



Reunion success

The annual alumni reunion weekend is in the books, and it provided the perfect chance to catch up with classmates, relive memories and make new ones. Classes from across the school's nearly 50-year history were represented and enjoyed a Friday evening reception, Saturday school tour and Saturday evening dinner and reception.

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Match Day excitement

There's nothing quite like Match Day, and this year more than 90 students found out where they will write the next chapter in their medical careers.

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Facing family challenges

Brian Carter, M.D., an international expert in neonatal intensive care outcomes, medical bioethics and pediatric palliative care, presented the 25th annual William T. Sirridge, M.D., Medical Humanities Lecture on March 28. Carter shared his observations of how physicians can help parents deal with the reality of a young child facing life-altering challenges.

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Shaping children's lives

Altha J. Stewart, M.D., president of the American Psychiatric Association, delivered this year's Dr. Reaner and Mr. Henry Shannon Lecture in Minority Health, addressing how the environment children are brought up in plays a large part in their eventual mental and physical well-being.

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Let your creativity show

The Sirridge Office of Medical Humanities & Bioethics is seeking submissions for a new edition of the medical humanities magazine, *The Human Factor*. The magazine recognizes the important connection between medicine and the arts and the significant role this link plays in strengthening physician-patient relationships. The publication also supports the "art" of medicine by showcasing creative works and sharing human experiences.

School of Medicine students, faculty and alumni are encouraged to submit original, unpublished essays, poems, short stories, drawings, photography and other art work. The submission deadline is April 30. Submissions should be sent to the Sirridge Office at 2411 Holmes St., Kansas City, MO 64108, Attn: Sarah McKee, or emailed to hallse@umkc.edu.



In memoriam

Longtime UMKC School of Medicine faculty member and docent Lynn DeMarco passed away on Feb. 15 in Leawood, Kansas. He was 85. One of the school's first docents, Dr. DeMarco joined the School of Medicine in 1977.

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Save the date(s)

Graduation Day is just around the corner, along with the Take Wing Award ceremony and lecture. Before that, two research presentation days and several other events of note will bring the school year to a busy close. Take a look and join us!

April 17: Health Sciences Student Research Summit
April 20: M.M.S. Physician Assistant White Coat Ceremony
May 2: Graduate Programs Reception
May 3: AOA Lecture
May 8: Faculty Development Series
May 10: Quality Patient Safety Day
May 20: E. Grey Dimond, M.D., Take Wing Award Ceremony and Lecture
May 20: School of Medicine Commencement

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