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## HMI Alumni Organization Newsletter, Summer 2008

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There's lots in this issue so read on, but first of all we want you to know that we've moved. Our new address is CE707 Clinical Support & Education (CS&E) Building, located at Five Hospital Drive, Columbia MO 65212. Our phone numbers will remain the same. For a look at our new space, go to <http://www.hmi.missouri.edu/> and click on slideshow above the picture of the building.

### May 2008 Graduation



Picture taken at the graduation brunch. 1st row: Mona Chawla, Tracy Hartman, Alicia Abight, Marjorie Matzes, Molly Kea, Fatten Elkomy. 2nd row: JaKeitha Patterson, Kimberly Rogers, Matthew Rystrom, Fang Zhang, Matthew LeGrand, Alicia Seckman, Aaron Borgmeyer, Craig DeWitt, Louis Magdits, Jae Ryong Hyun,

Christie Masters.

Twenty HMI students receiving MHA and MSHI degrees participated in Graduate School commencement exercises on May 16, 2008 at the Mizzou Arena. They were honored earlier in the day with friends, family, and department members at a graduation brunch in the Great Room at Reynolds Alumni Center. Eric Rosenhauer (MHA 2007), Associate Director of Performance Improvement at University Hospital and Clinics, delivered the challenge to the class.

Several students were recognized for achievement:

**Louis Magdits** received the Thomas P. Weil Award recognizing him as the student who best represents the professional aspiration, creativity, values, and work ethic that are in keeping with the rich traditions of the HSM program. These qualities have become the hallmark of the program, as reflected in the careers and accomplishments of its alumni. The award was established by the alumni of the Health Services Management Program and is given to the student selected by his or her peers and faculty. The award honors Thomas P. Weil, PhD, the first director of the Health Services Management Program.

**Matthew LeGrand** and **Louis Magdits** received the Stuart A. Wesbury, Jr. Award in recognition for having achieved the highest academic performance of the graduating class. Established by the alumni of the Health Services Management Program, this annual award honors Dr. Stuart Wesbury, who formerly served as chairman of Health Services Management.

**Wei Chan (Patrick) Teoh** received the Donald A. B. Lindberg Award that recognizes a Health Informatics graduate who represents innovation, professionalism, and high principles, for outstanding work and dedication to the program. This award honors Dr. Donald A. B. Lindberg, the Director of the National Library of Medicine who began the development of informatics on the MU campus and is a distinguished national and international leader in medical informatics.

**David Fleming**, MD won the 2007-2008 Faculty Member of the Year Award from the HMI Graduate Student Association.

Our graduates will be busy this summer. Here's the list of internships and post-graduation placements.

Internship Locations, Summer 2008

American Hospital Association, Chicago IL  
Banner Health, Phoenix AZ  
Baum Harmon Mercy Hospital and Clinics,  
Primghar IA  
BJC HealthCare, St. Louis MO  
Center for Health Care Quality, University of  
Missouri, Columbia MO  
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia,  
Philadelphia PA

Post-Grad Placement Locations, Spring 2008

Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland  
OH \*\*  
Cerner Corporation, Kansas City MO  
Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City MO  
City of Hope National Medical Center, Duarte  
CA \*  
Korea National Health Insurance Corporation,  
Seoul Korea  
Methodist Hospital, Houston TX  
Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center,

Duke University Medical Center, Durham NC  
Ellis Fischel Cancer Center, Columbia MO  
Emergency Physicians of Mid-Missouri,  
Columbia MO  
Hedrick Medical Center, Chillicothe MO  
Kaiser Permanente, Roseville CA  
Lafayette Regional Health Center, Lexington  
MO  
Mayo Clinic, Rochester MN  
University of Missouri Health Care, Columbia  
MO  
VHA, Oklahoma City OK  
Wake Forest University Physicians, Winston-  
Salem NC  
Yale New Haven Health System, New Haven  
CT

Houston TX \*  
Milwaukee VA Medical Center, Milwaukee WI \*  
Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at  
Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN \*  
University Hospital, Columbia MO \*  
University of Missouri, Department of Industrial  
& Manufacturing Systems Engineering,  
Columbia MO \*\*\*  
University of Missouri School of Medicine,  
Columbia MO  
University of South Dakota, Vermillion SD \*\*  
University Physicians, Columbia MO  
VA Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System,  
Biloxi MS \*  
\* Administrative fellowship  
\*\* Medical residency  
\*\*\* Pursuing PhD

### Upcoming Events

September 19 - First Annual HMI Graduate Student Association Golf Fundraiser Spectacular. Proceeds will help fund HMI student travel to professional networking meetings such as ACHE Congress on Healthcare Leadership, MGMA Annual Conference, and HIMSS Annual Conference and Exhibition. To sign up for this event, go to <http://www.hmi.missouri.edu/golf2008>.

October 24 - The annual HMI Fall Institute. This year's event will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn. To make guest room reservations, call (573) 814-5464 and ask for the HMI rate of \$129/night. The schedule will be:

11:00 a.m. HMI Alumni Board Meeting and Lunch  
1:30 p.m. Student Interviews  
2:00 p.m. Early Careerist /Development Panel  
3:00 p.m. Roundtables  
5:00 p.m. Reception  
6:00 p.m. Dinner

Please notice the two additions to the schedule: student interviews and early careerist/development panel. If you are interested in interviewing any of the students for either an internship or fellowship, this is the time to do it. For you recent grads, we need volunteers for a panel discussion to talk with students about getting their careers started. If you are interested in either of these activities, please e-mail us at [HuetherL@health.missouri.edu](mailto:HuetherL@health.missouri.edu) or the invitation to the Fall Institute will be mailed soon and you can indicate on the RSVP.

On Saturday, the HMI Graduate Student Association will host a tailgate before the Tigers take on the Colorado Buffaloes. Make your plans now to join us!

### Department News

HMI has launched an alumni discussion area on our website. Follow the "alumni discussions" link on the front page or go directly to <http://hmi.missouri.edu/alumnidiscussion>. Access and participation require a free personal account, so please e-mail David Moxley at [MoxleyD@health.missouri.edu](mailto:MoxleyD@health.missouri.edu) to request an ID and password. Several alumni who have been driving forces behind this idea have already started discussion topics, so please jump in or start your own.

We're looking for nominees for our two HMI Alumni Organization Awards: Early Careerist and Lifetime Achievement. If you want to nominate someone, click here <http://www.hmi.missouri.edu/index.php?q=node/112>.

Our faculty have been quite busy this year, click here for a list of their activities [http://hmi.missouri.edu/faculty\\_achievements.pdf](http://hmi.missouri.edu/faculty_achievements.pdf).

### Alumni Updates

Gary Anderson, 2001 Exec MHA, joined Advanced ICU Care as Director of Operations in August 2007. In this capacity, Anderson will oversee the implementation of the company's eICU program. Advanced ICU Care's program uses telemedicine technology to provide board-certified critical care physicians and critical care nursing care, along with a process improvement program, to hospital ICU patients - providing improved care and safety outcomes. Serving as a project manager, Anderson will manage the technical and clinical implementation resources and will also supervise post-implementation processes. He will collaborate with all stakeholders to ensure hospital satisfaction with the program and will support the client service and sales initiatives.

Barbara Arrington, 1976 MHA, is Dean of the College of Health and Human Services at the University of New Hampshire in Durham.

David Bachrach, 1972 MHA, was the 2007 recipient of the Harry J. Harwick Lifetime Achievement Award. This is the highest form of recognition by the Medical Group Management Association (MGMA). Bachrach is president of the Physician Executive's Coach Inc. in Boulder, Colorado, a nation-wide leadership coaching and advisory service for physicians in executive positions at academic health centers, cancer centers, and teaching hospitals.

Robert Bonney, 1976 MHA and Senior Vice President at Saint Luke's Health System in Kansas City, was selected as the 2007 Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year for the University of Kansas' Health Administration Program, where he is on the adjunct faculty and teaches health law and reimbursement classes.

Allison Corry, 2004 MHA, appeared on the Healthcare Executive show on InTimeTV. It was a live TV broadcast targeted at senior leadership. You can still see the show at <http://www.intimetv.com/medical/hce.cfm> and scroll down to Supply Chain: Strategy, Operations and Optimization.

Dexter D'Costa, 2005 MHA, recently won the "2007 Outstanding SIG Member of the Year" awarded by the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society

(HIMSS) at their annual conference in Florida and the September 2007 "Spirit of HIMSS" award. Dexter received these awards for his volunteer work with the Pediatric Health Informatics and Technology Special Interest Group of HIMSS. He was the driving force and key contributor of establishing and engaging this group.

Sheilahn Davis-Wyatt, 1994 MHA and chief operating officer of Menorah Medical Center recently became a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Cindy Forbis, 2001 Exec MHA, joined The Cedars at the JCA (Jewish Center for the Aged) in 2007 as chief operating officer.

Stephanie McCutcheon, 1976 MHA, was named the Hospital Sisters Health System (HSHS) president and CEO in September 2007. HSHS is a multi-institutional healthcare system that owns and operates 13 hospitals - 8 in Illinois and 5 in Wisconsin.

David Mountjoy, 1994 MHA and director of clinic operations at University Hospitals and Clinics, was named a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives in May 2007. Mountjoy has recently achieved board certification in health care management as an ACHE fellow.

John Nackel, 1975 MHA, has joined the board of directors for The Ensign Group, Inc.

Kirt Nichols, MD and 1998 Exec MHA, a surgeon at University Hospital and professor of surgery and chief of vascular surgery at the MU School of Medicine, has been elected vice chief of staff at University Hospital.

Jeff Tindle, 1980 MHA, began his service as associate administrator and CFO of Carroll County Memorial Hospital in September 2007. His responsibilities include business operations, finance, and physician relations.

To update us on your activities, please e-mail [HuetherL@health.missouri.edu](mailto:HuetherL@health.missouri.edu). To join the HMI Alumni Organization, go to <http://www.mizzou.com/>, click on membership services, and choose the membership application best for you. Please enter **UHI** in the referral code field.

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