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“Another – very true – anecdote was that the residents referred to the two places to get food as ‘proximal’ and “‘distal.’ We found it very ironic in the late 90’s/early 2000’s that ‘distal’ was a Burger King... We loved seeing our patients standing out front in the afternoon with a cigarette in one hand and a Whopper in the other...”

–Erik Van Eaton, MD

“Hub Radke, MD was Chief of Surgery at the VA during my training [1975-1980]. He was a great educator and a wealth of surgical experience... His language could be very colorful at times. There is a story about him assisting a resident with a difficult common duct exploration. He said ‘be bold young man’ shortly followed by ‘oh \*\$%\*! You cut the duct.’” –Robert L. Howisey, MD

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Kristine and Julie, and twin grandchildren who all live in San Francisco. Their two Golden Retriever siblings, Pancho and Melba, bring additional joy to their lives.

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## Save the Dates

### 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SCHILLING RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM & LECTURE

Friday, January 31, 2014, 4:00pm

**Timothy R. Billiar, MD**  
George Vance Foster  
Professor & Chair  
Department of Surgery  
University of Pittsburgh

“Of Men and Mice:  
An Iterative Strategy to Dissect the  
Immune Response to Trauma”

Location: Magnuson Health Sciences  
Building, Hogness Auditorium

A reception will be held in the 3rd floor  
Magnuson Health Sciences Building  
lobby at 5:00pm  
(immediately following Dr. Billiar’s lecture)

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