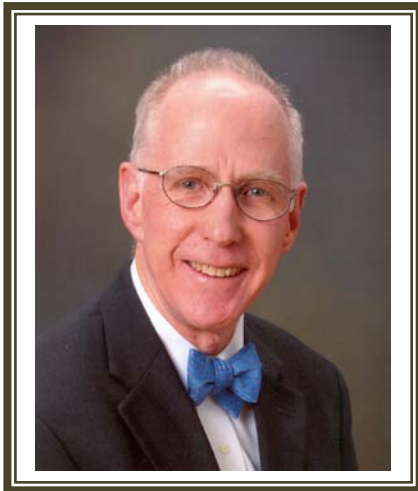




# Departmental News

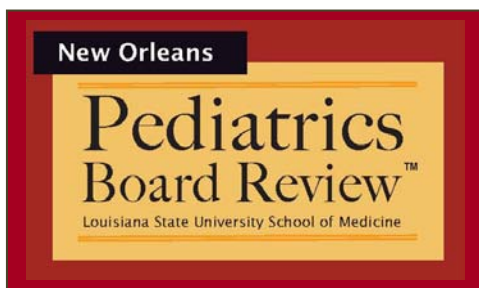
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## BOARD REVIEW: FOWLER MEMORIAL LECTURE



John Udall, MD, PhD

All are invited to attend the Fowler Memorial Lecture at the Board Review on Wednesday, August 5 at 4:10pm at the Hotel Intercontinental, 444 St. Charles Avenue. **John Udall, MD, PhD** will present "Crohn's Disease: The New Orleans Connection." Dr. Udall is fondly remembered as Chief of the Pediatric Gastroenterology Division for over 10 years. The meeting room is on the third floor of the hotel. All faculty members are encouraged to attend the lecture. Hope to see you there!



If you are nearing your recertification date by the American Board of Pediatrics and would like to brush up on pediatrics essentials for the Board Exam, it's not too late to sign up for the review. Pediatrics faculty will receive a reduced rate of attendance to the review which takes place August 3-8, 2009 at the Hotel Intercontinental.

On-site registration is \$700. The fee includes tuition, course handouts, two evening sessions, Radiology CD-ROM, continental breakfast and refreshments during breaks. Presenters at the Board Review will, as always, receive tuition free of charge. The 2009 brochure with registration information is posted on the department's website:

[www.medschool.lsuhschool.edu/pediatrics](http://www.medschool.lsuhschool.edu/pediatrics)

## KUDOS CORNER

**Betty Lo-Blais, MD** received the Allen A. Copping Excellence in Teaching Award for Medicine at the 135<sup>th</sup> Commencement. It is the highest award given for teaching. The recipients exemplify the highest ideals of teaching, demonstrate a lifelong quest for discovery and inspire their students. Congratulations, Dr. Lo!

**Rachel Dawkins, MD** represented the department well this past week when she was interviewed live on WWL-TV's Eyewitness Morning News. Dr. Dawkins discussed immunizations required for college freshmen and older students.

**Paul Hyman, MD** and **Raynorda Brown, MD** of the GI/Nutrition Division will be presenting at several conferences in the next few months. Dr. Hyman will give a talk titled "Issues with Colonic Motility After Surgery for Imperforate Anus and Hirschsprung's Disease" at the United Ostomy Associations' National Conference here in New Orleans in August.

Dr. Hyman will also speak at the Louisiana Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics' "Pediatric Potpourri XVIII" in Baton Rouge in September. He will present "Understanding and Treating Childhood Bellyaches."

Dr. Raynorda Brown is a presenter at the 2009 National Medical Association's Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly in Las Vegas this week. Her presentation is titled "Pancreatitis in Children and Adolescents."

## WELCOME TO NEW FACULTY



Many of you may remember **Janet Rossi, MD** who completed her Pediatrics Residency at LSU back in 2000. Dr. Rossi has returned to the department as an Assistant Professor with the Division of Critical Care. Since finishing her fellowship in Pediatric Critical Care Medicine at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago in 2003, Dr. Rossi has served as an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine. She was also an Attending Physician at Children's Memorial Hospital. Glad to have you back, Dr. Rossi!

**Ernest Siwik, MD** is the department's newest Pediatric Cardiologist. He joined the Cardiology Division recently as a part-time Associate Professor. He is splitting his time between Children's Hospital and Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. He is also a faculty member at Case Western Reserve University's Department of Pediatrics.

**Carmen Sulton-Villavasso, MD** joined both the Division of Emergency Medicine and the Hospitalist Division in July. The Assistant Professor recently moved from the Atlanta area where she practiced with the Sulton Pediatric Group. Dr. Sulton-Villavasso graduated from Meharry Medical College in Nashville and completed her Pediatric Residency at Emory University School of Medicine.

## AUGUST SUBMISSIONS

Please send your submissions for the next issue of the newsletter to Kelly Allerton. You can reach Kelly by telephone (896-9800), fax (896-2720), or email (kslumb@lsuhsc.edu).

## NEW BABY!



Reese and Presley Pratt

Congratulations to **Ricky Pratt, MD** and **Erin Trahan Pratt, MD** who welcomed a new baby girl on June 5, 2009. Reese Marie weighed 7 lbs, 8 oz. Ricky, Erin and big sister Presley are thrilled with their new addition.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <b>August 3 - 8</b> | Pediatrics Board Review   |
| <b>August 5</b>     | Fowler Memorial Lecture, Hotel Intercontinental                           |
| <b>August 21</b>    | Faculty Meeting, Auditorium   |
| <b>September 18</b> | Faculty Meeting, Auditorium   |
| <b>October 16</b>   | Faculty Meeting, Auditorium   |
| <b>November 13</b>  | 4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Jeffrey Model Foundation Symposium, Harrah's Hotel |