



New Faculty

Welcome Dr. Angela Wratney



We are excited to introduce our new Pediatric Critical Care attending who shares the following:
Angela Wratney, MD MHSc

FAAP is newly on staff as an Attending in Pediatric Critical Care. She joins us from Washington, DC where she was an Attending in PCCM for the past 13 years. Angela completed her fellowship training at Duke University, Pediatric Residency training at UCSF and medical school training at Emory University and the Penn State College of Medicine. Her undergraduate degree was in biology and genetics at Cornell University. This is where she first fell in love with CNY! Cornell is also where she met her husband, Chris! They've been happily married now for 21 years and enjoy cooking, hiking, camping, and are looking forward to skiing. They have 3 children, Nathan (17y), Stephen (12 y) and Elise (10 y). Nathan has just entered his 1st year of college at CU Boulder College of Engineering and Applied Sciences (go Buffs!). Her children enjoy competitive baseball, swimming, jazz saxophone, and musical theater so you may frequently find her at one of these activities. Angela also enjoys running 5Ks, 10K and half-marathons (though this hilly terrain will pose new challenges to her already slow pace!) At the hospital, Dr. Wratney has a passion for teaching, simulation skills training, and patient safety. She will be expanding the educational opportunities for trainees in multiple clinical divisions to include pediatric residents, nursing, pharmacy, physical therapy, radiology, social work, technicians among other disciplines in her role as the Director of Interprofessional Education in the Department of Pediatrics. Stop by her office, the PICU, or send an email to say "Hello!" and to share your Upstate story or favorite go-to places with her!

Welcome Dr. Lauren Tague

We are also excited to welcome our new pediatric cardiologist, Dr. Lauren Tague who shares the following with us:

I'm Lauren Tague, a native Philadelphian and avid Eagles fan. I grew up outside of West Philadelphia, yes, born and raised – on the playground I spent most of my days. I attended Lehigh University for my undergraduate education then stayed in Philadelphia to complete medical school at Temple University. I ventured to Connecticut to complete my pediatric residency at Yale. I then headed to Washington, D.C. where, for the last four years I have been completing my pediatric cardiology and advanced imaging training at Children's National Medical Center. My interests include fetal cardiology and neurodevelopmental outcomes of congenital heart disease.

My husband grew up in the 1000 Islands and it was an easy choice to decide to move to Syracuse post training to be closer to family. I joined the faculty at Pediatric Cardiology Associates in September and am thrilled to be here working with such a renowned team and become part of the Syracuse community. In my spare time I enjoy the outdoors. I'm always happy to be outside hiking, kayaking, skiing and enjoying boat rides. My other guilty pleasures are reality TV and HGTV. I enjoy cooking (and eating) and am always eager for new recipes! I consider myself lucky to become part of the team here and can't wait to meet everyone!



Volunteer of the Year!



Congratulations to Dr. Caitlin Sgarlat-DeLuca who was selected to receive the Volunteer of the Year Excellence in Health Care Award. Dr. DeLuca was nominated by Make-A-Wish for her hours of

volunteer service in the community. She is a member of the CNY Board of Trustees of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Her award was presented to her on October 24, 2018 at The OnCenter. Excellence in healthcare awards recognize professionals in the healthcare field who have made significant impact of the quality of care and services in our community. This is a huge honor and we are so proud of Dr. DeLuca!

On My Team16

Upstate Online reported an inspiring story of a local cancer survivor Jack Sheridan who, along with his sister Jordan, are now helping other kids, here at the GCH, who are battling cancer. Their organization is called On My Team16. Their next fundraiser is a 338 stair climbing event at the Syracuse State Tower building on November 17th. They use their love of sports as a way to raise money as well as to encourage and inspire current kids battling cancer. On their website (www.onmyteam16.com/) there is a quote from Jack explaining his motivation: "Much more can come from cancer than just the struggle. At first I was asking why me, but now I think there is a reason He picked me, I don't think God would have given me anything I can't handle. I think he wanted someone to inspire people, and bring people together. Now I don't really ask why me, I think it's...why not me." The Crier contacted On My Team 16 and Jordan shared the following in an exclusive Crier interview:

"We are wanting to help make each pediatric oncology kid's stay brighter and hope to be able to do that more and more each day. When my brother Jack was diagnosed we were overwhelmed with support from family, friends, and community. We want to be that additional support for these kids as well. Jack knows what it's like first hand and having a positive experience, role model and charity to turn to could make a difference. We hope and pray that we can be that difference, even if it's just for one day, 10 days or forever.

We could also use your help in spreading the word on our upcoming fundraiser. This is our largest fundraiser to date and it's not average by any means. Not your typical road race, bike race or golf tourney. We are doing a climb up the largest building in Syracuse. The State Tower Building is 331 feet, 20 FLOORS, 338 STEPS and participants are going to climb to the top. Each floor is sponsored by area businesses, families and organizations. Each floor is dedicated to the pediatric oncology patients we have supported since our inception. It will be so inspiring to have our climbers reach each floor and see the name of a child who they are climbing for, and in some cases, the child will be on that floor cheering the climbers on. Encouraging them all to reach the 20th floor. We ask Each climber to raise a minimum of \$100. The cost to register is \$30 and if the \$100 minimum is met, the climber will receive a very cool t-shirt and medallion. A party is planned after the event at the Saltine Warrior to celebrate the success as well as watch the SU football team take on ND. Registration is limited to 300 climbers and we hope to "sell out" in our inaugural year! SIDEARM Sports is our presenting sponsor and we couldn't be happier to have them as our partner in this huge event. Registration can be done via our website, www.onmyteam16.com.

Thank you for spreading our good word. We are excited and love what we do! If you have ANY other questions at all, feel free to email me or call/text (315-416-2065)!



Photo: Jack, Jordan, and the LeMoyne baseball team visiting a young patient named, Blair.

<http://upstateonline.info/static/October4-October112018/blog/story-2/index.html>

Advocacy in Action

We are very proud of a group of the peds interns who, after listening to Dean Karahalios's inspiring PL1 Talk on recreational and medicinal marijuana in children and adolescents, decided to go to the local listening session to represent the official AAP position. Drs. Bourjas,

Kandeepan, Karahalios, and Lenehan went to the NYS Regulated Marijuana Regional Listening Session that was held on Tuesday, October 9, at the DoubleTree by Hilton in East Syracuse. Drs. Berry and Kandeepan wrote in to report on their work that will also be featured in the AAP Chapter 1 newsletter as well. Here is their report:

"On October 9th, 2018 several pediatricians local to the Syracuse area attended the New York State Regulated Marijuana Regional Listening Session. They were encouraged by the newly augmented advocacy curriculum and excellent work of Christopher Maierhofer who took legislative advocacy skills gained at the AAP Legislative Conference and increased local interest in putting advocacy into action. Drs. Aarani Kandeepan, Carlee Lenehan, Dean Karahalios, Lina Bourjas, Rohan Akhouri and Sarah Ann Baluta attended the session. Their remarks were based on recommendations gleaned from guidance and materials provided by AAP national. They remarked at the large turnout and the presence of both community members and physicians. They also reported that the community speakers at the podium were nearly evenly split between support for legalization and not. However, despite this discrepancy, the overwhelming majority of individuals in attendance shared similar views as the AAP in prioritizing child safety and health while considering legalization and regulation. Many speakers following the local doctors reiterated the points they shared on behalf of child safety. In their words, 'this was a great experience...as community members of Syracuse. We look forward to being part of more events like this and advocate on behalf of our patients'."



I'll Vaccinate!

Did you get your flu shot yet? If not (or even if you did), Dr. Jana Shaw's new Academy Award Feature Film, starting the Upstate Flu Crew all-star cast, will give you added incentive to do so:

<https://www.facebook.com/UpstateMedicalUniversity/videos/250962448900079/>

Deja Vu

Several former residents (from the classes of 2014, 2015, and 2016) were caught, just like

old times, at the local Saltine Warrior trivia night on 10/3. Rumor had it that they won (just like old times), perhaps with the help of one of their former hospitalists.



Corny Caption Contest

The Crier is pleased to present its 2018 Photo Caption Contest. Best caption for the picture below will be mentioned in the next issue (and might get a prize!).



Pumpkin winners

The GCH held its annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest on 10/26. All entries were amazing, but the prizes went to 11E for Finding Nemo, and Becky (Nursing Admin) for the Peds Pumpkin Patch. The patient's choice went to 11G for Winnie the Pooh. The Crier's choice, for which there is no prize, goes to Nuclear Medicine for their Nuclear Family (it was just too funny not to mention).



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 11/1 Irene Cherrick
- 11/3 Max Shenberger
- 11/7 Valerie Ho
- 11/8 Joe D., Manika S.
- 11/9 Max Burchman
- 11/15 Jay Peacock
- 11/22 Hassan El Chebib
- 11/26 Elizabeth Paulsen
- 11/30 Sashi Goteti