February Kudos!

The February General Neuro Team thanks Dr. Maas (for teaching/helping with a difficult ultrasound guided LP), Social Workers for helping our patients towards the safest discharge possible (special shout-out to Amanda W!) and everyone working in the hospital to help our patients get better.

Congratulations to Shailee Shah and Paulina Gonzalez Latapi on receiving the Goldberg Family Charitable Trust Funding for travel to AAN.

From a patient: “Dr. Lineback was top notch.”

Congratulations to Jakita Baldwin for being accepted to the MDS-PAS Movement Disorders School for Neurology Residents

Dr. Ruff says: Shout out to Jakita and Nike (PM&R intern) who worked as a team to take care of a very medically sick patient who ended up on the stroke service on a weekend. Shout out to Alexa for her great work on the stroke service and great job as chief during a busy week on the stroke service, our patients and residents are lucky to have her leading the team!

Kudos to all residents for finishing the RITE exam (first time it has been computerized!)

Kudos to Rafal for bringing in heart shaped donuts in honor of Valentine’s Day (see below).

Many resident projects have been accepted to AAN (details on page 2)!

Neurons beat the clock in their Escape Room Escapades to become Sherlock Holmes’ newest assistants

Neurons love having the attending RN (Alyssa) as well as the NSICU APPs on the general service. Maggie says thank you to Kyle and Lauren for being awesome co-workers and their dedication to our patients.

Maggie says kudos to Alex for her hard work and neurology smarts on a busy week of nights. So much learning, especially the 18 consults we got on our 24 hour shift together!

Kudos to Joe (pharmacist) for always being so helpful and answering all our questions regarding medications.
Congratulations to everyone who had an abstract accepted at AAN 2019!

Shailee Shah had a total of 4 acceptances (including 2 with Christina below): 1) Autoimmune Encephalitis in the Neurologic Intensive Care Unit: Clinical Characteristics, Complications, and Outcomes 2) A Case of Rapidly Progressive Juvenile-Onset Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis with a rare SOD1 genetic variant

Christina Lineback had 2 abstracts accepted with Shailee: 1) Infliximab-induced Demyelinating Polyneuropathy in Neurosarcoidosis 2) Simultaneous Epidural and Intramedullary Hemorrhage: A Case Report

Neil Shetty had 2 abstracts: 1) A Case of Presumed Post-Transplant West Nile Virus Encephalitis without CSF Pleocytosis or IgM Positivity 2) West Nile Virus Encephalitis Associated with Intraventricular Diffusion Restriction

Paulina Gonzalez-Latapi (Plenary Talk): Frequency and Phenotypic Spectrum of KMT2B Mutations in childhood-onset dystonia: Results from a Single-Center Cohort Study.

Josh Cahan: A Case of Spinal Cord Edema with Cord Compression due to Systemic Lupus Erythematosus and Osmotic Shifts, Treated with Hypertonic Saline

Jennifer Adrissi: Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) for the Treatment of Refractory Depression in Huntington’s Disease Patients: A Case Series

Margaret Yu (Platform): Factors contributing to the sustainment of exercise in patients with Parkinson’s Disease. The Parkinson’s Foundation Quality Improvement Initiative (PF-QII) dataset

Ornella Dubaz: Changes in Prescribing Practices of Dopaminergic Medications in Individuals with Parkinson’s Disease by Expert Care Centers From 2010 to 2017

Alexa King: Increasing Lamotrigine clearance and decreased levels with non-oral hormone contraceptive use.

Neurons make a harrowing escape at the Great Escape Room!

On 2/20/2019, The Neurons were divided (just temporarily!) into two groups to break out of an escape room in the hopes of becoming the newest Dr. Watson for Sherlock Holmes.

Both teams escaped! One did have a better time, but they also had an advantage in having Dr. Bega on their team.

The neurology residents really enjoyed this wellness event and thank Dr. Bega, Dr. Bevan, and Kristin in setting this up.
Meet our Residents!

**Name:** Jo Tang  
**Year:** PGY2  
**Favorite Rotation:** NSICU  
**Best memory of residency:** being the most photographed resident on the WhatsApp group  
**Favorite thing to do in Chicago:** I like riding my bike around and going for walks along the lakefront

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**Name:** Paulina Gonzalez-Latapi  
**Year:** PGY4  
**Favorite Rotation:** NSICU  
**Best memory of residency:** Doing the Escape Room wellness event with all the co-residents  
**Favorite thing to do in Chicago:** I love going to different restaurants around Chicago, West Loop is my favorite neighborhood!

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Thank you everyone for a great month! For any kudos or congratulations, please email margaret.yu@northwestern.edu