1950s

Galen B. Cook, LA 51, MD 55, became a published author of nonscientific material with the release of his new book, “Wild Cards,” a parody on business cards that uses the real names of real people (e.g., attorneys-at-law Dewey, Cheatham & Howe).

1960s

John Crane, MD 64, closed his private practice of 38 years and now works part time as a staff psychiatrist at the Catholic Family Services clinic in Union, Mo. He is a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. In his free time, Crane enjoys sailing, writing, painting, wood sculpture and traveling with his wife and their labrador retriever in their motor home.

Warren Howe, MD 65, retired from active practice in 2011. He was appointed by the governor to Washington State’s Medical Quality Assurance Commission. He continues to volunteer with local high schools’ sports medicine activities and the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association. He and his wife, Hedy, enjoy their two grandchildren and traveling.

1970s

Michael Finkel, MD 73, retired from clinical practice in May 2014. During his career, he treated patients in private multispecialty groups and as a staff member of the Mayo Clinic and the Cleveland Clinic. He served as president of the neurology state societies in Wisconsin and Florida, as an active member of the American Academy of Neurology, and participated in the World Federation of Neurology and the World Neurology Foundation. Finkel is looking forward to volunteering at the Naples Botanical Garden and as a reading tutor at Fun Times Nursery School in Naples, Fla.

Robert Weiss, MD 74, is finishing a year of service with the Peace Corps and SEED Global Health in Uganda. His mission includes strengthening and creating teaching programs in the various Ugandan medical schools. Weiss primarily has taught third- and fifth-year medical students at Makerere University of Science and Technology and also served as a consultant to the hospital interns and pediatric residents (house staff).

1980s

W. Patrick Davey, MD 81, was appointed vice chair of the accreditation committee for the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) Board of Directors, representing the American Academy of Dermatology. AAAHC is a national organization that accredits a variety of health-care organizations and signifies dedication to quality patient care.

Keith Churchwell, MD 87, was named to the American Heart Association’s Greater Southeast Affiliate Board of Directors for the 2013-14 fiscal year. He is associate professor of medicine and radiology, director of cardiac imaging, and executive director and chief medical officer for Vanderbilt Heart and Vascular Institute in Nashville.

1990s

Steven Harvey, LA 88, MD 92, HS 96, recently formed Premier Psych TMS St. Louis, a company that provides transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS) treatment for depression and other conditions. It is the only TMS installation in the St. Louis metro area to use the newer FDA-approved TMS machines. He and his wife, Chantelle (Schmidt) Harvey, EN 88, GR 97, have two daughters, ages 10 and 15.

Jennifer Sambrook Pitonyak, OT 97, defended her dissertation, “The Contexts of Life Course Health Development Associated With Exclusive Breastfeeding in the United States,” and graduated with a PhD in health policy in May 2013. She is vice chair and assistant professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy at the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia.

2000s

Jonathan Chung, MD 04, is associate professor, director of Radiology Professional Quality Assurance and director of the Cardiopulmonary Imaging Fellowship at National Jewish Health in Denver. In December 2013, he received the Honored Educator Award for delivery of high-quality educational content to the Radiological Society of North America.

Kevin Wilson, MD 05, completed an otolaryngology residency at the University of Michigan and took an academic job at the University of Utah. He and his wife, Emily, have four children and enjoy living in Utah.

William McCoy IV, MD 13, GM 13, received IRB approval on his first project, is starting post-medical school research and is actively recruiting study participants. He is in a preliminary year internship, with a specialty in dermatology, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

In Memory

Milenda Arcelona, HS 60
Arcelona died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2014. She was 84. Born in the Philippines, she graduated from Far Eastern University with a medical degree in 1958. After an internship at Lutheran Medical Center and residency at Barnes Hospital, she returned to the Philippines as a private practitioner in pediatric medicine. Arcelona returned to St. Louis with her family in 1973 and managed her husband’s medical practice. She was active in cultural and medical communities, including the Philippine Medical Association, the Filipino-American Society and the Association of Practicing Physicians in America.

John R. Calvert, MD 58
Calvert died Saturday, June 28, 2014. He was 82. A native of Natchez, Miss., he attended Washington & Lee University in Virginia and, later, Washington University...
School of Medicine. He practiced anesthesiology in Atlanta for 40 years at the Emory University Hospitals and School of Medicine and Atlanta Outpatient Surgery Center. After retirement, Calvert moved to Prescott, Ariz. He enjoyed caring for his family, gardening, studying geology, traveling, being active at church and other volunteer opportunities.

Patricia “Patsy” Condit, PT 59
Condit died Thursday, May 15, 2014. She was 76. A longtime resident of Texas, Condit was a proud member of First Presbyterian Church in Seminole, Texas, and later Cibolo Creek Community Church in Fair Oaks Ranch. She devoted much time and energy to her church, but also was very proud to be a mother and, later, “Mamaw” to her grandchildren. She is remembered fondly by her friends and family and for her generosity to others.

David S. Johnson, MD 48
Johnson died Saturday, April 12, 2014. He was 89. Johnson, who grew up in Jerseyville, Ill., initially enrolled at Washington University as a pre-med student, but was sent to Miami University to continue his pre-med requirements after registering in the U.S. Navy’s V-12 college training program on his 18th birthday. He returned to Washington University as a medical student and graduated in 1948 with a medical degree. Johnson joined the U.S. Army during the Korean War and afterward completed a residency at Duke University. Johnson eventually moved to Portland, Ore., where he became chief of pathology at Good Samaritan Hospital until his retirement in 1990. Johnson enjoyed golf, reading historical biographies, learning about Civil War history and spending time with family.

Edwin Dominic Kadlub, MD 48
Kadlub died Sunday, April 27, 2014. He was 91. After joining the U.S. Army in 1943, Kadlub focused on pre-med studies at Stanford University and then enrolled at Washington University School of Medicine. He opened his first practice in Dove Creek, Colo., in 1950, but returned to the Army in 1953 and served in Korea and Okinawa. He was discharged from duties in 1955 and moved to Windsor, Colo., where he practiced medicine until 1988. As a physician he was known for his patient care and bedside manner, making house calls at all hours and even seeing patients without appointments. Kadlub was president and member of numerous professional, civic and church-related boards and organizations. He and his wife, Marjorie, were selected as Citizens of the Year by the Windsor Chamber. His additional hobbies included woodworking, reading, singing and travel.

Lindell Cook Owensby, MD 44
Owensby died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014. He was 92. He graduated from Manhattan High School, attended Kansas State University and graduated from Washington University School of Medicine. He was a proud U.S. Army veteran, having served in active duty from 1941-44 and inactive duty from 1944-47. Owensby was an assistant resident in ophthalmology at Barnes, St. Louis Jewish and St. Louis Children’s hospitals. He was a staff doctor and, eventually, an assistant medical director at the State Sanatorium for Tuberculosis in Norton, Kan. In 1953, Owensby began private practice in Concordia, Kan., and retired in 1988. He became a diplomat of the American Board of Ophthalmology in 1954. Among his other interests were reading, sailing, playing golf, amateur radio and making beer and wine.

Russell Dallmeyer Shelden, MD 49
Shelden died Friday, June 20, 2014. He was 92. A lifelong resident of Kansas City, Mo., Shelden earned degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia (Mizzou) before attending Washington University for his medical education. He completed an internship at Kansas City General Hospital and residency at Research Hospital where he practiced anesthesiology until his retirement. Additionally, Shelden served as a member of the U.S. Army Reserves for 52 years, attaining the rank of colonel, and received military honors, including three battle stars from World War II. He served as president of the Kansas City Society of Anesthesiologists and the Missouri Society of Anesthesiologists, and as a member of the board of directors of the American Society of Anesthesiologists. He and his wife, Mary, created the Russell D. and Mary B. Shelden Professorship in Anesthesiology in 1998 at Washington University. The couple also supported many philanthropic efforts at Mizzou and in their community. In appreciation for their dedication to Washington University, they received the Robert S. Brokings award in 2006.

Reed Morgan Simpson, MD 38
Simpson died Saturday, July 5, 2014. He was 100. After attending Colorado College, Simpson enrolled at Washington University School of Medicine in 1934. Following an internship and residency at Barnes Hospital, he served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps during World War II. He opened an office in Sheboygan, Wis., after the war and was appointed county coroner in 1953. He retired as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves in 1959 and retired from his medical practice in 1983.

S. Michael Freiman, MD 55
Freiman died Thursday, July 17, 2014. He was 85. Born to Polish immigrants in New Jersey, Freiman attended the University of Montana and Washington University School of Medicine. Following graduation in 1955, he served a tour in the U.S. Navy before returning to St. Louis for gynecology training. During his residency at Barnes Hospital, Freiman became a fellow of the late William Masters, MD, and headed the infertility clinic. He closely followed women’s rights and access to safe care during his career and performed the first legal abortion in Missouri after Roe v. Wade in 1973. He treated women at Reproductive Health Services from 1978-1986. In 2000, the St. Louis Women’s Political Caucus awarded Freiman the “Good Guy” award in recognition of his contributions to women’s reproductive health. He also was a women’s health consultant for the American Heart Association and the Agency on Aging with Developmental Disabilities. Freiman was a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Washington University, where he helped start the cytogenetics lab.
Louis Gilula, MD

Gilula, a faculty member for more than 30 years, died July 2, 2014. He was 71. A founder and longtime leader of the musculoskeletal section at the school’s Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology (MIR), Gilula was a professor of radiology, orthopaedics and plastic and reconstructive surgery when he retired in October 2013. Gilula was known internationally for his expertise in wrist imaging, and he authored one of the major texts on this subject. He was also a pioneer in pain management, offering patients therapeutic spine injections before they became commonplace. A native of Lubbock, Texas, Gilula earned a medical degree at the University of Illinois School of Medicine in 1967. After internships and residencies at San Francisco General Hospital, Dewitt Army Hospital in Fort Belvoir, Va., and Max C. Starkloff Memorial Hospital in St. Louis, he became a radiology instructor at Washington University School of Medicine in 1973.

Mary Langston Parker, MD 53

Parker, who made an indelible mark at Washington University, first as a dedicated, tireless physician and researcher and then as the university’s director of student health services, died Saturday, May 24, 2014. She was 89. She was an associate professor emeritus of preventive medicine and a mother of five. Parker’s death came nearly 13 months after the death of her husband of 59 years, Charles Ward Parker, an emeritus professor of medicine. A Florida native, Parker earned a bachelor's degree in 1946 from Florida State University. In 1949, Parker enrolled at WUSM as one of seven women in her class and later graduated cum laude. She first worked in the university’s Student Health Services, but then became involved in endocrinology research, helping develop a blood test for human growth hormone. In 1968, Parker decided to focus more on patient care and returned to Student Health Services. She was named director of student health on the Danforth Campus in 1971. Four years later, the Medical Campus was added to her duties. In 2009, she was named Pioneer Woman of the Year by the Academic Women’s Network, a faculty organization dedicated to conquering barriers that face women in academic positions. She was an avid sailor and athlete and she designed and built a one-room cabin where her family spent many weekends. Each of her five children graduated from Washington University, and several grandchildren are alumni or current students.

Llewellyn Sale Jr., MD 40

Sale, a prominent physician for more than 55 years, died Monday, May 5, 2014. He was 99. A native St. Louisan, Sale graduated from St. Louis Country Day School before attending Yale University and Washington University School of Medicine. He trained at Barnes Hospital (as a chief resident and in medical services) and at New York Hospital. He began private practice in 1946 and was on staff at Barnes and Jewish hospitals. From 1972-92, Sale served as associate director of medicine at Jewish Hospital and on several hospital committees. He retired in 1996 as clinical professor of medicine. Sale was director of the university’s Student Health Services on the Danforth Campus from 1954-72. He received the Fellows Award from Jewish Hospital in 1991, the Faculty Achievement Award from the Medical Center Alumni Association in 1995 and the Distinguished Service Award from Washington University Department of Medicine in 2002. In 2010, the alumni association established a scholarship in his honor at the School of Medicine. Sale served as president or head of many area groups, including Washington University Medical Center Alumni Association, Jewish Family and Children’s Services, and Health and Hospital Division of St. Louis Community Fund. He was a member of the American College of Physicians, the American Medical Association, Southern Medical Association, Missouri State Medical Association, St. Louis Internists Club, the St. Louis Club, the St. Louis Society of Internal Medicine and the St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society.

William Thomas Thach Jr., MD

William Thomas Thach Jr., MD, professor emeritus of neurobiology, died Tuesday, July 1, 2014. He was 77. Thach, a neuroscience researcher and clinical neurologist, was a renowned expert and pioneering researcher on the cerebellum, a part of the brain that coordinates muscle movement and maintains balance. He was recognized internationally for his scientific contributions. Thach, who also was a professor of neurology and physical therapy, joined the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology in 1975. He was named medical director of the Irene Walter Johnson Rehabilitation Institute in 1991. The next year, he became director of the section on neurorehabilitation in the Department of Neurology. He retired in 2012 and was named professor emeritus. An Oklahoma native, Thach earned an undergraduate degree from Princeton University in 1959 and then became a Fulbright fellow in physiology at the University of Melbourne in Australia. He received a medical degree from Harvard University School of Medicine in 1964 and completed his internship and residency at Massachusetts General Hospital. From 1966–69, he worked as a staff associate in the Laboratory of Clinical Science at the National Institute of Mental Health of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). He then returned to Massachusetts General Hospital, where he completed a clinical and research fellowship in neurology in 1971. He served on the Yale University School of Medicine faculty from 1971-75 before coming to Washington University. His life also was rich while not on campus. He loved hiking, camping, canoeing, hunting, reading literature and poetry, and playing music with family, friends and postdocs in his band, Taum Sauk.

If you would like to make a tribute in honor of any of the aforementioned alumni or faculty, please contact:
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