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JANUARY 9 THROUGH JANUARY 23, 2008

President's award nominations due April 1

Nominations are being accepted through April 1 from the SUNY Upstate Medical University community for the university's 2008 President's Awards.

The awards will be presented at the Fall Faculty Convocation in September.

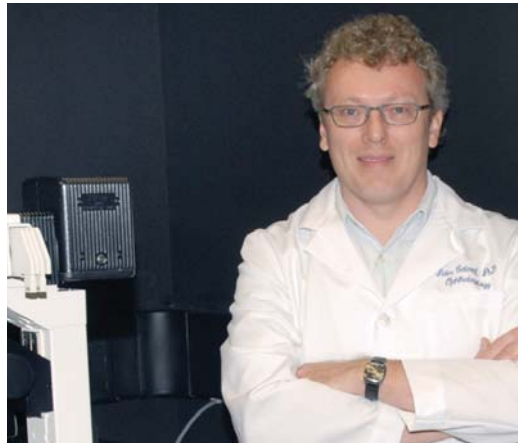
Nominations may be submitted for the following categories:

- President's Award for Advancement of Affirmative Action recognizes outstanding performance by faculty or staff in attaining affirmation action goals and promoting diversity at SUNY Upstate.

- President's Award for Excellence in Library Science recognizes outstanding librarians and promotes excellence in their profession at SUNY Upstate. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship.

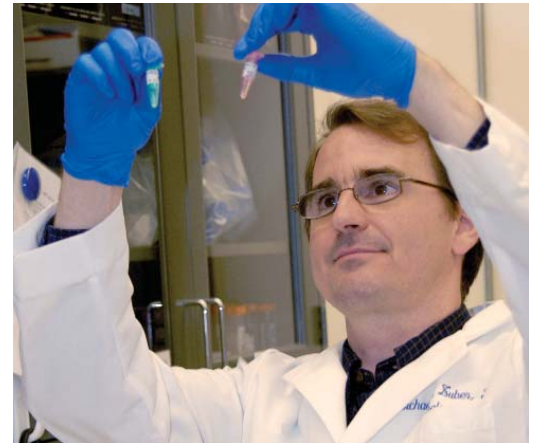
- President's Award for Excellence in Professional Service recognizes outstanding contributions made by professional associates of SUNY Upstate. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

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Peter D. Calvert

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Michael E. Zuber

Photograph by Richard Whelsky

Two SUNY Upstate research studies of the visual system attract more than \$2.8 million in NIH funding

SUNY Upstate Medical University researchers Peter D. Calvert, PhD, and Michael E. Zuber, PhD, have received more than \$2.8 million combined in funding from the National Eye Institute (NEI) of the National Institutes of Health to support their studies into the visual system.

Drs. Calvert and Zuber, both assistant professors of ophthalmology and adjunct assistant professors of biochemistry and molecular biology at SUNY Upstate, received their awards in September.

"These NIH awards distinguish Dr. Calvert and Dr. Zuber as young scientists whose investigations into the visual system show great promise," said John Hoepner, MD, professor and chair of SUNY Upstate's Department of Ophthalmology.

Dr. Calvert received a five-year award, totaling \$1,766,000 in funding. He and his team are investigating the biophysical mechanisms of protein transport and localization in the light detecting, retinal rod photoreceptors. The work may shed light on how genetic mutations that cause improper

localization of proteins in these cells ultimately lead to retinal degeneration and loss of sight.

"Understanding the molecular mechanisms underlying normal protein transport and localization, and what goes wrong with these processes in congenital degenerative diseases of the eye, such as retinitis pigmentosa, is paramount to understanding disease mechanisms and to the development of new therapies," Dr. Calvert said.

Dr. Calvert's laboratory has devised an innovative way to view the dynamics of proteins in living retinal cells in real time at light levels that minimally perturb them, allowing the team to directly quantify light-dependent changes in protein dynamics, subcellular protein localization and the cellular signals that underlie these changes. SUNY Upstate is one of only two centers worldwide that can perform research using this new technology. Dr. Calvert and his team also have developed new ways to

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Engaging Excellence Strategic Plan Open Forums

The SUNY Upstate community is invited to attend one of the Engaging Excellence Strategic Plan Open Forums hosted by President David R. Smith, MD. Follow up to the forums will be available at www.upstate.edu/excellence. The forums will be held Jan. 28, from 8 to 9 a.m. and 9 to 10 a.m. at Widewaters; Jan. 29, from 1 to 2 p.m. in 6500 University Hospital, 3 to 4 p.m. in 2231 Weiskotten Hall and 6 to 7 p.m. in 6500 University Hospital; and Feb. 1, from 6 to 7 a.m. in 6500 University Hospital, 11 a.m. to noon in 2231 Weiskotten Hall and 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in 6500 University Hospital.

The Health Sciences Library has implemented a security card swipe device at the entrance of the second floor computing area and will implement another security card swipe device at the library's main entrance in February. The main entrance device will be used

after 6 p.m. and during weekends. At these times SUNY Upstate ID holders will need to swipe their cards to enter the library. The library will continue to welcome all visitors in support of their health information needs. Visitors without an Upstate ID will need to sign in, show a valid picture ID, verify that the visit is related to an academic, research, or information need, and display a visitor badge while in the library. The device at the entrance to the second floor computing area is active at all times. Access to the second floor computing area will be limited to Upstate ID card holders. For more information, visit www.upstate.edu/library or call 464-7114.

The Department of Emergency Medicine offers advanced cardiac life support and pediatric advanced life support classes at the Emergency Medicine's EMSTAT Center, located at 550 E. Genesee Street. A selection of dates is offered for both provider and refresher classes throughout the year. On-line registration and class information can be found at www.upstate.edu/

[emergency/emstat/](http://www.upstate.edu/emergency/emstat/) or by calling 464-4851. Information is available at www.upstate.edu/emergency for other Emergency Medicine educational classes and conferences.

University Hospital will hold a blood drive Jan. 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Jan. 18, from 7 a.m. to noon in Cafe 750. Appointments to donate blood will be accepted Jan. 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. outside the hospital's Cafe 750 or by calling Brenda Clarke at 464-5738.

February is Black History Month. A series of events will be presented by SUNY Upstate's Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action and the Black History Month Planning Subcommittee in collaboration with Syracuse University and other organizations in the local African-American community. Details regarding the events will be included in the Jan. 23 issue of *Upstate Update*, distributed throughout the SUNY Upstate community and can be viewed in late January by visiting www.upstate.edu/special_events.php

National leader in health policy reform to discuss single-payer insurance



Quentin Young

"Health Insurance for All: The Single-Payer Way Forward" is the topic of two free public lectures Jan. 17 to be presented by Quentin Young, MD, national coordinator for Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP).

The first lecture will be presented at noon in the Ninth Floor Auditorium in Weiskotten Hall. The second lecture will be presented at 4:30 p.m. in the Weiskotten Hall Medical Alumni Auditorium. The inaugural meeting of the Syracuse Chapter of PNHP will

follow at 6 p.m. in 1164 Weiskotten Hall.

Dr. Young is a practicing internist in Illinois, a clinical professor of preventive medicine and community health at the University of Illinois Medical Center and senior attending physician at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago.

Dr. Young has been a leader in public health policy and medical and social justice issues.

In 1998, he served as president of the American Public Health Association and in 1997 was inducted as a Master of the American College of Physicians. In 1980, he founded the Chicago based Health and Medicine Policy Research Group, of which he currently serves as

its chair.

He has served as chair of the American College of Physicians' Subcommittee on Human Rights and Medical Practice and has been a member of both the Humana-Michael Reese Medical Board and the American College of Physicians Health and Public Policy Committee.

PNHP is an organization of more than 14,000 physicians who support single-payer health insurance.

E-mail occonnorb@upstate.edu for more information.

SUNY Upstate names NIH-funded researcher as interim chair of pharmacology

Richard Wojcikiewicz, PhD, an NIH-funded researcher and a professor of pharmacology, has been named interim chair of the Department of Pharmacology, effective Jan. 1. The appointment was announced by Steven Scheinman, MD, senior vice president and dean of the College of Medicine.

Wojcikiewicz will succeed Jose Jalife, MD, who has been appointed professor and co-director of the Center for Arrhythmia Research at the University of Michigan Health System. Joining Jalife at UMHS will be Mario Delmar, MD, PhD, who also will serve as co-director of the center, and four other members of the faculty of the department.

Dr. Wojcikiewicz's research focus is intracellular signaling and proteolysis and has relevance to cancer and neurodegenerative diseases. He has been a member of the SUNY Upstate faculty since 1993, having earned his doctorate from the University of Sheffield in the United Kingdom.

Dr. Wojcikiewicz's work has been published in dozens of journals, including the *Journal of Neurochemistry*, *Developmental Biology* and the *Journal of Biological Chemistry*.

"Dr. Wojcikiewicz provides us with continuity and sound leadership as interim chair," said Dr. Scheinman. Dr. Scheinman said a national search for a permanent chair for pharmacology is under way.

Dr. Jalife, a leading researcher on cardiac arrhythmia, relinquished his role as chair on January 1. He and the members of his team will leave SUNY Upstate in March.

"Dr. Jalife has been a dedicated faculty member and research leader at SUNY Upstate," Dr. Scheinman said. "His contributions to his field and to our institution have been outstanding. Drs. Delmar, Berenfeld, Onumonwo, and Vikstrom are productive and respected investigators. We wish them all well."

Dr. Scheinman said that the depart-



Richard Wojcikiewicz

ing team will continue to collaborate with research colleagues at SUNY Upstate and will continue to supervise SUNY Upstate graduate students. Drs. Jalife and Delmar will return on occasion to teach.

In recognition of his work, Dr. Jalife will be named an emeritus professor, Dr. Scheinman said.

ROUNDS



Andrzej Krol

Andrzej Krol, MD, associate professor in the Nuclear Medicine Division of the Department of Radiology, has been promoted to the grade of senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.

(IEEE), an honor awarded only to less than eight percent of IEEE's 374,800 members.

Susan Knapp has been named Vertical Expansion coordinator for University Hospital, responsible for overseeing the many aspects associated with planning for occupancy of the Vertical Expansion, and University

Hospital's coordinator of the Value Analysis Program that streamlines and standardizes clinical products used throughout the institution, placing a focus on quality and cost effectiveness. Knapp has relocated her office to 514C Jacobsen Hall. Her telephone number, 464-4046, remains unchanged. Knapp previously served as director of Clinical Engineering.

IN THE NEWS

John McCabe, MD, was interviewed on 9WSYR-TV on the increase in patient visits to the emergency room during the holidays.

A letter to the editor signed by **Robert Kanter, MD**, **Michael Ratner, MD**, and **Richard Sills, MD**, in the *Post-Standard* urged the Syracuse Common Council and the Syracuse Planning

Board to support and approve construction of a new Ronald McDonald House.

Bonnie Braddock, MD, was quoted in the *Post-Standard* suggesting that families use holiday gatherings to find out more about their own family medical history, by creating a family medical tree.

Julie Mellon, RD, was interviewed by WSYR-570AM on dieting in the New Year.

Regina Lozito was interviewed by WSYR-570AM on holiday celebrations in the hospital.

To register for workshops, visit www.upstate.edu/hr/training/form.shtml

Free HealthLink seminars are open to all. To register, Call Health Connections at 464-8668 or register via www.upstate.edu/healthLink.

Jan. 10. 9 to 10:30 a.m. 1328B University Hospital.

Workshop. "A Practical Approach to Practical Skills (PSFS): Introduction to Emotional Intelligence" will provide a brief and simple overview of EQ.

Jan. 11. 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Nursing Grand Rounds. "Community Acquired MRSA: Myths and Realities" will be presented by Kathie Contello, NP, MSN, of Pediatric Infectious Disease. Registration is not required. Approved for 1.0 contact hour. For more information, call 464-9443 or e-mail albanese@upstate.edu.

Jan. 15. 9 to 11 a.m. Classroom D, Institute for Human Performance.

Workshop. "Tracker Training" will give participants a working knowledge of the Tracker educational Oracle database.

Jan. 15. 6 to 7 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "Starting Your 2008 Exercise Program" will discuss safe exercise programs and how to make the exercise programs successful.

Jan. 17. 9 to 11 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

Workshop. "Hiring Great Employees, A Guide to Selecting the Best." will

enable participants to plan and carry out emotional intelligence/behavioral interviews that will provide the most accurate information to base a hiring decision.

Jan. 18. 8 a.m. to noon. 1328B University Hospital.

Workshop. "DiSC Personal Profile Assessment" will discuss this oldest, most valid personality behavior profile assessment used to enhance interpersonal relationships, work productivity, teamwork and communication.

Jan. 22, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B.; Jan. 23, Noon to 3 p.m. First Floor Conference Room, Widewaters.

Workshop. "Civil Service: Understanding the Basics, Presented by: NYS Department of Civil Service, Career Mobility Office" teaches State employees how the Merit System works, including the importance of taking examinations, eligible lists and the selection process, leaves of absence, probation, voluntary transfers, and reinstatements.

Jan. 22. 6 to 7 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "The Proper Diagnosis and Management of Osteoporosis" will discuss the importance of identifying and diagnosing osteoporosis in individuals at risk for this disease.

Jan. 28. 10 to 11 a.m. 1328B University Hospital.

Workshop. "Computer Skills for Patient Service Leaders (PSLs)" teaches GroupWise, Microsoft Word, and Internet skills to make the PSL role easier. PSLs have first consideration, but all are welcome. Evening classes can be arranged by calling 464-4407.

Jan. 28. 1 to 2:30 p.m. 1328b University Hospital.

Workshop. "A Practical Approach to Practical Skills (PSFS): Listening Skills" will present information designed to improve listening skills and enhance the ability to read and respond to the emotions of others.

Jan. 31. 9 a.m. to noon. East Lounge, C.A.B.

Workshop. "Crucial Confrontations: Tools for Resolving Broken Promises, Violated Expectations, and Bad Behavior" will help participants learn to rapidly improve results and relationships.

Jan. 31. 6 to 7 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "The Five Stalker Types and Safety Strategies for Victims" will review the types of stalkers and their response to management strategies, legal and safety issues to consider before taking actions that might endanger stalking victims, strategies to help victims protect themselves and interventions for victims and stalkers.

This new interview-format radio show focuses on health and medical issues affecting Central New Yorkers. As with its parent, University Hospital's free HealthLink seminar series at ShoppingTown, *HealthLink On Air* was created to help Central New Yorkers become smarter health care consumers.

University Hospital's



HealthLink

On Air

Tune in Sundays, 9 to 10 a.m. 570 WSYR-AM



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Caring comfort

Gregg Tweedy of Central Square, assisted by Child Life Specialist Kara Judd Litera, delivers one of several new recliners to University Hospital's pediatric intensive care unit. The chairs are used to provide a comfort for parents to sit at their child's bedside in this special unit. Tweedy's son, Jack, has been receiving treatment here for a rare form of brain cancer. The family created the Jack Tweedy Foundation to provide comfort to hospitalized children and their families.

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analyze protein dynamics in live cells.

Dr. Zuber received a four-year award totaling \$1,099,000. This marks Dr. Zuber's second four-year grant from the NEI. He and his team are conducting a study of retinal stem (RS) cells, rare cells that hold promise in treating retinal diseases, such as retinitis pigmentosa and macular degeneration.

"The long-term objective of our investigation is to gain a better understanding of the mechanisms underlying retinal stem cell formation and eye development," said Dr. Zuber. "We have discovered that eye formation requires the coordinated action of at least seven genes. These eye field transcription factors, or EFTFs, can transform cells that would normally form skin into retinal stem cells and ultimately a functioning eye. The goals of this study are to identify the genes activated by the EFTFs and determine the roles they play during normal eye

formation."

Dr. Zuber says that findings will aid in the discovery of new potentially disease causing genes and generate a preliminary map of the genetic network of eye formation.

"Understanding the network of genes required for eye formation will help us to identify previously unknown biological pathways required for eye development and provide a window into understanding and treating human blindness," said Dr. Zuber.

The Center for Vision Research of SUNY Upstate's Department of Ophthalmology celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2007. Over the past 10 years, the center, through its vision researchers, have brought SUNY Upstate more than \$17.5 million in research funds. In addition, the Center for Vision Research has built a \$1.5 million endowment through the Upstate Medical University Foundation.

The center, directed by Robert B. Barlow, PhD, consists of six faculty members in the Department of Ophthalmology—one of whom is a distinguished vision scientist from Japan. In addition, there are three postdoctoral fellows, three graduate students, and 10 support staff.

The NEI was established by Congress in 1968. As one of the Federal government's National Institutes of Health, the NEI conducts and supports research that helps prevent and treat eye diseases and other disorders of vision.

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Deadline: Feb. 4

Wednesday, Jan. 9

Anesthesiology Grand Rounds. 6:45 to 8 a.m. Medical Alumni Aud., Wsk. Hall.

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

Surgery Morbidity/ Mortality Conference. 7 to 8 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Neuroscience Grand Rounds. "Intracranial Arterial Stenosis: 50 Years of Uncertainty." Mohammad Istanboli, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 a.m. Sulzle Aud., Marley Education Ctr.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Surgery Grand Rounds. "Molecular Imaging-Clinical Utilization in the Diagnosis of Breast Pathology." David H. Feiglin, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Workshop. "E-Compass System-Press Ganey." 9 to 10:30 a.m. Classroom D, Institute for Human Performance.

Pediatrics Grand Rounds. "Detecting Respiratory Viruses-It's Not Just Culture Anymore." Scott Ridell, PhD, Upstate Medical University. 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds. James Sexton, MD, Upstate Medical University. 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Creative Writing Workshop. Noon to 1 p.m. Center for Bioethics and Humanities, Crouse Physician's Office Bldg., 725 Irving Ave., Suite 406. For SUNY Upstate faculty and staff. Call 464-8451 or e-mail gardenr@upstate.edu for more information.

Appointments Accepted for January Blood Drive. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Ninth Floor,

Wsk. Hall.

• **Rev. Weez's Storytime.** Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

HealthLink Seminar. "Common Thyroid Disorders." Lisa A. Cico, MSN, RN, Upstate Medical University. 6 to 7 p.m. Liverpool Library, 310 Tulip St., Liverpool.

Thursday, Jan. 10

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

Medical Grand Rounds. 8:30 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

Workshop. "A Practical Approach to Practical Skills: Introduction to Emotional Intelligence." 9 to 10:30 a.m. 1328B University Hospital.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds. "Recent Changes in the NYS Mandated Reporting Laws for Child Abuse and Neglect: What They Are; How They Effect Your Hospital and Private Practice; Ethical Considerations. Robert Daly, MD, Regina McGraw, Upstate Medical University; Kristen Larkin, O.C. Dept. Social Services. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg., 713 Harrison St.

WebCAIS/Vocera Class. 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Room D, Institute for Human Performance.

Vascular Conference. 5 p.m. 8800 University Hospital.

Friday, Jan. 11

SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 7 a.m. to noon. East Lounge, C.A.B.

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Domestic Violence Update." Loren Cunningham, Vera House. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Ctr.

Clinical Hands-On Practice Orientation (CHOP). Noon to 3:30 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B.

• **Mass.** Noon. Interfaith

Chapel, University Hospital.

Nursing Grand Rounds. "Community Acquired MRSA: Myths and Realities." Kathie Contello, MSN, NP, Upstate Medical University. 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Saturday, Jan. 12

• **Mass.** 4 p.m. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

Sunday, Jan. 13

• **Mass.** Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

HealthLink on Air. 9 to 10 a.m. WSYR-570AM.

Monday, Jan. 14

• **Mass.** Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

Yoga with Tony Riposo. 5 to 6:15 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B.

Tuesday, Jan. 15

Workshop. "Tracker Training Class." 9 to 11 a.m. Classroom D, Institute for Human Performance.

HealthLink Seminar. "Quit Smoking for Good...and For Free." (part of a series.) Cynthia Cary, Upstate Medical University. Noon to 1 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. Sixth Floor Skydeck, Carousel Center.

Weight Watchers at Work. Weigh-in: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Discussion: Noon to 12:30 p.m. 3113 Wsk. Hall.

• **Weekly Prayer Service.** Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

Vocera Class. 1 to 3 p.m. Classroom C, Institute for Human Performance.

Spiritual Fitness. 3 p.m. 2N, PM & R Dayroom, University Hospital.

Infectious Diseases Conference. "Pediatrics." 4 p.m. 304 Crouse

Physician's Office Building, Irving Avenue, Syracuse.

Pilates Class. 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. Gymnasium, Institute for Human Performance.

HealthLink Seminar. "Starting Your 2008 Exercise Program." Dale Avers, PT, DPT, PhD, Upstate Medical University. 6 to 7 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Anesthesiology Grand Rounds. 6:45 to 8 a.m. Medical Alumni Aud., Wsk. Hall.

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

Surgery Morbidity/ Mortality Conference. 7 to 8 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

WebCAIS/Groupwise Class. (licensed) 7:30 a.m. to noon. Classroom D, Institute for Human Performance.

Neuroscience Grand Rounds. 8 a.m. Sulzle Aud., Marley Education Ctr.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Surgery Grand Rounds. Cynthia Corpron, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Pediatrics Grand Rounds. "Congenital Anomalies of the Hand and Upper Extremities." Brian Harley, MD, Upstate Medical University. 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

• **Rev. Weez's Storytime.** See 1/9 listing.

Vocera Class. See 1/15 listing.

Thursday, Jan. 17

Nursing Services Orientation (NSO). 8 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. (PSC, monitor techs, psych therapy techs); 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (RN, LPN, GN, GPN, CT, UST). 1328B

University Hospital.

Medical Grand Rounds. 8:30 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

Workshop. "Hiring Great Employees, A Guide to Selecting the Best." 9 to 11 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

Blood Drive. 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Café 750, University Hospital.

Lecture. "Health Insurance for All: The Single-Payer Way Forward." Quentin Young, MD, Physicians for a National Health Program. Noon. Ninth Floor Aud., Wsk. Hall.

Psychiatry Meeting for Full-time Faculty. Noon to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg., 713 Harrison St.

Vocera Class. See 1/15 listing.

Lecture. "Health Insurance for All: The Single-Payer Way Forward." Quentin Young, MD, Physicians for a National Health Program. 4:30 p.m. Medical Alumni Aud., Wsk. Hall.

Vascular Conference. "Major Amputation-How to Optimize Functional Outcome." Vivian Gahtan, MD, Upstate Medical University; Roy Ostrander, Hanger Prosthetics and Orthotics. 5 p.m. 8800 University Hospital.

Inaugural Meeting of the Syracuse Chapter of Physicians for a National Health Program. 6 p.m. 1164 Wsk. Hall.

Friday, Jan. 18

New Orleans Weekend Trip. Reservations only. Sponsored by C.A.B.

Blood Drive. 7 a.m. to noon. Café 750, University Hospital.

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. "3-D/4D Ultrasound in Obstetrics." Robert K. Silverman, MD, Upstate Medical University. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Ctr.

WebCAIS/Groupwise Class

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- President’s Award for Excellence in Faculty Service recognizes outstanding contributions made by SUNY Upstate faculty. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Faculty Service.

- President’s Award for Excellence and Leadership in Research recognizes outstanding investigators and promotes excellence in research at SUNY Upstate. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities.

- President’s Award for Excellence in Basic Research by a Young Investigator recognizes young investigators who have had exceptional success in initiating their research careers. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor’s Award for

Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities.

- President’s Award for Excellence in Clinical Research by a Young Investigator recognizes young medically prepared investigators who have had exceptional success in initiating their research careers while meeting their responsibilities as clinicians. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Scholarship and Creative Activities.

- President’s Awards for Excellence in Teaching recognizes outstanding teachers and rewards them for their excellence in teaching at SUNY Upstate. This award may be a precursor to the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching.

- President’s Awards for Outstanding

Voluntary Faculty identifies, recognizes, rewards and reaffirms our commitment to outstanding voluntary faculty and promotes their continued involvement at SUNY Upstate. Clinical or voluntary faculty are eligible to receive this recognition. Selection criteria for this award is based on recommendation by the appropriate department chair, approval by the dean of the college and service to SUNY Upstate.

Nomination forms are available from the office of the associate vice president for academic affairs at 464-4520 or by e-mailing bourkem@upstate.edu. Submit completed nominations to: President’s Convocation Awards, c/o associate vice president of academic affairs, 1010 Jacobsen Hall.

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(unlicensed). 7:30 a.m. to noon. Classroom D, Institute for Human Performance.

Workshop. “DiSC Personal Profile Assessment.” 8 a.m. to noon. 1328B University Hospital.

- **Mass.** See 1/11 listing.

Saturday, Jan. 19
New Orleans Weekend Trip. See 1/18 listing.

- **Mass.** See 1/12 listing.

Sunday, Jan. 20
New Orleans Weekend Trip. See 1/18 listing.

- **Mass.** See 1/13 listing.

HealthLink on Air. See 1/13 listing.

Monday, Jan. 21
New Orleans Weekend Trip. See 1/18 listing.

- **Mass.** See 1/14 listing.

Tuesday, Jan. 22
Workshop. “Civil Service: Understanding the Basics.” 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m., East Lounge C.A.B.

Management Forum. 9:45 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Weight Watchers at Work. See 1/15 listing.

Faculty Development Seminar. “Helping the Struggling Student.” Susan Stearns, PhD, Upstate Medical University; Jane Neuburger, Syracuse University. Noon to 1 p.m. 318 Health Sciences Library.

HealthLink Seminar. “Quit Smoking for Good...and For Free.” (part of a series.) See 1/15 listing.

- **Weekly Prayer Service.** See 1/15 listing.

Spiritual Fitness. See 1/15 listing.

Infectious Diseases Conference. Mohammad Chouhry, MD, Upstate Medical University. 4 p.m. 304 Crouse Physician’s Office Building.

HealthLink Seminar. “The Proper Diagnosis and Management of Osteoporosis.” Jennifer J.

Kelly, DO, Upstate Medical University. 6 to 7 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, Dewitt.

Pilates Class. See 1/15 listing.

Wednesday, Jan. 23
Anesthesiology Grand Rounds. 6:45 to 8 a.m. Medical Alumni Aud., Wsk. Hall.

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

Surgery Morbidity/ Mortality Conference. 7 to 8 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Neuroscience Grand Rounds. Christine Fuller, MD. 8 a.m. Sulzle Aud., Marley Education Ctr.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. 8 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Surgery Grand Rounds. “Burn Injury United States 2007: Current National Readiness-Guidelines for Evaluation and Treatment - New Initiatives.” Arnold Luterman, MD, University of South Alabama. 8 to 9

a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Pediatrics Grand Rounds. “Disorders of Sex Development.” Susan Stred, MD, Upstate Medical University. 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Workshop. “Civil Service: Understanding the Basics.” Noon to 3 p.m. First Floor Conference Rm., Widewaters.

- **Rev. Weez’s Storytime.** See 1/9 listing.

Thursday, Jan. 24
SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B.

Medical Grand Rounds. 8:30 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

HealthLink Seminar. “Quit Smoking for Good...and For Free.” (part of a series.) Cynthia Cary, Upstate Medical University. Noon to 1 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. Sixth Floor Skydeck, Carousel Center.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds. “SUNY Upstate Medical University Adult ADHD

Treatment and Research Program.” Kevin Antshel, PhD, Upstate Medical University. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg., 713 Harrison St.

WebCAIS/Vocera. See 1/10 listing.

Friday, Jan. 25
SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 7 a.m. to noon. East Lounge, C.A.B.

Clinical Hands-On Practice Orientation (CHOP). See 1/11 listing.

- **Mass.** See 1/11 listing.

Saturday, Jan. 26
• **Mass.** See 1/12 listing.

Sunday, Jan. 27
• **Mass.** See 1/13 listing.

HealthLink on Air. See 1/13 listing.

- Broadcast live from the Chapel on in-house Channel 40.

Watch “Upstate Magazine” on Staff Ed TV channel 62 or by visiting <http://www.upstate.edu/edcom/upstatemag>.



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Making the holidays brighter for children in need

The SUNY Upstate Medical University community donated hundreds of toys as part of the university's annual toy drive for local needy children Nov. 14 through Dec. 14. The toy drive was sponsored by Team Upstate with support from the United Way, the Salvation Army, the Old Newsboys and the local U.S. Marine Corp. Reserve. The toys were distributed by the Salvation Army's Christmas Bureau Food and Gift Distribution Dec. 21.



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