News and Noteworthy

Warm wishes to the following MD’s with recent / upcoming weddings:

Dr. Priyesh Patel to Payel Dr. Anuli Mkparu to Okey
Dr. Jared Toman to Rebecca Dr. Gillian Sembler to Nate
Dr. Charlton Stucken to Carrie Dr. Bryan Lawless to Melissa

Congrats to Dr. John Pryor and his wife on the birth of their son Liam, to Dr. Adam Rana and his wife Christie on the birth of their son, Harrison who joins big brother William and to Dr. Ben Graves and his wife Jem who welcomed their 1st, a baby girl, Lily Jean Graves.

Look for Dr. Bill Axelrad’s daughter in the movie “The Box”

Happy Birthday!

Charlton Stucken - June 17
Tom Tsyr - June 27
Nate Everding - July 14
Gina Mooney - July 15
Dana Oliszewski - Oct. 5
John Kurylo - Oct. 31

Alexander Davis - August 13
Tarek Sibai - August 19
Anuli Mkparu - August 24
Jared to Rebecca
Hanna Puskas - Oct. 21

Dr. Tarek Sibai (L) and friends


Most proud of: The love and kindness of my family.

Favorite food: What used to be my least favorite dish as a kid: spinach Lebanese dish, Mlokhieh. I found a place in Cambridge that serves it - Acetana Café. It is served every Thursday only! Dishes run out by 6 pm. Make sure to ask for the vinegar with onions and toasted pita bread on top.

Favorite sound: Sound of silence after a long night on call

Worst sound: A barfing cat…especially when it is on my white coat

Favorite smell: Freshly baked French baguette

Favorite song: This month’s favorite artist: Zee Avi

Memorable quote: Ex Mentor: “Rule number one on this job: No Hate, no Love and no Vacation!”

Nickname: T-Rex, given to me by the radiology techs at BMC after misreading my name

10 Years from now: Touring the world on work and vacation, a Mazerrati, waking up after 6 AM, no pager, 2 kids.

Words of wisdom: Work in life as if you were going to live forever and work towards your end as if you were going to die tomorrow.

The Department of Orthopaedic Surgery residency program continues to grow under the direction of Dr. Paul Tornetta, III Program Director. Over 650 applicants applied to the program this year with a select few given interviews in January; from that pool we welcome:

Kevin Duke, Southern Illinois University
Adam Lindsey, Jefferson Medical College
Anuli Mkparu, DUKE University
Jason Pittman, University of Tennessee
Rahul Qadeer, Tufts University

Our graduating residents continue to place into fellowship programs at some of the most prestigious teaching institutions across the country. The 2009 graduates continue on this tradition.

Sanjeev Kakar, MD
Hand / Upper Extremity Fellowship
Mayo Clinic

Prityesh Patel, MD
Hand / Upper Extremity Fellowship
DUKE University Medical Center

John Pryor, MD
Spine Fellowship
Brigham & Women’s Hospital

Brian Puskas MD
Sports MD Fellowship 09-10
Boston University Medical Center

Rabah Qadeer, Tufts University

I am so proud of each and everyone of them and look forward to watching their careers thrive” said Department Chairman, Dr. Thomas A. Einhorn.

Kudos to Dr. Scott (Scooter) Ryan who was named the 2009-2010 Academic Chief Resident following in the outstanding footsteps of Dr.’s Patel, Emond, and Siegel.

Supported by the faculty and with academic excellence the residents continue to generate research worthy of presentation and publication. Dr.’s Kakar, Puskas, Axelrad, Edgar, Young, Oliszewski, Rana, Steen, Ryan, and Sembler are some of the residents who have contributed to stellar research publications and presentations at the 2009 AAOOS, AOA, upcoming OTA annual meetings as well as published in the JOT and JBJS and other nationally recognized journals.

The department continues to treat a large volume of trauma, sports-medicine-related injuries and other musculoskeletal disorders. With commitment and compassion we will continue to serve the community, the state of Massachusetts, and New England.
2009 Graduation Highlights

“We graduated 4 accomplished surgeons with the privilege of being at the onset of their careers” - Thomas A. Einhorn, MD, Chair

The residency program enjoyed another successful graduation event. The 11th Annual Graduation Symposium marked the first, Dr. G. Richard Paul Distinguished Guest Lecturer in honor of BUOSA Professor Emeritus, Dr. G.R. Paul. Dr. Steven Z. Glickel was the guest speaker.

Dr. Glickel is Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons and Chief of the Hand Surgery Clinic at St. Luke’s Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York City. As a thought leader in surgery of the hand and upper extremity, Dr. Glickel has garnered numerous honors and awards. He was named the Lawrence H. Schneider Lecturer by the Philadelphia Hand Foundation and is currently listed as one of the Best Doctors in New York, Best Doctors in America, America’s top Doctors, and Best Surgeons in America. He has served as President of the New York Society for Surgery of the Hand and President of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand. He is currently Associate Editor of the Journal of Hand Surgery and contributing editor to the Yearbook of Hand Surgery. Through his many scientific articles, reviews, chapters, and editorials, Dr. Glickel has greatly advanced our knowledge of hand and upper extremity surgery. It was an honor to recognize Dr. Steven Z. Glickel as the 2009 Distinguished Lecturer.

The day was filled with chief resident debates moderated by Dr. Andy Stein, case presentations by Dr.’s Stein, Jawa, and Soong, Dr. Glickel gave a special emphasis talk on Basal Joint Arthritis. The celebration continued into the evening with an elegant reception at The Four Season’s Hotel. Guests mingled with recent grads and colleagues while reminiscing over achievements and embarrassing moments. The event concluded with the much anticipated faculty roast. It was a truly lovely evening for all who were able to attend. A very special thank you (“holla”) to Lynnette St. Louis for organizing such a flawless day and splendid evening.

Faculty Spotlight: Andy Jawa, MD

Education: Shoulder Fellowship 08-09 and Upper Extremity fellowship 07-08 at Mass General Hospital. Harvard Combined Orthopaedic Residency 02-07. University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine 98-02 Philadelphia, PA and undergrad at Williams College in Williamstown, MA.

Grew up: Cleveland, Ohio

First job: Bus boy at the Outback Steak House

Back-up career: Stay at home dad

Favorite food: Chicken Chow Fun

Favorite song: Beast up Burden, Stones

Favorite sound: My son Dilan’s laugh

Worst sound: Nails on a chalkboard

Favorite smell: The ocean

Nickname: Jawa the Chiwawa

10 Years from now: Right here at BMC

Words of Wisdom: Work hard!

Surviving the Pit: Tips & Tricks from the Residents

- Keep reading
- There are 3 areas to buy Starbucks coffee
  - Pimp downward, never laterally or upward
- Be nice to ancillary staff
- Get the job done
- When in doubt, refer to #1

Did you know that the orthopaedic surgery residency program has a website on the Boston University School of Medicine site? Check it out! It is updated and re-vamped. Dr.’s Tony Tannoury and Scooter Ryan (ACR) spearheaded the project.

A special thanks (“holla”) goes out to Dr. Adam Rana and Lisa Shaughnessy for the countless hours spent editing and re-hauling the site. We appreciate your hard work and would like to buy you each a dunkin donuts gift card (look for that in the near future). Great Job! A work in progress, please keep checking back for updates.
Where Are They Now?

PGY 5 Spotlight: Scott Ryan, MD

Mike Kain graduated in 2008 and went on to complete the Müller fellowship in March 09 and started at Lahey clinic in May. He is still living in Belmont, but happy to report that he replaced the Kia “Sportage” with a Honda. Lois is doing well and in February of this year they welcomed their first child, Emma (7 months).

LS “Have you been traveling?”
MK “Spent 6 months in Switzerland, Zurich and Bern for the Müller Fellowship, then returned to Europe to visit professor in Torino, Italy. During Fellowship visited hospitals with Professor Ganz in Milan, Verona, Venice, and Vienna. Vacationed with Lois in Florence while 6 months prego.”

LS “Do you have a favorite song in the OR?”
MK “Map of Problematique—Muse”

LS “Tell me the best part of being ‘the boss’”
MK “Having my own lead”

LS “How do you deal with the challenges of being an attending?”
MK “Drinking a bottle of Maalox daily”

LS “Back up career?”
MK “Stay at home dad”

LS “Favorite smell?”
MK “BBQ”

LS “Favorite food?”
MK “Upper Crust Pizza and Reece’s peanut butter cups”

LS “Favorite song?”
MK “Bon Jovi – Livin’ on a prayer”

LS “Favorite joke?”
MK “I don’t know any clean jokes”

Nickname: Scooter

Education: University of Michigan undergrad; Tufts Medical School, Boston.

Grew up: New Canaan, CT

First job: Driving a John Deer tractor around the neighborhood mowing lawns

Back-up career: Fighter pilot - call-sign “Wolverine”

Most proud of: Opening up the envelope on match day

Favorite food: Upper Crust Pizza and Reece’s peanut butter cups

Favorite song: Michigan Stadium on game day

Worst sound: Nail clippers

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Words of wisdom: Always be available for your fellow residents

Memorable quotes: “Maybe God did not intend people to walk for 100 years.” and any 1-liner from WRC.

Laugh out Loud Lines from Barbara Johnson

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FAVORITE QUOTES FROM MARC & MIKE

Dr. Paul – “He’ll be ok if he does alright.”

Dr. Foster – “What could possibly go wrong?”

Dr. Bono – “Marc- you have 2 hands. Why do you only have one suction?”

Dr. Tornetta: “Emond-where did you read about this treatment.” Emond: “I Googled it.”

“I just want everyone in the room to know that I am touching the patient”

Puskas-“Someone told me if I was not in room 6 in 5 minutes, I would be dead”

“If it does okay, it will be alright”

“We had one chance to make it perfect……and we did”

Emond - “After reviewing the case with my senior resident, I Googled Ankle Fractures.”

Marc graduated from the residency program in 2006 and after completing a hand fellowship at DUKE University Medical Center, accepted a position as a faculty member. He has been working and living in Durham, NC since. He and Ali are doing well; their son Carter recently turned 3 and Ali is due in early November with a little girl.

LS “So, any vacations lately?”
MR “One week on Bald Head Island, NC immediately following part II of the boards.”

LS “What is your favorite song in the OR?”
MR “For some reason, when we are doing free fibs, the Blue Oyster Cult song “Don’t Fear the Reaper” always comes on and one of the residents will reliably quote the Saturday Night Live skit asking for more cowbells.”

LS “What is the best part of being an attending?”
MR “Teaching”

LS “What is the most challenging part?”
MR “Going live without a net!”

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SNAP SHOTS!
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