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**Boston University School of Medicine  
Alumni Association**

Greetings!

This month, BUMC celebrated **Black History Month** and honored the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., a BU alumnus and an activist whose profound words resonated widely among those who listened. This year, Jonathan Woodson, MD, led a packed audience through stories of his upbringing and ways to examine our past to build optimism for the future.

Another dynamic voice in our community, **Monica Bharel, MED '94**, is highlighted below in this month's Alumni Spotlight. Learn more about how medicine and public health intersect in her work as Commissioner of Public Health.

The Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) research of Ann McKee, MD, and her team continues to make headlines in the medical field. Their work is in a bracket competition for the best biomedical research in 2017. Find BUSM at the bottom right of the voting page and **vote by tomorrow** to bring their research into the next bracket!

Due to the very generous bequest from alumnus Frank Miselis, MED '45, BUSM students are the beneficiary of a brand new, state-of-the-art **student lounge**.

To learn about ways you can impact and connect with our students, visit our **alumni page**.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jean E. Ramsey'.

Jean E. Ramsey, MD '90 MPH '08  
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**SCHOOL NEWS |**

**BUMC Celebrates Legacy of MLK**



More than 100 members of the Medical Campus community joined Jonathan Woodson, MD, director of the BU Institute for Health System Innovation and Policy, to commemorate the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.



### **Medical Marriages: First Comes Friendship, Then Comes Marriage**

Drs. Elliott and Karen Antman, married physicians who have been together since medical school, share what makes a medical marriage work.



### **Hee-Young Park, PhD, Appointed Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs**

Park will organize and supervise the new Office of Faculty Affairs, whose mission is to support the recruitment, retention and academic advancement and career satisfaction of our diverse faculty.



### **BU Researcher Named STAT Madness Contender**

BUSM's Ann McKee, MD, and her team have been selected as one of 64 contestants for their work in identifying a new biomarker that may allow CTE to be diagnosed during life.



### **BUSM Elective Created to Better Transgender Care**

BUSM has created a medical school elective that combines the standard approach of teaching about transgender medical topics with sensitivity and appropriate terminology with evidence-based hands-on patient care.

## **STUDENTS IN ACTION |**

### **BUSM Homeless Health Symposium**

BUSM Students organized the inaugural "Homeless Health Symposium," which included attendees and presenters from universities and organizations throughout New England



### **Kristyna Kotýnková, PhD, Named 2018 Dahod International Scholar**

As a Dahod International Scholar, Kotýnková aims to mechanistically define how breast cancer cells adapt to possessing an abnormal number of chromosomes, a state known as aneuploidy.



### **New Student Lounge Boasts Social, Learning and Meditation Spaces**

A new student center in the A Building aims to improve the quality of life for medical students by offering both leisure space and designated study areas.

## **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT |**



**Monica Bharel MED '94**

### **Research Corner**

- **Study Explores Prenatal Ultrasound Depth and Childhood Developmental Diagnoses**
- **Insight Into Chromatin Therapies for Breast Cancer Could Aid Personalized Medicine**
- **Medicine Alone Does Not Completely Suppress Testosterone Levels Among Transgender Women**
- **Nearly One out of Five NSAID Users Exceed Daily Limit**

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