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“Community”

Learning About Medical Mobile Apps

The January 28, 2014 Faculty Educator Development Seminar was presented by Joshua Steinberg, MD, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Family Medicine at the Binghamton Clinical Campus. Dr. Steinberg gave the seminar attendees helpful information about medical apps for mobile devices. The Faculty Educator Development Seminars are conducted on the fourth Tuesday of each month. All Upstate faculty members are invited and encouraged to attend. The topics presented at each seminar are informative and useful. Lunch is always provided. The Faculty Educator Development Committee also sponsors monthly Medical Education Journal Club Meetings hosted by Thomas Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Dept. of Cell & Developmental Biology. The FED committee invites journal club and seminar attendees to join them each June for an Annual Faculty Scholars Dinner Workshop where a guest speaker presents information about various topics. For more information about the Faculty Educator Development Seminars, the Medical Education Journal Clubs, and the Annual Faculty Scholars Dinner Workshop, please contact Michele Henderson in the Office of Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development. Be sure to watch for e-mails and announcements in Upstate Online and Upstate Announcements as well.
Ann S. Botash, MD, Pediatrics, was honored (along with Martha Ryan) for her work with abused children and as a founder of the McMahon Ryan Child Advocacy Center at the “Kick-off for Kids” event, Oct. 24, 2013.

Sharon Brangman, MD, Medicine, has been selected by the Institute of Medicine (IOM) as one of a core group of seven individuals to participate in three upcoming meetings of experts on advanced dementia. IOM is convening these meetings for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services that was created by the National Alzheimer's Project Act (NAPA). The first meeting was on Jan. 28, 2014 in Washington, D.C.

Joseph Himmelsbach, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Central NY Psychological Association. During his 45 year career he developed many of the programs for the mentally ill that we now take for granted. In his roles as Deputy Director for Clinical Services and Chief of the Center for Children & Youth at Hutchings Psychiatric Center, he developed the first mobile mental health crisis service, first community housing programs, and first centralized admissions program. He also consulted with, and developed state wide training programs for, the police and sheriffs' offices to train them in working with the mentally ill. He has been and still is a faculty member at SU and Upstate where he provides excellent supervision in psychotherapy to the next generation. In later years, he became actively involved in disaster mental health and provided direct service right after 9-11 and Hurricane Katrina.

Michael Iannuzzi, MD, Chair, Medicine, has been named one of the world’s top experts in the field of sarcoidosis research and treatment by Expertscape, an organization dedicated to helping consumers find health professionals with extensive expertise in their specific area of concern. Expertscape uses objective algorithms to identify the most knowledgeable and experienced physicians, clinicians and researchers across more than 26,000 specific topics, stratified by geography. Expertscape defines an expert as someone who has published peer-reviewed research in the science, therapies, and complications for a specific medical topic.
Rosemary Rochford, PhD, Microbiology & Immunology, has received the International Citizen of the Year award from the International Center of Syracuse (ICS). The award was presented at the ICS’ 2013 Central New York International Citizen Awards Dinner on Nov. 8 at Onondaga Community College. Dr. Rochford is Vice President for Research. She is a NIH-funded researcher for her studies on associated lymphomas, malaria and Epstein-Barr virus and is a noted expert in the field of endemic Burkitt’s lymphoma, and the role the Epstein-Barr virus plays in the disease, which is the most common childhood cancer in sub-Saharan Africa. She established the Equatorial Africa Children’s Cancer Fund to help children being treated at the Nyanza Provincial Hospital, and developed a model to test hemolytic toxicity of anti-malaria drugs resulting in funding from Medicines for Malaria Venture and Department of Defense.

Leadership in Service

International Leadership

Dmitriy Nikolavsky, MD, Urology, was elected to serve as the Program Director, on the Board of Directors of the International Russian Speaking Urological Society.

Oleg Shapiro, MD, Urology, was elected to serve as Secretary, on the Board of Directors, of the International Russia Speaking Urological Society. Dr. Shapiro is also the Program Director for the International Russian Speaking Urological Society meeting, to take place in Moscow, Russia, in 2014.

National Leadership

Richard Beers, MD, Anesthesiology, received Sub-Specialty Certification in Pediatric Anesthesia, October, 2013.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, purchased a high-tech imaging system that allows doctors to detect prostate cancers often missed by conventional testing. The system, called “UroNav” looks like a computer workstation on wheels. Upstate is the third hospital in the nation to utilize the “UroNav”.
Laura Knight, MD, *Pathology*, has been appointed Chair of the Education Subcommittee for Self-Assessment Module Development of the National Association of Medical Examiners. She also serves on the Scientific Program Subcommittee in this organization.

Colleen O'Leary, MD, *Anesthesiology*, has been appointed Chair of the American Society of Anesthesiologists’ Committee on Professional Liability, Oct. 16, 2013.

Amy E. Sanders, MD, MS, *Neurology*, was appointed to the Measure Advisory Committee (MAC) of the American Medical Association (AMA)-convened Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement® (PCPI®).


Oleg Shapiro, MD, *Urology*, was elected to the Board of Directors of the Northeastern American Urological Association.

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**State and Local Leadership**

Laura Knight, MD, *Pathology*, was promoted to Deputy Chief Medical Examiner of Onondaga County in May 2013.

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**University Leadership**

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, *Chair, Urology*, has been selected to serve on the Physician Advisory Board, Upstate Cancer Center, Syracuse, NY.

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**Leadership in Education**

Laura Knight, MD, *Pathology*, has created a new elective course called “Forensic Pathology”. It will be offered to fourth year medical students starting in the Spring, 2014 semester.
**Grants Awarded**

**Ann Botash, MD, Pediatrics, co-PI, Stephen Knohl, MD, Medicine, co-PI**
NYS Dept. of Health
Doctors Across NY Ambulatory Care Training Program
7/1/13-6/30/16
$750,000

**Scott Blystone, PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology, PI**
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund Inc.
Prevention of Metastases Through Blockage of Formins
12/1/13-11/30/15
$50,000

**Eric Deshaies, MD, Neurosurgery, PI**
Microvention Inc.
VFC: Versatile Range Fill Coil Registry
10/7/13-10/6/14
$14,300

**Timothy Endy, MD, MPH, Medicine, PI**
University of Rhode Island
Flavivirus Infections: Pathogenesis and Prevention
7/18/13-6/30/14
$105,697

**Stewart Loh, PhD, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, PI**
Rutgers University
Exploration of Thiosemicarbazone as Mutant p53 Reactivators
7/1/13-6/30/15
$78,338

**Stewart Loh, PhD, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, PI**
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund Inc.
Rescue of Mutant p53 in Breast Cancer
12/1/13-11/30/15
$50,000

**Stewart Loh, PhD, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, PI**
Central New York Community Foundation
Reactivating Mutant p53 by Small Molecule Metallochaperones
12/1/13-11/30/14
$25,000
Grants

Christopher P. Morley, PhD, *Family Medicine*, PI
Health Research Inc. & NYS Department of Health
Increasing Colorectal Cancer Screening Through Academic Detailing and Practice Facilitation
11/13-6/14
$225,000

Bernard Poiesz, MD, *Medicine*, PI
Amgen Incorporated
A Randomized, Double-blind, Placebo-controlled Study to Evaluate the Long-term Safety and Efficacy of Darbepoetin Alfa Administered at 55 ug Once-Every-3-Weeks in Anemic Subjects with Advanced Stage Non-small Cell Lung Cancer
9/24/12-9/23/14
$5,501

Rosemary Rochford, PhD, *Microbiology & Immunology*, PI
University of Mississippi
A nuRBC SCID Mouse Model for Testing the Hemolytic Capacity of Novel 8-aminoquinolines (AQ) in the Context of G6PD Deficiency
5/1/13-4/30/14
$266,274

Jeremy Shefner, MD, *Neurology*, PI
ALS Therapy Alliance
A Novel Immunosuppression Intervention for the Treatment of ALS
5/10/13-5/10/15
$55,553

M. Saeed Sheikh, MD, PhD, *Pharmacology*, PI
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund Inc.
Characterization of a Mitochondrial Biomarker for Breast Cancer
12/1/13-11/30/15
$50,000

Allen Silverstone, PhD, *Microbiology & Immunology*, PI
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Biomarkers of Immune Function in Participants of the Anniston Community Health Survey: Follow-up Study and Dioxin Analyses
9/17/13-9/16/14
$143,891

Manika Suryadevara, MD, *Pediatrics*, PI
Pfizer Inc.
Characterization of Nasopharyngeal Colonization of Streptococcus Pneumoniae in HIV-infected Adults in Central New York Following the Introduction of Conjugate Pneumococcal Vaccine-13
12/1/13-11/30/14
$100,000
Grants

**Steven Taffet, PhD**, *Interim Chair, Microbiology & Immunology*, PI
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund Inc.
Immunity, Breast Cancer, and Gap Junctions
12/1/13-11/30/15
$50,000

**Klaus Werner MD, PhD, Neurology**, PI
Massachusetts General Hospital
Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) Biomarkers in the Immediate Postnatal Period of Development
8/6/12-8/5/14
$4,517

**Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine**, Site PI
Co-investigator: PI J. Willis (Ultradian Diagnostics, LLC)
NIH/NIDDK (SBIR Phase 2)
Continuous Monitoring of Glycemic Oscillations in Interstitial Fluid
10/13-12/15
$387,743

**Richard Wojcikiewicz PhD**, *Pharmacology*, PI
Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund Inc.
The Function and Possible Targeting of bok in Breast Cancer Cells
12/1/13-11/30/15
$50,000

Publications


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**Published Abstracts**


**Books and Book Chapters**


Posters


Bhatti H, Osterhout DJ. Dab1 signaling modulates pligodendroglial migration during cortical development. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013


Botash AS. A Question-a-day: Email prompts to improve faculty teaching strategies. AAMC Harvard Macy Institute Faculty Scholars Poster Session. Philadelphia, PA, Nov 2013


Dean A, Mitchell DR. Chlamydomonas ODA10 is a conserved axonemal protein that plays a unique role in outer dynein arm assembly. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013


Isaacson S. Ultrasound, simulation and stimulation for peripheral nerve blocks. New York State Society of Anesthesiologists Post Graduate Assembly, New York, NY, Dec 2013


Mahon, PY, Griffin-Sobel JP. Nursing is STEM: Findings from diverse nursing education pathways. Sigma Theta Tau International 42nd Biennial Convention Indianapolis, IN, Nov 2013

Miller MR, Blystone SD. The formin FMNL1 regulates podosomes for macrophage migration. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013


**Nanavati KB, Pratte MA, Morley CP.** Utilizing a group visit model to deliver “Four Pillars of Wellness” integrative care for adult patients with diabetes. North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) Annual Meeting, Ottawa, Canada, Nov 2013

**Shah K, Nikolavsky D, Flynn BJ.** Bacteriological analysis of explanted transvaginal meshes, AUGS Meeting, Las Vegas NV, Oct 2013


**Nsouli I, et al.** The utility of the CT scan for measurement of prostate volumes: A comparison to gross specimen and trus, triple concordance study, Northeastern AUA Meeting, Saratoga Springs, NY, Oct-Nov 2013

**Bhatti H, Osterhout DJ.** Dab1 signaling modulates oligodendroglial migration during cortical development. Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, Nov 2013

**Ounderkirk JL, Chandhoke SK, Mooseker MS, Flavell RA, Krendel M.** The role of long-tailed class I myosins in macrophage migration. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013

Posters


Sanger JW. Memories of the late professor Hugh Huxley. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013


Daugherty M, Blakely S, Shapiro O, Bratslavsky G. Histologic distribution of rcc in young patients is different from older patients: Results from the Seer database. First place poster at Northeastern AUA Meeting, Saratoga Springs, NY, Oct-Nov 2013

Sirotkin V, Bi J, Chase SE, Pellenz CD, Kurihara H, Fanning AS, Krendel M. Glomerular permeability regulator myosin 1e modulates junctional actin organization during contact formation between glomerular epithelial cells. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013

Sirotkin V, Ouderkirk JL, Chandhoke SK, Mooseker MS, Flavell RA, Krendel M. The role of long-tailed class I myosins in macrophage migration. Annual ASCB Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013


Sumanthi P. Coexistence of glossopharyngeal neuralgia with atypical trigeminal neuralgia in a young girl. 32nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Pain Society, New Orleans, LA, May 2013
**Posters**


**Presentations**

**International**

Richard Beers, MD, Anesthesiology, presented. “Anticoagulants and Regional Anesthesia: Threading the Needle.” Panel discussion at the European Society of Anesthesiologists annual meeting, Barcelona, Spain, June 2013.

Kerry Greene-Donnelly MBA, RT (R)(M)(CT)(QM), Medical Imaging Services – CHP, presented a four part web series to the Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization: Radiological Health. Topics included: CT Image Quality and Dose Considerations, Cardiac CT, CT Angiography, Virtual CT Imaging, and CT Quality Management. This was a four session webinar, presented from Syracuse to more than 20 countries. Total students were approximately 80. Jan 2014.

Fenghua Li, MD, *Anesthesiology*, presented. “Intraoperative Neuromonitoring in Spine Surgery” at the Xiangya School of Medicine, Central-South Changsha, Hunan, China, July 2013.

Christopher P. Morley, PhD, *Family Medicine*, co-presented “The Extent and Methods of Public Health Instruction in Family Medicine Undergraduate and Graduate Medical Education” (co-presented with Jacob Prunuske, MD, MSPH, Linda Chang, MPH, BCBH, Ranit Mishori, MD, MHS, Dean Seehusen, MD, MPH, and Alison Dobbie, MB, ChB), “Intent to Practice in a Rural Location: A Qualitative Study of Medical Students Engaged in Rural Training” (co-authored by Carrie Roseamelia, MA) and “Oral Health Outcomes, Oral Health Literacy, and Other Barriers to Care at a Community Health Care Center” (co-authored by Michelle Phillips, MPH, Margaret Formica, PhD, and Patrick Smith, DDS) at the North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) Annual Meeting, Ottawa, Canada, Nov. 2013. The presentation was


Oleg Shapiro, MD, *Urology*, presented “Prostate Cancer: Update 2013”, and was the moderator for the live laparoscopic radical prostatectomy at the First Annual Meeting of the Association of Young Urologists of Russia, Moscow, Russia, Oct 2013.

National


Richard Beers, MD, *Anesthesiology*, presented “Infection Control Issues Impacting Anesthesiology Practice” as the Moderator of a focus session at the Post Graduate Assembly in Anesthesiology, New York, NY, Dec 2013.
Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, presented “VHL in Clinical Practice Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome” and “Workup and Management of Adrenal Masses” at the 2013 Urology Symposium, Carlsbad, CA, Oct 2013.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, was a Moderator of the Kidney Cancer Session II, at the 14th Annual Meeting of the Society of Urologic Oncology, Bethesda MD, Dec 2013.

Joyce P. Griffin-Sobel, PhD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, Dean, and Pamela Y. Mahon, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, CNE, ANEF, Associate Dean, College of Nursing, presented “Technological Learning Strategies: Achieving Interprofessional Education Goals with Technology” at the Sigma Theta Tau International 42nd Biennial Convention, Indianapolis, IA, Nov 2013.


Leszek Kotula, MD, PhD, Urology, presented “Ab1 Levels Regulate Prostate Tumor Progression in Mice Downstream From Pten Inactivation”, at the American Association for Cancer Research Special Conference: The Translational Impact of Model Organisms in Cancer, San Diego, CA, Nov 2013.


Mehdi Mollapour, PhD, Urology, presented "Asymmetry Hsp90 N-domain SUMOylation Recruits Aha1 and ATP Competitive Inhibitors" at the 19th Annual Midwest Stress Response and Molecular Chaperone Meeting, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, Jan 2014.


Roberta Rolland, MS, RN, FNP, College of Nursing, presented “The Personal Transition of Emergency Room Nurses When the Focus of Patient Care Changes From Curative to End-of-Life” at the Sigma Theta Tau International 42nd Biennial Convention, Indianapolis, Ind, Nov 2013.


Amy E. Sanders, MD MS, Neurology was interviewed by Neurology®: the official journal of the American Academy of Neurology Podcast on her paper” Quality improvement in neurology: Dementia management quality measures”, Neurology 2013 Oct 22;81(17):1545-1549.

Clyde Satterly, MD, MBA, Carrie Roseamelia, MA, Family Medicine, presented “Overcoming Barriers to Patients’ Utilization of a Practice-Based Web Portal” at the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) Conference on Practice Improvement, San Diego, CA, Nov 2013.

State & Local

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, was a moderator of the resident debate: “80 hour Work Week Rule for Urology Residents: Great Idea or Missed Educational Opportunity”, at the Northeastern AUA Meeting, Saratoga Springs, NY, Oct-Nov, 2013.

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, presented “PSA Screening: Evolving Recommendations and Controversies” at the New York American College of Physicians District Meeting, Syracuse NY, November 2013.

Nanette Dowling, DO, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, presented “Environmental Scan Preliminary Results –Services for Seniors with Anxiety and Depression in Central New York” at the Central New York Geriatric Mental Health Forum, Syracuse, NY, Nov 2013.

Laura Knight, MD, Pathology, presented “Safe Infant Sleep: A Key to Preventable Sudden Infant Deaths” at the Family Medicine Grand Rounds at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Utica, NY, July 2013.

Gerald Mingin, MD, Urology, was a Moderator for the debate on “Management of Reflux”, at the Northeastern AUA Meeting, Saratoga Springs, NY, Oct-Nov, 2013.

Pamela Youngs-Maher, MSEd, Carol Recker-Hughes, PhD, Anne Botash, MD, Patty Powers, DNP, MPA, RN, FNP-C, PMHNP, and Carrie Roseamelia, MA presented “Observations of Students in Clinical Settings via iPad SUNY Upstate Medical”, a panel discussion at CIT 2013 - Transformation in Higher Education: Sharing Ideas and Showing Results, for SUNY Institute of Technology, Utica, NY, May 2013.

Jonathan Riddell, MD, Urology, Moderated the resident debate on “Orchiopexy in a 10 Year Old Child with Retractile Testicle” at the Northeastern AUA Meeting, Saratoga Springs, NY, Oct-Nov 2013.


Community


Laura Knight, MD, Pathology, presented “Demise of a Pediatric Myasthenic Patient” at the Combined Toxicology and Poison Control Center Grand Rounds, and Onondaga County Center for Forensic Sciences, Syracuse, NY, July 2013.

Dmitry Nikolavsky, MD, Urology, presented “Female Incontinence: Diagnosis and Treatment”, Health Link Community Lecture, Syracuse NY, Dec 2013.

Joseph G. Sorbello, MSEd, RT, RRT, Respiratory Therapy Education, CHP, presented "COPD and Obamacare" for the local chapter of the American Association of Professional Coders, North Syracuse NY, Jan 2014.
Upstate Medical University's hour-long talk radio program, "HealthLink on Air" appears from 9 to 10 p.m. Sundays on WRVO Public Media. Each interview segment is archived at www.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair, as well. Many of the interviews draw on the expertise of Upstate faculty. The following members of the faculty participated in the past quarter:

- Donna Bacchi, MD MPH
- Jennifer Christner MD
- Joseph Domachowske, MD
- Joyce Griffin Sobel, PhD, RN
- Leslie Kohman, MD
- Christian Knutsen, MD
- Dragos Manta, MD
- Deirdre Neilen, PhD
- Rich O'Neill, PhD
- Scott Cathy Patrick, MSN, RNC, IBCLC
- Mohamed Sa Elfar, MD
- Scott Schurman, MD
- Richard Sills, MD
- Manika Suryadevara, MD
- Paula Trief, PhD
- Sharon Brangman, MD
- Derek Cooney, MD
- Nienke Dosa, MD
- Aliya Hafeez, MD
- Leszek Kotula, MD, PhD
- Rev. Virginia Lawson, PhD
- Jeanna Marraffa, PHARM, DABAT, FAACT
- Christopher Neville, PT PhD
- David Paar MD
- Rosemary Rochford PhD
- Carol Sames, PhD
- Heather Shannon, CNM
- Zafer Soultan, MD
- Karen Teelin, MD, MSED

Promotions

**Gustavo de la Roza, MD**, Pathology, was promoted to Professor (previously tenured), January 2014

**James Knoll, IV, MD**, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, was promoted to Professor, January 2014

**Oleg Shapiro, MD**, Urology, was promoted to Associate Professor, January 2014

**Jana Shaw, MD**, Pediatrics, was promoted to Associate Professor, January 2014
New Faculty

**J. Kurt Concilla, DPM**, Assistant Professor, *Medicine*
Dr. Concilla received his degree of podiatric medicine from the California College of Podiatric Medicine. He has worked in private practice.

**Nicholas Deakin, PhD**, Assistant Professor, *Cell & Developmental Biology*
Dr. Deakin received his doctoral degree from the University of Manchester and completed his post-doctoral fellowship at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

**Vandana Sharma, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Anesthesiology*
Dr. Sharma received her medical degree from Sher-I-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences in India and completed her residency at the University of Buffalo.

**Katherine Walia, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences*
Dr. Walia received her medical degree from Dartmouth Medical School and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

**Vaughn Whittaker, MD**, Assistant Professor, *Surgery*
Dr. Whittaker received his medical degree from the University of the West Indies and completed his residency at Harlem Hospital Center. He pursued additional training in Transplant Surgery at Columbia University Medical Center. He joins us from the staff of St. Lukes-Roosevelt Hospital Center.

**Debra Wolf, RPA-C**, Instructor, *CHP-Physician Assistant Studies*
Ms. Wolf earned her Bachelor's degree from Gannon University. She is a NYS Licensed and Certified Physician Assistant. She has served as a community Physician Assistant member on our Physician Assistant Advisory Board since the beginning of our program.
In Memoriam

David W. Temple, 70, a former grants administrator at Upstate from 1976 to 2010, died recently. Dave was an honors graduate of Clarkson College with a Business degree in Accounting and a member of Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity. He was a member of the Boys from Syracuse Air National Guard Unit.

"Dave was an exemplary grants administrator," said Ken Barker, the former Vice President for Research, now retired. "One of the things I remember being impressed with early on was his ability to do any and all things to get a grant out. Prior to the electronic submission we have today, you needed someone like Dave to craft and format the document. He would work 24 hours straight if necessary," said Barker. "He was totally committed to that job and our institution. He also had a wry sense of humor that I enjoyed immensely."

Survivors include Cathy Temple; his daughters, Christin (Todd) Temple-Creller and Tracy (Eric) Cheney; granddaughters, Grace and Emma Cheney; a niece, Kelly Temple and a nephew, Timothy Temple; a sister-in-law, Carol Temple and many friends and acquaintances including close friend Bruce Schauer. A special thank you to the Nurses on 6B, University Hospital.

Ronald R. Young, 65, Vice President for Public and Governmental Affairs at Upstate until 2007, passed away January 15 at his home in Bluffton, SC. Ron had a long association with Upstate before assuming his Vice President role. A leading citizen of the region, he was for many years a member of the Governor-appointed Council to the Upstate Medical University. A graduate of Nottingham High School and his beloved Hampton University, he spent the bulk of his professional career as an executive at Agway, Inc. in the Central New York area.

Ron placed a high value on community service, which he exhibited through his leadership roles on boards for the United Way of Central New York, Central New York Community Foundation, and Greater Syracuse Chamber of Commerce.
Ron was known nationally for his longtime membership and commitment to his fraternity Kappa Alpha Psi, Inc., where he served in many leadership roles, rising to International Grand Polemarch (President). In 2011, he was the centennial recipient of the Fraternity's highest honor, The Laurel Wreath.

“I always admired Ron’s energy and presence with people. He had a wonderful way of conducting himself," said Upstate Interim President Greg Eastwood. "I was so pleased when he joined my management team and I had the opportunity to work closely with him. He was intimately connected to the Central New York community and it was rare to go into a room with him when he didn’t know most people there. Lynn and I feel a personal loss and send our heartfelt condolences to Jacquie and Ron's mother and daughters. This is sad news for everyone associated with Upstate.”

Survivors include wife, Jacqueline M. Jackson-Young and three daughters, Jenelle R. Pope of California (Che’), Nicole C. Collier of Maryland (Brent), and Whitney M. Young of Georgia. He is also survived by his mother, Alberta "Peaches" Young of Syracuse and brother, John A. Young (Tonette) of Syracuse, and three grandchildren, Kaya and Ethan Pope and Davis Collier.

Faculty Development - Upcoming Events

Please RSVP to Michele Henderson at (hendermi@upstate.edu) or telephone (315-464-1681) if you are interested in attending any of the following events.

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Medical Education Journal Club - Monday February 10, 2014
12-1pm
3509 Setnor Academic Bldg


Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology

~ Lunch will be provided ~
Faculty Development Seminar Series – **Tuesday February 25, 2014**
12-1pm
Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences
Library

“Using OSCE Review as a Window into the Development of Diagnostic Reasoning”

Presenter: **Michael Vertino, MD, Assistant Professor, Neurology**

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Medical Education Journal Club – **Monday March 3, 2014**
12-1pm
Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

*(Journal Article to be Announced)*

*Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

Faculty Development Seminar Series – **Tuesday March 25, 2014**
12-1pm
Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences
Library

“Patient Simulation”

Presenters:
**Carol Recker-Hughes, PT, PhD, MA, Associate Professor, CHP-Physical Therapy**
**Jill Dungey, PT, DPT, GCS, Assistant Professor, CHP-Physical Therapy**
**Kevin Neville, PT, DPT, GCS, Assistant Professor, CHP-Physical Therapy**

~ Lunch will be provided ~
7th Annual “Celebration of the Faculty –
Thursday March 20, 2014

Institute for Human Performance (IHP) Atrium
4:30 - 5:00 pm – Reception
5:00 – 6:00 pm – Program

We will individually recognize and honor members of the faculty of all of the colleges who joined us as new colleagues during the past year. We will celebrate those who were promoted and/or tenured, and those who achieved significant professional milestones. Additionally, we will honor the recipients of the 7th Annual Gold Standard Awards. This award recognizes and honors those members of our faculty who have shown a true PASSION for, and excellence in, their work, whether it be in research, clinical service and/or teaching. Family members of honorees are invited to join the celebration.

Opportunities to come together in community are very important. So, please mark your calendar and join us for music, laughter and fun, and a chance to recognize and celebrate the commitment and excellence of our faculty.

*** Currently Accepting Nominations for our Gold Standard Awards ***

For more information, please contact Paula Trief, PhD, Senior Associate Dean – Office of Faculty Affairs and Development (464-1681). Deadline for nominations is Feb. 14th!

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2014 (COM FAPC) Dates:

College of Medicine Faculty Appointments & Promotions Committee (COM FAPC) Calendar

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Faculty Development - Website Calendar

~ For more information on all upcoming events, please visit the Faculty Affairs Website “Events Calendar”

Be Sure to Visit our “Events Calendar” on the Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development Website

To access the calendar, simply go to the home page of "faculty affairs and faculty development" http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/ and then click on the "Events Calendar" in dark blue (on the left side of our home page).

Once you have accessed the calendar, you will see various events posted that might be of interest to you and/or members of your department. To obtain more information, simply click on the event. You will see titles, presenters, times, locations, contact information, etc.

Please Note: these events have been copied to Upstate’s main website calendar as well. (Accessed from the top of the Upstate home page.)

Notes & Corrections:

Please Note:

1. In an effort to keep the Faculty Commons manageable, we will be concentrating on external presentations and service.

2. Please remember – we do not include any publications, books, book chapters, etc. that are currently “in press”. Please wait until you have publication information before you include these submissions.

Useful Website Links:

Promotion and Tenure Information
http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/promotion.php

Faculty Affairs & Faculty Development
http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/

Faculty Governance
http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/