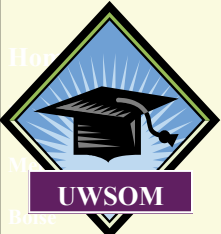




# Idaho WWAMI Newsletter

Idaho WWAMI Medical Education Program Summer 2011

## 2011 IDAHO WWAMI GRADUATES



On June 4, 2011 twenty one Idaho WWAMI students received their Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degree from the University of Washington School of Medicine. The Hooding Ceremony formally acknowledges the achievements of these students and, through the administration of the Hippocratic Oath or Physician's Oath, reminds the students of the high standards of performance and behavior to which each aspires and with which each is challenged as they enter upon professional careers as physicians. **CONGRATULTIONS — Good Luck in Residency!**



| Graduate            | Home Town     | Residency                       |                       |                |    |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----|
| Andrew Badke        | Boise         | Northwestern McGaw/NMH/VA       | Internal Medicine     | Chicago        | IL |
| Emily Beck          | Meridian      | UC Davis Medical Center         | Medicine-Primary      | Sacramento     | CA |
| Joseph Berglund     | Boise         | U Utah Affil-Hospitals          | Internal Medicine     | Salt Lake City | UT |
| Sarah Chisholm      | Coeur d'Alene | U Colorado SOM Denver           | Obstetrics-Gynecology | Aurora         | CO |
| Jessica Duvall      | Moscow        | UC San Francisco                | Pediatrics-Primary    | San Francisco  | CA |
| Sean Edmunds        | Twin Falls    | U Utah Affil-Hospitals          | Obstetrics-Gynecology | Salt Lake City | UT |
| Maureen FitzMaurice | Grangeville   | Family Medicine Residency of ID | Family Medicine       | Boise          | ID |
| Michael Flores      | Moscow        | U Arizona Affil-Hospitals       | Pathology             | Tucson         | AZ |
| Tyler Harris        | Boise         | Gran Rapids Med Ed Partners     | Emergency Medicine    | Grand Rapids   | MI |
| Alicia Lachiondo    | Boise         | U New Mexico SOM                | Pediatrics            | Albuquerque    | NM |
| David Markel        | Boise         | UPMC Medical Education          | Emergency Medicine    | Pittsburgh     | PA |
| Brian McMahan       | McCall        | VA Medical Center               | Transitional Year/Med | Boise          | ID |
|                     |               | Indiana University SOM          | Radiology-Diagnostic  | Indianapolis   | IN |
| Michael Mitchell    | Meridian      | U Arizona Affil-Hospitals       | Emergency Medicine    | Tucson         | AZ |
| Anthony Mueller     | Post Falls    | U of Nebraska Affil-Hospitals   | Emergency Medicine    | Omaha          | NE |
| Bryn Parker         | Elk City      | Swedish Medical Center          | Family Med/First Hill | Seattle        | WA |
| Donald Perry        | Rexburg       | Providence Sacred Heart Med Ctr | Transitional Year/Med | Spokane        | WA |
|                     |               | U Washington Affil-Hospitals    | Radiology-Diagnostic  | Seattle        | WA |
| Jordan Sand         | Coeur d'Alene | Barnes-Jewish Hospital          | Otolaryngology        | St. Louis      | MO |
| Kai Sharbono        | Coeur d'Alene | U North Dakota SOM              | General Surgery       | Fargo          | ND |
| Lane Squires        | Jerome        | UC Davis Medical Center         | Otolaryngology        | Sacramento     | CA |
| Tim Ulrich          | Pocatello     | Mayo School of Grad Med Edu     | Pediatrics            | Rochester      | MN |
| Jeffery Walker      | Boise         | St Joseph Mercy-Ann Arbor       | General Surgery       | Ann Arbor      | MI |

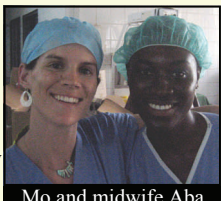


### "INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCE" - Obstetrics in Kumasi, Ghana

*2011 Idaho graduate, Dr. Maureen FitzMaurice*



Imagine a hot muggy room filled with 10 pregnant women laboring side by side in small beds. Women are moaning in agony and screaming "Oh Jesus" in the local language with each contraction. There are no family members or support, no fetal heart rate monitoring or analgesics. Within that room are two old rusty delivery beds that are occupied by women about to deliver. Beside them is a midwife frantically putting on sterile gloves and a plastic apron to catch the baby. In the hallway, outside this room, is a line of pregnant women laboring on a long wooden bench waiting for a bed in the labor room to free up. Welcome to Komfo Anokye labor unit, in Kumasi, Ghana, the second largest referral hospital in Ghana, which averages 15,000 deliveries per year. I had the opportunity to spend the last 2 months of medical school in Ghana and spent a month doing obstetrics and gynecology at Komfo Anokye. It was one of the most rewarding and challenging medical experiences I have ever had. I had the opportunity to deliver numerous babies, assist in surgery and see patients in clinic. I learned how to practice medicine with extremely limited resources and staff. Most importantly, this experience really challenged me to differentiate what I believed was "standard of care" versus a different mode of delivering care than I was accustomed to. Though our health care system in the US is fraught with problems we are fortunate for obstetrical resources we have. Despite the limited medical resources in Ghana, I was struck by the resilience and strength of the Ghanaian women. I watched many lose babies, struggle with extremely painful and difficult labors and suffer through illnesses, such as malaria. They persevered these situations with minimal complaints, and a sense of stoicism that I do not see often in the US. Overall, this was one of the most valuable experiences I have had in medical school. I hope I can carry the lessons I learned in Ghana forth into residency and my career, and I look forward to returning abroad again soon.



Mo and midwife Aba

# Idaho Highlights

## Idaho WWAMI Clinical Faculty

The WWAMI program has many Idaho physicians throughout the state serving as UWSOM clinical faculty in their role as clerkship preceptors providing clinical instruction to 3rd and 4th year medical students. We would like to introduce three physicians who received the Physician Partnership Awards, given by Saint Alphonsus in Boise, Idaho. We join in congratulating them for their outstanding contributions to health care.



**Nominated by:**  
Chaplaincy  
**Nominated for:**  
Exceptional Patient Care, Exceptional Teamwork with staff.

**Nicholas Hunt, MD**



**Nominated by:**  
CCU  
**Nominated for:**  
Exceptional Patient Care, Exceptional Teamwork with staff.

**Steven Writer, MD**



**Nominated by:**  
Surgery  
**Nominated for:**  
Department Leadership, Operational Leadership, Physician Leadership/ Teamwork

**Bill Morgan, MD**

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Dr. Mary Barinaga**  
Newly installed IAFP President



Dr. Barinaga and Goertz entertain the crowd during Dr. Barinaga's installation.

## Nairobi Delegates visit Idaho WWAMI

A delegation of physicians and administrators from the university of Nairobi came to Idaho to observe and learn about the WWAMI program.

- How are faculty trained at rural sites?
- How do you monitor and evaluate the program?
- How do you set up third-year clerkships?
- How do you ensure that all rural sites provide students a consistent education?

Dr. Kibwage, principal of College of Health Sciences at the University of Nairobi said, "Boise left him with two strong impressions: the high degree of one-on-one mentoring that medical school students experience and the Boise VAMC'S simulation labs."



Delegates deemed the visit a great success.

*Thank you for everyone's participation!*

**WWAMI**  
40th Anniversary  
Celebration – February, 2012

## Call for HELP

### Idaho WWAMI Graduates/Students

In celebration of WWAMI's 40th anniversary, we are assembling a forty year journal. The journal will showcase Idaho WWAMI graduates/students and we need your help with updated information/pictures.

Please submit the following:

- Name ▪ Entering Class year ▪ Present location
- Specialty ▪ Medical school experiences and endeavors since graduation ▪ Pictures

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**Our success depends on you!**

## Up-Coming Events

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>July 16</b>  | WWAMI Luncheon during IMA Annual meeting, CDA             |
| <b>July 21</b>  | Idaho Track Welcome-Boise                                 |
| <b>Aug. 11</b>  | First Year Student Orientation University of Idaho Campus |
| <b>Sept. 20</b> | Write/Trust Orientation-Seattle                           |



**Idaho WWAMI R/UOP**



and  
**Idaho SEARCH Program Team Up**

The Idaho WWAMI Rural Underserved Opportunities Program (R/UOP) and Idaho SEARCH have teamed up to connect medical students to underserved communities throughout Idaho. Both programs provide students with early exposure to the challenges and rewards of practicing primary care medicine in a rural or underserved setting. Together these two programs are offering an enhanced experience to WWAMI R/UOP students. WWAMI R/UOP students that participate in Idaho SEARCH are eligible to receive funding to help with living and travel expenses, and are covered under the UWSOM medical student liability policy.

This summer, three WWAMI students will complete an Idaho R/UOP-SEARCH experience:

- Joshua Smith is paired with Dr. Phil Petersen at the Clearwater Valley Hospital in Orofino,
- Monica Martin is with Dr. Kathryn Potter at Terry Reilly Health Services in Nampa
- Sage Coe Smith is working with Dr. Andrew Gilbert at St. Mary's Clinic in Cottonwood.

Students interested in applying for a R/UOP/SEARCH experience should contact Katrina Hoff at (208) 898-3824 or [khoff@idahopca.org](mailto:khoff@idahopca.org) or visit <http://idaholiveplay.org/training>

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