

RESIDENT AND FELLOW GRADUATION - J. DREW PROSSER, MD



Wendell Yarbrough, MD

The 20th Annual Porubsky Symposium, alumni and graduation event was held on June 10th and 11th this year. The program consisted of some amazing presentations of completed research projects by our PGY-2 through PGY-5 residents, resulting in graduating chief resident Dr. Renee Booth being awarded the research award for her work and talk on the effects of Cisplatin chemotherapy on gastrostomy wound site healing in an animal model. Our keynote address by Dr. Wendell Yarbrough, Thomas Dark Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, on HPV-related oropharyngeal cancer was fascinating and informative for the residents, faculty and course attendees. Our day was capped off by two

alumni speakers, Dr. Ken Iverson, the Chief of Pediatric Otolaryngology at the University of Kentucky and Dr. Adam Becker of Triangle Facial Plastic Surgery who spoke on nasal obstruction in the neonate and Pezizelectric and preservation rhinoplasty, respectively. Both speakers demonstrated an incredible mastery of the topics and left our group extremely proud to call them both alumni of our program.



Kenneth Iverson, MD

Saturday brought the traditional golf outing, where graduating chief resident Thomas Holmes and team dominated the four-man scramble by closing with 14 straight birdies to run away with the trophy. Our keynote speaker, Dr Yarbrough, was able to get some revenge by winning the Annual Porubsky Putting Contest held at West Lake Country Club. The graduation ceremony was (as always) bitter sweet, as we took time to look back at all of the accomplishments of our graduating chief residents and fellows, but a good time was had by all. We wish them all of the best in their future endeavors and look forward to having them back at future alumni events.



Adam Becker, MD

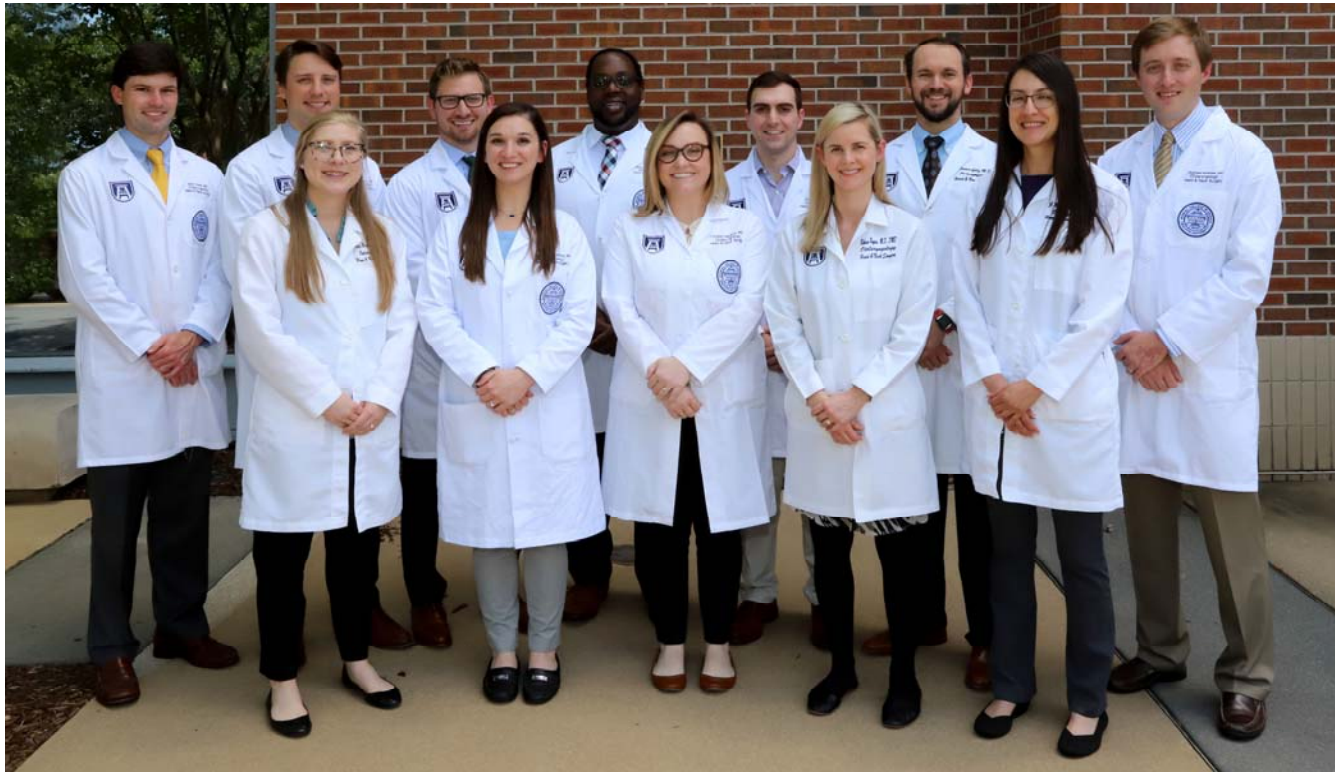


Chief Residents Renee Booth and Thomas Holmes Photo by David Russell Photography



Resident Thomas Holmes and team came in first place in the annual golf tournament. Photo by David Russell Photography

OTOLARYNGOLOGY RESIDENTS



Otolaryngology Resident Group Photo at Porubsky Symposium

*Back Row: Jack Owen, Nicholas Drury, Jeffery Falco, George Davies, Faris Mirza, Trevor Getz, Thomas Holmes (chief)
Front Row: Diana Bigler, Savannah Stockton, Lindsey Megow, Rebecca Paquin, J. Renee Booth (chief)*

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CONSULTANT OF THE YEAR

We are delighted to announce that we decided to offer an adult and a pediatric award this year for the Department of Otolaryngology Consultant of the Year for 2022.

Dr. Janet Munroe was unanimously selected by the Otolaryngology Faculty for the adult award. Dr. Munroe is a local product, having obtained her undergraduate degree at Augusta State University and then completed medical school and residency here as well. She is a gifted teacher, an author or co-author on numerous publications, and is also an associate investigator on virtually every gynecologic oncologic study from our institution. Dr. Monroe plays a critical role in the diagnosis and management of our patients with swallowing disorders.



Amanda Hutter, MEd, CCC/SLP was unanimously selected by the Otolaryngology Faculty for the pediatric award. Amanda is a pediatric Senior Speech Pathologist and assists in the management of pediatric patients requiring language and speech pathology services. Amanda, a native from South Georgia, joined the Children's Hospital of Georgia in 2012 and has been dedicated to the speech and swallowing needs of our unique pediatric population ever since. Following her training at Valdosta State University, her interests and abilities span the diverse needs of our patients from cleft lip and palate to tracheostomy.