Advocates for Rural Medicine

Small Town Doctors Take On Big-Time Roles

By: Priscilla Santos

It’s hard for someone from Quincy, Fla. to think of Alma B. Littles without thinking of Cyneetha Strong. Seeing one without the other is even unusual.

They eat out, and attend church and Gator football games together. They share families and take trips to visit “The Oprah Winfrey Show” together. But what they are best known for in the community isn’t by what they do together but by what they’ve done for health care in this small rural town in the Florida panhandle.

Graduates from the UF College of Medicine, Alma B. Littles, MD86, and Cyneetha Strong, MD91, each practiced for more than seven years in Gadsden County as family doctors. They are best friends and colleagues who share the same ambition — they want to influence and increase medical family practices in rural communities.

There’s a lack of physicians choosing to practice in small towns, especially in Quincy, says Littles, who is currently the senior associate dean for academic affairs and professor of family medicine and rural health at the College of Medicine at Florida State University.

“We want to motivate students to pursue medicine and train them to work in towns like Quincy,” she says. “We sure do need it.”

The two physicians were born and raised in Quincy — a town of less than 7,000 people — and they not only saw the need for more family practice doctors but experienced that need. As children, they each endured a common impetigo skin infection that could have been treated with an antibiotic. Because a trip to a doctor was too much of a hardship in the small town, most children went untreated. Once Littles entered medical school and learned that the infection is easily cured, she decided to return to her home town and make such treatments available.

Although Littles dreamed of becoming a doctor since she was in the second grade, Strong’s appeal to medicine came from the old television show “Medical Center,” which she watched growing up, she says. But the appeal was never enough to get her interested in medical school.

“I had a different career plan every week, and they all required four-year degrees,” says Strong, with a laugh. “Then there was also the gross factor that scared me away from medicine. I didn’t think I had the stomach for it — obviously that changed.”

Although no longer practicing in Quincy, Littles and Strong are thankful they were able to make a difference and provide medical care to a group of people who might not have received it without them, says Littles.

More recently, each have expanded their impact on rural health care through their current roles. As a dean and professor at FSU, Littles inspires future doctors to practice in areas where people are most in need of medicine. Strong now practices just 30 miles from Quincy in Tallahassee and is the president of Florida Academy of Family Physicians, where she will push for legislation to improve family health care in the state.

“My hope would be that one day Gadsden County would no longer be an area of the state that is cited as an example of extreme healthcare disparities and poor access to care,” Strong says. “To see that happen during my professional career and to think that I played a small role in making that happen…now that would be rewarding.”

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Healthy Voting

Not sure who to vote for in the upcoming election? A pro-research umbrella coalition, Research! America created a way to help you figure out how the candidates stand on medical research issues without offering partisan advice. Called "Your Candidates. Your Health," the initiative, supported in part by the Association of American Medical Colleges, provides information based on surveys of 1,600 local, state and national current and prospective lawmakers about their opinions on research issues.

"At a time when federal resources are increasingly constrained, it's essential that the public knows where candidates running for elective office stand in terms of their support of medical research," said AAMC president Darrell G. Kirch, MD. To access survey results, visit www.yourcandidateyoursearch.org and enter your ZIP code or a candidate’s name. If your candidate hasn’t responded to the survey, a letter is provided making it very easy for you to send him or her a friendly nudge.

Alum Having an Impact at USF

Congratulations to Joe Lezama, MD’97, on his recent nomination for the AAMC’s Humanism in Medicine Award. Lezama, associate professor of internal medicine at the University of South Florida, is one of 43 physicians in the country recognized for caring and compassionate teaching qualities. Lezama also serves as chief of medicine at the James Haley V.A. Medical Center in Tampa.

“We are always pleased when our alumni are successful and receive recognition for their achievements,” said Bruce Kone, MD’83, USF’s medical dean. “But we take exceptional pride when graduates from our college move on to become great teachers and role models.”

Son of Former Psychiatry Professor Receives Nobel Prize

UF psychiatry students in the 1960s and 70s may remember Dr. Meyer Maskin and his wife, Bernice. Their son Eric S. Maskin was awarded the Nobel prize in economics in October. Meyer Maskin was a faculty member in the department of psychiatry from 1968 until his retirement in 1978. He continued to work full-time at the VA Medical Center and was named professor emeritus in 1980. He was named a fellow of the American College of Physicians in 2001. He was also an associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Florida from 1978 to 1993.

Meyer Maskin was renowned for his work in psychopharmacology and was one of the first American physicians to use chlorpromazine for the treatment of psychiatric disorders.

The thought of a career in medicine started when Yehia was a child. However, she didn’t realize the importance and seriousness of her choice until her freshman year of high school when her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer.

"Watching my mom go through chemotherapy really increased my desire to help people who are going through the same thing," Yehia says.

The more time she spends at UF, the more she knows she’s following her dream. Becoming a doctor is her life calling, she says.

Her college life portrays a perfect balance between the science of medicine and the art of medicine. She is currently the national chair of the Medical Student Section of the American Medical Association, advocating for fellow medical students, physicians, and patients on many levels. She is a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, Gold-Chapman Humanism Honor Society, and Phi Beta Kappa Society. She has won numerous awards, including the College of Medicine Alumni Scholarship for Academic Excellence and is a member of the University of Florida Hall of Fame.

"I have no idea how she has accomplished so much in her young life," Watson says.

Alumni Class of 1970

Dr. Robert Cade, Gator of Gatorade, Passes Away

Dr. Robert Cade, internationally known for leading a College of Medicine team that invented Gatorade, died Nov. 27 at age 80. Dr. Cade, a professor of medicine and physiology, joined the University of Florida in 1961 and conducted research in kidney and liver disease, hypertension, lupus and diabetes. Jim Free, MD’60, who worked under Dr. Cade in the creation of Gatorade, said Dr. Cade was first and foremost a kind man who made it his mission to spread knowledge.

"His contributions were so multiple that it’s just hard to cover them," Free said. "His main contribution is that he was a very nice, decent, generous person, and that he was dedicated to education...he spent his whole career there (at UF) teaching and doing research. The things he accomplished have been amazing."

Dr. Cade was the recipient of many honors bestowed by the university. He was inducted into the college's athletes' hall of fame recently, and in November a plaque was erected on campus proclaiming UF as the "birthplace of Gatorade." See the upcoming spring Florida Physician for further coverage of Dr. Cade’s career. In Memoriam

Francisco A. (Frank) Herrero, MD’60, passed away peacefully Aug. 19, at Halifax Medical Center, where he was a member of the medical staff for 36 years. Dr. Herrero and his twin brother, Bruni, were born July 11, 1934, in the sugar mill town of La Romana in the Dominican Republic. The family immigrated to the United States shortly thereafter living in New York City and later in Miami, where Frank attended the University of Miami on a music scholarship. He played the violin while his brother played the piano. Frank and Bruni went on to become members of the first class admitted to the University of Florida College of Medicine. The Herrero brothers were known as outgoing, gregarious students who were well-liked by their classmates. After graduating in 1960, Frank trained in surgery and in plastic surgery in programs at Emory University, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (where he was chief resident) and the University of Florida (where he was an assistant professor of plastic surgery). When he moved to Dayton in 1970 to establish his medical practice, he was the first plastic surgeon in the area. He was board certified in general and plastic surgery, a fellow of American College of Surgeons and a member of Vohsia County Medical Society. Florida Medical Association, Florida Society of Plastic Surgery, Southeastern Society of Plastic Surgery and AOA Medical Honor Society. From 1984 until 2006, Frank was director of medical affairs at Halifax Medical Center. He was loved by friends and colleagues for his warm personality and sense of humor. He was also respected by his peers for his commitment to quality and professionalism. Frank loved to restore antique cars and to listen to his favorite music, like Bob Dylan and Doc Watson. Survivors include his wife, Victoria; their daughter, Hannah; his daughter, Heather Kountantzi, Grand Island; his sons, Reed Herrero, South Orange, N.J.; Renny Herrero, Ormond Beach, and Matt Hartwell-Herrero, Fairfax, Calif.; five grandchildren, mother, Eunice Herrero; and brothers, Louis and Luis Herrero. Frank was preceded in death by his brother, Bruni, who died Feb. 28, 2002.

Ward D. Noyes, MD, a professor emeritus in the department of medicine, died May 9, 2007. Dr. Noyes received his medical degree from the University of Rochester in 1953 and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He joined the College of Medicine in 1961 and served as the chief of the division of hematology/oncology from 1970 to 1994. Dr. Noyes was a nationally recognized hematologist and medical researcher. He was committed to community service and volunteered at the ACORN Public Health Clinic from its inception until his retirement in 1999. He is survived by his beloved wife Nancy Adair Noyes, along with three daughters, Patti Gamblin (David), Kate Kerins (Tom) and Layne Cheek (Ken) and three sons, David Noyes (Sabrina), Jeff Noyes (Lisa) and John Talmage (Melissa) and thirteen grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter Elizabeth Talmage.
We gratefully acknowledge the 2,796 donors to the University of Florida College of Medicine by presenting their names on the following pages.

The 2006-07 College of Medicine Honor Roll of Donors includes the names of all donors between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2007, as well as members of the George Harrell Club, the College of Medicine’s prestigious donor organization. Your name or organization’s name should appear in alphabetical order based on your affiliation with the college. Names printed in orange are members of the George Harrell Club.

Thanks to our alumni, friends, corporate and organization donors, the University of Florida College of Medicine had a successful fiscal year 2006-2007 in private gift support for research, education and patient care. In this issue of the Dr. Gator, we gratefully acknowledge our 2,796 donors by presenting their names on the following pages. Their gifts of $19,153,891 are greatly appreciated and extremely important to us as we embark on the University of Florida’s $1.5 billion capital campaign, Florida Tomorrow, slated for completion in fall 2012.

As you review the pages of this Honor Roll, you will find listed the names of individuals, foundations and corporations who know that their support — through the capital campaign, the annual fund, George Harrell Club, faculty campaign and medical alumni class representative program — is essential to perpetuating our education, research and patient care mission that ultimately provides better health care to the citizens of Florida and the Southeastern United States.

To be successful in our three-pronged mission depends on viable relationships established among our faculty, students, researchers, patients, alumni, friends and corporate leaders. Together these people share a common vision for our college: to help the UF College of Medicine strive to be the benchmark of academic and research excellence in medical education.

Each of us who works at the UF College of Medicine knows how fortunate we are to be the beneficiaries of the many gifts represented on these pages. We hope that the legacy of learning, research and quality patient care that has long been the goal of the college will stand as a fitting tribute to the generosity of our donors, to whom we express our thanks and gratitude.

Sincerely,
Bruce C. Kone, MD83
Dean
University of Florida College of Medicine

The George Harrell Club is the prestigious donor organization founded in 1988 to recognize those individuals who generously provide gift income to the University of Florida College of Medicine.

The Club’s name honors the College’s founding dean, a physician and educator, who was invited to come to Florida in the late 1950s to help build a college of medicine that would be renowned for its quality of education while supplying the state with knowledgeable, compassionate and skilled physicians. Dr. Harrell died in 1999, but he will be remembered as a visionary who believed in the importance of patient-centered physician training, and his leadership greatly influenced the core of the College’s education programs.

To date, George Harrell Club donors have contributed more than $2.5 million in financial aid and special endowment funds to further the educational mission of the College.

Alumni, friends, faculty and staff may join The George Harrell Club with an annual gift of $1,000 or more for three funds that support student scholarships, programming for alumni, students and housestaff, and the Harrell Center. Those funds are the College of Medicine Alumni Fund, the Hill Endowment Fund and the Harrell Fund. Membership in the Harrell Club is renewed annually.

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On Sept. 28 the University of Florida formally kicked off the public phase of its $1.5 billion capital campaign, Florida Tomorrow, and the College of Medicine was wasted no time in getting the word out about its plan to raise $315 million.

The day included more than 50 campus-wide events and symposia to showcase strengths as well as plans for the future, including a one-hour presentation at the College of Medicine Medical Science Building auditorium by top college officials.

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A 10-Year-Old Girl’s Wish Results in Millions Toward Cancer Research

By PreScula Santos

Morning after morning, with the rising sun, she would jump on her parents’ bed with a piece of paper and pen and hand at what ask the plan of the day. She was doing something different, something meaningful everyday. She lived life abundantly despite her tragic circumstance.

After receiving devastating news of having cancer, any normal child might be sad, depressed and worried—but for Bonnie Freeman, it was the complete opposite. She lived her short life doing what she loved most—dancing, playing the trumpet, playing tennis and helping people. Her shining example endured away from the wall.

The 10-year-old girl made a difference during her short life. Before passing away in 1993, Bonnie and her family, including father, Howard Freeman, mother, Laurel Freeman, and sister, Caroline, founded STOP! Children’s Cancer, Inc., a local nonprofit organization committed to the prevention, control and cure of cancer in children.

“Bonnie always told me ‘Let’s do something to help kids not go through what she’s going through’, and that’s how STOP! Children’s Cancer got started,” Freeman said.

Her final wish was one of love and compassion. She wanted STOP! Children’s Cancer to raise more than $1 million for children with cancer.

Bonnie’s wish came true on June 26, 2006, when STOP! Children’s Cancer announced during its 25th anniversary fundraising gala a donation of $1 million to the University of Florida to establish the STOP! Children’s Cancer Research Fund. Bonnie R. Freeman Foundation provided professional pediatrics research in the College of Medicine. That gift is eligible for a state match from the State of Florida Trust Fund, increasing it to $1.75 million by the end of the year.

“We have all taken her wish and made it into a reality,” Freeman said. “It was the most memorable moment when we were able to present the check.”

In its 25 years of fundraising, STOP! Children’s Cancer has raised more than $1.3 million toward pediatric cancer research projects, research equipment and scholarships in the department of pediatric hematology and oncology in UF’s College of Medicine.

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Member of UF’s Third Medical Class Restablishes Connection to His Alma Mater

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"They took a chance on me and I appreciated that," said Anacleterio, who last year donated $100,000 from his IRA savings to the department of ophthalmology.

"My medical education was a fantastic opportunity that allowed me to be very successful," he said. "I'm glad I have a savings to the department of ophthalmology.

It wasn't until he met current UF ophthalmology chairman, William Dribe, at a meeting last year of the American Ophthalmology Academy that he restablished old ties. Anacleterio said.

"I met Bill Dribe and (Dr.) Mel Rubini (professor and chairman emeritus of ophthalmology) and I was impressed with both of them," Anacleterio said. "Eventually I spoke to them about making a gift to the department.

Dribe explained that the $100,000 endowed fund is expected to by matched with an additional $50,000 and will support educational activities within the department.

"This will greatly enhance our educational programs for the training of residents and fellows as well as provide support for visiting professors and educational seminars," Dribe explained. "It will be a tremendous asset to our training mission.

Anacleterio, who with his wife Alberta recently made Sarasota their permanent home, said he decided to make his gift unrestricted to allow the department chair to determine its best use.

"I would like to see the department keep up with the rapid advances taking place in medicine and ophthalmology," Anacleterio said. "It is important to educate young residents and prepare them for what is new in the field."
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The '60s Generation

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Family: Married to Carol. Four children: Christopher, Jason, Peter and Ross.

Class of 1967

Specialty: Pediatrics for practices in 28 states in Florida

Current hometown: Port St. Joe, Fla

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One of life’s pleasures: Waking up daily with no alarm clock

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There are about 1,500 different types of fly-fishing lines, and Dr. James C. Penrod can help you find exactly which one you need. After retiring from his pediatrics practice in Tallahassee and several medical mission trips, he went from healing children to spending his days along Florida’s Gulf coast fly fishing with a 9-foot rod at hand.

Penrod, a 1967 graduate from UF’s College of Medicine, now lives in Port St. Joe where he enjoys practicing his fly casting as well as cooking, cycling and racing.

He mostly cooks Asian, Italian and Spanish dishes and occasionally dabbles in French and Hungarian foods. He and his wife recently started a neighborhood gourmet group. Almost all the cooking in his home is his responsibility, though, Penrod said.

“My wife really likes for me to make Chinese egg rolls, won tons and crab Rangoon,” he said.

As a member of the College of Medicine’s Alumni Association, he teaches on average one group class a month and offers occasional private lessons.

“I take great pleasure in helping people learn to fly cast and in their delight at being able to control the fly line,” Penrod says. “Getting paid for teaching fly fishing is an added extra.”

James Penrod, MD,67, a retired Tallahassee pediatrician, was chosen by his peers to be listed in "A Guide to America's Top Pediatricians."
As the College of Medicine class of 2011 walked into their first day of orientation, feelings of anticipation and nervousness filled the air. They were quickly greeted with words of advice from one faculty member.

“How do you go to medical school and keep your underwear clean?” asked Larry Rooks, MD, associate professor of community health and family medicine and director of the AHEPC Program, as he introduced his PowerPoint presentation for new students during their first week of classes.

The College of Medicine proudly welcomed 134 students, out of over 3,000 applicants, as the new incoming class on August 14 during orientation. The class includes 66 females and 74 males from across the United States.

This year’s class is diverse, well-balanced, and students have accomplishments that go above and beyond good grades, said Robert Watson, MD69, senior associate dean for educational affairs.

“We not only look for students who are smart but students who are good people,” he said.

Although attending medical school does have the reputation of driving any normal person insane, the classes, exams and rotations are not going to be the only stressors they’ll have.

“You’re interpersonal relationships are what will drive you crazy, especially the boyfriends who are psychotic and girlfriends who are crazy,” said Rooks.

Another hard part is figuring out how to make adjustments.

First-year College of Medicine students prepare for their second set of exams in late October. From left are Aaron Ratnok, Danny Babuian and Raj Lougani.

“Students have to learn that when they have a test on Monday, and it’s their mom’s birthday on the weekend, they can’t drive home,” said Dr. Watson. “A phone call will just have to do.”

As first-year medical students are exposed to their first set of classes, the expectations for themselves are high — sometimes too high.

“You will feel guilty when you make a B on an exam,” said Rooks, “but when that happens, you should tell yourselves ‘terrific’ and smile because receiving a B in med school is a very good thing.”

Each year of medical school will have different feel to it, Rooks explained.

“The first year you’ll realize that getting your undergraduate (degree) was a piece of cake compared to medical school, and during the second year, students tend to get what is comically known as ‘the sophomore disease.’

“You’ll take a class where you will learn about the different diseases, and while talking about the symptoms, you’ll think you have that disease,” said Rooks, with a laugh to the classroom filled with anxious students.

Another word of advice Rooks gave students: adopt an alien.

The issue of aliens is a big one at medical school, he said. The aliens come to UF from the planet “know-it-all.” They are the students who know every answer to the test without studying. To which Rooks suggested, instead of hating them, adopt one into your study group.

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Jacksonville Proves to be a Hot Bed for Clinical Trails

Many years ago, the only advice Moheen H. Rathore, MD, could give a mother whose newborn infant was HIV positive was to make the best of the couple of years her baby had left. The infant more than likely would not live to see his 10th birthday.

Ten years later, Rathore, founder of the University of Florida Rainbow Center for Women, Adolescents, Children and Families, part of the UF College of Medicine-Jacksonville, received a phone call he’ll never forget.

“The mother who I had given that advice to called me and said, ‘I just wanted to let you know my son’s tenth birthday today,’” he said. “He had been involved in so many studies and clinical trials, and it helped.”

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