



Anne Scupholme inducted into Hall of Fame



The Department of OB/GYN and JMH's Women's Hospital Center inducted another honoree, Anne Scupholme, MPH, FACNM, CNM, former director of the UM/Jackson Women's Hospital Center, into their Hall of Fame last month.

For more than 30 years, Anne Scupholme was a leader and integral component of the UM/Jackson Women's Hospital Center. She came to UM/Jackson in 1969 and held various leadership roles until her retirement in 2003. Career highlights include Director of Patient Care Services for the Women's Hospital Center, and Head of the Midwifery Service and Birth Center, the first of its kind to be associated with a large tertiary center staffed by certified nurse midwives. She also served as Adjunct Professor for the Dept. of OB/GYN and the UM School of Nursing. Also, her active role in the Episcopal Church led her to be the driving force in the development of the Parish Nurse Program.



Anne Scupholme is pictured (top) with Denese Clare, current Director of the Women's Hospital Center. She is also pictured (bottom) with past department chairman Dr. Allan McLeod, who presented a plaque commemorating her induction into the Hall of Fame. The presentation took place Monday, October 22, 2007, the same day that Jackson nurse midwives received a proclamation from Miami Dade County in honor of their 30 years of service to the community.

Dr. Lupi appointed to APGO/Solvay Educational Scholars

Dr. Carla Lupi was appointed to serve as one of twenty Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO) Solvay Educational Scholars. She is the first UM Miller faculty member selected for participation in this program, which over the last seven years has trained over 150 OB/GYN faculty to become outstanding educators and educational administrators.

APGO/Solvay Scholars work on projects designed to help them become outstanding teachers and leaders in the field of women's health. Each scholar also selects a mentor to provide guidance throughout the course of the program. Dr. Lupi has chosen Dr. Richard Tiberius, from Medical Education. The appointment is from January 2008 until March 2009.

Dr. Gonzalez-Quintero is recognized for volunteer service

Dr. Victor Gonzalez-Quintero was honored by the Miami Dade County Health Department at a Volunteer Recognition Reception held Monday, October 22, 2007. The organization awarded Dr. Gonzalez-Quintero a Superior Service Award.

Additionally, Dr. Gonzalez-Quintero was invited to participate as a session moderator in the 17th Society of Laparoscopic Surgeons' Annual Meeting. The event will take place September 17-20, 2008 at the Hyatt Regency McCormick Place; Chicago, IL.

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Events

► Nov. 5, 7 and 14

The Office of HIPPA Privacy and Security will be hosting several open question and answer sessions.

Monday, Nov. 5

Lois Pope Auditorium
9:30 –11 a.m.
or 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 7

ABLEH Lower Level
Conference Room
9:30-11:00 a.m. or
2:00-4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

Mailman #3023
9:30-11:00 a.m. or
2:00-4:00 p.m.

► December 6-8

2007 Pelvic Anatomy and Gynecologic Surgery Symposium; Wynn Las Vegas. This is a 23 CME credits opportunity. To register visit www.pags-cme.org.

Research

The Research Division is not currently recruiting participants for studies.

A detailed list of research projects will be posted on the Department's web page later this month. The page is currently under construction.

Practice Update

To increase the efficiency of our clinical sites, the Department has designated a practice site leader at each location.

This individual will be responsible for ensuring clinical operations run smoothly on a daily basis and for reporting any issues to the appropriate parties. The site leader will also be the point of contact for the various division managers to ensure timely, quality care for patients.

Additionally, the site leader will:

1. Approve the Kronos time system (the division manager will be the second approver).
2. Work with the division manager in evaluating employees during performance appraisal time.
3. Resolve any immediate conflicts on site and communicate with the division manager regarding any ongoing issues with employees.

4. Coordinate lunch breaks to ensure everyone takes one, while also making sure the office is appropriately staffed.
5. Be the contact person for administrative issues such as Lanier copiers and Telecommunications.
6. The division manager will still continue to be responsible for official disciplinary action, providing training for new employees, and for providing practice site coverage.

Practice site leaders include:

- Regina Daley at Jackson South
- Pam Vilaboy at PAC 507
- Lina Echeverri at Cedars 201
- Rana Robinson at Cedars 3 and 5
- Barbara Carbajales at Kendall 2-4



Our Challenge to U

As you may know, the University has been an active partner in raising funds for the United Way for more than 30 years. Last year, the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology made great efforts to lead the way in this community venture—with great results! To all of those who contributed, thank you for your support. With your help, this year OB/GYN would like to make an even greater contribution.

Are you ready for a challenge? This year we are raising the stakes.

For every support staff member who makes a donation, **Department Assistant Chair Ruth Srebrenik** will increase her personal donation by **\$20**. For every support staff member who makes a donation of \$20 or more, Ruth will **double** the amount

of the donation.

Let's make OB/GYN the beacon in this community effort. Contributing to the United Way is also a great way to help the University, as contributions can be designated to help support Miller School programs or the University's Momentum Campaign.

Donations can conveniently be made online at [myUM](#). No contribution is too small!

The United Way is a national non-profit organization with over 1,000 local branches. The organization focuses on helping children succeed, strengthening and supporting families, promoting self-sufficiency and building vital, safe neighborhoods.

OB/GYN introduces new in-office procedures

New in-office procedures were introduced in clinical sites at Cedars West Suite 201 and Jackson South. In-office procedures include endometrial ablation with Thermachoice®, hysteroscopy and hysteroscopy occlusion (Essure®).

Drs. Nahida Chakhtoura, Ira Karmin, Christopher Estes, and Babac Shahmohamady worked together to prepare guidelines for the procedures.

Happy Boss' Day



Administration celebrated National Boss' Day on October 16, 2007 with custom made cookies and flowers for Chair Dr. Leo Twiggs and Assistant Chair Ruth Srebrenik.

Seeking Volunteers for lecture

The staff of East Tower 7A are organizing the "Women's Awareness Conference" to take place November 26-27, 2007.

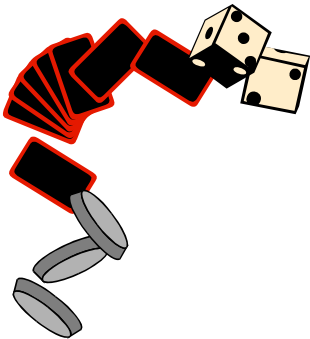
Speakers are needed for two topics:

Chronic Pelvic Pain: A multidisciplinary Approach (11/27/07 at 10:30 a.m.)

Perimenopausal and Postmenopausal Bleeding: When and How to Do a Work-up (11/26/07 at 10:30 a.m.)

If anyone is interested, please contact Dr. Matt Pearson at 305-243-2233 or by e-mail at mpearson@med.miami.edu.

If you would like to participate, make sure to send an updated copy of your CV and a handout of your lecture to be included in the book that will be distributed to attendees (colleagues, staff and the general public).



HOLIDAY PARTY

The Department will be hosting its annual holiday party on Saturday, December 15, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. The party will take place at Miccosukee Resort and Gaming. You will be receiving an invitation soon with all other pertinent information.

Please RSVP by **Friday, November 30**, by calling Karla Fuentes at 585-5800.



For Faculty, Nurses, Residents and Medical Students:

The Department will be hosting its annual Resident Research Day, which showcases the research projects of graduating residents. We ask you to make every effort possible to attend this important day for our Chief Residents.

Thursday, May 29, 2008

7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Gordon Center for Research in Medical Education Auditorium (first floor of the Clinical Research Building)

Published

► Dr. Leo Twiggs and second year medical student Katherine Hoops' article, "HPV Vaccination: The Policy Debate Over the Prevention of Cervical Cancer—A Commentary," was accepted for publication in the *Journal of Lower Genital Tract Disease*.

Presentations

► Dr. Christopher Estes presented a lecture, "Innovations in Contraception," at the Bays Medical Society Annual Meeting on October 27, 2007.

Quoted

► Dr. Christopher Estes was quoted in the November 2007 issue of the *British Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology* in an article titled "Treatment of Imperforate Hymen with Foley Catheter." (BJOG 113:1379)

HR Corner

The Department extends a warm welcome to the following new hires:

- ▶ **Sandra Burgos**, Patient Clinical Associate, Division of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.
- ▶ **Nelly Diaz-Mendez**, Nurse Practitioner, Division of Research.
- ▶ **Carmen Rey**, Program Specialist, Division of Research.
- ▶ **Nathalie Urrunaga**, Clinical Research Specialist, Division of Research.
- ▶ **Jamile Munajj-Brown**, Nurse Practitioner, Division of Research.

Employee Spotlight

Name: Irelis Milhet

Job Title: Administrative Assistant to Dr. Gonzalez-Quintero

If I could travel to any place in the world I would go to Japan mainly because I really like the mixture of the traditional Japan and the contradiction and irony of modern Japan.

Most people don't know that I used to be a face painting clown called Lady Butterfly.

My friends would describe me as loyal and imaginative.

What I like most about my job is the diversity of tasks as well as the people.



Irelis and her husband, Hector.

To include your good news in upcoming newsletters, or for questions or comments,

Contact Jackie Taylor at jtaylor2@med.miami.edu or by phone at 305-585-5131.