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7th Annual Celebration of the Faculty
The 7th Annual “Celebration of the Faculty” was held in the IHP Atrium on Thursday March 20, 2014 and was attended by more than 150 people. Everyone who came enjoyed some great music, great food, and a great opportunity to honor our new, promoted & tenured, and emeritus faculty members. Also honored that evening were the eight recipients of the 2014 Gold Standard Award. This event is hosted by the Office of Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development.

Photos taken by: Mr. William Mueller – SUNY Upstate Medical Photography Department
Enjoying the Reception

Dr. Matthew Elkins, Pathology, and his wife, Dr. Cinthia Elkins, Family Medicine, visit with Dr. Derek Cooney, Emergency Medicine.

Dr. Scott Albert, Surgery, enjoys an hors d’oeuvre with his daughter Claire before the ceremony begins. Dr. Albert’s wife Emily, Medicine, also attended.

New Instructors and Assistant Professors

Dr. Srinivas Vourganti with President Eastwood

Drs. David Padalino and Mehdi Mollapour w/ President Eastwood

Drs. Adam Edelstein, Miriam Donohue, Nanette Dowling, Jill Merluzzi, Roberta Rolland, Matthew Vilburn, Cinthia Elkins, Scott Albert, Matthew Elkins, Joseph Fullmer, Paul Aridjides, Dimitra Bourboulia, and Ruban Dhaliwal

Drs. Vaughn Whittaker and Allyson Haymes pictured with President Eastwood

New Associate Professors

Drs. Ajay Jain, Mara Kaufman, Leszek Kotula, and Palma Shaw with President Eastwood.

New Professor

Dr. Pamela Mahon was also appointed Associate Dean in the College of Nursing. Pictured with Dr. Eastwood
Promoted Associate Professors
Drs. Derek Cooney, Melissa Ko, Paul Ko, Julius Gene Latorre, Cecilia Leonard, Christopher Neville Carol Sames, Oleg Shapiro, Jana Shaw, Michael Zuber

Promoted Professors
Dr. Steven Blatt, Gustavo de la Roza and Sylvie Destian
Pictured with Dr. Duggan, Dean of the College of Medicine, and President Eastwood.

Promoted Chair
Dr. Robert Gregory was promoted to Chair of the Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences.
Pictured with Dr. Duggan and Dr. Eastwood

Emeritus Faculty
Drs. Raja Abdul-Karim, Fuad Farah, David Reed, Allen Silverstone, Harold Smulyan and Howard Weinberger
Pictured with Dr. Mark Schmitt, Dean of the College of Graduate Studies, and President Eastwood

Superb Entertainment
A special thanks to Drs. Roger Greenberg & Ron Saletsky (both from the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences), for their outstanding keyboard and guitar music during the reception!

A Special End to the Evening
Kasandra Scales, MD, MPH ended the evening by singing a beautiful rendition of the Mariah Carey song, “Hero” to the attendees and honorees at the Celebration.
**Honors and Awards**

**Honors & Awards ~ Congratulations to:**

**Ran Anbar, MD, Pediatrics,** was honored by The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation for the body of his work with cystic fibrosis patients and his bountiful research contributions. Dr. Anbar was recognized at its second annual 65 Roses Dinner Dance on March 15. Dr. Anbar was the first person ever to be honored at this event. "We are thrilled to have Dr. Anbar as our honoree," said Karen Ferguson, Executive Director, The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. "He has always been a strong proponent of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and our work and he is well-loved in our community. Our patients and their parents love him. His work with them is nothing short of amazing." Dr. Anbar has been at Upstate for nearly 20 years. The Pediatric Pulmonary Center is a Cystic Fibrosis Foundation accredited Care Center.

**Dale Avers, PT, DPT, PhD, FAPTA,** *Physical Therapy Education-College of Health Professions* has been named a Catherine Worthingham Fellow by the American Physical Therapy Association. Catherine Worthingham, PT, PhD, FAPTA, was a change agent who was effective, respectful, and honest, and motivated others to make an impact within the physical therapy profession. She was also a visionary who demonstrated leadership across the domains of advocacy, education, practice, and research. The purpose of the Catherine Worthingham Fellow designation (FAPTA) is to honor Dr. Worthingham and inspire all physical therapists to attain the high level of professional excellence and impact in terms of advancing the profession she exemplified. The FAPTA designation is the highest honor among APTA’s membership categories.

**Joseph Domachowske, MD, Pediatrics,** has been elected a member of the American Pediatric Society (APS) in recognition of his scholarly contributions to pediatric medicine. He was named a Young Investigator in 2004 by the Society for Pediatric Research, a joint organization of the APS. Dr. Domachowske is Professor of Pediatrics and Microbiology & Immunology at Upstate.

**Stephen V. Faraone, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences,** was promoted to SUNY Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry and of Neuroscience & Physiology.

**Melissa W. Ko, MD, Neurology and Ophthalmology,** was named a Fellow of the North American Neuro-ophthalmology Society.

**Leslie J. Kohman, MD, Surgery,** received the 2014 WCNY “Women who Make America” Award. The awards event was on Friday March 7, 2014 in Seneca Falls, NY. Dr Kohman was profiled on the INSIGHT WCNY show which aired the weekend of March 14, 2014.
Michael B. Lax, MD, MPH, *Family Medicine*, has received the Charlie Bugnacki Community Service Award from the Greater Syracuse Labor Council for his community service on behalf of working people in the region. Board-certified in occupational medicine, Dr. Lax is medical director of the Occupational Health Clinical Centers, which serves workers in 26 counties in upstate New York. He serves on the leadership team of the Workers’ Center of Central New York, and was recognized in 2011 for lifetime achievement by the National Council for Occupational Safety and Health.

Joyce Scarpinato, DNP, PNP-BC, FNP-C, *College of Nursing*, has been awarded a $10,000 grant to support a student as a DNP (Doctor of Nursing Practice) Jonas Nurse Leader Scholar. The Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare is dedicated to improving healthcare through nursing. The Upstate student will join an elite group of 600 Jonas Nurse Leaders/Jonas Veteran Health Care Scholars across the country.

Jeremy Shefner, MD, *Chair of Neurology*, has received the prestigious Sheila Essey Award from the American Academy of Neurology for 2014. The award honors individuals who have made significant research contributions in ALS research. Dr. Shefner will speak at the upcoming AAN meeting in Philadelphia and be honored at the awards luncheon on April 30. The award carries a Certificate of Recognition and a $50,000 prize to be used by the recipient to continue ALS research.

L. Thomas Wolff, MD, *College of Health Professions – Physician Assistant Studies*, former chair of Family Medicine, and one of the seminal figures in the development of Upstate's Rural Medicine (RMED) program, will be honored with a named scholarship by the Central New York Area Health Education Center (NYC AHEC). The AHEC organization is putting together a dinner to celebrate the occasion and the greater Upstate Community is invited to attend. It will be held on Wednesday, April 23 at the Crowne Plaza Conference Center.

The following SUNY Upstate Medical University faculty members (pictured with President Eastwood) were presented with a Gold Standard Award at the 7th Annual Celebration of the Faculty, which was held on March 20, 2014:

*The Gold Standard Award was created to recognize members of the faculty who are dedicated, enthusiastic and passionate about their work, and who live the values of Upstate by exemplifying innovation, respect, service and integrity.*
Barbara Black, RN, ANP, MS, MA, College of Nursing
Dr. Pamela Mahon, Professor and Associate Dean in the College of Nursing accepted the award on behalf of Dr. Black who was unable to attend the Celebration.

David Carter, MD, PhD, Neurosurgery
The award was presented to Dr. Carter by Dr. Lawrence Chin, Chair of the Department of Neurosurgery.

Jayne Charlamb, MD, Surgery
Presented by Dr. Kara Kort
Associate Professor of Surgery

Vincent Frechette, MD, Medicine
Presented by Dr. David Lehmann
Professor of Medicine

Victoria Meguid, MB, BS, Pediatrics
Presented by Dr. Thomas Welch,
Chair, Dept. of Pediatrics

Howard Weinberger, MD, Pediatrics
Presented by Dr. Thomas Welch,
Chair, Dept. of Pediatrics

Gary Nieman, Surgery
Presented by Dr. Leslie Kohman, Distinguished Service Professor. The award was accepted by members of Mr. Nieman’s research team: Ms. Kathy Snyder & Dr. Ben Sudowitz.

Susan Stearns, PhD, Cell & Developmental Biology
Presented by Mr. Matthew Helm representing the large group of students who nominated her.
Leadership in Service

National Leadership

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, served as Session Chair: Renal Cancer Genomics, Prognosis and Therapies. 2014 Genitourinary Cancer Symposium, San Francisco, CA, Jan-Feb, 2014.

Michelle R. Dolphin, PT, DPT, MS, OCS, Physical Therapy Education-College of Health Professions, is serving a three-year term on the Program Services Committee of the American Board of Physical Therapy Residency and Fellowship Education (ABPTRFE). In January 2014, Dr. Dolphin was appointed to a sub-committee that is working to develop a cost calculator for post professional PT residency/fellowship training. ABPTFRE currently has credentialed 163 PT residencies and 33 PT fellowship programs.

Christopher P. Morley, PhD, Family Medicine, was appointed to the Editorial Board of the Disability and Health Journal. The journal is a scientific, scholarly, and multidisciplinary journal for reporting original contributions that advance knowledge in disability and health, and is co-edited by Upstate’s Margaret Turk MD, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation.

William Paolo, MD, Emergency Medicine, has been named a Senior Reviewer for the Annals of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Paolo achieved this elite status by qualifying for the journal’s annual 50 Top Reviewers list twice or more in the last 4 years.

Michael W. Roe, PhD, Medicine, has been appointed to an NIH Special Emphasis Review Panel “Member Conflict: Endocrinology and Metabolism” ZRG1 EMNR-R(02)M.

Amy E. Sanders, MD MS, Neurology, has been named as a Facilitator on the American Academy of Neurology Leadership Team for the Development of Quality Measures in Multiple Sclerosis.

State and Local Leadership

Gregory L. Eastwood, MD, Upstate’s Interim President, has been named by Syracuse Mayor Stephanie Miner to serve on a special task force that will address the impact a new sports arena would have on nearby neighborhoods, municipal infrastructure and economic development.
Leadership in Education

Christopher P. Morley, PhD, *Family Medicine*, had a new elective approved for the College of Medicine, FAMP1649 “Public Health and Biopsychosocial Primary Care.” The course involves the use of both standardized patients and community placements in safety net clinics to teach about the biopsychosocial model of disease. The course will likely be cross-listed as an elective within the CNYMPH program as well.

Grants Awarded

**Luna Bhatta, MD**, *Medicine*, PI
Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceutical
GLORIA - AF: Global Registry on Long-Term Oral Anti-thrombotic Treatment In Patients with Atrial Fibrillation (Phase II/III)
8/8/13-8/8/15

**Mary J. Cunningham, MD**, *OB/GYN*, PI
VentiRx Pharmaceuticals Inc.
A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Phase II Study of Medication in Patients with Certain Gynecological Cancers
7/9/13-7/8/14

**Timothy A. Damron, MD**, *Orthopedic Surgery*, PI
Orthovita Inc.
A Combined Retrospective and Prospective Protocol to Evaluate Vitoss With and Without Bone Marrow Aspirate for Benign Cavitary Lesions
11/13/13-11/12/14

**Timothy A. Damron, MD**, *Orthopedics*, PI
**Bryan S. Margulies, PhD**, *Orthopedics*, Co-PI
The Jim and Julie Boeheim Foundation
Osteosarcoma and Ewing Sarcoma

**Timothy A. Damron, MD**, *Orthopedics*, PI
**Megan E. Oest, PhD**, *Orthopedics*, Co-PI
The Jim and Julie Boeheim Foundation
Mesenchymal Stem Cells
Grants

Eric M. Deshaies, MD, Neurosurgery, PI
Johns Hopkins University
MISTIE III: A Phase III Clinical Trial of Minimally Invasive Surgery Plus rt-PA in the Treatment of Intracerebral Hemorrhage
9/15/13-7/31/14

Stephen V. Faraone, PhD Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, Subaward PI
European Commission
Aggression Subtyping for Improved Insight and Treatment Innovation in Pediatric Psychiatric Disorders
11/1/13-4/30/15
$51,290

Stephen V. Faraone, PhD Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, PI
AHRQ
Adult ADHD Research Dissemination Partnership Initiative
1/1/14-12/31/14
$187,378

Stephen V. Faraone, PhD Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, PI
NIH-National Institute of Mental Health
Annual Meeting of the ADHD Molecular Genetics Network
3/1/14-2/28/15
$50,000

Stephen V. Faraone, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, PI
NIH-National Institute of Mental Health
Longitudinal Family/Molecular Genetic Study to Validate Research Domain Criteria
4/1/14-3/31/15

Stephen L. Graziano, MD, Medicine, PI
GlaxoSmithKline, Inc.
A Phase II Study of the Selective BRAF Kinase Inhibitor in Subjects with Advanced Non-small Cell Lung Cancer and BRAF Mutations
11/21/13-11/20/14

Wendy Kates, PhD, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, PI
Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania
International Consortium on Brian and Behavior in 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome
9/26/13-7/31/14
$65,773

Richard T. Kelley, MD, Otolaryngology, PI
Syracuse University
Effects of Octanoic Acid for Treatment of Essential Voice Tremor
4/10/13-3/31/14
$13,867
Karol H. Kerr, MD, *Pediatrics*, PI
Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
A Phase III Randomized Trial for Newly Diagnosed High Risk B-precursor Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) Testing Clofarabine
12/18/13-12/17/14

Christine A King, PhD, *Microbiology and Immunology*, PI
SUNY REACH ID
The role of STAT3 in regulating KSHV lytic cycle induction
9/16/13-9/16/14
$20,000

Christine A King, PhD, *Microbiology and Immunology*, Co-PI
Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System, Dept. of Defense
Capacity Strengthening in Ecuador: Partnering to Improve Surveillance of Febrile Vector-borne Diseases
10/24/13-9/30/14
$300,060

Christine A King, PhD, *Microbiology and Immunology*, Co-PI
Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System, Dept. of Defense
Applications of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Remote-sensing Technologies to Detect Algal Blooms and Target Cholera and Other Climate and Water-sensitive Diseases
01/10/14-9/30/14
$294,000

Vertebral Technologies
Post Market Clinical Study of Fusion Using Valeo TL or XT/PL Silicon Nitride Interbody Fusion Device
12/12/13-12/11/14

William F. Lavelle, MD, *Orthopedic Surgery*, PI
Confluent Surgical Inc.
DuraSeal (TM) Exact Spine Sealant System
12/9/13-12/8/14

Christopher P. Morley, PhD, *Family Medicine*, PI
Health Research, Inc.
Increasing Cancer Screening through Academic Detailing and Practice Facilitation
11/1/13-6/29/14
$225,000
Mark E. Polhemus, MD, *Medicine*, PI
Cherokee Nation Technology Solutions, LLC
Evaluating the Potential Use of Oceanographic Information and Remotely Sensed Algal Blooms to Predict Risk of Cholera and Other Climate and Water Sensitive Diseases
1/1/14-3/31/14
$74,430

Jeremy M. Shefner, MD, *Neurology*, PI
Massachusetts General Hospital
NeuroNEXT - A Phase II Trial of Rituximab in Myasthenia Gravis
9/15/13-7/31/14
$12,669

Christine M. Stork-Medicis, PharmD, *Emergency Medicine*, PI
American Association of Poison Control Centers
Poison Control Center Monitoring of Local Carbon Monoxide (CO) Exposure
12/11/13-9/14/14

Gilead Sciences, Inc.
A Phase 2/3, Study Evaluating Pharmacokinetics (PK), Safety, and Efficacy of Once-daily Medication in HIV-1 Infected Individuals . . .
11/13/13-11/12/14

Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics, Inc.
A Phase III Multicenter Clinical Study to Evaluate the Safety, Immunogenicity and Efficacy of an Influenza Virus Vaccine . . .
8/19/13-6/30/15

Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, PI
Novo Nordisk Inc.
The Efficacy and Safety of Liraglutide as Adjunct Therapy to Insulin in the Treatment of Type 1 Diabetes
1/13/14-1/12/15

Sijun Zhu, MD, PhD, *Neuroscience & Physiology*, PI
March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation
Modular Mechanisms of the Generation of Intermediate Neural Progenitor Cells
2/1/14-1/31/16
$150,000
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**Gajra A.** Adjuvant Chemotherapy in Older Adults with Non-small Cell Lung Cancer. *American Society of Clinical Oncology Educational Book*. 2013;185-89


Posters

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Mann KA, Miller MA. Peri-implant bone strains with in-vivo service: A postmortem retrieval study of tibial components from TKA. 26th Annual Congress of the International Society for Technology in Arthroplasty, Palm Beach, FL, Oct 2013


Desai P, Mitchell DR. The role of ODA8p in assembly of flagellar outer dynein arms in Chlamydomonas reinhardtii. Annual ASCB meeting, New Orleans, LA, Dec 2013

Dean, AB, 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
Posters


Werner FW, et al. Biomechanical evaluation of scaphoid and lunate kinematics following sectioning only the dorsal SLIL, only the volar SLIL, and all of the SLIL. International Wrist Investigators Workshop, San Francisco, CA, Oct 2013


Presentations

International

Gennady Bratslavsky, MD, Chair, Urology, presented “Evaluation and Management of the Adrenal Mass”, SLUG Annual Meeting, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada, in Jan 2014.

Christine A King, PhD, Microbiology and Immunology, presented “KSHV Infects Mast Cells in vitro And In KS: A Model For The Pathogenesis Of KSHV Driven Oncogenesis” at the 16th International Workshop on Kaposi’s Sarcoma Herpesvirus (KSHV) and Related Agents, in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, June 30- July 3, 2013.
David Mitchell, PhD, *Cell and Developmental Biology*, presented “The Role of ODA8p and ODA10p in Assembly of Outer Dynein Arms” at the GRC Conference on Cilia, Mucus and Mucociliary Interactions, in Lucca, Italy, Apr 2013.


National

David Mitchell, PhD, *Cell and Developmental Biology*, presented “Cilia as a Key to the Evolutionary Dominance of Higher Life Forms” at the University of Georgia Athens Darwin Day Celebration, Athens, GA, Feb. 11, 2013.


Christopher P. Morley, PhD, *Family Medicine*, co-presented “R U 4 PC: Texting and Feedback on Primary Care During Medical School” at the Society for Teachers of Family Medicine Conference on Medical Student Education, Nashville TN, Feb. 2014. The talk was co-presented with Andrea E Wudyka MD and Andrea L. Wendling MD, and co-authored by Julie P. Phillips MD MPH, Diane Levine MD, and Anne Victoria Neale PhD.
Christopher P. Morley, PhD, *Family Medicine*, co-presented “Rural Tracks in US Medical Schools” at the Society for Teachers of Family Medicine Conference on Medical Student Education, Nashville TN, Feb. 2014. The talk was co-presented by Maggie Reinsvold, MSII at University of Colorado Medical School, and was co-authored by Mark Deutchman MD and David Schmitz MD.


Dmitriy Nikolavsky, MD, presented “Hybrid Edoscopic-Assisted Robotic Simple Prostatectomy with Bladder Diverticulectomy”, at the SUFU meeting, Las Vegas NV, March 2013.


State & Local

Christine A King, PhD, *Microbiology and Immunology*, presented “Pathogenesis Of Dengue Virus- A Role For Mast Cells” at the first “Lab to Landscape: Integrating Infectious Disease Research Symposium”, SUNY ESF, Jan 2014.


Andras Perl, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, presented “Metabolic Control of Systemic Autoimmunity in Lupus” at the Basic research seminar: Columbia University, New York, NY, Jan 2014.


Joseph Spadaro, PhD, Orthopedics, presented “Bone Loss in the Forearm After Disuse: Response Variability and the Role of Systemic Factors” at the Annual Northeast Bioengineering Conference, Syracuse, NY, Apr 2013.

Joshua Steinberg MD, Family Medicine, presented “Must-Have iPhone Apps for Family Physicians” at the annual New York State Academy of Family Physicians Winter Weekend, Lake Placid, NY, Jan 2014.

Community

Leslie J. Kohman, MD, Surgery, was the Commencement Speaker at SUNY Oswego’s Commencement Ceremony, May 18, 2013.

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:

Scott Albert, MD
Susan Chlebowski, MD
Kathleen Dermady, CNM, MSN, NP
Rich O'Neill, PhD
Neal Seidberg, MD
Jeremy Shefner, MD, PhD

Richard Cantor, MD
Derek Cooney, MD
Jeanna Marraffa, PharmD
William Paolo, MD
Simone Seward, MPH

Department News

The Department of Pediatrics has learned that the University Pediatric and Adolescent Center (UPAC) has achieved designation as a Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH). PCMH certification is an acknowledgment (by NCQA) that a facility and its staff are in compliance with a huge number of standards related to care quality and coordination. This certification symbolizes the high quality and level of care provided by the faculty and staff at UPAC. This is the first Upstate clinical program to have achieved this recognition.
**Faculty Governance**

The next open Faculty Council meetings are at 11:45 on March 17 and May 19 in the Doust Board Room. Nominations for SUNY Faculty Senator and alternate and committee membership are being sought by the Council Operations committee. Please send your name and CV (or another's name) to Steven Youngentob. Information can be found at [http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/](http://www.upstate.edu/facgov/) The committees and their descriptions are:

**FACULTY GOVERNANCE - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

**Senator to SUNY Faculty Senate and alternate**
Responsibilities include representing Upstate Medical at 3 SUNY Faculty Plenaries held around NYS. Expenses are paid. This is an influential position interacting with other health science and academic campuses as well as Senior administrators including the Chancellor. Terms are 3 years. Upstate is allocated 4 Senators. Contact Susan Wojcik, Maria Wheelock, Robert Lebel, JC Trussel, Jay Brenner, Dale Avers, Kerry Greene and Vicki Meguid for any personal experiences. It's a great opportunity to learn about Shared Governance in the SUNY system.

**Committee Members for Faculty Council committees.**
Committee members are being sought for the 4 committees of the Faculty Council. Terms are 2-years and are appointed. Committee membership is a great way to influence the direction of the University and improve shared governance. Committee descriptions are below.

**Academic Affairs**¹
The Academic Affairs committee shall be responsible to address issues such as but not limited to: Interprofessional Education: educational opportunities with potential for multi-college involvement, Accreditation issues and experiences, Commencement and Faculty Convocation, Infrastructure and planning as it relates to the academic mission of Upstate, Upstate Faculty research issues, Academic calendars of Upstate, Supportive services. (i.e. library, informational technology, etc) and addressing other issues as assigned by the Upstate Faculty Council.

**Upstate Affairs**
The Upstate Affairs committee shall be responsible to address issues such as but not limited to: Participating in budget process through President’s Budget Forums or other appropriate mechanisms, Participating in the development and implementation of the strategic plan process, Participating and providing suggestions regarding University-wide initiatives affecting student and faculty life such as diversity and environmental programs and regional community involvement, Discussing and providing suggestions regarding University Faculty and Student Judicial policy and professionalism standards and addressing other issues as assigned by the Upstate Faculty Council.
**Faculty Affairs**
The Faculty Affairs committee shall be responsible to address issues such as but not limited to: Reporting on Faculty demographics, Faculty development programs and activities, Evaluation of Faculty teaching effectiveness, Faculty awards, Multi-college administrators’ search process, Participate in multi-college Administrative Officers’ and President performance review process and addressing other issues as assigned by the Upstate Faculty Council.

**Council Operations**
The Council Operations committee shall be responsible to address issues such as but not limited to: Conducting nomination and election process for elected positions within the University, Periodic review of the Faculty Governance and SUNY Board of Trustees Bylaws including pertinent Upstate and SUNY policies to ensure compliance, Oversight of Upstate Faculty Council and committee performance, Oversight and updating of Faculty Governance webpage and addressing other issues as assigned by the Upstate Faculty Council.

**Promotions**

**Ajay Jain, MD,** *Surgery,* was promoted to Associate Professor, March 2014

**Melissa Ko, MD,** *Neurology,* was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, March 2014

**Paul Ko, MD,** *Emergency Medicine,* was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, March 2014

**Cecilia Leonard, MD,** *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences,* was promoted to Associate Professor, March 2014
New Faculty

William Brunken, PhD, Professor with tenure, Ophthalmology
Dr. Brunken received his doctoral degree from SUNY Stony Brook and completed his post-doctoral fellowship at Washington University. He has been on the faculty at Washington University, Boston College, Tufts University and SUNY Health Science Center at Brooklyn.

Allyson Haymes, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Radiology
Dr. Haymes received her doctoral degree from University of Rochester and her medical degree from Harvard Medical School. She completed her residency at Duke University Medical Center. She has been in private practice and worked as a teleradiologist.

Palma Shaw, MD, Associate Professor, Surgery
Dr. Shaw received her medical degree from Hahnemann University and completed her residencies at Robert Packer Hospital and St. Vincent’s Hospital. She pursued additional training in Vascular Surgery at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. She has been on the faculty at New York Medical College, Boston University and Harvard Medical School.

In Memoriam

C. Barber Mueller, MD, the first chair of surgery at Upstate Medical University, died February 13 at age 97 in Hamilton, Ontario. He came to Upstate about 1957 as the first full time chair. Prior to then the department had been chaired by community surgeons. He left in 1967 to become the first chair of the department of Surgery at McMaster University in Hamilton. McMaster was a new school with an exciting new curriculum which very much fitted Dr. Mueller's intellectual interests. He was an inspiring surgeon. He received an Honorary degree from Upstate about 10 years ago.
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 April 7 2014**

12-1pm

Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

“Why Are Medical Students ‘Checking Out’ of Active Learning in a New Curriculum?”

*Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology and Ann Botash, MD, Professor, Pediatrics*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

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**Faculty Development Seminar Series -**

**Tuesday April 22, 2014**

12-1pm

Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library

“Post Professional On-Line Degree Opportunities for Health Care Professionals”

*Presenters: Irene Scrutonm MBA, MBA Program Director at SUNY Oswego Heidi Audino, MS, Director, Masters in Curriculum Development & Instructional Technology – University of Albany*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

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FACULTY TOOLBOX WORKSHOP

We know that using lectures to teach the art of medicine dates back at least to the 2nd century BCE. Medical lectures were given in the Greek temples erected to honor the healer gods. Despite 2200 years of using lectures and the development of PowerPoint software (1984), it is apparent that maintaining audience attention remains difficult. This presentation will review techniques to improve communication and audience attention.

Presenter: Michael Iannuzzi, MD, MBA, Edward C. Reifenstein Professor and Chair of the Department of Medicine

"Presentation Zen: Learn Slide Design and Avoid the Pitfalls in Presentations"

Wednesday April 30, 2014
4-5:30 PM
ROOM 2231 Weiskotten Lecture Hall (2nd Floor)

~ Refreshments Will Be Provided ~

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Medical Education Journal Club -  Monday May 5, 2014
12-1pm
Doust Board Room (9299 WHA)

(Journal Article to be Announced)
Hosted by Tom Poole, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell & Developmental Biology
and Ann Botash, MD, Professor, Pediatrics

~ Lunch will be provided ~

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Faculty Development Seminar Series - **Tuesday May 27, 2014**
12-1pm
Room 318 Wsk-Health Sciences Library

“Preparing for Your Video-Taping: Your Public Face”

Presenters: Steve Marks, *Educational Communication Department @ SUNY Upstate*
Darryl Geddes, *Director of Marketing and Communications, SUNY Upstate*

~ Lunch will be provided ~

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FACULTY TOOLBOX WORKSHOP

Learn about how finances affect the future of Upstate in this interactive session with our financial leaders.

Presenters:

Eric Smith, CPA, MBA-InterimVice President for Finance and Administration -SUNY Upstate Medical University
Stuart Wright, CPA, MBA - Chief Financial Officer -Upstate University Hospital

"The Business of Academic Medicine-Where Are We Now?"

**Tuesday May 28, 2014**
12-2 PM
ROOM 2231 Weiskotten Lecture Hall (2nd Floor)

~ Lunch Will Be Provided ~

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

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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.

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http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/promotion.php

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http://www.upstate.edu/facultydev/

Faculty Governance
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