



Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery  
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

# Newsletter

Spring/Summer 2017

## Chair's Message...



I hope everyone is having a great start to their summer and have time to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> year of the birth of our nation!

Our department has had another stellar six months of educational and research excellence which will be highlighted in the 2016-17 annual report coming to you soon. We have had a large number of visiting professors and courses which significantly enhance learning and education in the department.

I want to thank everyone who helped with the recent external review of our department which went very well and I have been reappointed for a second five-year term.

Dr. Joe Chen will be completing his 10-year term as Otolaryngologist-in-Chief at Sunnybrook and a search is currently underway for his successor. We hope to have a celebration for Joe later in the year as he has had a remarkable term as chief including the growth of an already world class clinical and research powerhouse in otology/neurotology and head and neck oncology. A fond farewell to Dr. K.Y. Chow who will be retiring from clinical practice in Canada and returning to his native Hong Kong in September 2017 to be closer to family. K.Y. has been an amazing educator and supporter of our department for more than 40 years.

## *Chair's Message continued...*

Following international searches, we have three new full-time faculty starting their practices over the summer. Please join me in welcoming Dr. Nik Wolter at SickKids, Dr. Tony Eskander at Sunnybrook and Dr. Jun Lin at St. Michael's Hospital. We still have an active search underway for a PhD scientist to lead laryngology and voice research at St. Michael's Hospital.

I am very proud of the fact that five of our full-time faculty are currently (or soon to be) Presidents of international societies (page 3). Congratulations to all of our PGY5 residents who were successful in passing their Royal College exams this spring (page 18). My very best wishes to our departing residents and fellows who have done so much to help make our department a success - a graduation ceremony was held on June 15, 2017 for the graduates and their families; we welcome them as new alumni.

Congratulations to the three faculty who were successful with senior promotions this year - Drs. Sharon Cushing and Evan Propst were promoted to Associate Professor and Dr. Adrian James was promoted to Full Professor.

I am looking forward to the next five years. Thank you to all faculty who have supported our department in making it one of the top programs in the world as articulated in the recent external review report.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable and refreshing summer!

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# Newsletter

Spring/Summer 2017

Our newsletter is published biannually in June and December.

Please send us any items you would like included in subsequent issues to [sonia.valente@utoronto.ca](mailto:sonia.valente@utoronto.ca)

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*The University office will be on summer hours for July & August 2017  
Hours: 8.30am - 4.00pm*

*Regular hours (8.30-4.30pm) will resume after Labour Day*

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**Faculty holding President status**  
with prestigious, international societies:



**Ralph Gilbert**  
**International Academy of  
Oral Oncology**  
*May 2017- June 2019*



**David Pothier**  
**International Working Group on  
Endoscopic Ear Surgery**  
*April 2017- April 2019*



**Jonathan Irish**  
**American Head and Neck Society**  
*April 2017-April 2018*



**Ian Witterick**  
**North American  
Skull Base Society**  
*April 2017-Feb 2018*



**Blake Papsin**  
**American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology**  
*April 2018-May 2019*

**Academic reputation places  
U of T among best universities  
in the world and  
#1 in Canada**

Read the article at <http://bit.ly/2rTKCZO>

A tribute symposium in honour of the career  
and legacy of

**Brian O'Sullivan**

“a leader in Oncology”

was held on April 7, 2017 at the University Club.



**K.Y.  
Chow**

On June 20,  
2017 a  
retirement  
celebration  
was held for Dr. KY Chow,  
hosted by the UHN Department of  
Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery.



**Faculty...  
Alumnus...  
Friend**



# Annual Percy Ireland Academic Day

Our department held another very successful **Academic Day** on **Friday April 28, 2017** at the University of Toronto's Hart House.

Visiting Professor Dr. Dan M. Fliss, Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology Head and Neck and Maxillofacial Surgery and the Interdisciplinary Center for Head and Neck Surgical Oncology at Tel-Aviv Sourasky Medical Center, affiliated to the Sackler Faculty of Medicine (Tel-Aviv University) delivered the Percy Ireland Oration and Grimm Lecture titled "Skull Base Surgery, Lessons Learned". Our Guest of Honour was Dr. Vito Forte.

In addition, 22 papers were presented by the postgraduate/graduate trainees. Congratulations to all residents, graduate students, fellows and faculty mentors who participated.

A special {**Congratulations**} to our award winners:

## Category 1 - Work undertaken by Post-Residency Research Fellows/Graduate Degree

**Students:** Awarded to **Xiao Zhao** for his project: "Targeting Metabolic Dysregulation for the Treatment of Radiation Fibrosis". *Mentor: Fei-Fei Liu*

Category 2 - Work undertaken by PGY2 residents during clinical rotation: Awarded to **Frédéric Laliberté** for his project: "Post-operative Narcotic Use in Otolaryngology". *Mentor: Eric Monteiro*

## Category 3 - Work undertaken by PGY3 residents during clinical rotation:

Awarded to **Yael Bensoussan** for her project: "Optimizing Patient Surgical Experience: A web-based tool to improve recall of information and patient satisfaction for thyroid surgery".

*Mentors: Jennifer Anderson, Jeremy Freeman, Eric Monteiro, Allan Vescan and Ian Witterick*

## Category 4 - Work undertaken by PGY4 residents during clinical rotation:

Awarded to **Jonathan Yip** for his project: "Quality Indicators in Acute and Chronic Rhinosinusitis". *Mentor: Eric Monteiro*

## Category 5 - Work undertaken by Post-Residency Clinical Fellows:

Awarded to **Meirav Sokolov** for her project: "The Influence of Ototoxic Treatment in Oncologic Pediatric Patients on Vestibular Function". *Mentors: Sharon Cushing, Karen Gordon, Paul Nathan, Blake Papsin, John Rutka, Vicky Papaioannou*

**Best Overall Paper Presented:** Awarded to **Peter Dixon** for his project: "The Utility of the Word 'Cancer' in Patient Preferences for Low Risk Differentiated Thyroid Cancer". *Mentors: David Goldstein & David Urbach*

## **Acknowledging our Sponsors**

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# Departmental Awards Program

Recipients of departmental awards are presented annually at the Percy Ireland Dinner and Academic Day. The following are the recipients for the 2016-17 academic year:

**Alma Smitheringale Undergraduate Teaching Award....***Allan Vescan*

**Chapnik, Freeman & Friedberg Clinician Scientist Program Award....***Peter Dixon*

**Distinguished Alumnus Award....***Ralph Gilbert*

**Faculty Teacher of the Year Award....***Eric Monteiro*

**Fellow Teacher of the Year Award....***Han Zhang*

**Freda Noyek Otolaryngology Merit Award....***Peter Dixon*

**Hugh Barber Scholarship in Otolaryngology....***Daniel Joonil Lee*

**Joseph K. H. Wong/Smile China Award in Global Health & Outreach....***Yvonne Chan & Vincent Lin*

**Judy Chauvin Otolaryngology Resident Award....***Chris Hong*

**Kris Conrad Merit Award in Facial Plastic Surgery....***David Sarcu*

**Resident Teacher of the Year Award....***Michael Au*

**Resident Advocacy Award....***Eric Monteiro*

**Shiley E. O. Pelausa Award....***Yelda Jozaghi*

**Wilfred Goodman Award in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery....***David Sarcu*

**Raymond H.W. Ng Graduate Awards**  
*Peter Dixon*

**Raymond H.W. Ng PhD Award**  
*Xiao Zhao*



## Harry Barberian Scholarship Recipients

The Harry Barberian Research Fund is supported by the Annual Harry Barberian Memorial Dinner, held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> to honour the memory of Mr. Harry Barberian, founder of Barberian's Steak House and iconic Toronto personage. This event is held through the generosity of the Barberian Family.

The purpose of the fund is to provide funds to support the research activities of residents, graduate students and junior faculty of the Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, University of Toronto.

### The 2017 recipients are:

<b>Andrew Dimitrijevic (Faculty)</b>	Brain Responses to Naturalistic Stimuli When Testing Adults With Cochlear Implants.
<b>Christopher Hong (PGY1) &amp; Joel Davies (PGY2)</b>	Development of Diagnostic miRNA Signatures to Improve Surgical Selection on Thyroid Nodules with Indeterminate Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology.
<b>Trung Le (Faculty)</b>	Magnetic Targeting Delivery of Stem Cell and Gene Therapies for the Treatment of Hearing Loss.
<b>John Lee (Faculty)</b>	Olfactory Outcomes following Endoscopic Sinus Surgery (ESS) for Chronic Rhinosinusitis with Nasal Polyposis (CRSwNP).
<b>Andrew Ma (PGY4)</b>	Percutaneous Tracheotomy in a Tertiary Community Hospital.
<b>Jaina Negandhi (Grad Student)</b>	The Origins of Spontaneous Otoacoustic Emissions.
<b>Arushri Swarup (Grad Student)</b>	Developing Novel Instrumentation to Facilitate Transcanal Endoscopic Ear Surgery.
<b>Jason Xu (PGY4)</b>	Use of a Thyroid Ultrasound Simulator for Teaching USGFNAB of Thyroid Nodules.
<b>Xiao Zhao (PGY4)</b>	Elucidating the Role of CD36 as a Master Regulator of Extracellular Matrix Regulation: Implications for Fibrosis Therapy.



*Absent from photo: Trung Le, John Lee, Jaina Negandhi, Arushri Swarup*





***Department of Otolaryngology - Head & Neck Surgery, Residents 2016-2017***

*[Left to Right] Front Row: Christopher Noel-PGY1, Jennifer Wang-PGY5, Sunita Rai-PGY2, Yael Bensoussan-PGY3, Visiting Professor Dr. Dan Fliss, Dr. Ian Witterick, Josie Xu-PGY2, Florence Mok-PGY1, Jennifer Siu-PGY1, Mirko Manojlovic Kolarski-PGY2*

*Middle Row: Xiao Zhao-PGY4, Frédérick Laliberté -PGY2, Neil Arnstead-PGY1, Gordon Tsang-PGY5, Michael Au-PGY5, Christopher Yao-PGY4, Andrew Ma-PGY4, Patrick Scheffler-PGY3, Christopher Hong-PGY1, Stephen Chen-PGY4, Weibo Hao-PGY3*

*Back Row: Jason Xu-PGY4, Gian-Marco Busato-PGY5, Michael Awad-PGY4, Gavin le Nobel-PGY5, Joel Davies-PGY2, Peter Dixon-PGY3*

*Missing: Yelda Jozaghi-PGY3, Jonathan Yip-PGY4, Dr. Paolo Campisi*



## Molly Zirkle

is the  
**Ontario Weightlifting  
 Master Record Holder**  
 58kg / 50-54 years



# Celebrating our Faculty

## Departmental Academic Appointments



at the rank of **Lecturer**  
Hailey Ainlay (Audiologist)  
Robert Burke  
Vinay Fernandes  
Emma LeBlanc (Audiologist)



at the rank of **Assistant Professor**  
Andrew Dimitrijevic  
Praby Singh



*Welcome* to the department!



**Nikolaus (Nik) Wolter** (2016 graduate)  
is the newest faculty to join the SickKids team July 2017

Congratulations and Welcome back Nik!!

**Doug Chepeha** Was successful in his 3-year review and was approved for a continued faculty appointment as a full-time faculty member  
Congratulations !!



Promoted to **Full Professor**

**Adrian James**

Promoted to **Associate Professor**

**Sharon Cushing**

**&**

**Evan Propst**

**Promotions**





## Jamil Asaria.....in the NEWS

In early January 2017, Dr. Asaria did a segment on etalk on the “six lift” using Kybella.

It can be viewed here: [https://youtu.be/T9Wt43Y\\_bGA](https://youtu.be/T9Wt43Y_bGA)



## Michael Brandt

Has been elected to be the Ontario Medical Association Section on Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery delegate.



## Paolo Campisi received

**2017 Canadian Association of Medical Education (CAME/ACÉM) Certificate of Merit Award, Gabriel F. Tucker Award for 2017**

and the

**2017 Award for Excellence in Postgraduate Medical Education**  
in the category of **Development and Innovation**

## Yvonne Chan received

**Sustained Excellence in Community-based Clinical Teaching (Community Hospital) Award**

and is the otolaryngology representative on the **Royal College Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) 3**, from February 24, 2017 for 2 years



## Douglas Chepeha

Has been appointed to the **Institute of Medical Science** as an Associate Member.



## John de Almeida



Was a recipient of the first **Innovation Funds in Surgical Oncology (IF-SO)** for his research proposal titled:

“Finding/Identifying Primaries with Neck Dissection (FIND Trial): A pilot study integrating transoral robotic surgery and tailored radiotherapy for occult oropharyngeal squamous cell carcinoma.



## Jeremy Freeman

with former Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Ms. Linda Waks at an event of the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies.

Dr. Freeman is one of a number of faculty members who are members of Doctors4Wiesenthal, Co-chaired by Drs. Mark Korman and Philip Solomon.

For more information, visit the website at <http://bit.ly/2qYMFcP>

**Everton Gooden** with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Sophia Trudeau.



Everton was the recipient of the **2017 Harry Jerome Trailblazer Award** recognizing and honouring excellence in African Canadian achievement.

View the video here: <https://youtu.be/a9uKCxj8NyI>

The next chapter  
of Robert Harrison's

Garden Railway:

<https://youtu.be/X0QQ2U1f4G0>



This year the **International Federation of Oto-Rhino-Laryngological Societies (IFOS)** holds its meeting June 24-28, 2017 in Paris. Otherwise known as the ENT World Congress, this event is held every four years and is the largest scientific/clinical meeting in our specialty. The organization, IFOS, represents over 50,000 otolaryngologists and related specialists belonging to 120 member nations. More information available at: <https://www.ifosworld.org/>

We are pleased to have good representation at this event, with two special invited keynote speakers from our faculty:



**Blake Papsin** gave a keynote lecture on The Development of the Human Auditory System: What we have learned from cochlear implantation in children.



**Bob Harrison**

presented a keynote lecture on central auditory changes in sensorineural hearing loss.



## Vincent Lin

Had his **thesis accepted** by the **Triological Society Council** and was inducted into the Triological Society at their annual ceremony held on April 28, 2017 in San Diego.



## Eric Monteiro

Eric travelled to Dammam, Saudi Arabia to lead the inaugural ASPIRE2 (Advancing Safety for Patients in Residency Education) course, which is a course designed to build capacity in a department for teaching patient safety to residents. While there he delivered the course over 2 days with Dr. Ed Kwok (Ottawa) and Dr. Chris Hillis (McMaster).



## Eric Monteiro



and

## Eugene Yu



are recipients of a Wightman-Berris Academy **Postgraduate Individual Teaching Award** for 2016-17.



## David Pothier

has been appointed onto the AAO-HNS Equilibrium Committee (October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018)



## Otoscopic Exam Session for Medical Students

March 27 and 29, 2017

Two sessions were held to accommodate the 200 students that registered.

There were 62 units set up in 7 rows.

24 students each had an OtoSim unit to themselves, the balance of the students paired up and shared a unit.



*Fantastic*

## Convocation - June 6, 2017

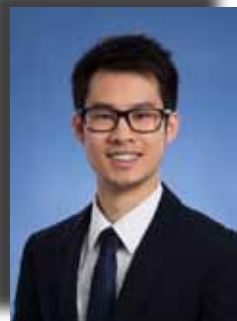
I had the pleasure of attending convocation again this year and see two of our incoming PGY1s receive their undergraduate degree: **Terence Fu and Daniel Joonil Lee**. Daniel was this year's recipient of the Hugh Barber award. **Congratulations to you both!**



We had very successful CaRMS interviews on January 27, 2017. We would like to welcome the following medical students into our program as PGY1 residents on July 1, 2017:



Justin Cottrell  
Western  
University



Terence Fu  
University of  
Toronto



Daniel Joonil Lee  
University of  
Toronto



Shireen Samargandy  
King Abdulaziz  
University



Neil Verma  
McGill  
University

*Welcome* to the department!

Thank you so much to all of our faculty, residents, and fellows who generously gave their time to mentor medical students throughout the year. A special thank you to all of the individuals who helped on the CaRMS Selection Committee (Drs. Ian Witterick, Al Chiodo, David Goldstein, Eric Monteiro, Yvonne Chan, Michael Au, Andrew Ma, Jennifer Wang, Jonathan Yip, Peter Dixon, Joel Davies, Yelda Jozaghi, Jennifer Siu), and to the residents that helped with organizing the social event.





## Passing the torch...

As nominated by their peers, Michael Au passes on the title of Chief Resident to Jonathan Yip.

Thank you Michael...

Congratulations Jonathan !



## Christopher Hong (PGY1)

Abstract titled: "Clinical Applications of 3D Printing in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery: A Systematic Review" **was accepted for a podium presentation** at the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-HNS in Saskatoon.

## Christopher Yao (PGY4)

**Won 2nd Place in the 2017 Poliquin Resident Competition** for his research titled **Toronto Transit System Users may be at Risk for Early Onset Noise Induced Hearing Loss** at the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-HNS in Saskatoon.

Congratulations!!

## Resident Endoscopic Sinus Surgery Course

held on April 29, 2017 @ U of T Surgical Skills Lab



thank{you}

Drs. John Lee & Allan Vescan  
for coordinating



# Resident Rhinoplasty Dissection Course

held on May 1, 2017  
U of T Surgical Skills Lab



thank{you}

**Drs. Peter Adamson, Michael Brandt, Kris Conrad,  
Andres Gantous, Richard Rival, Oakley Smith,  
& Phil Solomon for coordinating**

## Resident Retreat 2017

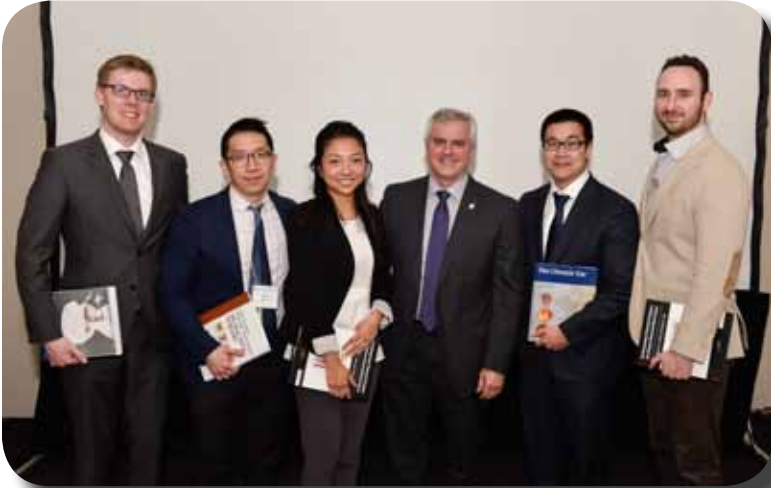
The Annual Resident Retreat took place on June 23, 2017. This retreat is an opportunity for the residents to discuss an important topic and participate in a team building activity. In previous years, topics have included “Resident as Teacher” and “Setting up a Practice”.

This year, the residents chose Dr. Shelly Dev (seen below) to give a talk on resident wellness and balance.



*Congratulations* to our PGY5s

on passing their Royal College Exams !



L to R:  
Gavin le Nobel  
Michael Au  
Jenny Wang  
Ian Witterick  
Gordon Tsang  
Gian-Marco Busato

**We wish you all the best!**

## Resident Graduation Dinner

was held on June 8, 2017 @ Canoe Restaurant



L to R: Jenny Wang, Michael Au,  
Gian-Marco Busato, Gordon Tsang,  
Paolo Campisi  
absent: Gavin le Nobel



# Graduation Ceremony 2017

held on June 15, 2017 @ Gallery Grill (Hart House)



We had a great turn out of faculty and family to the event  
*(that's a big Pike, Ralph...well done!)*

## Honouring the graduating residents...

**Gavin le Nobel**



**Jenny Wang**



**Gordon Tsang**



**Gian-Marco Busato**



**Michael Au**  
..where are you??

## ...and honouring the graduating fellows

**Jeffrey Blumberg**



**Monica Kieu**



**George Kurien**



**Ben McArdle**



**Caitlin McMullen**



**Matthew Mifsud**

**David Sarcu**



**Meirav Sokolov**



**Lenka Stankova**



**Thomas Mawby**



**Richard Townsley**



**Han Zhang**

The PGY4s roasted the graduating residents....



...and Dr. Anderson

provided the graduating residents with Canadian swag to remind them of their training



**Click Here  
to check out the  
Yearbook**

We held a number of successful events including:

**January 14, 2017**

Symposium on Management of Low Risk Differentiated Thyroid Cancer and Noninvasive Follicular Thyroid Neoplasia with Papillary-like Nuclear Features

**February 3, 2017**

Sleep Symposium 2017

**February 4, 2017**

15th Annual Otolaryngology Update

**April 1, 2017**

Lumps, Bumps and Looks in the Head and Neck

**April 28, 2017**

26th Annual Percy Ireland Academic Day with the Grimm Lecture

**June 9, 2017**

19th Annual Wharton/Elia Day

Enhance the therapeutic Ration with 3 R's: Reduce, Restore, and Revive

*Dr. Piero Nicolai - Wharton Lecturer*

*Dr. Greg Farwell - Sullivan Lecturer*

*Dr. Matthew Hoffman - Elia Lecturer*

*Save the date...*

**September 23, 2017**

What's New in Office-Based Procedures in Otolaryngology

Princess Margaret Hospital Auditorium

**October 20-21, 2017**

6th Toronto Voice Conference

MSH Surgical Skills Lab  
& Li Ka Shing Auditorium

**October 28-29, 2017**

Current Concepts in Head & Neck Oncology

Zuckerman Research Center, New York City

**November 10-11, 2017**

Otology Update

Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre

**November 29-30, 2017**

Endoscopic Ear Surgery Workshop

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**November 29-30, 2017**

Vestibular and Balance Disorders Workshop

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**November 29, 2017**

Pediatric Endoscopic Airway & Esophageal Surgery Workshop

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**November 30, 2017**

Cochlear Implant Workshop

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**November 30, 2017**

Pediatric Open Airway Surgery Workshop

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**November 30-December 3, 2017**

Society for Ear Nose and Throat Advances in Children (SENTAC)

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**February 2, 2018**

Annual Alumni & Friends Dinner

Venue tbd

**February 3, 2018**

Annual Otolaryngology Update

Peter Gilgan Research Tower, SickKids

**April 6-7, 2018**

Rhinology Update

Venue tbd



**April 1, 2017**  
**Lumps, Bumps and Looks in the Head and Neck**



**April 28, 2017**

**26th Annual Percy Ireland Academic Day**  
**with the Grimm Lecture**



Visiting Professor Dan Fliss with Ralph Gilbert (above) and with Ian Witterick (top)

We had a special guest join us.... Carl Chauvin, Judy Chauvin's son (above, with Vito)

## Visiting Professors:

- Jan 20, 2017**      **Dr. Allan Kaplan**  
Research Integrity
- Feb 3, 2017**      **Dr. Brian Rotenberg**  
Sleep Apnea
- Feb 10, 2017**    **Ms. Jeanette Goguen**  
Conflict of Interest
- Feb 14, 2017**    **Ms. Marlene Bagatto**  
Krista Riko Lecture
- Mar 3, 2017**      **Dr. Brett Miles**  
Head & Neck Surgery
- Mar 10, 2017**    **Ms. Lisa Robinson**  
Diversity & Inclusion
- Mar 17, 2017**    **Dr. Joseph Dort**  
Head & Neck Cancer  
Foundation Lecture
- Mar 24, 2017**    **Dr. Christopher Hartnick**  
Pediatric Hypoglossal Nerve Surgery
- Apr 21, 2017**    **Dr. Gauthier Desuter**  
Laryngology
- Apr 28, 2017**    **Dr. Dan M. Fliss**  
Percy Ireland Oration  
and Grimm Lecture
- May 5, 2017**      **Dr. Brian Wong**  
Quality & Safety
- May 12, 2017**    **Dr. Richard Wong**  
Binstock Lecture
- May 19, 2017**    **Dr. Eric Genden**  
Head & Neck Surgery
- June 9, 2017**     **Dr. Piero Nicolai** - Wharton Lecturer  
**Dr. Greg Farwell** - Sullivan Lecturer  
**Dr. Matthew Hoffman** - Elia Lecturer
- June 23, 2017**    **Dr. Yuri Nikiforov**  
Thyroid Surgery



Drs. Brian Rotenberg (left)  
& Yvonne Chan



L to R: Vicky Papaioannou, Marlene Bagatto,  
Krista Riko & Dr. Ian Witterick



L to R: Drs. Evan Propst,  
Christopher Hartnick & Blake Papsin



Drs. Jennifer Anderson (left)  
& Gauthier Desuter





L to R: Drs. Doug Chepeha, Patrick Gullane, Richard Wong, Ian Witterick, Jeremy Freeman & Jon Irish



L to R:  
Drs. John de Almeida,  
Eric Genden  
& Kevin Higgins



Drs. Brian Wong (left)  
Eric Monteiro



Drs. Jeremy Freeman (left)  
& Yuri Nikiforov

## U of T's 190th Birthday Quiz

Test your knowledge of all things U of T in honour of the university's 190th anniversary on March 15, 2017!



**Question 1: How many U of T alumni have won the Nobel Prize?**

None  
Six

Three  
15



**Question 2: U of T graduate Sir Charles Seymour Wright became famous for his role in the infamous Scott Expedition to where?**

The South Pole  
Mount Everest

The Arctic  
The Northwest Passage

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Source: Quiz developed by U of T Magazine. Published March 16, 2017.  
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## January 12, 2017 - Joseph K. H. Wong/Smile China Lecture at Hart House

This 2 hour event highlighted the great humanitarian work which members of our department are doing around the world.

### Presentations

**Dr. Peter Adamson - Face the Future™ Missions**

**Dr. Yvonne Chan - Resource Exchange International, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam**

**Dr. George Kurien (Fellow in Otology and Skull Base Surgery) - AIC Kijabe, Kenya**

**Dr. Ambrose Lee - Zanzibar, Tanzania**

**Dr. Vincent Lin - Kijabe, Kenya**

**Dr. John Rutka - Underserviced Areas Program, Sioux Lookout, Ontario**

**Dr. Arnold Noyek - Canadian International Scientific Exchange Program**



L to R: Kelly Reimer, Sydney Reimer  
with Gaye Quan





June 20, 2017 Journal Club @ Asian Legend.  
Dr. Jonathan Yip presenting Rhinology & Otology.



March 22, 2017 Journal Club @ Spoke Club.  
Dr. David Sarcu presenting  
(Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery)

thank{you} for coordinating  
**Journal Club!**

**Drs. Adrian James, Paolo Campisi  
& Yvonne Chan**



L to R: Drs. Adrian James, Danny Enepekides,  
Praby Singh & Eric Monteiro

**June 2, 2017 Grand Rounds**

“Departmental Guidelines on Antibiotic  
and Venothromboembolic (VTE)  
Prophylaxis: An Update from the  
Quality & Safety  
Committee”

**Note: Grand Rounds  
will resume in September**

**June 16, 2017  
Grand Rounds**  
“The 3 Minute Thesis”  
presented by the  
PGY2s, PGY3s,  
& PGY4s



L to R: Drs. Doug Chepeha,  
Bob Harrison, Andrew Ma  
(3rd place), Xiao Zhao (1st  
place), Yelda Jozaghi (2nd place),  
David Pothier & Evan Propst



**Chief's Cup  
Competition 2017**  
February 15, 2017  
Foggy Dew Pub, Toronto

**Congratulations  
to  
Team Fox !!**

**Drs. Rick Fox, Michael Au,  
Peter Dixon, Fred Laliberté  
& Jonathan Yip**



L to R: Drs. Peter Dixon,  
Fred Laliberté, Michael Au &  
Jonathan Yip with Dr. Rick Fox  
(seated in front)

**June 9, 2017  
Annual Wharton/Elia Day**

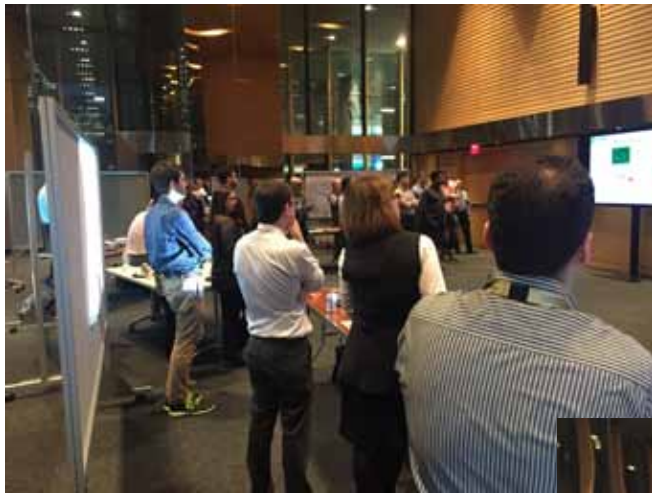


**Save the Date:**

**November 13, 2017 - Faculty Development Day  
Chestnut Residence & Conference Centre**

**See our website for more info**

**The Annual Research Evening was held Wednesday February 22, 2017  
@ The Gallery, 2nd floor, SickKids Research and Learning Tower**



Research at all our affiliated  
teaching hospitals  
were reviewed:  
Sunnybrook  
UHN  
St. Mike's  
SickKids  
Sinai Health and more

The focus of the evening was:

- all the cutting-edge basic and clinical research within the department
- how clinical and research colleagues are expanding knowledge in our specialty





# Announcements

## Bundles of Joy !!



**Helena Krystyna Kus**  
Proud parents **Lukas Kus** & Joanna Kurawska  
Born on August 11, 2016



**Anna Mifsud**  
Proud parents **Matthew Mifsud** & Mai Nguyen  
Born on May 10, 2017



**Gabrielle Lin**  
Proud parents **Sharon Morong** & Steve Lin  
Born on May 11, 2017



## Congratulations !!



**Florence Mok** and Kai-Ho Fok  
wed on February 18, 2017

## Newest Alumni of the Department

### Fellows

Jeffrey Blumberg	David Sarcu
Monica Kieu	Meirav Sokolov
George Kurien	Lenka Stankova
Ben McArdle	Thomas Mawby
Caitlin McMullen	Richard Townsley
Matthew Mifsud	Han Zhang

### Residents

Michael Au  
Gian-Marco Busato  
Gavin le Nobel  
Gordon Tsang  
Jenny Wang

## Updates from alumni abroad...



**Brian Bingham**  
graduating class of 1990



My career has travelled a bit since my wonderful Toronto fellowship in 1989:

- I was Chairman Intercollegiate Fellowship examination in Otolaryngology UK (2012-2014).
- Currently the President ENT UK (British Association of Otolaryngology) until 2019.

**Dominique Dorion**  
graduating class of 1992 (residency)  
Fellowship 1993

Will take office as Dean at Sherbrooke University  
as of July 11, 2017!



**Jean-Pierre Jeannon**  
graduating class of 2001

Has been promoted to the position of Reader  
(or Associate Professor) at Kings College London!

# Alumni Events

## Annual Alumni Dinner - Friday February 3, 2017 at Hart House

We honoured those who graduated from our residency program in 1991:



L to R next to Dr. Ian Witterick:  
Drs. David Tee, David Goldfarb,  
Jonathan Irish, Peter White,  
Warren Giberson

## Alumni & Friends Reception - June 12, 2017 at 6Twelve Lounge (Saskatoon) in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society of Otolaryngology-HNS





## U of T's 190th Birthday Quiz continued.....



**Question 3: U of T alumna and actor Sarah Gadon has a leading role in the film version (coming this fall) of which novel by fellow alumna Margaret Atwood?**

The Handmaid's Tale  
The Blind Assassin

Oryx and Crake  
Alias Grace



**Question 4: Which acclaimed writer attended the School of Aeronautics at U of T in 1918?**

Dr. Seuss  
Ernest Hemingway

William Faulkner  
Vladimir Nabokov

Answers to these questions on Page 37 - - entire quiz here: <http://bit.ly/2ndSyVu>

### Golf Anyone ??

**Wednesday September 27, 2017**

**Mad River Golf Club**

A charitable golf tournament dedicated to raising funds to support research to find a cure or better management options for individuals with Parkinson's Disease

This charitable golf tournament, open to all who wish to participate, is dedicated to raising funds to support research to find a cure or better management options for individuals with Parkinson's disease

**11 am Check In, Lunch, Warm Up**

**12 am Shotgun Start**

**4:30 pm Apps & Prizes**

**Registration Fee \$175 plus\***

(lunch, practice range, 18 holes of golf & cart, prizes & apps following golf).

\*Not included is donation determined by each individual at time of registration.

**Note: participants will receive a tax receipt for the donation portion of their total registration fee.** All donated funds will benefit Parkinson Canada.

Charitable Registration Number: 10809 1786 RR0001

Registration forms may be picked up at the Mad River pro shop or obtained online at [donate.parkinson.ca/madriver](http://donate.parkinson.ca/madriver)

# Departmental Advancement Campaign

## 5th Annual Harry Barberian Memorial Dinner

The 5th Annual Harry Barberian Memorial Dinner was held on May 2, 2017 at the Barberian Steakhouse. The Guest of Honor was Ben Mulroney. Other well know individuals were also in attendance such as Peter MacKay. Thank you to all the faculty for supporting this event.



Ben Mulroney (left) with Peter MacKay



Dr. Jeremy Freeman (left) with Arron Barberian



## In Memorium

### John Murray Frederickson

Passed away on April 5, 2017.

He pursued a long and distinguished career in academic otolaryngology and head and neck surgery, beginning at the University of Chicago, where he interned, the University of Freiburg, Germany, where he was a research fellow, and then on to Stanford University and his first teaching position. Returning to Canada, John was Head of Clinical Sciences at the University of Toronto for 15 years. Capping his career, he served from 1982 to 2002 as Lindburgh Professor and Head of the Department of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery at Washington University, St. Louis. Full obituary can be found here: <http://bit.ly/2t2ZeFn>



**The Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation** is thrilled to announce the successful achievement of their Billion Dollar Challenge, in partnership with the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre at University Health Network.

In April 2012, they [Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation] launched the largest single fundraising campaign in the history of Canadian healthcare to support the creation and delivery of Personalized Cancer Medicine. The goal of the five-year challenge was to secure \$500 million through philanthropy and another \$500 million through research grants. With the funds and the generosity of their community of supporters, they are now in the early days of delivering their promise of Personalized Cancer Medicine.

#### **The Billion Dollar Challenge**

\$532 million has been secured in philanthropic support and \$520 million has been secured in research grants by the Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, for a total of \$1,052,000,000.

For more information, visit the PMCF website at [www.thepmcf.ca/impact](http://www.thepmcf.ca/impact)



# International Outreach

## Face the Future™ Foundation

Changing the Face of the Future,

One Child at a Time...*humanitarian surgical missions to less developed countries*

Dr. Peter Adamson

More information about the Foundation can be found at: [www.facethefuturefoundation.com](http://www.facethefuturefoundation.com)



Dr. Peter Adamson was interviewed by NewsTalk 1010 AM Radio host John Moore on January 5, 2017 at the Berkeley Street Church. Over 160 people attended the annual fundraising event of the Face the Future™ Foundation of which Dr. Adamson is President and Founder.

The Foundation supports international humanitarian surgical missions which focus on the treatment of children with facial deformities and education of local surgeons and nurses.

## The Guessing Game...

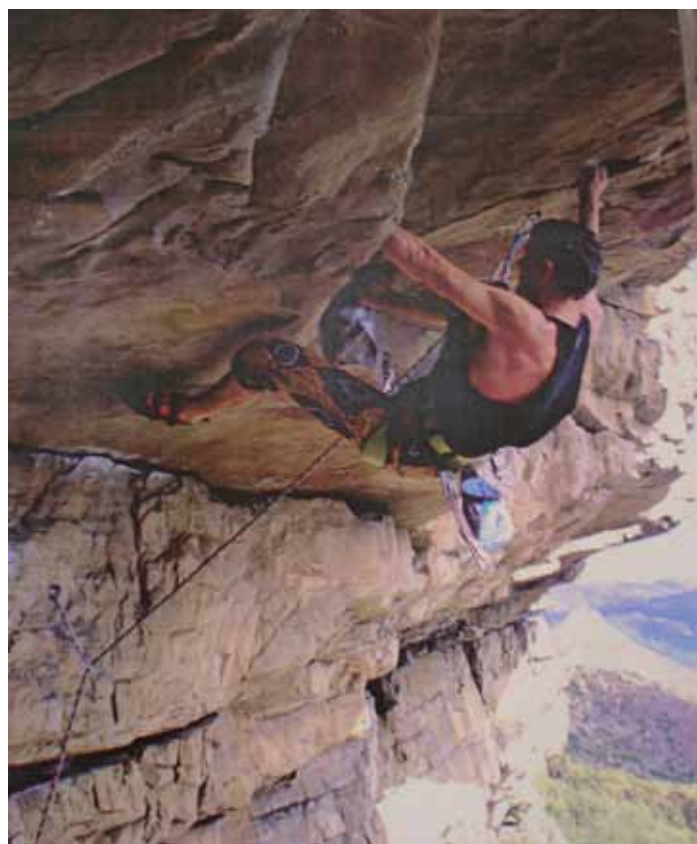


**Three surgeons affiliated with our department were recently featured in the Toronto Star - left.**

**Can you figure out who they are??**

For the answer and the article “The power of female surgeons unmasked around the world thanks to a magazine cover” click on the link below:

<http://bit.ly/2plwvhi>



Which faculty member pictured here was a national champion rock climber?

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Have A Wonderful Summer!



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Answers to quiz questions on pages 24 and 32: 1. Six, 2. The South Pole, 3. Alias Grace, 4. William Faulkner  
& Tulika Shinghal; National champion rock climber: Dr. David Pothier  
Answer to The Guessing Game: the 3 surgeons (clockwise from bottom) are Drs. Molly Zirkle, Jennifer Anderson