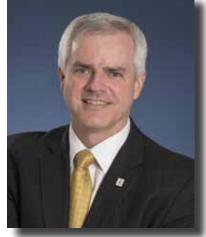
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Fall/Winter 2016

Phair's Message...



The last six months in our department have been very dynamic with many highlights on the following pages. Please join me in congratulating Dr. Peter Adamson who was recently appointed to the Order of Ontario. In September we celebrated the amazing career of Dr. Julian Nedzelski who recently retired. We welcomed two new faculty at Sunnybrook. The first is Dr. Trung Le MD, PhD, a new otologist/neurotologist with interest in basic science/translational research related to cochlear implantation. The second is Dr. Andrew Dimitrijevic PhD, a research scientist with particular expertise in electrophysiology. They join the already fantastic otology and hearing research program at Sunnybrook which is growing under the leadership of Dr. Joe Chen.

Dr. Andrew Dimitrijevic

Dr. Trung Le

Two new chairs were established in the department. The first is the endowed Jordan and Lisa Gnat Family & Bastable Potts Chair in Otolaryngology at SickKids with the first chair holder, Dr. Blake Papsin. The second term chair at St. Michael's Hospital is the Nicole Muzzo Voice Chair with the chair holder being Dr. Jennifer Anderson.

Our undergraduate medical education teaching evaluation scores continue to be excellent. Our community academic faculty have helped tremendously in teaching more than half of the third year clerks in community sites.

We welcomed five new PGY1 residents on July 1st who are integrating seamlessly into our department - Drs. Neil Arnstead, Christopher Hong, Florence Mok, Christopher Noel and Jennifer Siu. In addition we welcomed the new fellows on July 1st – Drs. Monica Kieu and David Sarcu (FPRS), Drs. Wael Hassan, Lenka Stankova, Peter Vosler and Han Zhang (H&N Oncology), Dr. Richard Townsley (Laryngology), Dr. Meirav Sokolov (Medical & Surgical Otology/Neurotology), Dr. Faisal Zawawi (Pediatrics) and Dr. Ben McArdle (Rhinology, Skull base and H&N Oncology).

Our residency and fellowship programs continue to excel and Dr. Paolo Campisi has done a phenomenal job in organizing a most successful pilot program in competency based education for

Chair's Message continued...

our PGY1s. Our specialty will be launching the Royal College's Competency by Design program across all Canadian programs on July 1, 2017 and Dr. Campisi has us well positioned to take on this exciting new challenge in residency education.

We have had many great continuing education courses led by Dr. Yvonne Chan and have many more planned in the second half of this academic year. I would like to invite everyone to our upcoming CPD events including the Annual Alumni & Friends Dinner on Friday February 3, 2017. We will be celebrating the Class of 1991 (Drs. Warren Giberson, David Goldfarb, Jonathan Irish, David Tees and Peter White). We have a Sleep Medicine Symposium during the day on February 3rd and our Annual Otolaryngology Update on Saturday February 4th. We are also holding the Second Annual Joseph K.H. Wong/Smile China Lecture on Thursday January 12th featuring members of our department who participate in humanitarian missions.

I am 4.5 years into my five-year term with the usual external review scheduled on February 27-28, 2017. Dr. Paul Kerr from Manitoba and Dr. Marion Couch from Indiana are the external reviewers. I want to thank all of the residents, fellows and faculty who are participating in this most important exercise to make our department stronger.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday and a fantastic new year!

Sincerely,

Ian

Executive
Committee
Holiday
Dinner
Dec 6, 2016
McLean House,
Estates of
Sunnybrook

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Fall/Winter 2016

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

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The university office will be closed for the holidays for the period
December 21, 2016 to
December 30, 2016

We will reopen on Monday January 2, 2017 Office hours: 8.30-4.30pm

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News Bites

"Once again, U of T's track record in research plays a major role".....

9th best public university

32nd in the **QS World University Rankings**

22nd overall on the prestigious Times Higher Education (THE) annual rankings

27th in the Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU)

To read the entire story, click here: http://bit.ly/2eUgWUQ

report by Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

In a recent article in *The Bulletin* entitled "Maclean's lauds U of T's reputation, research and innovation in annual ranking" **University of Toronto** is placed in the **number 1 spot**, also naming U of T **degrees** as the "highest quality" and its **Students** as the **number 1** "leaders of tomorrow" out of all the Canadian universities. U of T **placed 2**nd in the "most innovative university category".

To read the entire story, click here: http://bit.ly/2fB1PRY

Source: The Bulletin. November 1, 2016

Source: U of T News. October 25, 2016



Dean's Honour Role Luncheon on November 3, 2016

L to R: Dr. Ian Witterick, Riley Allison, Rose Allison, Dr. Mary L'Abbe

CaRMS Interviews January 27, 2017

Departmental **External Review** February 27-28, 2017

Celebrating our Faculty

A reception was held on October 13, 2016 in honour of our promoted faculty. This event was held at the University of Toronto's Hart House.



Karen Gordon with her parents: Dr. Phil Gordon and Tess Gordon

Karen Gordon Promoted to



L to R: Drs. Sharon Cushing, Blake Papsin,

Karen Gordon, Robert Harrison

ongratulations



David Goldstein with his family: wife Simone, and children Jack and Brooke

David Goldstein

Promoted to

Associate
Professor



Dr. Ian Witterick (left) with Dr. David Goldstein

Dr. Julian Nedzelski



Above left: Drs. Witterick and Nedzelski

Thank you for your years of fantastic service to the Department, as Chair of the Department, and to Sunnybrook.

A wonderful celebration was held for "Dr. Ned" on September 8, 2016.



Above centre: Dr. Ned
with Gavin le Novel,
Fred Laliberte, Joel
Davies. Top right: Drs.
Chris Yao, Jason Xu,
t, Andrew Ma



Drs. KY Chow (left) and Vincent Lin



L to R: Drs. Karen Gordon, Evan Propst, Adrian James.



L to R: Drs. Joseph Chen, Ian Witterick, Everton Gooden.



L to R: Audrea Martin, Zoila Huezo, Patrick Gullane.



Faculty News, Honours and Awards

Please join me in congratulating Peter who was recently named as a 2016 Appointee to the Order of Ontario.

The award recognizes Dr. Adamson for being "an internationally recognized facial plastic and reconstructive surgeon whose techniques are taught worldwide and who regularly leads teams of plastic surgeons on medical missions through his Face the Future Foundation."

The announcement is available at the following link: http://bit.ly/2hNIIna

Dr. Peter Adamson





Jamil Asaria

Was recently elected as the Canadian Director for the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Board of Directors



Yvonne Chan and the Rhinology & Allergy Education Committee were selected as a recipient of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery's 2016 Committee of Excellence Award





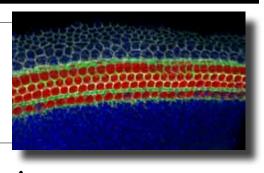
Sharon Cushing is the recipient of the 2016 Dean's Rising Star Award from the Faculty of Medicine, U of T View a video about her accomplishments here:

https://youtu.be/BDZmuM-iudc

Alain Dabdoub's

research on **hair cell development** was highlighted by Sunnybrook.

Read the entire article here: http://bit.ly/2eUpICb



Congratulations!!



After a successful review by the DAC on Sept 22, 2016, John has been recommended for a full-time continuing appointment.

Danny Enepekides

Is the recipient of the 9th Annual Leo N. Steven Excellence in Leadership Award at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre





Patrick Gullane

Was the Conference Chair Guest of Honour

at the

9th International Conference on Head and Neck Cancer of the American Head and Neck Academy held this past July 16-20 in Seattle, Washington.

Jonathan Irish was the Conference Chair.



L to R: Drs. Ian Witterick, Pat Gullane, Mark Shrime, Ralph Gilbert

Congratulations!!

To all who have taken an interest in his (vanishing) hobby (not so obscure for Arnie Noyek)...

Here is the newly rebuilt indoor garden railway for 2016! ENJOY - - https://youtu.be/t3JxS6B8j0E

Robert Harrison



Jonathan Irish

Gave the **Eugene N. Myers International Lecture on Head and Neck Cancer** at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery held September 18-21 in San Diego, California.

and

Jon was honoured for his **15+ years of leadership as Chief of Surgical Oncology for UHN/SHS.** An event was held on October 3, 2016 at the PMCC.

Many family, friends and colleagues were in attendance and gave Jon glowing accolades for his amazing accomplishments including the creation of surgical oncology wait time metrics, improving access to surgical care and numerous quality initiatives.

"He has been an incredible champion for surgical oncology at UHN/SHS and will continue in his role as Provincial Head of the Surgical Oncology Program for Cancer Care Ontario". ~Ian Witterick





Faculty highlighted in this issue

Karen Gordon - pages 12-13 **Vincent Lin** - pages 16-17

Jonathan Irish - pages 30-31 **Agnes Wong** - page 20-21

Click on the link to view the flipbook:

https://issuu.com/imsmagazine/docs/spring2016

Arnold Noyek



in the engineer seat!

...on route to Sudbury one fantastic day in June 2007, the engineer of CP locomotive 8792 turned over his seat to Arnie in Mactier, Ontario.

David Pothier

After a successful review by the DAC on Sept 22, 2016, David has been recommended for a full-time continuing appointment.



Congratulations!!

Gelareh Zadeh



was appointed in July 2016 as the

Head of the Division of Surgical Oncology at UHN

Dr. Gelareh Zadeh is a coss appointed Associate Professor in the Department of Surgery, University of Toronto.

She is a Neurosurgeon-Scientist at Toronto Western Hospital, University Health Network. She was most recently appointed as the Wilkins Family Chair in Brain Tumor Research.

Faculty Development

Retirement Planning - Your Encore Career

November 21, 2016 - University of Toronto's Faculty Club

The department, in collaboration with the Department of Ophthalmology & Vision Sciences held a seminar to help physicians identify important professional and personal considerations in planning the transition to life after medicine.

Guest Speakers included:

Chris Carruthers, founder and the first president of The Canadian Society of Physician Executives **Mamta Gautam**, Department of Psychiatry, University of Ottawa

Michael Szul, Associate Registrar & Medical Advisor at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario **Ian Reay**, Associate Vice President of Wealth Services, MD Management Limited



Welcome BBQ for the 2016-17 Academic Year

Thank you to Dr. Paolo and Susan Campisi for hosted the annual Welcome BBQ for the incoming PGY1s. It was a beautiful and hot day with live steel drum entertainment, flavourful food and a

caribbean theme!



Peter Dixon

Has been accepted into the **Surgeon Scientist Training Program** commencing July 2017.

Congratulations Peter!





Royal College Exams

(for PGY5s)

Written: March 21-22, 2017

Oral: April 7, 2017





Joel Davies (PGY2) & Erin Macdonald

Married on August 6, 2016

Jason XU (PGY4) & Carrol Zhou

Married on August 5, 2016





Residents & Fellows Annual Holiday Party! December 9th, 2016 @ The Addisons Residence





American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Meeting in San Diego California September 18-21, 2016



The PGY4s went out for dinner and ice cream with Drs. Campisi,
Chan and Witterick.



L to R: Drs. Paolo Campisi, Ian Witterick, Andrew Ma, Stephen Chen, Jason Xu, Christopher Yao, Michael Awad. Front: Drs. Yvonne Chan (left) and Jonathan Yip.

Injectables Course Surgical Skills Lab, SHS November 7, 2016



L to R: Drs. Jamil Asaria, Yvonne Chan & Ashlin Alexander



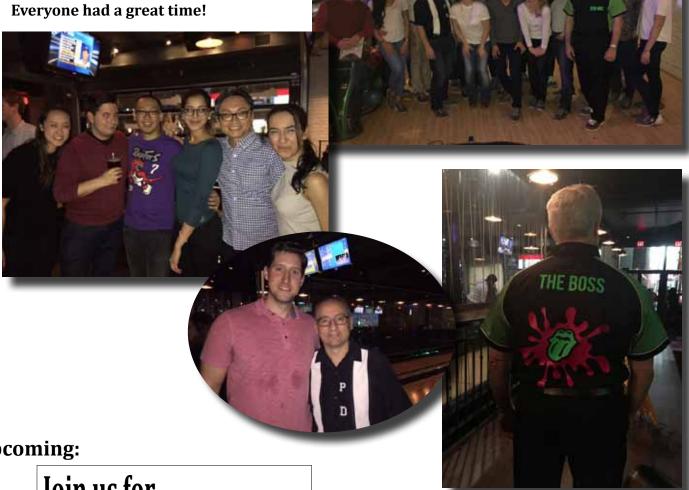
Yael learning about marking



Dr. Ashlin Alexander (far right) instructing Drs. Joel Davies, Michael Au, Jenny Wang and Saf Banglawala

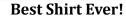
2016 Bowling Night

Held on November 2, 2016 at the Ballroom in Toronto.



Upcoming:

Join us for trivia, food and fun





The Chiefs Cup

Stay tuned for date and location!

2016 Basketball Night



Held on December 19, 2016 at Ryerson University.

The competition was fierce!

Click here to watch the event promo video: http://bit.ly/2hVPNmy

The Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery's BASKETBALL NIGHT took place December 19, 2016 at Ryerson University's Lower Gym. The game was cut short by an unfortunate injury to the faculty's star player. The faculty and a few "ringer" fellows (Jeff Blumberg, Caitlin McMullen and Han Zhang) were doing so well against a much younger resident/fellow team who were putting up a valiant effort. In the end, the outcome was undecided. Congratulations to all of the players including our faculty – Paolo "Director of the Court" Campisi, John "Diesel" de Almeida, Eric "The Mailman" Monteiro, Al "The Vocano" Vescan and capably coached by Jeremy "The Terminator" Freeman. Until next time...



Continuing Professional Development

Events

We held a number of successful events including:

October 18-19, 2016 International Endoscopic Ear Surgery Course

October 20-21, 2016
Pediatric Endoscopic & Open Airway Courses

Upcoming

January 12, 2017

Joseph K. H. Wong/Smile China Lecture

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Visiting Professors:

Oct 21, 2016 Dr. Robin Cotton

Nov 11, 2016 Dr. Perry Mansfield

Upcoming:

Feb 3, 2017 Dr. Brian Rotenberg
Feb 17, 2017 Ms. Marlene Baggato

Krista Riko Lecture

Mar 3, 2017 Dr. Brett Miles

Mar 17, 2017 Dr. Joseph Dort

Head & Neck Cancer Foundation Lecture

Mar 24, 2017 Dr. Christopher Hartnick

Apr 21, 2017 Dr. Desuter Gauthier

Apr 28, 2017 Dr. Dan Fliss

Grimm/Percy Ireland

Visiting Professor

May 12, 2017 Dr. Richard Wong

Binstock Lecture

May 19, 2017 Dr. Eric Genden

June 23, 2017 Dr. Yuri Nikiforov

Friday December 9, 2016





The Winning Team: Gullane's Bipolars!! with Alex Trebek: Joel Davies, Chris Yao & Jennifer Siu.

Congratulations!





{Reminder}

Grand Rounds will not be held on December 23, 2016 nor January 6, 2017

> Grand Rounds will resume on January 13, 2017

SAVETHEDATES

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

Saturday January 14, 2017

Saturday January 14, 2017 18th Floor Auditorium, Sinai Health System

SLEEP SYMPOSIUM 2017

Friday February 3, 2017 18th Floor Auditorium, Sinai Health System

ANNUAL ALUMNI & FRIENDS DINNER

Friday February 3, 2017 University of Toronto's Hart House - Music Room

15th Annual Otolaryngology Update

Saturday February 4, 2017 Main Auditorium, SickKids Peter Gilgan Centre for Research & Learning (686 Bay Street)

ANNUAL RESEARCH EVENING

Wednesday February 22, 2017 3rd Floor, SickKids Peter Gilgan Centre for Research & Learning (686 Bay Street)

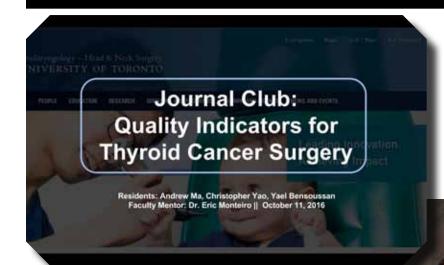
MICROVASCULAR HEAD & NECK RECONSTRUCTION COURSE

March 3-4, 2017 U of T Surgical Skill Centre, Sinai Health System

26th Annual Percy Ireland Academic Day

Friday April 28, 2017 University of Toronto's Hart House

Percy Ireland Dinner - April 27, 2017



Thank you to Andrew Ma and Christopher Yao, for putting on a fantastic Journal Club on October 11, 2016.

Thank you also to Dr. Eric Monteiro for his mentorship.

2016-17 Journal Club Dates
December 13 April 18
February 21 June 20
March 21

thank{you}

Drs. Adrian James and Paolo Campisi for coordinating Journal Club!

"Chinese Residents Endotyping: A

Means to Personalized Residency"

PGY4 residents

Drs. Michael Awad, Stephen Chen, Andrew Ma, Jason Xu, Christopher Yao,

Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery

Class of 2018, University of Toronto

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L to R: Drs. Xiao Zhao, Jason Xu, Stephen Chen, Jonathan Yip, Michael Awad, Christopher Yao, Andrew Ma

Grand Rounds November 25, 2016

You all did an excellent job! You "exceeded expectation"



Pediatric Endoscopic & Open Airway Courses October 20-21, 2016





Dr. Leitao teaching

Quality inspection!

Dr. Prager teaching



Dr. Robin Cotton has it all under control



Yelda at the controls





2016 Golf Day



Our department held another successful and fun golf day on Sunday **August 28, 2016** at Lionhead Golf Club in Mississauga.

Thank you to Dr. Yvonne Chan for organizing the event.



L to R: Drs. Allan Vescan, Peter Dixon and Josie Xu

Announcements

Bundles of Joy !!



Tyler Anthony Monteiro Proud parents **Eric** & Stacey Born on May 8, 2016 Weighing 7lbs 2oz

Nathan Rotenberg Proud parents **Brian** & Beverly Born on June 29, 2016 Weighing 6lbs 11oz





Samantha Lily Grewal Proud parents **Aman** & Aline Born on July 1, 2016 Weighing 9lbs 1oz



Norah Winter Lee Proud parents **John Lee** & Rania Rabie Born on September 21, 2016 Weighing 5lbs 10oz





Jack Henry McArdle Proud parents **Ben** & Jasmine Born on November 9, 2016 Weighing 7lbs 7oz

Alumni News

Where are they now...What are they up to... Graduating class of 2016

Tony Eskander



Since graduation, Tony has moved to beautiful Columbus, Ohio to complete a head and neck oncology and reconstructive surgery fellowship at The Ohio State University.

I am having a great time and learning a ton including complex ablation, free flap reconstruction, a variety of regional flaps and transoral robotic surgery. I am very thankful for the excellent training I received during residency and often hear the voice of my mentors in Toronto while operating here in Ohio.

I've had a chance to soak in some American pastimes, particularly as it relates to football. My wife and boys, Luke and Mark, have not been able to join me in Columbus yet but may be joining in the new year.

We are happy and excited to announce that we are expecting a girl in December.

Sarah Hugh

Since completing residency Sarah has been practicing General Otolaryngology at clinics in Toronto and Vaughan.



Sarah and Benjamin

Kayvan Nateghifard

Kayvan has been enjoying post-exam life, working a general practice locum out of Markham Stouffville.



Kayvan and Dalia

Heather Osborn

...living "flappily ever after" in Boston where I'm doing a head and neck oncology fellowship at Harvard. I am spending my spare time attending Patriots games and eating lobster.



Adam and Heather

Dupe Oyewumi

.....working a locum at Markham Stouffville.

In my spare time I have been an avid crochet-er and bootcamp go-er (haha).



Edward Park

Working a locum at Southlake Regional Health Centre.



Clara and Ed

Nikolaus Wolter

Nik is doing a fellowship in Pediatric Otolaryngology at Boston Children's Hospital.

So far it has been great! I am learning something new everyday and the challenges keep on coming. I am really relying on the strong foundation provided by my training at U of T. Thanks everyone!

Jonathan Bernstein Head & Neck Fellowship grad of 2016

....recently got a consultant post at Imperial in London.

I look forward to starting on 12th September. Dina and I are both thrilled to be working at the Trust and look forward to collaborating with the UofT departments. I am very grateful for my comprehensive and extensive fellowship training and shall be putting it to good use.





Christopher Chin Rhinology Fellowship grad of 2016

Since I completed my fellowship, I have set up my practice in Saint John, New Brunswick. It has been very busy so far! I have a pretty diverse practice so far. I do everything from tubes and tonsils up to pituitary tumours and larger head and neck resections... you could say I've been putting my fellowship skills to good use!

Chris and his wife Miranda with Charlotte, and their dog Tony

Edilberto O. Pelausa

Kristian Macdonald Rhinology Fellowship grad of 2012



Kristian and Ashley Macdonald, Austin (3), Valerie (1) and Ollie. Kristian was a Fellow graduating in 2012 and now is on faculty at the University of Ottawa.



By America's castle for Independence Day watching spectacular fireworks with my son, Alex, who aced school this year and is moving up to Middle School!

Alumni Receptions

Monday July 18, 2016 at the Annual Meeting of the AHNS in Seattle, Washington



Tuesday September 20, 2016 at the Annual Meeting of the AAO-HNS in San Diego, California



Departmental Advancement Campaign



Our department at Michael Garron Hospital (MGH) has received 2 directed donations.

Ralph and Rose Chiodo donated \$250,000 towards the new otolaryngology-hns clinic at MGH (picture).

The second was from Paul Lacono for \$10,000.

I am very pleased to share that **Mark and May Allison** made a generous gift to honour Dr. Ralph Gilbert for his role in caring for and treating their daughter Carley (pictures on the right). This is their way to recognize Dr. Gilbert as a surgeon and Professor, and create a lasting legacy of their gratitude.

They established **The Ralph Gilbert Award** in support of MD students in need of financial assistance. This award also benefits



from a matching opportunity offered by the University of Toronto called the Boundless Promise Program. New awards established for undergraduate students in financial need are eligible for a 1:1 match from the University.



Annual Barberian Fundraiser Dinner Barberian's Steak House, Toronto

International Outreach

Rural Ear, Nose and Throat Foundation

...dedicates itself to serve the underprivileged poor and disable.

The service is mainly offered in community hospitals (or district hospitals), especially the rural areas where economic status is low and transportation is problematic, or have an issue in ear diseases.

From November 15-19, 2016, Dr. Rutka's otology/neurotology fellows Meirav Sokolov, Tom Mawby, Ophir Ilan (former fellow), and PGY-5 resident Gordon Tsang took a brief departure from their regular clinical duties to join the Thai Rural Ear, Nose and Throat Foundation on a medical mission to assess

and treat ear disease in rural Thailand and Laos PDR. Organized by Dr. Paninee Charusripan (otology/neurotology fellow with Dr. Rutka 2012-2013), the well-established mobile unit set up ear camps in Buntharik District Hospital, Ubon Ratchatani, Thailand and in Pakse and Paksong Hospitals, Champasak, Laos PDR. Within only two albeit long days, more than 1000 patients were seen and approximately 70 tympanoplasties, approximately 4 mastoidectomies, and a small number of myringotomy and tube insertions were performed.



Tom Mawby assessing a patient in the makeshift outpatient clinic at Buntharik Hospital.



Above: Taken outside of Paksong Hospital, Laos PDR. Members and founders of the Thai Rural ENT unit with local hospital staff, and University of Toronto contingent.



Surgery

Underserviced Areas Program Dryden, Ontario Dr. John Rutka



Jason and Chris had an absolute fantastic time in Dryden, together, seeing over 200 patients in clinic and carrying out 24 surgeries. From a resident perspective, it was a wonderful chance to operate independently on basic ent procedures while working up some interesting cases in clinic. There was lots to learn, including Dr. Rutka's wealth of knowledge on Northern Ontario and history.



L to R: Christopher Yao, John Rutka & Jason Xu

In Memorium



Aongus Curran

passed away on August 13, 2016.

Aongus was Professor of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology at the University College Dublin (UCD) and completed a head and neck fellowship in Toronto in 1998. Aongus was a very valued member of the UCD School of Medicine.



An Update



What is Vito Forte up to?

He is the Program Liaison Officer of the Innovation, Hammer and Nails program which connects Institute of Biomaterial & Biomedical Engineering students with medical staff at SickKids "to design solutions for challenges identified by experts at the Hospital".

See: http://www.ibbme.utoronto.ca/?s=hammers+and+nails http://www.ibbme.utoronto.ca/community/innovation-hammer-nails/

Can you Guess??

The year is 1990.....
Any guesses who all these handsome young men are?







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