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“Community”

Scenes from the “Celebration of the Faculty”
June 17, 2008



Dean Scheinman and Dr. George Holz (new Professor with tenure). Dr. Holz is also our first Empire Scholar



IHP Atrium



“Gold Standard” Honorees - Dr. Ronald Saletsky, Dr. Tarakad Ramachandran, Dr. Joseph Spadaro, Dr. Frank Middleton, Dr. Carol Gavan, Dr. Steve Landas, Dr. Peter Cronkright

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Honors and Awards

Faculty Achievements

Honors & Awards ~ Congratulations to:

The following faculty are recipients of the 2008 **SUNY Chancellor's Awards**

- **Donald C. Blair, MD, *Medicine***, for Excellence in Faculty Service
- **Daniel A. Jaeger, LFD, *Cell & Developmental Biology***, for Excellence in Professional Service
- **Barry E. Knox, PhD, *Biochemistry & Molecular Biology***, for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities
- **Paul F. Shanley, MD, *Pathology***, for Excellence in Teaching

Recipient of a 2008 SUNY Board of Trustees Appointment:

- **Carl P. Wieszalis, MS, RRT, *Respiratory Therapy***, as Distinguished Service Professor

President's Awards to be presented at Convocation, September 17th have been awarded to the following:

- **Mantosh Dewan, MD, *Psychiatry***, for Excellence in Faculty Service
- **Stephen Faraone, PhD, *Psychiatry***, Excellence and Leadership in Research
- **Ying Huang, MD, PhD, *Pharmacology***, Excellence in Basic Research by a Young Investigator
- **Thomas J. Poole, PhD, *Cell and Developmental Biology***, Excellence in Teaching
- **Wanda Porten Fremont, MD, *Psychiatry***, Excellence in Teaching
- **Debra E. Kirsch, RN, PhDc, *College of Nursing***, Excellence in Teaching
- **Edward M. Darling, MS, CCP, *Cardiovascular Perfusion***, Excellence in Teaching
- **Francis J. Gilroy, MD, *Ophthalmology, Clinical Campus***, Excellence in Teaching
- **Raymond J. Cassady, MD, *Pediatrics***, Voluntary Faculty Service
- **William J. Loftus, MD, *Obstetrics and Gynecology***, Voluntary Faculty Service
- **Sherri Loucks, MS, NP-C, *College of Nursing***, Voluntary Faculty Service
- **Jay O. Taub, RN, CCP, *Cardiovascular Perfusion***, Voluntary Faculty Service
- **Michael J. Gehman, DO, *Medicine, Clinical Campus***, Voluntary Faculty Service



Deborah Young Bradshaw, MD, *Neurology*, was awarded the first annual Excellence in Graduate Medical Education Program Director Award for 2007-08. Dr. Bradshaw was selected because of the turn around she has accomplished in the Neurology residency program. She has successfully advocated for resources, revamped and refreshed the curriculum, developed new evaluation methods and changed the learning climate. Obviously she has been assisted in this by her colleagues and staff, but she has engendered their cooperation.



James Knoll IV, MD, *Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences*, was awarded the Best Teacher Award in a Psychiatry Fellowship Program for 2007.

Carol Anne Kozik, MS, RN, CNS, *College of Nursing*, was named Nurse Practitioner of the Year from the Central New York Society of Healthcare Pharmacists for work on medication safety and bedside bar-coding. She was also named as Faculty of Distinction - awarded by the students of the College of Nursing.

Bernard Poiesz, MD, *Medicine*, has been selected as the 2008 RPACNY (Regional Physician Assistants of Central New York) Physician of the Year for his role as mentor and role model for physician assistants and their peers, for displaying the highest level of professionalism as evidenced by contributions to medicine and society, for embracing the Physician/Physician Assistant team in the course of delivery of health care and improving health care in a diverse, multiracial, multicultural health care setting, and for his leadership and dedication, which resulted in increased education opportunities and increased participation and practice opportunities for physician assistants and physician assistant students.



Howard Simon, MD, *Surgery*, was elected to the Upstate Medical University Gamma Chapter of the national Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Medical Honor Society.

Anne Sveen, MD, *Pediatrics*, was also elected an honorary member of the AOA. Each year AOA students elect a limited number of faculty members, alumni and teaching residents in recognition of their achievement, scholarship, and professionalism. The induction dinner was held May 16 at the Craftsman Inn.

Michael Vertino, MD, *Neurology*, received Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society Teaching award 2007-08, in May 2008.

James L. Vossler, MS, MT(ASCP)SM, CLS[NCAMLP], *Clinical Laboratory Science*, **Donna Vavonese, *Student Affairs***, and **Peter G. Beatty, PhD, *Family Medicine***, received an award from the Partners in Education and Business for SUNY Upstate's MedQuest, in recognition of workforce preparation of youth in CNY.

The following faculty were honored with the first Annual **Gold Standard Awards** at the Celebration of the Faculty on June 17th. The Gold Standard Awards recognize faculty members who have shown true passion for their work, whether it be in research, clinical service and/or teaching. These individuals were nominated for their dedication, enthusiasm, commitment, vision and integrity.

- **Peter Cronkright, MD, *Medicine, COM***
- **Carol Gavan, EdD, RN, *College of Nursing***
- **Steve Landas, MD, *Pathology, COM***
- **Frank Middleton, PhD, *Neuroscience & Physiology, CGS/COM***
- **Tarakad Ramachandran, MD, *Neurology, COM***
- **Ronald Saletsky, PhD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, COM***
- **Joseph Spadaro, PhD, *Orthopedic Surgery, COM***

Service

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National Leadership

Stephen L. Graziano, MD, *Medicine*, was invited to serve as Chair of Subcommittee H Clinical Groups of the National Cancer Institute Initial Review Group. Subcommittee H is responsible for the review of the grant funding for all the National Cancer Institute Cooperative Groups including the Children's Oncology Group, the American College of Surgeons Oncology Group, the Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group and the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group, among others. He has served on the committee since 2004.

Walter Hall, MD, *Neurosurgery*, American Board of Neurological Surgery served as a Guest Oral Board Examiner in May 2008

Sheldon Isaacson MD, *Anesthesiology*, was appointed as Adjunct Member of the ASA Committee on Regional Anesthesia for 2008-2009 year.

Irene Sills, MD, *Pediatrics*, was elected to the Executive Committee of the Endocrine Section of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Dr. Sills will serve a six-year term through 2014.

Robert L. Sunheimer, MS MT(ASCP)SC, SLS CC-NRCC, *Clinical Laboratory Science*, represented the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) on a Centers for Disease Control (CDC) blue ribbon panel on laboratory safety May 16 at the CDC offices in Atlanta. Sunheimer has been a member of the ASCP since 1971.



James L. Vossler, MS, MT(ASCP)SM, CLS[NCAMLP], *Clinical Laboratory Science*, has been selected by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS) for the Review Committee for Accredited Programs (RCAP). His four-year term begins July 2008.

David F. Wolfe, RT, *Respiratory Therapy Education*, will serve as Chair, Education Committee, of the Educational Products Group, American Association of Sleep Technologists

State Leadership

Dominic A. Carone, PhD, *Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, was elected President of the New York State Association of Neuropsychologists.

James Greenwald, MD, *Family Medicine*, has been elected to a one-year term as vice president of the New York State Academy of Family Physicians (NYSAFP). Dr. Greenwald has been a longtime member of the NYSAFP, holding numerous leadership positions, including as chair and treasurer of its board of directors.

Robert Lenox, MD, *Medicine*, was recently appointed Secretary-Treasurer of the NYS Thoracic Society.

Lazaro G. Rosales, MD, *Pathology*, was reappointed by Gov. David Paterson as a member of the New York State Department of Health Council on Human Blood and Transfusion Services for a two-year term. Dr. Rosales is chair of the Blood Services Committee, one of the committees under the council. The council serves as an advisory body to the Governor on state rules and regulations pertaining to human blood collection, testing, storage and transfusion.

University Leadership

Katalin Banki, MD, *Pathology*, has been elected the new Chair of the Executive Committee of the Medical College Assembly

Steven R. Goodman, PhD has been appointed Vice President for Research and Dean of the College of Graduate Studies effective September 1. As Vice President for Research, Dr. Goodman will be responsible for strategic planning, oversight of infrastructure, and growth and development of the research enterprise.

Colleen O'Leary, MD, *Anesthesiology*, has been named Interim Medical Director of University Hospital effective May 6, 2008



Grants

Grants Awarded

Gerold Feuer, PhD, *Microbiology and Immunology*, Co-PI: Developing a model system for novel therapeutics against AML. 9/08-3/10. Upstate New York Translational Research Network - Pilot Research Collaborative Grant with University of Rochester [Craig Jordan, Ph.D.]. \$53,188.

Ying Huang, MD, PhD (Mentor), Lingyan Jiang (Pre-doctoral Student), *Pharmacology*. Pre-doctoral Traineeship Award. Department of Defense, Breast Cancer Research Program. "Functional Studies of Tumor Suppressor RASSF1A in Breast Cancer". 6/16/2008-6/15/2011, \$97,200.

Jennifer Moffat, PhD, *Microbiology and Immunology*, Co-PI: Developing a model system for novel therapeutics against AML. 9/08-3/10. Upstate New York Translational Research Network - Pilot Research Collaborative Grant with University of Rochester [Craig Jordan, Ph.D.]. \$53,188.

Christian W. Zemlin, PhD, *Pharmacology*, PI: Fiber organization in the myocardial sleeves of the pulmonary veins and the initiation of AF, June 08-Dec 11. American Heart Association-Scientist Development Grant \$77,000/yr.

Friend In Deed Research Grants were recently awarded to:

Jeffrey Amack, PhD, *Cell & Developmental Biology*, \$3,500
Bibhuti N Singh, PhD, *Biochemistry & Molecular Biology*, \$1,500
Richard Veenstra, PhD, *Pharmacology*, \$5,000



Publications

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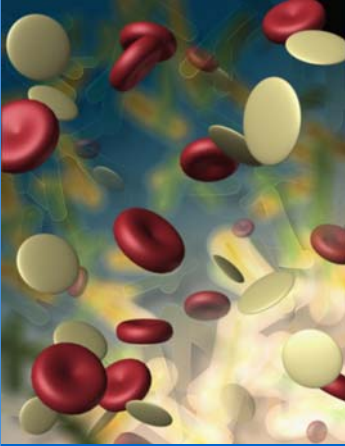
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Posters

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Presentations International

Sakti Pada Mookherjee, MD, Medicine, presented, "What about Triglycerides?" at the Institute of Post Graduate Medicine & Research (University of Calcutta)-SSKM Hospital, Calcutta, India on February 8, 2008.

Nancy Nussmeier, MD, Anesthesiology, presented "Surgical Outcomes in Women: Is There a Difference and Why?" Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists, 30th Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada, June 2008

Wolfgang Kainz, Florian Fidler, Jean Bobgan, Gregor Schaefer, Roger Luechinger, **Nikolaus Szeverenyi, PhD (Radiology),** and Steven Wedan presented: "Variation of whole body averaged phantom specific absorption rate (SAR) in seven different 1.5 T MR systems", Asia-Pacific EMC Week, Singapore, May 2008.

Nikolaus M Szeverenyi, PhD, Radiology, and M. Thakur presented "Torque Measurements in MRI Safety Testing", Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 16th Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, May 2008.

National

Susan S. Graham, MS, MT (ASCP)SH, presented "RBC: Critical Clues in Morphology" ,March 13, at the 2008 Baltimore Workshops for Laboratory Professionals in Towson, MD. .

Walter Hall, MD, Neurosurgery, presented "Intraoperative MR - the neurosurgical perspective" at the 46th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Neuroradiology, May 31-June 5, 2008, New Orleans.



Sheldon Isaacson, MD, *Anesthesiology*, conducted a Regional Ultrasound workshop and lecture for the 2nd Annual NYSSA Conference for Anesthesiology Residents and Fellows, on Sunday, May 4th, Syracuse NY. In addition, the following Anesthesiology faculty participated in the workshop: **P. Sebastian Thomas, MD, Syed T. Ali, MB, BS, Dorothy Hwang, MD, Joanne Wroblewska, CA3 Resident**

David E. Kolva, MD, and Christopher P. Morley, MA, *Family Medicine*, presented "Competency-based practice management curriculum with assessment and validation tool" at the 2008 Society for Teachers of Family Medicine Annual Spring Conference, in Baltimore, MD. Presentation published in the Family Medicine Digital Resource Library at <http://www.fmdrl.org/index.cfm?event=c.beginBrowseD#1711>.

Carol Anne Kozik, MS, RN, CNS, *College of Nursing*, presented "Salting the Oats: Cultural Aspects of Bar-coding implementation" at the unSUMMIT for Bedside Bar-coding, Austin Texas, May 2008.

Carol Recker-Hughes, MA, PT, *Physical Therapy Education* and Steve Harris, MD, *Family Medicine*, presented "Professional Doctor of Physical Therapy Students' Perspectives on the Use of an Integrated Standardized Patient Examination" at the Association of Standardized Patients Educators, San Antonio, June 2008

Nikolaus M Szeverenyi, PhD, *Radiology*, Bruce E. Searles, CHP-*Cardiovascular Perfusion*, Arkadii M. Perzov, PhD, *Pharmacology*, presented: "Contrast enhanced MRI characterization of the perfusion territories fed by individual coronary arteries in ex-vivo porcine heart", SPIE Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, February 2008.

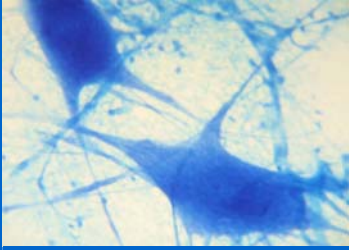
Paula M. Trief, PhD, Wendy Kates, PhD, *Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences* and Ruth S. Weinstock, MD PhD, *Medicine*, presented a paper, "Working memory, glycemic control and brain function" at the Annual Meeting of the American Diabetes Association, San Francisco CA, June 7, 2008.

Daniel Villarreal, MD, *Medicine*, presented "Cardiac remodeling in obesity", "Obesity-hypertension: emerging concepts of neuroendocrine dysregulation" (A State of the Art Lecture), and "Stress-induced cardiomyopathy: Emerging concepts", at the SSCI Meetings, New Orleans, LA, Feb. 21, 2008.

Daniel Villarreal, MD, *Medicine*, presented "Obesity-hypertension: Emerging concepts of neuroendocrine dysregulation", at the Cardiovascular Signature Research Program, Tampa, FL, March 18, 2008.

James L. Vossler, MS, MT(ASCP)SM, CLS[NCAMLP], *Clinical Laboratory Science*, presented "A Review of Antimicrobial Resistance and Methods of Laboratory Detection" at the American Society for Clinical Pathology Workshops for Laboratory Professionals April 16, San Francisco CA.





David F. Wolfe, RT, *Respiratory Therapy Education*, presented "The use of positive airway pressure in sleep-disordered breathing" at the American Association of Sleep Technologists 30th Anniversary Meeting, Baltimore, June 2008

Community

Sheila Lemke, MD, *Medicine*, presented "Survivor Care Planning – Monitoring Long Term Health Needs" at the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Survivor Conference, May 3, 2008.

Teaching Contributions

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Interdepartmental collaboration: Ron Pies, MD, *Psychiatry*, and **Deirdre Neilen, PhD, *Center for Bioethics and Humanities***, will co-teach a new course, "Creative Writing in Medical Practice", for Psychiatry residents, Aug. 4-8

Promotions

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Joseph Domachowske, MD, *Pediatrics*, was promoted to Professor, June 2008

Nienke Dosa, MD, *Pediatrics*, was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, June 2008

Ajeet Gajra, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor, June 2008

Shelley Gilroy, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Professor, June 2008

Charles B.C. Hwang, DDS, PhD, *Microbiology & Immunology*, was promoted to Professor, August 2008

Roberto Izquierdo, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Professor, June 2008

Mukhtar Khan, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor, June 2008

Michael Lax, MD, *Family Medicine*, was promoted to Professor, August 2008

Yahia Lodi, MD, *Neurology*, Associate Professor, was granted tenure, June 2008

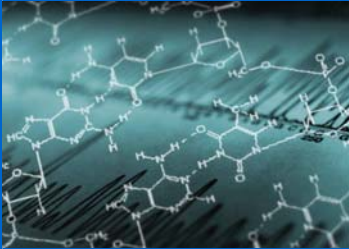


Margaret MacDougall, MD, PhD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Professor, June 2008

Robbie Tanenbaum Saletsky, PhD, *Psychiatry*, was promoted to Clinical Associate Professor, June 2008

Claudine Ward, MD, *Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*, was promoted to Assistant Professor, August 2008

Steven Zygmunt, MD, *Medicine*, was promoted to Associate Professor, June 2008



New Faculty

New Faculty

Jennifer Barna, MD, Assistant Professor, **Radiology**

Dr. Barna received her medical degree and completed her residency at the University of Tennessee. She joins us from the staff of Down East Community Hospital in Maine.

Edward Berry, PhD, Assistant Professor, **Biochemistry & Molecular Biology**

Dr. Berry received his doctoral degree from Cornell University and completed post-doctoral fellowships at Dartmouth Medical School and the University of Illinois. He joins us from the University of California at Berkeley.

Jay Brenner, MD, Assistant Professor, **Emergency Medicine**

Dr. Brenner received his medical degree from George Washington University and completed his residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Jesse Corry, MD, Instructor, **Neurology**

Dr. Corry received his medical degree and completed his residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He has pursued additional training in Neurocritical Care at Washington University.

Suehun Ho, MD, Assistant Professor, **Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation**

Dr. Ho received her medical degree from Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and completed her residency at University of Michigan. She pursued additional training in Pain Management at the University of Michigan. She joins us from the faculty of University of Michigan.

Michael Iannuzzi, MD, Professor & Chair with tenure, **Medicine**

Dr. Iannuzzi received his medical degree and completed his residency at the University of Michigan Medical School. He then completed a clinical fellowship at University of Colorado Health Science Center and a research fellowship at Webb Waring Lung Institute and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute for Cancer Research. He has been on the faculty of the University of Michigan Medical Center, Henry Ford Hospital, Case Western Reserve University and Mt. Sinai Medical School.



Mitchell Karmel, MD, Assistant Professor, **Radiology**

Dr. Karmel received his medical degree from Buffalo School of Medicine and completed his residency at Cornell University Medical School. He pursued additional training in Cardiovascular/Interventional Radiology at Harvard Medical School. He joins us from the staff of Lacey Diagnostic Imaging, Ocean Medical Center and Open MRI and Diagnostic Imaging of Wall, NJ.

Lisa Keough, MD, Assistant Professor, **Emergency Medicine**

Dr. Keough received her medical degree from St. George's School of Medicine Grenada, West Indies and completed her residency at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She has pursued additional training here at Upstate in Pediatric Emergency Medicine.



Paul Ko, MD, Assistant Professor, **Emergency Medicine**

Dr. Ko received his medical degree from Boston University and completed his residency at University of Pennsylvania. He joins us from the faculty of Thomas Jefferson University Medical School & Hospital.

Robert Roger Lebel, MD, Professor with tenure, **Pediatrics**

Dr. Lebel received his medical degree and completed his residency at the University of Wisconsin. He pursued additional training in Genetics also at the University of Wisconsin. He has been on the faculty and staff of University of Wisconsin, Benedictine University, Adventist Hinsdale Hospital and most recently joins us from Greenwood Genetics Center and Clemson University.

John Lyng, MD, Instructor, **Emergency Medicine**

Dr. Lyng received his medical degree from the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences and completed his residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University.



Eric Morley, MD, Assistant Professor, **Emergency Medicine**

Dr. Morley received his medical degree and completed his residency at SUNY Downstate Medical College.

Jill Murphy, PhD, Associate Professor, **Public Health & Preventive Medicine**

Dr. Murphy received her doctoral degree from the University of Buffalo. She completed her post-doctoral fellowship at Roswell Park Cancer Institute. She joins us from the faculty of SUNY Cortland.

Kevin O'Connor, MD, Assistant Professor, **Psychiatry**

Dr. O'Connor received his medical degree and completed his residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Caroline Othoro, PhD, Instructor, **Microbiology & Immunology**

Dr. Othoro received her doctoral degree from the University of Cape Town, South Africa and completed her post-doctoral fellowship at New York School of Medicine. She joins us from New York University.



Evis Petrela, MD, Instructor, Ophthalmology

Dr. Petrela received her medical degree at the University of Tirana, Albania and completed her residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Oleg Shapiro, MD, Instructor, Urology

Dr. Shapiro received his medical degree and completed his residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

Jody Sima, MD, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics

Dr. Sima received her medical degree and completed her residency here at SUNY Upstate Medical University. She has pursued additional training in Pediatric Hematology-Oncology at Riley Hospital for Children.

Heather Tiller, MD, Assistant Professor, Emergency Medicine

Dr. Tiller received her medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin and completed her residency at the University of Connecticut. She joins us from the staff of St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center.

In Memoriam

Bertie Argyris, PhD, Microbiology and Immunology (1968 to 1992) passed away this past September. Dr. Argyris was well known for her dedication to training graduate students. Working together with friends of Dr. Argyris the Department of Microbiology and Immunology has created a memorial fund in her honor - the Microbiology & Immunology Academic Enrichment Endowment. The specific purpose of this fund is to enhance the research and teaching missions within the department, including facilitating student travel to conferences, speaker series, and meeting support. Bertie's husband, the late Thomas Argyris, also served Upstate Medical University as an emeritus professor within the Pathology Department. To contribute to the fund please mail all gifts to:

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Janina K. Casper, PhD, CCC-SLP, Otolaryngology, passed away on May 15, 2008. She was an accomplished clinician, author, mentor, and lecturer in the area of medical speech-language pathology for more than five decades. Described as an innovator and team builder by her colleagues, Casper's knowledge and skills span from diagnosis to evidence-based practice with a primary focus in voice and voice disorders. She was instrumental in conceiving and developing the first Laryngectomy Rehabilitation Group, a vibrant Cleft Palate/Craniofacial Center, and was one of the founders of The Syracuse Voice Center and its multidisciplinary team. Her career and reputation as the consummate professional and patient advocate is further complemented by her scholarly endeavors as co-author of two textbooks for practicing clinicians, one on laryngectomy and head/neck cancer rehabilitation and another on understanding



voice problems. Her skill and dedication was recognized in 2006 when she was awarded the Frank R. Kleffner Lifetime Clinical Achievement Award by the ASHA Foundation. In 2003 she retired as Professor Emeritus. As one of her mentees said, “Her influence has profoundly shaped me both clinically and personally, and I know that her memory and spirit will continue to live on in those of us who were privileged to have known her.”

Gail Dolbear MD, *Obstetrics and Gynecology*, a retired faculty member died on May 24, 2008. Dr. Dolbear was an acclaimed teacher and clinician. She was highly regarded by her peers for her compassion and skill. She participated in education across the spectrum of undergraduate, graduate and continuing medical education. Dr. Dolbear shared her knowledge and ethical perspectives in areas ranging from population health to reproductive options. More information, and an opportunity to post memories of Gail, can be found at www.gailsmemorial.com. In tribute to her the Women In Medicine (WIM) faculty group (with the support of Dr. Dolbear's family) is establishing an annual award to a medical student and a resident who demonstrate attributes of compassion, integrity and insight into the ethical challenges in medicine. Any one interested in contributing to this award can contact either Dr. Grethlein (grethles@upstate.edu) or Dr. Newell (newell@upstate.edu).



David B Jones, MD, *Pathology*, died December 16, 2007. Dr. Jones enjoyed a long and productive career at Upstate College of Medicine, graduating in 1945 first in his class, and continuing on as a teacher and the Professor of Pathology until his retirement in 1992. He founded the Cytotechnology Program in the College of Health Related Professions. In 1988 he was named New York State Distinguished Pathologist of the Year. The College of Medicine honored him by establishing the Jones-Rohner Endowed Professorship in Pathology in 1991. Dr. Jones was known for his prodigious memory, integrity and humility. He loved teaching. He put the interests of others first and was stoic in life's difficulties. He was a true gentleman.

Departmental Honors

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The **Amaus Clinic**, located in downtown Syracuse, celebrated its **first birthday** on July 8, 2008. The clinic was founded by **Lynn Beth Satterly, MD**, Medical Director and Assistant Professor in the **Department of Family Medicine**. The clinic serves those with the greatest needs who have the least access to primary care. “We have so many people – the homeless, unemployed, refugees, parolees and even the working poor – who fall through the cracks.” Assisting Dr. Satterly are medical and nursing students from SUNY Upstate, nursing students from LeMoyne College, social work and psychology students from Syracuse University, and local volunteers.

Faculty Development

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Upcoming Events

ALL NEW FACULTY MEMBERS: SAVE THE DATE!

All members of the faculty who have joined Upstate in the past year are invited to the New Faculty Orientation, to be held Mon. Oct. 6th, 3-5 PM. You will meet Dr. Smith and other campus leaders, and learn about resources to help you grow and thrive. A reception will follow at 5 PM and all are invited.

Contact Us

"I represent our Office of Faculty Affairs, and my staff and I are committed to developing the potential of new faculty and see them succeed and thrive".

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