

The Harkins Corner: Your Department of Surgery Faculty & Alumni Organization



Dr. Giana Davidson

Dear Harkins Members, Fall 2016 was an exciting time for the **Henry Harkins Surgical Society!** The festivities began with the Annual Meeting and Dinner on October 14th at the UW Club, where we inducted the current chief residents into the Society and celebrated their accomplishments and final countdown as our trainees. Please join me in welcoming the graduating class of 2017:



Department residents and faculty at the Department of Surgery & Henry Harkins Surgical Society Reception during the 2016 American College of Surgeons annual meeting.



Left to right: Drs. Jason Hurd, Gabriel Wallace, April Rodriguez, Robert Higgins (67th Alfred A. Strauss Lecturer), Meghan Flanagan, Jonathan Sham, Vlad Simianu and Douglas Wood.

GENERAL SURGERY

Meghan Flanagan, Jason Hurd, Andrew Mesher, Vlad Simianu, Bijiibaa' Garrison, Victoria Lao, Jonathan Sham, and Gabriel Wallace

PLASTIC SURGERY

Mitchell Pet, Brinkley Sandvall, and Laura Tom

VASCULAR SURGERY

April Rodriguez



Each year the Henry Harkins Surgical Society recognizes the professional achievements and humanitarian services of our members by honoring one outstanding individual with the Distinguished Alumnus Award. The recipient is voted upon by all alumni, faculty, staff, residents and fellows, with special attend paid to personal contributions that have improved the welfare of the general public, enhanced the surgical profession, or brought

distinction to the department. We are proud to announce that Dr. **Eileen Bulger** is the 2016 Distinguished Alumnus! A special award was presented to Dr. Bulger (pictured bottom left with Department Chair Dr. Douglas Wood) at the Department of Surgery & Henry Harkins Surgical Society Cocktail Reception on Monday, October 17th at the American College of Surgeons. Personally, I have looked up to Dr. Bulger from the moment I was first in her operating room as a medical student, and like many of you, have continued to be inspired and mentored by her as a researcher, surgeon, and as a national leader in surgical and trauma care.

It has been my pleasure to serve as President of the Henry Harkins Surgical Society these past two years, but it is time to pass the baton to Dr. **Greta Bernier** (pictured right). The focus of the Harkins Society has been on building the community of UW Surgical alumni, faculty, and residents for both financial support and mentorship. Dr. Bernier was the Harkins Society Award recipient as a medical student—an honor given to the graduating medical student showing the most promise for success as an academic surgeon. Dr. Bernier went on to complete her general surgical training at UW, and just finished her fellowship in colorectal surgery at the University of South Florida in Tampa. We were fortunate to recruit her as faculty at UWMC this past year! Please join me in welcoming Dr. Bernier back to Seattle and congratulate her on leading our alumni organization for the next two years.



Sincerely,

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