From the Chair

This issue of Imaging Matters highlights awards, honors, and other forms of recognition received by members of the department. Numerous UC Radiologists were recognized in two annual “Best Doctors” surveys. The work of several UC faculty members and trainees was recognized at the 2013 meeting of the RSNA, including one Cum Laude and two Certificate of Merit Educational Exhibit Awards. Dr. Verma received an RSNA Honored Educator Award. CCHMC faculty members received a poster award at the Australian-New Zealand Society for Paediatric Radiology Annual Meeting. Dr. Mary Mahoney was named as a new member of the RSNA Board of Directors. Bob Staton was promoted to Director of Radiology Administration at WCH and Dr. Bruce Mahoney will assume the role of Chief of Nuclear Medicine. One of our coders obtained advanced certification. Three of our trainees were selected as Chief Residents. Dozens of faculty members and trainees participated in national meetings and published their work in peer-reviewed journals. Lastly, the whole department is to be congratulated for its high level of participation in the annual UC Giving Campaign.

Best Doctors

Cincinnati Magazine published its annual Top Doctors survey in its January 2014 issue, and once again a number of UC radiologists made the list. The magazine asks over 5,000 local physicians who they would recommend (other than themselves) if “you, a family member, or a friend needed medical attention.” Physicians receiving five or more recommendations made the magazine’s published list, including the following Radiologists: Ann Choe, MD; Jannette Collins, MD; Mary Mahoney, MD; Ralph Shipley, MD; Thomas Tomsick, MD; and Sadhna Verma, MD. Todd Abruzzo, MD; Ross Ristagno, MD; and Doan Vu, MD were listed under Interventional Radiology. Jonathan Moulton, MD appeared in both categories.

Cincy Magazine published its Best Doctors List in December, 2013. Cincy’s list is based on a survey taken by Best Doctors in America, which asks doctors who they would name “if you or a loved one needed a doctor in your specialty.” In Radiology, their list included Rebecca Cornelius, MD; Marilyn Goske, MD; Robert R. Lukin, MD; Mary Mahoney, MD; and Thomas A. Tomsick, MD. Edward B. Silverstein, MD was listed for Nuclear Medicine. Michael J. Gelfand, MD was listed for Pediatric Neurological Surgery, and for Pediatric Radiology, Cincy listed William S. Ball, Jr., MD; Alan S. Brody, MD; Brian D. Coley, MD; and Tal Laor, MD.
Donor Appreciation Luncheon

The Radiology Department’s annual Donor Appreciation Luncheon was held on Friday, January 14. All department personnel were invited to share a soup and salad lunch. $3,750.00 was raised for the Robert Lukin Endowed Chair and other UC Funds.

New Chief Residents

The Department of Radiology is pleased to announce the selection of Daniel LoCascio, MD; Daniel Wannemacher, MD; and Charles Young, MD as chief residents for 2014-15. They assumed their new roles on February 1, 2014.

Daniel LoCascio, MD, graduated from Indiana University School of Medicine in 2010. Following graduation, he completed his internship in Internal Medicine at Indiana University Health Methodist Hospital. Dan and his wife enjoy being outdoors. They are avid tennis players and joggers. Dan plans to complete a vascular and interventional radiology fellowship after residency.

Daniel Wannemacher, MD, is a 2010 graduate of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. He then completed his internship in internal medicine at The Christ Hospital, where he received the Preliminary Resident of the Year award. Dan is an avid sportsman who enjoys snowboarding, soccer, broomball, and racquetball. He is also an accomplished violinist, pianist and guitar player. After residency Dan will complete a fellowship in either vascular and interventional radiology or neuroradiology.

Charles Young, MD, attended The Ohio State University College of Medicine and completed his transitional year at Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati. Charlie has been working on a research project in GI imaging with Dr. Sadhna Verma, and he recently presented his findings at the 2013 RSNA annual meeting. Charlie is also an accomplished musician and had the honor of being recorded on an album with the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra. Charlie is planning to complete a fellowship in vascular and interventional radiology after residency.

The Department thanks Tony Livorine, Mike Hazenfield and Judy Squires for the excellent job they did in 2013-14. Their contributions to the educational mission of the program were invaluable and greatly appreciated.
Mahoney Appointed to RSNA Board
Mary Mahoney, MD has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Radiologic Society of North America, effective with RSNA’s March board meeting, succeeding Dr. William Thorwarth, who has resigned. She will serve as the Liaison for Publications and Communications. Dr. Mahoney has chaired the Public Information Committee and currently chairs the Patient-Centered Radiology Steering Committee. She will serve through the 2014 Annual Meeting in December, when a member will be elected for a full five year term.

Liz Burris is New Coder
Elizabeth (Liz) Burris, CPC, joined the Radiology coding team in November 2013. Liz brings with her several years of experience in orthopedics coding and a desire to learn about Radiology. Liz’s office is adjacent to the office of Betty Jo Traister in the Radiology administrative suite.

Staton Joins West Chester Hospital
Robert Staton, MBA, RT(R), has been named Director of Radiology Administration at West Chester Hospital effective March 1, 2014. He replaces Gary Saunders, who has retired. Bob has been with UC Health and its predecessors for 35 years, most recently as Assistant Director of Radiology Administration at UC Medical Center. He will continue to work closely with UC Radiology as the Department’s involvement at West Chester Hospital increases.

Elena Delucia Earns Coding Certification
Elena Delucia, a remote coder for the UC Department of Radiology, recently earned the designation of Certified Interventional Radiology Cardiovascular Coder through the AAPC. She had to pass an examination to receive this recognition. Elena is also a Radiology Certified Coder through the RCCB and a Certified Coding Specialist – Physician and Certified Coding Associate through the AHIMA. The Radiology Coding Certification Board (RCCB) was formalized in the spring of 2000 and has certified 1286 coders to date. The American Association of Professional Coders (AAPC) is the nation’s largest association of medical coders, billers, auditors, regulatory compliance experts, and physician practice managers with more than 125,000 members.

Mahoney to be Chief of Nuclear Medicine
Bruce Mahoney, MD, Assistant Professor of Radiology, will assume the role of Nuclear Medicine Section Chief at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center July 1, 2014, succeeding Mariano Fernandez-Ulloa, MD. Dr. Mahoney has been the Section Chief of Nuclear Medicine at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center (VAMC) since May 2012. He is certified by the American Board of Radiology as an Authorized User of Radionuclides. He also serves as Medical Director at the University Hospital Imaging Center at UC Physicians Medical Arts Building.

Breast MRI
Virginia Molleran, MD and Mary Mahoney, MD are authors of Breast MRI, published by Saunders in November 2013. In the photo, Dr. Su-Ju Lee joined Dr. Mahoney at the publisher’s booth at RSNA. The book includes chapters by Drs. Molleran, Mahoney, Lee, and former UC Breast Imaging fellow Anne Kleimeyer, MD.
Exhibits Win Awards at RSNA 2013

A Cum Laude Award was given to the educational exhibit “Prostate Cases for Aces” by Anil Bhavsar MD, Sadhna Verma MD, N Patil MD, William Boyce MD, Dan Wannemacher MD, James Donovan MD, K Gaitonde MD and A Rajesh MD at RSNA 2013. A Certificate of Merit went to “Genitourinary Manifestations of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome: A Pictorial Review” by Anil Bhavsar MD, Dale Kimbrough MD, CO Menias MD, CG Lall MD, P Bhargava MD, Sadhna Verma MD, K Sandrasegaran MD and AK Shanbhogue MD. Another Certificate of Merit was given to “Seminal Imaging: MRI Characterization of Seminal Vesicle Lesions” by Mahati Reddy MD, David Dow MD, Jason Broomhall MD, Dan LoCascio MD, Emily Orscheln MD, Sadhna Verma MD, and Ben Brown MD. After reviewing 2124 education exhibits, the awards committee granted 29 Magna Cum Laude; 81 Cum Laude; and 355 Certificate of Merit awards.

PRESENTATIONS AT RSNA 2013

- Collins J. How to be the speaker everyone wants you to be. Refresher/Informatics Session, Radiological Society of North America annual scientific assembly, December 6, 2013.
Best Poster Down Under

Lily Wang, MBBS, attended the Australian-New Zealand Society for Paediatric Radiology Annual Meeting in Auckland, New Zealand October 20-23, 2013. Her poster titled “Gastrointestinal manifestations of cystic fibrosis in the pediatric patient: an imaging exhibit from the fetus to the young adult” was awarded “Best Poster or Oral Presentation.” Her co-authors were Drs. Carl Merrow, Daniel Podberesky, Maria Calvo-Garcia, and Steven Kraus. Dr. Wang completed her Neuroradiology fellowship in January and is now a general staff radiologist at Cincinnati Childrens Hospital Medical Center.

Sharing Our ‘Stache

On November 21, the Radiology staff and residents joined in UCHealth’s “Share Your Stache” promotion to support prostate health awareness by posing for a photo with their mustaches – many of them either grown or taped on for the occasion. UC Health asked for associates to post their mustache photos to Facebook or Twitter with a #CincyStache hashtag, to direct people to the uchealth.com/prostate site, where they could get information about prostate health. UC Health is the first in the region to offer MRI/Ultrasound fusion technology, which permits clearer images and more definitive exams of the prostate.

Collins Lectures in Mexico

Dr. Jannette Collins participated in a one-day clinician educator program in Mexico City, January 20, 2014. The event was sponsored by the Mexican Radiological Society in collaboration with the Alliance for Clinician Educators in Radiology. Dr. Collins, a founding member and past president of ACER, spoke on “Lifelong Learning” and “Case-Based Presentations.”


Oestreich AE. “Patella, Carpalia, tarsalia, usw. haben kein periost! Des Kaisers neue Kleider” [Patella, carpal, tarsal, etc. have no periosteum! the emperor’s new clothes.] Oral presentation. 50th annual meeting of the Gesellschaft fuer Pediatrische Radiologie, Jena, Germany. Sept 28, 2013.


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