient-centered investigation, is critical. But the pool of trained independent clinical researchers has grown increasingly low.

The Duke Mentored Clinical Research Scholars Program (MCRSP) is working to remedy that situation.

People-Focused Research

Launched in Fall 2002 with a five-year, \$4.5 million grant from the NIH's National Center for Research Resources (NCRR), the program is led by John D. Hamilton, MD, chief of Duke's Division of Infectious Diseases and International Health.

"The program's objective is to develop the career of the younger physician whose ultimate goal is to be an independent investigator working on research projects that directly affect people," Hamilton says, adding that the program's creation represents a

paradigm shift in terms of large-scale support for clinical research.

"This grant is intended to foster patient-related research—as opposed to pure basic research—which is something of a departure from other sources of research funding in that it requires those involved to have regular patient contact," he says. "This type of support has come to be only with the growing recognition that the clinical research enterprise must be enhanced if new knowledge is to ultimately translate into patient care and outcomes."

Here's how the program works: Successful MCRSP candidates must hold MD degrees, have completed three or four years of post-doctoral clinical training, and be either fellows or in their first three years as faculty members. Currently, six scholars are enrolled in the program, and the plan is to double that number in the next several years.

The scholars—typically already engaged in a discipline of some sort—formally collaborate with one or more Duke faculty mentors on a clinical research project. Enrolled scholars are investigating topics such as metabolic explanations for obesity, blood clotting disorders, and the genetics of arterial sclerosis—the leading cause of death in American adults.

The important thing to note, Hamilton says, is that all work done through the program is meant to address real patient problems.

For example, under the guidance David Schwartz, MD, MPH, the division chief of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine, scholar **Aimee Zaas, MD, HS'01-02, '03-current**, has been working with **John Perfect, MD, HS'77-'80**, and **Barbara Alexander, A'86, MD, HS'96-'99**—both of Infectious Diseases and International Health—to examine infections unique to people with compromised immune systems.

Zaas's research focuses on specific infections—in particular, a host's innate immune response to aspergillus, a serious fungal infection common to transplant patients. She obtains specimens from

consenting Duke patients, and works in the lab to develop sophisticated assays of innate immunity. She proposes that these will reveal some of the basic mechanisms that are failing, causing the occurrence of these unusual infections. "The hope is that, in time, what she finds will help health care professionals intervene when these infections occur and/or prevent them altogether," says Hamilton.

Smart Brains, Able Hands

Although some 50 mentors are now working within the MCRSP framework, because it is an institution-wide career development program, scholars can access support from any of DukeMed's clinical units. This means the number of potential mentoring relationships is virtually unlimited. "The scholars benefit dramatically from the expert guidance—having qualified faculty members willing to share their perspectives is invaluable to their clinical research training," says Hamilton.

Conversely, "there's nothing like having smart brains and able pairs of hands to help move the

"Appropriate mentorship has been the



Kimberly S. Johnson, MD, and her research mentor James Tulskey, MD, are involved in research that aims to improve end-of-life care.

Kimberly S. Johnson, MD, HS'00-current, has impeccable clinical credentials. After earning a medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1997, she came to Duke to complete a three-year internal medicine residency—and then served as an internal medicine chief resident and a geriatric medicine fellow. She joined the Division of Geriatrics faculty in 2002.

But her clinical expertise wasn't enough to take her where she wanted to go in her career.

After developing an interest in end-of-life care of African-Americans, she submitted a proposal to a number of agencies in an effort to gain funding for a study of how differences in preferences for end-of-life care impact satisfaction with the quality of care and how cultural beliefs and values influence decision-making in terminally ill patients.

mentors' research goals forward," he continues. "In addition to the personal satisfaction they get from teaching the scholars, there's a professional reward of having that kind of skilled assistance. It's a dynamic process, and both parties benefit in all regards."

Although Duke is one of about ten top-tier academic medical centers in the U.S. that has created this type of NCRR-funded clinical research mentoring initiative, Duke's program is unique in that it admits physicians earlier in their medical careers than most, if not all, of the other programs. The rationale?

"It's difficult to involve physicians who are further along in their careers because, by that time, their career goals are more established—and they may or may not include clinical investigation," Hamilton says. "We're more likely to successfully bring physicians into the field of clinical research by getting to them in the formative stages of their careers—after they're fully clinically trained, but before they've made definitive choices about where they're going."

The bottom line is that programs like the Duke MCRSP are a mutually beneficial way to increase the

pool of independent clinical researchers—while achieving the overarching goal of all medical research: improved preventions and interventions based on solid scientific discovery.

"It's reassuring that Duke is on the forefront of identifying these types of advances in a prospective and systematic way, and that they can be related to both individual and global health care," Hamilton says. "Having strong clinical investigators to perform relevant investigations is invaluable, and a program like this is a great way to grow them up."

To learn more about Duke's Mentored Clinical Research Scholars Program, visit www.mcrsp.mc.duke.edu. ▼



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Johnson's proposal wasn't funded, however—which, "in retrospect, isn't surprising," she says. "While I was very competent in patient care, I had no formal skills in clinical research."

Division of Geriatrics chief **Harvey Jay Cohen, MD, HS'65-'67, '69-'71**, told Johnson about the Mentored Clinical Research Scholars Program (MCRSP) and suggested she approach associate professor James Tulsy, MD, about serving as her clinical research mentor.

"I'd worked with Dr. Tulsy as a resident and knew his national reputation as a successful end-of-life care researcher," Johnson says. "Having spent some time in trial and error without the appropriate tools

to become a successful clinical researcher, I viewed the possibility of having him as a mentor as an extraordinary opportunity."

The more Johnson learned about the program, the better the opportunity sounded.

"It supports complete didactic training in clinical research and protected time to pursue my research interests, and provides opportunities to hone other important skills like grant and manuscript writing," she says. "It also provides exposure to critical clinical research entities like the Duke Clinical Research Institute and Institutional Review Board."

As a junior faculty member who hadn't committed to a specific academic career path, Johnson says she saw participation in the MCRSP as a "golden opportunity to not

only acquire the skills necessary to become a clinical researcher, but also to determine the extent to which I want clinical research to be a part of my future career."

"Dr. Tulsy has committed a significant amount of his time to my career development, has been involved with this project at every stage, and has shared advice about research design and grant writing and review that has been invaluable," she says. "I truly value the opportunity to work with him—and have no doubt that appropriate mentorship has been the most important aspect of my training."

Giving Kids a Chance to **Be Just Kids**

—Camp Kaleidoscope Turns 25
Reunion Celebration Planned this Fall

by Marty Fisher

 Images of children—splashing in brown lake water, basking in the sun on the hull of a sailboat, holding hands and making funny faces—adorn the bookshelves in Bill Schultz's Bell Building office.

Schultz, BHS'81, MHS'81, PA-C, is a clinical associate in Duke's Department of Pediatrics, Division of Hematology-Oncology. For more than 20 years, he has cared for children who are battling cancer or sickle cell disease. He is all too well accustomed to frightened faces, painful treatments, and the sterile environment of Duke Hospital. The photos on his bookshelves are a reminder that kids—even kids with life-threatening illnesses—are still kids at heart.

Every year, Schultz and his colleagues—doctors, physician assistants, nurses, medical students, residents, and staff—take more than 100 pediatric patients, ages 7 to 16, to one of three one-week sessions at Camp Kaleidoscope on Kerr Lake.

For many of the children, it's the first time away from home. It is also the first time that problems like cancer, sickle cell disease, HIV, metabolic disease, asthma, kidney disease, rheumatoid arthritis, and heart disease have taken a backseat in their lives.

They do things that neither they nor their families ever thought they could do: They learn to swim. They thrive in cabins with no air conditioning. They make do with a primitive—but flushable—community bathroom and still make it up the hill every morning for the 7:45 a.m. flag ceremony. They endure mosquitoes and learn to appreciate black snakes. They play pranks on counselors, learn arts and crafts, and help with kitchen patrol.

A Community Effort

Now in its 25th year, Camp Kaleidoscope was the inspiration of **Tom Kinney, T'66, MD'70**, the late Brandy McDaniel, and **Kathy Merritt, T'75, MA'79, MD'86, HS'87, '90-'92**. Kinney, who is now vice chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, was then a new faculty member in hematology-oncology. McDaniel was head of the pediatric social work program, and Merritt was director of Duke Hospital's Child Life Program.

In today's world of risk management and tight budgets, it's hard to imagine that an idea like Camp Kaleidoscope would ever get off the ground. Pediatric departments at Duke and everywhere struggle with low reimbursements and a substantial load of charity care. The camp program is definitely not cost-efficient, it carries a certain amount of risk, and it's probably not necessary in terms of providing good medical care, says Kinney. But for some children, it is the experience of a lifetime, and that makes it worthwhile. He credits "the right chemistry"



between Camp K's three organizers, Duke leadership, and the Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council for the program's success.

Sam Katz, MD, who was then chair of the pediatrics department, agreed to operate the camp as a separate "clinic" with malpractice and liability insurance and paid staff. Throughout Duke, departments and divisions helped out by covering salaries for their staff members who volunteered for one-week sessions. There were also generous gifts-in-kind of medicine and equipment from Duke Hospital.

Early on, the decision was made not to charge for camp so that the experience could be available to as many patients as possible. Community organizations like the Kiwanis Club, Altrusa, the Rotary Club, the Civitans, the Jaycees, and others, have helped raise funds over the years. Schoolchildren at Durham Academy hold a read-a-thon each year to benefit Camp K.

Funding also comes from the Duke Children's Holiday Cards program and the Children's Miracle Network Telethon.

"We have an amazing relationship with the Girl Scouts," says Kinney. The three weeks of Camp Kaleidoscope run concurrently with Camp Graham, a summer camp attended by Girl Scout troops from 20 North Carolina counties. Each troop occupies one of four geographically separate campsites that include seven cabins, a unit house, an activity building, and a bathhouse. Activities like the waterfront program, mealtimes, morning flag ceremony, and campfire circle are run by the Girl Scouts. Individual Girl Scout troops and the Camp K leaders also organize some of their own group activities each day.

Every year, several Girl Scout troops specifically request to be at Camp Graham during one of Camp Kaleidoscope's three weeks there. Kate Weidner, former director of outdoor programs for Pines of Carolina, says the Duke patients and staff provide an added dimension for the other campers.

"The Girl Scouts are about celebrating diversity. Having kids who are struggling with adversity opens some of the girls' eyes," says Weidner. "We get to know these campers as kids—not as sick kids." The Girl Scout staff receives some training from Duke staff about how to help the Camp K campers. Often, Duke staff are invited to speak to individual Girl Scout troops about Camp K.

A Different Kind of Bonding Experience

According to Kinney and Bill Taub, a clinical associate in the pediatric social work program and director of Camp Kaleidoscope



for the past six years, the camp experience deepens relationships among the participants, many of whom return year after year. Taub has been in charge of Teen Week, for kids ages 13 to 16, for the past 17 years.

"It's a very different bonding experience for the staff," says Taub. "We're out there in our bathing suits and shorts, and no one has all the answers. You feel an incredible attachment to people you've been at camp with, and that carries back to the working environment and also extends to the kids."

Bob Drucker, MD'79, HS'83-'87, an assistant clinical professor of infectious diseases and director of pediatric student education, has served for many years as medical director at Camp K. He agrees with

Taub, and adds that the experience is a reality check for young doctors.

"Our residents who participate get a 360-degree appraisal of these children," says Drucker. "In the hospital we're so focused on disease, it's easy to forget about the child. At camp, our residents see that these kids can have a great time, despite their illnesses."

Both residents and staff physicians also get a sense of what their patients' parents have to go through, day in and day out, says Drucker. It can be easy to prescribe a very complex regimen of medicines and therapy in the hospital, but when they have to administer that regimen themselves and

factor in the personality of the child and the hectic pace of camp life, doctors may realize that there's room for some flexibility.

When a child who has been at Camp K during the summer comes back to Duke Hospital as a patient, word gets around, and former



counselors and staff are sure to drop in for a visit. Drucker recalls one child's return visit to the hospital.

"I was on service in the ER, and he greeted me with a 'Hi, Bob!'" says Drucker. "The medical student and resident who were part of his care team had been counselors during his week at camp, too. We were no longer scary people who might hurt him. He had a wonderful hospitalization."

Taub and Drucker carefully screen potential campers who are referred to the

Camp K “clinic” by their doctors and nurses. With new HIPPA regulations, camper referrals are anonymous. Applicants are carefully screened for medical or behavioral issues that would make it difficult for them to enjoy themselves or that may pose a danger to others or themselves.

Patients bring their own medical supplies and equipment, and the camp is equipped with its own mini-hospital, housed in the activities building. A minimum of two physicians, two nurses, a respiratory therapist, and a physical therapist are on duty 24 hours a day. A runner between Duke Hospital and Camp K is on duty every day, and patients’ physicians, nurses, and parents are accessible by phone. Over the years, the camp has increased the level of care it can provide and thus the number of patients it can serve. The staff has successfully managed tube feeding and peritoneal dialysis—although dialysis likely won’t be attempted again because of the amount of staff time it required.

Taub says Camp K, which received a national award for innovation in the 1980s, is the only program he knows of that mixes children with a variety of medical problems with “regular” campers. Most camps that focus on sick children specialize in a particular disease.

The camp has remained true to the seven original goals established by Kinney, McDaniel, and Merritt. In no particular order, they are:

- provide a respite for parents
- serve as a resource for medical learners
- teach campers about the natural world
- expose campers to activities they would not otherwise experience
- foster a mutually beneficial relationship between Duke and the Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council
- help campers become independent
- foster campers’ self-confidence through learning new skills

Tales of Courage and Liberation

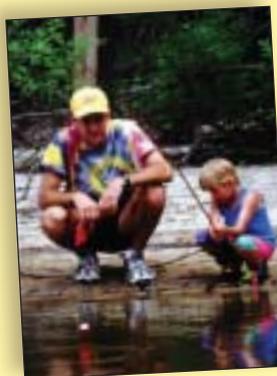
Taub and his Camp K comrades all have camp stories to tell, and they illustrate how all of these goals and much more happen every year—although not for every camper. “The separation anxiety, especially for the younger kids, and most definitely for the parents, proves to be too much for some of them,” says Taub. “They all adjust to camp while they’re here, but some make the choice not to come back.”

Others come back year after year and then return as assistant counselors. Drucker recalls a boy who required tube feeding. His mother was so concerned that she stayed in a hotel in Henderson, a small town a few miles from camp, the first year. “She knew how difficult her son’s care would be,” says Drucker, “But after the second year, she gave us her phone number and took what may have been her first vacation.”

Schultz, who has attended camp for 21 years, is in charge of scheduling and logistics. He remembers natural disasters, like the year Kerr Lake

flooded and closed the waterfront, or the year that Hurricane Bertha caused an evacuation.

With the looming threat of 100-



mile-per-hour winds, the staff loaded medical supplies, equipment, and campers into a convoy of staff members’ cars. They spent the night in a Baptist church in Henderson.

“It was scary when we started out, but

the kids thought it was a great adventure,” says Schultz.

Away from the protection of home and family, surrounded by fellow campers, some children experience a newfound sense of self-confidence. Kinney remembers that during the first couple of years, as many as 70 percent of campers had never been swimming. “A large number earned their basic Scout swim badge,” says Kinney. “To see that happen is really something.”

Schultz recalls a young girl who came to camp having lost all of her hair following leukemia treatments.

“Her baldness was a huge issue for her, and she always wore a wig, which is unusual for a small child,” says Schultz. “One night I was making the rounds to say goodnight at each cabin. I knocked on the door, and the kids were playing a game on the floor. She said ‘Bill, I have something to show you.’ She ripped her wig off, and said, ‘I don’t need this anymore.’ She was liberated. She never wore her wig again.”

Birthday Reunion Plans

This fall, Camp Kaleidoscope will celebrate 25 years of giving patients, learners, volunteers, and Duke staff hundreds of experiences to last a lifetime. Former campers, campers’ family members, Duke staff members, and Camp Graham counselors are invited back to Camp Graham for a reunion on Saturday, September 18, 2004, from 1:30 to 7:00 p.m.

If you participated in Camp K or know the whereabouts of someone who did, please contact Bill Taub at (919) 681-5349 or taub002@mc.duke.edu. ▼

Photography by Bill Schultz

David Walmer, MD



Haiti—Ripples from an Island Nation Touch Lives at Duke

by Miriam Sauls

David Walmer, Duke physician in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, went to Haiti in 1993 on a church mission trip, and no one is more astonished than he at how much the embattled Caribbean country has changed his life. The ripples from that change have reached scores of other Duke physicians, staff, and students who have followed him to the intriguing island nation.

The tremendous need he observed in Haiti, coupled with the determination and dignity of the Haitian people, inspired Walmer and his wife, Kathy, to start Family Health Ministries (FHM), a nonprofit organization incorporated in 2000 to help individuals, families, and communities in Haiti help themselves.

Back at Duke, Walmer started a course for medical students called "Healing in the Developing World and Care of the Underserved." Walmer and colleague Keith Meador, director of Duke's Pastoral Theology and Medicine Program, later succeeded in offering the course jointly to both medical and divinity students. It culminates in a week of field work in the impoverished country, and Walmer has found that experience to be

an unparalleled laboratory for learning. What consistently surprises the students, staff, and medical experts who have gone with him is not how much they can learn in Haiti about their science, but how much this unlikely country can teach them about themselves.

Rich Liebowitz, executive director at the Duke Center for Living and an assistant clinical professor in the Department of Medicine, is one of the Duke physicians who has gone to Haiti with Walmer.

"Haitians exhibit such incredible faith and spirit and dignity in the face of extreme poverty," he says. "No matter how much work you do on a mission trip in Haiti, the people there will have more impact on you than you can possibly have on them.

He says the news images from Haiti during the recent fall of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide showing violence and destruction in the capital, Port au Prince, are not typical of Haitians he has met. "You will not find kinder or more gentle people anywhere," says Liebowitz. "I had some idea of what the trip might be like medically, but I was unprepared for the transformational aspect. They opened up a part of me that I didn't know was there."

The trip to Haiti transformed Liebowitz's life in another way he couldn't have imagined. He and his wife, Tracy Gaudet, director of the Duke Center for Integrative Medicine

and assistant clinical professor of OB-GYN, had been exploring international options for adoption, and after his experience in Haiti, they decided to pursue adoption there (see story on page 13). The adoption process Liebowitz and Gaudet started in Haiti got enmeshed in government mayhem and became a frustrating footnote in the Aristide story.

In It for the Long Haul

The violence disrupted FHM plans, as well, but not in any permanent way. Haitians are used to outside organizations abandoning their missions when the going gets tough. But they are learning about FHM stamina and its dedication to partnerships designed to flourish whether or not American feet are on the ground, because in the FHM model, there will always be Haitian feet firmly planted to see the work through.

All FHM projects start with a simple question to the Haitian people. "What do you need?" After they have identified a need, Haitians participate in planning the solutions to make sure that the projects are not only feasible, but in sync with cultural norms. The result is rapid growth and success for FHM projects.

A new FHM public health initiative is off to a running start despite the recent unrest. FHM had been asked to help build a public health clinic at Blanchard, a community that



has sprung up with families who have worked their way out of Cité Soleil, the worst slum in Port au Prince. The community has a new church and school, but no provision for health care.

A March mission group made up of Duke students in the joint Medical and Divinity School course was to have begun work in the planning and building of the clinic, but the trip had to be cancelled due to the political unrest.

"I was sad these students didn't get to experience the fieldwork portion of their course," says Walmer. "In fact, the course felt hollow without the actual Haiti component—a casualty of the chaos there. But the work is already going on with two Haitian public health workers we have hired."

Over the past few years, FHM has had several of the hundred or so students who have been to Haiti go on to be very involved in the ministry. Divinity student Andrew Parker, who is now at UNC Medical School, was inspired after his trip to design a video for FHM, and Mark Deane, another former Divinity student, is on the FHM Board now. Divinity student Jamalyn Peigh Williamson came home from her trip in 2002 with Haiti in her heart and went back last summer as a newlywed with her husband David, also a Divinity graduate, to work as FHM missionaries.

Matthew Baugh, who went on after graduation from Duke to become a Rhodes Scholar, spent a summer in Haiti writing jingles such as "Bye-Bye, Mikwob" (Bye-Bye, Bacteria) for a FHM public health project after his initial visit with the Duke class. Baugh, like most students who have experienced Haiti, recounts coming home from Haiti a changed person "who saw Duke students driving around in their BMWs through new eyes."



One of FHM's inaugural projects continues to grow

and evolve in the community of Léogane, outside Port au Prince. Because cervical cancer prevention was identified as a top priority at Hospital St. Croix, FHM's partner hospital in Léogane, Walmer helped his Haitian medical team develop a strategy to screen Haitian women for cervical cancer back in 1999. Given the realities of the situation there—that women might walk 12 hours to get to a clinic and therefore a follow-up visit to get Pap smear results is not feasible—the resulting treatment bypasses standard American protocol.

Doctors there now skip the pap smear and screen women initially with a colposcope to examine the cervix for pre-cancerous conditions. If there is any evidence, the cervix is treated at the initial visit. While more women may receive treatment than actually need it, this practice significantly decreases a woman's chances of dying from cervical cancer.

Walmer received word this past winter that the hospital in Léogane was low on supplies, so the FHM-sponsored group was scheduled to deliver replenishment supplies in March. A new digital camera was to have been delivered, as well, to act as a colposcope, with the added benefit of making it possible to document and track results and use the archives as teaching tools. But the new camera and supplies will have to wait until May to be delivered.

"A setback, yes," says Walmer, "but not a permanent one."

In Fondwa, a rural mountainous area near Léogane, the FHM education component is carried out. One major accomplishment in Fondwa includes teachers being fully paid for the first time ever, and a beautiful

new school building serving more than 600 students has been built by another group that was inspired by the new FHM-sponsored stability of the faculty.

FHM also started a student sponsorship program in 2000. Twenty-two dollars a month provides textbooks, school supplies, a lunch program—often the only food a child can hope to get that day—daily vitamins, de-worming twice a year, and an annual nutritional assessment for each child. Participants in the March trip were to have done nutritional assessments on the children, but those, too, are postponed until the next trip.

Upcoming plans for FHM include a summer medical mission led by Kathy Walmer, who is a pediatric nurse. Half of the participants who signed up for this trip have dropped out.

"While all of the news coming out of Haiti during the unrest created more awareness of our work there, the flip side is that it also created fear," says Walmer.

"It's almost like we keep having these little tests in Haiti," says Walmer. "It's like we're being asked 'Are you in this for the long haul?' After there's a setback and we don't go away, it really cements the relationships with our partners there. Sometimes it actually accelerates our work, because the trust grows and everyone works harder. We have confidence our work will go on, no matter what happens in politics."

For more information, visit the FHM Web site at <http://www.familyhm.org>. 



Tracy Gaudet, T'84, MD'91, and Rich Liebowitz were thrilled to be picking up their new baby boy in Haiti in February. But shortly after they arrived in Port au Prince and began to bond with one-month-old Ryan (above), politics intervened.

The Haitian government dissolved into chaos during the fall of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Soon after, the director of the adoption office was caught at the border of Haiti and the Dominican Republic with \$1 million in U.S. dollars.

An adoption process that is an obstacle course in peaceful times became an instant quagmire. Gaudet was committed to her newfound bonds of motherhood—no matter what, she wouldn't be leaving without Ryan. She and Liebowitz began a battle that, at press time, was in its third month with no resolution.

Gaudet is director of Duke's Center for Integrative Medicine, and her husband, Liebowitz, is executive director at the Duke Center for Living. They had been exploring international adoption when Liebowitz took part in a Family Health Ministries medical mission to Haiti last summer. His time with the Haitian people convinced Liebowitz that he and Gaudet should consider adopting a Haitian child.

The process picked up speed when a pregnant teenager in one of the communities where Family Health Ministries works offered her baby for adoption. She and her mother desperately wanted for her to be able to continue her education. They hoped she could break out of the cycle of poverty she had known since childhood.

Our Time in Haiti

—Duke Couple's Adoption Plans Are Caught in Political Crisis

After the baby was born, Gaudet and Liebowitz traveled to Haiti to meet mother, baby, and an adoption agent. They were anxious to bring Ryan home to a new life in the United States.

Guns and Diapers

When the adoption director was apprehended at the border, she turned over the stolen money and went into hiding. The powers-that-be determined that all processing of paperwork—including Ryan's—would cease until she could be officially terminated and replaced. Miraculously, given the situation, Gaudet and Liebowitz managed to secure a passport for Ryan, but the American consul's office would not issue an emigration visa without final paperwork from Haitian authorities.

Gaudet and baby Ryan took refuge in the Hotel Montana in Port au Prince, where most of the foreign journalists had holed up. Liebowitz returned to the United States, where he hoped to find help.

Amidst the turmoil, stores closed down and the quest for baby formula and diapers became a daily struggle. Gaudet met a friend at the hotel who offered to send her driver on a mission. He came back victorious, only to have his car stolen later that day. He was pistol-whipped and robbed. The car was found 60 kilometers away with three dead men inside—each with a gunshot to the head.

Tragedy again struck close to home as a Spanish journalist staying at the hotel was shot and killed. Then one evening, Gaudet felt a significant shift in atmosphere at the Montana—outside, 20 or so men armed with huge automatic rifles were stationed around the hotel. She learned that the controversial new prime minister had taken up residence in the hotel.

"All I wanted was to remain low profile," says Gaudet. "This was the equivalent of painting a big target on our hotel!"

When the situation becomes too much for Gaudet, she thinks about the stories she'll have to tell Ryan one day. "What a scrapbook he'll have," she says. "By three months of age, he had been featured in papers as far away as Canada and Mexico and Japan. I cannot help but wonder what destiny this child must have, that he would come right through the middle of this time in his country's history. While the disappointments have been too numerable to count, so have the blessings," says Gaudet.

"The thing I am left contemplating in Haiti is this interesting tension in the balance between recognizing that ultimately, we are not in control and the final outcome is not ours to determine, and believing that our choices, our intentions, our thoughts and feelings, all have an impact... I have always been aware of this complexity in my own life. I have also been very much aware of it in the lives of my patients."

Alone with his new mother in a hotel in Haiti—surrounded by chaos and violence—Ryan has learned to roll over and discovered his feet. He can put his pacifier in his own mouth, but he does not know that he is not yet home.

"While the issues in any international adoption are complex, the circumstances of ours in Haiti at this particular time are beyond belief," says Liebowitz, who has been back and forth between Haiti and Durham, while Gaudet has spent her maternity leave witnessing a coup and its aftermath.

"But when I hold Ryan in my arms," he says, "all the issues go away." ▼

UPDATE: Gaudet, Liebowitz, and baby Ryan finally made it out of Haiti to Miami, Fla., on Saturday, May 8. They arrived home just after midnight that night—just in time for the best mother's day present ever. "I did shed a few tears leaving Haiti," said Gaudet. "It was the day I thought would never come."

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1950s

William D. Rippy, MD'50, was recently honored when N.C. Governor Michael Easley conferred the Order of the Long Leaf Pine with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinaire for his 29 years of work on the N.C. Commission for Health Services. He and his wife, Helen, live in Elon College, N.C.

John C. Ayers, Jr., T'50, MD'54, HS'54-'55, was recertified by the American Board of Family Practice in July 2003. He and his wife, Lynesa, live in New Bern, N.C., and have two sons and four grandchildren.

James E. Clement, MD'54, is retired from the East Carolina University School of Medicine, where he was clinical associate professor. In his leisure, he enjoys landscaping, boating, fishing, writing, golfing, and working in the church. He and his wife, **Vicki, WC'55**, live in Greenville, N.C., and have three children—Jim, Tori, and Carrie.

James F. Elliott, Sr., MD'54, Davison Club, retired in 2003 from his position as consultant to the Division of Medical Assistance (Medicaid) with the State of North Carolina. He and his wife, Ida, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last August. They have five children and seven grandchildren, and live in Creedmoor, N.C.

Benjamin T. Jackson, T'51, MD'54, is emeritus professor of surgery at Brown Medical School. He enjoys traveling, cooking, and gardening, and lives in Weston, Mass.



▲ **Charles A. James, MD'54**, is retired from private practice in pediatrics. Currently, he works for a private school as a health advisor and teacher. He and his wife, Beebe, reside in Columbia, S.C. She is active in child abuse prevention organizations, while he enjoys working with young people. They have four children and six grandchildren.

James D. Jones, MD'54, HS'54-'57, '59-'63, practices psychiatry in Raleigh, N.C., where he resides with his wife, Lucile. They have seven children and 17 grandchildren. Two of their grandsons attend Duke.

James M. Kelley, Jr., MD'54, HS'54-'60, is retired from practicing orthopedic surgery. He and his wife, Eva, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They live in Rome, Ga., and have three children and four grandchildren.

Huitt E. Mattox, Jr., T'51, MD'54, Davison Club, is retired from OB/GYN practice and now serves as a locum tenens physician. He and his wife, **Mary Lou, WC'54**, have been married for 50 years and have four children—all college graduates—and seven grandchildren. The couple lives in Wilson, N.C.

John V. Verner, T'50, MD'54, HS'54-'59, Davison Club, is retired from group practice and now spends his time managing his family's real estate development, citrus, and timber businesses. He and his wife, **Sally, WC'51**, have two sons—**Edward, T'86**, and **James**—and a daughter, **Sally, WC'72**, and live in Plant City, Fla.

Irwin M. Freundlich, MD'59, Davison Club, is a clinical professor of radiology at the University of Arizona. His department has "taken on the Navajo Nation and the Apaches by teleradiology. Mammography, CT, and MRI imaging are included with all routine procedures," he says. Freundlich and his wife, Therese, live in Tucson, Ariz.

Henry B. Freye, MD'59, HS'60-'63, has built three five-person practices and recently decreased his work week to two days per week. He recently traveled to Cabo San Lucas where he went deep-sea fishing; Alaska, where he went

trout and salmon fishing; and Bangkok, where he attended a world asthma conference. He and his wife, Virginia, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Bermuda. They reside in Mystic, Conn., and have two sons, one daughter, and four grandchildren.

William W. Johnston, MD'59, professor emeritus of pathology at Duke, has recently served as an invited lecturer and workshop leader in Quebec, Vienna, and Prague. He enjoys staying fit with a personal trainer and practicing the pipe organ for several hours each day. Johnston lives in Hillsborough, N.C.

Melvin Litch, Jr., MD'59, HS'59-'60, will leave private solo practice in August 2004 to join the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Tennessee-Memphis. He and his wife, Deborah, reside in Germantown, Tenn.

Alonzo H. Myers, Jr., T'55, MD'59, practices orthopedic surgery part time with a group practice. An associate councilor with the Southern Medical Association, he attends annual meetings and maintains the required CME credits. In his spare time, he plays golf, does yard work, and helps his wife, Dotti, who works as a book-



◀ **John E. Lee, MD'58**, received the Sixth Annual John McCoy, MD, Award in April 2004. Awarded by Northside Hospital in Atlanta, Ga., this prestigious honor is presented to a physician who has consistently demonstrated

outstanding leadership, dedication, and service.

Lee, who is known for his quiet, effective leadership style, concentrated his clinical practice at Northside, where he joined the medical staff in 1972. Since that time, he has served as chair of internal medicine, chief of the medical staff, and as a member of the Board of Directors and the Ethics Committee. Now retired from medical practice, Lee still teaches at Northside's Sleep Medicine Institute, where he was medical director of the Sleep Disorders Clinic from 1990-2000. He was also director of the Clinical Pathways Program from 1995-1998.

During his career, he was involved in the beginnings of three important medical advances: the use of L Dopa for Parkinson's Disease, CT and MR imaging, and the establishment of sleep medicine. Aside from reading and teaching, Lee enjoys spending time in his workshop building furniture. Lee and his wife, Lone, reside in Atlanta and enjoy traveling to China and Japan. They have two children, Sarah and Jonathan, and five grandchildren.

keeper for their son's business. The couple has four grown children and eight grandchildren and lives in Roanoke, Va.

Charles L. Nance, Jr., T'56, MD'59, Davison Club, retired from practicing orthopedics, now presents physician-patient communication workshops for the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. He enjoys tennis, traveling, and spending time with his family. Son, David, is a roofing contractor with two daughters; daughter, **Susan, T'84, G'93**, also has two girls and lives in Atlanta. Nance and his wife, Linda—a wedding consultant and UNC-Wilmington Foundation board member—live in Wilmington, N.C.

M. Arthur Nesmith, Jr., MD'59, Davison Club, retired from cardiac surgery after more than 20 years of practice in Gainesville, Fla. Currently, he raises Angus cattle, plays golf, and travels. He and his wife, Carolyn, have two sons, three daughters, and 15 grandchildren.

Lillian G. Ratner, MD'59, practices child psychiatry in Great Neck, N.Y. She runs an annual course in hypnosis at North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset, and has written a chapter in a book entitled *Energy Psychology in Psychotherapy*. She and her husband, Harold Ratner, MD, have been married 43 years and have two children and four grandchildren. Their son is a pulmonologist and their daughter is a doctor of veterinary medicine.

Donald K. Wallace, MD'59, HS'59-'63, practices geriatric medicine with the Pinehurst

Medical Clinic, Inc. He enjoys playing golf, traveling, and spending time with his grandchildren. He and his wife, Lois, have four grown children and live in Southern Pines, N.C.

James F. White, MD'59, retired from practicing otolaryngology, has made eight medical mission trips to Kenya since 1998 to repair cleft lips and palates. He and his wife, Katherine, have three children and four grandchildren and live in Chapin, S.C.

Harold A. Wilkinson, MD'59, PhD'62, HS'61-'62, has been semi-retired from practicing neurosurgery at Massachusetts General Hospital since 2002, although he continues to see patients in his office, perform minor procedures, and mentor neurosurgical residents. Son, Ed, died in 2001; son, Art, lives and works in Massachusetts. A member of a senior men's tennis league, Wilkinson also enjoys skiing, golf, canoeing, cooking, traveling, and sleeping—"a new experience," he says. He and his wife, Alice—who teaches piano lessons, performs concerts, and has recorded two CDs—live in Wellesley Hills, Mass.

1960s

Marvin S. Amstey, MD'64, professor emeritus of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Rochester Medical Center, continues to practice gynecology—specializing in infectious disease—part time. He was a member of the Centers for Disease Control's working group to develop a smallpox vaccine. Amstey enjoys collecting Oriental rugs

and taking literature courses. He and his wife, Frederica, live in Fairport, N.Y., and have two married children and four grandchildren.

Crawford F. Barnett, Jr., MD'64, practices internal medicine in Atlanta, Ga., where he resides with his wife, Elizabeth. They have two sons, Crawford III, an anesthesiology resident, and Robert, a CEO and financial consultant.

Michael H. Fronstin, MD'64, HS'64-'66, Davison Club, practices facial aesthetics and mesotherapy and opened a new clinic in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. He was recently elected to the Duke Medical Alumni Council. He and his wife, Eleanor, live in Palm Beach Gardens.

John H. Hall, MD'64, is a retired dermatologist living in Greensboro, N.C. He and his wife, Jane, have one son, John H. Hall, Jr., MD, who runs his father's former dermatology practice in Greensboro.

John M. Harrelson, T'61, MD'64, HS'69-'74, retired from the practice of orthopedic oncology. He remains active as vice chair of the Duke Institutional Review Board and teaches medical school classes in pathology and

clinical practices. His wife, **Ethelyn, N'64**, died in April.

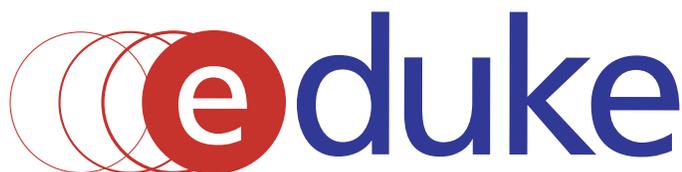
John R. Karickhoff, MD'64, HS'65-'68, recently wrote a book entitled *Laser Treatment of Eye Floaters*. For the past 25 years, he has taught at Georgetown University. He has created inventions, patents, device designs, instruments, and publications dedicated to ophthalmology. He also developed an Internet subspecialty practice with patients from 47 states and 20 foreign countries receiving treatment for eye floaters. He and his wife, Madge, live in Fairfax, Va. They have two daughters, **Julie, T'97** and **Maggie, T'99**.

James B. Powell, MD'64, Davison Club, is retired from the daily practice of anatomical and clinical pathology, but is involved with two medical start-up companies—Pathology Partners, Inc., in Dallas, Tex., and Mercury MD in Research Triangle Park, N.C.—and is on the board of LabCorp, where cancer screening tests are being developed and made available to practicing physicians. Also on the boards of Elon University and Alamance Regional Hospital, Powell enjoys community involvement, playing

tennis, and skiing, and is interested in historical preservation. He and his wife, Anne, have two sons—John and Ross—and two daughters—Helen and **Daphne, T'92, MBA'03**—and live in Burlington, N.C.

Ronald C. Reed, MD'64, is retired from practicing family medicine. He is the founder and president of The Village Conservancy, a non-profit, land-use planning organization whose mission is to assemble small urban parcels into areas sufficient for the creation of functional villages. He has five stepchildren and lives in Bothell, Wash., with his wife, Bobbie.

N. Phillip Strause III, T'60, MD'64, HS'64-'65, is chairman of the board of the University Medical Center in Tucson, Ariz. He is retired and enjoys hiking, gardening, digital photography, genealogy, and spending time with his wife, **Sue, WC'61**, and four grandchildren. They have two children—**Katherine, T'87**, a project manager with IBM, and **Jonathan, T'89**, a managing director at the Bellwether Group. Strause frequently visits his medical school classmate, **Bill Liakos, MD'64**, and his wife, Kay.



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Daniel C. Budd, MD'69, was named "Best Doctor" by the New York Metro Association for the past five years. He is chief of surgery at Barnert Hospital. He and his wife, Alice, reside in Montville, N.J. Their son, Dennis, is an architect living in San Francisco, Calif; and their son, David, is an information technologist.

Jack H. T. Chang, T'65, MD'69, retired after 26 years of pediatric surgery practice. He and his wife, **Laura, N'66**, have been married 36 years. They reside in Englewood, Colo., and have three children—Ken, Jeff, and Becky, and four grandchildren.

Angelo V. Gagliano, MD'69, is former president of the San Antonio Society of Anesthesiologists. He also serves on the assurance committee of the San Antonio Surgery Center. His wife, Cathleen, is a radiologic

technologist, gourmet chef, and rose gardener.

Donald Marger, T'65, MD'69, Davison Club, practices radiation oncology and is working toward an MA degree in humanities. He and his wife, Carole, reside in Dayton, Ohio, and have two sons—**Richard, T'90**, and **Brian, T'93**—one daughter, Michelle; and five grandchildren.

1970s

Walton W. Curl, MD'74, is chairman of orthopedics at the Medical College of Georgia Department of Orthopedics. He is past president of the American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine and resides in Augusta, Ga., with his wife, Kay. They have two sons.

John H. Dorminy III, MD'74, Davison Club, practices at the Tifton Women's Center

in Tifton, Ga. He and his wife, Katarina, have three children and seven grandchildren.

Daniel B. Drysdale, MD'74, practices ophthalmology in Blacksburg, Va., where he lives. He enjoys reading, golfing, fishing, and traveling.

William L. Foster, Jr., MD'74, HS'74-'78, an associate professor at Duke, is a diagnostic radiologist with the Durham VA Medical Center. He and his wife, **Sharon, T'73**, a pediatrician, have three sons—Mark, David, and Scott—and live in Raleigh, N.C.

Richard A. Hopkins, T'70, MD'74, HS'74-'84, will be awarded a research sabbatical for 2004-2005. He was also recently awarded an endowed chair—the Kurlson Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Miriam Hospital. He and

his wife, **Jeannette, N'80**, live in Providence, R.I.

James W. Mold, MD'74, is director of research at the University of Oklahoma Health Center. He and his wife, Sandy, have been married 27 years. They live in Edmond, Okla., and have one son, Jeff, who is a second-year PhD student in immunology, and one daughter, Kerry, a senior in college with plans to become an occupational therapist.

Jerald D. Pyles, MD'74, is an internist in private practice with Quality Healthcare Associates. He and his wife, **Ann, A'72**, have four children—Jason, Amy, Beth, and Molly—live in Hendersonville, N.C.

Richard M. Waugaman, MD'74, runs an independent psychiatric and psychoanalytic practice in Chevy Chase, Md. Besides medicine, he enjoys playing golf and reading ancient and modern literature, history, and science. He and his wife, **Elisabeth, PhD'77**, have been married 34 years. They are active in the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C. Their daughter, Adele, is a media director for the Coalition for the International Criminal Court. She plans on attending graduate school to study international relations.

Bruce G. Wolff, MD'74, a consultant and professor of surgery with the Mayo Clinic, is the president-elect of the American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons, a member of the American Surgical Association, and the written exam chairman for the American Board of Colon and Rectal Surgery. He enjoys playing the banjo and guitar, collecting cars, skiing,

and biking. He and his wife, Vikki, JD, MBA, have three children—Katie, a National Merit Scholar finalist; Oscar; and Charlie—and live in Rochester, Minn.

Gordon A. Brody, T'75, MD'79, an orthopedic surgeon with SOAR-Sports Medical Management, Inc., is a team physician for both the San Francisco Giants and the 49ers. He has two teenage daughters and lives in Palo Alto, Calif.

Jean G. Gispen, MD'79, a rheumatologist in group practice. She enjoys swimming, boating, snow and water skiing, and gardening, and has been "intermittently trying to learn Dutch better, so [she] can talk with [her] mother-in-law in her native tongue." Gispen lost both parents in an auto accident last April. She and her husband, Kees, a history professor at the University of Mississippi, have two daughters—Fiona, 17, and Adrienne, 15—and live in Oxford, Miss.

George W. Rutherford, III, MD'79, is professor of epidemiology at the University of California-San Francisco, where he was recently appointed director of the Institute for Global Health. He is also chair of the Veteran's Administration National Research Advisory Council. His wife, Mary Rutherford, MD, is director of emergency medicine at the Children's Hospital in Oakland, Calif. Together, they have four children.

Eric P. Smith, MD'79, Davison Club, practices endocrinology at the University of Cincinnati Division of Endocrinology.



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His wife, **Cynthia Chua, MD'79, HS'82-'85, Davison Club**, is a partner at Oncology Hematology Care. They have three children—Lauren, a junior at the University of Michigan; Sarah, a high school senior; and Julia, a high school freshman.

Esther C. Tamplin, MD'79, an internal medicine practitioner in private practice, has been taking philosophy coursework at the University of Louisville, staying active with her church, and advising middle school academic competition. Her son, William, an eighth-grader, won the state geography bee in 2003; son, John, a sixth-grader, won the state spelling bee in 2002 and 2003; stepdaughter, Sadie, is in the Peace Corps; stepson Justin, lives in Boulder, Colo. She and her husband, Philip, a real estate appraiser, live in Louisville, Ky.

William G. Ward, Sr., MD'79, HS'84-'89, is a professor at Wake Forest University's Bowman Gray School of Medicine. He was elected secretary-treasurer of the North American Musculoskeletal Tumor Society, and authored a CD-ROM textbook entitled *Musculoskeletal Tumors: An Interactive Orthopedic Pathology and Radiology Textbook*. He and his wife, Corinne, live in Winston-Salem, N.C., and have five children.

Ronald G. Washburn, MD'79, was appointed to the antiviral drug advisory committee of the Food and Drug Administration. He practices in infectious diseases at the Louisiana State University Health

Sciences Center. He and his wife, Deborah, reside in Bossier City, La.

1980s

Paul A. Hatcher, MD'84, HS'86-'90, an associate professor of urology at the University of Tennessee, is also in private practice. In his spare time, he enjoys playing tennis and boating. He and his wife, **Tina, B'82**, have two sons—Paul and Trey—and live in Knoxville, Tenn.

William J. Mallon, T'73, MD'84, HS'84-'90, practices sports medicine—and specializes in shoulder and elbow surgery—with Triangle Orthopaedic Association. In 2001, he was awarded the Olympic Order in Silver by the International Olympic Committee for his work with the International Society of Olympic Historians. Mallon enjoys a home in New Hampshire, riding his bicycle, and playing with his three dogs. He and his wife, Karen, live in Durham, N.C.

Linda K. Matson, MD'84, practices pediatric emergency medicine at the Children's Hospital in Omaha, Neb. She and her husband, Michael Howland, live in Omaha. She has three stepchildren—Michael, David, and Sharon—and one grandchild, Calla.

Catherine C. Wiley, T'80, MD'84, Davison Club, is currently an attending pediatrician in the Primary Care Center at Connecticut Children's Medical Center. She is also medical director of the Reach Out and Read Program and site director for rotating medical students from the University

of Connecticut School of Medicine on their ambulatory pediatrics experience. She lives in Glastonbury, Conn., with her husband, **James, T'81, MD'85**. They have three children—James, Patrick, and Elizabeth.

Richard A. Brown, T'81, MD'85, Davison Club, serves on the board of councilors of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons and the board of directors of the California Orthopedic Association. His wife, **Ellen, N'82**, runs a successful business, providing nurses for new mothers. They live in Del Mar, Calif., and

have three children—Ben, Erika, and Jessica. **Conrad L. Flick, MD'89**, is president of the North Carolina Academy of Family Physicians. He is also a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians' Committee on Government and Legislative Affairs. He lives in Cary, N.C., with his wife, Anita. They have two children, Alyse and Austin.

Alan R. Jacobs, T'84, MD'89, runs a solo private practice in Manhattan, which he began in September 2003. He specializes in neurobehavior, memory disorders, and neuroendocrinology.

He also serves on the faculty at SUNY/Downstate Medical Center as an associate professor of neurology and is a member of the memory disorders unit at the University Hospital. He and his wife, Rachel, live in Briarcliff Manor, N.Y. They have four sons—Alexander, Michael, Sam, and Joshua, who was born in February 2002.

James C. Karegeannes, MD'89, HS'93-'97, was named a top doctor in knee and hip arthroplasty in *Money* magazine's Fall 2003 health care issue. He and his wife, Lynn, have two children and live in Asheville, N.C.



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William R. Stevens, MD'89, HS'89-'90, was named radiology residency program director at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in 2003. He is also secretary/treasurer of the Illinois Radiological Society. He lives in Springfield, Ill., with his wife, Ann. They have one daughter, Callie, who was born in May 2003.

1990s

Mary T. Amato, MD'91, HS'91-'94, married **Joseph B. Tyson, MBA'93**, on November 1, 2003 at Duke University Chapel. Amato is an emergency room physician at Durham Regional Hospital. The couple, who resides in Durham, N.C., took a honeymoon trip to France.

Amy P. Abernethy, MD'94, HS'97, '01, joined the faculty of Duke's Division of Medical Oncology in 2003. An assistant professor of medicine, she is responsible for developing a palliative care clinical research

program. She and her husband, Steve, live in Cary, N.C., and are keeping busy building a new home and caring for their children, Cameron and Casey.

Jeffrey R. Dugas, MD'94, practices orthopedic surgery in Vestavia Hills, Ala. He and his wife, Tracie, have two children, Christopher and Caroline.

Judith Stenftenagel Englert, MD'94, HS'96-'98, is an ophthalmologist with Southern Indiana Eye Associates, LLC. She and her husband, Glen, have two young children and live in Jasper, Ind.

David J. Esposito, MD'94, a thoracic and vascular surgeon in private practice, was recently board certified in general, vascular, cardiothoracic surgery—making him one of only 130 physicians in the U.S. with those three certifications. He and his wife, Melissa, have three sons—Dante, Gino, and Nico—and live in Milford, Conn.

Carl T. Hasselman, MD'94, an orthopedic surgeon who specializes in foot and ankle surgery, is currently serving in Iraq with a surgical team. He and his wife, Deirdre Costello, have three children and live in Oakmont, Penn.

Marion E. Mass, MD'94, specializes in pediatrics, and keeps busy taking care of her three young children, running, reading, and gardening. She and her husband, **Stephen, MD'94**, an otolaryngologist, live in Perkasié, Penn.

Cheryl J. Padin, T'90, MD'94, is assistant chief of quality for the Redwood City Medical Center in Redwood City, Calif. She enjoys snowboarding at Lake Tahoe and taking hiking trips. She and her husband, David Young, married in August 1999.

David E. Schoenfeld, MD'94, HS'94-'95, is in solo private practice in Carolton, Ga., where he lives with his wife, Rebecca, and their children, Max, age five; and Claire, age two.

Darin S. Smith, MD'94, is an ophthalmologist in Knoxville, Tenn. Last summer, he performed 39 cataract surgeries in South America using the latest technology. During this mission, he relied on generators to power his surgical equipment. In his leisure, he enjoys mountain biking, wakeboarding, skiing, and weightlifting. He and his wife, Amy, have two sons: Wyatt, 21 months; and Jake, 8 months.

Sean P. Montgomery, MD'97, is currently in Iraq serving as a member

of a forward surgical team assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division. He hopes to complete his eight-month tour this spring. He recently completed a general surgery residency at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He and his wife, **Ranee Chatterjee, MD'97**, have a two-year-old daughter, Maya.

Michael J. Fields, MD'98, PhD'98, and his wife, **Eve, T'93, MD**, welcomed their first child, Benjamin Sidney Fields, on November 17, 2003. They reside in Baltimore, Md.

Leigh M. Allen, MD'99, is a hospital physician in San Francisco, Calif., where she resides with her husband, Anthony Albrecht. They welcomed their son, David Kyle Albrecht, on February 20, 2004.

Cameron Dezfulian, MD'99, was awarded the General Research Loan Repayment Grant from NIH. He is currently completing a combined adult/pediatric critical care fellowship under the auspices of NIH and Johns Hopkins University. He married his wife, Taryn, in June 2003. They reside in Washington, D.C.

Kelly E. Dooley, MD'99, completed her internal medicine residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital in June 2002. She is currently a hospitalist in Portland, Ore., where she lives with her husband, **David Archey, L'98**. They have two children, Ava, age two; and Luke, who was born in March 2004.

Francis A. Ennis, Jr., MD'99, will begin a fellowship in adult reconstructive surgery as an

Otto Aufrac Fellow at the New England Baptist Hospital in Boston, Mass., in August 2004. He and his wife, Kelly Jo, live in Milford, Conn., with their three daughters—Rile, Kate, and Samantha.

H. Scott Kane IV, MD'99, is assistant residency program director for the Navy Medical Center Department of Psychiatry in San Diego, Calif. He and his wife, Kathy, have two children, Carter and Grant.

Anita Koshy, MD'99, will complete her residency in July 2004. Her husband, Niels Bruckner, recently completed his PhD. They reside in San Francisco, Calif.

Anthony S. Rhorer, MD'99, HS'99-'04, will begin a trauma fellowship in Tampa, Fla., in June. He and his wife, Toni, have two children, Hayley and Morgan.

Susanne E. Scott, MD'99, has joined the medical staff of Hospice of Lancaster County as associate medical director. She is also in a group family practice. In her spare time, she is remodeling her 1860s farmhouse and enjoying family life in the Amish country. She and her husband, Thomas Scott, MD, live in Bird In Hand, Penn., with their daughter, Sarah.

Emily N. Vinson, MD'99, a DukeMed radiologist, and her husband, Stephen Farnworth, welcomed their daughter, Allison, in November 2003. They live in Durham, N.C.

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HOUSE STAFF NOTES

1990s

John S. Kirkpatrick, MD, E'80, HS'85-'91, is the new chair of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Committee on Medical and Surgical Materials. He has been an ASTM member since 1993 and has been honored by the organization with the Joseph S. Barr Award for outstanding contributions as a physician. Kirkpatrick is an associate professor at the University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Medicine's Department of Surgery, Division of Orthopedic Surgery. He is also an associate professor in the university's Department of Biomedical Engineering, and a physician in the university's hospital. Additionally, he serves as chief of orthopedic surgery at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Birmingham, and is affiliated with the Children's Hospital of Alabama and the Center for Devices and Radiological Health Orthopedic and Rehabilitation Devices Panel at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. He and his wife, Jillyn, reside in Birmingham.

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◀ **Ramsay L. Kuo, MD, HS'95-'01**, has joined the Department of Urology at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, Penn., as assistant professor of urology in the Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University. He accepted this appointment following

completion of a fellowship in endo-urology and laparoscopy at the Methodist Hospital Institute for Kidney Stone Disease and Indiana University School of Medicine. During his fellowship, he was an American Foundation of Urologic Disease Research Scholar.

William Boucher, MD'50, died on April 3, 2004, due to complications from Alzheimer's disease. A native of Moberly, Miss., he served as an aerial gunnery officer during World War II after graduating from medical school. He moved to Huntington Beach, Calif., in the early 1950s and was one of the first specialist obstetrician gynecologists in Long Beach, Calif. He was also one of the first doctors to work at what is now Long Beach Memorial Medical Center. In his 48-year career, he delivered more than 3,000 babies and served generations of families. He is survived by three sons; one brother; and nine grandchildren.

John T. Dunn, MD'58, died of a heart attack on April 9, 2004, at his home in Charlottesville, Va. A native of Washington, D.C., Dunn was a University of Virginia (UVA.) School of Medicine professor and leader in international efforts to eliminate iodine deficiency and its accompanying disorders. While completing a fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital in 1961, Dunn traveled to South America and became interested in iodine deficiency. He joined the UVA. faculty in 1966 and dedicated his professional life to teaching, research, and the treatment of thyroid disease. He became professor emeritus at UVA. in June 2003. At the time of his death, he was executive director of the International Council for Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders and was planning its May meeting in Lima, Peru. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Ann; three children; one brother; one sister; and two grandchildren.

Joel W. L. Mattison, MD'61, died on March 29, 2004, following an extended illness. Born in Arcadia, Fla., he was a plastic and reconstructive surgeon in Tampa, Fla., where he served on the hospital staffs of University Community Hospital, Memorial Hospital, Tampa General Hospital, and St. Joseph's Hospital, where he also sat on the Board of Trustees. He was also a member of the Visiting Team of Plastic Surgeons to Ain Shams University Hospital in Cairo, Egypt.

After retiring from surgery practice, he was physician advisor to the Department of Quality Assurance at St. Joseph's Hospital. Mattison, who received a theological degree from Princeton Theological Seminary before attending medical school, was an ordained Presbyterian minister and served as an associate pastor before medical school. He continued his ministerial work as a member of The Presbytery of Tampa Bay. He was a member of many medical organizations, including the Hillsborough County Medical Association, the Florida Medical Association, and the American Medical Association. He was also a member and secretary of the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons and a member of the Southeastern Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, from which he received the Outstanding Achievement Award in 1968. He leaves behind his wife, Jean; two sons, Lewis and Karl; and one grandchild, Lauren.

Clarence L. Ruffin, Sr., MD'45, HS'45-'46, HS'50-'52, died on March 21, 2004, in Little River, S.C. A native of Tarboro, N.C., he practiced medicine for 46 years. After graduating from medical school, he served in the U.S. Army as a physician. He retired from Gordon, Ruffin, Hillman, Miller OB-GYN in 1986 after delivering some 7,000 babies. He moved to the Little River/North Myrtle Beach, S.C., area in 1999, and was a member of Ocean Drive Presbyterian Church, where he enjoyed singing in the choir and being active in the visitation ministry. He leaves behind his wife, Lucy; one son; three daughters; two stepsons; two stepdaughters; four grandchildren; and five stepgrandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Jean, who died in 1992.

Sara Armstrong Mahler, MD'59, HS'59-'60, of Wilmington, Del., died on February 23, 2004. She earned degrees in chemistry and biology with highest honors from the University of North Carolina before coming to Duke, where she completed both a residency and an internship in pediatrics. She went on to complete a pediatric cardiac fellowship at the Mayo Clinic. Mahler served as an executive in the clinical division of DuPont Pharmaceuticals for 37 years—and as a consultant for the company for a year after it was purchased by Bristol-Myers Squibb in 2001. During her time there, she was involved in developing and approving drugs and radiopharmaceutical imaging products, acquiring companies and products, and marketing pharmaceuticals and evaluating them for safety. A member, board member, and/or elected official of the American Medical Association, American Pediatric Society, American College of Cardiology, Drug Information Association, American Society of Microbiology, New York Academy of Science—among many other professional societies—Mahler served as president and chair of the Delaware branch of the American Heart Association, as well as on several committees of the national board of the American Heart Association. She helped organize the first Conference of Women and Heart Disease in 1989, authored or co-authored many medical publications, and lectured worldwide about heart disease in women. Mahler was honored with many professional kudos, including the American Heart Association's Gold Heart Award and Distinguished Service Award and Harvard Medical Center's Babinski Award. She is survived by her husband of 39 years, Walter Mahler; son, Michael Armstrong Mahler; grandson, Samuel Armstrong Mahler; a brother-in-law; sister-in-law; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Donald H. Keller, T'53, MD'57, HS'57-'58, of Tampa, Fla., died September 8, 2003. Keller completed a surgical residency at Duke, as well as an orthopedic residency at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. After serving as a U.S. Air Force flight surgeon and performing a year-long stint in the Vietnam Conflict, Keller went on to practice orthopedic surgery in Tampa for 26 years. He had a variety of interests, including reading, history, traveling, fishing, and bird watching. Keller is survived by his wife, Juanita; children

Allen, Kenny, Scott, Susan, and Allison; and five grandchildren.

Charles Cho-Sung Ling, MD'49, of Pottsville, Pa., died February 17, 2004. After attending St. John's University in Shanghai, China, Ling earned a medical degree from Duke, and went on to complete a surgical residency at Philadelphia General Hospital. He served as both a U.S. Air Force flight surgeon during the Korean Conflict and a paratrooper during World War II. The chief of surgery at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center from 1959 until his 1986 retirement, Ling then served as the hospital's medical director for five more years. He was a member of the American Medical Association, American College of Surgeons, Pennsylvania Medical Society, Schuylkill County Medical Society, and United Presbyterian Church. Ling is survived by Ruth, his wife of 55 years; son, Henry; daughters, Elizabeth and Brenda; brothers, James and Francis; three grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Joseph E. Walker, T'51, MD'60, of Shelby, N.C., died on March 12, 2004. Born in Ellenboro, N.C., he was a 1947 graduate of Shelby High School and a member of the National Honor Society. Commissioned by the U.S. Navy in 1950, he served as a naval aviator, completing two tours of duty in the Korean Conflict and flying 32 combat missions, for which he was awarded two Air Medals. He continued his service in the naval reserves for 12 years. Walker finished his education at Duke after leaving the service and completed an internship at Kaiser Permanente and a family medicine residency at Moses Cone Memorial Hospital. He returned to Shelby in 1962 to take over the practice of his uncle, Forest Edwards, MD, and served as a general practitioner for 42 years. A member of Alpha Omega Alpha and active in the North Carolina Medical Society and the American Academy of Family Practice, Walker was a charter member and executive council member of the Duke School of Medicine's Davison Club, and served as president of Duke's Medical Alumni Association from 1994-95. From July 2002 until his death, he was president of the Davison Club. Walker is survived by his wife, **Mary Mattingly Walker, N'59**, daughters, Melanie and Allison; son, Jonathan; seven grandchildren; and sisters, Ruth and Martha.

MAA CALENDAR

July-August 2004

Something All Our Own: Grant Hill Art Exhibition

Texas Southern University Museum of Art
Houston, TX

For more information, contact George Dorfman at (919) 684-3388.

August 20, 2004

School of Medicine Orientation Picnic

Durham Bulls Athletic Park
Durham, NC

For more information, contact Jennifer Crumpler at (919) 667-2518.

September 22, 2004

Something All Our Own: Grant Hill Art Exhibition

Morgan State University Art Gallery
Baltimore, MD

For more information, contact George Dorfman at (919) 684-3388.

October 7-8, 2004

Medical Alumni Council Meeting

Washington Duke Inn
Durham, NC

For more information, contact Ellen Luken at (919) 667-2537.

October 8-9, 2004

Medical Alumni Weekend

Durham, NC

For more information, contact Jenny Jones at (919) 667-2517.

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