The Newsletter’s Summer Vacation

August 2016
Had a nice road trip.
The newsletter is a very good driver.
Abides by the letter of the law!
Went on a roller coaster
Went to the petting zoo
Sat out in the sun
Went for a barbeque
Maybe stayed a little too long
Went for a swim to cool off
Skin got a little wrinkled
Needed  massage after all that!

Free Massage ↓
The price was right

Free Massage

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DIVISION OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION
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July 2016 Monthly update Newsletter

1. Division has successful Mini-Retreat on June 24
2. Dr. Sivakumar Galasingham officiates at the Canadian Nationals in Edmonton
3. Good-bye party for Guillaume Berube
4. Lillian Vivas’s children starting exercise programs early
5. Larry Robinson completes Rotman Advanced Health Leadership Program - successfully
6. New Facebook champions
Felt a little too strong though

Lisa Becker discussed significant progress in our residency program with several new initiatives to enhance residents’ mentorship and to improve our ability to provide constructive feedback to residents. Denyse Richardson discussed progress in Competency Based Medical Education which will introduce substantial changes to how we educate our residents. Cathy Craven discussed proposed research metrics for our research activities as well as a position description for a research support officer. Andrea Furlan described the very significant benefits of having fellows in our program and talked about ways this can work well for our faculty. Alex Lo presented a proposal to work on medication reconciliation as a division-wide quality program; this was well-received with much support from those present. Julia Warden described the work of the Medical Student Task Force; it was impressive to see the amount of involvement our faculty have with medical student education. Hossein Amani presented the idea of a U of T, PM&R Day which was well-supported by the faculty.

Finally, we had a very good interactive session on how to best provide feedback to residents led by Debbie Kwan and Linda Probyn at the request of Lisa Becker.

During lunch, Perry Tepperman also presented his significant work in the Awards and Recognition Committee and gave out awards (BTW Perry Tepperman did an excellent job of the award ceremony). These include:

- Innovator of the Year Award - Dr. Larry Robinson
- Academic Achievement Award - Dr. Alexander Lo
- Distinguished Academic Service Awards:
  - Dr. Doreen Campbell
  - Dr. Charles Hough
Going to need more time off to get myself together.
See you next month

Have a good rest of the summer!