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If you have not done so already, we strongly encourage you to complete a short survey at premed.udayton.edu. Let us know that you are interested in having a student shadow you. Our students are looking for as much exposure to health care practitioners as possible as they prepare to apply to health professional schools. Any opportunities you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

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Best wishes,
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University of Dayton/Miami Valley Hospital
Healthcare Symposium

The fourth annual University of Dayton/ Miami Valley Hospital Healthcare Symposium was held on March 23, 2013. This year’s symposium was titled “Controversies in Preventive Medicine.” Marjorie Bowman, M.D., M.P.A., dean of Wright State University’s Boonshoft School of Medicine, moderated a panel of local experts in different areas of preventive medicine. The panelists included the following speakers and topics: Sherman Altar, M.D., M.T.S., “Immunization 2013;” Mukul Chandra, M.D., F.A.C.C., “ Coronary Artery Disease Prevention;” Margaret Dunn, M.D., M.B.A., “Controversies in Breast Cancer Screening and Prevention;” Marvin Miller, M.D., “The Role of Genetic Testing in the Prevention of Human Disease;” and Joseph Scherger, M.D., M.P.H., “Controversies in Prostate Cancer Screening.”

The morning session was followed by a luncheon at which Dr. Joseph Scherger ’71 personally presented senior Joseph Salioman with the Joseph E. Scherger, M.D., M.P.H. Leadership in Medicine Award.

ollowing the presentation, Steve Wormald, M.P.A., a partner in the Columbus office of Strategic Health Care, delivered the address “The Affordable Care Act: How Ohio is Transforming Healthcare.”

The afternoon student symposium was held in the Science Center. Topics included patient-centered medical homes, preparing for medical school, life in medical school, a career as a pediatrician and information about other healthcare careers including dentistry, optometry, podiatry, pharmacy and physician assistant. The alumni presenters included Dr. Joseph Scherger ’71, Dr. Ranjana Sinha ’93, Dr. Sherman Altar ’73, Dr. Melissa Barbow ’04, Amish Kimani ’10 and Laura DeVita ’09. Other professional presenters were Dr. Tiffany Muzaf, Dr. Nadine Merchant, Sue Wulf, Jeb Shideker, Dr. Ted Pope, Dr. Greg Notestine, Dr. Kevin Schroeder and Dr. Amy Bonkay. A big thank you goes out to all of them.

We send a special thank you to UD alumni Dr. Michael Craig ’58 and Dr. Ranjana Sinha ’93, who were tireless in their leadership roles on the symposium planning committee.

WHAT’S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS?

DIRECTOR’S LETTER

Hello Alumni!
I hope you have enjoyed a beautiful summer! It’s been very pleasant here on campus, other than the usual campus construction that we have come to expect.

This year, the Science Center received new windows on the north side to match our windows replaced on the south side in summer 2012.

Our students were mostly off campus this summer. There were a few students around, doing research in biology and chemistry labs, working at area hospitals as medical scribes and volunteering at Reach Out of Montgomery County (see page 2).

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