

The Osteo Tome

SIU Division of Orthopaedic Surgery



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December and January were busy months for the Division. In the beginning of December we held our resident interviews. We were graciously invited to Dr. Romanelli's house for the annual Holiday Party. The start of the new brought a change of rotation schedule in addition to a busy month of interview travels for 2 of the fourth year residents. The three third years and three fourth years were sent to a arthroscopy course as well.

2/10 Morbidity & Mortality Conference, OITE and GME review by Dr. Allan

2/17 AOFAS Visiting Professor

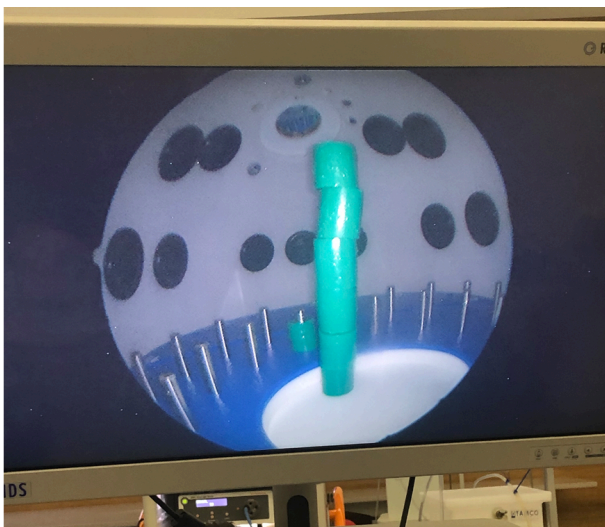
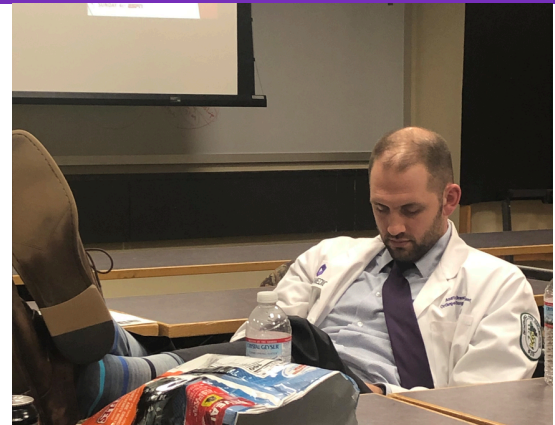
2/24 Morbidity & Mortality Conference

2/12 Foot & Ankle Journal Club

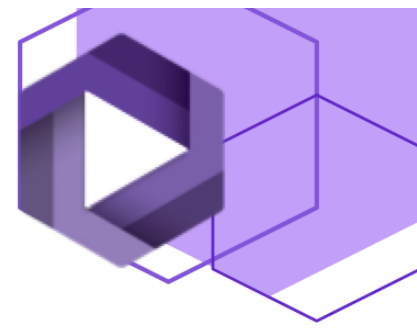
"You have to ask yourself what the true spirit of the fracture is."

Craig Wilson

Early in December we held our 2 days of residency interviews. We met many candidates who would fit well in the residency and work hard. We still have several weeks until we learn who the new intern class will be. It is a rare opportunity for all of the residents to spend the day together, and interviews allows for 2 of those days in one week. The conversation between residents while the candidates are interviewing is riveting, as demonstrated by Dr. Austin Beason.

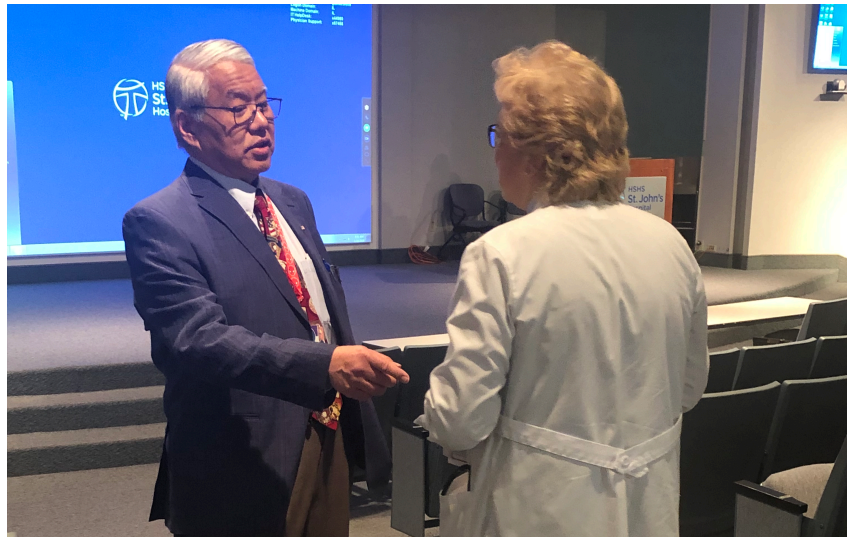


In December and January the 3rd and 4th year residents attended the Arthroscopy Association of North America Foundations in Arthroscopy course at the Orthopaedic Learning Center. It was an amazing opportunity with 2.5 days of lectures and cadaver lab time. The bulk of the last two days was spent in the lab with a 2:1 resident to attending ratio. It allowed for arthroscopy practice to progress at the level of the residents. We were able to complete more advanced procedures as time allowed. On the first half-day of the course we practiced our dry skills with knot tying, the Virtamed arthroscopy trainer and the fast models. Pictured is a stacking challenge with 6 beads stacked on one another, tied for the daily record!



Dr. Capecci hosted Arthroplasty journal club at his home in December. After we finished discussing articles he let a few brave residents hold Frank and Beans, his two snakes.

In January Dr. Norman Otsuka was awarded the opportunity to present a Grand Rounds on Cerebral Palsy for the Pediatrics Department at Saint John's Hospital. It was a very well attended lecture with an engaged audience that was able to learn both nonsurgical and surgical treatment of the various pathologies associated with Cerebral Palsy. Here he is seen answering questions after the lecture with Dr. Janet Patterson from SIU Department of Pediatrics specializing in Pediatric Development and Behavior.



For the first time in many years the Resident Holiday party hosted by Dr. Romanelli and his wife ended with a resident basketball game. This year the party fell on the same day as one of our interview socials. Thankfully most of the candidates had returned to their hotels to rest for the next day's interview prior to the commencement of basketball.