

Fostering Excellence: NMCSD's Proud Legacy



Welcome to the 2nd edition of the Balboa Beacon, which has been professionally formatted for us! We received a warm and wonderful response to the first issue and look forward to more alumni updates, active duty news, and pictures with every issue. Many of you have requested a reunion, so we thought it would be great to host a reception during ATS 2024 while it is in San Diego. Please *save the date* sometime between 5/18-5/21/2024 with more details to follow as we receive the ATS schedule.

Current staff and fellow accomplishments include:

- Posters accepted and presented at CHEST, ATS, and SCCM,
- Active research protocols in SIPE (Swimming Induced Pulmonary Edema), lung cancer in the military and bronchiectasis, as well as multiple reviews and case reports published.
- Recent Military deployments have included assignments to domestic COVID response teams, Afghanistan, Horn of Africa, and onboard USNS Mercy in support of the Pacific Partnership. We currently have one graduate deployed on the USNS Mercy 2023 Pacific Partnership Mission. <https://www.dvidshub.net/feature/PacificPartnership>

There are currently 9 Faculty and 6 Fellows in the department.

We will continue to maintain the list of alumni at the end of each issue and update as time moves forward. We are proud to be part of this distinguished group.

Recent Department Publications

Incidence of Respiratory Pathogens in Naval Special Warfare Sea, Air, and Land Team Candidates with Swimming Induced Pulmonary Edema. BA Sebreros, P Wisniewski, P Lindholm, GF Boswell, Charles G Volk. CHEST 163;5: 2023.

Beyond Trauma: High-Volume Critical Care Medicine in a Military Medical Center-Based Military-Civilian Partnership. Jeremy P Kilburn,,,,Jonas J Carmichael,,. Military Medicine 2023.

Hyperthermia-Heat Injury and Heatstroke. Chow S and M Tripp.

<https://www.chestnet.org/Guidelines> and Topic Collections/Articles/hyperthermia--Heat-Injury-and-Heatstroke. 2023.

Balboa Alumni News

Denny Amundson is enjoying retirement and continuing mentorship (see photo). He was recently honored by Luther College as a Distinguished Alumni Member:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bjgMXYbKRCs>

Allen Roberts is currently Clinical Ethicist, PCCB; Professor of Clinical Medicine, Georgetown University Medical Center; Physician Executive Director for Inpatient Operations and Associate Medical Director, MedStar Georgetown University Hospital; and Editor-in-Chief of *The Pellegrino Report*.

Scott Sageman and his wife, Pam, moved to HI in October 2020 and he is working for a Tele-Critical Care company. He is proud of his daughter, Katie's work in Los Angeles as a supervisory animator for the *Avatar* movies.

Konrad Davis retired after 21 years of active service and is planning to re-locate to Oahu to work at Kaiser with **Janet Myers**.

Peter Bagley retired in 2018 from UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester, but

continues to work as a part-time intensivist at St. Mary's in Lewiston, ME. *We are so sorry about the tragedy you all went through!*

Matt Boland is co-medical director of the ICU at Christian Hospital and Associate Clin. Professor at Wash. Univ. St. Louis. He is the proud father of 5 children and remains busy running tatasisterhood.org for Breast Cancer.



5 Decades of Alumni Fishing Trip(SanDiego, CA)**Pictured L-R:** Denny Amundson (F 1986-1988), Fisherman, Mike Tripp(F 2005-2008), Scott Parrish (F 1993-1996), Jonas Carmichael (F 2010-2013), Stephen Hughes (F 2020-2023)



In Memoriam: Fair winds and following seas. Recollections of Dick Shillaci:

Richard Schillaci passed away in 2013 and left a huge imprint on NMCS D. He was our longest serving Program Director at Balboa (1974 to 1987). During his tenure he mentored more than twenty fellows and authored more than thirty publications.

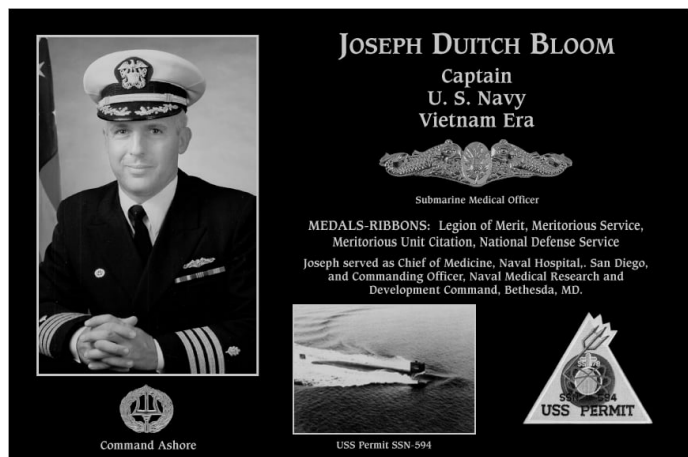
Denny,

I don't remember a specific incident with Dick. I remember him being very welcoming to me as I came as a second year fellow, an outsider from a mediocre Boston program, and after 2 years as an internist in Sasebo. I was certainly rusty and had no bronch experience. He made sure I was in the bronch rotation the same as the first year fellows (Bob Sarlin, Jim Bodicka). My memories of Dick are his smoking in his office and quickly hiding the ashtray when someone came in. Also the way he consumed- read, ripped and filed- the Blue Journal and CHEST the day they arrived. He didn't get to the wards much but had the respect of everyone in the department. The daily 8 AM conferences in his office to review the consults from the day before were great learning experiences.

John Bemis.

The First Fellow at NMCS D

Photo from a plaque on Mount Soledad in La Jolla. According to the ABIM website Dr. Joseph Dutch Bloom earned his IM Board certification in 1967 and his Pulmonary Diseases certification in 1974. There is a letter in the Fellowship files that states that he has satisfied all requirements for the exam and should be allowed to sit for the 1974 exam.



Note: Training records from the initial years of the fellowship program are sparse. At this point we are unsure of the exact date that the fellowship program was initiated (circa 1967) and we are unsure of the initial program graduates. If you have any insight into the initial history please reach out to **Scott Parrish**.
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We hope that you will consider a contribution to help support the next generation of Navy PCCM. Donations to the tax deductible 501.(c)(3) foundation can be sent to: **PO Box 34487, San Diego, California, 92163** or via e-pay: <https://pay.pccmfoundation.com>

The PCCM Foundation is a 501.c registered non-profit organization that was established in 2015 with the stated mission goal of providing support for trainees to acquire the necessary skills to excel in the practice of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine anywhere, anytime, under any conditions. PCCM Foundation grants have supported advanced mechanical ventilation training, a comprehensive ultrasound course, and development of the NMCSO ICU Handbook App available at <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/nmcsd-icu-handbook/id1448874796>.

As the foundation grows we hope to fund junior faculty and trainees in advanced airway training, exercise physiology, advanced ultrasound training, expansion of research efforts in the areas of dyspnea in young adults, military related lung diseases, critical care in austere environments, as well as work to expand PCCM humanitarian projects led by alumni, current faculty, and trainees. The foundation's current and future success is dependent upon the contributions of program alumni, industry donations, and course fees collected by our teaching faculty.

We look forward to receiving any alumni news items for future Balboa Beacons at: foundation@pccmre.org. Please email us if you would like to become more involved with the Foundation

NMCSO PCCM Fellowship Graduates

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| 1. Joseph D Bloom | 20. Leslie Smith | 40. Joseph Mondschein |
| 2. John Joseph Bouvier* | 21. Stephen McAdams | 41. Russell Gilbert |
| 3. George Henry Barbier | 22. John Newcomer | 42. John Perri |
| 4. Robert Bondurant | 23. Stephen Baez | 43. Peter Marco |
| 5. Thomas Cassidy | 24. Robert Chin | 44. Carla Lamb |
| 6. Victor Iacovoni | 25. Kevin Murray | 45. Asha Vyas Devereaux |
| 7. Thomas Farrell* | 26. Webster Bazemore | 46. Richard Mahon |
| 8. Robert S Conte* | 27. Frank Maguire | 47. Christopher Lewis |
| 9. James Boddicker | 28. Peter Bagley | 48. Suzanne Timmer |
| 10. John Beamis | 29. Dennis Amundson | 49. Samuel El Halawani |
| 11. Robert Sarlin | 30. Allen Roberts | 50. David Murphy |
| 12. Theodore Georges | 31. Richard Summa | 51. William Gill |
| 13. Robert Calloway | 32. John Connolly | 52. David Norton |
| 14. Richard Blevins | 33. Nathan Mull | 53. Christopher Stafford |
| 15. Edward Ebert | 34. Scott Sageman | 54. Matthew Boland |
| 16. Richard Pesce | 35. Bart Gumpert | 55. Bruce Ludwig |
| 17. Tony Warren | 36. David Bradshaw | 56. Gregory Ruff |
| 18. Daniel Nader | 37. Charles Martin | 57. Tony Han |
| 19. James McCarrick* | 38. J. Scott Parrish | 58. Frank Grassi |
| | 39. Dom Rascona | 59. Ken Eisenberg |



60. Lisa Jones
61. Edward Pak
62. Gregory Matwiyoff
63. Michael Tripp
64. Alok Shah
65. Steven Escobar
66. Konrad Davis
67. Gilbert Seda
68. Thuy Lin
69. James Prah
70. Jose Gomez
71. Steven Praske
72. Jonas Carmichael
73. Richard Hedelius
74. Russell Miller
75. Justin Stocks
76. Justin Reis
77. Ryan Maves
78. Michael Kavanaugh
79. Mike Powers
80. Alex Perry

*Deceased

81. Evan Butlin
82. Garrett Harp
83. Patricia Hogan
84. Michael Monson
85. Charles Volk
86. Patrick Moon
87. Jeff Biberston
88. Neil Partain
89. Ashley Alex
90. Paul Cusmano
91. Bobby Trentacosta
92. Brian Tran
93. Evan Ewers
94. Nick Rohrhoff
95. Steve Hughes

Current Fellows

96. Sean Foley
97. Daniel LaMorte
98. Stacy Chow
99. Kimberly Boyd

100. Derek Booth
101. Kathryn Hughes

Key PCCM Faculty who graduated from other programs:

Donald Reid*
Donald C. Kent*
Richard Schillaci*
Tom Walsh
Jeff Miller
Richard Kanak
David Stroh
Steven Crawford
Lin Weaver
Lonnie Rouben
Mark Chung
Tim Quast
Jesse Sherratt
Nikunj Bhatt

