EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Carol Ann Dickinson is recognized for her attention to detail, perseverance and cheerful approach to a very time-sensitive and labor-intensive project. She was nominated and awarded the Department of Surgery Employee Recognition award. "Carol Ann was an outstanding contributor for the recent T32 in Pancreatology grant submission," wrote Lisa Rogers in her nomination letter. "As part of the application preparation team, she undertook the collection and verification of the extensive data needed for the 130 pages of tables. This data is not centrally located or easily obtained which Carol Ann diligently tracked down and verified." This application, if awarded, will support 2-4 surgical residents during their research years and will continue to support our pancreatic disease research.

Carol Ann is a native of the Twin Cities, a graduate of Robbinsdale High School and the University of Minnesota with a BA in American Studies. She also graduated with an AA in Occupational Therapy from St. Mary's College, now part of St. Catherine's.

"The University of Minnesota has been a part of my life as far back as I can remember starting with attending Gopher Football games at the old Memorial Stadium (pre Metrodome)," says Carol Ann. “I worked several other places before landing at the University, but my career really has been here.”

Carol Ann’s career at UMN includes 11 years coordinating special programs for teachers, high school students and other small group-short sessions for the Summer Session Office. Prior to joining the Department of Surgery for 15 years she held a combined appointment, 50% in the College of Pharmacy, Experimental and Clinical Pharmacology Graduate Program and 50% for the Center for Excellence in Critical Care, housed in Weaver-Densford Hall.

In September of 2014, the Department of Surgery was fortunate to have Carol Ann on a 75% appointment and she recently moved to full time appointment on July 1, 2015. In her current role she works with Greg Beilman, M.D. in his many roles as Deputy Chair of Surgery, Owen H. and Sarah Davidson Wangensteen Chair in Experimental Surgery, Chief, Critical Care and Acute Care Surgery and Medical Director, Fairview System ICU Program and the Director for the Center of Excellence in Critical Care. Understandably she says, “It keeps me busy”.

Carol Ann has two children, one living in St. Paul and the other in Pittsburgh, PA. She has five wonderful grandchildren (3 girls, 2 boys) who she sees every chance their schedules allow.
IN THE NEWS

Ashok Saluja, Ph.D., who is the recipient of the medal of the Australian Society for Medical Research, was recognized in the Brief weekly U of M news digest.

Sustainability program aims to reduce hospital waste at University of Minnesota Medical Center. Rafael Andrade, M.D. introduced a new sustainability program to University of Minnesota Medical Center in 2010. That year alone, the program kept 10,500 pounds of garbage from entering the waste system. blogs.mhealth.org

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS


Elliot Arsoniadis, M.D. will compete in the prestigious student paper competition for the International Medical Informatics Association in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

In recognition of his expertise and pioneering accomplishments in transplantation, Gabe Loor, M.D. is the recipient of the Mayo Clinic, Edward F. Heil Lectureship in Transplantation Biology.

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Do you see someone working hard in your area and contributing to the department’s success by fulfilling our mission, vision and values? If so, take a moment to nominate this person for an Employee Recognition Award.

Completed nomination forms should be sent to Michelle Lunden.

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