

About the Opening Reception Participants:

Dr. De'Andrea Wiggins

De'Andrea Wiggins, PhD. is the Interim Director of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion for the Wayne State University School of Medicine leading the efforts to broaden the availability and diversity of exceptional students who will become tomorrow's successful physicians by innovatively promoting the outreach, mentoring, and recruitment of persons who represent the diversity of our global community. She is the principal investigator representing Wayne State University School of Medicine for a national post baccalaureate study and volunteers as an annual facilitator for the Giant Step Teen Conference sponsored by the Merrill Palmer Skillman Institute.



The Junior Reserve Officer Army Training Corps (JROTC) Frederick Douglass Academy for Young Men

The Junior Reserve Officer Army Training Corps (JROTC) at Frederick Douglass Academy for Young Men is called the Hurricane Battalion. The overall goals of JROTC are to: promote citizenship, develop leadership & critical/creative thinking, teach to communicate effectively, improve physical fitness, provide incentive to live drug-free, strengthen positive self-motivation, provide global awareness to include a historical perspective of military service, train to work as a team member, inspire to graduate from High School, attend institutions of higher learning, and pursue meaningful careers particularly in the areas of science, technology, engineering, & mathematics .



Dr. Valerie M. Parisi

Valerie M. Parisi, M.D., M.P.H., M.B.A., was named the 15th Dean of the Wayne State University School of Medicine in July 2010 and, because of her leadership in strengthening the School of Medicine's relationships with its clinical partners, she was included by Crain's Detroit Business' in the 2010 list of Women to Watch. In addition to leading the nation's largest single-campus medical school, Dr. Parisi, an obstetrician/gynecologist, is a national leader in medical education and in the evaluation and certification of physicians. She serves as co-principal investigator for a federal grant to establish an Area Health Education Center program in Michigan. She also serves as co-chair of the Liaison Committee for Medical Education, which accredits medical schools in the United States and Canada, and as secretary-treasurer of the American Board of Medical Specialties. Dr. Parisi previously was dean of medicine, chief academic officer and vice president for academic program administration at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. In her tenure there, she also held the Thomas N. and Gleaves James Distinguished Chair, was advisor to the president, and a professor of obstetrics and gynecology. She was the first woman medical school dean in Texas.



Dr. Sandra Yee

Sandra Yee, PhD., has served as Dean of the Wayne State University Library System since May, 2001. The Library System includes six libraries (the Adamany Undergraduate Library, the Purdy/Kresge (graduate) Library, the Science and Engineering Library, the Arthur Neef Law Library, the Vera P. Shiffman Medical Library, and the Walter P. Reuther Library) and the School of Library and Information Science,



an ALA accredited Library School. The Library System also serves as the fiscal agent for DALNET (the Detroit Area Library Network), a multi-type library consortium in Southeastern Michigan which manages a shared automation system for 20 member libraries. Before coming to Wayne State University, Yee served as Associate Dean for Learning Resources at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, MI where she played a significant role in planning and building the Bruce T. Halle Library, a \$41.7M facility, opening in 1998, which included the nation's second automated storage and retrieval system in an academic library. Yee has served as President and Treasurer of the Michigan Library Association and was named the Librarian of the Year in 1999 by the Association. She has also served as President and Board member of the Michigan Library Consortium. A longtime member of ACRL, she has also served on the ACRL Budget and Finance Committee and as Chair of the University Library Section. Currently Yee is serving a six year term on the OCLC Board of Trustees (2008 – 2014) and a three year term on the Association of Research Libraries Board (2008 – 2011).

Dr. Tom Roe

Thomas Roe, M.D. is a native of Detroit and received his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan after majoring in Zoology and History. He is a 1980 graduate of the School of Medicine and practiced Family Medicine in the Detroit area for 21 years prior to joining the faculty of the Wayne State University Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences in 2001. He subsequently served as the Assistant Dean of Clinical Sciences and then the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Medical Education. He currently represents Dean Parisi and the School of Medicine as the Co-Program Director for the Michigan Area Health Education Center. He also coordinates electives for fourth-year medical students, directs the Year 2 Physical Diagnosis Program, serves as the Medical



Student Health Officer, and volunteers with the Robert R. Frank Student Run Free Clinic. Dr. Roe has a life-long interest in the history of Michigan and Detroit having traced his family history back to their arrival in the city in the early 1850s.

Scott Jankowski

Scott Jankowski is a senior at Wayne State University and will be graduating with a History Honors degree and a Psychology minor. He plans to further his education by attending graduate school for Library and Information Science.

