Message from the Chair

“It isn’t so much that hard times are coming; the change observed is mostly soft times going” - Groucho Marx

From my perspective, the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Rehabilitation (DOSR) has gone through four very distinct stages since I arrived at UTMB ten years ago.

Stage I was easy, and entailed my understanding and integrating into a large, fairly seasoned department that had effectively responded to the patient care, education, research, and administrative demands of its day. But, like so many aspects of life, the “demands” of present day academic medicine have changed.

Stage II was devastating, and involved a natural disaster that not only decimated our faculty, residency, and support staff, but defined our principal focus for the subsequent few years…survival. The highpoint of this phase was our resilience, resourcefulness, and willingness to embrace change in the face of considerable apprehension.

Stage III was truly exciting, and ultimately molded the remarkable spirit and work ethic that has established the DOSR as one of UTMB’s premier clinical services. Yes, we added a few more faculty, continued to attract bright trainees, and expanded our support staff. However, a shrewd clinical strategy or untoward individual faculty concessions were not required for our success during this period. There was still more work to do than there were people to do it; fortunately, our culture had become one of doing whatever necessary to get the work done.

Stage IV has recently commenced, and consists of an aggressive expansion of our faculty, the addition of mid-level providers, and a more calculated effort to enhance our clinical, educational, and research expertise, capability, outreach, and collaborations. Whether at our main campus or throughout the region, continued DOSR success will require more thoughtful and efficient utilization of the resources at our disposal. Gone are the days of excess.

Stage V has yet to come, and will, I envision, establish the DOSR as one of the largest clinical departments at UTMB. We will be the principal musculoskeletal healthcare provider, education program, and research entity in our region (and make no mistake about it, this has always been the plan). As we advance, change is inevitable; but our history suggests that we’ve become quite accustomed to this.

We know, as individuals, we can work hard…now we will find out, as a group, how well we can work together.

New DOSR Clinical Full-Time Faculty

Daniel Torres, MD joined the DOSR in September as an Assistant Professor in Hand and Upper Extremity Surgery. Dr. Torres graduated from the UTMB Orthopaedic Surgery Residency program in 2014 and completed a Hand Surgery Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center - Hamot Campus, in Erie, PA. Dr. Torres’ fellowship included microvascular surgery as well as a comprehensive upper extremity experience.
Publications


Presentations

79th Annual Meeting of the Western Orthopedic Association, Coeur d'Alene, ID
July 29- August 1, 2015

Dorothy Harris, MD, Ronald W. Lindsey, MD. “Fluoroscopic Image Acquisition Variability During Operative Fixation of Ankle Fractures.”

Christopher L. Sheu, MD, David Brown, BS, Aaron M. Gray, BS, Brian A. Smith, MD. “Gender Differences in Knee Flexion Angle During Running.”

Daniel Torres, MD, Kelly D. Carmichael, MD, Matthew Comley, BS. “Spanning External Fixation for Open Joint Injuries in Pediatric Burns.”

Nicholas G. Vance, MD, Robert C. Vance, BS, William T. Chandler, BS, Vinod K. Panchbhavi, MD. “Does Syndesmosis Fixation Affect the Fibulotalar Relationship?”
**Presentations Continued**

**32nd Annual Meeting of the Southern Orthopedic Association, Ashville, NC,**
**July 15-18, 2015**

Jamie J. Alexander, MD, Zbigniew Gugala, MD, PhD, Ronald W. Lindsey, MD, John A. Hipp, PhD, Jay Sawyer Crolely, MD. “Visualization of Experimental Bone Defects by CT at Reduced Doses.”

Aaron M. Gray, BS, Zbigniew Gugala, MD, PhD, Jacques Baillargeon, PhD. “Oral Contraceptive Use Predicts Fewer ACL Reconstructions in Young Females.”

Jason J. Griffin, MD, Nicholas G. Vance, MD, Vinod K. Panchbhavi, MD. “Fibular Plate Conceals Malreduction of Posterior Malleolar Fixation.”

Grayson A. Moore, MD, Malone V. Hill III, BS, Yong-Fang Kuo, PhD, Kelly W. Stephenson, MD, Ronald W. Lindsey, MD. “Frozen Sections in Revision THA and TKA Following Deep Infection.”

Andrew G. Patton, MD, Randal P. Morris, BSc, Yong-Fang Kuo, PhD, Ronald W. Lindsey, MD. Computer-Assisted Navigation Versus Fluoroscopy in Anterior Transpedicular Screw Targeting.

Aaron D. Schrayer, MD, Andrew G. Patton, MD, Randal P. Morris, BSc, William L. Buford Jr., PhD, Ronald W. Lindsey, MD. Conventional Versus Cable Pin Fixation for Transverse Patellar Fractures.

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Honors, Awards, and Acknowledgements

PGY 4 resident Eugene Stautberg, MD was featured in an AAOS Orthopaedic PAC Newsletter, Resident PAC Donor Spotlight: Question & Answer with Eugene Stautberg III, MD. The AAOS Orthopaedic PAC is the Political Action Committee of the American Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons, representing Orthopaedic surgeons before Congress in Washington, D.C.

Congratulations to PGY 3 resident Sawyer Croley, MD who received an Annual Meeting Traveling Scholarship from the American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH) and the American Foundation for Surgery of the Hand (AFSH). This award covers the travel expenses and meeting registration fees for trainees to attend the 33rd Adrian E. Flatt Residents and Fellows Conference and the 70th Annual Meeting of the ASSH in Seattle, WA, September 9-12, 2015.

New DOSR Members

Laura Q. Wu, BS joined the DOSR last summer as a Research Associate. Laura is originally from Ann Arbor, MI, and graduated from Cornell University in Ithaca, NY with a BS in Biometry & Statistics. Laura is also a member of the DOSR Research Committee and is currently working on several clinical and biomechanical research projects.

Daniel Jupiter, PhD received his Doctorate in Mathematics from the University of Michigan in 2003 and is an Assistant Professor in Preventive Medicine and Community Health and the Office of Biostatistics at UTMB. As a member of the DOSR Research Committee, Dr. Jupiter lends his statistical expertise to faculty and resident research with a focus on clinical studies and large database resources.

Trish Agle, PA has joined the DOSR as a Physician Assistant. Trish received her PA from the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, TX, and has previously worked in Louisville, KY, Greenville, NC and Abilene, TX. Trish will be primarily focused on off-island patient care through the UTMB Specialty Care Center at Victory Lakes.
New DOSR Community Full-Time Faculty

The DOSR welcomes Craig L. McDonald, MD, Chief Orthopaedic Surgeon of the newly renamed UTMB Health Orthopaedics, Angleton clinic. He completed his medical degree in 1987 at the University of Texas Health Science Center, Houston, TX, Orthopaedic Residency at the University of Texas/Hermann Hospital, and a spine fellowship at the Royal Adelaide Hospital in South Australia. Dr. McDonald specializes in General Orthopaedics and has been in practice in the Angleton area since 1993.

New DOSR Resident

The DOSR Residency Training Program welcomes Barkha Gurbani, MD, MPH, who transferred to UTMB from Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD in July. Dr. Gurbani will continue her training as a PGY 3 resident, and is a welcome addition to our program.

Grand Rounds

July 15, 2015: John S. Serpe, Attorney at Law, BA, JD, Serpe Jones, Houston, TX. Mr. Serpe’s lecture was entitled “Patient Privacy Concerns in Today’s Digital Society.”

August 19, 2015: Jack Dawson, MD, Assistant Professor, Orthopedic Trauma Surgery, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX. Dr. Dawson’s lecture was entitled “How to Be A Better Educator.”

September 2, 2015: Ken Yamaguchi, MD, Sam and Marilyn Fox Distinguished Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, Vice Chair, Quality and Research, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO. Dr. Yamaguchi’s Lecture was entitled “Natural History of Rotator Cuff Disease,” and sponsored by the Emergency Room Lectureship.

September 30, 2015: Linda Phillips, MD, Truman G. Blocker, Jr., M.D. Distinguished Chair; Chief, Division of Plastic Surgery, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, TX. Dr. Phillips’ lecture was entitled “Wound Healing.”
The New Jennie Sealy Hospital

The new Jennie Sealy Hospital at the University of Texas Medical Branch is nearing completion and scheduled to open on April 9, 2016.

The state-of-the-art hospital complex will house 310 beds, 20 operating rooms, intraoperative MRI, day surgery, and vital connections to the Clinical Services Wing and future modernization of the John Sealy Hospital.

To learn more about this exciting new facility, please visit The New Jennie Sealy Hospital site at UTMB Health.

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