

U P S T A T E update

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JUNE 2 THROUGH JUNE 16, 2004

In the Calendar

Neurology/Neurosurgery Grand Rounds. "Inaugural John K. And Mitzi Wolf Visiting Professor Lectureship." 6/16. 4 p.m. 6500 University Hospital. See *Update Calendar inside.*

Take Note

Surgery Grand Rounds available via the web

The Department of Surgery Grand Rounds, now offering CME credit, is also available via the World Wide Web, by visiting <http://www.upstate.edu/surgery/physician/grandrounds.shtml>. This link leads to the presentations and to the CME credit application process.

PACS training available

The Department of Radiology has implemented phase one of the PACS system installation, leading to the eventual elimination of hardcopy radiographs. PACS training is required for all attendings, fellows, residents, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and medical students who review patient X-rays. To schedule a PACS training session, contact Dawn Klunder at 464-7433.

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University Hospital is first in region to use da Vinci surgical system

A computer enhanced surgical system that integrates the best features of minimally invasive and traditional surgery is now operating at University Hospital. The acquisition of the da Vinci Surgical System makes University Hospital the only hospital in Central New York—and one of only three in upstate New York—to offer patients the benefits of one of the most advanced minimally invasive surgical technologies available.

The \$1.3 million

da Vinci system offers clear advantages to patients, physicians say. "The da Vinci system reduces the size of the surgical incision, the length of stay and risk of infection," said Charles Lutz, MD, the first University Hospital surgeon to operate with the new system. "For the patient, it means a faster, more comfortable return to normal activity."

The da Vinci system is commonly referred to as a robot, but the device is actually controlled by the surgeon. It offers direct 3-

D visualization, full range of motion and an intuitive sense of control for surgeons.

Dr. Lutz, who is fellowship trained in cardiac surgery and has completed special training with the da Vinci system, is most impressed by the robot's dexterity and

University Hospital is only hospital in the region to have the da Vinci surgical system.

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Lobby work set to begin soon

Preliminary construction for the garage link to the hospital lobby began in mid-April with work in the hospital traffic circle.

Temporary paving of the circle allows for construction equipment to move freely in the work zone. Drilling of six caissons on the east side of the circle has been completed. These caissons will support the pedestrian bridge connecting the new parking garage to the new second floor lobby entrance. End caps are being placed on the caissons, topped by bridge supports for the bridge steel.

The hospital's outpatient entrance will soon close temporarily for renovations as it will serve as the main entrance during construction of the new lobby, which is set to begin in August. The gift shop has temporarily closed; Eckerd's Pharmacy is stocking most commonly requested items. The coffee cart will be relocated to 1500 University Hospital.

Central registration will occur in the outpatient entrance area. A SPEED-PASS has been imple-

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calendar

Wednesday, June 2

Anesthesiology Grand Rounds. 7 to 8 a.m. Wsk. Hall Auditorium.

Otolaryngology Grand Rounds. Roberto Garcia, MD. 7 to 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Workshop. "Practical Skills for Supervisors." 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. "25 Years of Pediatric Orthopedics in Syracuse." Stephen Albanese, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Surgical Grand Rounds. Eric Jensen, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Pediatric Teaching Day. "Health Promotion in the Office: An Approach to the Overweight Child." 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oncenter, downtown Syracuse.

Health Sciences Library Tour. Noon. Meet at New Book area, Call 464-7193 for details.

Workshop. "Computer Skills for PSLs." Noon to 1 p.m. 1541 University Hospital. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Workshop. "Q&B Book and Discussion for PSLs." Noon to 1:30 p.m. E6408 University Hospital. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

NIH Director's Lecture. Wylie Burke, MD, PhD, University of Washington. 3 p.m. 318 Wsk. Hall. Call 464-5476 for more information.

Neurology/Neurosurgery Grand Rounds. "Neurosurgery Presentation." 4 p.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Burn Survivors Support Group. 5 to 7 p.m. 6408 University Hospital. Call 464-3600 for information.

Thursday, June 3

SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge.

Family Medicine Faculty Development Program. "Conflict Resolution." Cheryl Flynn, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 10 a.m. 216 Madison Irving Medical Center. AAFP CME available. Call 464-7027 for more information.

Medical Grand Rounds. "Extraesophageal Presentations of GERD." Joel Richter, MD, Case Western Reserve University. 8:30 a.m. Wsk. Hall, Medical Alumni Aud.

Third Annual Central New York Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference. 8 a.m. to noon. Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conference Center, 801 University Avenue.

Workshop. "Tracker Training Class." 9 to 11 a.m. IHP, Computer Classroom D. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Workshop. "Understanding Compliance at University Hospital." 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Employee Recognition Day. WSTM meteorologist Chris Brandolino is emcee. Begins at 11 a.m. Oncenter, downtown Syracuse.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds.

"Advances in the Diagnosis and Treatment of an Orphan Illness: Psychotic Depression." Anthony J. Rothschild, MD, University of Massachusetts Medical School. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg., 713 Harrison St.

Mindfulness Meditation. Eva Nanno, Upstate Medical University. 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. University Hospital Chapel. Free.

Friday, June 4

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Avoiding Laparoscopic Complications." William B. Saye, MD, Emory University School of Medicine. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Center.

SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 8 a.m. to noon. C.A.B., East Lounge.

Fourth Annual University Rehabilitation Golf Outing. Registration: 10 a.m. Shotgun Start: Noon. Camillus Country Club, 5690 Bennetts Corner Rd., Camillus.

SUNY Nursing Services Orientation. 1 to 3 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge.

Parade of Homes Preview Party to benefit CNY Children's Hospital. 6 to 11 p.m. Champlain at the Lake, Brewerton. Call 464-4264 for more information.

Saturday, June 5

Paige's Butterfly Run. 5K Race: 9 a.m. 3K Fun Run/Walk: 10 a.m. Palmer Elementary School, Baldwinsville.

Children's Miracle Network Broadcast. 1 to 1:30 p.m. WIXT-NewsChannel 9. Call 464-KIDS to pledge.

Sunday, June 6

Children's Miracle Network Broadcast. 1 to 2:30 a.m. and 4:30 to 6 p.m. WIXT-NewsChannel 9. Call 464-KIDS to pledge.

Monday, June 7

AA Open Meeting. Noon. 4137 University Hospital. Call 463-5011 for information.

Scrub Sale to benefit the CNY Children's Miracle Network. Overnight to 4 p.m. on June 8. Crouse Hospital, small cafeteria.

Tuesday, June 8

Workshop. "Making Delegation Work for You." 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. E6408 University Hospital. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Workshop. "Counseling & Discipline Training." 9 a.m. to noon. C.A.B., East Lounge. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Combined Infectious Diseases Conference. "Laboratory Diagnosis of Urinary Tract Infections in Adult Patients." Frederick B. Rose, MD, Upstate Medical University. 4 p.m. 118 University Hospital.

Scrub Sale to benefit CNY Children's Miracle Network. Overnight to 7 p.m. on June 9. University Hospital, second floor cafeteria.

Mindfulness Meditation. Lisa Kaufmann, MD, Upstate Medical University. 5:15 to 6 p.m. University Hospital Chapel, first floor lobby. Free.

Free Nursing Forum. "Care of the Human Spirit." 6 to 8 p.m. HealthLink at ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt. Call 464-8668 to register.

Wednesday, June 9

Anesthesiology Grand Rounds. 7 to 8 a.m. Wsk. Hall Auditorium.

Otolaryngology Grand Rounds. Communications Disorder Unit. 7 to 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. "The Cut Peripheral Nerve or Dr. Mosher's Famous Quotations." Jon Loftus, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 a.m. 2231 University Hospital.

Surgical Grand Rounds. "Training of Residents and Fellows in the 21st Century." John J. Ricotta, MD, SUNY at Stony Brook, School of Medicine. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Pediatric Grand Rounds. "The Pediatrician's Toolkit: Resources for Suspected Abuse in NY State." Ann Botash, MD, Upstate Medical University. 9:15 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds. "ED Management of the Head Injured Patient." Elliot Rodriguez, MD, Upstate Medical University. 11 a.m. to noon. 318 Health Sciences Library.

Center for Bioethics and Humanities Seminar. Noon to 1 p.m. Crouse Physician Office Bldg., Suite 406. Call 464-8464 for information.

Health Sciences Library Tour. See 6/2 Calendar listing.

NIH Director's Lecture. "The General Motors Cancer Research Foundation Laureates' Lecture." 3 p.m. 318 Wsk. Hall. Call 464-5476 for information.

Neurology/Neurosurgery Grand Rounds. Alex Perez, MD, Upstate Medical University. 4 p.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Thursday, June 10

16th Annual Alzheimer 2004 Conference. For health care professionals and caregivers. 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Justin's Grill and Conference Center, 6400 Yorktown Circle, East Syracuse. Call 464-5678 for information.

Medical Grand Rounds. "Cutaneous Eruptions of Lymphocyte Recovery-Roses by Other Names?" Thomas Horn, MD, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. 8:30 a.m. Wsk. Hall, Medical Alumni Aud.

Workshop. "How SUNY Upstate's CSEA & PEF Employees' Paychecks are Calculated." 9 a.m. to noon. C.A.B., East Lounge. E-mail STATEPR to register.

Workshop. "Purchasing Procedures 101." 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Psychiatry Grand Rounds. "The Pros and Cons of Adult ADHD in High Achievers." Jud Staller, MD, Michael Gordon, PhD, Arthur Tatum, MD, PhD, Upstate Medical University. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg., 713 Harrison St.

Mindfulness Meditation. See 6/3 Calendar listing.

Friday, June 11

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Transcervical Sterilization." Philip L. Ferro, MD, Upstate Medical University. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Center.

CPR Classes. 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. UHCC, fourth floor Community Room. Call 464-2174 to register.

Workshop. "MEDLINE on the Web." Noon to 1 p.m. Health Sciences Library, meet at Reference Desk. Call 464-4581 to register.

Workshop. "QBQ Book and Discussion for PSLs." 3 to 4:30 p.m. E6408 University Hospital. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Sunday, June 13

National Cancer Survivors Day Celebration. 1 to 4 p.m. Holiday Inn, Electronics Parkway, Liverpool.

Monday, June 14

Workshop. "Customer Service — Priceless!" 9 a.m. to noon. 205 Jacobsen Hall. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

AA Open Meeting. See 6/7 Calendar listing.

Tuesday, June 15

Workshop. "Culture and Infrastructure: The Processes and Politics of Getting Things Done at University Hospital." 2 to 4:30 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Combined Infectious Diseases Conference. 4 p.m. 118 University Hospital.

Mindfulness Meditation. See 6/8 Calendar listing.

Wednesday, June 16

Anesthesiology Grand Rounds. 7 to 8 a.m. Wsk. Hall Auditorium.

Otolaryngology Grand Rounds. Richard Kelley, MD. 7 to 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Orthopaedic Nursing Comprehensive Review. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Holiday Inn, Electronics Parkway.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. "Rotator Cuff." John Mosher, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Surgical Grand Rounds. "Surgical Options for Heart Failure." Gregory Fink, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Asthma and the Environment." Meyer Kattan, MD, Mt. Sinai Medical Center. 9:15 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Health Sciences Library Tour. See 6/2 Calendar listing.

NIH Director's Lecture. Phillip A. Sharp, PhD., Massachusetts Institute of Technology. 3 p.m. 5303 Wsk. Hall. Call 464-5476 for more information.

Neurology/Neurosurgery Grand Rounds. "John K. And Mitzi Wolf Visiting Professor Lectureship." Earl Zimmerman, MD, Albany Medical Center. 4 p.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Spiritual Care Grand Rounds. "Pastoral Care and Crisis Intervention." Rev. Charles Keller, Vivian Teal Howard Residential Health Care Facility. 4 to 5:15 p.m. 5299 Wsk. Hall.

Thursday, June 17

SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge.

Orthopaedic Nursing Comprehensive Review. See 6/16 Calendar listing.

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Medical Grand Rounds. Robert Lenox, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8:30 a.m. Wsk. Hall, Medical Alumni Aud.

Workshop. "Understanding Quality Management and Outcome Measurement." 9 to 9:45 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Workshop. "Information Management & Technology Tools People Use." 9:50 to 10:30 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click "register for training classes online."

Psychiatry Graduation. 12:30 to 3 p.m. PBS Bldg., 713 Harrison St.

Mindfulness Meditation. See 6/3 Calendar listing.

Friday, June 18

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Lawyers, Lumps, Lacerations, How to Document an Assault." Christine Garvey, Esq.; Ann Botash, MD, Upstate Medical University. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Center.

SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 8 a.m. to noon. C.A.B., East Lounge.

SUNY Nursing Services Orientation. 1 to 3 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge.

Saturday, June 19

Alex Bay/1000 Island Luncheon Boat Cruise. Reservations required. Sponsored by the Campus Activities Governing Board and the Office of Campus Activities.

da Vinci Surgical System *continued from page 1*

precision. "This device does things the surgeon's hands cannot physically do. It makes the right and left hand ambidextrous. It eliminates tremor. It scales back delicate hand movements to an even more precise level. It allows us to perform more complex procedures through pencil-sized incisions," he said.

Seated at the console of the da Vinci Surgical System, surgeons view a 3-D image of the patient's body and use a joystick-like instrument to manipulate small instruments inserted through small chest incisions. The robotic arms mimic the natural movements of the hand and fingers. The robot's built-in computer enhances the surgeon's hand movements, making them more

precise which is especially important in delicate bypass and valve surgery.

Initially available for mitral valve repair, mammary artery harvesting and coronary artery bypass, the da Vinci system will eventually be used for gastric bypass surgery, prostatectomy and various pediatric procedures performed by University Hospital surgeons. Currently University Hospital uses the da Vinci system to harvest the left internal mammary artery for coronary bypass operations.

The da Vinci Surgical System was the first of its kind to be judged safe and effective by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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mented, allowing patients to pre-register via phone and bypassing registration at the time of service. This will assist with patient flow issues in the interim central registration area.

Official thank everyone for their patience and cooperation regarding the traffic pattern changes to the hospital circle and Adams and Sarah Loguen streets.

A computer generated image of the new lobby design is available at the Information Desk in the hospital's main lobby.

Upstate Update Production Schedule

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Deadline Nov. 15

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UUPers adopt-a-highway

Members of the SUNY Upstate chapter of United University Professions (UUP) participated in the community's "adopt-a-highway" program held April 24. UUPers spruced the Route 481 area near the Brighton Avenue entrance. From left are Gloria Krohl, Violeta Cuenca, Kathleen Fiumano, and Michael Lyon.





301 awarded SUNY Upstate degrees

SUNY Upstate awarded 301 degrees during its 2004 Commencement ceremony, held May 16 at the Civic Center. Breast cancer survivor and research activist Carol Baldwin and Brian Drucker, MD, whose research led to the development of the cancer drug, Gleevec, addressed students and received honorary degrees.



Shannon Hourigan, right, adjusts the cap of her mother, Margie Wade, prior to SUNY Upstate's Commencement May 16. Hourigan and Wade each received their bachelor's degree from the College of Nursing. Both also were inducted into Sigma Theta Tau, an international nursing honor society.



Carol Baldwin speaks to graduates



Above from left: SUNY Upstate President Gregory L. Eastwood, MD, and Brian Drucker, MD, prior to commencement



Above: Students listen to Dr. Drucker who said, "every step of the way you're helping people, and that's the most important thing you can do."



Right: Graduates congratulate each other at the post-Commencement reception, held at the Institute for Human Performance.



A Children's Miracle Network Hospital

Children's Hospital campaign is halfway to fundraising goal

The Central New York Children's Hospital Capital Campaign has reached the halfway mark with more than \$7.9 million contributed in the form of corporate and individual gifts and pledges, staff and faculty contributions, donations from community groups and foundations and in-kind services.

To date, SUNY Upstate employees, physicians, faculty and Advocates for SUNY Upstate Medical University have contributed more than \$1.4 million to the campaign. "Their contribution to our campaign has been extraordinary," said Don Zorn, manager of the CNY Children's Hospital Campaign "I believe it speaks to how much of a priority this project is to our Upstate family.

"While we are pleased to be at the halfway point, there is much more to be done," says Eileen Pezzi, executive director of the Upstate Medical University Foundation. "Our attention will now shift toward supporting the efforts of the various committees that have fund-raising responsibilities."

The \$15 million goal was announced to the public at the 2003 Upstate Medical University Gala. The money raised will go toward equipment for the new hospital as well as the creation of a dedicated entrance. For more information about the Children's Hospital Capital Campaign, call 464-KIDS (5437).

Upcoming fundraising events

- **The Parade of Homes Preview Party**, to benefit the Central New York Children's Hospital, will be held **Friday, June 4, from 6 to 11 p.m.** at Champlain at the Lake in Brewerton. The event is catered by Carnegie Cafe and features an international cheeses; seafood, salad, carving, pasta and potato, and dessert stations; and beverages. The homes will be previewed from 6 to 11 p.m. Tickets are \$95 per person. Reservations are required. Call 464-4264 for more information.
- **Paige's Butterfly Run**, to benefit the Center for Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders and the Paige Yeomans Arnold Memorial Scholarship fund, will be held **June 5** at the Palmer Elementary School on Hicks Road in Baldwinsville. **Start time for the 5K Certified and timed race is 9 a.m.; start time for the 3K Fun Run/Walk is 10 a.m.** The event also includes raffles, children's activities, food and refreshments. Call 464-KIDS or visit www.pbrun.org for more information.
- **Two scrub sales** will be held to benefit the Children's Miracle Network, **Monday, June 7, overnight to 4 p.m.** on June 8 in the Crouse Hospital small cafeteria; and, **Tuesday, June 8, overnight to 7 p.m.** on June 9 in the University Hospital second floor cafeteria. For more information, call 464-4283.
- **Lukie's Holes for Hope Golf Open and Family Celebration** will be held **Saturday, July 24, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.** at the Woodcrest Golf Club, 1 Cheese Factory Road in Manlius. Proceeds from the event will benefit Lukie's Soul Foundation and the CNY Children's Hospital. Golfing fee is \$100 per person. Call 698-3059 for more information.
- Copies of the CD and video "**Heaven & Nature Sing**" by **Patricia Mondore** (Pediatrics) are available for sale in 5400 University Hospital. A portion of the proceeds benefit the CNY Children's Hospital at University Hospital.





Upstate Child Care Center receives national accreditation from NAEYC

Upstate Child Care Center has received accreditation from The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) through October 2008.

The center underwent a rigorous process to voluntarily participate in the accreditation process, including intensive self-study, information gathering from parents, teachers, administrators, and classroom observations and an on-site visit by early childhood professionals especially trained by NAEYC to validate their self study results. The review examined various issues, including teacher and child interactions, curriculum, health and safety, staff qualifications and physical environment.

“This recognition means a great deal to us as child care professionals,” said Clare White, director of the Upstate Child Care Center. “It says we’re meeting the highest standards when it comes to providing the highest quality program for young children and their families.”

NAEYC is the nation’s oldest and largest organization of early childhood professionals dedicated to the improvement of quality early childhood education.

Upstate Child Care Center, located on the campus of SUNY Upstate Medical University, is a not-profit corporation serving families of SUNY Upstate Medical University and the surrounding area.

Watch the Children’s Miracle Network Broadcast

featuring videotaped interviews with University Hospital pediatric patients and their families and members of the hospital’s pediatric health care team.



Saturday, June 5, 1 to 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 6, 1 to 2:30 a.m. and 4:30 to 6 p.m.

WIXT-NewsChannel 9

Call 315-464-KIDS to make your pledge.

100 percent of the proceeds raised locally remain in Central New York to benefit the children at University and Crouse hospitals.

To reach a greater audience, SUNY Upstate’s Foundation and WIXT have made changes to this year’s CMN Broadcast by moving from its once-a-year broadcast to four, 30-minute locally produced programs aired throughout the year. These broadcasts

are presented in addition to portions of the June national broadcast, ensuring greater visibility for CMN, its sponsors and the excellent services provided by University Hospital’s pediatric team.

The Children’s Miracle Network Broadcast is presented by Upstate Medical University Foundation and WIXT-NewsChannel 9

Celebrating 20 years of serving Central New York’s children and their families. Since 1985, more than \$11 million has been raised by the CNY Children’s Miracle Network to benefit our local community.

HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS

- **Barbara Birmingham, Colleen O'Leary, MD, and Adrienne Smith, PharmD**, were recognized by the Central New York Society of Health System Pharmacists for their contributions to the improvement of patient care in Central New York. Birmingham, staff technician in the Pharmacy Department, received the 2004 Pharmacy Technician of the Year award; Dr. O'Leary, professor of anesthesia, received the organization's 2004 Physician of the Year award; and Dr. Adrienne Smith, assistant professor of medicine and senior pharmacist, received the 2004 Pharmacist of the Year award.
- **Trymeter "Tree" Carter and K. Bruce Simmons, MD**, of SUNY Upstate, have been named to the 2004 class of Academy of Diversity Achievers by the YWCA of Syracuse and Onondaga County for their efforts to promote diversity. They accepted their awards at the YWCA's Day of Commitment luncheon, held April 29 at the Oncenter in Syracuse. Carter, Environment of Care

Coordinator for the Department of Environmental Health and Safety, was recognized for her leadership roles at SUNY Upstate as a member of the Community Giving Campaign committee, coordinator of the Diversity Experience, captain of the American Heart Walk Team and member of the Joint Labor/Management Safety and Health Committee. Simmons, director of Employee and Student Health, was recognized for serving as an advocate for under-represented minority (URM) medical students and for creating a committee charged with the recruitment and retention of URM medical students at SUNY Upstate.



Trymeter Carter



K. Bruce Simmons, MD

FACULTY ROUNDS

Shawky Badawy, MD, professor and chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, presented the poster presentation "Effect of Gossypol on Endometrioma Cells in Culture" at the 52nd Annual Meeting of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology, held May 1 to 5 in Philadelphia. Gossypol, derived from cotton seeds, plant and roots, could be used is to treat women with endometriosis, pending further studies.



Shawky Badawy, MD

James L. Greenwald, MD, associate professor of family medicine, has been appointed director of Upstate Medical University's Rural Medical Education Program (RMED), succeeding L. Thomas Wolff, MD, who has been named director emeritus. The RMED program is nationally known as a unique educational model that since 1989 has placed medical students in rural communities in central and northern New York for nine months of clinical training. An alumnus of SUNY Upstate's College of Medicine, Dr. Greenwald has worked in the Department of Family Medicine since completing a residency in family practice and community health at the University of Minnesota in June 1981.



James L. Greenwald, MD

Roy Guharoy, PharmD, director of the Pharmacy Department made two presentations at the Second International Congress on Clinical Pharmacy, held April 28 to 30 in Paris.



Roy Guharoy, PharmD

Seven papers were delivered by **Roy Guharoy, PharmD; Joseph Medicis, PharmD; Danielle Blais, PharmD, and Adrienne Smith, PharmD** at the annual meeting of the New York Council of Health System Pharmacists, held April 29 to May 1 at the Sagamore Inn in the Adirondacks.

EVENTS

- **June 4. Registration: 10 a.m. Shotgun Start noon. Camillus Country Club, 5690 Bennetts Corner Rd, Camillus.** Golfers are invited to participate in **University Hospital's Fourth Annual University Rehabilitation Golf Outing**, featuring a Captain and Crew format. For more information, call 464-4234.
- **June 21. Noon to 2 p.m. Institute for Human Performance Fourth Annual Research Sponsor Appreciation Luncheon.** SUNY Upstate's Research Administration and the Clinical Trials Office thanks members of industry for their support of research at SUNY Upstate. Program includes presentations by SUNY Upstate researchers and tour of the Institute for Human Performance. Call 464-5476 or e-mail carrolla@upstate.edu for more information.

(See page 6 for listings of Children's Miracle Network/CNY Children's Hospital events.)

IN THE NEWS

The SUNY Upstate Office of Public and Media Relations arranges interviews among Upstate staff and members of the local and national media. Here are a few recent examples:

Joyce Mackessy, RD, Hospital Administration, was quoted in the *Staten Island Advance* on the health benefits of yogurt.

Ben Moore, Hospital Administration and **David Keith, MD**, Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences were quoted in the *Post-Standard* about the closing of the Four Winds psychiatric center.

Patricia Numann, MD, Surgery, was interviewed by WIXT and News10Now about Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease.

Ann Botash, MD, Pediatrics, was interviewed by WSTM and WTVH and quoted in the *Post-Standard* about teens and sexual predators.

The May issue of *In Good Health* featured interviews with several SUNY Upstate individuals, including **BJ Adigun**, **Ben Moore** and **Don Zorn** who spoke about the fundraising campaign for the Central New York Children's Hospital; **Gina Lozito** who discussed the role of child life specialists in a hospital setting; and **Rev. Terry Culbertson** who discussed University Hospital's spiritual care initiative.

Cassandra Rucker, Children's Miracle Network (CMN) office, was quoted in the *Post-Standard* about the CMN Miracle Ride fundraiser.

Brian Rieger, PhD, and **Karen Kemmis**, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, were featured in a WIXT report on sports-related injuries.

Megan Chase, Human Resources, was interviewed by News10Now, regarding the job outlook for new graduates and openings at SUNY Upstate.

Steven Scheinman, MD, **Michael Clarke, MD**, **Robbi Saletsky, PhD**, and **Sharon Klaiber, RN**, are featured in the May issue of *Physicians Practice*. Dr. Scheinman discussed his role as executive vice president and dean of the College of Medicine at SUNY Upstate; Dr. Clarke, a joint reconstruction expert, was profiled; Dr. Saletsky discussed cognitive behavior therapy as a treatment for depression; and Klaiber discussed University Hospital's rehabilitation program for joint replacement patients.

Employee/Student Health presents the first in a series of summer health articles and tips.

Sun Exposure: What You Need to Know

Sunburn is caused by overexposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun or a sunlamp which damages skin cells. Half of the UV radiation that reaches the earth's surface on a summer day occurs during the four hours around middle of the day

Repeated sun exposure and suntans cause premature aging of the skin (wrinkling, sagging and brown spots) and repeated sunburns increase the risk of skin cancer in the damaged area.

Each blistering sunburn doubles the risk of developing malignant melanoma, one of the most serious and deadly forms of skin cancer.

Susceptibility to sun damage to the skin depends on skin type. Fair skinned persons (blond or red hair, blue or green eyes, freckles or many moles) who burn easily and tan minimally are at greatest risk. Individuals who are at high risk for sun damage should avoid the sun whenever possible and use a sunscreen throughout the summer for even brief sun exposure. Babies under six months should be kept out of the sun.

Sun protection recommendations:

Avoid the sun between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Seek shade in the middle of the day.

Wear a shirt (the tighter the weave and the darker the color the better) and a wide (four-inch) brimmed hat when in the sun.

Use sunscreen with sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or greater. High-risk persons should use SPF 30. Apply a generous amount (about a palmful) 15 to 30 minutes before going out in the sun to allow absorption into the skin, then reapply after swimming, vigorous toweeling or heavy perspiration. "Waterproof" sunscreens last about 30 minutes in water.

Wear sunglasses since UV exposure increases the risk of cataracts; avoid sunlamps and tanning beds.

If you get a sunburn:

Aspirin, ibuprofen, or naproxen started early and continued for two days can greatly reduce the discomfort.

One percent Hydrocortisone cream or moisturizing cream may help to reduce swelling. Use cool baths or cool cloths several times a day.

Do not use petroleum jelly, ointments or butter on sunburn. These keep heat and sweat from escaping.

Increase fluid intake to offset fluid lost into the swelling of the sunburned skin.

For additional information visit www.cdc.gov/ChooseYourCover/qanda.htm. Questions and comments may be directed to K. Bruce Simmons, MD, Employee/Student Health, 464-4260.

LECTURES, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES

- **June 2 (Noon to 1:30 p.m.); June 11 (3 to 4:30 p.m.) E6408 University Hospital. Workshop.** “QBQ (Question Behind the Question) Book and Discussion for PSLs.” QBQ enables individuals to view complaints in a different perspective and starts each person on a journey toward personal accountability. Each participant receives a copy of QBQ. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 3. 8 a.m. to noon. Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conference Center, 801 University Avenue, Syracuse. The Third Annual Central New York Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference.** Thomas Schwartz, MD, assistant professor of psychiatry; and SUNY Upstate third year psychiatry resident Nikhil Nihalani, MD, will present. Dr. Nihalani will discuss the pros and cons of atypical antipsychotics in primary care. Dr. Schwartz will speak on a systematic approach to treating anxiety. CME credit, social work contact hours and contact hours for nurses available. Pre-registration is required. To register or for more information call 464-3104 or e-mail thorpl@upstate.edu.
- **June 8. 6 to 8 p.m. HealthLink at ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt. Free Nursing Forum. “Care of the Human Spirit.”** Provides a greater understanding of how spirituality relates to health. Presented by Annette Becker, RN, clinical educator of Psychiatric Services at University Hospital. Free CEUs. Refreshments provided. Call 464-8668 to register.
- **June 8 (7:30 to 8:30 a.m.); June 30 (3 to 5 p.m.) E6408 University Hospital. Workshop.** “Making Delegation Work for You.” For RNs as a review of the principles of safe and effective delegation in health care. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 10. 9 a.m. to noon. C.A.B., East Lounge. Workshop.** “How SUNY Upstate’s CSEA and PEF Employees’ Paychecks are Calculated.” Covers the methods used to calculate the types of payments made to State employee that are specific to CSE LPNs and other related positions to nursing areas. Register by June 4 by e-mailing “STATEPR.”
- **June 10. 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall. Workshop.** “Purchasing Procedures 101.” Introduction to using hospital purchasing and its services. Participants receive a Hospital Purchasing Guide. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 14. 9 a.m. to noon. 205 Jacobsen Hall. Workshop.** “Customer Service - Priceless!” SUNY Upstate’s Holly Haines McCurdy discusses current customer service models, theories and techniques. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 15. 2 to 4:30 p.m. C.A.B., East Lounge. Workshop.** “Culture and Infrastructure: The Processes and Politics of Getting Things Done at University Hospital.” Focuses on the clinical and operational decision-making structures, how implementation teams are used to accomplish change and managerial expectations related to process and politics. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 16 or 17. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Holiday Inn, Electronics Parkway. Syracuse Orthopaedic Nursing Comprehensive Review.** A refresher course for nurses preparing for the Orthopaedic Nurse Certification exam and an opportunity for non-orthopaedic nurses to learn more about the specialty. Course fee is \$89. E-mail millerj@upstate.edu to register or for more information.
- **June 17. 9:50 to 10:30 a.m. C.A.B., 2231 Wsk Hall. Workshop.** “Information Management & Technology Tools People Use.” Basics of logging in to using of standard reports at University Hospital. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 17. 9 to 9:45 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall. Workshop.** “Understanding Quality Management and Outcome Measurement.” Provides managers with an overview of University Hospital’s organizational quality, management and improvement plan. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 22 (7:30 to 8:30 a.m.); June 29 (8 to 9 a.m.); June 30 (3:30 to 4:30 p.m. 1328B University Hospital. Ethics Forum.** “Codes of Ethics: Do They Speak for Practicing Nurses?” Review of the ANA Code of Ethics for Nurses (2001) and the University Hospital Code of Ethics. Continuing education credits available. To register, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training and click “register for training classes online.”
- **June 22. 6 to 8 p.m. HealthLink at ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt. Free Nursing Forum.** “Gamma Knife Surgery.” Covers diagnoses that can be treated by the radiosurgical tool, treatment expectations and treatment approaches and the management and care of the patient. Presented by Lisa Mitchell, RN, patient service manager for the Gamma Knife Center. Free CEUs. Refreshments provided. Call 464-8668 to register.
- **June 23. 9 a.m. to noon. C.A.B., East Lounge. Workshop.** “All About Payroll and Employee’s Paychecks are Calculated.” A combination of the “Introduction to Payroll,” “All About Reporting Employee Work Time & Time Accruals” and “How To Complete a Timesheet” workshops. Register by June 18 by e-mailing “STATEPR.”

Medicare Secondary Payer Questionnaire

Laws and regulations require full completion of a new Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) questionnaire each time a patient is registered. The patient's answers to the questionnaire determine which insurance will be billed primary (first).

The only exception to this is accounts with patient type D. For this patient type only, it is permissible to do the questionnaire every 30 days or when the patient's employment/insurance status has changed, whichever comes first.

Information entered on the MSP questionnaire must be consistent with the other information entered into the demographics fields. For example, if the marital status is married, then spousal employment and insurance information must be collected on the MSP.

Creating a registration and leaving the MSP blank causes a claim to be submitted to Medicare improperly.



Compliance Chat

Persons causing (or not preventing) a claim to be submitted to Medicare without a properly completed MSP questionnaire can be held personally liable for fines and sanctions.

Free training on this and other Medicare topics is available by visiting <http://cms.meridianksi.com>. (Click on the web-based computer courses link.) When you receive a passing score on the final examination, you will receive a certificate. Contact Mike Riposa in Patient Access at 464-5053 for additional information.



JPMorgan Chase
Corporate Challenge®

Tues., August 3 • 6:25 p.m.
Onondaga Lake Parkway

Are you ready for the Corporate Challenge?

Eligibility:

- All participants must be actively employed and paid by SUNY Upstate Medical University for a minimum of 25 hours per week for at least three months prior to race day.
- 18 years of age or older

Deadlines & Fee:

Entry fees are non-refundable and non-transferable
Register by Fri., June 25: \$15 Register after June 25: \$18
Final Registration Deadline: Fri., July 16
Forms received after this date will not be accepted.
Cash or checks payable to: *Faculty Student Association*

Tee shirts:

You must register by July 7 to receive a shirt.
Shirts and numbers will be available for pickup on Mon., Aug. 2, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the second floor lobby of University Hospital, or at the event.

SUNY Upstate Medical University On-site Registration

Dates: Wed., June 23 & Wed., July 7
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Place: Second floor lobby, University Hospital
To Register: Bring signed Runner's Release Form

(Forms are available at Hospital Information desk, Weiskotten Information desk & C.A.B. cafeteria)

To Register by Mail:

Mail your registration forms and checks (payable to *Faculty Student Association*) to:
Becky Cerio
Marketing & University Communications
250 Harrison Street, 4th floor

For More Information:

Contact Zanette Howe at 4-4263 or howez@upstate.edu or Becky Cerio at 4-4845 or cerior@upstate.edu



Prizewinners

Congratulations to the winners of the National Hospital Week drawing and Word Search puzzle. Winners of the Word Search puzzle received a National Hospital Week tee shirt.

Drawing

Leola Rodgers—
Wegmans gift certificate
Ryan Short—
Gold's Gym gift certificate

Kelly Hemingway—
Curves gift certificate
Jennifer Damiano—one month of
free parking at SUNY Upstate
Tara Kerestes—sweatshirt
Melissa Bettinger—snack basket
Maryanne Blair—shirt and mug
Janika Brown—shirt and mug
Patience Rempe—shirt
Katherine Harvey—P&C gift certificate
Chastity Kinahan—massage
Dottie Flanigan—
Bayberry Uniform gift certificate
Paul Gillette—shirt
Rose Brown—shirt

Linda Daley—
Innovations gift certificate

Word Search puzzle

Patty Martin
Nancy Shumway
Lisa Mitchell
Linda Harig
Kristin Dombroski
Joanne Chilton
Cheryl Calarese
Darlene Bailey
Mille Flett
Patricia Hanley

May Blood Drive a success

Special thanks are extended to everyone who registered for the May SUNY Upstate Blood Drive.



Due to overwhelming response, available donation slots were quickly filled.

SUNY Upstate will hold another blood drive in mid-July.

Individuals who were unable to donate blood in May are encouraged to make an appointment in July.

Medical Alumni Phonathon volunteers raise more than \$100,000 in pledges



The Medical Alumni Foundation thanks all volunteers and donors who helped make its 2004 Phonathon a success. More than \$100,000 was pledged for student scholarships and programs. The Phonathon was held February through April in the Medical Alumni Foundation Offices in the Campus Activities Building. Additional information about the Medical Alumni Foundation is available by calling 464-4361 or by visiting www.upstate.edu/medalumni.

Mora family extends thanks

• William Mora (Pharmacology) and Isabel Alvarez de Mora (Microbiology laboratory) thank the SUNY Upstate community for their help and support following the loss of their belongings in a house fire.

“There are no words to express our gratitude to the SUNY Upstate Medical University and University Hospital community for the outpouring support that our family has received,” said Alvarez de Mora. “We offer special thanks to the Pharmacology and Microbiology departments, the College of Graduate Studies, the Graduate Student Association, Upstate Child Care Center, fellow students, coworkers, staff, faculty members, nurses and to all who have contributed to our well-being in one way or another, even if you preferred to remain anonymous. God Bless all of you and your families.”

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