Rusk residents and faculty, escaping the grips of winter, descended into sunny San Diego for the 2014 aaPM&R annual assembly! Keeping in tradition, there was a strong NYU presence in the poster exhibition including a spotlight on Dr. Chowdhury and Si’s case report on Surfer’s Myelopathy. Drs. Cohen, Stokes, Levine, and Boudakian were amongst the distinguished speakers invited to present at the conference. Dr. Boudakian was spotted popping wheelies in the Quad Rugby tournament finishing in 3rd place!

2015 aaPM&R Annual Assembly

- Hynes Conference Center in Boston, MA
- September 29-30, 2015
- 2015 Call for Abstract: Submissions will be accepted until Saturday, March 7, 2015
After more than 40 years of service, the legendary Dr. Ma decided leave Rusk in pursuit of a professional career in the sport of golf. Dr. Ma was responsible for training many of our current attendings in both the PM&R and Neurology Department. His legacy will continue through those whose lives he touched.

**Farewell Dr. Ma!**

**ARTICLE ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION:**

1. Objective Mobility in Idiopathic Scoliosis: A How-To on Objectifying Function to Facilitate Management Decisions. *Journal of Pain and Relief*
   - Gregory Burkard DO, Justin Paul, MD, John-Ross Rizzo MD

**ARTICLES ACCEPTED FOR PRESENTATION:**

   - Kevin Tabije DO, Jerome Castellano DO, Erika Trovato DO, Qiang Fang MD

2. Intractable Hiccups Impeding Rehabilitation Participation and Endurance After Acute Left Dorsal and Lateral Medulla Infarct: A Case Report
   - Brian Williams DO, Brian Freed DO, Dr. Petrucelli

3. Rehabilitation Approach to Recurrent Left Sided Hemiplegia Secondary to Diagnosed Conversion Disorder: A Case Report
   - Brian Williams, Brian Freed, Dr. Ragucci MD

4. Rehabilitation Approach and Management in Delayed Intracranial Hemorrhage after Traumatic Brain Injury in Patients with Coagulopathy: A Case Report
   - Brian Williams DO, Brian Freed DO, Dr. Qu MD
“Chief Chief!”
The “Fantastic 4” are eager and ready to assume their new roles. We hope to see great things from these future leaders!
- **Dr. Vince Si**: Rotation Site Curriculum, Patient Safety & Quality Improvement
- **Dr. Erika Trovato**: Clinical Scheduling, Coverage, and Resident Well-Being
- **Dr. Evan Grant**: Residency Core Curriculum & International Education
- **Dr. Brian Williams**: Medical Student Education, Recruitment, Social Affairs, Community Outreach & Volunteerism

Rusk Likes to Party!
Here are snapshots from recent events including the annual holiday party held at The Perfect Pint and post-SAE brunch held at La Giara. A great time was had by all!
The Rho Sigma Kappa (R.S.K.) physiatric fraternity had their second annual winter retreat in the hills of Hunter. Residents and attendings alike bonded over skiing, snow tubing, great food, and great company. The group was joined by a member of the Italian national ski team who displayed his talents on the bunny slopes. The trip was organized by the master planner, Dr. Troy.
Extra-curricular Resident Activities

Drs. Castellano, Tabije, Burkard, and Siddiqi provided medical coverage at St. Joseph’s Men’s Basketball game.

Drs. Freeman, Ravski, and Siddiqi provided medical coverage at the Peter Jay Sharp regatta.

Picturesque scenery enjoyed during the annual Rusk picnic held at Brooklyn Bridge park.

Drs. Si and Boudakian testing out pressure relief cushions at the ROHO Factory.

Residents participating in the annual dysphagia course and Iron Chef competition held at NYU.

Drs. Caballes and Castellano practicing ultrasound guided injections during one of the RISE meetings.
UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS:

Dr. Dimir
March 8

Dr. Jacob Peacock
March 15

Dr. John Danko
March 21

Dr. Dan Kao
March 21

Dr. Jason Freeman
March 30

Dr. Kevin Bernard
March 31

Dr. Syed Ahmed
May 4

Dr. Chris Boudakian
May 9

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