A crowd of over 50 alum were on hand the evening of July 30th at the BlackFinn American Saloon in Charlotte, North Carolina as Dr. Jay Burmeister presented Dr. Colin Orton with the 2012 Wayne State University School of Medicine Medical Physics Distinguished Faculty/Alumnus Award. Colin is the first person to receive this newly established award; an award that will annually recognize a WSU SOM Medical Physics faculty member and/or alumnus who has honored both the profession and the Wayne State University School of Medicine through leadership in the field of Medical Physics.

A PhD graduate in Radiation Physics from the University of London, England, Dr. Orton has held academic appointments at New York University School of Medicine, Brown University and, of course, Wayne State University where he is currently Professor Emeritus in the School of Medicine. In addition, he has served as President of the AAPM, the ACMP, the IOMP, the ABS and the IUPESM and has published 15 books and over 200 papers and chapters. Congratulations Colin Orton, recipient of the 2012 WSU SOM Distinguished Faculty/Alumnus Award!

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The WSU SOM Medical Physics alumni gathering was held on July 30th in Charlotte, NC at the BlackFinn American Saloon immediately following the AAPM award ceremony/ reception. The relaxed and open atmosphere of the BlackFinn provided the perfect gathering space for alum to meet, mingle, reconnect and reminisce. Alum in attendance were also the first to congratulate Colin Orton, recipient of the first annual WSU SOM Distinguished Faculty/Alumnus Award and the first to hear about the newly developed WSU Graduate Research Award. The 2013 WSU SOM Medical Physics alumni gathering will be held in conjunction with the AAPM 55th Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana. More details will be released as they become available.
At the 2012 Alumni Gathering in Charlotte, NC, Dr. Jay Burmeister announced an exciting new initiative for the WSU SOM Medical Physics Program: the inception of a graduate research award designed to recognize outstanding clinical or laboratory research by a current student within the WSU SOM Medical/Radiological Physics Graduate Program. In addition to being recognized for outstanding research, the annual recipient of this award will receive financial support to attend the annual meeting/exhibition of the AAPM.

In order to make this possible, we need your help and, to that end, are launching an annual alumni appeal to fund this award. If you are interested in helping fund a graduate student’s trip to the 55th Annual AAPM Annual Meeting, please complete the attached donation form and mail it using the information provided. A receipt will be issued. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law and no gift is too small! Donors will be listed in the January issue of the Alumni Newsletter. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

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