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Friday, March 16, 2018
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Donald S. Burke, Dean

DINNER

REUNION
CELEBRANT RECOGNITION

PRESENTATION OF
2018 DELTA OMEGA INITIATES
Todd Bear (BCHS ’07, ’13), faculty
Jeanine Buchanich (EPI ’98, ’07), faculty
Didier Chalhoub (MMPH ’12, EPI ’15)
Elizabeth Felter (BCHS ’09), faculty

PRESENTATION OF
ALUMNI AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS
For Teaching and Dissemination: Frederick Murphy (BCHS ’77)
For Practice: Ruth Modzelewski (HUGEN ’96)
For Research: Jill Norris (EPI ’88, ’90)

THE MARGARET F. GLONINGER SERVICE AWARD
Bernadine Peter (EPI ’88)

EARLY CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD
Christina Farmartino (IDM ’13)
Michael Talkowski (HUGEN ’08)
ABOUT THE AWARDS

Recipients are alumni who have made significant contributions to the field of public health, to the school, or to both. Nominations are accepted annually for five alumni award categories. Nominations are vetted by a committee composed of faculty, student, and alumni leaders in collaboration with past alumni award honorees. Individuals are recognized with an award in one of the following categories:

THE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD FOR...
- TEACHING AND DISSEMINATION is presented annually to an alumnus/na who has made a significant contribution to education and dissemination, either in the classroom or in the field.
- PRACTICE is presented annually to an alumnus/na who has made a significant contribution to public health practice.
- RESEARCH is presented annually to an alumnus/na who has made a significant contribution to research.

THE MARGARET F. GLONINGER SERVICE AWARD is presented annually to an alumnus/na who has made a significant contribution to the school or community through volunteer service. This award was established in honor of the late Margaret Fitzgerald Gloninger (MSHyg ’66), a Pitt Public Health graduate and former faculty member in maternal and child health.

THE EARLY CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD is presented to an alumnus/na who has made significant achievements early in his or her career.

DELTA OMEGA
The Omicron chapter of the Delta Omega Honorary Society at Pitt Public Health recognizes merit and encourages further excellence in, and devotion to, public health work. Delta Omega members are found in key leadership and essential fieldwork positions throughout the public health community and include current and past U.S. surgeon generals, a former president of the American Public Health Association, deans of schools of public health, researchers, and policymakers. Our alumni inductees’ work in the practice of public health serves as inspiration for future graduates of Pitt Public Health.

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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

FOR TEACHING AND DISSEMINATION: FREDERICK MURPHY

Frederick Murphy is executive director of Atlanta, Ga.-based Lifelong Health Inc., a nonprofit serving inner-city communities around public health and social justice issues. He served for more than 28 years as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS), active and inactive, and adjunct faculty member in the Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine. A Pittsburgh native, he attended Oakwood University in Huntsville, Ala., where he completed his undergraduate studies. Murphy is focused on the development and evaluation of complex community-based public health programs related to health disparities among low-income populations.

Murphy has served in administrative positions with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), in faculty appointments at both Morehouse and Georgia State University, and in consulting positions with the CDC; City of Oakland, Calif.; National Education Association; Kaiser Family Foundation; and W.K. Kellogg Foundation. He has received numerous honors, including a Superior Performance Award from the USPHS/CDC and Outstanding Service awards from HRSA and the City of Oakland. He has led several community-oriented initiatives that have involved philanthropy, mayoral, and community-based organizations. He has developed curricula for graduate public health programs and agencies and has published more than a dozen articles in peer-reviewed journals. The textbook Community Engagement, Organization, and Development for Public Health Practice (2012), for which he served as editor, is his most recent work.

Murphy earned his MSHyg in 1977 from Pitt Public Health.
FOR PRACTICE: RUTH MODZELEWSKI

A two-time breast cancer survivor, Ruth Modzelewski has served as mission coordinator for Susan G. Komen Pittsburgh since 2009, when she went from researching cancer at the University of Pittsburgh to practicing and promoting cancer prevention and treatment throughout Western Pennsylvania. In her role, she is responsible for grants, education, and advocacy programs and oversees the Komen Pittsburgh community-based health grants program, which annually gives close to $1 million back to the community. She regularly travels throughout the 34-county region that makes up the Komen Pittsburgh service area to coordinate education programs and give presentations, in addition to volunteering as a consumer advocate on clinical research grant applications for innovative approaches to cancer detection and treatment.

Modzelewski advocates for the breast health needs of the women in her service area, across the state, and in Washington, D.C. She participates in the Pennsylvania Cancer Control, Prevention, and Research Advisory Board (CAB) meetings in Harrisburg and cochairs the Breast Cancer Workgroup for the CAB Stakeholder Leadership Team, which contributes to the development and implementation of the five-year Pennsylvania Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan. Her partnership with Pitt Public Health on a Komen Pittsburgh community profile led to a grant in 2012 that enabled the formation of the Allegheny County Breast Collaborative (ACBC), which is made up of about 35 breast health stakeholders who seek to identify and reduce breast health disparities in the region through collaboration. To date, members have completed a comprehensive resource assessment and concept mapping research project—exploring perceived local barriers and facilitators of breast cancer screening—and are working on action-oriented next steps. Modzelewski previously spent two decades as research assistant professor at the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute and School of Medicine.

Modzelewski earned her PhD in human genetics in 1996 from Pitt Public Health.

FOR RESEARCH: JILL NORRIS

Jill Norris is professor and chair of the Department of Epidemiology in the Colorado School of Public Health at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus. Her research focuses on the relationship of environment in the development of autoimmune diseases, including type 1 diabetes (T1D), celiac disease, rheumatoid arthritis, and lupus in genetically susceptible individuals. She and her colleagues are following more than 2,400 children at risk for T1D in the Colorado-based Diabetes Autoimmunity Study in the Young, more than 8,000 children at-risk for T1D in the international multicenter study The Environmental Determinants of Diabetes in the Young, and more than 2,700 adults at risk for rheumatoid arthritis in the multicenter studies of the Etiologies of Rheumatoid Arthritis. Her work is focused on the role of maternal, infant, childhood, and adult dietary factors and the etiology of disease, using metabolomics and epigenomic approaches in large, at-risk populations. These studies may shed light on the longstanding issue of the relationship between genes and environment in the development of autoimmune diseases.

In 2008, Norris’ scientific paper on omega-3 fatty acids and T1D autoimmunity was selected as one of the top 25 papers of the year by the National Institutes of Health Annual Bibliography of Significant Advances in Dietary Supplements Research. Prior to her appointment in the Colorado School of Public Health, which was founded in 2008, Norris rose through the academic ranks in the Section of Epidemiology and Community Health in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biometrics at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. She received the Colorado School of Public Health Outstanding Faculty Mentoring Award in 2009 and the University of Colorado Chancellor’s Teaching Recognition Award in 2010. Norris also served as a member of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Expert Panel to Examine the Role of the Environment in the Development of Autoimmune Disease.

Norris earned her MPH and PhD in epidemiology in 1988 and 1990, respectively, at Pitt Public Health.
THE MARGARET F. GLONINGER SERVICE AWARD

BERNADINE PETER

Bernadine Peter is the embodiment of the Margaret Gloninger Service Award, in fact, Gloninger was her professor at Pitt Public Health, and Peter credits Gloninger with inspiring her to work in the field.

Peter is population health coordinator and registered dietician at Val Verde Regional Medical Center in Del Rio, Texas. She previously served at Franklin Primary Health Center Inc. in Mobile, Ala., where she educated patients with diabetes, heart disease, and high blood pressure, in addition to securing nutrition and wellness grants for the underserved. For more than 15 years, Peter served as the administrator and team leader of her husband’s pediatric practice in Crestview, Fla., where they provided care for thousands of uninsured and underserved children. Partnering with another local physician, Peter helped to organize the community’s annual Asthma and Allergy Fair, which helped to bring attention and resources to children with these conditions.

The Peters organize and lead annual medical mission trips to Belize, where they have provided a wide array of medical and dental services to people in need. While in Belize, Peter and her fellow volunteers identified several individuals with serious medical conditions and arranged to have them treated at American health care facilities. In addition to recruiting medical and dental professionals to join them in the effort, Peter has organized several fundraisers, the largest of which is an international food festival held each year at a local elementary school. Over the years, the event has raised tens of thousands of dollars to purchase medical supplies and other desperately needed items. From 2000 to 2008, Peter oversaw a free medical clinic at her church that provided care to migrant workers in the Northwest Florida area. For many, the care provided at the clinic was the only medical treatment they had received in years.

Peter earned an MPH in epidemiology in 1988 from Pitt Public Health.

THE EARLY CAREER EXCELLENCE AWARD

CHRISTINA FARMARTINO

In 2012, a year before completing her MPH, Christina Farmartino was hired as executive director of The Open Door, which provides supportive housing and representative payee services to individuals living with HIV/AIDS—including active injection drug users (IDUs)—to improve their health and housing stability. Among other duties, Farmartino fosters strategic partnerships with national and local organizations related to HIV and homelessness; has assisted with replicating The Open Door’s model in two other cities; and has raised more than $250,000 over three years in additional, diversified funding, increasing the organization’s staffing, services, and administrative capacity. The housing assistance, structured environment, and support of The Open Door enables active IDUs to comply with medication protocols and clinic visits. As a result, residents show virtually no viral burden, thereby improving their own health and lessening the likelihood of infecting others.

Farmartino previously served as interim executive director and now board member of Prevention Point Pittsburgh, which provides health empowerment services, including needle exchange, to IDUs to prevent overdose and transmission of blood borne illnesses like HIV and Hepatitis C. In this role, she was responsible, among other things, for managing the organization’s core functions; expanding mobile needle exchange sites; and building relationships with national and local stakeholders and funders related to needle exchange, overdose prevention, and criminal justice. For more than two decades, Prevention Point Pittsburgh, working with the Pennsylvania and Allegheny County Departments of Health and Jewish Healthcare Foundation, has had a major impact on the limited spread of HIV in the local community.

Farmartino earned an MPH in infectious diseases and microbiology in 2013 at Pitt Public Health.
MICHAEL TALKOWSKI

Michael Talkowski is associate professor of neurology (genetics) at Harvard Medical School and the Center for Genomic Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital and an associate member of the Broad Institute of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard where he directs the Broad Structural Variation and Assembly Group. His research has led to paradigm-shifting discoveries that have already left an enduring mark on the field of genetics and genomics. His discovery of the widespread genomic complexity associated with cytogenetic abnormalities, and his characterization of the phenomenon of balanced chromothripsis (i.e., localized chromosome shattering and reorganization) in the constitutional genome has led to entirely new and fundamental classes of genomic variation. He followed this work with the first-ever application of whole-genome sequencing for prenatal diagnosis in which he obtained a sequence-based diagnosis of CHARGE syndrome in a developing fetus that could not have been determined by methods such as ultrasound or conventional genetic techniques. The diagnosis of CHARGE syndrome was confirmed at birth, demonstrating the clinical utility of high-throughput sequencing technologies for prenatal testing. The importance of Talkowski’s pioneering work is reflected in the current curriculum at Pitt Public Health, where students are being prepared for a near future when prenatal whole-genome sequencing will be a routine component of clinical practice.

Talkowski has made equally important discoveries in the area of autism genetics, including the discovery of many autism-related genes based on small structural variations in the genome. Moreover, he was an early leader in developing methods to characterize the efficiency and off-target effects of genome editing technology, such as the CRISPR/Cas9 system, and has developed computational and bioinformatics tools for genomic analysis. His research has been published in The New England Journal of Medicine, Cell, Nature, Nature Genetics, Nature Neuroscience, Cell Stem Cell, and The American Journal of Human Genetics. In addition to his research achievements, Talkowski has shown a passion for the career development of his trainees, having mentored 25 postdoctoral fellows and doctoral students, many recognized for their research excellence.

Talkowski earned his PhD in human genetics in 2008 from Pitt Public Health.
THE DELTA OMEGA INITIATES

TODD BEAR

Todd Bear joined the Pitt Public Health faculty as an assistant professor immediately upon earning his PhD in 2013. His primary research interest is the study of adversity, including child maltreatment and exposure to violence, and its effects on health over the lifespan. He utilizes a life-course perspective to study the behavioral and psychosocial pathways by which childhood adversity affects adolescent and adult health. Bear’s secondary research interests include the study of racial and socioeconomic health equity as it relates to access and health service utilization. He is codirector of the Evaluation Institute for Public Health in the Department of Behavioral and Community Health Sciences (BCHS) and supervises the Office of Health Survey Research. He has developed a highly rated class on survey research in public health, as well as a class in psychometrics for scale development, and he actively supervises student theses and dissertations and represents BCHS on a number of school committees.

Bear has grown the Evaluation Survey Unit well beyond expectation, giving it national prominence. He directs the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Pennsylvania Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System (BRFSS), and for this effort alone his staff completes more than 9,000 telephone interviews annually. Bear has met the exacting standards of BRFSS so effectively that he was recruited to serve on the CDC advisory panel that supervises BRFSS nationally. Bear has applied these skills to two iterations of the Allegheny County Health Survey, a CDC-funded adolescent health survey, and a number of NIH-funded efforts from investigators across the University. He is currently fielding the statewide survey that the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services will use to assess the rollout of Medicaid Managed Long Term Care in the state.

Bear received his MPH and PhD in behavioral and community health sciences in 2007 and 2013, respectively, from Pitt Public Health.

JEANINE BUCHANICH

While completing her MPH and PhD degrees, Jeanine Buchanich worked full time for the Department of Biostatistics at Pitt Public Health from 1996 to 2007, and was appointed research assistant professor and deputy director of the Center for Occupational Biostatistics and Epidemiology in 2008. She began teaching and advising students and serving on departmental and University-level committees in 2009, and has served as principal investigator or coinvestigator on many studies in occupational health epidemiology, vital status systems and tracing, environmental health epidemiology, and dynamic modeling. She also directs the Biostatistics Consulting Laboratory.

Buchanich served as coinvestigator on numerous occupational cohort studies, including large studies of workers exposed to glass wool and those employed in jet engine manufacturing plants. She also worked on projects—related to workers exposed to chloroprene, formaldehyde, acrylamide, copper smelting, and pharmaceutical manufacturing—that have contributed to the body of literature regarding the health and safety of workers. More recently, she has used linked administrative databases and vital statistics data to gain a better understanding of overdose mortality and the opioid epidemic and to describe local, state, and national mortality trends on overdoses. The examination of overdose trends in Pennsylvania garnered significant media interest and prompted a March 2016 board of editors’ op-ed in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, emphasizing the social impact of this work and the need for further understanding of mortality trends in overdose. Buchanich was awarded an internal pilot grant to study overdose mortality at the individual level. Her collaborative opioid epidemic forecasting has been featured in Science, STAT, and The Economist. Buchanich has published 70 peer-reviewed papers, 13 of which are first authored, three coauthored with advisees, and 11 coauthored with students.

Buchanich received her MPH and PhD in epidemiology in 1998 and 2007, respectively, from Pitt Public Health.
DIDIER CHALHOUB

Didier Chalhoub is a postdoctoral research fellow at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Institute on Aging Interdisciplinary Studies Aging Section. His areas of research include aging, osteoporosis, and sarcopenia, concentrating on osteoporosis and body composition with a special interest in understanding the effect of muscle-bone interaction on outcomes such as fractures. Among several honors, he was asked to serve as chief judge for the NIH Fellows Award for Research Excellence competition; he was recently named Elite Reviewer for the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (among only 2 percent judged to be deserving of this recognition); and he was elected to be NIH Liaison at the National Postdoc Association, for which he has served as an active member of the resource development and advocacy subcommittees.

While completing his PhD, Chalhoub earned a Certificate in Global Health, worked as a research associate at the Center for Aging and Population Health, and was a presenter for two consecutive years at the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research conference. He received several awards as a doctorate student, including the 2013 ASBMR Young Investigator and the 2014 Aging Institute best poster. In addition to his academic and community involvement, he served as a part-time commercial translation associate at the sciVelo group, where his responsibilities were to promote a culture of academic commercial translation throughout the University’s schools of the health sciences and execute sciVelo’s commercial translation architecture therein. One of the projects involved a competitive landscape assessment of a novel technology (liquid biopsy) for early diagnosis of Necrotizing enterocolitis, a $5-billion-per-year neonatal condition.

Chalhoub earned his MMPH in 2012 and his PhD in epidemiology in 2015 from Pitt Public Health.

ELIZABETH FELTER

Elizabeth Felter joined the faculty as assistant professor in 2010. She has been a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) since 2001 and leads the department’s health communication/health risk communication curriculum. Her teaching portfolio has expanded to include development of infographics, preparation of public service announcements, and use of video for public health communication. Her classes, which include Overview of Health Communications, Risk Communication, Doctoral Seminar in Health Communications, and Worksite Health Promotion, involve interaction with community organizations and agencies throughout the county. Felter’s research and practice-based work is focused mainly in the area of health education/communications and worksite health promotion. She has worked on a number of research projects, including StairWELL to Better Health and the Garden Market Project at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and assessments of worksite wellness committee function at PPG Industries. She also has provided research support for the Allegheny County Department of Health’s Maternal and Child Health Division and health communications support to many local human service organizations.

Felter is coauthoring a study guide for the CHES exam, slated for publication in 2018, and her scholarly efforts in health communication have appeared in key papers published in the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. She codirects the department’s practicum program, serves as chair of the Professional Preparation and Practice committee for the Pennsylvania branch of Society for Public Health Education, organizes media efforts for the department, is a sought-after advisor, and supervises more than 10 MPH theses per year.

Felter earned her DrPH in behavioral and community health sciences in 2009 at Pitt Public Health.

2018 STUDENT DELTA OMEGA INDUCEES

Pitt Public Health inducts current students into Delta Omega annually. New student initiates will be recognized at the April 28 Celebration of Student Awards.
PREVIOUS ALUMNI Awardees

2017
Annette Fetchko, MPH '84
Mary Ganguli, MPH '81
Laura Gieraltowski, PhD '09
Tammy Haley, MPH '13
Eric Hulsey, DrPH '08
Michael Walsh Jr., MHA '04

2016
Mehran Massoudi, MPH '92, PhD '93
Susan Slaugenhaupt, MS '88, PhD '91
Janice Scully Dorman, MSHyg '81, PhD '83
Michael Blackwood, MPH '80
Rashida R. Dorsey, PhD '06

2015
Yvette Conley, PhD '99
Megan Kavanaugh, DrPH '08
Patricia Maryland, DrPH '82
Nancy Obuchowski, PhD '91
Nancy W. Glynn, PhD '94

2014
Chung-Chou ‘Joyce’ H. Chang, PhD '98
James Clise, MPH '63
Karen Cruickshanks, PhD '87
Susan Ott, MPH '76
Mary Herbert, MPH '05

2013
Coleen Boyle, PhD '81
Anita Caufeld, MHA '84
William Holman, MHA '79
Mary Patricia Nowalk, PhD '93

2012
Edward W. Gregg, PhD '96
James B. Pieffer, MHA '86
Joel Weissfeld, MPH '82
John J. Zanardelli, MPH '79

2010
Madalon O’Rawe Amenta, MPH '68, DrPH '78
Clareann Bunker, PhD '84
Richard Lugg, MPH '66
Patsy Hesen Haslam, MPH '69

2009
Kenneth Miller, MS '70
David Reed, MS '61
Jeanne Zborowsk, PhD '00

2008
Gerald M. Barron, MPH '71
James C. Helmkamp, PhD '83
Paul M. Winkler, MPH '81
Constance S. McCormick, MPH '85
Shirley Moilvnied, MPH '83

2007
Agnes Bouldin, DrPH '88
Anthony Lubiniecki, ScD '72
Dietrich Stephan, PhD '96
Laura Rosato, PhD '90
Charles Vargo, MHA '84

2006
Robert Geddis, MSHyg '73
Marlene Lugg, MPH '66, DrPH '81
Thomas White, MSHyg '72
Diego Chaves-Gnecco, MMPH '00

2005
Joseph Costantino, MPH '74, DrPH '76
Constance Husman, MSHyg '74
Gerald Katz, MSHyg '63
Marc Hiller, MPH '74, DrPH '78
Samuel Kolipillai, MSHyg '76

2004
Allen Brodsky, ScD '66
Jane Cauley, MPH '80, DrPH '83
David Savitz, PhD '82
Marlene Lugg, MPH '66, DrPH '81

2003
Galen E. Cole, MPH '87
James M. Klingensmith, MMPH '77, ScD '87
Patricia W. Potrzebowski, PhD '74
Kimberlee Evert, MPH '88

2002
Judith Badner, MSHyg '85, PhD '88
Glenn Schneider, MPH '91
Gerald C. Colvin, MA '86, DrPH '93
Joan M. Mavrinac, MPH '88

2001
Brian Jacob, MHA '86
Diane Peterson, MPH '74
Beth Elaine Quill, MPH '82

2000
Victor J. Catullo, MPH '98
William T. Godshall, MPH '85
Michael C. Waters, MS '67
Lynn Marie Weber, MPH '97

1999
GSPH 50th Anniversary
50 at 50 Awards given

1998
Marie C. Baker, MSHyg '84
Tood Schryer, MHA '92
Carol Synkewecz, MPH '75
Scott Becker, MPH '80
James Collins, MHA '87

1997
Mark A. Vojtecky, MPH '86
John A. Armstrong, ScDHyg '67
Maurice A. Shapiro
Robert B. Yee, MS '52 [FAS], PhD '57 [FAS]

1996
George Board, DrPH '83
Harold E. Kennah, MS '85
Daniel J. Schaid, MS '81, PhD '86
Joyce E. White, DrPH '93
William F. Gauss, MPH '83

1995
Lucile L. Adams-Campbell, PhD '83
Ronette R. Briefel, MPH '76, DrPH '82
Lawrence W. Keller, MSHyg '71
Michael R. Peterson, DrPH '85
Mary K. Conner, PhD '78
Joanne F. McVay, MPH '75, DrPH '84

1994
Jan R. Jennings, MPH '76
Mohamed Sabet Mahdy, MPH '60, ScDHyg '63
Grace E. Ware, MPH '73
Kenneth L. Garver, PhD '75

1993
Janine Jaggar, MPH '74
Akira Koizumi, MS '66
L. Jon Schurmeier, MSHyg '70
Theresa A. Chalich, MPH '89
Karen S. Peterson, MPH '70

1992
Michael Blackwood, MPH '80
John M. Lachin III, ScDHyg '72
Carol K. Redmond, ScDHyg '66

1991
Joanne Marie Andiorio, DrPH '84
David Gur, ScDHyg '77

1989
Mark H. Barnett, MHP '61
Mary Ann Scialabba, MSHyg '63

1986
Sydney J. Cutler, ScDHyg '61
Mostafa A. El Batawi, MPH '57, ScDHyg '59

1983
Lois G. Michaels, MSHyg '63
ALUMNI AWARDS COMMITTEE

Special thanks to members of the Alumni Awards Committee for their service in selecting this year's honorees.

   Eleanor Feingold, chair, faculty
   Robin Grubs (HUGEN ’91, ’02), faculty
       Martha Terry, faculty
   Annette Fetchko (HSA ’84)
   Laura Gieraltowski (EPI ’09)
   Tammy Haley (MMPH ’13)
   Eric Hulsey (BCHS ’08)
   Susan Slaugenhaupt (HUGEN ’88, ’91)
   Michael Walsh Jr. (HPM ’04)
   Dacia Beard (BCHS ’11)
   Abigail Tan (HPM ’18)

The Alumni Awards Committee, including faculty, former alumni award honorees, and student leaders, selects annual honorees via a competitive nomination and review process.