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Like so many others around the world, I am certain that Health Sciences Center students, faculty, and staff are following the devastation caused by the earthquake and tsunami that has hit many parts of Asia and east Africa. Our prayers go out to the people who have lost so much to this series of disasters. In the past, we have united at times of need and responded to a call for help because we understand what happens in one part of the world touches us all. In the interest of immediately responding to the magnitude of this devastation, President Kenny and I suggest that you send your individual or group contributions directly to the agency of your choice that can handle donations for victims throughout the region.



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The Stony Brook community has a history of responding with generosity, compassion, and support. Collectively our donations will have impact to alleviate suffering and help rebuild people's hopes and lives. Please join your Stony Brook colleagues by contributing directly to the relief organization of your choice. Our thoughts are with everyone on campus and throughout the world who has been affected. If you would like to contribute to relief efforts for victims and their families in these countries, the following organizations are among several that have been set up to collect and distribute donated funds. Others can be found listed in *The New York Times* and *Newsday* and on the Web.

Action Against Hunger www.actionagainsthunger.org

American Friends Service Committee www.afsc.org

American Jewish World Services http://ajws.org

Baps Care International http://www.bapscare.org

CARE http://www.careusa.org

Direct Relief International http://www.directrelief.org/index.html **Doctors Without Borders** www.doctorswithoutborders.org

Habitat for Humanity International https://www.habitat.org/donation

International Committee of the Red Cross www.icrc.org

Islamic Relief Worldwide http://www.islamic-relief.com

Karuna Trust http://www.karunalanka.org/index.html

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## **RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS**

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Network for Good http://www.networkforgood.org/topics/international/earthquake/tsunami122604.aspx

Oxfam International http://www.oxfam.co.uk

Sarvodaya http://www.sarvodaya.org/ Save the Children http://www.savethechildren.org/

UNICEF http://www.unicef.org

United Nations World Food Programme http://www.wfp.org

## HIPAA SECURITY NEWS

The new HIPAA Security Regulation requires many different security measures to protect electronic Patient Health information (ePHI). Many policies have been created to meet the HIPAA Security deadline of April 20, 2005. For example, guidelines for user ID's and passwords have been established:

Never share passwords
Do not use another person's log-on or password
Do not use generic passwords (people using the same ID and PW)
Always mix alpha and numeric characters to create a password
Change your password regularly
Passwords should only be something you know

Many of our systems with ePHI are set to automatically require you to change your password at preset intervals. We are in the process of changing other systems (ie: MUSE ECG Management) to meet the requirements of the new HIPAA Security rule by eliminating generic ID's / passwords and require the regular changing of passwords.

If you have any questions please contact Ed Hines, ISO, Edward. Hines @sunysb.edu.

# NEW CANCER CHIEF NAMED AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY

Theodore G. Gabig, MD has been appointed Chief of the newly combined Division of Hematology Oncology, in the Department of Medicine at Stony Brook University. The division is part of the University's Long Island Cancer Center (LICC).

"We are very pleased that Dr. Gabig has joined Stony Brook," said John S. Kovach, MD, LICC Director. "He is a nationally recognized clinician, researcher and educator with strong administrative and investigative skills. His appointment strengthens our cancer programs and he is a key player in the growth and development of our center."

Prior to joining Stony Brook, Dr. Gabig was Vice President of Cancer Services at the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System and a member of its research institute.

Dr. Gabig joins Stony Brook as it readies a brand new cancer and imaging center next to the hospital. It will be the largest such facility on Long Island when it opens in late 2005. The Long Island Cancer Center's mission is to understand the causes of cancer, in order to prevent the disease and develop new, more effective treatments.



Dr. Gabig earned his medical degree from Loyola University of Chicago. After completing his internship and residency in medicine at the University of Chicago Hospitals and Clinics, he went on to serve a clinical fellowship and a research fellowship in hematology at the Tufts-New England Medical Center Hospital.

The prominent cancer specialist spent 18 years at Indiana University where he rose to the rank of Professor of Medicine, Wiseman Distinguished Professor of Medicine, and Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. He also served as a member of the executive board of the Indiana University Cancer Center as well as Director of the Division of Hematology and Oncology.

Dr. Gabig holds memberships in many professional organizations that include the American Society of Clinical Investigation, American Society of Hematology, American Society of Clinical Oncology, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Leukemia Society of America.

A member of Alpha Omega Alpha national honor society, the new cancer chief has been a scientific reviewer for the New England Journal of Medicine, Blood, and several other learned journals. He has garnered many research grants from the National Institutes of Health, and has published more than 50 papers.

"I feel honored to join the dynamic Long Island Cancer Center at Stony Brook," Dr. Gabig commented. "We are doing wonderful things in clinical care and research that benefit the people in our region. Dr. Kovach has built a very strong team and I look forward to being an integral part of the center's growth."

# NEW CARDIOLOGY CHIEF NAMED AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY



David L. Brown, MD, has been appointed Chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, in the Department of Medicine.

Prior to joining Stony Brook University, Dr. Brown served as Director of the Division of Cardiovascular Interventions and Cardiac Catheterization Laboratories at Beth Israel Medical Center, NY. He was Chief of Clinical Cardiology at Weiler Hospital of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, NY.

The new Cardiology Chief received his undergraduate degree cum laude from the University of Texas, Austin in 1977. After earning his medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine in 1982, he served his internship and medical residency there as well. After a fellowship in Hematology at the University of California, San Francisco in 1988, he held another fellowship at the Cardiovascular Research Institute of the University of California. He later was a fellow in cardiology at the University of California at San Francisco and a fellow in interventional cardi-

ology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. At the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, he attained the ranks of Professor of Clinical Medicine (Cardiology) and Professor of Epidemiology and Population Health in 2003.

He is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine, with a subspecialty certification in Cardiovascular Disease and in Interventional Cardiology. Dr. Brown has served as a principal investigator of numerous grants from the National Institutes of Health, and has held many research grants from pharmaceutical companies as well.

Dr. Brown is a member of many professional societies and organizations. He is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology, American Heart Association, Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions, and Society for Vascular Medicine and Biology. He was named as one of New York Magazine's "Best Doctors" in 2002, 2003 and 2004.

The prominent cardiologist is on the Editorial Board of Current Drug Targets and Medicine Chemistry Reviews. He is also a manuscript reviewer for the prestigious journals Circulation, the Journal of the American College of Cardiology, the Lancet, and others. A prolific author, he has more than 150 peer-reviewed articles, books, chapters and abstracts. Dr. Brown's basic research involves identification and treatment of the fatty plaque in arteries responsible for heart attacks. His clinical research examines the outcomes of patients with coronary artery disease.

"This is an exciting time to join Stony Brook University Hospital. The location of the new Heart Center, with its state-of-the-art diagnostic and treatment technologies, within a world-class University will allow us in short order to develop an internationally recognized program that will provide the best possible cardiovascular care for the residents of Suffolk County and beyond. I'm thrilled to be here," Dr. Brown concluded.

# **NEWS FROM THE SCHOOLS**

#### DENTAL MEDICINE

The American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) installed Vincent J. Iacono, D.M.D., as president during its 90th Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla. Iacono is professor and chair of the Department of Periodontics and director of the Advanced Education Program in Periodontics at the Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine, in Stony Brook, New York..

lacono has been a member of the AAP for more than 30 years, and has served in various capacities, including as a member of the Committee on Research, Science and Therapy; Continuing Education Oversight Committee; Dental Specialty Recruitment Task Force; and the Task Force to Develop an Outcomes Assessment Program. In 2001-2002, he chaired the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws and the Finance Committee.

"I am excited to take on my new position as President of the AAP and I look forward to working with the Board to make the most of interesting opportunities in the areas of education, emerging science, liaison and other on the horizon," said Iacono.

In addition to his work with the Academy, Iacono is a reviewer for the Journal of Dental Research; editor of Periodontal Clinical Investigations (formerly Periodontal Case Reports); a member of the editorial board for the Journal of Periodontology and a member of the editorial board for the Journal of the International Academy of Periodontology.

lacono has also written numerous articles and abstracts and is a member of the American Dental Association, International Association for Dental Research, American Dental Education Association, Northeastern Society of Periodontists, the New York State Society of Periodontists and fellow of the Academy of Osseointegration.

A diplomate of The American Board of Periodontology, Iacono received both his dental degree and certificate of periodontics from Harvard School of Dental Medicine in 1972 and 1974, respectively.

The American Academy of Periodontology is a 7,900-member association of dental professionals specializing in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diseases affecting the gums and supporting structures of the teeth and in the placement and maintenance of dental implants. Periodontics is one of nine dental specialties recognized by the American Dental Association.

### **NURSING**

Dr. Marijean Buhse was appointed to the Executive Board of Long Island Multiple Sclerosis Nurses Society for patient education. This presentation was at the Southeast Region of Multiple Sclerosis Nursing Association, Atlanta, Georgia, in April 2004.

Dr. Elayne DeSimone authored guest editorial in June 2004 issue of *Clinician Reviews.* - DeSimone, M.E. & Danielson, R. (2004). "These lessons need to end."

Dr. Mary Anne Dumas has become a member of the Conference Committee of the National Conference for Nurse Practitioners.

Professor Barbara Gibbons is involved in The Columbia University Informatics for Diabetes Education and Telemedicine IDEAtel - funded by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services. This is a multi-site study of the effectiveness of use of telemedicine technology in underserved (rural) Medicare population.

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Professor Lisa Jensen spent the summer as the antenatal care health care specialist developing the antenatal care program in Gjakove (Albanian)/Dakovica (Serbian), Kosovo, through Dartmouth Medical School funded by USAID. This project is a pilot project that may be used for the entire country.

Dr. Peter Johnson will represent the American College of Nurse-Midwives on an American Association of Colleges of Nursing Concensus Committee. The topic of "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" will be presented at a workshop at the 50th annual meeting of the American College of Nurse-Midwives.

Dr. Corrine Jurgens is the recipient of \$100,000 2004-2006 John A. Hartford Foundation Building Academic Geriatric Nursing Capacity Scholar Award. This grant is administered through the American Academy of Nursing. The study will be conducted both here and the Hospital at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Lenore Lamanna, author of "College Students Knowledge and Attitudes about Cancer and Perceived Risks of Developing Skin Cancer", an article in Dermatology Nursing April 2004.

Marie Ann Marino, EdD, PNP, received a Proclamation from the Suffolk County Legislature, Honorable Ricardo Montano (9th District), in recognition of her work, dedication, and commitment to helping child victims of sexual abuse at the Suffolk County Child Advocacy Center.

Dr. Mary Nies, Dean, presented "A Finite Mixture Model of Growth Trajectories of Physical Activity and Mood Outcomes for Sedentary Women" in October, at the National Congress on the State of the Science in Nursing Research, in Washington, D.C.

Nicole Rouhana, CNM, FNP-C, MSN, received the American College of Nurse Midwives Foundation 2004 Excellence in Teaching Award.

Debra A. Sansoucie, EdD, NNP, and Arleen Steckel, PhD, PNP, received the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing's 2004 Pinnacle Award for Excellence for the Kappa Gamma Chapter Web Site.

Dr. Kathleen Shurpin was awarded \$500,000 funding for the New York State Department of Health Workforce Retraining Grant. This grant focuses on the upgrading of the educational level of nursing home RNs.

Professor Patricia Voelpel was accepted into the EdD Executive Leadership Program at Dowling College. She successfully completed her first semester this past summer.

Professor Bruce Zitkus was accepted into the EdD Executive Leadership Program at Dowling College. He successfully completed his first semester this past summer. He also presented "*Metabolic Syndrome X7*" at the Annual Nursing Conference of the American Heart Association. He also received \$3,000 Educational Grant from Novartis Pharmaceutical Corporation.

## James N. Davis, MD Memorial

NIH General Clinical Research Center (GCRC) and

> The Department of Medicine **Seminar Series**

Neurotrophins and Epileptogenesis: In Search of an Ounce of Prevention

## James O. McNamara, MD Chair

Department of Neurobiology Carl R. Deane Professor of Neuroscience Director

Center for Translational Neuroscience **Duke University Medical Center** 

## Friday, January 21, 2005

Harold Atkins Learning Center HSC Level 4 Room 135 Refreshments begin 3:45pm Seminar begins at 4:00pm

## Calendar of Events

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#### **January 18**

"Harvey Cushing, His Boswells, and His Harem: Immortalizing an American Surgeon," Michael Bliss, at the New York Academy of Medicine. For info call 212-822-7200.

#### January 23

Board of Directors School of Dental Medicine Alumni Chapter, 11:00 a.m., J.Howard Oaks Learning Center, 631-632-8807.

### February 7

"Using Geographic Information Systems in Epidemiologic Studies," Erin O'Leary, Ph.D. Research Assistant Professor and Epidemiologist, Preventive Medicine, 5:00-6:00 p.m., Preventive Medicine Conference Room 067.

#### February 14

University Hospital 25th Anniversary Kick-Off, 10:00-11:30 a.m., HSC Galleria.

#### February 16

"Modeling Biofluidic Systems for the Microcirculation," Harvey J.Palmer, Ph.D., Dean, Kate Gleason, College of Engineering, Rochester Institute of Technology, For info call 631-632-2302 or visit: www.bme.sunysb.edu.

### February 21

"History of Medical Treatments, Herbal Supplements, and the Placebo Efffects," Arthur Grollman, MD, Professor, Phamacology, 5:00-6:00p.m., Preventive Medicine Conference Room 067.

## Q & A

Good commmunication is two way. Therefore, if you would like to comment, respond to topics, or have news to share: HSC\_VP@notes.cc.suny- The State University at Stony Brook is an sb.edu. Suggestions for future topics are always welcome, as wll. Please feel free to e-mail this publication to others who might be interested in what is happening at the Health Sciences Center.

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