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SEPTEMBER 30 THROUGH OCTOBER 14, 2009

Robert Cooney, MD, to lead Upstate's Department of Surgery

Robert Cooney, MD, the Charlene J. Smith Professor of Surgery and Cellular & Molecular Physiology, and chief of the Division of Surgery at the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, has been named professor and chair of the Department of Surgery at Upstate Medical University. The appointment, effective Nov. 1, was announced by Steven Scheinman, MD, senior vice president and dean of the College of Medicine.

Dr. Cooney comes to Upstate after a 17-year affiliation with Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, which began in 1992, during which time he held key positions, including surgical director of clinical care (1992-2005), chief of bariatric surgery (1999-

2005), Trauma Program medical director (1998-2002), chief of the Section of Trauma and Critical Care (2000-2004), vice chair for research, and co-director of the Penn State Institute for Diabetes and Obesity, two of his most recent assignments.

"Dr. Cooney is an accomplished academic surgeon with a breadth of achievement spanning clinical care, education, research, and administration," Dr. Scheinman said. "Upstate is fortunate to have him join us in this important clinical leadership position."

Upstate's Department of Surgery includes some of the institution's highest profile services, the Clark Burn Center,



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OASIS program enlists older adults in fight against childhood obesity

"Active Generations," an OASIS Institute program that enlists older adults in the fight against childhood obesity, will be introduced as an after-school program to three Syracuse elementary schools, beginning Oct. 21.

Sponsored by Upstate Medical University's OASIS program in partnership with the Syracuse Say Yes to Education After School program, Active Generations will be offered to students in grades three to five at Meachem, Roberts, and Van Duyn elementary schools. Upstate's OASIS program was selected by the OASIS National Institute as the first in New York state to implement the program.

According to Sally Terek, Active Generation is expected to impact more than 200 children and their families in its first year. Terek serves as program

coordinator for Active Generations.

Active Generation is an intergenerational program that addresses childhood obesity using the CATCH, (Coordinated Approach To Child Health) curriculum that includes three specific components: an interactive lesson, a healthy snack, and moderate to vigorous physical activity. The objective is to equip children and their families with the knowledge to make healthy choices.

Terek is joined in the program by 14 trained OASIS volunteers. "When older adults volunteer in urban schools, it is a win-win situation for the youth and older adults," said Terek. "Youth demonstrate improved educational outcomes and older adult volunteers manifest increased physical, cognitive and social activity."

CATCH, an evidence-based, nation-

ally recognized curriculum, measures outcomes for children, including their knowledge—before and at the end of the program—about healthy food choices and physical activity.

"The CATCH curriculum has been proven to impact healthy behaviors in children," said Terek, "which is why the OASIS Institute chose to use it as part of Active Generations."

Upstate's OASIS program offers programs and services that enrich the lives of mature adults by engaging them in lifelong learning and service programs so they can learn, lead and contribute in their communities. For more information about OASIS, or the Active Generations Program, visit www.oasisnet.org or call 315-464-1746.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Register online at www.upstate.edu/events to participate in Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, a three-mile walk through downtown Syracuse Oct. 4, from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

Support Upstate's Pediatric Emergency Department team at the hockey "Challenge Cup," to benefit cancer services at Upstate Oct. 3 and 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cicero Twin Ice Rinks, 5575 Meltzer Court in Cicero. For more information, call 464-2945.

Appointments to donate blood at Upstate's Blood Drive will be accepted Oct. 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the ninth floor lobby in Weiskotten Hall and Oct. 7 and 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the second floor lobby of University Hospital. The drive will be held Oct. 15, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Oct. 16, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Cafe 750, University Hospital. Appointments may also be made by calling 464-5738 or by e-mail, clarkeb@upstate.edu.

"The Fourth Annual Out of the Darkness Community Walk to Prevent Suicide," will be held Oct. 10 at Long Branch Park in Liverpool. Registration is from 9 to 10 a.m. Guest speakers and the opening ceremony is from 10 to 11 a.m. with the walk to follow at 11 a.m. Proceeds benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention for research to improve the understanding of suicide. Visit www.outofthedarkness.org to register.

Free smoking cessation classes are available to Upstate employees, courtesy of Advocates for Upstate Medical University, beginning Oct. 19, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in E9405A East Tower. Participants must attend all classes. Free nicotine replacement will be available for each participant. Classes will be held: Oct. 19, 26; Nov. 2, 4, 9, 16 and 23. Class sizes are limited. For more information or to register, call 464-4426.

President David R. Smith, MD, invites the Upstate community to the State of the University Address on Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. in the Medical Alumni Auditorium in Weiskotten Hall. A reception will follow. An interactive Webcast will be hosted at Binghamton. Dr. Smith's address will be available in real time at www.upstate.edu/excellence.

Individuals who enjoy photography as a hobby and who would like to create a photography group for Upstate employees may contact Doug Rosenthal (RosenthalD@upstate.edu, 464-8881) or Lori Lucarelli (LucarelliL@upstate.edu, 464-2115).

The Regional Oncology Center's Relay For Life team is selling Enjoy the City Syracuse Coupon Books for \$20 a

book. Proceeds benefit the American Cancer Society. To purchase a book, call Pam Romer at 464-8239 or visit the Regional Oncology Center.

Election Day (Nov. 3) is a floating holiday. Upstate's units and departments will be open and operative. PEF- and CSEA-represented employees and Research Foundation employees who are in a full pay status on Election Day and who work that day will earn a compensatory day to be used at a mutually convenient date, based on operating needs. Election Day will continue to be a dark green holiday for eligible UUP-represented employees as indicated on the 2009 Holiday Calendar. Subject to departmental procedures for requesting time off, an eligible

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Resident and Fellow Appreciation Day

In recognition of Upstate's 477 residents and fellows for their exceptional service to the Upstate community.

**Wednesday, Oct. 7
University Hospital, Cafe 750**

Residents and fellows are invited to enjoy:

Breakfast of bagels and juice: 6:30 to 10:45 a.m.

Cake: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Cake-cutting ceremony: 11 a.m.

Each resident and fellow will receive a commemorative flash drive and the opportunity to participate in prize drawings.

Presented by Upstate's office of Graduate Medical Education; the President's Office; the Dean's Office, College of Medicine; and University Hospital.

Patricia Fosarelli, MD, DMin., to speak during Pastoral Care Week Oct. 21

Patricia Fosarelli, MD, DMin., author, theologian, physician and lay minister, will present “And a Child Shall Lead Us: Lessons for the Living from Dying Children” at a special dinner presentation of Spiritual Care Grand Rounds Oct. 21, from 4 to 7 p.m. in 12405 Upstate Golisano Children’s Hospital. The Upstate community is invited to attend at no charge due to a grant from the Wilbert Foundation. Registration is required and is limited to 48 individuals. Immediately preceding her presentation, Dr. Fosarelli will be available to sign her book “Whatever You Do for the Least of These: Ministering to Ill and Dying Children and Their Families.” The books will be available for purchase.



Dr. Fosarelli will also present at Upstate’s Pediatric Grand Rounds Oct. 21 and will consult with members of Upstate’s Palliative Care Team that same day.

Dr. Fosarelli teaches spirituality and practical theology at the Ecumenical Institute of Theology at St. Mary’s Seminary and is on the part-time faculty in the Department of Pediatrics at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. A recipient of multiple teaching awards and the author of several books, Dr. Fosarelli frequently addresses both lay and religious audiences.

Dr. Fosarelli’s talk is an activity of

Pastoral/Spiritual Care Week, to be celebrated nationally Oct. 25 to 31.

“Pastoral Care Week gives us the opportunity to recognize our spiritual caregivers and honor their dedication and the role they play in assisting patients and staff in the healing process,” said Rev. Terry Culbertson, manager of Upstate’s Center for Spiritual Care.

At University Hospital, pastoral caregivers serve through the hospital’s Center for Spiritual Care, a division of the Department of Volunteer Initiatives. Pastoral caregivers, or spiritual caregivers as they are known at University Hospital, are trained to help individuals draw on their own faith traditions and teachings for comfort and guidance.

University Hospital’s Center for Spiritual Care was created in 2004 to offer spiritual care programs for patients, their families and caregivers. Since then, the center has expanded to include a wide range of programs and services for patients, the campus and the community, including the presentation of monthly Spiritual Care Grand Rounds, daily worship in the Interfaith Chapel, and a lecture in the College of Medicine’s “Practice of Medicine” course.

University Hospital’s Center for Spiritual Care is accredited by the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education as a training center. The only center in Central New York to receive the credentialing, it allows the Center for Spiritual Care to offer two, 400-hour training programs a year and to expand patient and family pastoral care through the use of chaplain interns.

In addition, the Pediatric Chaplaincy Program was one of five programs in the country to receive a grant from the Wilbert Foundation to support new programs, such as CaringBridge, a web-based program that helps hospitalized patients and their families stay in touch with family and friends, and the training of staff in REIKI, a healing touch modality.



Patricia Fosarelli

The staff of University Hospital’s Center for Spiritual Care team include: Rev. Terry Ruth Culbertson, manager; Chaplains Sister Anne McNulty, Rev. Ejike Innocent Onyenagubo, and Rev. Louise Shepard. The staff is joined by trained volunteer associate and assistant chaplains as well as spiritual care volunteers and chaplain interns.

To register for Dr. Fosarelli’s presentation Oct. 21, from 4 to 7 p.m., call 464-8668.

State of the University Address by President David R. Smith, MD

Oct. 13
2 p.m.

Medical Alumni Auditorium
Weiskotten Hall

Open to the Upstate community

*The address will be available in
real time at
www.upstate.edulexcellence*

University Gastroenterology receives three-year accreditation

University Gastroenterology at the Philip G. Holtzapple Endoscopy Center at University Hospital has achieved three-year accreditation—the highest level of accreditation—from the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC/Accreditation Association).

Accreditation distinguishes University Gastroenterology from many other outpatient surgical facilities by providing a safe work environment and the highest quality of care to patients.

Status as an accredited organization means that University Gastroenterology has met nationally recognized standards for the provision of quality healthcare, set by the Accreditation Association.

“This is an important milestone in the continuing growth and success of our healthcare organization,” said Ronald D. Szykowski, MD, medical director of the University Gastroenterology. “We have had an unwavering commitment to providing the highest levels of quality

care to our patients and the same high level of conduct in our business practices. Accreditation by the AAAHC is proof of this commitment, and signifies that we have met the rigorous standards of a nationally recognized third party.”

“Our status as an AAAHC accredited organization allows us to provide an extra measure of confidence to our community,” said Dr. Szykowski. “We are proud to have met the challenge of accreditation and will uphold the principles of quality improvement and quality care in the future.”

Ambulatory healthcare organizations seeking accreditation by the AAAHC undergo an extensive self-assessment and on-site survey by the Accreditation Association’s expert surveyors—volunteer physicians, nurses and administrators who are actively involved in ambulatory healthcare. The survey is consultative and educational, presenting best practices to help an organization improve its care and

services.

More than 3,600 ambulatory health care organizations across the United States are accredited by AAAHC. The AAAHC, founded in 1979, is the leader in ambulatory health care accreditation. AAAHC accreditation is recognized as a symbol of quality by third-party payers, medical organizations, liability insurance companies, state and federal agencies and the public.

University Gastroenterology at the Philip G. Holtzapple Endoscopy Center includes physicians and extenders who subspecialize in various aspects of gastroenterology and have the ability to consult with each other regarding patient diagnostic and treatment options. The physicians also cross-cover hospitalized patients, discuss various treatment plans, and update their colleagues on the progress of all hospitalized patients under their care.

2010 Flex Spending Account enrollment for state employees ends Nov. 16

The 2010 Flexible Spending Account Program open enrollment period for state employees will run through Nov. 16.

To be eligible to enroll in the program, state employees must work at least half time, meet the eligibility criteria for enrollment in the New York State Health Insurance Program, and be expected to be employed for the entire 2010 calendar year. The program includes:

- Health Care Spending Account (HCSAccount) is a flexible spending account program that allows eligible state employees to set aside from \$100 to \$4,000 annually in pre-tax salary to pay for health care expenses that are not reimbursed by health insurance or other benefit plan. Only medically necessary medical, dental, vision, hearing and prescription drug expenses

for enrollees and their eligible dependents can be reimbursed under the HCSAccount.

- Dependent Care Advantage Account (DCAAccount) is a flexible spending account program that gives state employees the opportunity of paying for child care, elder care, or other dependent care expenses on a pre-tax basis. This program allows eligible employees to set aside up to \$5,000 annually in pre-tax salary to pay for eligible child care, elder care, or disabled dependent care expenses necessary for them (and their spouses, if married) to work. Additionally, Employer Contributions for eligible employees who enroll in the DCAAccount will provide \$300 to \$800 based on the employee’s annual income for 2010. The employer contribution is available to M/C, CSEA-

represented, PEF-represented, and UUP-represented employees.

Current participants must re-enroll in order to continue participating in 2010. State employees must enroll online at www.flexspend.state.ny.us or by calling 1-800-358-7202 by the Nov. 16 deadline. Individuals who enroll online must reach the confirmation screen to ensure that the enrollment has been accepted.

For more information regarding the HCSAccount or the DCAA Account, call the FSAHotline at 1-800-358-7202 or visit www.flexspend.state.ny.us. Research Foundation employees will receive information regarding the Research Foundation 2010 Flexible Spending Account Program open enrollment period at a future date.

State Health Department requires healthcare workers to receive flu vaccines

A New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) emergency regulation requires all personnel of certain health care settings, including University Hospital and all hospitals, to receive annual vaccinations against influenza, including the H1N1 influenza, by Nov. 30 of each year unless medical contraindication to vaccination indicate otherwise.

Contraindications include: severe allergic reaction after a previous dose or to a vaccine component such as eggs; or precautions such as current moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever (until symptoms have abated) and a history of Guillain Barre Syndrome within six weeks of a previous influenza vaccine.

“It is expected that all staff and students comply with the regulation by reporting for vaccination at one of our October Seasonal Flu Vaccination Clinics, unless they are medically exempt or have provided verification of having received the vaccination elsewhere by Nov. 30,” said K. Bruce Simmons, MD, in a memorandum dated Sept. 23 to University Hospital and clinic staff, medical staff, residents and students. Dr. Simmons is director of Employee/Student Health at Upstate. “In addition, we will offer H1N1 Flu Vaccination Clinics once the vaccine is

available for distribution.”

Individuals who are exempted from the regulation due to a contraindication will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis as to the steps that will be taken to prevent them from transmitting influenza to patients.

University Hospital and clinic personnel, including students with patient contact, who require annual health assessments (with few exceptions to be determined by Employee/Student Health) must comply with this mandatory regulation.

“The primary purpose of this regulation is to protect the health and safety of vulnerable patients, whose risk of serious adverse effects from influenza is high,” said Dr. Simmons. “An added benefit is to maintain a healthy workforce during flu season.”

The state Health Department has directed facilities to take appropriate action against individuals who fail to meet this mandatory requirement.

Individuals who are eligible for vaccination but who do not comply with the regulation, will not be allowed to work unless documentation of a medical contraindication, deemed acceptable by the state Health Department, is provided by Nov. 30. Students who are not compliant with the regulation will be removed from

clinical rotations.

To prove exemption, individuals must have a New York State Health Department Medical Exemption Statement form completed by their healthcare provider by Nov. 30. The forms are available in Upstate’s Office of Employee/Student Health, located in 404E Jacobsen Hall, or by visiting www.health.state.ny.us/forms/doh-4482.pdf.

According to Dr. Simmons, flu shots will be given first to staff and students who have direct contact with patients or who are in contact with other personnel who have direct patient contact. This includes most staff who require annual health assessments.

More information about influenza may be found at <http://www.flu.gov>.

More information regarding the state Health Department regulation may be found at <http://www.health.state.ny.us>.

For more information about the Influenza Vaccination Program not covered at these links, contact Employee/Student Health at 464-4260.

Employment questions as they relate to the mandatory vaccination requirement should be directed to Upstate’s Department of Employee/Labor Relations at 464-5872.

Flu Vaccine

Influenza Vaccination Clinic Schedule

Because of the volume to be administered this year, influenza vaccines will be given on the dates and times listed below. Employee/Student Health will not administer vaccinations on a walk-in basis. H1N1 Flu Vaccination Clinics will be announced at a later date.

Oct. 8, 9, 10, 14, 15 and 17:

6 to 8:30 a.m.: Emergency Department, Room P11 and P12
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.: Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

Oct. 14 and 15:

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Fifth Floor Conference Room, UHCC

APPOINTMENTS, ROUNDS AND RECOGNITIONS



Jorge Torretti

Jorge Torretti, MD, associate professor of anesthesiology and director of Pre-Admission Testing for the Department of Anesthesiology, has been named the 2009 Physician of the Year by the Regional Physician Assistants of Central NY (RPACNY). Dr.

Torretti was selected for the award for his service as an advocate for physician assistants and for representing the ideals of excellence in healthcare.



John Fey

John Fey, MD, FACS, clinical associate professor of surgery, has been named the director of the General Surgery Residency Program. Dr. Fey also serves as chief of surgery for the Syracuse Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Maria C. Lumbrazo, MS, RN, FNP, clinical quality investigator and Emergency Department liaison in the Department of Risk Management, was elected vice president of the Omicron Alpha Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing: Region 11, Chapter 359 for a two-year term. In July, she joined the voluntary clinical faculty at Upstate's College of Nursing, where she is principal investigator of a study regarding end-of-life pain management in the hospitalized terminally ill patient. Lumbrazo joined Upstate in 1982 and has served as a spokesperson for the President's Student Ambassador Program for the past two years. In May, she received a Master of Science degree with a clinical specialty of family nurse practitioner and a minor in nursing

education from Upstate's College of Nursing.

Heidi H. Cross, RN, MSN, FNP-BC, CWOCN, nurse practitioner for the Wound/Ostomy Service at University Hospital, presented four sessions at the United Ostomy Associations of America (UOAA) national conference Aug. 5 to 8 in New Orleans. The sessions covered urostomy care, including general urostomy care and urostomy care for fistulas and hernias. Cross was named the UOAA Ostomy Nurse of the Year in 2008.

An article by **Melanie Kalman, CNS, PhD, Margaret Wells, PhD, RN, NP**, and **Carol A Gavan, EdD, RN**, of the College of Nursing, titled "Returning to School: Experiences of Female Baccalaureate RN Students" appeared in the Spring/Summer 2009 issue of the *Journal of the New York State Nurses Association*. Dr. Kalman is associate professor and director of Nursing Research. Dr. Gaven is associate professor, associate dean and director of Graduate Nursing Studies. Dr. Wells is assistant professor of nursing.

Susan Graham, MS, MT(ASCP), SH, has received an Excellence in Laboratory Medicine award from ARUP Laboratories, a national reference laboratory owned by the University of Utah. Graham received the award for demonstrating extraordinary motivation in pursuing or delivering educational excellence in clinical laboratory science. Graham is associate professor and chair of Clinical Laboratory Science Program and Medical Technology Program Director in the College of Health Professions. Excellence in Laboratory Medicine awards are issued for service, education and research.

Michael Sharak, PA, clinical coordinator and assistant director of Upstate's Physician Assistant Education Program, has been named the 2009 Physician

Assistant of the Year by the New York State Society of Physician Assistants (NYSSPA). He was selected by the Regional Physician Assistants of CNY as Physician Assistant of the Year. RPACNY nominated him for the state award. Sharak was honored at the NYSSPA Fall conference held Sept. 24 to 26 in Saratoga.



Michael Sharak

Stephen V. Faraone, PhD, professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences, has been named an Alumni Fellow by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Iowa. The Alumni Fellows Program formally recognizes College of Liberal Arts and Sciences graduates for their outstanding contributions to society, their professions, the college and the University of Iowa. Dr. Faraone, a leading authority on the genetics of psychiatric disorders, is an alumnus of the class of 1982.

Andrea Hone, BSN, CCRN, RN, has been named the patient service supervisor (PSS) for 5E PACU and 3N Pre Post areas. Hone joined University Hospital in 2000. She received her Critical Care Registered Nurse certification (CCRN) in March 2005, and brings six years of PSL experience to this role.

Lisa Mitchell, BA, RN, has been named the patient service supervisor (PSS) for Gamma Knife, Pre-Admission Testing (PAT), and 5E Holding. Mitchell joined University Hospital in 1991 and brings 11 years of management experience to this role.

William D. Grant, EdD, of the Department of Emergency Medicine

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Upstate Connect: Healthcare Teleservices' new name reflects scope of services

The Department of Healthcare Teleservices has changed its name to Upstate Connect.

"With the new branding and marketing initiatives of Upstate, it seems to be a perfect time to update the name of this department to one that more appropriately reflects its scope of services," said Shelley White, director of Upstate Connect. "Upstate Connect will continue to grow and apply the skills of the staff and maximize the current technologies to support Upstate."

According to White, the staff of Upstate Connect handle more than 66,000 calls per month.

Formed 15 years ago with two programs—Health Connections and MD Direct—Upstate Connect now includes the hospital/campus switchboard and central scheduling. The Transfer Center, the Interpreter Line,

and the Patient Safety hotline are among its many programs and services. Upstate Connect also coordinates new patient referrals to Pediatric Subspecialty services and coordinates for the End-of-Life Companion program.

"In 2007, we implemented state-of-the-art telecommunications technology to improve the caller's experience, streamline call processing and added new voice-recognition directory services and paging services," said White. "This fall, we will launch a service that offers access to Web On-Call (web based on-call schedules) for Upstate staff to access real-time provider on-call schedules through the Upstate iPage."

In addition to the services offered to Upstate Medical University and University Hospital, Upstate Connect provides a variety of fee-for-service call center services throughout the state,

including after-hour telephone nurse triage for most Onondaga County pediatric practices and several family practices in Onondaga and Oswego county.

Upstate Connect's nurses provide triage services to group homes for developmentally disabled individuals throughout New York state, and they provide the national hot line services for Neuroleptic Malignancy Syndrome (<http://www.nmsis.org/>). In addition, Upstate Connect provides event and class registration for both Upstate and Crouse Hospital and in the past year began a successful medical answering services business line, serving private and many Upstate practices.

Upstate Connect will soon add the Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital phone lines of 464-KIDS and 1-866-543-KIDS (already answered by MD Direct) to the services offered by call center professionals.

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presented: "The Statistician and Small Clinical Trials: Tales from the Front Lines" at the 175th meeting of the Royal Statistical Society held in Edinburgh, Scotland, Sept. 8. Dr. Grant made an invited presentation "Survey Research: Key Elements to a Successful Survey Study" at the Research Forum of the New York American College of Emergency Physicians meeting in New York, N.Y., Sept. 16.

Sally Terek has joined the Upstate OASIS program as Active Generations & OASIS Outreach Coordinator, Active Generations is designed to address childhood obesity and increase healthy behaviors in children. As coordinator, Terek is responsible for developing community partnerships for OASIS, conducting training workshops for OASIS volunteers, and providing support to the volunteers as they work with students in grades three through five after-school programs. Prior to OASIS, Terek was a classroom teacher

and most recently served as director of Interactive Education at WCNY-TV, where she was responsible for the strategic planning and implementation of multi-media services in K-16 classrooms and educational settings in the community. Terek earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees in education from SUNY Cortland. She is a graduate of 2008 Leadership Greater Syracuse and received certification as a CATCH (Coordinated Approach to Child Health) trainer at the OASIS Institute in St. Louis.

Victor Elinoff, MD, clinical assistant professor of family medicine, has published a paper titled, "The Efficacy of Kiko Exercises on the Prevention of Migraine Headaches: A Pilot Study" in *The American Journal of Chinese Medicine*.

Lual Adier has been promoted as the night shift operations supervisor for Environmental Services. Adier, who joined Upstate in March, 2008, earned his bachelor's degree in finance from

SUNY Oswego. He is currently working towards his master's degree in business, from SUNY Oswego.

An article by **James L. Knoll IV, MD**, titled, "Discussing the Meaning of Life with a Lifer," was published in the Aug. 24 issue of *Psychiatric Times*. Dr. Knoll is director of forensic psychiatry and associate professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Upstate.

Sharlene Nemitz, ACRN, FNP-C, and **Ann Sweet, RN, BS, NP-C**, have joined UHCC Adult Medicine. Nemitz joins the department after serving for 12 years at Upstate's Designated AIDS Center. Sweet is a family medicine nurse practitioner with 11 years of experience in ambulatory psychiatry. She, along with Thomas Schwartz, MD, co-authored an article titled, "Mental Health Issues in Pregnancy and Options for Treatment," that appeared in *Medscape Psychiatry & Mental Health*.

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employee may use his/her floating holiday any day beginning Nov. 3, and ending Nov. 1, 2010. Full-time employees for whom Election Day is a pass day are eligible to be credited with a floating holiday. Part-time employees who are regularly scheduled to work or who are directed to work are credited with a floating holiday, equivalent to the number of hours they work on Nov. 3. Floating holiday credits may be charged in quarter hour units for eligible CSEA-represented and PEF-represented employees. Contact Payroll Services at 464-4840 with questions.

The Upstate community is invited to a publication party for the 2009 issue of *The Healing Muse*, Upstate's journal of literary and visual arts Oct. 28, from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Weiskotten Hall Medical Alumni Auditorium. The program includes readings by a few of the authors whose works are included in the journal. Light refreshments will be served. Copies of the journal will be available for sale at \$10 each. For more information about *The Healing Muse*, visit www.thehealingmuse.org.

Need help in finding your star on the**Dr. Cooney**—from page 1

the area's only Level 1 trauma center, the Olivia Pietrafesa Center for Children's Surgery and breast and bariatric surgery centers, which were recently recognized for outstanding care by the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Cooney's experience in academic medicine is extensive and varied. Throughout his service to Hershey Medical Center, Dr. Cooney played a key role in creating performance improvement and patient safety initiatives and helped bolster the recruitment and retention of physicians.

As chief of bariatric surgery at Hershey Medical Center, he spearheaded a program to increase bariatric surgery volume and reduce costs, through the integration of various bariatric services, including nutrition counseling, medically supervised weight

Employee Donor Wall of Honor in the Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital? Printed copies of the Employee Star Guide for the Employee Donor Wall of Honor on the 12th floor of Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital are available from Karen Valentine in Room E12409A, East Tower.

Trauma Services has moved to 8601 University Hospital. The telephone number (464-4773) and fax number (464-6266) remain the same.

October is Domestic Awareness Month. In recognition of the month, Upstate's Social Work Department will present two activities for the Upstate community. An educational exhibit titled, "Health Cares About Domestic Violence Day," will be displayed Oct. 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the second floor lobby of University Hospital and in the fifth floor Administration office at UHCC. On Oct. 22, a guest speaker from Vera House will discuss how a community that is united can effectively respond to the issue. The presentations will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room at UHCC, and from 1 to 2 p.m. in the small cafeteria in University Hospital. For a

listing of community-sponsored events or ways to show support, call 425-0818 or visit www.verahouse.org.

Parking fees for most campus groups increased by 1 percent on Oct. 1. The new rates will be noted in payroll deductions for Research payroll employees, beginning with the Oct. 9 paycheck. State payroll employees who have parking fees automatically deducted from their pay, will see the change in their paycheck Nov. 11. The Parking Office will contact all parkers who have paid in advance to inform them of when additional fees will be due. For more information, call 464-4801. For a complete listing of parking rates, visit <http://www.upstate.edu/parking.php>.

A Fall Career Fair for nurses and clinical staff will be held Oct. 24, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in 9405 (ninth floor) East Tower in University Hospital. Hiring managers and staff will be available for questions. Refreshments will be provided. Garage parking will be validated. For a complete list of current openings and to apply online, visit www.upstate.edu/hr.jobs.

loss and support group activities.

Dr. Cooney has led the development of various surgical critical care training programs for residents, fellows, nurses and other physicians and established an NIH-funded trauma training grant.

His research on treatment of shock, metabolic changes during inflammation, and therapeutic approaches following gastric bypass surgery is funded by awards from the NIH and the Crohn's Colitis Foundation.

His work on diabetes includes a current study on the molecular mechanisms underlying the anti-diabetes effects of bariatric surgery. He has published more than 70 manuscripts and book chapters, and currently serves on three editorial boards.

Dr. Cooney has received numerous awards and was twice honored with the Ballentine Award for Excellence in

Surgical Education. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the American College of Critical Care Medicine and a diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners.

Dr. Cooney received his bachelor's degree from the University of New Hampshire in 1979 and his doctor of medicine degree from the University of Vermont College of Medicine in 1985.

He served an internship in general surgery at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Boston, and completed residencies in general surgery at the University of California at San Diego and the University of Massachusetts Medical Center, where he served as senior and chief resident. He also served as surgical critical care fellow at the University of North Carolina Hospitals.

LECTURES, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS AND FORUMS

Register for workshops and Webcasts at www3.upstate.edu/hr/training, click Management Development.

HealthLink Seminars are free, unless otherwise noted, and are open to all. Call UpstateConnect at 464-8668 or visit upstate.edu/healthlink to register.

Oct. 1, 6, 13, 20, 6 to 7 p.m. Oasis/HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "Smoking Cessation Classes." Participants receive a personalized quit plan and will learn: medication options and maintenance and relapse prevention techniques. Free. Registration recommended. Must attend all classes.

Oct. 5. 6 to 7 p.m. Oasis/HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "Breast Cancer: Diagnosis, Treatment and Survivorship" will review commonly asked questions and myths about breast cancer. Co-presented by the American Cancer Society.

Oct. 14. 6 to 7 p.m. Liverpool Library, 310 Tulip St., Liverpool.

HealthLink Seminar. "Celiac Disease" will discuss the diagnosis and the lifestyle and treatment options.

Oct. 16. 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nicholas J. Pirro Convention Center, Oncenter, 800 S. State St., Syracuse.

Upstate Cancer Symposium. "The Anti-Cancer Connection: Strategies for Life" will describe components of a healthy lifestyle; identify strategies for

cancer risk-reduction; recognize indications for interventional strategies; and create a work plan for a healthy lifestyle program. Primary target audiences are physicians, nurses, medical students and other healthcare professionals. CME credits and nursing contact hours are available. Oct. 13 is the deadline to register. To register or for more information, call 1-800-464-8668.

Oct. 19, 26; Nov. 2, 5, 9, 16 and 23. Noon to 1 p.m. Liverpool Library, 310 Tulip St., Liverpool.

HealthLink Seminar. "Smoking Cessation Classes." Participants receive a personalized quit plan and will learn: medication options and maintenance and relapse prevention techniques. Free. Registration recommended. Must attend all classes.

Oct. 19, 26, Nov. 2, 4, 9, 16, 23. 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. E9405A East Tower.

Smoking Cessation Classes for Upstate Employees. Free. Nicotine replacement provided. Must attend all classes. For more information or to register, call 464-4426.

Oct. 19. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Genesee Grand Hotel, 1060 E. Genesee St., Syracuse.

HealthLink Seminar. "Living with Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis" will address current treatment options for the disorder.

Oct. 21. 6 to 7 p.m. Oasis/HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "GERD: Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease" will discuss the symptoms, causes, diagnosis of and treatments for GERD.

Oct. 28. 5:30 to 7 p.m. Oasis/HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

HealthLink Seminar. "Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)" will review the identification, treatment and self-management of COPD. Participants will learn to use medications correctly to optimally manage symptoms. Free pulmonary function screening available 5:30 to 6 p.m. prior to the program.

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

14th Annual Central New York Psychopharmacology and Addiction Psychiatry Update. Topics include addiction pathways, how and where addiction meds work, update on the atypicals, the standard of psychopharmacology care, an update on psychopharmacology today and tomorrow. Expert panels will discuss Benzos and opioids: what the physician needs to know about treating pain and monitoring addiction. For a copy of the conference brochure call Linette Thorp at 464-3104 or e-mail thorpl@upstate.edu. Sponsored by Upstate's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences.



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Wednesday, Sept. 30

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

Patient Safety Fair. 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. 1328B University Hospital.

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

Surgery Grand Rounds. "Melding Liver Disease and Reality." Amy Friedman, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. "Vertebral Compression Fractures: Should We Treat With Surgery?" Kristoffer West, MD. 8 a.m. 3507 Setnor Academic Bldg.

Pediatric Grand Rounds. "Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis: Diagnosis, Treatment and Recent Advances." Deborah Rothman, PhD, MD, Shriners Hospital for Children. 8 to 9:15 a.m. Performance Center, Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital.

Workshop. "Upstate Stars Recognition Program." 10 to 11 a.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

• **Rev. Weez and Friends Storytime (for children of all ages).** Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

Workshop. "Understanding Compliance at University Hospital (for managers)." 1 to 3 p.m. 205 Jacobsen Hall.

Public Health and Preventive Medicine Grand Rounds. "Chronic Effects of Airborne Endotoxin Exposure." David C. Christiani, MD, MPH, Harvard Medical School. 4 p.m. 2231 Weiskotten Hall.

Open Forum. "Influenza Vaccination Requirements." K. Bruce Simmons, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 p.m. 6500 University Hospital.

Thursday, Oct. 1

Patient Safety Fair. 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. 1328B University Hospital.

Medicine Power Rounds. Pulmonary/Critical Care Annual Winkleman Lectureship." Genetic Susceptibility to Lung Cancer." David Christiani, MD, MPH, Harvard Medical School. 7:15 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

Educational Seminar. "Attitudes

About Disabilities: Does it Affect Services and Interactions?" Margaret A. Turk, MD, Upstate Medical University. Noon to 3 p.m. Includes a case study and panel discussion. 3509/3510 Setnor Academic Bldg. Call 464-4924 for details.

Chaplain Intern Interfaith Devotions. Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

Webinar. "Prepare Your Hospital Supply Chain for the H1N1 Virus." Noon to 1 p.m. 1307D University Hospital.

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

Joni Hinds Retirement Reception. 4 p.m. Lobby, C.A.B.

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

HealthLink Seminar. "Mindful Eating: Jumping Off the Diet Treadmill." Lisa Kaufmann, MD, Upstate Medical University. Class meets for 10 weeks. 6 to 8 p.m. Health/Oasis, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt. Course fee and registration required.

Smoking Cessation Class (part of a series). 6 to 7 p.m. Oasis/HealthLink, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

Friday, Oct. 2

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. "Endometrial Hyperplasia." A.G. Musa, MD, Upstate Medical University. 7:30 a.m. Sulzle Aud., Marley Education Center.

Medical Alumni Writing Seminar. 11 a.m. to noon. 2507 Setnor Academic Bldg. Activity of Medical Alumni Reunion.

Lecture. "Health and Safety Challenges of Moon and Exploration Class Missions." Joseph Dervay, MD, MPH, NASA. 11 a.m. to noon. Ninth Floor Auditorium, Wsk Hall. Activity of Medical Alumni Reunion.

Weiskotten Lecture. "Visioning Tibet." Melvyn Bert, MD. 3 to 4:30 p.m. Ninth Floor Auditorium, Wsk. Hall. Activity of Medical Alumni Reunion.

Reunion Awards and Scholarship Presentations. 5 p.m. Ninth Floor Auditorium, Wsk. Hall. Activity of Medical Alumni Reunion.

• **Sabbath Service.** Noon. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

• **Ju'mah Islamic Service.** 1:15 p.m. Chapel, Crouse Hospital.

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Seminar. "Characterization and Classification of a Cysteine Protease from *Trichomonas Foetus* that Induces Host Cell Apoptosis." Hardip K. Kalsi, Upstate Medical University. 3 p.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Comedy Performance. "Amy Schumer." Happy Hour: 5:30 p.m. Performance: 6:15 p.m. C.A.B. Admission: \$4 at the door. Not appropriate for children under 18 years of age.

Saturday, Oct. 3

Challenge Cup. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cicero Twin Ice Rinks, 5575 Meltzer Court, Cicero.

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

Sunday, Oct. 4

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. 8:30 to 10 a.m. Clinton Square, downtown Syracuse.

Challenge Cup. See 10/3 listing.

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

• **Christian Ecumenical Worship.** 10:30 a.m. Interfaith Chapel, University Hospital.

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

Monday, Oct. 5

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

Yoga with Tony Riposo. 5 to 6:15 p.m. East Lounge, C.A.B. CALL 464-9391 for details.

HealthLink Seminar. "Breast Cancer: Diagnosis, Treatment and Survivorship." Kara Kort, MD, and Lisa Cico, MSN, RN, NP, Upstate Medical University; Martha Ryan, RN, MPS, American Cancer Society. 6 to 7 p.m. Health/Oasis, ShoppingTown Mall, DeWitt.

Tuesday, Oct. 6

Blood Drive Registration. 11:30 a.m.

to 1:30 p.m. Ninth Floor, Wsk. Hall.

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

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

Infectious Diseases Conference. Waleed Javadi, PhD, Upstate Medical University. 4 p.m. 304 Crouse Physicians Office Building, Irving Avenue, Syracuse.

Coffeehouse. "Po' Girl." 8 p.m. West Lounge, C.A.B. Free with Upstate ID.

Smoking Cessation Class (part of a series). See 10/1 listing.

Wednesday, Oct. 7

Resident and Fellow Day. Breakfast: 6:30 to 10:45 a.m. Cake-cutting Ceremony. 11 a.m. Cake: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Café 750, University Hospital. Breakfast and cake for residents and fellows only.

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

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

Surgery Grand Rounds. "Quality Outcomes and Clinic Documentation." David Duggan, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 to 9 a.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. "Got Blood?: Sarim Ahmed, MD. 8 a.m. 3507 Setnor Academic Bldg.

Pediatric Grand Rounds. "The Disease Detectives: Recent Outbreak Investigations in Onondaga County." Cynthia Morrow, MD, MPH. O.C. Health Dept. 8 to 9:15 a.m. Performance Center, Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital.

Safety-at-Work (SAW) Fair. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fifth Floor Conference Room, UHCC.

Blood Drive Registration. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Second Floor Lobby, University Hospital.

• **Rev. Weez and Friends Storytime (for children of all ages).** See 9/30 listing.

Spiritual Care Grand Rounds. 4 to 5:15 p.m. First Floor Conference Room, Setnor Academic Bldg.

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

Thursday, Oct. 8

Flu Clinic. 6 to 8:30 a.m. Emergency Dept., Room P11 and P12, University Hospital.

Medicine Power Rounds. “Bioethics.” 7:15 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

Flu Clinic. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

Chaplain Intern Interfaith Devotions. See 10/1 listing.

Blood Drive Registration. See 10/7 listing.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds. “Atypicals, SGAs, and SDAs: What’s New?” Thomas L. Schwartz, MD, Upstate Medical University. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg, 713 Harrison St.

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

Friday, Oct. 9

Flu Clinic. 6 to 8:30 a.m. Emergency Dept., Room P11 and P12, University Hospital.

Zoll Fair. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. 1328B University Hospital.

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. “Sperm DNA Damage and Male Infertility.” Kazim R. Chohan, DVM, PhD, HCLD. Upstate Medical University. 7:30 a.m. Sulzle Aud., Marley Education Center.

Flu Clinic. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

• **Sabbath Service.** See 10/2 listing.

• **Ju’ma’ Islamic Service.** See 10/2 listing.

Film. “The Hangover.” Rated R. 7:30 p.m. 103 Wsk. Hall. Free with Upstate ID; \$2 for all others.

Saturday, Oct. 10

Flu Clinic. 6 to 8:30 a.m. Emergency Dept., Room P11 and P12, University Hospital.

Flu Clinic. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

2009 Out of the Darkness Community Walk: Walk to Prevent Suicide.”

Registration: 9 to 10 a.m. Guest speakers and Opening Ceremony: 10 to 11 a.m. Walk: 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Long Branch Park, Liverpool.

Horseback Riding Day Trip. Call C.A.B. at 464-8829 for details.

• **Mass.** See 10/3 listing.

Film. “The Hangover.” See 10/9 listing.

Sunday, Oct. 11

Healthlink on Air. See 10/4 listing.

• **Christian Ecumenical Worship.** See 10/4 listing.

• **Mass.** See 10/4 listing.

Monday, Oct. 12

• **Mass.** See 10/5 listing.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

• **Weekly Ecumenical Prayer Service.** See 10/6 listing.

State of the University Address. Upstate President David R. Smith, MD. 2 to 3 p.m. 2231 Wsk. Hall.

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

Infectious Diseases Conference. Anucheat Chea, MD, Upstate Medical University. 4 p.m. 304 Crouse Physicians Office Building, Irving Avenue, Syracuse.

Smoking Cessation Class (part of a series). See 10/1 listing.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

Flu Clinic. 6 to 8:30 a.m. Emergency Dept., Room P11 and P12, University

Hospital.

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

Otolaryngology Grand Rounds. 7 to 8 a.m. 103 Wsk. Hall.

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

Orthopedic Grand Rounds. “A Biomechanist’s View of Implant Fixation.” Kenneth Mann, MD, Upstate Medical University. 8 a.m. 3507 Setnor Academic Bldg.

Flu Clinic. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

Pediatric Grand Rounds. “Pathogenesis of Cardiac Conduction Disorders in Children: Genetic and Histopathologic Aspects.” Enid Gilbert-Barness, MD, University of South Florida. 8 to 9:15 a.m. Performance Center, Upstate Golisano Children’s Hospital.

Educational Display. “Health Cares About Domestic Violence Day.” 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Second floor lobby, University Hospital and fifth floor Administration office, UHCC. Activity of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Pathology Grand Rounds. “Pathogenesis of Cardiac Conduction Disorders in Children.” Enid Gilbert-Barness, MD, University of South Florida. Noon to 1 p.m. 6717 University Hospital.

• **Rev. Weez and Friends Storytime (for children of all ages).** See 9/30 listing.

HealthLink Seminar. “Celiac Disease.” Diana Stuber, RD, CDE, Upstate Medical University. 6 to 7 p.m. Liverpool Library, 310 Tulip St., Liverpool.

Thursday, Oct. 15

Flu Clinic. 6 to 8:30 a.m.

Emergency Dept., Room P11 and P12, University Hospital.

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

Medicine Power Rounds. “Rheumatology.” 7:15 a.m. 1159 Wsk. Hall.

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

Flu Clinic. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

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

Chaplain Intern Interfaith Devotions. See 10/1 listing.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds. “Engaging Excellence by Building a Better Board: A Systems-Centered Approach.” Richard M. O’Neill, PhD, Upstate Medical University. 12:30 to 2 p.m. PBS Bldg, 713 Harrison St.

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.

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

Friday, Oct. 16

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

Safety-at-Work (SAW) Fair. 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. 1328B University Hospital.

Upstate Cancer Symposium: “The Anti Cancer Connection: Strategies for Life.” 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nicholas J. Pirro Convention Center at Oncenter, 800 S. State St., Syracuse.

SUNY Upstate New Employee Orientation. 7:30 a.m. to

noon. East Lounge, C.A.B.

Obstetrics/Gynecology Grand Rounds. “Epicenter Zip Codes.” Sandra D. Lane, PhD, MPH, Syracuse University. 7:30 a.m. Sulzle Aud., Marley Education Center.

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

• **Sabbath Service.** See 10/2 listing.

• **Ju’ma’ Islamic Service.** See 10/2 listing.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Flu Clinic. 6 to 8:30 a.m. Emergency Dept., Room P11 and P12, University Hospital.

Flu Clinic. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Small Cafeteria, University Hospital.

Step Out Walk to Fight Diabetes.

• **Mass.** See 10/3 listing.

Sunday, Oct. 18

Healthlink on Air. See 10/4 listing.

• **Christian Ecumenical Worship.** See 10/4 listing.

• **Mass.** See 10/4 listing.

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This year's Community Giving Campaign adopted a 1950s theme. Capturing the look of the 1950s with pink poodle skirts and white shirts are committee members, from left, Yvonne Goodman, Susan Graham,

Judy Runfola, Zanette Howe, Margaret Bourke and Tree Carter. Howe is the director of the 2009 Community Giving Campaign. 2009 Campaign Co-chairs are Debra Stehle and Thomas Welch, MD.

Upstate shakes, rattles and rolls toward its \$520,000 CGC goal

Department representatives for Upstate Medical University's annual Community Giving Campaign (CGC) attended the United Way Kickoff Cookoff, held early September at the Regional Market. Upstate won first place in Cookoff competition's vegetarian category for its summer recipe of rolls with sweet chili dipping sauce. Upstate's goal for the 2009 Community Giving Campaign is to increase employee participation

and to raise \$520,000. Last year, 1,585 Upstate employees raised \$516,268 to help Central New Yorkers who are in need.



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