

2017 DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY CHIEF RESIDENT GRADUATION DINNER

The 2017 Department of Surgery Chief Residents' Dinner was held at the Bell Harbor International Conference Center, Seattle, WA in June 2017. Welcome and introductions were presented by Dr. Doug Wood, The Henry N. Harkins Professor and Chair and the event was emceed by Dr. Roger Tatum, Professor and Chief of VA Puget Sound Health Care System (VAPSHS), Surgeon-in-Chief, VAPSHS.

Dr. Wood gave a special thanks to Dr. Dana Lynge, Associate Professor, VAPSHS, who served as emcee for the past 15 years for this annual event. "Thank you Dana for your extraordinary service to the department as our emcee and for providing us years of laughter and wonderful memories."

A special thanks was also given to the Department of Surgery's Education staff:

Robin Boland, Khrystine Buccat, Gina Coluccio, Nadia Gavrilenko, Tami Hanson, Genia Hill, Kathryn Jansen, Anne Long and Suzanne Mills

One of the traditions of this annual dinner is presenting awards in the following categories:

Henry Harkins Award

Awardee—Dr. Alison Haruta, Surgery Resident

Department of Surgery Medical Student Research Award

Awardee—Dr. Lauren Jacobson, Surgery Resident

Department of Surgery Resident Award for Medical Student Teaching

Awardee—Dr. Andy Mesher, Surgery Resident

Department of Surgery Resident Academic Excellence Award

Awardees who scored in the 85th percentile on the ABSITE:
Drs. Elissa Butler, Sara Daniel, David Drouillard, Meghan Flanagan, Dara Horn, Kevin Labadie, Andrew Mesher, Morgan Richards, Kevin Riggle, Jonathan Sham, Ravi Sood, Barclay Stewart, Kevin Sullivan and Gabriel Wallace

Stevenson's Faculty Teaching Award

Awardee—Dr. Raymond Yeung, Professor, General Surgery Division

Harborview Housestaff of the Year Award

Awardee—Dr. Val Simianu, Surgery Resident, General Surgery Division

The David Tapper Resident Teaching & Leadership Award

Awardee—Dr. Jonathan Sham, Surgery Resident

Vascular Surgery Program

April Rodriguez, MD

Plastic Surgery Program

Mitchell Pett, MD
Brinkley Sandvall, MD
Laura Tom, MD

General Surgery Program

Victoria Lao, MD, PhD
Val Simianu, MD, MPH
Meghan Flanagan, MD, MPH
Bijjiibaa' Garrison, MD
Jason Hurd, MD
Andrew Mesher, MD
Jonathan Sham, MD
Gabe Wallace, MD

Fellows Finishing June 2017

Hope Jackson, MD
Center for Videoendoscopic Surgery

Monica Young, MD
Center for Videoendoscopic Surgery

Mahim Malik, MD
Congenital Cardiac Surgery

Robert J. W. Knight, MB BCH, MRCS, MD, FRACS
Craniofacial Surgery

Srinivas M. Susarla, MD, DMD
Craniofacial Surgery

Caitlin Smith, MD
Pediatric Surgery

William Schmitt, MD
Reconstructive Microsurgery

Mackenzie Cook, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Rebecca Maine, MD, MPH
Surgical Critical Care

Andrew Riggle, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Thomas Shoultz, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Theresa Chin, MD, MPH
Surgical Critical Care

Joshua Wong, MD, BSc, MS, MSc, ES, FRCSC /
Surgical Critical Care

Castigliano Bhamidipati, MD, PhD
Thoracic Surgery—Traditional

Daniel McCarthy, MD
Thoracic Surgery—Traditional

Amir Ali Rahnamai Azar, MD
Transplant Surgery

Shahram Aarabi, MD, MPH
Vascular Surgery