Message from the Chairman

Dear UW Orthopaedics community,

The new academic year has started with plenty of reasons for celebration. Allow me to mention a few of the highlights:

I am happy to report that our 8 resident graduates have all successfully completed Part 1 of their Orthopaedic Boards and started their fellowships in great shape. I have received very positive feedback on how well our training at UW Orthopaedics has prepared our graduates for their careers. Due to the tireless efforts of Dr. Hanel and his team, the new requirement by our Orthopaedic Residency Review Committee to integrate the Internship year into residency has been launched flawlessly with 8 promising and talented new interns added to our Residency (kudos also to General Surgery, Emergency Medicine and others who made this possible). There were many incredible contributions from the graduating class and Dr. Kristy Weber, a Visiting Professor from U Penn, at the Resident Graduation. The lecture by our 30th Anniversary graduate Dr. Ed Farrar on “Life Lessons Learned” definitely ranks as unforgettable in caliber. I invite you to watch his moving speech about “gaining through giving generously.”

The end of July brought about the graduation of our Fellows with 18 great young colleagues setting off to new careers and 20 new colleagues joining us in their respective specialties (5 Trauma, 3 Spine, 3 Foot & Ankle, 2 Shoulder & Elbow, 2 Oncology, 1 Pediatrics and 4 Hand).

We combined our Fellowship graduation with our Summit in Seattle this year, which had a ‘Focus on the Knee’. Under the Chairmanship of Drs. Howard Chansky and Lisa Taitsman a compelling program was offered, highlighted by our visiting Guests of Honor Drs. Christian Krettek, Chairman from Hannover, Germany and Jim Stannard, Chairman from Columbia, Missouri. We also had great contributions by some of our Alumni, such as Drs. Bill Barrett, Jon Keeve, Peter Simonian, and John Steinman plus outstanding interactive cadaver surgery dissections, plenary discussion sessions and presentations by our faculty and Fellows. We had a near capacity audience and look forward to another with our Summit in Seattle 5: Focus on the Shoulder for July 25-27, 2014.

Our Sports Medicine group celebrated both the 7th Annual Garrick Lectureship and the opening of the new UWMedicine Sports Medicine Center at Husky Stadium. Our Garrick lecturer was Dr. Nick Mohtadi from the University of Calgary, Alberta. He is a leader in the development of clinically meaningful and validated Outcomes scores in Sports Medicine and his lecture provided the perfect backdrop for the commemoration of the closure of our old departmentally run Sports Medicine clinic.

The newly built Sports Medicine Center opened its doors for the first time on September 9th, 2013 and is truly impressive in all regards – from its location under the South entrance of the remodeled Husky Stadium to its beautifully functional spaces. Here you can see truly interactive team medicine with 3 core departments and multiple specialties all collaborating under one roof with an unprecedented array of programs available for the benefit of the public. Patients of any age with athletic aspirations, but musculoskeletal ailments, are invited to experience this new standard in Sports Medicine firsthand. On its second day we already eclipsed the 100 patient mark! For an informal first glance, please come by our Open House on October 10th, 2013. Our thanks go to the countless hours put in by Claudia Happe-Hartsell and Dr. Carol Teitz along with Stan Herring, Johnese Spisso and Steve Zieniewicz to make this dream a reality!

Finally I am pleased to welcome 2 exciting new faculty members to our ranks: Dr. Tania Ferguson joins us from UC Davis and Dr. Conor Klewen returns to his home state of Washington after Medical School and Residency at Harvard and Fellowship at Shock & Trauma in Baltimore (page 2). Both are experts in Orthopaedic Traumatology with special interest in hip and pelvis & acetabular trauma. These recruitments allow our Trauma group to set the stage for new beginnings in our care model for patients with fractures and serious injuries.

Thank you for your interest in our Department and stay tuned for many exiting new developments!

Sincerely,

Jens R. Chapman
Welcome Dr. Conor Kleweno!

Dr. Conor Kleweno joins us as Assistant Professor and academic traumatologist based at HMC. He graduated from the UW with an undergraduate degree in Bioengineering in 2001. He received his medical degree from Harvard in 2007 and stayed at Harvard for the orthopaedic residency program where he graduated in 2012, receiving the Outstanding Resident award. He completed a trauma fellowship at Shock Trauma in Baltimore in July 2013.

eNews: You’re originally from Washington so how does it feel returning to your roots?

Kleweno: It feels great to be back in Washington. I grew up on a small wheat farm and cattle ranch outside of Endicott, WA, which is near Pullman. I am looking forward to being able to see my parents more frequently as well as my sister who lives here in Seattle. She has a three year old and a 6 month old (Eden, pictured right) and I’m excited to be present as they grow up. It’s also a quick flight to L.A. where my brother and younger sister live.

eNews: What are you greatest interests with regards to Orthopaedics?

Kleweno: My primary goal is always to provide high quality care for my patients. In terms of orthopaedics, the treatment of acute fractures with the ability to have an extremely diverse practice is what drew me towards orthopaedic traumatology. I envision a career that will always be challenging as well as intellectually and emotionally rewarding. One area that I hope to longitudinally explore in depth is the evolving surgical management of pelvis and acetabular trauma.

eNews: After doing your Residency and your Fellowship on the East Coast, what drew you back to this part of the country?

Kleweno: My main personal goal after my training was to return to the west coast to be closer to my family. However, it is a rare and amazing opportunity to work and continue to learn at Harborview and the UW. I feel privileged and humbled to join the most prestigious orthopaedic trauma center in the country and I hope I can be a positive addition to the team.

eNews: When you’re not seeing patients, what kinds of activities do you like to take part in?

Kleweno: I love to travel internationally, watch live music, go out to eat at restaurants, hike in the outdoors, and always enjoy a glass of good wine.

eNews: Seattle-area sports are looking better than they have in a long time. Any predictions?

Kleweno: My prediction is that the Supersonics will return to Seattle.
Welcome Incoming Resident Class!

Karoline Bringe, R1
Hometown: Viroqua, Wisconsin
College: Washington University in St. Louis
Medical School: Mayo Clinic
Area(s) of Interest: everything
Favorite Activities: Answering pages cheerfully, traveling, combining sushi, wine and happiness, dancing in the rain, musical theatre

Lauren Meyer, R1
Hometown: Renton, WA
College: Pacific Lutheran University
Medical School: UW
Area(s) of Interest: sports medicine, pediatrics, trauma
Favorite Activities: Anything active and outdoors, playing with my puppy, wine tasting, watching the seahawks and sounders, hanging out with my nephew
Fun Fact: I have a Great Dane named Luna.

Romie Gibly, R1
Hometown: Portland, OR
College: Haverford College
Medical School: Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
Area(s) of Interest: trauma, upper extremity, general orthopaedics, biomaterials and bioengineering
Favorite Activities: good food, craft beer, rock climbing, trail running, travel without tour guides, building things
Fun Fact: I built a dining table from a tree trunk.

David Ibrahim, R1
Hometown: Tarzana, CA
College: USC
Medical School: Keck School of Medicine of USC
Area(s) of Interest: trauma, bone healing, sports medicine, joints, anatomy
Favorite Activities: weightlifting, football, watching movies, traveling, cycling
Fun Fact: The tongue is the strongest muscle in the human body.

Stuart Michnick, R1
Hometown: Dallas, TX
College: The University of Texas at Dallas
Medical School: Baylor College of Medicine
Area(s) of Interest: shoulder & elbow, sports medicine, trauma, education
Favorite Activities: baseball, tennis, hiking, camping, kayaking, watching movies
Fun Fact: I auditioned for a lead role in the TV sitcom “Freaks and Geeks.”

Adam Sangeorzan, R1
Hometown: Bellevue, WA
College: UW
Medical School: Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
Area(s) of Interest: anatomy, trauma, MSK oncology
Favorite Activities: running, reading, basketball, football

Alan Swenson, R1
Hometown: Anchorage, AK
College: BYU-Hawaii
Medical School: UW
Area(s) of Interest: Undecided
Favorite Activities: culinary arts, carpentry, motorcycles, surfing, family time
Fun Fact: The fingerprints of koala bears are virtually indistinguishable from those of humans, so much so that they could be confused for another at a crime scene.
Welcome 2013-2014 ACEs!

Dan Hoopes, M.D. (Foot & Ankle)
Medical School: UC Irvine
Residency: University of New Mexico

Max Berdichevsky, M.D. (Spine)
Medical School: Albert Einstein College of Medicine
*Dr. Berdichevsky completed an Orthopaedic Surgery Fellowship at Oregon Health Sciences University

Dan Thuillier, M.D. (Foot & Ankle)
Medical School: UC San Francisco
Residency: UC San Francisco

Josh Shatsky, M.D. (Spine)
Medical School: University of Pennsylvania
Residency: Mount Sinai School of Medicine
*Dr. Shatsky completed an Orthopaedic Trauma Fellowship at HMC

Joan Williams, M.D. (Foot & Ankle)
Medical School: USC Keck School of Medicine
Residency: Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Thomas Fishler, M.D. (Trauma)
Medical School: David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA
Residency: Yale-New Haven Hospital

Jodie Miles, M.D. (Oncology)
Medical School: Georgetown University
Residency: University of North Carolina
*Dr. Miles completed her first year of Oncology Fellowship at UW in July 2013

Jonah Herbert-Davies, M.D. (Trauma)
Medical School: University of Montreal
Residency: University of Montreal

Vincent Ng, M.D. (Oncology)
Medical School: Ohio State University
Residency: Ohio State University

James Learned, M.D. (Trauma)
Medical School: USC Keck School of Medicine
Residency: Case Western Reserve University

Yaw Boachie-Ajei, M.D. (Shoulder & Elbow)
Medical School: Tufts University
Residency: University of Virginia
*Dr. Boachie-Adjei completed a Hand Fellowship at University of Virginia

Milton Little, M.D. (Trauma)
Medical School: University of Michigan
Residency: Hospital of Special Surgery

Andrew Pastor, M.D. (Shoulder & Elbow)
Medical School: University of Illinois
Residency: University of Illinois

Clay Spitler, M.D. (Trauma)
Medical School: Medical College of Georgia
Residency: University of Tennessee-Chattanooga
The Residents have passed their Boards!

Congratulations to the following past residents for passing their Boards and look to see where they are now!

Sean Amann, MD is a fellowship-trained adult reconstruction surgeon in Seattle, WA.

Jeremy Bauer, MD is a fellowship-trained pediatric orthopaedic surgeon in Portland, Oregon.

Aric Christal, MD is a fellowship-trained joint reconstruction surgeon in Edmonds, WA.

Soren Olson, MD is fellowship-trained in orthopaedic trauma and sports medicine in Spokane, WA.

Christopher Wolf, MD is a fellowship-trained spine surgeon in Newark, Delaware.

SIS 2013 Fellowship Awards

One of the traditions of the Summit in Seattle conference series is the presentation of an award for the best Fellows Research project as selected by our Visiting Faculty. The winner receives peer recognition, a plaque, and a commemoration on our Department website.

The finalists in alphabetical order were:
- **Zac Child (Spine):** Craniocervical ligament stability
- **Matt McElvany (Shoulder&Elbow):** SR on rotator cuff repairs
- **Eric McGoldrick (Shoulder&Elbow):** Smooth and move.
- **Shelley Noland (Hand):** PRCT on collagenase treatment of Dupuytren’s

In a very close final vote the winner was Eric McGoldrick for his ‘Smooth and move’ project. The evaluators credited him and his coauthors with a very comprehensive and honest approach towards looking at a new procedure from a patient and resource utilization perspective with high-impact potential.

The runner-up was Shelley Noland who was credited with having run a well-performed meaningful PRCT with clinical applications. Zac Child (Spine) received recognition for an elaborate and complex biomechanics project and Matt McElvany tied with him in an unprecedented SR on a controversial topic which will likely be a lead article in one of our premier journals.

Congratulations to all finalists for their dedication to scholarship while working very hard clinically!

SIS 2013: Focus on the Knee

Summit in Seattle 4: Focus on the Knee was a great success with nearly 100 registered guests along with Visiting Professors Drs. Kretteck and Stannard!
The 2013 Garrick Lecture was held on August 20. The guest speaker this year was Dr. Nick Mohtadi, Clinical Professor of Surgery at the University of Calgary, who presented on “Patient-Centered Care: Changing the paradigm by understanding outcomes.” As an added bonus, all lecture attendees received a sneak peek tour of the new Sports Medicine Center!

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While the logistics of ensuring medical preparedness was a challenge, performing research on ultramarathoners in real time also proved difficult. Research is often performed retroactively whereas this study collected data from ultramarathoners as they traversed the Icelandic terrain, covering distances equivalent to one marathon per day for 5 consecutive days, a double marathon on the 6th day, and then a shorter distance on day 7.

The data collected has not yet been analyzed, so stay tuned! In the meantime, Dr. Krabak continues provide care out the new Sports Medicine Center in Husky Stadium where physicians, researchers, and therapists are collaborating to provide the very best care athletes and patients!

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Courtesy of RacingThePlanet

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**Turning a family business into an opportunity for “Kickin’ Cancer”**

Bob and Carol Middelburg (pictured left) started Townsend Bay Soap Company in 1999 and currently sell their soaps online and through more than 50 retail and wholesale outlets throughout the country.

In March of 2013 Bob had a small lipoma removed from his arm; a biopsy revealed that he had sarcoma. He was referred to SCCA and met with a team of physicians, including **Dr. Darin Davidson** (below). Based on the consultation with his team, Bob started radiation treatment in Poulsbo 5 days a week for 5 weeks. During this time, Bob liked to joke that “cancer takes the weekend and holidays off”. Bob underwent surgery on July 19th and a few weeks later his arm was declared sarcoma free.

Throughout the process, Bob credits Dr. Davidson for giving him “both hope for the future….and, ultimately, a future”. While he and his family initially thought they would keep his diagnosis and treatment quiet, they quickly discovered that it was best to share the news with extended family and friends. During his radiation treatment, many friends drove him to and from treatment sessions. While the cancer didn’t keep him from driving, the daily rides with friends and family provided much-needed relief and social time. Bob also reflects positively on the number of people he met through his experience. As a result, many people opened up to Bob about their own personal experiences with cancer, giving him both information and hope. He thinks of these friends as an informal support group.

Bob’s daughter-in-law came up with the idea to sell soap to raise funds to support sarcoma research. And thus, “Bob’s Kickin’ Cancer” soap was born! They have succeeded in reaching their goal of $5,000 and hope to raise more by year-end.

For more info or to purchase “Bob’s Kickin’ Cancer” soap, visit [www.townsendbaysoap.com](http://www.townsendbaysoap.com).
For info about supporting UW Medicine, please contact Jenny Poast, Director for Philanthropy, at 206-685-8411 or jpoast@uw.edu.

**UW Hand Service iPad Initiative**

Thanks to an education grant awarded to **Dr. Jerry Huang**, the UW Hand Service is moving towards iPad integration for all faculty and many service coordinators. The UW Hand Fellows have all received iPads pre-loaded with apps, books and journal articles akin to those given to the Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine Residents. It has been so successful in teaching and coordinating between the residents and fellows on the service that we are now moving towards full iPad integration. Some of the features of the iPad for the Hand Service:

- Radiology Images on Demand
- Full access to ORCA and EPIC systems
- Expanded research collaboration
- Dozens of books and articles preloaded allow to ease of reading
- Hand Anatomy Apps
- Patient Education Resources and Apps
- MS Office Apps allowing for iPads to make changes to Word, Excel and PowerPoint files
- Centrally controlled via the CSG allow for HIPAA certified status. All devices are encrypted and can be wiped if lost or stolen.

Not only has this initiative increased the capabilities and education of the residents and fellows, but it also allows those on the service to have a secure device on which they can do all of their work.
Sports Medicine Center is open for business!

After many years of planning the new Sports Medicine Center at Husky Stadium has opened! The new Sports Medicine Center at Husky Stadium brings together many services under a single roof; Orthopedic Surgery, Rehabilitation Medicine and Family Medicine. Patients of all ages are welcome.

Currently you can see the following physicians at the Sports Medicine Center at Husky Stadium:

- Dr. Omar Bhatti
- Dr. Jonathan Adam Drezner
- Dr. Albert O. Gee
- Dr. Alfred Campbell Gellhorn
- Dr. John R. “Trey” Green III
- Dr. Nelson Allen Hager, MS
- Dr. Kimberly G. Harmon
- Dr. Mark Anthony Harrast
- Dr. Stanley A. Herring
- Dr. Brian J. Krabak
- Dr. Roger V. Larson
- Dr. John W. O’Kane
- Dr. Carol C. Teitz
- Dr. Bruce C. Twaddle
- Dr. Winston J. Warme

For the most up-to-date information on the Sports Medicine Center at Husky Stadium, please go to our website.

Have you checked out our homepage?

After months of work, CSG’s Felicia Mehl has implemented a revamped homepage found here.

The new homepage gives the website a more dynamic feel and helps bring better focus to our Clinics, Research and Education Programs. The improved skeleton (bottom image) allows a patient to select a specialty they would like to see for any given injured body part.

The CSG will continue to make minor enhancements to the front page as well as sweeping changes like we have for the research section of the website.

Each section will feature more interaction and allows patients, providers, and staff members to more easily locate the information they are looking for.
Char Prideaux-Geiszler, who has served as the Patient Services Specialist/Patient Care Coordinator Manager at the BJC, will be moving her talents to the new Sports Medicine Center located in Husky Stadium. Char served as the liason between faculty, staff, and patients and ensured that things ran smoothly. BJC personnel held a going-away party for Char but fortunately she will remain an important member of the department.

Research in Action!

Administrative Assistant Susan Kim and Montlake Secretary Senior Sarah Pressl served as test subjects in Dr. Peter Cavanagh’s study on patient rehabilitation after knee replacement surgery. Researcher Molly Glauberman led the ladies through various exercises while the sensors (strapped to the knee) recorded valuable data on movements.

Congratulations to Dr. Vincent Mosca who married Shirley Van Nostrand on September 6, 2013.

Congratulations to Dr. Sean Nork and his new wife, Florence. The couple was married on September 7, 2013.

Join us in congratulating both happy couples!
Medical Mission to Jakarta, Indonesia

There are 250 million people living in Indonesia, which is the fourth largest population in the world. Of that population, the burden of spine cases requiring surgery is estimated to be as high 5 million. Last April Dr. Theodore Wagner and resident Brian Gilmer traveled to Jakarta to instruct 60 Residents from the University of Indonesia’s Department Orthopaedic Surgery in spine surgery techniques. Dr. Wagner has been involved in outreach to Indonesia since 1987 and has made annual trips most of those years.

Dr. Wagner has made an application to be an adjunct Professor in the Global Medicine Department here at the UW. He hopes to develop new formal pathways for resident training overseas.

Continuing relationships with the faculty of the University of Indonesia, Department of Orthopaedics.

Leadership Transition at Harborview

As of August 1st, 2013 our long time HMC Orthopaedist-in-Chief Bruce Sangeorzan has stepped down from his position to be able to serve in two recently announced prestigious but time-intensive academic appointments. Dr. Sangeorzan has been named President-elect of the American Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Society, the leading organization of this subspecialty. He was also appointed to serve as Associate Editor of the Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery, our premier academic scientific publication. Both of these positions are a well-deserved reflection of his stellar record as a clinician-scientist with truly solid credentials in all regards. Dr. Sangeorzan assumed the role as Orthopaedic Chief at HMC 14 years ago after a national search. We owe him a great deal of gratitude for his steady leadership through a period of unprecedented stability and growth at Harborview. Hundreds of students, residents, fellows and faculty are in debt to his guidance and input. Dr. Sangeorzan will also remain very active as Chief of our Foot& Ankle Service at HMC and in his clinical practice and research at the VA Puget Health Care System in Seattle. Dr. Chapman has assumed an interim Chief role as a search for a new Chief begins.

Congratulations to Dr. Jeremy Bauer ( Resident Class of 2010) on the birth of his son Graham Joseph Bauer on April 28, weighing 8 lbs. 15 oz.

Congratulations to Research Scientist Amy Cizik and her husband Alan on the birth of their second child. Luke Alan Cizik (shown above with big sister Nora) was born on July 18th @ 10:43pm, at 7lbs. 7.6oz and 18 inches long.

RII is a safer place with Asst. Director of Finance Karl Engdahl on the job during an emergency drill.

Dr. Peter Cavanagh presented this summer in Brazil and the UK. The first was a lecture at the Footwear Biomechanics Group of the International Society of Biomechanics titled Tibial Acceleration: What does it tell us about running on Earth and in Space?

The second was the keynote address of the British Association for Sport and Exercise Science titled Remote Monitoring in Biomechanics Research: Space, Sport, and Rehabilitation.
Dr. Leopold Speaks at SLU

Dr. Seth Leopold was the Visiting Professor and Distinguished Lecturer in Orthopaedic Research for Resident Research Day, at St. Louis University (St. Louis, MO) on September 7, 2013. His talk, “Writing for Peer Review”, examined the qualities that journals look for when considering an article for publication. SLU has a six-year program with one full year devoted to research; 27 SLU residents currently work at 3 hospitals in the St. Louis area. Their research day celebrates the work of their research residents and Dr. Leopold was the keynote speaker for this year’s event.

Distinguished Staff Award

Dr. Rick Matsen and wife Anne celebrate Sarah Jackins’ receipt of the University of Washington Distinguished Staff Award along with Paige Harryman, daughter of our late faculty member Doug Harryman.

Dr. Jerry Huang celebrated his 5 year anniversary with the UWMC Hand Team on September 6th. Effective August 1st, Dr. Huang is the new Program Director for the Hand & Microvascular Surgery Fellowship Program at the University of Washington.

Congratulations to Britney Hull, PCC on the birth of her daughter Jadyn Olivia Hull on 9/21/13 at 7:23 am, weighing 8lbs. 1 oz and measuring 19.5 in.

Ronald Kwon spoke at the 2013 European Meeting of Zebrafish as well as the 2013 Sun Valley Workshop, where he accepted the Young Investigator Award from the ASBMR.
Faculty & Staff News

Harborview traumatologist Dr. Douglas Smith was recently credited in Bloomberg for his success in outfitting a patient with a bionic leg after a partial amputation. An article originally published in The New England Journal of Medicine, titled Robotic Leg Control with EMG Decoding in an Amputee with Nerve Transfers, elaborates on the science behind this life-changing procedure. Please join the department in congratulating Dr. Smith on this achievement and for representing the department in such a great way!

Tech Talk

Let CSG take you to the next level!

Don’t ask yourself “What can I do for the Computer Services Group?”, ask yourself “What can the Computer Services Group do for me?” We offer many services! We provide iPad / iPhone support services. We can help set up your email and/or connect you to resident / faculty resources, give us a call. We provide video services, including streaming from one location to another with realtime audio and visual. We are here to help you accomplish your job what ever it may be. So if you have a technological issue do not hesitate to email Arien at acherone@uw.edu or call (206) 685-4350.

Publications

Allan CH. Reflections 1 year into the 21-Center National Institutes of Health–funded WRIST study: a primer on conducting a multicenter clinical trial. Wrist and Radius Injury Surgical Trial (WRIST) Study Group.


