

Surviving Cancer – ‘It Takes a Village’

One year ago this month, Sandy Fingerman, high school English teacher and mother of two adult sons, was diagnosed with colorectal cancer.

Recently she stood before a standing-room-only crowd of more than 200 cancer survivors and their families and friends, saying, “I never thought I’d be here. No one can survive this alone. It takes a village – doctors, nurses, technicians, support professionals, families, friends.”

Sandy and four other cancer survivors told their stories of hope at the 2nd Annual Celebration of Life presented by the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, joining communities across the nation to celebrate National Cancer Survivors Day.

Other presenters echoed Mrs. Fingerman’s theme – “it takes a village.”

Elena Sheehan, John Conway and



Speakers at Kimmel Cancer Center’s 2nd Annual Celebration of Life, from left: Walter J. Curran Jr., MD, Elena Sheehan, John Conway, Sandy Fingerman, Joy Soleiman, Lora Rhodes, Norman Wexler and Bruce M. Boman, MD, PhD.

Buddies Helping Buddies

In fact, Mrs. Sheehan and Mr. Conway are “Buddy” volunteers, matched to Mrs. Fingerman and Mr. Wexler, because of similarities in age, profession, family, diagnosis

fathers, sisters, brothers, artists, poets, musicians – and physicians. Bruce M. Boman, MD, PhD, Director, Hereditary Cancer Program, and Director of Medical Oncology and Medical Genetics, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, spoke of his own diagnosis of prostate cancer in January. He told of the changes in his life since that diagnosis, including a greater understanding of what is important in life – a sentiment repeated by the other survivors.

In his welcoming remarks, Walter J. Curran Jr., MD, Clinical Director, KCC, and Chairman, Department of Radiation Oncology, said that 10 to 20 years ago the number of cancer survivors equaled the population size of a small city. Now it’s the same as that of a large city, with a goal to grow as large as that of a state like California.

Displays of art and poetry created by cancer survivors, the stories of the survivors, and the people who attended showed that cancer crosses all boundaries and affects people of every age, ethnicity and gender.

In addition to the KCC, the event was sponsored by Amgen, Berlex, Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Novartis, Ortho Biotech, and the Women’s Board of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

The planning committee headed by Lora Rhodes and Joy Soleiman, Administrator, KCC Clinical Science Division, included Jeffrey Baxt, Christopher Dezzi, Robert Dubbs, Patricia Dugan, Nancy Leahy, Gretchen Matika, Maryellen Koenig Riggio, Deborah Rose, Vince Walsh.

and treatment. “Buddies” provide indispensable support and encouragement, all agreed.

All four spoke of the healing power that can come when survivors join together, and the very important fact that there is life – often a fuller and richer life – after a diagnosis of cancer.

Richard C. Wender, MD, Vice Chairman of the Department of Family Medicine, continued this theme in his very lively discussion of the healing power of humor. His eloquent and witty presentation had the audience roaring with laughter, and included a juggling routine to help illustrate the importance of keeping it simple, taking one day at a time, and finding humor even when facing unfamiliar and frightening territory that comes with a cancer diagnosis.

Even Physicians Are Survivors

Cancer survivors are mothers,



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Saving lives is what you’ll learn to do by enrolling in the expanded JeffSTAT training program. A key part of the training is field work with the Philadelphia Fire Department. Here firefighters and JeffSTAT employees team up to aid mannequin “victim” of mock helicopter crash on Foerderer Pavilion helipad.

Want to Help Save a Life? Here’s How!

You work in health care, at Thomas Jefferson University or Hospital where part of our mission is dedication to excellence in patient care.

Yet, you might crave a more direct, “hands-on” involvement than you currently experience in your healthcare delivery position.

Beginning in September, you’ll have a new chance to get involved in direct treatment and care – including the opportunity to learn how to save people’s lives!

The JeffSTAT EMS Training Center, founded in 1993, is expanding its training programs and adding a new curriculum to give more employees the opportunity to advance their healthcare careers by becoming Paramedics.

“Career opportunities for Paramedics are better than ever before,” says Joseph Crouchman, JeffSTAT Paramedic Coordinator.

“The field has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years, causing training curricula to be expanded and upgraded nationally. We are doing the same at JeffSTAT.”

The center offers two levels of training for an Emergency Medical Technician – Basic and Paramedic.

Paramedic training takes the equivalent of two years of both classroom and field work.

“It’s like four years of medical school squeezed into 12 to 16 months because of the new national emphasis on diagnosis and treatment,” explains Mr. Crouchman.

Paramedics Can Save Lives

The paramedic functions as the Emergency Department physician’s eyes, ears, and hands, bringing the hospital to the patient and providing on-the-scene care that under normal conditions would be provided by a



Joseph Crouchman Photography

Paramedic training classes begin September 10.

physician at the hospital. Emergency care provided by paramedics can sometimes mean the difference between life and death.

JeffSTAT faculty are all faculty and professional staff members of Jefferson Medical College (JMC) or *continues, page 4*



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“Take things one step at a time, as if you are juggling,” Richard C. Wender, MD, advises cancer survivors. Reaction to Dr. Wender’s presentation on humor’s healing power is typified by Norman Wexler and his wife, Teddy.

Norman Wexler, all cancer survivors treated at the Kimmel Cancer Center (KCC) at Jefferson, spoke of their individual journeys to cancer survivorship, and of their taking part in the KCC’s “Buddy” program – developed by Lora Rhodes, Coordinator, Advocacy and Survivorship Program, KCC – in which cancer survivors provide unique short-term support to people newly diagnosed with cancer.

Hospital Converting to Military Time July 27

Effective Friday, July 27, the hospital will convert to military time for all clinical-related documentation. In military time, there is no a.m. or p.m. Instead, the day is divided into 24 hours, with all numbers higher than 1200 being p.m. Watch for more information as the target date approaches. Contact Bart Murtaugh at 215-955-8494 or Bart.Murtaugh@mail.tju.edu

VITAL SIGNS:

MAY 2001

TJUH, Methodist, Geriatric Psychiatry, Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience

	Budget	Actual	Prior Year
Admissions	3,654	3,533	3,427
Length of Stay	5.48	5.89	5.86
Patient Days	20,010	20,520	19,666
TJUH, Methodist Outpatient Visits	41,752	43,713	44,389

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Congratulations to Jefferson's "Top Docs for Kids"

When your children need a pediatrician, *Philadelphia Magazine* calls 36 Thomas Jefferson University Hospital doctors "Tops." Their peers, top pediatricians in each specialty, ranked our physicians as "Excellent."

See the names and clinical

departments of Jefferson University Hospital's 36 "Top Docs for Kids" displayed on kiosks in the Atrium of the Gibbon Building.

To find the right pediatrician or to make an appointment, call 1-800-JEFF-NOW or visit us online at www.JeffersonHospital.org

**Leland I. White
Named President, CEO for Main Line Health**

Leland I. White has been selected as the new President and Chief Executive Officer for Main Line Health effective July 23, Douglas S. Peters, President and CEO, Jefferson Health System (JHS), has announced.

"Lee White returns to our organization after almost a year as a senior executive with VHA, a national association of hospitals. Prior to that, Lee spent 13 years with Main Line Health and Jefferson



Health, where he held a variety of senior executive positions."

"Lee . . . understands the unique characteristics and specific challenges for Main Line

Health and JHS. We are very pleased that we will again benefit from his leadership."

**Anthony Burns, MD
Named Assistant Director, Regional Spinal Cord Injury Center**



Physical Medicine specialist Anthony Burns, MD, has joined the Regional Spinal Cord Injury Center of the Delaware Valley (RSCICDV) at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital as Assistant Director.

Dr. Burns, who has also been appointed Assistant Professor of Rehabilitation Medicine, Jefferson Medical College (JMC), comes to us from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, where he completed a fellowship in spinal cord injury.

Dr. Burns is board certified in internal medicine and rehabilitation medicine and has certification in spinal cord injury medicine. He completed a combined residency in

internal medicine and physical medicine and rehabilitation at Johns Hopkins/Sinai Hospital in Baltimore, MD.

He is the recipient of the Arthur A. Siemens Memorial Award, presented to a senior resident in the Johns Hopkins/Sinai Hospital Rehabilitation Medicine residency program for excellence in academic pursuits and devotion to patient care.

The rehabilitation medicine specialist is a member of several professional organizations including the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, the American Paraplegia Society and the American College of Physicians.

Dr. Burns received an MD in 1994 from the Yale University School of Medicine and a BS in 1990 from Pennsylvania State University.

Brucker Lecturer Examines Graduate Medical Education Future

At the Ninth Annual Paul C. Brucker, MD, Lecture, sponsored by the Department of Family Medicine, Jefferson Medical College (JMC), lecturer Barbara O. Wynn's "Financing Graduate Medical Education: Issues and Options" sparked concerned comments from the audience.

Ms. Wynn, a Senior Health Policy Analyst for the RAND corporation, shared her expertise in Medicare coverage and payment policies and medical education financing issues gained at the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) during her 24-year tenure. Her lecture examined the current healthcare environment's eroding support for graduate medical education, including the impact of the shift to outpatient care, the loss of Medicaid and Medicare managed care, and



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Barbara O. Wynn, the Ninth Annual Paul C. Brucker, MD, Lecturer, shown with, from left, John L. Randall, MD, Alumni Professor of Family Medicine and Department Chair; Dr. Brucker, University President; and Howard K. Rabinowitz, MD, Professor of Family Medicine, JMC.

Balanced Budget Act reductions.

While she predicted no major changes immediately, Ms. Wynn said that future graduate medical education revenues may well

depend on the nation's answer to the question, "Is graduate medical education a public good?"

Prized Antique Medical Instruments Donated to Jefferson

- A medicine chest belonging to the British naval captain who commanded the frigate *Falcon* during the Battle of Bunker Hill
- An early 19th century Laennec stethoscope, crafted by its inventor, R.T.H. Laennec, MD
- A boxed set of diagnostic medical instruments awarded to the 1884 Jefferson Medical College (JMC) graduate who was first in his class in *Materia Medica* and *Therapeutics*

These intriguing artifacts are just a few highlights of the Martin H. Feldman, MD, Antique Medical Instruments Collection donated to the University through the generosity of Martin H. Feldman, MD, and his wife, Lynne Gold-Bikin, Esq.

The initial phase of the collection, encompassing more than 120 items and chronicling the evolution of medicine from the early 18th century through the American Revolution, the Civil War and post-Civil War eras, is exhibited in Eakins Gallery, Jefferson Alumni Hall. The display will be changed periodically to focus on other pieces in the collection.

A neurologist who completed his postgraduate education at Jefferson in 1966 and resides in the Philadelphia area, Dr. Feldman is on

the full-time faculty of Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons. He chose to donate this important collection to Jefferson because of the close ties he and his family have with the University. Two of his cousins, Elliott L. Goodman, MD, Honorary Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine, JMC, and the late K. Kalman "Kuddy" Faber, MD, were faculty members and encouraged Dr. Feldman to do his postgraduate work here.



Martin H. Feldman, MD, and his wife, Lynne Gold-Bikin, Esq.

and each is a stepping-stone for the next set of instruments."

Because of the scope of the collection and the increasing difficulty in finding such artifacts, the Feldman Collection is particularly prized. Commenting on the gift, Russell W. Schaedler, MD, The Plimpton-Pugh Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, Emeritus, and Chairman of the Thomas Jefferson University Art Committee, says, "We are delighted and proud that Dr. Feldman has chosen Jefferson as the home of his magnificent collection. Jefferson is renowned for its premier collection of art and memorabilia, which is greatly enhanced by this generous gift."

Visit the Jefferson Development Office website at www.tju.edu/jeffgiving/

Solving Puzzles, Seeking Treasures
"I love neurology because of its problem-solving aspects," Dr. Feldman explains. "It's figuring out puzzles, and there is a great feeling of satisfaction when all the pieces come together."

"Finding an antique medical instrument is like being on a treasure hunt," he notes. "Much of the enjoyment derives from developing a power of observation, especially when you detect an item in an antique shop or flea market that has gone unnoticed by others. You soon acquire a sense of which items are most unique or sought after. Each instrument . . . has a distinct story that reflects the evolution of the medical profession,

Sign Up for the Big Walk for Little Feet!

Something new has been added to the Jefferson Hospital Philadelphia Distance Run festivities this year. It is the "Big Walk for Little Feet," a fundraising walk to benefit Jefferson's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

This fun walk on Sunday, September 16, is for the entire family - parents, children and friends. It begins at 8 a.m. at 12th and Market Streets, just after the last half-marathon runner takes off, and finishes at 16th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, near the Distance Run finish line.

To find out how you can help the organizing committee plan the Big Walk for Little Feet and the pre-race drive to raise funds to benefit the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, call 215-955-6300.

Walkers and runners may register now either online at <http://www.philadistancerun.org/> or by mail at RunPhiladelphia Festival of Races, P.O. Box 43111, Philadelphia, PA 19129. Your walk fee includes a Big Walk for Little Feet t-shirt.



Wednesday, July 4th, is an Official University holiday. Happy Independence Day!

Spotlight on Benefits

As an employee, I would like to begin saving for retirement. Does Jefferson have a 401(k) plan?

Jefferson has a 403(b) plan, which is similar to a 401(k) plan but is for nonprofit organizations. All Jefferson employees are eligible to participate in the 403(b) plan - or Tax Sheltered Annuity (TSA) Program. Completely voluntary, a TSA program gives employees the ability to save for retirement on a supplementary basis. You can invest the minimum of \$10 per pay, or as much as 25 percent of your salary or \$10,500 (whichever is less) per year. Whatever you invest

is deferred from Federal income tax, resulting in tax savings for you.

Four investment companies are available to you through Jefferson, with each company offering a variety of funds. You may choose to defer your money in investment options which range from money market funds to stock funds and everything in between. Employees may choose to participate with one or all of the following investment companies:

- Vanguard** 1-800-523-1188
www.vanguard.com
- Fidelity** 1-888-836-7655
www.fidelity.com

- TIAA-CREF** 1-800-842-2888
www.TIAA-CREF.org
- Citistreet** 1-215-503-2752
www.citistreetonline.com

You may contact the investment companies directly or visit their websites for investment counseling or advice. Investment packets and Participation Agreements are available in the Benefits Office, 1st floor Martin Building.

To learn more, call Maria Reilly at 3-8922 or Barbara Warriner at 3-1866.

Jefferson Researchers Using Gene Therapy in Landmark Study for Rare, Inherited Brain Disease

Neurosurgeons and researchers at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital are for the first time using a novel form of gene therapy for Canavan disease, a rare and fatal metabolic brain disorder.

The effort is now boosted by a new \$2.1 million, three-year grant from the National Institute of Neurological Disease and Stroke (NINDS) to scientists led by Paola Leone, PhD, Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery at Jefferson Medical College (JMC), and neurosurgeon Andrew Freese, MD, PhD, Associate Professor of Neurosurgery and Director of Neurosurgery Research, JMC.

The research team recently introduced 90 billion copies of a healthy gene into the brain of a 62-year-old girl lacking the gene, which makes an enzyme needed to break down an acid substance in the brain. As a result, the acid substance should decrease and allow the child's brain to develop more normally and help the formation of the brain's myelin, which insulates nerve fibers that send messages to and from the brain.

The Phase I trial, solely to test the safety of the procedure, involves the first use of an adeno-associated virus (AAV) in the human brain, which Dr. Leone says is much superior to the fat molecule-based delivery system used in a previous trial. The virus acts as a delivery truck to carry



Photograph by Paola Leone, PhD
Helene Karlin and her 62-year-old daughter, Lindsay, the first person to participate in a new gene therapy trial at Jefferson aimed at replacing the defective gene responsible for Canavan disease.

the healthy genes inside affected brain cells. The trial is also the first viral gene therapy given for a neurodegenerative disorder.

Landmark Study

"The NINDS support for this protocol represents the first opportunity to rigorously assess the safety of AAV in the human brain, which in itself is a major scientific and medical landmark," says Dr. Leone, the study's Principal Investigator. "It will form the basis for future applications of AAV in the brain."

"This study is also a unique opportunity to collect long-term data on disease progression and history on a rare disease, and will be a useful reference for all future trials using viral vectors in the human

brain," says Dr. Leone. **What Is Canavan Disease?** Canavan disease is an incurable, inherited neurological disorder characterized by spongy degeneration of the brain. Primarily occurring in children of Eastern European or Ashkenazi Jewish background, the disorder affects growth of the fatty myelin sheath that surrounds nerve cells in the brain. The disease is caused by a genetic flaw in which an enzyme fails to be produced.

Editor's Note: Photographs taken by Dr. Leone of participants in a 1998 gene therapy trial can be seen at the Genomic Revolution exhibit at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City until January 1, 2002.

Family Medicine Shares in EPA Grant For Urban Asthma Research Project

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Christine Todd Whitman, at right, was in Philadelphia recently to present a check for \$110,000 to Michael P. Rosenthal, MD, center, Clinical Professor and Director, Section of Community Health, Department of Family Medicine, Jefferson Medical College (JMC), to help fund



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an innovative asthma care, education and intervention program. At left is Thomas C. Voltaggio, EPA Acting Regional Administrator.

They are standing in front of Jefferson's AsthmaBUS, the child-friendly British double-decker bus funded by GlaxoSmithKline that houses an asthma education center and visits inner-city Philadelphia schools to educate fifth graders throughout the year.

The program will be administered by a partnership of the University's Department of Family Medicine, the Philadelphia Department of Public Health and the Health Promotion Council of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

Get Ready – To 'Take a Walk in the Park'

Save the date now!

On Sunday, October 14, take a healthy "walk in the park" – in Philadelphia's beautiful Fairmount Park – and help raise money to fight heart disease and stroke, the nation's number one and number three killers.

Teams will represent Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in the American Heart Walk, a Jefferson Health System-sponsored event to benefit the



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American Heart Association.

You can play your part in helping the hospital raise funds for the lifesaving research and programs of the American Heart Association.

For more information or to register, contact Mark E. Schwartz, Jefferson's Chair of the Walk, at 215-955-1660 or Mark.E.Schwartz@mail.tju.edu or www.heartwalk.americanheart.org

At an American Heart Association CEO Breakfast on the University campus, Douglas S. Peters, President and CEO, Jefferson Health System, center, was announced as the Chair for the 2001 American Heart Walk. Mr. Peters is shown with, at left, Michael B. Laign, President and CEO of Holy Redeemer Health System and Chairman of the American Heart Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania Board of Directors, and Pamela Snashall, Senior Regional Vice President of the American Heart Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

JMC Summer Cancer Research Training Program Closing Minority Gap in Science Education



Photograph by Ronald Coss, PhD

Eight participants in the 2000 summer research program in basic cancer. From left, Yasmin Hasan, JMC '03; Anne Rainville, JMC '03; Lindsay Roach (Delaware State University); Keith Beaulieu, JMC '03; Shari Lee (Delaware State University); Vanessa Lee, JMC '03; Raushanah Bradley (Delaware State University); and Shola Aruleba (SUNY, Stony Brook). Not shown are Yolanda Price (Lincoln University) and Wilhelm Lubbe, JMC '03.

A Jefferson Medical College (JMC) summer program, successful for 10 years in training medical students in basic cancer research, has also taken strides in closing the gap in minority student representation in the sciences.

The program, "Short Research Experience for Student Assistants," has received a National Cancer Institute (NCI) grant for \$400,000 to continue operation through 2006.

Its Principal Investigator is Ronald A. Coss, PhD, Professor of Radiation Oncology and Anatomy, Pathology and Cell Biology, JMC, and Member, Kimmel Cancer Center. Its Co-Investigators include Bruce C. Turner, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Radiation Oncology, JMC, Associate Member, Kimmel Cancer Center and

Catherine E. Calkins, PhD, Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, JMC, and Director of Special Programs, Office of Scientific Affairs.

The summer program, currently under way until August 24, gives each of 14 students an opportunity to engage in a benchtop research project directed by a faculty member active in sponsored cancer research at JMC. The faculty mentors contribute significantly to the program's success.

Actively Recruiting Minority Students

Of the 130 students participating in the program since 1990, 30 have been minority undergraduate college students, consistent with the program's goal to actively recruit

minority students and expose them to basic science research in cancer, stimulating their interest in future careers in biomedical or cancer research. Ethnic minority groups are seriously underrepresented in the science bachelor's degree pool.

Overall, the program addresses the widely known issue of decline in the research interest of medical students and physicians. It is expected that the selected Student Assistants will become better prepared and motivated for involvement in research and that the assistantship experience may contribute to a decision by some students to select a career as a physician-investigator in cancer research.

Contact Dr. Coss at 215-955-1056 or Ronald.Coss@mail.tju.edu



Compliance Corner

HIPAA Electronic Transaction Standards

In recent months, new Federal rules protecting the privacy of patient information have received widespread media attention. The focus on the patient privacy rules sometimes overlooks the other provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) which gave rise to them.

A primary purpose of HIPAA is to improve the speed and accuracy of health insurance claim processing. A secondary objective is decreased administrative costs. To do this, the Federal government established uniform standards to be used by all healthcare providers and insurance companies who share computerized patient information.

To comply with these standards, hospitals and insurers have begun to make extensive changes to their computer programs. Early adopters are trumpeting positive results. Ultimately, these changes will enhance the healthcare industry's ability to do business electronically. But, as the amount of health information transmitted electronically increases, so does the concern about unauthorized access to it. The HIPAA privacy and security rules were designed to address those concerns.

Questions about HIPAA? Contact your Compliance Officer directly or use **ComplyLine** at 1-888-5Comply.

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Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, thus insuring the same standards for quality education afforded students in our academic divisions.

Teaching is done through lecture, practical scenarios and clinical rotations utilizing resources throughout the Jefferson Health System (JHS).

The *JeffSTAT* EMS Training Center also serves physicians and nurses throughout the JHS by providing continuing education courses certified by the American Academy of Pediatrics, American College of Emergency Physicians, American Heart Association and the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

The *JeffSTAT* EMS Training Program has been graduating about 50 paramedics per year. Its goal is to double that to 100, starting September 10 when both full and part-time programs are offered on the Ford Road campus.

Medical Director of the *JeffSTAT* program is Edward H. Jasper, MD, Instructor, Surgery, JMC.

The Administrative Director is John Szymank.

To learn more about this exciting career opportunity, call Mr. Crouchman at 215-578-3861 or Joseph.Crouchman@mail.tju.edu



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Thomas Jefferson University and Hospital's Earth Day celebration gave employees a chance to exchange their mercury thermometers for environmentally sound digital thermometers. In left photo, Bonnie Brooks, House staff Affairs, makes the right swap with the help of Clean Air Council representatives Laura Cohen,

standing, and Sally Mattison. Posters created by 25 5th-grade students from the Philadelphia Performing Arts Charter School carried out the "Mercury Roundup" theme. Right photo shows the three prize winners. To exchange your mercury thermometer for a new digital thermometer, stop by Environmental Health and Safety, 1630 Edison.



Wednesday, July 11

- Office of Health Policy Forum, David C. Levin, MD, Chairman, Dept. of Radiology, "Utilization (or Overutilization?) of Cardiac Nuclear Scanning - Nationwide Medicare Data for 1996 and 1998," 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., 105 Curtis.

Thursday, July 26

- Multidisciplinary Trauma, 7 to 9 a.m., 101 BLSB.

Monday, July 30

- Kimmel Cancer Center, Translational Research Opportunities, "Gynecologic Cancer," 5 p.m., 101 BLSB.

GRAND ROUNDS

Wednesday, July 11

- Pediatrics, Philip J. Wolfson, MD, Division Chief, Pediatric General Surgery; Professor of Surgery; Director, Undergraduate Education at TJU and duPont Hospital for Children, "Lumps, Bumps and Masses in Children," 8 to 9 a.m., duPont Hospital for Children and 202 BLSB. (Video teleconference from TJU to duPont Hospital for Children).

- Family Medicine, Paul C. Brucker, MD, President, TJU, "State of the University," 8 to 9 a.m., 101 BLSB.

Wednesday, July 18

- Kimmel Cancer Center, Charles J. Dunton, MD, Ob/Gyn, "Evolving Concepts in Treatment of Endometrial and Cervical Cancer," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

- Pediatrics, Michael Trigg, MD, Chief Blood and Bone Marrow Transplantation; Stephen Bachrach, MD, Chief General Pediatrics; Kathleen Cronan, MD, Chief Emergency Services, "Internationally Adopted Child," 8 to 9 a.m., duPont Hospital for Children and 202 BLSB. (Video teleconference from duPont Hospital for Children to TJU).

- Family Medicine, Rita's Rules: Mandatory Coding and Billings Symposium. Dept. of Family Medicine faculty only, 8 to 9 a.m., 101 BLSB.

Wednesday, July 25

- Kimmel Cancer Center, Andrew Seidman, MD, Radiation Oncology, Memorial Sloan-Kettering, "Breast Cancer: New Approaches in Systemic Therapy," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

- Pediatrics, James N. Jarvis, MD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Pediatric Rheumatology/Genetics, Oklahoma University Medical Center, "Rheumatic Diseases: Lessons from the Native American Population," 8 to 9 a.m., duPont Hospital for Children.

- Pediatrics, Departmental Staff Meeting, 8 a.m., 202 BLSB.

- Family Medicine, no conference.

MEETINGS

Thursday, July 26

- Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals, Inc. Board, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., 101 BLSB.

Monday, July 30

- Full Board of Trustees, noon, 636 Scott.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Thursday, July 5

- Interfaith Prayer and Meditation Service, noon, Chapel, 9 Gibbon. Anyone from any faith is welcome. During brief service silent prayer is offered from requests written in books placed in the Chapel, Bodine Cancer Center and several other hospital areas. Also Thursdays, July 12, 19 and 26.

Wednesday, July 11

- Hospital Christian Fellowship brown bag Bible study, 1 to 2 p.m., 302 MOB. Call Hyacinth Williams at 215-474-0864. Also Wednesdays, July 18 and 25.

SUPPORT GROUPS

- Caregiver support/education, one-time phone consultation with a Jefferson Geriatric Psychiatry Program staff member. For consultation appointment, caregivers of older adults may call 215-928-3084.

Thursday, July 5

- Breast Cancer group, 5:30 to 7 p.m., M-24, JAH. No registration necessary. Call 5-8370. Also Thursday, July 19.

Wednesday, July 11

- The Jefferson Comprehensive Epilepsy Center support group, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., 4130 Gibbon, David S. Glosser, ScD, Clinical Assistant Professor, Director, Neurobehavioral Psychology and James Loughead, Neuropsychology Intern. Call Paulette at 5-1111.

- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, 7 to 9 p.m., East Atrium conference room, Gibbon. Also Wednesday, July 25. Free parking or bus tokens. Call 5-1400.

Thursday, July 12

- Strength for Caring, a program for those caring for someone with cancer is held the second Thursday of every month, noon to 4 p.m., G-312 Bodine. Call 5-8370.

Tuesday, July 17

- Patients and employees wishing to learn about in-vitro fertilization (IVF) related assisted reproductive technologies (ART) can attend a free evening seminar, 7 to 9 p.m., 5217 Millitia Hill Road, Plymouth Meeting, RSVP 610-834-1140, ext. 326.

Wednesday, July 18

- Kimmel Cancer Center, Man-to-Man, a prostate cancer self-help and networking group, co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Each month a guest lecturer speaks on an issue related to prostate cancer, 5:30 to 7 p.m., 145 JAH. Call 215-955-8370.

Thursday, July 19

- Laryngectomy, Center City Nu-Voice Club, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., 925 Chestnut Street, 6th Floor. Call Barbara Baskin or Nancy Travers at 5-2554.

Saturday, July 21

- Sarcoidosis, Harold L. Israel, MD, Sarcoidosis and other Granulomatous diseases, 1 to 3 p.m., Boardroom, TJUH-Ford Road Campus, 3905 Ford Road. Call 215-578-3400.

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J1 Apartment for rent: South Phila., 2 bedrooms, large, eat-in kitchen, central air, cable ready, minutes to Center City, \$650 a month plus utilities.

J2 Townhouse for rent: Lindenwold, NJ, 2-story, 2 bedrooms, quiet neighborhood, living room, dining room, patio, wall-to-wall carpet, washer/dryer and dishwasher, free access to swimming pool in summer and access to tennis court, exercise room and clubhouse, 21/2 miles from PATCO speed-line and 25-minute commute to Philadelphia, convenient to numerous shopping centers and bus stations. \$700 a month plus electric (includes heat and hot water), no pets.

J3 House for rent: Single home, Cherry Hill, NJ, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, full finished basement, one attached garage with private driveway, fenced big yard, close to PATCO speed-line and 15-minute drive to Jefferson campus, non-smoker, \$1,000 a month plus utilities. Available now.

J4 House for sale: Contemporary, 10th & Carpenter, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat-in kitchen, parking, central air, deck, patio, hardwood floors, 12-minute walk to Jefferson, \$299,000.

J5 Beach house rental: Strathmere, NJ, 1st floor duplex, sleeps 6, 1 block from beach, \$800 weekly, available weeks of July 7 and August 25.

J6 House for sale: A jewel, Northeast, historic district, short walk to R-7, 20 minutes to Center City, stone twin with porch, front, side and rear gardens, fireplace, hardwood floors, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, finished attic for home office, large basement, etched glass windows, \$75,000.

J7 Shore Rentals: Ocean City, NJ, bayfront apartment, 1st fl., 17th St. Lagoon, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, kitchenette with living area to deck overlooking bay, washer/dryer, dishwasher, season rate \$12,500; monthly \$6,000 to \$7,000, weekly \$1,000 to \$1,500; 2nd fl., bayfront condominium, spacious, sleeps 8 comfortably, washer/dryer, dishwasher, ceiling fans, no air conditioning, great view, nicely furnished, rates, July \$6,500, August \$7,000; will consider weekly rental.

J8 Lakeside Summer Rentals: A beautiful home on Lake Wallenpaupack in PA, 35 miles east of Scranton, sleeps 8, all amenities, central air, cable TV/VCR's, whirlpool tubs, large deck, gas barbecue grill, dock, weekly rates, \$1,600 plus tax.

J9 Vacation Rental: Cape May charming, 2 blocks to beautiful beach, close to great shopping and fine restaurants, sleeps 6, rent weekdays, weekends, summer and off-season.

J10 Vacation Rental: Massachusetts, Martha's Vineyard, spacious, private road, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, post and beam construction, cathedral ceilings, fireplace, washer/dryer, dishwasher, microwave, stained glass windows, lofts, skylights, upstairs and downstairs decks, access rights to beaches and tennis courts, \$1,500 a week in July and August, \$900 a week September.

J11 Beach Rental: Long Beach Island, NJ, Beach Haven/Spray Beach, beautiful, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, contemporary house located on beach block, very close to the ocean, sleeps 8 to 10, weekly rental, July and August, \$2,600 a week.

Property wanted: House or lot, Brigantine, NJ area, any condition, will pay cash or terms to satisfy. Call Louis or Terry at 856-424-8255.

Office space available in the Ben Franklin House, 834 Chestnut St. Call Trisha at 215-625-0880.

Office space available, Jefferson Building, 1015 Chestnut Street, full-time or part-time, newly renovated office, 2 large exam rooms. Call Pam at 3-2700.

To place an ad to buy or sell personal items, send written copy and a photocopy of your Jefferson ID to Editor, 125 S. 9th Street, Suite 505. Please include your Jefferson extension and area code for home number. (Please do not abbreviate copy)

For sale: 1997 Nissan pickup XE short bed truck, 35,000 miles, looks good and runs great, 4-cylinder, 5-speed, 2-wheel drive, power steering, AM/FM stereo, sliding rear window, bed liner. Kelly Blue books lists for \$7,485, will sell for \$6,500. Call Brian at 3-5315.

For sale: 1997 Chrysler Concorde, burgundy, 88,000 miles, great condition, price negotiable. Call Renee at 5-9042 or 610-325-1014.

For sale: 1996 Acura TL 2.5, great condition, 61,500 miles, hunter green, 4-door, tan leather seats, CD and cassette player, AM/FM radio, CFC-free air conditioning, child safety locks, custom wheels, driver and passenger side air bag, front fog lights; power steering, sunroof, drivers seat, door locks and windows; radial tires, rear defrost, tilt steering wheel, cruise control, remote trunk lid and fuel door, front bucket seats, map lights, leather upholstery, security system, accent stripes, leather upholstery, cup holders, 5 MPH bumpers, \$16,500. Call Inez at 5-0054 or email at iar001@jefferson.edu

For sale: 1992 Chevy Camaro, new red paint with black racing stripes, new rims, all new hoses and belts, exhaust, EGR and starter, \$8,500 or best offer. Call Shawn at 856-858-9259.

For sale: Bed linens, comforter (reversible), 2 sheet sets, 2 shams, dust ruffle and 4 matching valances for full-size mattress and single windows, pink and green floral/striped (Ville de Lyon pattern by Martex; pictures available). Call Carolyn at 3-7774.

For sale: 2 oak coffee tables with glass top and matching sofa table, \$150; 72" oval dining room set with six chairs (almond), \$450, excellent condition. Call Kathy at 3-0732.

For sale: Complete work-out Nautilus machine, 2 years old, rarely used, \$1,500. Call Renee at 5-9042 or 610-325-1014.

For sale: Very nice dog, PR, Pedigree American Eskimo Spitz (miniature), 7 years old, spayed, female, up-to-date veterinary care, able to be home during the day by herself, not good with little kids or cats, loves other dogs, friendly, playful, energetic white fuzzball, \$100. Call Marj at 5-8878 or 856-772-0155 or e-mail naya@earthlink.net

For adoption: 2 1/2-year old house cat, orange/white tabby, neutered, declawed, looking for good home due to family illness. Call Kathy at 3-0732.



Nurses Helping Fight Summer Heat Hazards

During July, medical/oncology nurses on the 3rd floor of Gibbon will be conducting an awareness effort to help prevent heat stroke and heat exhaustion, particularly among the elderly and those unable to fight off infections easily. Nurses and nursing assistants will distribute education pamphlets to alert patients and their families to the importance of wearing light clothing, drinking enough water and using fans and air conditioners during hot weather, among other tips. Contact Bobbi Lineham, RN, at 215-955-7050 or barbara.lineham@mail.tju.edu

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Blood Donor Center hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please call 5-7791 to schedule an appointment if you are eligible and willing to give blood.

JULY is Hemochromatosis Screening Awareness and Refractive Disorders Awareness month.

Weeks:
JULY 2 - 9: National Staff Development.
JULY 8 - 14: National Therapeutic Recreation.

BROWN BAG LUNCHES

Tuesday, July 10
• Lesbian and gay lunch group for staff, students and other members of the Jefferson community, noon. Call Naomi at 5-2578 for location.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Tuesday, July 17
• Kimmel Cancer Center, Mark J. Solomon, PhD, Dept. of Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, Yale University, "What Activation Phosphorylation Can Do for You (and Your Cyclin-Dependent Kinases)," 2 p.m., 107 BLSB.

Call 811 for Fire and Emergencies at JHN/WEH Site

Beginning July 9, employees at the Jefferson Hospital for Neurosciences/Wills Eye Hospital (JHN/WEH) site should use Extension 811 to report all fire, security and other emergencies. The JHN/WEH site will continue to use Extension 5555 to report a Medical Alert. For questions or concerns, call Karla McCaney at 215-440-3153.