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Thursday, December 18, 2014

## Internal Medicine Residents Participate in Toy Drive



Internal medicine residents at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine collected toys as part of a Christmas toy drive being run in conjunction across the state with all internal medicine residency programs under the American College of Physicians banner.

As of Dec. 18, 2014, the residents had collected approximately 50 toys. The toy drive ends Friday.

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## Holiday Greetings from USA Physicians Group

Happy holidays from the University of South Alabama Physicians Group. Watch the video below for a special greeting.

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## Retirement Reception Honors Judy Burnham



Robert Britton, electronic resources/collection development librarian, hugs Judy Burnham at her retirement reception Dec. 11, 2014.

The University of South Alabama Biomedical Library hosted a retirement reception in honor of Judy Burnham on Dec. 11, 2014.

Burnham began her career as a hospital librarian at USA Medical Center and is now, 25 years later, retiring from the position of director of the USA Biomedical Library.

[Click here](#) to view more photos from the reception.

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**Wednesday, December 17, 2014**

## Dr. Gupta Presents at Radiologic Society of America

Dr. Shikha Gupta, assistant professor of radiology at the USA College of Medicine, presented a case-based review at the Radiologic Society of America (RSNA) on Dec. 2, 2014. The presentation, "Case-based Review of Nuclear Medicine: PET/CT Workshop-Cancers of the Abdomen and Pelvis," was given in conjunction with the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging.

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Dr. Gupta discussed the role of PET/CT in the staging and follow-up of common gastrointestinal tumors and evaluated the role of PET/CT in gynecologic malignancies. She also discussed the importance of PET/CT in determination of early response in gastrointestinal stromal tumors and the role of PET/CT in evaluation of select renal and prostate malignancies.



The PET/CT scanner at the USA Mitchell Cancer Institute combines positron emission tomography (PET) with computerized tomography (CT). The PET scan provides unique information about your body on a cellular level while a CT scan offers anatomic information. With both combined, the PET/CT scan helps physicians better understand the exact location and extent of disease. That information allows physicians to develop the best treatment plan for each specific patient. PET/CT can also reveal disease when CT or MRI alone is negative or inconclusive.

Dr. Gupta earned her medical degree from All India Institute of Medical Sciences in New Delhi, India. She completed her residency in diagnostic radiology at Aultman-Neoucom Program in Canton, Ohio. She completed her fellowship in nuclear medicine at the University of Alabama at Birmingham in Birmingham, Ala. Dr. Gupta is currently an assistant professor of radiology at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine.

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