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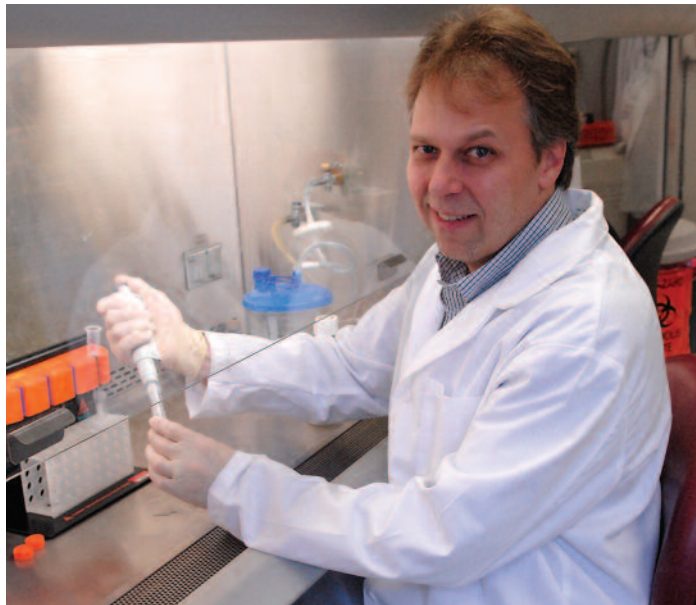
MARCH 18 THROUGH APRIL 1, 2009

## \$6.2 million research grant awarded to SUNY Upstate

SUNY Upstate Medical University has been awarded two grants totaling \$6.2 million to expand and strengthen its stem cell research program and support its studies into how stem cells may be used to fight leukemia.

The grants from the New York Stem Cell Board will significantly raise the stature of SUNY Upstate's stem cell research program putting it on par with some of the foremost stem cell research centers in the world, officials say.

"These grant monies will elevate the stature of our stem cell research program by establishing a flagship, world-class Humanized SCID Mouse Center and Stem Cell Processing Lab with state-of-the-art capabilities that will attract collaborative interests from both academic and biotech and pharmaceutical researchers worldwide, to perform studies that can only be performed in a unique facility such at SUNY Upstate Medical University," said Gerold Feuer, PhD, professor of microbiology and immunology and director of the lab. "These grants will serve as a nucleus to attract scientific interest to Upstate New York and to



*Dr. Gerold Feuer in his laboratory*

develop new high-paying positions for scientific technicians, molecular biologists and will be instrumental in recruiting world-class biological scientists to Upstate Medical University and the surrounding academic communities."

The larger of the two grants at \$5.13 million over four years will pay for renovating, expanding and equipping the Center for Humanized SCID Mouse Center and Stem Cell Processing Laboratory at SUNY Upstate. The increase in size, from 900 square feet to 3,500 square feet, will enable more

researchers to use the lab and house more state-of-the-art equipment. This is the largest grant of its kind ever awarded to the center since the SCID Mouse Center was established in 1997.

SCID (severe combined immune deficient) mice are genetically engineered mice that lack immune systems. Without their own immune systems, the mice can accept transplants of human hematopoietic stem cells (HSCs) that then mature and develop into all components of the human immune system, generating "humanized" SCID mice. Thus,

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## Nurse educator tapped for honorary degree

Syracuse native Fay W. Whitney, PhD, RN, a pioneer in the practice and education of nurse practitioners in the United States, will receive an Honorary Doctor of Science degree from the State University of New York at the 2009 SUNY Upstate Medical University Commencement May 17.

Dr. Whitney is Professor Emeritus in the School of Nursing at the University of Wyoming. In recognition of her distinguished career as a nurse educator and researcher and the generous \$3 million gift from her husband, Roy, the University of Wyoming's School of Nursing was renamed the Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing.

Dr. Whitney is a former faculty member at SUNY Upstate, serving as assistant professor, then as associate professor and co-director of the Adult Health Nurse Practitioner Program (1974 to 1983), director of the Nurse Practitioner Program (1977 to 1983) and as a nurse practitioner at University Hospital (1974 to 1984). The focus of her research in recent years has

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## C A M P U S B R I E F S

**Life Uniform will hold a sale March 18, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. outside University Hospital's Café 750 and in the small cafeteria.** Donation boxes will be available for gently used scrubs.

**SUNY Upstate's fourth-year medical students will join graduating medical students nationally to learn where they will spend their first year of training in their chosen specialty on Match Day March 19, at noon in the Institute for Human Performance.**

**March 20 is the deadline to register for SUNY Upstate's Bring Your Child to Work Day, to be held April 23.** For more information, call Maryann Fields at 464-4773 or Barb Riggall at 464-4964 or visit [upstate.edu/hr/jobs/trauma\\_kids.php](http://upstate.edu/hr/jobs/trauma_kids.php).

**Appointments for SUNY Upstate's Blood Drive will be accepted March 23, from noon to 1:30 p.m. outside the ninth floor auditorium in Weiskotten Hall and March 24 and 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the second floor of University Hospital.** The blood drive will be held April 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and April 3, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the University Hospital cafeteria. Appointments may also be made by calling Brenda Clarke at 464-5738 (e-mail [clarkeb@upstate.edu](mailto:clarkeb@upstate.edu)).

**Shirley Novak, founding member of Doctors for Global Health, will present "Health from a Human Rights Perspective,"** March 23, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Ninth Floor Auditorium, Weiskotten Hall. Lunch will be served. For information, email: [Jess.Weisz@upstate.edu](mailto:Jess.Weisz@upstate.edu).

**The SUNY Upstate community is invited to welcome new faculty members at the second annual Celebration of Faculty reception March 23 at the Institute for Human Performance.** The reception, to be held from 4:30 to 5 p.m., will be followed by a program that includes the recognition of faculty members who have promoted and/or tenured during

this past year and of the recipients of SUNY Upstate's second annual Gold Standard awards.

**Joslin Diabetes Center will present its annual Diabetes Alert Day March 24, from 5 to 7 p.m. at HealthLink/Oasis in ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.** Discussions include: pediatrics and adult treatment and disease management; living well with diabetes, including nutrition and meal-planning, exercise, psychosocial concerns, managing glucose levels, insulin; clinical trials; and prevention tactics; and food and cooking tips. To register, call Health Connections at 464-8668.

**The Charles R. Ross Memorial Student Research Day will be held March 25, at 1 p.m. in the Medical Alumni Auditorium of Weiskotten Hall.** Platform presentations will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Peter J. Stambrook, PhD, professor of the Department of Cancer and Cell Biology at University of Cincinnati Medical Center, will deliver the keynote presentation from 4 to 5 p.m. A full student poster session and reception will immediately follow in the Ninth floor cafeteria in Weiskotten Hall.

**SUNY Upstate Heart Walk team captains may register their teams March 26, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at University Hospital's second floor lobby.** The Heart Walk will be held April 18 at Long Branch Park in Liverpool. For more information, call 464-4263 or 464-4845.

**Applications for the 2009-2010 Grant Funding Program of Advocates for Upstate Medical University will be accepted until 4 p.m. March 24.** Funding will be available June 1. Application and guidelines are available by visiting [upstate.edu/advocates/grant\\_funding.php](http://upstate.edu/advocates/grant_funding.php), or by calling 464-5610.

**SUNY Upstate's College of Graduate Studies will sponsor its 2009 PhD Admissions Program Recruitment Days March 29 and 30.** For additional

information, call 464-5531, e-mail [tsod@upstate.edu](mailto:tsod@upstate.edu) or 464-7655, e-mail [tillotss@upstate.edu](mailto:tillotss@upstate.edu).

**University Hospital will celebrate National Doctor's Day March 30 with cake in University Hospital's Cafe 750, from 2 to 4 p.m.** Cake will also be available at UHCC and other campus locations. Doctors will also receive a gift certificate from Express Oasis, courtesy of the medical staff.

**Nursing Job Shadowing Day, sponsored by University Hospital's Nursing recruitment Office, will be held March 31, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the East Lounge of C.A.B.** Participants will be paired with a healthcare professionals as they perform their normal daily activities and will attend a reception to meet SUNY Upstate faculty and students. For more information, call 464-6149.

**Registration for the March of Dimes' March for Babies will be held April 2, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second floor lobby at University Hospital.** The March will take place April 26, beginning at 9 a.m. at Long Branch Park in Liverpool. For more information, e-mail [jensenmc@upstate.edu](mailto:jensenmc@upstate.edu).

**93Q's Ted & Amy will emcee the 11th annual Mystery and Merlot fundraiser, sponsored by Advocates for Upstate Medical University Friday, April 3, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Nicholas J. Pirro Convention Center at Oncenter, 800 S. State St., Syracuse.** The event features wine and cheese tasting, dinner, a mystery to solve, and live and silent auctions. For reservations or more information, call 315-464-5610 or visit [mysteryandmerlot.upstate.edu](http://mysteryandmerlot.upstate.edu).

**"Navigating the College Application Process" will be presented by Maria Badami of College Directions April 7, from noon to 1 p.m. in 4507 Setnor Academic Building.** Registration is required via the web at: <http://www3.upstate.edu/hr/training/>, keyword Lunch.

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been to evaluate the critical role of nurse practitioners in the recovery of elderly stroke victims, particularly in rural settings and underprivileged communities.

She has been instrumental in increasing the number of nurse practitioners from 27 to more than 200 since establishment of her programs in the state of Wyoming in 1992.

“Awarding an honorary degree to Dr. Whitney will highlight the importance of SUNY Upstate’s nurse practitioner and advanced nursing programs that support the health and well being of patients in communities throughout Upstate

New York, particularly in rural areas and under-served larger communities in the region,” said SUNY Upstate President David R. Smith, MD. “Her clinical area of specialty, the rehabilitation of elderly stroke patients, will also highlight the importance of SUNY Upstate’s State-Designated Stroke Center in this region.”

Dr. Whitney received her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Rochester in 1961 followed by a Masters of Science in Nursing, a Masters in Public Health and a PhD in social sciences from Syracuse University from 1974 through 1982.



Fay Whitney

**University Hospital partners with Fidelis Care for Cover the Uninsured Week, March 22 to 28**

Amid troubled economic times, with layoffs and business closings, the ranks of the uninsured continue to swell at an alarming rate. However, many New Yorkers may be unaware that quality, affordable health coverage exists for individuals and families.

As part of national Cover the Uninsured Week, March 22 to 28, University Hospital will partner with Fidelis Care to offer convenient enrollment opportunities for local residents to obtain free or low-cost health insurance.

Fidelis Care representatives will be at the following locations to answer questions and help eligible residents apply for enrollment through New York State’s Child Health Plus, Family Health Plus, and Medicaid programs:

- University Hospital, First Floor Lobby, 750 E. Adams St., Syracuse, Monday, March 23 through Wednesday, March 25 and Friday, March 27, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Thursday, March 26, 4 to 7 p.m.
- University Health Care Center, 90 Presidential Plaza., Syracuse, Monday, March 23 through Friday, March 27, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

“Many of our uninsured patients are unaware of the types of insurance plans that may be available to them, such as Family Health Plus and Child Health Plus,” said Stuart M. Wright, C.P.A., chief financial officer for University Hospital. “One of the many services we offer through our Financial Assistance Program is to raise awareness of these plans and, if patients qualify, help them navigate through the enrollment process. We are happy to partner with Fidelis Care in meeting this need for our patients.”

Since January 2007, Fidelis Care facilitated enrollers, as well as facilitated enrollers from United Healthcare have been on site at University Hospital and UHCC, when the hospital expanded its scope, hours of operation and number of locations of its Financial Assistance Program to reach a greater number of the hospital’s uninsured and underinsured patients who qualified for free or low-cost healthcare.

**WSTM’s Megan Coleman to emcee Employee Recognition Day**



Megan Coleman

Megan Coleman, the early morning weekday anchor for WSTM’s Action News 3 Today in Central New York, will emcee SUNY Upstate Medical University’s Employee Recognition Day to be held June 4. Coleman also

reports for Action News 3, specializing in health related topics.

Coleman graduated from Syracuse University’s S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications and began her journalism career at Action News 3 as an assignment editor.

She re-joined the Action News 3 team in August 2003 after a stint as a reporter at KXXV-TV in Waco, Texas where she covered stories that caught the nation’s attention including the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster, the murder of Baylor basketball player Patrick Dennehy and former President Bush’s vacations to Crawford.

Employee Recognition Day honors SUNY Upstate employees who have achieved their five-year incremental milestone of service as of June 30, 2009.

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they are vital for research into human viral infections, cancer stem cell biology and in translational development of anti-viral drugs and therapies for treating hematological disorders, scientists say.

“There is a pressing need to develop new mouse models for human diseases and basic understanding of human stem cell biology,” Feuer said. “This lab expansion will increase our current capacity to generate and study these mice, enabling SUNY Upstate to collaborate more substantially with other academic research institutions, biotech companies and pharmaceutical investigators.”

Stem cell research at SUNY Upstate is focused primarily on developing a “humanized” mouse model to study the initiation and progression of leukemia induced by human viruses,

specifically Adult T cell leukemia, Burkitt’s lymphoma and primary effusion lymphoma. Other models of infection and disease to be studied in humanized mice include the chicken pox virus, malaria, hemorrhagic and encephalitic viruses, and Kaposi’s Sarcoma herpes virus.

The second grant of \$1.07 million over three years was awarded to Feuer to further his research into leukemia. The grant “HTLV Infection of Human Hematopoietic Stem Cells: Induction of Novel Lymphoma in Humanized SCID Mice,” involves determining how viruses target and infect stem cells to initiate leukemia development in human stem cells. This process can be modeled using SCID mice.

The grant from the New York Stem Cell Board (NYSTEM) is the third piece of significant funding SUNY Upstate’s stem cell research program has received in the past 12 months.

Last January the university received \$200,000 from an Institutional Development Grant from NYSTEM for the purchase of a high-end imaging system for the lab. That grant came on the heels of a \$250,000 commitment from the university to hire additional staff and renovate lab space for the purpose of expanding stem cell research.

“Those working to find cures for many medical conditions that cause misery today, know that much hope lies with our ability to do the best stem cell research possible,” said Steven Goodman, Ph.D., SUNY Upstate vice president for research and dean of the College of Graduate Studies. “We have made a commitment to move this research forward and our progress is celebrated with this new funding.”

SUNY Upstate conducts more than \$40 million dollars in funded research.

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For more information, contact Ashley Mellone at 464-5463.

**Volunteers are needed to help coordinate SUNY Upstate’s “Think Green” Sustainability Fair** to be held May 5, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Individuals who have a special interest in sustainability, in helping to shape campus plans for going green or who are interested in organizing events, may contact Kelly Bunch at 464-1683 or [bunchk@upstate.edu](mailto:bunchk@upstate.edu) no later than March 20.

**Copies of the 2009 Upstate Telephone Directory and Resource Guides** may be ordered through Central Stores, catalog number 4270. For information, visit [www.upstate.edu/uha/materials/cent\\_stores/](http://www.upstate.edu/uha/materials/cent_stores/)

**The EEG lab has moved to the EMG lab in Suite 1312 University Hospital.** Phone and fax numbers remain the same: phone 464-5363, fax 464-4063).

**The “Special Needs Advocacy Partners” (SNAP) training session** will be presented by University Hospital’s Child Life Program and the Department of Pediatrics March 24, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Crouse Marley Education Center. The training session will address the challenges children with autism, severe developmental delay and mental retardation face during medical treatment. To register, contact Kara Judd-Litera at [juddlitk@upstate.edu](mailto:juddlitk@upstate.edu).

**SUNY Upstate will celebrate March as Social Work Awareness Month** with the following free Lunch-n-Learn programs: March 25 (Nutrition and Stress) and April 1, (Making Exercise a Part of Life) at 11:30 a.m. and at noon, in 2402 University Hospital (second floor small cafeteria); and March 24 (Nutrition and Stress) and 31 (Making Exercise a Part of Life), same times, in the fifth floor large conference room UHCC. Attendees are invited to bring a lunch.

**President’s Awards nominations are due April 1.** Awards will be presented at Fall Faculty Convocation Sept. 16.

Guidelines and nomination forms are available in the Office of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Room 1010 Jacobsen Hall, 464-4520 or [bourkem@upstate.edu](mailto:bourkem@upstate.edu).

**The Center for Children’s Cancer and Blood Disorders 13th Annual Maple Syrup sale** will take orders through April 3. Payments will be accepted on delivery in May. Prices are: \$13 per quart; \$24 for half-gallon; \$43 per gallon. For more information, contact Mandy Trudell at [trudella@upstate.edu](mailto:trudella@upstate.edu) or call 464-6133.

**April 6 is the deadline for abstracts for podium and poster presentation** for the conference, “Conversations in the Discipline: Mental Health Disparities in New York and Surrounding Areas,” to be held to be held May 1 at the Holiday Inn Arena Hotel and Conference Center in Binghamton. Topics pertaining to violence, addiction, mental health across the life-span and access to care are of particular interest. To submit an abstract, e-mail [SobczakJ@upstate.edu](mailto:SobczakJ@upstate.edu) For more information about the conference, visit [continuing.binghamton.edu/decker](http://continuing.binghamton.edu/decker).

Register for workshops at [www3.upstate.edu/hr/training](http://www3.upstate.edu/hr/training), click Management Development. HealthLink Seminars are free, unless otherwise noted, and are open to all. Call Health Connections at 464-8668 or visit [upstate.edu/healthlink](http://upstate.edu/healthlink) to register.

**March 19. 1 to 3 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.**

Workshop. "Upstate Stars Recognition Program" will discuss the benefits of recognition and recognition tools.

**March 19. 1 to 2 p.m. 6703a University Hospital.**

Workshop. "Computer Skills for PSLs" will teach GroupWise, Microsoft Word, and Internet skills. PSLs have first consideration, but all are welcome.

**March 19. 2 to 4 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.**

Workshop. "Diversity Management in Healthcare" will discuss the legal, moral, and business cases for valuing diversity in a healthcare environment.

**March 20. 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel and Conference Center, 801 University Ave., Syracuse.**

The 13th Annual HIV/AIDS Update: "HIV in Challenging Times, Caring for You and Your Patient," for all healthcare professionals interested in the care of patients with HIV Disease. E-mail [napietkm@upstate.edu](mailto:napietkm@upstate.edu) for more information.

**March 24. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crouse Marley Education Bldg., Irving Avenue, Syracuse.**

Special Needs Advocacy Partners training session addresses the challenges children with autism, severe developmental delay and mental retardation face during medical treatment. E-mail [juddlitk@upstate.edu](mailto:juddlitk@upstate.edu) for details.

**March 24 (8:30 to 11:30 a.m. 1328B University Hospital) and April 21 (9 a.m. to noon. 3507 Setnor Academic Bldg).**

Workshop. "Communication Skills" will discuss listening and assertion skills and conflict resolution.

**March 25. 9 to 11 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.**

Workshop. "Hiring for CSEA - Represented Employees" will review appropriate paperwork, documentation and Civil Service requirements.

**March 26. 9 to 11:30 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.**

Workshop. "Fundamentals of PEF and CSEA Performance Evaluations" will review the process and timelines associated with developing the performance programs and evaluations.

**March 27 (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and 28 (8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). Weiskotten Hall and Setnor Academic Bldg.**

Fourth Annual Spring Symposium for Physical Therapy. Physical therapists will learn the latest information on the profession's key issues. Registration deadline is March 20. For more information or to register, call 464-6881 or email [PT@Upstate.edu](mailto:PT@Upstate.edu)

**March 31. 9 to noon. 1328B University Hospital.**

Workshop. "Crucial Confrontations" will help participants to sharpen their skills to better address unwanted behavior and violated expectations.

**March 31. 12:30 to 2 p.m. 1307D University Hospital.**

Audioconference. "Strategies for Managing the Top 10 Challenging Standards" will outline the top 10 compliance issues for hospitals and explores the proactive steps organizations can take to improve performance. E-mail [hydeg@upstate.edu](mailto:hydeg@upstate.edu) to register.

**March 31. 2 to 4:30 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.**

Workshop. "UUP Performance Management Fundamentals" will review the process associated with developing UUP performance programs and performance evaluations.

**April 1. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Genesee Grande Hotel, 1060 E. Genesee St., Syracuse.**

Ninth Annual Contemporary Issues

in Emergency Medicine will cover neuro-ophthalmologic emergencies; partial spinal cord syndromes; ultrasound guided venous access, contemporary drugs of abuse; and current emergent uses and other uses of hyperbaric oxygen. Visit [upstate.edu/emergency](http://upstate.edu/emergency) for more information.

**April 8. 9 a.m. to noon. 3507 Setnor Academic Bldg.**

Workshop. "Emotional Intelligence" will discuss emotional responses to best build relationships and agreements.

**April 10. 9 a.m. to noon. 1328b University Hospital.**

Workshop. "DISC Personal Profile" will help participants to discover their personal style and that of others to build understanding versus judging.

**April 14. 2 to 3 p.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.**

President's Quarterly Town Hall Meeting will discuss SUNY Upstate Medical University's research enterprise.

**April 20. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Syracuse Stage, 820 E. Genesee St., Syracuse.**

Eighth Annual Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Conference. "Learning Disabilities and Autistic Spectrum Disorders: Practical Strategies for Collaborative Interventions" will focus on integrated care and the challenges inherent in working collaboratively. Call 464-3104 or e-mail [thorpl@upstate.edu](mailto:thorpl@upstate.edu) for a conference brochure.

**April 22. 1 to 6:30 p.m. Nicholas J. Pirro Convention Center at the Oncenter, 800 S. Salina St., Syracuse.**

Healthcare Quality Forum will examine the latest thinking on healthcare quality. Free and open to members of the healthcare community. Continuing medical education credits will be offered. Visit [www.shqf.org](http://www.shqf.org) for more information.

## Wednesday, March 18

**Life Uniform Sale.** 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Second floor lobby and Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

**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.** "The Naked Intensivist: Why Do We Treat Vasospasm As We Do." Jesse J. Corry, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 103 Wsk. Hall.

**Orthopedic Grand Rounds.** "Management of Osteochondral Lesions with Osteochondral Transfer." Scott Schweizer, MD. 8 to 9 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

**Surgery Grand Rounds.** 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

**Pediatric Grand Rounds.** "Perinatal Autopsy and Syndrome Diagnosis: Quality Control for Prenatal Diagnosis." Robert R. Lebel, MD, Upstate Medical University. 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

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

**Pathology Grand Rounds.** Noon. 6717 University Hospital.

**Center for Children's Health Policy Seminar.** "Global Progress Toward the Millennium Development Goals for Children." 3 to 4 p.m. 9299 Wsk. Hall.

**HealthLink Seminar.** "Spirituality and Health: Coping with Cancer." Rev. Terry Culbertson, Upstate Medical University. 6 to 7 p.m. Liverpool Public Library, 310 Tulip St., Liverpool.

## Thursday, March 19

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

**60-Day Retention Program.** 7:45 to 8:45 a.m. or 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. 1403 University Hospital.

**Medicine Grand Rounds.** David Duggan, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

**Child Life Program Information Table.** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Second floor lobby, University Hospital. Activity of Child Life Month.

**Match Day.** 11:30 a.m. Opening of envelopes: Noon. Institute for Human Performance.

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

**Workshop.** "Computer Skills for PSLs." 1 to 2 p.m. 6703A University Hospital.

**Workshop.** "Upstate Stars Recognition Program." 1 to 3 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

**WebCAIS for Travel RNs.** 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Classroom D, Institute for Human Performance. Contact Barb Bennett 464-9267 or e-mail bennettb@upstate.edu with questions.

**Workshop.** "Diversity Management in Healthcare." 2 to 4 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

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

## Friday, March 20

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

**13th Annual HIV/AIDS Update.** "HIV in Challenging Times, Caring for You and Your Patient." 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel and Conference Ctr. 801 University Ave., Syracuse.

**Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds.** "The Evidence for Doppler Ultrasound in Obstetrical Practice." Alexandra C. Spadola, MD, Upstate Medical University. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Ctr.

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

**HealthLink Seminar.** "Quit Smoking For Good...and For Free!" (part of a series.) Noon to 1 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt. Free. Call 464-8668 for more information.

**Creative Writing Workshop.** Noon to 1 p.m. Center for Bioethics and Humanities Conference Room, Suite 406 Crouse Physician's Office Bldg.

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

## Saturday, March 21

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

## Sunday, March 22

Healthlink on Air. See 3/8 listing.

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

## Monday, March 23

**Blood Drive Appointment Session.** Noon to 1:30 p.m. Ninth Floor, Wsk. Hall.

**Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Graduate Student Seminar.** "How Rigid or Flexible are Proteins in Their Native State?" Noon 2231 Wsk. Hall.

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

**Celebration of the Faculty.** 4:30 to 6 p.m. Institute for Human Performance.

**Yoga Class.** 5 to 6:15 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B. Call Dawn at 464-9391 for more information.

## HealthLink Seminar.

"Mindful Eating." Lisa Kaufmann, MD, Terry Podolak, RD, Upstate Medical University. 6 to 8 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

## Tuesday, March 24

**Special Needs Advocacy Partners Program.** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crouse Marley Education Bldg. Activity of Child Life Month.

**Workshop.** "Communication Skills." 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. 1328B University Hospital.

**Management Forum.** 9:45 a.m. to noon. 6500 University Hospital.

**Lunch-n- Learn Program.** "Nutrition and Stress." Heather Richardson, RD, Upstate Medical University. 11:30 a.m. and noon. Fifth Floor Large Conference Room, UHCC. Activity of Social Work Awareness Month.

**Blood Drive Appointment Session.** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Second Floor, University Hospital.

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

**HealthLink Seminar.** "Quit Smoking For Good...and For Free!" (part of a series.) See 3/20 listing.

**Faculty Development Seminar.** "Distance Learning/Video Conferencing." Peter Beatty, PhD, and James Greenwald, MD, Upstate Medical University. Noon. 318 Health Sciences Library.

**Vocera.** 1 to 3 p.m. Institute for Human Performance, Classroom C. Contact Derek Hawkins at 464-1400 or at hawkinsd@upstate.edu with questions.

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

**Infectious Diseases Conference.** 4 p.m. 304 Crouse Physician's Office Bldg., Irving Avenue, Syracuse.

## HealthLink Seminar.

"Diabetes Day." 5 to 7 p.m. HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

## Wednesday, March 25

**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 to 9 a.m. 103 Wsk. Hall.

**Orthopedic Grand Rounds.** "Cytogenetics in Musculoskeletal Oncology: Is It Just for the OITE?" Timothy Damron, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

**Surgery Grand Rounds.** "John D. Halverson Lecture in Bariatric Surgery." Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD, University of Minnesota Medical School. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

**Workshop.** "Hiring for CSEA Represented Employees." 9 to 11 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

**Pediatric Grand Rounds.** "Nutrition Guidance for Healthy Children." Theresa A. Nicklas, DrPh, Baylor College of Medicine. 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

**Blood Drive Appointment Session.** See 3/24 listing.

**Lunch-n-Learn Program.** "Nutrition and Stress." Terry Podolak, RD, Upstate Medical University. 11:30 a.m. and noon. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital. An activity of Social Work Awareness Month.

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• **Rev. Weez's Storytime.** See 3/18 listing.

**Pathology Grand Rounds.** Noon. 6717 University Hospital.

**Student Research Day Platform Presentations.** 1 to 4 p.m. Medical Alumni Aud., Wsk. Hall.

**Student Research Day Keynote Lecture.** "Genetic Variants in a DNA Damage Response Pathway Elevate the Risk of Cancer in Humans and Mice." Peter J. Stambrook, PhD, University of Cincinnati Medical Center. 4 to 5 p.m. Medical Alumni Aud., Wsk. Hall.

**Student Research Day Poster Session.** 5 p.m. Ninth Floor Cafeteria, Wsk. Hall.

**Vocera.** See 3/24 listing.

**Thursday, March 26**

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

**Medicine Grand Rounds.** 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

**Workshop.** "Fundamentals of PEF and CSEA Performance Evaluations." 9 to 11 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

**Team Captain Registration for Heart Walk.** 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Second floor, University Hospital.

**Psychiatry Grand Rounds.** "Cultural Syndromes: What Do They Mean?" Elizabeth Blair Hegeman, PhD, W.A. White Institute. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Building, 713 Harrison St. Syracuse.

**Zoo to You.** 1 p.m. 4C, University Hospital. Activity of Child Life Month.

**Vocera.** See 3/24 listing.

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

**Friday, March 27**

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

**Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds.** "Screening Strategies in Early Detection of Ovarian Malignancy." Shashikant B. Lele, MD, Roswell Park Cancer Center. 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Ctr.

• **Mass.** See 3/20 listing.

**Comedy Hour.** Will Marfori. Happy Hour: 5:30 p.m. Performance: 6:15 p.m. \$3 at the door.

**Saturday, March 28**

• **Mass.** See 3/21 listing.

**Sunday, March 29**

**College of Graduate Studies 2009 PhD Admissions Program Recruitment Days.** Wsk. Hall. E-mail tillotss@upstate.edu for information.

**Healthlink on Air.** See 3/22 listing.

• **Mass.** See 3/22 listing.

**Monday, March 30**

**College of Graduate Studies 2009 PhD Admissions Program Recruitment Days.** See 3/29 listing.

• **Mass.** See 3/23 listing.

**Yoga Class.** See 3/23 listing.

**HealthLink Seminar.** "Mindful Eating." See 3/23 listing.

**Tuesday, March 31**

**Nursing Job Shadowing Day.** 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B.

**Workshop.** "Crucial Confrontations." 9 a.m. to noon. 1328B University Hospital.

**Lunch-n-Learn Program.** "Making Exercise a Part of Life." Janice Lazarski, DPT, PT, Upstate Medical University. 11:30 a.m. and noon. Fifth Floor Large Conference Rm., UHCC. Activity of Social Work Awareness Month.

**HealthLink Seminar.** "Quit Smoking For Good...and For Free!" (part of a series.) See 3/20 listing.

• **Weekly Prayer Service.** See 3/24 listing.

**Audioconference.** "Strategies for Managing the Top 10 Challenging Standards." 12:30 to 2 p.m. 1307D University Hospital.

**Workshop.** "UUP Performance Management Fundamentals." 2 to 4:30 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

**Spiritual Fitness.** See 3/24 listing.

**Infectious Diseases Conference.** 4 p.m. 304 Crouse Physician's Office Bldg., Irving Avenue, Syracuse.

**Coffeehouse.** Pie Boys Flat. 8 p.m. West Lounge, C.A.B.

**Wednesday, April 1**

**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.

**Ninth Annual Contemporary Issues in Emergency Medicine.** 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Genesee Grande Hotel, 1060 E. Genesee St., Syracuse.

**Neuroscience Grand Rounds.** Ziad El-Zammar, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 103 Wsk. Hall.

**Orthopedic Grand Rounds.** 8 to 9 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

**Surgery Grand Rounds.** 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

**Pediatric Grand Rounds.** 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. 6500 University Hospital.

**Lunch-n-Learn Program.** "Making Exercise a Part of Life." Janice Lazarski, DPT, PT, Upstate Medical University. 11:30 a.m. and noon. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital. An activity of Social Work Awareness Month.

• **Rev. Weez's Storytime.** See 3/18 listing.

**Pathology Grand Rounds.** Noon. 6717 University Hospital.

**Spiritual Care Grand Rounds.** "End of Life Indicators." Patricia Lippincott Knox, RN, Upstate Medical University. 4 to 5:15 p.m. Conference Room, Setnor Academic Bldg.

**Burn Survivors Support Group Meeting.** 5 to 7 p.m. 6551 University Hospital.

**Thursday, April 2**

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

**Medicine Grand Rounds.** 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

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

**Nursing Grand Rounds.** "Patient First: How Innovations in the East Tower Will Impact Patient Care." Kate Mitchell, RN, Upstate Medical University. 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. 103 Wsk. Hall.

For more information, call 464-6572 or e-mail greenmam@upstate.edu.

**March of Dimes Walk for Babies Registration.** 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Second Floor Lobby, University Hospital.

**Psychiatry Grand Rounds.** 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Building, 713 Harrison St. Syracuse.

**WebCAIS for Travel RNs.** See 3/19 listing.

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

**Friday, April 3**

**Blood Drive.** 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Café 750, University Hospital.

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

**Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds.** 7:30 a.m. Marley Education Ctr.

**Clinical Hands-on Practice Orientation (CHOP).** See 3/20 listing.

• **Mass.** See 3/20 listing.

**Mystery and Merlot.** 5:30 p.m. Nicholas J. Pirro Convention Center at Oncenter, 800 South State St., Syracuse.

**Saturday, April 4**

• **Mass.** See 3/21 listing.

**Sunday, April 5**

**Healthlink on Air.** See 3/22 listing.

**Palm Sunday Ecumenical Christian Worship.** 10:30 a.m. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital. Pals will be distributed.

• **Mass.** See 3/22 listing.

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

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## An exercise in fun

*Nija Roland is coached by Chris DeMarco, right, a graduate student in the Adapted Physical Education program at SUNY Cortland, as she plays modified sports during SUNY Upstate's "Fit Families: Group Visits for Children with Disabilities" meeting. The meetings, held cooperatively with SUNY Cortland in the Institute for Human Performance, are sponsored by SUNY Upstate's Spina*

*Bifida Clinic of the Center for Development, Behavior and Genetics through a grant from the American Legion. The meetings offer parents the opportunity to meet other families, listen to an educational speaker or discussion and to share information. The children and their siblings have fun while staying fit through modified sports that is offered during each group meeting.*



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