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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

At the end of September, we had our first departmental retreat. Aside from a few in-person Grand Rounds, this was one of the first opportunities since the pandemic began for us to gather as a group and to reflect on what our department values. Those values are reflected in the word cloud below, which is a visualization of all the words and phrases that we generated during the afternoon. What strikes me first is how the word “patients” forms

a bridge between the word “excellence,” which is mentioned twice in large font (I swear this was a randomly generated word cloud; I didn’t place the words or choose the font size!). Indeed, it is always our patients who link us to the academic missions: excellence in clinical care, teaching, and research are all initiated by a desire to best serve our patients, and excellence in these

domains will ultimately benefit our patients as well. I also love how so many of the words reflect community, collegiality, respect, and support. These are critical values that I hope our department continues to embrace and lead with, not only within our residency program and the department, but within UAMS as a whole and within our dermatology community across the state and region.

The holiday season is a time of gratitude for many, and as you’ll see in this edition of our newsletter, some of our department members have shared their statements of gratitude. I am grateful to be part of this department; each one of you contributes (or for our alumni, have contributed) to making UAMS Dermatology the unique and vital place that it is.



Sara Shalin, M.D., Ph.D.
Chair of UAMS Dermatology

ON BEING THANKFUL



Blake St. Clair, M.D.
PGY-3 UAMS Dermatology Resident

While Thanksgiving itself has been viewed by some as a controversial holiday given its historical implications, it's undeniable that reflecting on one's life and giving thanks is a worthwhile endeavor. Every day, I wake up feeling singularly fortunate and this is due entirely to the people I have been lucky enough to meet and grow with as a person and as a physician. I would like take some space in our holiday newsletter to give personal thanks to the people who have meant so much to me in my personal and professional life.

To Tara, Stephen, and Edita: I could not have asked for a better group of mentors to learn from! I am immensely grateful for the support of my chief residents. Truly, your obvious passion for helping people has shaped who I am and the kind of person I wish to be. When I am in a room with a patient, I often think, “What would Tara/Stephen/Edita do?” with regards to communication, empathy, and actual dermatology care. I will miss you greatly when it is time for you all to move on!

To Josh and Jon: I remember being so happy when I met both of you—having a group of like-minded people all in the same year has made residency so much more enjoyable! It's hard to imagine being “in the trenches” with anybody else. I'm grateful that we will have chief year together and I'm looking forward to spending more lazy weekend afternoons at the restaurant patio with the significant others, kids, and dogs!

To Khiem, Patrick, and Mavina: I am very thankful that we have such a strong and motivated group of first year residents! It has been a pleasure getting to know you all and it's obvious that the years to come are going to be highly rewarding. I'm looking forward to continue growing alongside you guys and getting to know you even better!

To Dr. Shalin, Dr. Zoumberos, Dr. Shi, Dr. Wong, Dr. Kincannon, Dr. Evans, Dr. Jennings and Bre: I feel tremendously grateful to have had the opportunity to work with and learn from our amazing faculty (and fellow)! There's not a day in clinic or at the scope where I don't learn something new from one of you. Whether it has been direct teaching or simple osmosis from watching your patient interactions and clinical reasoning, I have learned much about being a caring, communicative, knowledgeable dermatologist. I have a long way to go yet, but the encouragement I have received from our faculty is something I am very thankful for. I also really appreciate the ongoing efforts to listen to resident feedback and continue improving our department!

ON BEING THANKFUL (CONT.)

To Kim and Amanda: It makes me nervous thinking what things would look like if we didn't have you! You two are truly the glue that keeps things together and I personally really appreciate your positive attitudes and approachability. Thank you so much!

To Sheila, Donna, Ebony, Metalcha, Sarah, Alyssa, Katie at the UAMS Derm Clinic: I can't overstate how thankful I am for our PA's, nurses, MA's, specialty pharmacist, schedulers at the U clinic who are all incredibly kind (and very good at their jobs!). Not only do you make my life much easier, I'm also very proud to work with a team that cares about patients so much. You have taught me so much about professionalism and compassion!

To Brenda, Tangie, Lori, and Kim at the Mohs Clinic: Based on the amount of dessert I ate during my Mohs rotation, I learned that the Mohs crew was working on fattening me up! I very much appreciated and adopted your unofficial mantra of "take your work seriously, but not always yourself" which I think makes for an enjoyable work atmosphere and good patient experience. Thank you for your patience in coaching me up!

To others who I am thankful for: Diane at Arkansas Children's and the rest of the gang including Marc, Dr. Valdes, Dr. Campbell, Dr. Gibson, our upcoming residents Josh, Austin, and Hera, our medical students, the entire staff at the VA including Dr. Mohr, Dr. Wirges, Dr. Cates, Dr. Martin, Dr. Battle, Dr. Guthrie, Georgia, the VA nursing staff, and anyone else who I may not have mentioned: Thank you!!

To Caroline, Naomi, Shiloh, the grandparents, and other family: Last but certainly not least, I am so, so thankful to my family. Caroline, you have completely changed my life and I count my lucky stars that I chanced into meeting you. I love you so much and I can't imagine navigating this life without you. Thank you for being you! I am grateful that our children are happy, fat, and healthy and it completely makes my day getting to come home to them! I'm tremendously thankful to our support system including our parents, a special shout out to my dad Kevin for also volunteering time to support UAMS Dermatology and for contributing to the conversation in Journal Club and Grand Rounds!



EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

Our residents and staff wrote to us about the things they are grateful for:

“I’m grateful for my new son, amazing wife, and my new job close to family.”

—Dr. Stephen Matlock, PGY-4 Dermatology Resident



Dr. Stephen Matlock & Orion Maverick Matlock



“I’m grateful for the peace and beauty of the woods near my home, and for the simple, everyday moments that I share with friends and family.”

—Amanda Blagg, Executive Assistant

“The Road Home,” Amanda Blagg

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FACULTY



**Thomas Jennings,
M.D., Ph.D.
Assistant Professor**

Congratulations to Dr. Thomas Jennings on becoming one of the first Mohs surgeons in the state of Arkansas to be board-certified in Micrographic Dermatologic Surgery (MDS) by the ABMS. Dr. Jennings completed a fellowship in procedural dermatology and Mohs micrographic surgery at the University of Alabama at Birmingham Medical Center before joining the UAMS Department of Dermatology in 2015. He currently serves as Residency Program Director and Director of Dermatologic Surgery at the UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute.

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**Vivian Shi, M.D.
Associate Professor**

Dr. Vivian Shi coauthored a textbook scheduled to be released in January of 2022: *A Comprehensive Guide to Hidradenitis Suppurativa*. Proceeds from the book will go to the Hidradenitis Suppurativa (HS) Foundation. Preorder Dr. Shi's book [HERE](#).

Dr. Shi serves as Director of the UAMS Hidradenitis Suppurativa Clinic, the only clinic in Arkansas recognized by the HS Foundation, and Director of Clinical Trials. Her research and clinical interests include complex inflammatory skin conditions (such as atopic dermatitis, hidradenitis suppurativa, and psoriasis), skin barrier repair, transepidermal drug delivery, and integrative dermatology.

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM UAMS DERMATOLOGY!!!

