

SPRING 2021

IN BLOOM

by Alan Matsumoto, MD, Chair

The flower that blooms in adversity is the rarest and most beautiful of all. - Walt Disney

What a long fifteen months it has been. Little did we know how strong we could be until being strong was our best choice. But the arrival of spring, the days becoming longer, flowers and trees blooming, and the greater availability of vaccines have all combined to provide us with a hopeful light at the end of the pandemic tunnel.

As we make our way towards that light, we can see the Keats Homecoming Weekend coming into view for April 29-30, 2022. We've thought about the camaraderie we have all missed and reimagined how good it will be for us to once again come together to learn, socialize and just take in the wonderful surroundings of Charlottesville in the spring. We are excited to announce that the invited Lecturer for the 2022 Keats Homecoming Weekend will be Geraldine McGinty, MD, MBA. The past-Chair of the Board of Chancellors and current President of the American College of Radiology, Dr. McGinty is at Weill Cornell Medicine in New York City where she is an Associate Professor of Radiology and serves as the Chief Strategy and Contracting Officer for the Physician Organization. A women's imaging specialist, Dr. McGinty is internationally recognized for her expertise in imaging economics and health care strategy and for her unwavering advocacy for quality and patient-centered care. Dr. McGinty is known for her energetic and magnetic leadership style and very engaging personality, which are all based on a foundation of true humility. For all who attend the Keats Homecoming Weekend, you will not be disappointed when you meet Dr. McGinty and hear her presentations.

The Keats Homecoming Weekend will be very family focused, with all of Saturday's outdoor activities centered at Pen Park and Meadowcreek Golf Course in Charlottesville. The 'gem' of the city park system, Pen Park is the largest park in Charlottesville and features recreation facilities, gardens, and miles of hiking trails that meander through the woods and along the beautiful Rivanna River. As part of Pen Park, the 155-acre Meadowcreek Golf Course will host the Riddervold Open (Bill, this is calling you) and



the Family Day Cookout will be held at The Grill at Meadowcreek, with stunning views of the river and Monticello. The Saturday evening banquet and reception will be held at the Quirk Hotel on West Main Street, perfectly situated between Grounds and the Downtown (pedestrian) Mall. It's a boutique art hotel styled in a minimalist contemporary design and built around two historic homes dating back to the 19th century, with a beautiful rooftop bar and locally sourced, seasonally inspired food.

Although we are very thankful for today, we are also looking forward to the days ahead and hope that you will join us in April of 2022 for this very special Keats Homecoming Weekend. Your presence will help make this much-needed get together a memorable celebration of our wonderful UVA Radiology community.

As we continue our journey through this pandemic, please allow me to leave you with this quote:

Yesterday is a history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift. That's why we call it the present. - Winnie the Pooh

Best wishes to all of you,

Alan

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AN UPDATE FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a difference a year makes! Spring 2021 has brought widespread vaccinations and a continual

decline in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations throughout the U.S. Although there has been immeasurable loss and emptiness from the events of 2020, I hope that optimism is now starting to replace uncertainty and fear.

Spring in the UVA Department of Radiology and Medical Imaging is full of renewed positivity. Many of us have reaffirmed our passion for work in health care. We have witnessed the selfless acts of those around us, and the positive impacts made by heroes on the front lines.

Work, family and social life are promising to soon look more familiar than any other time in the past year. We were able to celebrate the graduating fellowship and residency classes of both 2020 and 2021 in June. The events were small, and within the guidelines set by the University of Virginia, but it was a pleasure to commemorate the great achievements of our wonderful residents and fellows.

I hope that you are all staying safe, with some normalcy returning to your lives. I hope to see many of you at the next Keats' Society Homecoming, planned for Spring 2022! I can't wait to be together again very soon.

Best Wishes,

Carrie Rochman, MD Keats Society President



RESIDENT CORNER

LEADING BY EXAMPLE

By: Sara McCann, MD

Just as UVA has been a leader in clinical IR education through the development of the IR pathway, which became a

blueprint for the new IR residency, UVA is again leading the way by training the next generation of exceptional female interventional radiologists.

In recognition that interventional radiology has long been a male-dominated field with women representing less than 10% of practicing interventional radiologists, UVA has taken great strides to increase female representation and mentorship amongst our faculty and trainees. At present, 35% of our IR trainees are female. However, this March we were proud to match two outstanding female medical students into our residency -Amy Crumb and Olivia Richardson - marking our third all-female IR resident class! With the addition of Tammy Kim, one of our new independent IR residents starting in July 2021, the percentage of female IR trainees here at UVA will rise to 50% in the 2021-2022 academic year.



Drs. Sara McCann and Dhara Kinariwala 2021 - 2022 IR Chief Residents

This year we were also excited to welcome our newest female faculty member, Dr. Amy Taylor. Within her short time at UVA, she has already become a mentor to many and serves as an excellent role model for our female trainees.

Over the past several years, we have worked as a department to increase the number of women in both interventional and diagnostic



Ladyologist event, 2020

radiology and to foster a supportive community for female radiologists. Through a collaboration with the medical school, led by Diagnostic Radiology Residency Program Director Dr. Juliana Bueno and IR resident Dr. Suki Grewal, female medical students interested in radiology are matched with female radiology trainees, providing opportunities to shadow and develop valuable relationships that can be instrumental in career choice. We are also looking forward to continuing the long-standing tradition of department-sponsored "Ladyologist" nights during which female trainees and attendings regularly meet outside of work to network, relax in an informal environment, and share tips on work and life!

We are thrilled to have excellent institutional support for the women in radiology at UVA, and to train at a program valuing diversity and inclusion along with a tradition of clinical excellence.



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