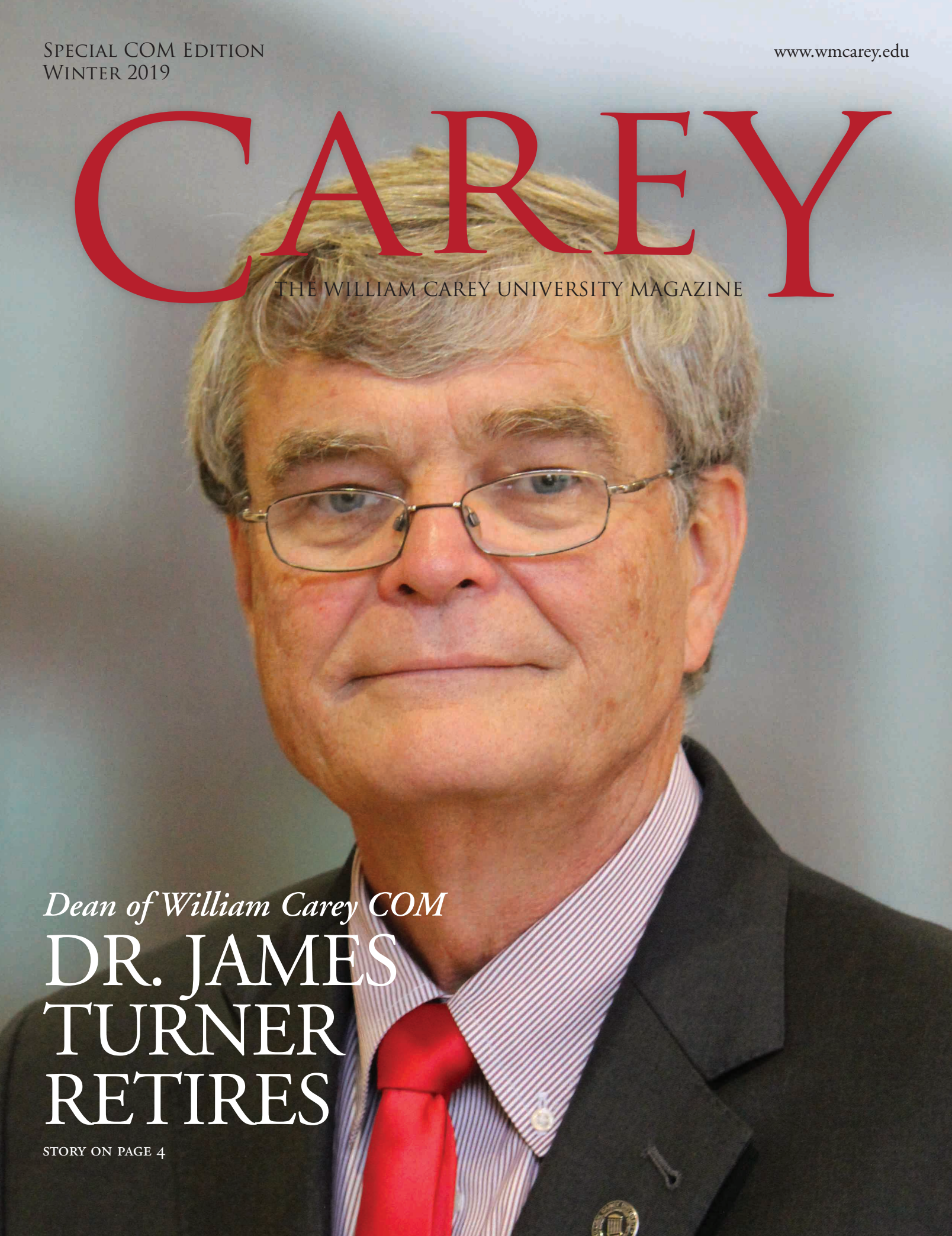


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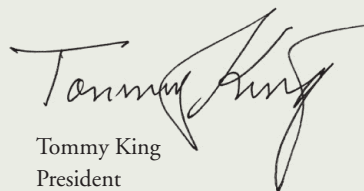
I am pleased to write to all of the friends of the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM). This is the first edition of the Carey Magazine dedicated to our medical school. The purpose is to give an update on the progress, and to especially honor the retiring dean, Dr. Jim Turner.

In the early part of the century, the term DO was introduced to us by Dr. Bill Rivero, chairman of the department of psychology and advisor to premedical students. Although the term DO was unfamiliar in Mississippi, Dr. Henry Pace, a professor at the University of Mississippi, had started sending students to out-of-state DO schools to receive their training. Dr. Rivero brought up the idea of William Carey opening a DO school. As the idea began to gain some momentum, Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast, putting on hold any thought of Carey undertaking new challenges. In a meeting on December 15, 2005, representatives from the Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Arkansas Osteopathic Medical Associations, along with representatives from COCA (Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation), gathered on our campus to discuss establishing a DO school in the mid-south region. In 2006, a letter of intent was sent to COCA indicating William Carey's interest in starting a school with a goal of training osteopathic physicians to address the severe shortage of primary care doctors in Mississippi and surrounding states and to impact the health care of rural and underserved populations in the Gulf South. On October 23, 2007, the WCU Board of Trustees unanimously voted to authorize Dr. Tommy King, President, to employ a dean for the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Michael Murphy was hired to be the founding dean. In the fall of 2009, WCUCOM began recruiting its first class of students, and the class began studies in the fall of 2010.

In April 2011, Darrell Lovins, DO, MPH, assumed the duties of dean. In November 2012, Dr. Lovins stepped down as dean due to health reasons and returned to teaching. Associate Dean James M. Turner DO, MPH, FACP, FCOEP, FCOEP, became interim dean, and in February 2013, he assumed the position of dean. Dr. Turner specializes in family medicine, geriatrics and emergency medicine. Dr. Turner led the COM through the devastation of the January 2017 tornado, which did extensive damage to the COM facilities and through the rebuilding process. He also led the school to full accreditation by COCA. WCUCOM was awarded full accreditation on May 3, 2014, and graduated its inaugural class of osteopathic medical physicians, having achieved a 98 percent post-graduate placement rate, with more than 70 percent of these students pursuing a primary care specialty. In the fall of 2018, Dr. Turner announced his retirement. An endowed scholarship fund has been established in Dr. Turner's name, and a retirement dinner to honor him will be announced in the near future.

Italo Subbarao, DO, succeeds Dr. Turner as dean. Dr. Subbarao joined the WCUCOM faculty in 2012, and later became senior associate dean. He is a leader in domestic and international disaster response.

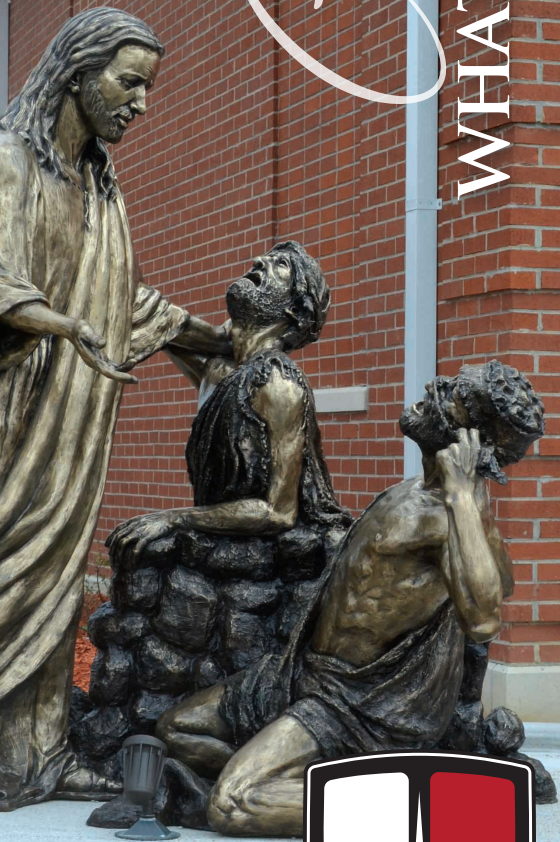
We are so grateful to the four deans who have each served their unique role, and to the many loyal supporters and partners who have made the WCUCOM one of the best osteopathic medical schools in the country.



Tommy King
President



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Dr. James Turner ENTERS RETIREMENT

“I’m going to play with my grandbaby. I love camping and fishing and the outdoors.”

DR. JAMES TURNER

DR. JAMES TURNER CAME TO WCUCOM IN 2011 AS ASSOCIATE DEAN OF CLINICAL SCIENCES BEFORE BEING NAMED DEAN OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOL IN FEBRUARY 2013.

Turner guided the COM through its early years and secured its initial accreditation and more recent reaffirmation for an additional seven years – the maximum granted by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). He was appointed as a COCA commissioner last year and will continue to serve in that capacity as he enters retirement.

“I’m going to play with my grandbaby. I love camping and fishing and the outdoors. I’m going to take time to do these things and then we’ll see,” Turner said. “I’ll still be involved with William Carey as an adjunct faculty member.”

Under Turner’s leadership, the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine has earned many awards and distinctions, including two from U.S. News & World Report – No. 3 ranking for highest percentage of graduates entering primary care among all U.S. medical schools, and No. 3 ranking among private medical schools for lowest cost to students.



Dr. Turner and the other commissioners will review site visits, as well as mid-cycle and annual reports submitted by COMs in the United States with the goal of ensuring that each is meeting COCA standards.

Dr. Turner with his wife Sherry. Sherry is also a DO and chief academic officer and designated institutional official at Merit Health Wesley in Hattiesburg. She is also the medical director of graduate medical education and the program director for traditional rotating internship.

Meet THE NEW DEAN OF WCUCOM



MOST OF US AT CAREY RECOGNIZE DR. ITALO SUBBARAO AS THE BRAIN BEHIND THE HIRO MEDICAL DRONE PROJECT. HE IS A LEADER IN DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE AND HAS PROVIDED FIELD AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT DURING LARGE-SCALE EMERGENCIES LIKE EARTHQUAKES IN HAITI AND PAKISTAN, SHOOTINGS IN MUMBAI, AND HURRICANES LIKE KATRINA – WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT HIS FIRST VISIT TO MISSISSIPPI IN 2005.

Seven years later, having worked as an emergency room physician and disaster fellow at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and director of Public Health Readiness for the American Medical Association, Subbarao arrived in Hattiesburg.

He joined the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2012, serving as associate professor of clinical sciences and later senior associate dean.

“I have had the honor of serving next to Dr. Turner as we met the challenges of accreditation, curriculum development, faculty recruitment and natural disasters like the January 2017 tornado that did so much damage at William Carey University,” Subbarao said.

“Through it all, I have seen the hand of God intervene, and watched the growth of an amazing medical school, one that is highly respected and absolutely necessary to improving the health of Mississippians and the Gulf South. WCUCOM is doing what many other medical schools have



been unable to do – graduate students who go into primary care and serve in the areas of greatest need, as our mission directs us.”

“We are pleased to have Dr. Subbarao as the new dean of the William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine. I am confident that he will continue the record of excellence established by the retiring dean, Dr. James Turner. Our prayers are with him as he assumes this new leadership role,” said WCU President Dr. Tommy King.

TOP 10 RANKING

IN AUGUST 2018, THE KNOWLEDGE REVIEW RANKED WCUCOM AS ONE OF THE TOP 10 MEDICAL SCHOOLS IN AMERICA. AS ONE OF THE 10 MEDICAL SCHOOLS CHOSEN FOR THIS HONOR, WCUCOM WAS COMMENDED FOR ITS GOAL TO “PRODUCE PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS WHO ARE COMMITTED TO SERVING THE HEALTHCARE NEEDS OF ALL INDIVIDUALS, WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION DIRECTED TO MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AND DIVERSE POPULATIONS.” FOUNDED IN 2015, THE KNOWLEDGE REVIEW IS AN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION MAGAZINE PROVIDING KNOWLEDGE, NEWS, BLOGS AND ARTICLES FOR STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS COVERING RESOURCES, COURSES AND LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES.





WCUCOM earns national rankings from U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT

IN SPRING 2018, U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT RANKED THE WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE HIGH IN TWO IMPORTANT AREAS.

PRIMARY CARE

WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine ranked No. 3 of all medical schools in the U.S. in the percentage of graduates entering primary care specialties, such as family practice, obstetrics-gynecology, internal medicine, pediatrics, emergency medicine and psychiatry.

U.S. News & World Report rankings for 2018 were based on medical school graduates entering primary care specialties between 2015 and 2017.

"When William Carey first initiated the effort to establish a medical school, our mission was to provide doctors to address the severe shortage of physicians in Mississippi

and other underserved areas of the Gulf South. This ranking provides confirmation that we are fulfilling our mission," said WCU President Dr. Tommy King.

Of the top 10 institutions ranked in this category, nine were osteopathic medical schools. WCUCOM posted 71 percent – ranking just behind Lincoln Memorial University-DeBusk COM in Harrogate, Tenn. (80.6 percent) and Kentucky COM in Pikeville, Ken. (75.3 percent).

AFFORDABILITY

WCU's College of Osteopathic Medicine earned another No. 3 national ranking in the category of least expensive private medical schools.

U.S. News & World Report noted that the vast majority of private medical schools that submitted data charged more than \$50,000 in tuition and fees for the 2017-18 academic year. All 10 top-ranked medical schools charged less than \$50,000.

"Our mission centers around preparing students to practice primary care specialties in underserved areas. A significant percentage of our students come from backgrounds where they are the first in their family to attend college of any type," said then-WCUCOM Dean Dr. James Turner.

"In order for our students to be able to pursue this dream, we strive to keep tuition as low as we can and at the same time receive no direct outside support."

Dr. King also noted the importance of keeping the cost of a medical education at William Carey as low as possible while also providing excellent training: "Dr. Turner and the entire faculty and staff of the WCUCOM are to be commended for keeping student cost in mind."

Only two private medical schools were able to beat WCUCOM's annual tuition and fees of \$39,800 – Baylor College of Medicine in Texas and Lake Erie COM in Pennsylvania.

TORNADO

The Campus Is Closed; The University Is Open

IN THE EARLY HOURS OF SATURDAY MORNING, DR. TURNER, DR. KING AND OTHER UNIVERSITY LEADERS DETERMINED THAT THE MEDICAL SCHOOL WOULD REQUIRE A TEMPORARY VENUE CHANGE. OFFERS BEGAN POURING IN FROM SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES AROUND THE AREA.

USM President Dr. Rodney Bennett toured Carey's campus later that day and offered USM resources. The medical school and physical therapy program both took up residence on the USM campus less than a week after the tornado.

"We are committed to doing all that we can to provide the resources their students need while preserving their experience and identity as William Carey students as much as possible," said Dr. Bennett.

Dr. James Turner said, "We only missed two days of class. It was really important we not get our timing off—the students (need to) graduate on time and take their board exams on time so they stay in time with the rest of the country. Letting them get off schedule would have played havoc with their careers."

LEFT: *Carey students were given access to the Payne Center, game rooms, and library resources.*

THE FACTS

ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017, AT 3:30 AM, WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY WAS HIT DIRECTLY BY AN EF3 TORNADO

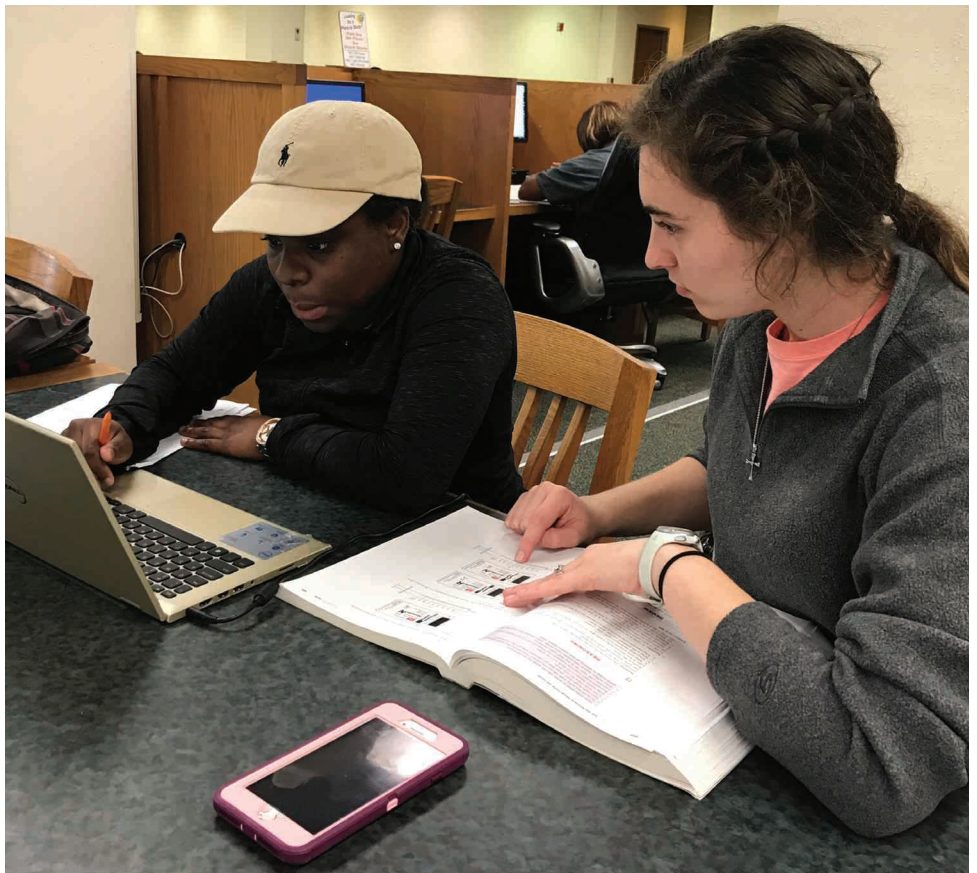
49 OF THE 50 BUILDINGS ON CAMPUS SUSTAINED SOME DAMAGE

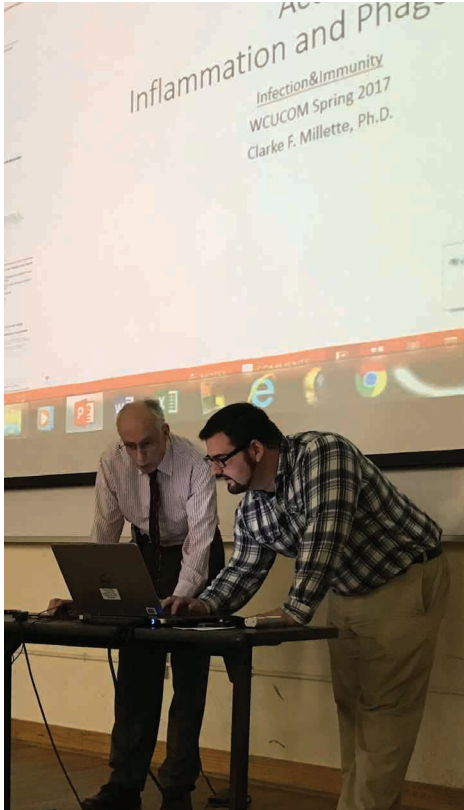
SIX BUILDINGS WERE COMPLETELY DESTROYED

105 STUDENT VEHICLES WERE DESTROYED

SEVEN STUDENTS WERE SENT TO HOSPITAL WITH INJURIES

\$110 MILLION DOLLARS IN DAMAGE





ABOVE: *Nick Estes, Carey IT team member, provides technical assistance to Dr. Clark Millette in Harkins Hall on USM's campus.*



ABOVE, BELOW, RIGHT: *All four COM buildings were significantly damaged and the Ross Anatomy Lab was destroyed and later rebuilt.*



ABOVE: *The USM nursing school moved out of Harkins Hall just a month prior to the tornado, leaving the space available for COM classes and faculty/staff offices.*

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The Osteopathic OATH

I do hereby affirm my loyalty to the profession I am about to enter. I will be mindful always of my great responsibility to preserve the health and the life of my patients, to retain their confidence and respect both as a physician and a friend who will guard their secrets with scrupulous honor and fidelity, to perform faithfully my professional duties, to employ only those recognized methods of treatment consistent with good

judgment and with my skill and ability, keeping in mind always nature's laws and the body's inherent capacity for recovery.

I will be ever vigilant in aiding in the general welfare of the community, sustaining its laws and institutions, not engaging in those practices which will in any way bring shame or discredit upon myself or my profession. I will give no drugs for deadly purposes to any person, though it be asked of me.

I will look with respect and esteem upon all those who have taught me my art. To my college I will be loyal and strive always for its best interests and for the interests of the students who will come after me. I will be ever alert to further the application of basic biologic truths to the healing arts and to develop the principles of osteopathy which were first enunciated by Andres Taylor Still.

The Class of 2018 recites the Osteopathic Oath at the commencement ceremony on May 26.

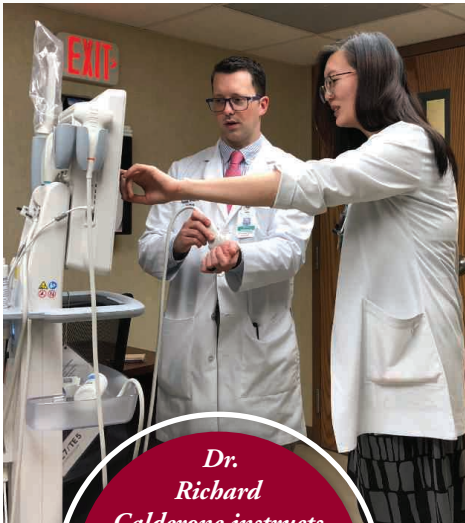




Alumni SPOTLIGHTS

DR. RICHARD CALDERONE

RICHARD CALDERONE GREW UP VALUING HIGHER EDUCATION BECAUSE HIS FAMILY HAS SO MANY TEACHERS. AS A YOUTH, HE WATCHED A RELATIVE STRUGGLE TO MANAGE A COMPLEX DISEASE, SPARKING A DESIRE TO HELP OTHERS NAVIGATE HEALTH CARE ISSUES.



Dr. Richard Calderone instructs Dr. Rachel Yi, first year family medicine resident, on Point-of-Care Ultrasound.

A mentor at Southeast Louisiana University had heard about Carey's new medical school and masters of biological science program and counseled Calderone to look into it. He graduated from SELA in 2009 and began the MBS at Carey that fall. He joined the first class of WCUCOM student doctors in 2010.

Calderone names Dr. James Turner as a key mentor during medical school. Turner helped him make career decisions and taught him to balance family and work. "Dr. Turner's open door policy meant so much to me," said Calderone.

Calderone also earned a master of public health at USM during the last 2 years of medical school. When he sought Dr. Turner's counsel about pursuing this master's degree while still in medical school, Dr. Turner responded by saying, "I've always wanted to do that, but I keep putting it off. If you don't do it now, you may never get it done." Dr. Turner actually joined Calderone as a classmate in that master's program.

After graduating medical school in the first class of WCUCOM graduates in 2014, Calderone moved to Jackson to do residency

at UMMC in internal medicine and pediatrics. Dr. Blair Batson, for whom Batson Children's Hospital is named, is another hero. Dr. Batson, who recently passed away, would not segregate the children's hospital in spite of enormous pressure to do so. Calderone said, "Dr. Batson insisted that all children and their families be given the same care and treatment."

A teacher at heart, Calderone emphasized the importance of the hierarchy in medical training. Each level (student, intern, resident, attending) teaches those earlier in their studies. He dubbed the transition from medical student to resident "humbling and scary." "In medical school, you are asked your opinion, but there's always someone behind you to turn to if you're not sure," he explained. "In residency, you become a teacher of medical students. When you turn around, there's no one else there. You are making decisions about patient care."

Calderone currently works at Forrest General Hospital as faculty physician in the family medical residency program. The program accepts six residents per year and they complete a three-year residency program. His work is divided with about 75% of his time spent in a clinic setting supervising and teaching residents and about 25% overseeing residents in adult care in the hospital. He also occasionally works at Southeast Mississippi Rural Health Initiative in direct patient care.

Calderone, originally from Slidell, Louisiana, lives in Hattiesburg with his wife and two children.

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Dr. Megan Edwards examines a patient at Oxford Neurology Clinic.

DR. MEGAN EDWARDS

MEGAN EDWARDS KNEW IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SHE WANTED TO BE A PHYSICIAN. AS SHE STUDIED FOR A MASTER'S DEGREE AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE, A PROFESSOR RECOMMENDED SHE LOOK AT WCUCOM FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL. SHE LIKED WHAT SHE FOUND: THE DO PHILOSOPHY, SMALLER THAN MOST OTHER MEDICAL SCHOOLS AND IT WASN'T TOO FAR FROM HER HOME TOWN OF WATER VALLEY, MISSISSIPPI. SHE BEGAN MEDICAL SCHOOL IN 2010

AND GRADUATED WITH THE INAUGURAL CLASS IN 2014.

"Carey prepared me for residency and practice," Edwards said. "I was even ahead of some peers because I had worked in different facilities with several providers, not just with residents and fellows as a medical student. As students, we were treated more like residents, smoothing the transition to residency and practice."

Edwards specialized in neurology and names Dr. Robert Bailey as an influential professor. "He made the neuro exam fun. He was always available to answer questions and easy to talk to," Edwards said. "The DO philosophy leads to a great perspective of the

whole person, not just one component.” She uses osteopathic manipulation for headache treatment, for example.

“People know about WCUCOM now, and it has a good reputation in the community. Not like in the beginning when everyone was surprised to hear Carey had a medical school.”

Edwards is married with a two-year-old daughter and loves spending time with family and friends, taking her dog for walks, exercising, swimming, and fishing. She works at Oxford Neurology Clinic, and she and her family live in Oxford.

DR. JASON FARRAR

JASON FARRAR WAS LOOKING FOR A CAREER WITH VARIETY, AUTONOMY AND DAILY CHALLENGES. HE FOUND IT IN MEDICINE. HE ALREADY HAD THREE CHILDREN WHEN HE STARTED MEDICAL SCHOOL AND FOUR WHEN HE GRADUATED. HE DIDN'T WANT TO MOVE HIS FAMILY TOO FAR AWAY FROM THEIR HOME IN MERIDIAN. FARRAR BELIEVES IN THE PRINCIPLE OF TRAIN LOCALLY AND WORK LOCALLY. HE WANTED



Dr. Jason Farrar treats a patient at the Vein Center at Rush Health in Meridian.

A COMMUNITY BASED RESIDENCY PROGRAM WITH MORE HANDS ON PATIENT CARE AND PROCEDURES. CAREY'S MEDICAL SCHOOL MET HIS REQUIREMENTS, AND FARRAR BECAME A MEDICAL STUDENT WITH THE INAUGURAL CLASS OF 2010.

After graduation in 2014, he began residency in family medicine at EC Healthnet and took extra training in vascular surgery. He is board certified in both and now works at the Vein Center at Rush Hospital in Meridian treating patients with various vascular and lymphatic disorders such as varicose veins, venous ulcers, venous insufficiency, and lymphedema.

Farrar enjoys working in an underserved area like Mississippi. His workload is manageable, though, since his specialty requires him to spend more time with each patient than some other specialties. He appreciates the advantages of osteopathic medicine because it's a more hands on approach to diagnosis and care.

Farrar, his wife, and four children (ages 15, 13, 9, and 7) are happy to be home in Meridian serving the local community.

DR. WILLIAM MARTIN

WILLIAM ALLEN MARTIN HAS BEEN BLESSED WITH A FAMILY WHO VALUES EDUCATION. HIS MOTHER TAUGHT SCHOOL, AND HIS GRANDFATHER WAS A DENTIST. MARTIN CHOSE MEDICINE AFTER CONSIDERING HIS APTITUDE FOR SCIENCE AND HIS ENJOYMENT IN BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS. MEDICAL PRACTICE PROVIDES A WAY TO SHARE HIS EDUCATION AND HIS ABILITIES.



After completing his undergraduate degree, Martin applied and interviewed at UMMC. Martin's mother mentioned his recent interview to Brenda Ross at their Bunko game. The next day, Dr. Randy Ross called Martin and asked him to come tour the Carey campus and meet the dean. “He told me WCUCOM would begin classes in August 2010. I took that tour, applied, interviewed, and was accepted. I was in the right place at the right time,” Martin said.

Dr. Keith Speed helped him make the decision to specialize in family medicine. “Dr. Speed guided me, answered questions, and developed a relationship with me that made me feel like family.”

Medical school is stressful, and Martin remembers watching baseball games at Wheeler Field to get away from studies for a little while. “It was our favorite pastime,” he said.

Martin works at Bellevue Family Medicine. “I enjoy the clinic hours and atmosphere. I like family medicine because it's not limited. I am able to build relationships with my patients and their families,” said Martin. When he's not busy at BFM, he also works at Immediate Care, nursing homes, Civitan Camp and with the Sumrall football team.



Second-year medical student Horia Moroaica led a WCUCOM mission trip to Cape Town, South Africa, in the summer of 2018. Six medical students served during the trip, from left, Ashelee Smith, Ramya Bhattaru, Chris Collins, Horia Moroaica, Daniel Buchalter and Roger Chang.



ABOVE: *WCUCOM medical student Chris Collins teaches South African children about how the human heart works.*

RIGHT: *WCUCOM medical student Ramya Bhattaru shows a South African child how to listen to her heartbeat with a stethoscope.*



Horia Moroaica: The making of an osteopathic physician

AS AN OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SCHOOL, WCUCOM IS TEACHING A NEW GENERATION OF PHYSICIANS THAT PATIENTS ARE MORE THAN THE SYMPTOMS THEY PRESENT, THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO CARE FOR A WHOLE PERSON – MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT.

William Carey's College of Osteopathic Medicine feels the same way about its community. Over the last year, COM students and faculty have been involved in poverty simulation and mass casualty exercises. They've shaved their heads to raise money for childhood cancer research. They can be found in elementary school classrooms presenting Tar Wars, an anti-tobacco workshop.

The list goes on. Horia Moroaica fits right in – and his idea of "community" is global.

Raised in a Romanian household, Moroaica grew up in a predominantly Hispanic neighborhood. He has organized outreach trips to Africa since his undergraduate days. His early exposure to diversity taught him the importance of communication. Moroaica speaks English,

Romanian, Swahili and Spanish.

His father's experience with the healthcare system inspired him to be a doctor.

"My father was diagnosed with renal cell cancer during my freshman year at UCLA. I spent the next two years helping him navigate healthcare facilities in Los Angeles. I had the opportunity to interact with many healthcare providers. Some of them were compassionate about their duties and their patients, while others were not," Moroica said.

"This exposure showed me the importance of holistic medicine and physician-patient relationship – and their impact on the patient's mental and physical well-being."

Moroica's father lost his battle with cancer. By the next summer, Moroica had volunteered to teach HIV prevention in rural Tanzania. There he became further motivated to serve children and communities with minimal access to healthcare and education.

When he returned to UCLA for his senior year, he founded One Heart Source (OHS), dedicated to breaking the generational cycle of HIV and poverty. Within seven months, he had raised \$100,000 and recruited OHS's first volunteer corps of 60 students to serve in Tanzania.

"Over the last decade, OHS has raised more than \$3 million and mobilized more than 1,000 university students and professionals to serve 14,000 vulnerable children and families impacted by HIV/AIDS in Tanzania and South Africa," Moroica said.

"As OHS grew, so did my yearning to become a medical student, which led me to Hattiesburg, Mississippi."

Moroica felt a kinship with William Carey, a 19th century missionary who built cross-cultural bridges in India – opening schools for impoverished children and making God's word accessible for Indians by translating the Bible into several languages.

Moroica is now a second-year medical student at William Carey. His affection for Africa, and interest in addressing global healthcare disparities, have spurred him to found a new non-profit organization, Cross World Medics.

Last summer, Cross World Medics tackled its first project as Moroica and five WCUCOM classmates took a mission trip to Cape Town, South Africa. They visited

"This exposure showed me the importance of holistic medicine and physician-patient relationship – and their impact on the patient's mental and physical well-being."

— HORIA MOROICA



Oranjekloof Moravian Primary School, Melomed Hospital Emergency Medicine Department and Maitland Cottage Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery Center.

ABOVE: *WCUCOM medical students Roger Chang and Ashelee Smith demonstrate how doctors use an ophthalmoscope to look inside patients' eyes.*

ARRIVING WITH A SERVANT'S HEART, THE WILLIAM CAREY GROUP HAD FOUR GOALS:

- Broaden the education and experience of medical students in international health with a focus on vulnerable populations in developing countries.
- Empower students in developing countries to become medical professionals.
- Assist medical professionals in developing countries.
- Foster international collaboration and innovation in the medical field.

What's next for Moroica and his non-profits?

"We are looking to continue to grow in our ability to educate and serve," Moroica said.

"This includes increasing the number of universities that partner with our organizations to facilitate study/experience abroad programs, developing our own medical clinics and becoming an incubator for international medical innovation."

Spoken like a true osteopathic physician.

Highlights of mission trips and community service events



PERU

Kathryn Cooper examines an infant in the pediatric ward at the hospital in Huancayo, Peru. The medical team traveled over their spring break to bring supplies to local hospitals, clinics, and orphanages. They assisted physicians in the treatment and care of patients and promoted health education by setting up campaigns at local markets where they performed interactive information sessions, blood glucose monitoring, and vital readings for the local people.



HONDURAS

Israel Castillo (far left) and Ethan Murray (next to Israel) assist in surgery. These WCUCOM Class of 2019 students assisted in approximately 100 surgeries during a week-long summer trip to Honduras.



HONDURAS

Linda Nguyen listens to her patient's heart in San Matias, Honduras. She was part of a team of four physicians and two student doctors. Together, they saw 2,320 patients during the week-long summer trip.



CAMP COUNSELORS

A group of 45 high school girls and boys from the Jackson Public School's JROTC program came to Carey for a weeklong summer camp. The goal of the camp was to introduce these students to all of the different career options available in the healthcare field. Student doctor Shelby Wagner said, "My favorite part of the camp was the day we took the students into the anatomy lab. I was amazed by how respectful and engaged the students were. This camp was a great experience and I am proud to say I go to William Carey."

BUILDING *Child Advocacy* PARTNERSHIPS



THE WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE IS THE FIRST OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SCHOOL IN THE COUNTRY (AND SECOND OF ALL MEDICAL SCHOOLS, MD OR DO) TO OFFER A CHILD ADVOCACY STUDIES ELECTIVE TO MEDICAL STUDENTS USING THE NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED CAST CURRICULUM. CAST STANDS FOR CHILD ADVOCACY STUDIES.

THE LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THIS COURSE INCLUDE:

- Understand the cycle of family violence associated with child maltreatment;
- Describe the psychopathology which may result from child maltreatment;
- Recognize the long-term consequences experienced by adolescent and adult survivors;
- Identify community programs for families to prevent and/or respond to child maltreatment; and
- Define the roles of professionals in the community who work with families to promote positive changes that will result in fewer incidents.

This year, WCUCOM also expanded its child advocacy education efforts through a collaborative interdisciplinary partnership with the WCU Criminal Justice program, USM School of Social Work, Kids Hub Child

Advocacy Center, and Canopy Children's Solutions. The creation of a community-based collaborative, professional team enabled WCUCOM's involvement in a training program known as Project FORECAST.

FORECAST stands for Foundations for Outreach through Experiential Child Advocacy Studies Training.

The program is offered by the University of Missouri-St. Louis to colleges and universities across the country through a federally funded grant.

It allows local community and/or educational teams, such as the one created by WCU and USM, to offer training for undergraduate university students and community professionals to respond to child trauma through the use of simulation and problem-based learning. The goal of this no-cost program is to develop trauma-informed, experiential reasoning skills in the workforce.

More information about the CAST curriculum or Project FORECAST is available from WCUCOM's Dr. Melissa Stephens or Dr. Carol Morreale.

TAR WARS



ABOVE: First-year WCU medical student Zachary Ellis talks about his experiences presenting Tar Wars in local elementary schools during a WHPM FOX23 interview.

CAREY'S COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE IS EXPANDING ITS COMMUNITY OUTREACH WITH TAR WARS, PART OF A NATIONAL ANTI-TOBACCO EFFORT. IT'S AN IN-SCHOOL WORKSHOP DESIGNED FOR FOURTH- AND FIFTH-GRADERS. DURING THE 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR, FIRST-YEAR MEDICAL STUDENTS PRESENTED TAR WARS TO 744 STUDENTS AT SIX SCHOOLS IN THE HATTIESBURG AREA.

This year, the program is on track to reach twice as many schools and twice as many students.

"Our third-year medical students stationed in the Mississippi Delta will be visiting schools this year," said Dr. Melissa Stephens, WCU associate professor.

"In addition, School of Pharmacy students from the Tradition campus will present Tar Wars on the Gulf Coast. We're going to be able to reach students from one end of the state to the other."

BELOW: WCU medical students present Tar Wars at Petal Elementary School.



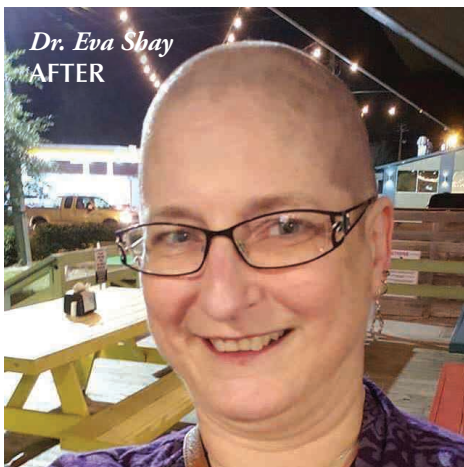
WCUCOM HOSTS 1ST ANNUAL

Hub City Headshave

Student-led event raises
\$13,000 for childhood
cancer research



Dr. Eva Shay
BEFORE



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IT WAS A COLD TIME OF YEAR TO WALK AROUND WITHOUT ANY HAIR. BUT THAT DIDN'T STOP 22 PEOPLE FROM VOLUNTEERING TO LOSE THEIR LOCKS TO RAISE MONEY FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH DURING THE WCU COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE'S 1ST ANNUAL HUB CITY HEADSHAVE.

The event was organized by second-year WCU medical student Amar Patel in partnership with St. Baldrick's Foundation. It happened Nov. 26 at Ed's Burger Joint in Hattiesburg.

"We had a great turnout. Since it was our first year, we set our fund-raising goal modestly at \$5,000, but we rapidly surpassed that goal. Then we bumped our goal to \$10,000, which we also surpassed," Patel said.

"We had 22 volunteers shave their heads. Many students, faculty, families, and friends came to eat and make donations. Our own Dr. James Mitchell generously committed to donating \$5 for every first- and second-year student who attended. Ed's Burger Joint donated 10 percent of its sales. When we added everything up, our total for the night was \$13,197! Thank you everyone who came out."

The nearly 100 supporters gathered for the event included Amar Patel's father, Umesh Patel, who drove overnight to attend so he and his son could get their heads shaved together.

Among the WCUCOM students and faculty who had their heads shaved to raise money for childhood cancer research were, from left: second-year medical student Lev Shpits; Umesh Patel, father of event organizer Amar Patel; second-year medical student Amar Patel; and Drs. Eva Shay and Rance McClain.

A WDAM-TV reporter captured the action in live remotes aired during the evening news and interviewed the new WCUCOM dean, Dr. Italo Subbarao.

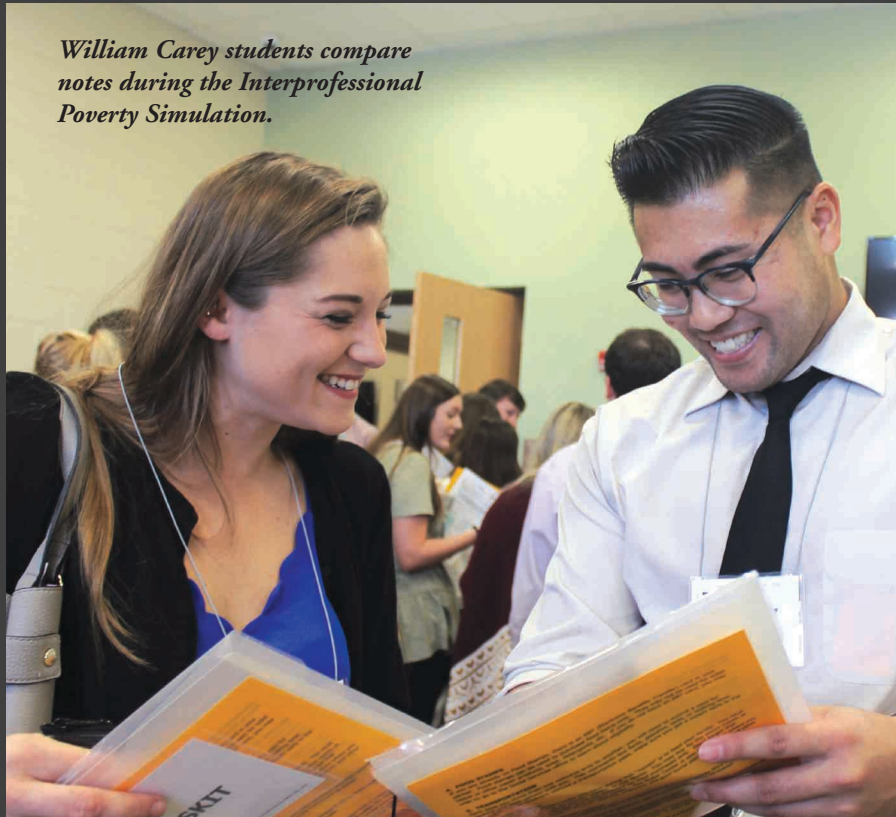
"Our students deserve a lot of credit for putting this together. Community events like the Hub City Headshave make people more aware of the issue. And we're raising money for a greater cause – one where every dollar counts. I hope we do it again next year," Subbarao said.

"The good sport award this year has to go to Dr. Eva Shay, an assistant professor of clinical sciences. She sacrificed her long, beautiful curly hair in honor of her husband, who is a cancer survivor, and in memory of her brother-in-law, who died a year ago. She said she could always knit a cap to keep her head warm."



St. Baldrick's Foundation works closely with leading pediatric oncologists to determine the most promising research to find and create funding priorities to make the greatest impact for children with cancer. For more information, visit www.stbaldricks.org.

William Carey students compare notes during the Interprofessional Poverty Simulation.



POVERTY SIMULATION

WHAT'S IT LIKE TO LACK RESOURCES FOR BASIC HUMAN NEEDS, SUCH AS FOOD, DOCTORS' VISITS, AND MEDICINE? HEALTH CARE STUDENTS FROM CAREY AND SOUTHERN MISS FOUND OUT AT THE LARGE-SCALE INTERPROFESSIONAL POVERTY SIMULATION WORKSHOP HOSTED BY WCUCOM AT WIGGINS MEDICAL NEEDS SHELTER.

Modeled on a program originated by the Missouri Community Action Network, the poverty simulation was designed to make students in health care-related fields more aware of the problems, questions and issues that can arise when serving people living in

poverty. During the exercise, students played the roles of people dealing with poverty in their day-to-day lives.

"You can't teach empathy, but it gave them the opportunity to get out of the classroom, get out from behind the computer and interact with other people," said Dr. James Turner, former dean of the WCU College of Osteopathic Medicine.

"It gives them the opportunity to really appreciate patients with economic and social challenges."

Carey students from Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing and Physical Therapy participated in the workshop along with USM health care and social work students.

WCU and USM plan to make the Interprofessional Poverty Simulation an annual event.



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