

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY



Dear Alumni:

I want to take this chance to thank you again for all your efforts and activities on behalf of the UMKC School of Medicine during my two years as president. I also have two last requests:

Please vote, if you haven't already, on the officers and new board members who will guide us going forward. There also are updated bylaws to consider. An email went out to alumni earlier this month containing the list of candidates and a link to the proposed bylaw changes. Please respond to that email with your votes and comments by Oct. 15.

I also encourage you to sign up for and explore the new UMKC School of Medicine Alumni Directory, which is explained below. Just as your efforts continually benefit UMKC, the school is committed to offering you the best alumni experience possible.

Sincerely,

Lt. Gen. Mark Ediger, M.D. '78

Outgoing President, UMKC School of Medicine National Board of Alumni & Partners

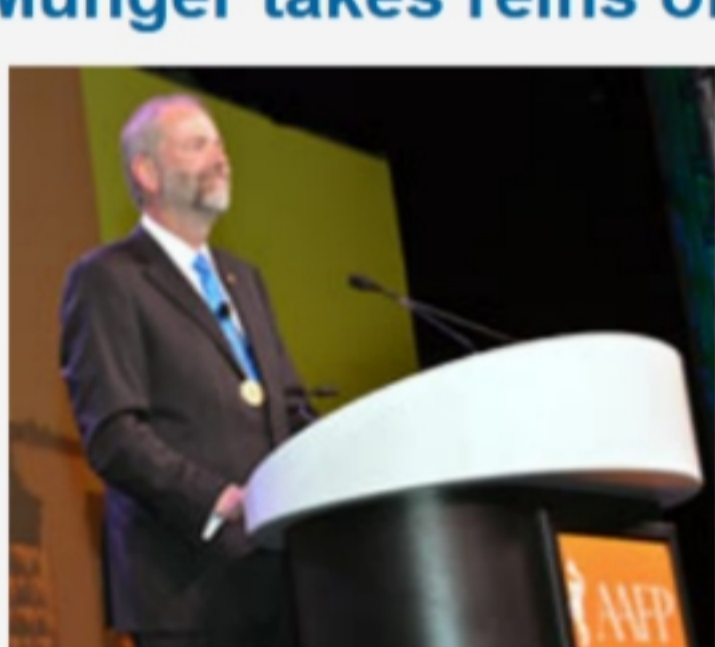
New online directory: Our latest way to connect



The new UMKC School of Medicine Alumni Directory is launching today. Be sure to check it out! The Medicine Alumni Association commissioned the directory as another way that allows you to discover fellow Roos, whether in your city or your area of practice, and to keep in touch. Please spend some time exploring its many features, and make sure your personal profile is updated so your fellow alumni can find you. You can find the directory [here](#) and enjoy full access

immediately if you already have a username and password for the UMKC Alumni site. If not, just click on First Time Login for instructions.

Munger takes reins of family physicians organization



Mike Munger, M.D. '83, this month became president of the American Academy of Family Physicians at its annual convention in San Antonio, Texas. The academy represents 129,000 physicians and medical students nationwide. Munger has been a practicing family physician 30 years in the Kansas City area and active in the Missouri and Kansas family physicians organizations. [More >>](#)

Alumni faculty recognized at awards ceremony



Brenda Rogers, M.D. '90, associate dean for student affairs, received the Excellence in Mentoring Award given to an associate or assistant professor. It was one of five special awards presented Sept. 7 at the annual faculty awards and promotions event. These alumni also were among the 59 faculty members promoted to professor or associate professor: **James W. Bogener, M.D. '05**; **Christine Boutwell, M.D. '93**; **Ashley L. Daly, M.D. '02**; **Jennifer A. Elliott, M.D. '96**; **Amy S. Lay, M.D. '01**; **Lina M. Patel, M.D. '02**; **Mamta Reddy, M.D. '98**; and **Christine Sullivan, M.D. '85**. [More >>](#)

Graduate programs get new assistant dean



Sara Gardner, M.D. '02, associate professor and director of the Internal Medicine-Pediatrics residency program, has been appointed assistant dean for Graduate Medical Education. She will be responsible for quality improvement of the graduate programs and providing necessary faculty development to enhance the educational experience for residents and fellows. [More>>](#)

Missouri magazine spotlight on the School of Medicine



The UMKC School of Medicine and the school's Department of Orthopaedic Surgery are prominently featured in the July/August issue of the Missouri State Medical Association journal. An article by Dean Steven Kanter, M.D., tells about the new UMKC Health Sciences District, and another by Sam Page, M.D. '92, offers his case for a Missouri prescription drug monitoring program. In addition, a series of scientific

articles written by School of Medicine faculty discusses musculoskeletal health care. [More >>](#)

In memoriam



Eugene Fibuch, M.D., longtime faculty member and chair of the Department of Anesthesiology, died on Aug. 20 at the Hospice House of Kansas City. He led the department from 1997 until 2014 and was the anesthesiology residency program director for 35 years. Under his leadership, the residency program graduated more than 125 residents, most of whom remain and practice in this region. [More >>](#)

Save the date

It's never too early to make plans to attend the Alumni Reunion, set for April 20-21, 2018. Last year's event had some of the best turnout ever. Don't miss this one.

Coming Events

September 28

[Marjorie S. Sirridge, M.D. – Outstanding Women in Medicine Lectureship 2017](#)

September 30 - October 8

[Founders' Week](#)

October 1

[UMKC Regalia Run 5K/10K](#)

November 3

[William Goodson Jr., M.D. Memorial Lectureship – Pieter Cohen, M.D.](#)



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IF YOU'RE NOT REGISTERED, use your LAST NAME --Smith-- and your CONSTITUENT ID Number (remember to include the zeros) --0000080283-- to [complete the signup](#) process.

IF YOU'RE ALREADY REGISTERED, [update your personal profile](#).

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