

First Induction Ceremony
**Gold Humanism
Honor Society**

“A Force for Humanism in Medicine”



University of Tennessee
College of Medicine Chattanooga

April 17, 2009

*UTC University Center
Tennessee Room*

*Part of the Alper Humanitarian
Community Lunch and Lecture
Noon - 2 PM Eastern Time*

**You and Your Guests are Invited to attend the First Induction of the
Gold Humanism Honor Society
University of Tennessee College of Medicine
Chattanooga Chapter**

Chapter Advisor: Mukta Panda, MD, FACP, Professor and Chair,
Department of Medicine

Chapter Co-Advisor: Robert C. Fore, EdD, FACME, CCMEP, Professor
and Associate Dean, Academic Affairs

Chapter Liaison: Pamela D. Scott, Director, Graduate and Medical
Student Education

2009 Inductees from the Class of 2010

**Alkesh Amin
Robin Denise Atkinson
Harry Michael Baddour
Joanna Gabriel Blankner
Brian Thomas Bogdanowicz
Chonna Lynn Larry
James Andrew Parnell
Bryan Keith Payne
Barry Joel Pelz
Gavin Butler Pinkston
Ron Benton Pitkanen
Jerry “Jay” Mark Smith
Matthew Jordan Steadmon
Byron Fitzgerald Stephens
Rebecca Zenaida Tuche
Allyson Brooke Warren**

Special Guest: Jacqueline A. Mintz, PhD, Executive Director of the
Gold Humanism Honor Society, Arnold P. Gold Foundation

The induction will take place immediately following the
Alper Community Lecture and Lunch. All attendees are
encouraged to remain for the induction ceremony.



What is the GHHS?

Established in 2002, the Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) is an international association of individuals and medical school chapters whose members are selected as exemplars of empathy, compassion, altruism, integrity, and service in their relationships with patients and others in the field of medicine. The University of Tennessee Gold Humanism Honor Society Chapter was approved in March 2009 and the first inductees will be named in April 2009. This was made possible by an initial grant from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation.

The GHHS Mission

The GHHS is dedicated to foster, recognize, and support the values of humanism and professionalism in medicine. The Society commits itself to work within and beyond medical education to inspire, nurture, and sustain lifelong advocates and activists for compassionate patient care.

Honor Society Pledge

As a member of the Gold Humanism Honor Society, I pledge to:

1. Be a role model and mentor for humanism in medicine.
2. Champion the proper balance between scientific and humanistic patient care.
3. Inspire colleagues to promote humanism throughout the healthcare system.
4. Advocate humanistic patient care locally, regionally, and nationally.
5. Nurture fellowship in membership.
6. Help those struggling to overcome the barriers to humanism in medicine.
7. Be a force for improving healthcare for everyone.

Who are GHHS Members?

- Medical students, residents, medical school faculty members, and national figures who are role models in their contributions to compassionate service in medicine.
- Recipients of the Arnold P. Gold Foundation's Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award.
- Recipients of the Accreditation's Council for Graduate Medical Education's Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award.
- Recipients of the Arnold P. Gold Foundation's Humanism and Excellence in Teaching Award.

RSVP

If you have not already registered for the Alper Community Lecture and Lunch, and you will be able to attend the luncheon for the lecture as well as the GHHS Induction ceremony, please email GME@erlanger.org or call (423) 778-7442 to make sure that we know you are going to attend and the number of guests you will have (counting yourself). Email or call if you will not be able to attend as well.

The luncheon and induction will be held at the UTC University Center in the Tennessee Room. You can enter the University Center on 5th Street by the UTC Bookstore. Parking is located in the Fifth Street parking lot which is located across the street from the University Center.

We will announce the names of all inductees and will send the certificates and pins to those who cannot attend the following week. This honor should be included as you revise your curriculum vita and will be included in your MSPE packet as you prepare for residency applications in the Fall.

From the initial grant from the Gold Foundation, we have some funding to reimburse driving mileage for GHHS inductees driving from Memphis (up to 5 cars) to attend the ceremony. Perhaps some of you might be able to ride together so one person is reimbursed for the mileage for a group of students. In addition, we may have a few bedrooms available in our medical student apartments if you want to stay there without charge on April 16 or 17.

We are looking forward to recognizing these outstanding students!