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❖ Retirement of Dr. Linda Morgan



Linda Morgan, M.D.

Dr. Linda Morgan, Director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology, retired in February after over 30 years of service. She was a J. Wayne Reitz Professor of Gynecologic Surgery from 2000-2013, and a Kibler Endowed Professor in Ovarian Cancer Research from 2013 until her retirement. She was recently awarded Professor Emeritus status.

Dr. Morgan's achievements as a physician were noted by many in the Gainesville community and beyond. She was included every year in the Best Doctors of America list from 1994-2015. Other honors include being named one of the 401 Best Doctors for Women by Good Housekeeping magazine in 1997, and one of 2002's "Outstanding Physicians in America" by Ladies Home

Journal. She was also consistently recognized for her teaching abilities, having earned both the APGO Excellence in Teaching and J. Lee Dockery, MD awards.

Born in Bloomington, IN, she attended medical school at the Medical College of Pennsylvania, and completed her residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology here at the University of Florida College of Medicine. She then went on to complete a fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Throughout her career, her interests included treatment of gynecologic malignancies, robotic laparoscopic surgery, and reconstructive surgery in gynecology. Above all, Dr. Morgan was known as a physician who went above and beyond for her patients. When news of her retirement spread, numerous comments were posted on UF Health Women's Center's Facebook page from former patients and colleagues alike, such as the following from

former faculty member Dr. Judith Simms-Cendan: "Congratulations and well-deserved. OBGYNs around the country remember the way you treated your patients with compassion and honesty, in addition to admiring your skill (removing every tumor noogie). From hosting patients in your own home, to giving the patients chemo at theirs, you always fought for every woman. Thanks for being such an amazing role model."

We want to thank Dr. Morgan for her decades of service to the UF College of Medicine and the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. But most of all, we'd like to thank her for improving the lives of her numerous patients throughout the years, and for being such a strong role model to many medical students and residents throughout her time here. Congratulations on your retirement, Dr. Morgan!

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**OB-GYN Alumni Society/
Resident Research Day/
Graduation Weekend
2016**
Gainesville, Florida
June 24-25, 2016



R. Stan Williams, M.D.

❖ Notes from the Chair

This July, I will have had the privilege of serving the University of Florida for 28 years. As I think back on the milestones of my career, I first remember my undergraduate acceptance at UNC, and subsequently my acceptance into medical school, also at

UNC. When I decided in medical school that I was going to train in Obstetrics and Gynecology, I had my future set! After marrying my college sweetheart, Peggy, I was then fortunate to be accepted at the Medical University of South Carolina for residency. After a rigorous but enjoyable 4 years, I then served with the US Air Force for 3 years at a small base hospital in Illinois doing general ObGyn, on call every other night and every other weekend. For 6 months I even became the only ObGyn, so I was then working 24/7.

During the middle of that tour I began thinking about my future after the USAF, and what did I love most in our specialty. I determined my passion was taking care of infertile patients. I was again very fortunate to be chosen for a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility at the University of Louisville. After fellowship, with my increasing family (now two children, soon to be three) I was faced with the decision of

where to go and what type of practice to choose. As fate would have it, my Chairman at U of L, Jack Master-son, was being recruited to UF and invited me to join him as the REI Division Director. I have never looked back.

After 28 years, I am so thankful for the opportunities that UF has given to me and my family. I owe so much in return. As a small measure of our appreciation, Peggy and I have committed up to \$60,000 over the next 5 years to establish the ObGyn Discovery Fund in Obstetrics and Gynecology.

I invite all of you to join me in establishing this next major endowment in our Department so that we can fund the future of ObGyn research in our Department, including research by students, residents, fellows and faculty. We need several more major commitments and many other significant commitments in order to get to an endowment of at least \$500,000. Now is the time you can "pay back" for the opportunities you were given by your time spent at UF and the career you have enjoyed. Thanks.

R. Stan Williams, M.D.
Harry Prystowsky Professor of Reproductive Medicine
Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology



CONGRATULATIONS
To UF Health Shands Hospital for being awarded the Baby-Friendly designation, one of just seven hospitals in the state of Florida to be designated as such. Thank you to all of the OB-GYN providers, who helped make this possible.

❖ Faculty News

- ◆ Dr. Kathleen A. Green has accepted a position as Assistant Professor at UF in the Division of Gynecology, Gynecologic Surgery and Obstetrics beginning August 1st. Dr. Green is joining our department after 4 years of active duty in the Army, and is very well-trained in all aspects of Obstetrics and Gynecology.



Kathleen Green, M.D.

After attending medical school at UT Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, she completed her residency in Hawaii at Tripler Army Medical Center, which gave her the unique opportunity of caring for active duty military members and their dependents. Following her residency, she served as a staff OB-GYN in Fort Irwin, CA, later becoming the department chief. She is currently completing her military commitment at William Beaumont Army Medical Center (WBAMC) in El Paso, TX. As the site residency director, she oversees the third-year gynecology rotation, transitional year interns, physician assistant students and medical students.

- ◆ Dr. Joel Cardenas Goicoechea has joined the Division of Gynecologic Oncology as an Assistant Professor. Dr. Cardenas is currently a Gynecologic Oncologist at the Zangmeister Cancer Center in Columbus, OH.

Originally from Peru, he attended medical school at San Marcos Major National University in Lima. He completed his OB-GYN residency at the University of Pennsylvania Health System, followed by a fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at Mount Sinai Medical Center's Icahn School of Medicine in Mount Sinai, NY. Dr. Cardenas's areas of expertise include minimally invasive surgery, single site port surgery, and sentinel lymph node.

-We are greatly looking forward to the arrivals of Drs. Green and Cardenas, and are excited about the unique abilities and experiences they will bring with them to our department. Please join us in welcoming them!



Joel Cardenas, M.D.

❖ Awards and Recognitions

- ◆ Dr. Anthony R. Gregg was elected as a new member of the UF Chapter of the Alpha Omega Medical Honor Society, and recently earned his MBA from the University of Florida. Congratulations, Dr. Gregg!
- ◆ UF Health Shands Hospital was included in the Becker's Hospital Review "100 hospitals and health systems with great women's health programs" list.

❖ Donations

2016 has been a banner year so far for donations to our department! We have received the following gifts since July 1, 2016:

- ◆ \$60,000 pledge to OB/GYN Discovery Endowment Fund
- ◆ \$1,000,000 planned gift to OB/GYN Department
- ◆ \$39,985 grant to CenteringPregnancy Program
- ◆ \$5,000 gift (pending) to CenteringPregnancy Program in Marion County
- ◆ \$1,000-\$2,000 gift (pending) for UroGynecology Section
- ◆ \$30,000/5-year gift (pending) for Ovarian Cancer Research and Patient Support Fund
- ◆ \$300,000 planned gift (pending) for UroGynecology Section

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❖ Residency & Fellowship

- ◆ Kathryn E. Patrick, MD (R4) will be joining our 3-year MFM Fellowship Program in July, after completing her residency here in our department. Congratulations, Dr. Patrick!
- ◆ Congratulations to our residents (and their mentors) who have been invited to present their research projects in 2016:
 - Sara Deatsman, MD (R4)** – South Atlantic Association of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Abstract presentation: “Age and Fertility: A Study on Patient Awareness”)
 - Erin (Kickie) Ward, MD (R4)** – South Atlantic Association of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Abstract presentation: “A Comparison of Two Antibiotic Regimens for Prevention of Post-cesarean Infection: An Historical Control Trial”)
 - Jessica Greer, MD (R3)** – UF Health 2016 Quality Health and Safety Week (Poster presentation: “Improving Physician and Nursing Communication on Units 35 and 95”)
 - Tina O’Shea, MD (R3)** – UF Health 2016 Quality Health and Safety Week (Poster presentation: “Providing Care to Obstetric Patients Who Refuse Transfusion of Blood Products”)
 - Jordan Preiss, MD (R3)** – UF Health 2016 Quality Health and Safety Week (Poster presentation: “An Improved System of Abnormal Cervical Cytology Follow-Up”)
 - Paige Swenson, MD (R2)** – 2016 North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology Annual Meeting (Poster presentation: “Induction of Foxo3a by Nutrient Deprivation Regulates Folliculogenesis”)
 - Amanda Kane, MD (R4)** – 2016 ACOG Annual Clinical Meeting (Poster presentation: “Emergency Contraception: Provider Perceptions and Practices in the Era of Over-the-Counter Availability”)
 - Leah Foster, MD (R3)** – 2016 ACOG Annual Clinical Meeting (Poster presentation: “Water Immersion During Labor: Development of a Hydrotherapy Policy for Obstetrics at UF Health”)



Kathryn E. Patrick, M.D.

❖ Welcoming Our 2016 OB-GYN Residents

- ◆ The department completed a very successful residency recruitment season in early January. The Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) opened on September 15, 2015, and by November 1st we received 445 applications for the four internship positions beginning in June 2016 (an increase of 57 applicants from last year). Ultimately, we met 60 talented and enthusiastic candidates over the course of seven interview days. Our well-rounded interview team included: Drs. Stan Williams, John Davis, Shireen Madani, Erich Wyckoff, Monique Ho, and resident member Jessica Greer. Many additional faculty members participated in the recruiting process by joining our applicants and residents during lunch. We appreciate everyone’s efforts and are excited to welcome our new residents!



Kristin Briscoe was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She graduated from Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana in 2012 with dual Bachelor of Arts degrees in Chemistry and Spanish. After graduation, she spent a summer working with Dow Agro Sciences to develop new, environmentally friendly techniques for DEET distribution. In the Fall of 2012, Kristin began medical school at Indiana University where she has excelled academically and was elected as a Senior to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. During medical school, her research efforts focused on developing core outcome sets for interventions to prevent infection after cesarean delivery. She also partnered with Timmy Global Health to organize a medical outreach for medical students throughout Indiana to Quito, Ecuador. Kristin enjoys singing, water skiing, wakeboarding, slacklining, cooking, and running. Her partner, Kevin Parikh, will be joining the Mayo Clinic-Jacksonville Urology Residency Program.

Sarah Evans was born in Greensboro, North Carolina. She graduated from the University of Central Florida *magna cum laude* in 2011 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Molecular and Microbiology, and began medical school at Florida State University in 2012. As a student, Sarah served as Vice President of FSUCares, an organization that supports community health initiatives for the underserved community of Tallahassee, Florida and participated in a medical outreach to Filipinas, Panama. She was awarded the FSU College of Medicine Mission Scholarship and the Tully Scholarship for her commitment to community service; she was elected to both the Gold Humanism Honor Society and the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society in her Senior year. Sarah enjoys traveling, baking, trying new restaurants, hosting board game nights, spending time with her family and friends, and playing with her cat and dog. Her husband is a high school teacher. We are delighted to welcome them to UF.



Amelia Schaub was born in Nyack, New York, and relocated with her family to Satellite Beach, Florida while still in elementary school. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Florida in 2012 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology (awarded *with honors*) and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology (awarded *with high honors*). She received the University Scholar Award from the Center for Undergraduate Research in 2012. During medical school at the University of Florida, Amelia served as the Social Chair of her class, participated in the OB/GYN Student Interest Group, and traveled to the Yucatan area of Mexico for a medical outreach trip. In 2015 she was nominated for the Barbara Bennett Women’s Health Award given by the UF Department of OB/GYN. She enjoys running and traveling. Amelia’s partner, Eric Pruitt, will be starting his residency training in the General Surgery department at the University of Florida.

David Schweer decided to pursue a career in medicine during his time volunteering at a clinic for indigent patients in his hometown of Woodbridge, Virginia. He graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University *magna cum laude* in 2012 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. He began medical school at the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine later that year. While in medical school, he was a member of the OB/GYN Student Interest Group and volunteered regularly with the Bradley Free Clinic providing care for the underserved of Roanoke, Virginia. David also completed a post-graduate program to earn a Research in Translational Medicine Certificate. His research project, “Evaluating Blood Loss and the Effect of Antiplatelet Treatment in Foot/Ankle Amputations” has led to two poster presentations and a manuscript submission. His hobbies include hiking and camping, kayaking, gardening, playing piano, and traveling.



Mark your calendars for the 2016 UF OB-GYN Alumni Society Meeting! The meeting is already shaping up to be one for the books, and we are excited to share what we have planned so far. Invitations forthcoming. We can't wait to catch up with you!

- ◆ Chair's Welcome Reception: 6:30p.m. on Friday, June 24th at the Best Western Gateway Grand, Gainesville, FL
- ◆ Continental Breakfast: 7:30a.m. on Saturday, June 25th in the Masterson Conference Room, 3rd floor of UF Health Shands Hospital Medical Science Building
- ◆ Alumni CME Talks: 8:00a.m., Barron Conference Room, 3rd floor of UF Health Shands Hospital Medical Science Building



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❖ **2016 UF OB-GYN Alumni Society Meeting**



**UF ObGyn 7th Annual
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Resident/Fellow Graduation**

*June 24 & 25, 2016
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Planned Agenda

Friday PM: Chair's Reception

Saturday AM: CME Alumni Talks

Saturday PM: Alumni Reunion Dinner &
Resident/Fellow Graduation

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