

## Jefferson Hospital's Advanced Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant Center Team Performs First Transplant



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From left, Barbara Ebert, CRNP, Transplant Coordinator, Dr. Marelli, Rose Washington, wife of Tom Washington, cardiac transplant recipient, Chris Washington, their son, and Dr. Mather.

With more than 400 patients, the newly opened Advanced Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant Center at the Jefferson Heart Institute continues to grow under the leadership of its Director, Paul J. Mather, MD, to meet the demands and challenges of end-stage heart failure. On November 23, the Center performed its first cardiac transplant, under the supervision of Surgical Director of Transplantation Daniel Marelli, MD, and Dr. Mather, along with

cardiovascular anesthesiologists David P. Maguire, MD, and Stephen E. McNulty, DO, pathologist Douglas Reale, MD, PhD, and infectious diseases specialist Robert E. Measley, MD, on a 62-year-old male from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania who is a long-time patient of Dr. Mather's.

A comprehensive Thomas Jefferson University Hospital facility, the Advanced Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant offers innovative, evidence-based medical care for patients with heart failure. Using a method of "tailored therapy," treatment plans are based on each patient's individual needs.

"Though the cornerstone for surgery for advanced heart failure is heart transplantation," says Dr. Marelli, "we constantly evaluate patients to see if there are other

potential options, ranging from drugs to different types of surgery to investigational treatments and devices such as heart assist pumps."

Two recent staff appointments are Sharon Rubin, MD, who comes from Temple University Hospital's Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant Center, and David Whellan, MD, from Duke University Hospital's Heart Failure Program. They join Dr. Mather, who has been involved with more than 600 heart transplants, Dr. Marelli, who joined the Center from UCLA and has participated in more than 500 heart transplants, Scott Silvestry, MD, Linda Bogar, MD, and James Diehl, MD, Director of Cardiothoracic Surgery. The center's team has combined experience of more than 35 years in end-stage heart failure and cardiac transplantation.

For more information about the new Center or to make referrals, call **215-955-5050**.

## Women's Board Funding Revives Blood Donor Recognition Luncheon



Thanks to funding from the Women's Board of Jefferson Hospital, for the first time in 10 years employees were honored at a Blood Donor Recognition Luncheon for their generosity in donating blood.

"We had to suspend the event after 1994 because of budget cuts," explains Louise Taylor, Blood Donor Coordinator.

"We are so grateful to the Women's Board for bringing back this opportunity to recognize employees who give over and over."

"Donating is especially important because our blood supply remains critically low. We urge all employees who can give, to do so today. You can give blood every 56 days without concern for your health."

See Page 2 for premiums for donating and photos of employees honored for giving over and over.

## Jefferson Conducts 10-Hospital Disaster Drill To Gauge Terrorism Preparedness

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital conducted one of the largest multi-hospital emergency drills in the United States and the largest in Jefferson's history.

As many as 400 volunteers, including more than 200 first-year Jefferson Medical College students and Jefferson College of Health Professions nursing students, were made up by injury simulation experts as disaster "victims." After a grueling three-hour make-up process, the "victims" were transported to Jefferson and 10 other area hospitals for treatment and care.



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Student volunteers fill McClellan Hall to hear instructions from Dr. Jasper.



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Edward Jasper, MD, FACEP, Director of Jefferson Hospital's Center for Bioterrorism and Disaster Preparedness, coordinated the drill's activities.



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The drill helped Philadelphia-area medical centers and emergency personnel to gauge their readiness to care for victims in times of emergency.

## JMC Students Bring Holiday Hope and Cheer to Children



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JMC students give a wave before leaving to distribute holiday gifts. At right is Erik Iszkula, '07, Santa Claus, with co-coordinators Jessie Porro, '07, above, and Morgan Leafe, '06.

The JMC student-run JeffHOPE for Kids third annual holiday party brought hope and cheer to more than 70 children at the ACTS Women and Children's shelter in North Philadelphia. Gifts donated by the Jefferson Day Care Center, faculty, students and staff were

placed under the "Giving Tree" located in the Jefferson Alumni Hall lobby since November, and were distributed at the party. Each child received one article of clothing and one toy requested by the children's families.

### VITAL SIGNS:

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TJUH, Methodist, Geriatric Psychiatry, Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience

	Budget	Actual	Prior Year
Admissions	3,385	3,551	2,998
Length of Stay	6.41	6.64	6.39
Patient Days	21,695	22,059	19,873
TJUH, Methodist Outpatient Visits	34,425	38,157	33,636

Patient Satisfaction Overall Mean Score (July-Sept) **82.0**

**Research Update**

The following three summaries contain findings by neuroscientists at Jefferson Medical College (JMC) and the Farber Institute for Neurosciences at Thomas Jefferson University that were presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience.

**X Uncovering New Evidence About Statins' Effects on Alzheimer's Disease**  
Neuroscientists at JMC and the Farber Institute have taken another step in understanding the potential effects of anti-cholesterol drugs on Alzheimer's disease. They have identified a biochemical pathway that affects the activity of statins, particularly their ability to break down an early form of the protein amyloid that clusters and forms sticky plaques in the brains of patients with Alzheimer's. The results may eventually help provide new targets for anti-amyloid drugs to help treat Alzheimer's.

The findings came from a series of experiments conducted by Steve Pedrini, PhD, a postdoctoral fellow in Neurology and his co-workers.

"It's particularly important to understand the pathways involved in Alzheimer's, especially to find more specific therapies," Dr. Pedrini says.

"This reveals an unsuspected pathway linking statins and amyloid metabolism," says Samuel Gandy III, MD, PhD, Director of the Farber Institute for Neurosciences. "This may help unravel statin action in Alzheimer's as well as point the way toward novel anti-amyloid drugs."

**X Finding New Way to Convert Adult Human Stem Cells to Longer-Lasting Dopamine Neurons**

Jefferson researchers have found a new way to coax bone marrow stem cells into becoming dopamine-producing neurons. If the method proves reliable, the work may ultimately lead to new therapies for neurological diseases such as Parkinson's disease, which is marked by a loss of dopamine-making cells in the brain.

Developmental biologist Lorraine Iacovitti, PhD, Associate Director of the Farber Institute for Neurosciences, and her co-workers developed the findings.

The research team also found a second enzyme involved in dopamine production, and an important molecule called the dopamine transporter.

"If we can now appropriately direct the differentiation of bone marrow stem cells, these cells could provide an abundant source

of adult human neurons for use in the treatment of neurodegenerative diseases," Dr. Iacovitti says.

**X Finding Evidence of Lead Exposure Affecting Recovery from Brain Injury**  
Lead exposure at a young age can hurt the brain's development and cause learning and behavioral problems. It may also interfere with recovery from a brain injury. A new study by Jefferson scientists shows that young laboratory animals exposed to low levels of lead take significantly longer to recover from a brain injury than those animals that weren't lead-exposed.

According to Jay Schneider, PhD, Professor of Pathology, Anatomy and Cell Biology, JMC, even low levels of lead exposure can have profound effects on the structure and function of the developing nervous system and cause attention, memory, learning, emotional and other behavioral problems that persist into adulthood.

Dr. Schneider says that it isn't uncommon for children to have brain injuries. Yet, no one has looked at the effects of lead exposure early in life on the response of the brain to a later injury.

"Our results potentially add one more item to the long list of reasons why preventing lead exposure early in life is so important," Dr. Schneider says.

**More Findings**

**X Using Gene Therapy to Help Rescue Failing Hearts**

While the overall death toll from heart disease has declined, the number of people dying from chronic heart failure continues to rise. Close to 5 million Americans have heart failure and more than 400,000 new cases are being diagnosed each year.

Now, heart researchers at JMC are using gene therapy in the research laboratory to try to bring failing hearts back to normal.

Scientists led by Walter Koch, PhD, Director of the Center for Translational Medicine in the Department of Medicine at JMC used a virus to insert the gene for a protein called S100A1 into failing hearts of laboratory animals. Dr. Koch reports improvements seen in both the whole animal and in individual heart cells.

"This is one of the first studies to do intracoronary gene delivery in a post-infarcted failing heart," he says. "This proves it could actually

be a therapy since most of the previous studies of this type are aimed at prevention . . . This is a remarkable rescue and reversal of cardiac dysfunction, with obvious clinical implications for future heart failure therapy."

**X Jefferson Scientists Find Way to See Breast Cancer Activity from Outside the Body**

Using precise, radioactively labeled genetic probes, researchers at JMC have visualized sites of cancer gene activity from outside the body in laboratory mice. The probes, which work by attaching to genetic codes copied from an active cancer gene, may someday aid physicians and scientists in cancer detection and in determining the appropriate treatment for a cancer. The researchers, including Eric Wickstrom, PhD, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Pharmacology and Microbiology and Immunology at JMC and the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, and Mathew Thakur, PhD, Professor of Radiology at JMC, reported their results in December in the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*.

**X Jefferson Scientists Help to Create New Vaccine for Wildlife Rabies**

Scientists at JMC and at Molecular Targeting Technologies, Inc. (MTTI) in West Chester, PA, have created a more powerful, safer vaccine than currently is available to combat rabies in wildlife. In work published in December in the journal *Vaccine*, researchers led by Bernhard Dietzschold, DVM, Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, JMC, created a new live rabies vaccine by manipulating the virus itself, making it much weaker than before. The scientists also made the vaccine much more immunogenic. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta is testing the vaccine's effectiveness in raccoons, dogs, skunks and mongoose.

**X Signaling Pathway May be Key to Understanding Roots of Hypertension**

Defeating high blood pressure may be a matter of a little molecular manipulation. Some drugs for hypertension, such as so-called ACE inhibitors, block specific receptor proteins on the cell. But researchers at JMC, including Andrea Eckhart, PhD, Associate Professor of Medicine, instead have looked to a certain molecular pathway called the Gq signaling pathway, showing that it plays an important role in developing various models of hypertension. The work might lead to new insights into the roots of hypertension, and eventually, the scientists believe, novel therapies.

**Give Blood Today and Receive Snazzy T-Shirt!**

When you give blood at the Blood Donor Center, 8230 Gibbon, **215-955-7791**, you'll receive a snazzily designed T-Shirt, modeled here by donor Tom Bruzizio of Mail/Messenger.

Plus, you'll receive three hours of comp time. And, if you come on a Monday, an Atrium meal ticket.

Other photos and text show or list top donors honored at the Blood Donor Recognition Luncheon, funded by the Women's Board of Jefferson Hospital. Each employee has donated at least two gallons and has been actively donating over the past three years.

The number by each donor's name stands for the total gallons each person gave. One gallon equals eight donations of one pint each.



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**[Top] 144 Pints Donated at This Table of Five!** Standing, from left, Sari Trachtenberg (3 gallons), Betty Warner (5). Seated, from left, Joe Romano (2), Cameron Smith (6), John Mahoney (2). Also recognized [not pictured] at their 'Table of Champions' - 44 Gallons: 352 Pints Donated! - Jim Kelly (9 gallons), John Andrews (8), Mike D'Orazio (7), Paul Juray (7), John Hans (5), Sharon Caine (3), Larry Martino (3), Vince Improto (2). **[From left to right]** Security Officer Barry Beddis, heart transplant recipient 9 years ago; Samir K. Ballas, MD, Director, Blood Bank; Alan L. Brechbill, hospital Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, presents Betty Warner with \$1,000 Travel Certificate.



Thanking all Jefferson employees for their generous work to support the March of Dimes (MOD), 7-year-old Amanda Reeves, the MOD National Ambassador Child, and her mother, Michelle, visited Thomas J. Lewis, Hospital President and CEO. Amanda presented Mr. Lewis with a March of Dimes sweatshirt and a plaque of appreciation.

## Cancer Surgeon Adam Berger, MD, Joins Hospital



Surgeon Adam Craig Berger, MD, who has received special training in the treatment of gastrointestinal cancers, has joined the Department of Surgery at Jefferson Hospital and will have an academic appointment in the Department of Surgery, Jefferson Medical College (JMC).

Dr. Berger is interested in the multidisciplinary management of malignancies of the upper gastrointestinal tract including esophageal, gastric and pancreatic cancers and has received advanced training in managing melanoma, sarcoma and breast cancers. He most recently completed a fellowship in surgical oncology at the Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia.

Herbert Cohn, MD, Interim Chair of Surgery at Jefferson, says:

"Dr. Berger will collaborate with other members of the Division of General Surgery to develop minimally invasive approaches in the surgical management of esophageal, gastric and pancreatic malignancies."

Active in clinical trials, he is a member of the American College of Surgeons Oncology Group (ACOSOG) and the Radiation Therapy Oncology Group (RTOG).

Dr. Berger completed an internship and residency in general surgery at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore. He has also served as a clinical associate in the surgery branch of the National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD.

He received his MD in 1995 from the New York University School of Medicine and a BA in 1991 from the University of Chicago.

Author of more than 30 publications, chapters, editorials, reviews and abstracts, Dr. Berger's professional and scientific society associate memberships include the American College of Surgeons, the Society of Surgical Oncology and the American Association for Cancer Research. He is an active member of the Association of Academic Surgery and the American Society of Clinical Oncology.

## Hospital Awarded Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Grant for Homeless Project

The Philadelphia affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation has awarded Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's "Breast Health in Homeless Women Project" a \$60,000 grant.

The announcement credits Jefferson's project as being selected because of "its initiative in relation to the specific breast health needs of the Delaware Valley."

Jefferson is one of 34 Delaware Valley recipients of this year's awards.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation was established in 1982 by Nancy Brinker to honor the memory of her sister, Susan G. Komen, who died from breast cancer at 36.

### In Memoriam

#### Lea F. Sullivan

With the entire Jefferson community saddened by the tragic death of Lea F. Sullivan, a very promising and popular third-year Jefferson Medical College (JMC) student, a scholarship fund has been established in her memory. Contributions to the Lea Fohrder Sullivan Scholarship Fund for Women Medical Students may be directed to the Thomas Jefferson University Office of Institutional Advancement, Suite 110, 925 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19107. JMC plans to conduct a memorial service for Ms. Sullivan in March.

#### Peter Amadio Jr., MD

The Jefferson community mourns the death of Peter Amadio Jr., MD, 77, of Jamison, who retired as Professor of Family Medicine, Jefferson Medical College, in 2001. A 1958 graduate of Jefferson Medical College, Dr. Amadio had joined the newly established Department of Family Medicine in 1973, and subsequently was presented an Outstanding Teacher Award by Jefferson's family residents and in 1989 the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching from Jefferson's medical students.

Before joining Jefferson's faculty, Dr. Amadio had volunteered once a week at a Jefferson clinic while working 12 years as a researcher for pharmaceutical companies. He was "thrilled" to have the chance to be a fulltime family doctor, his wife of 57 years, Vilma Antonioli Amadio, said.

## Emmy Award-Winning Composer Brings Musical Message of Hope to Cancer Survivors

Emmy award-winning composer and pianist Misha Segal presented a special concert to benefit the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson at the conclusion of the center's third annual educational conference, "Life After a Cancer Diagnosis."

Misha Segal's concert, "Beauty Found in Unlikely Places," has been performed at cancer centers

across the country to raise spirits, funds and awareness in the fight against cancer. His concert series was inspired by his mother's six-year battle with lung cancer. He performed selections from his latest piano release, *Female*, and spoke of how much music meant to his mother.

The conference also featured interactive breakout sessions



presented by experts in the field on topics related to cancer treatment, recovery and survivorship.

## Howard K. Rabinowitz, MD, Appointed to IOM's Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellowship Board



Howard K. Rabinowitz, MD, Professor of Family Medicine, and Director, Physician Shortage Area Program (PSAP), Jefferson Medical

College, has recently been appointed to the Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ) Health Policy Fellowships Advisory Board. This one-year Fellowship, conducted by the Institute of Medicine (IOM) of

the National Academy of Sciences, provides mid-career health professionals with comprehensive training in health policy, and in-depth experience working in the United States Congress. Dr. Rabinowitz, a member of the IOM, is a former RWJ Health Policy Fellow who worked in the office of Senator John D. (Jay) Rockefeller IV (W VA) in 1993-94.

In addition, Dr. Rabinowitz recently consulted in Australia with the Council of Deans of Australian

Medical Schools and the Australian government to help evaluate that country's rural physician training initiatives, based on the success of Jefferson's rural PSAP.

Dr. Rabinowitz also presented the PSAP research outcomes at the IOM's Workshop on The Future of Rural Medicine, and presented new research on the long-term retention of PSAP graduates at the annual meeting of the World Organization of Family Doctors (WONCA).

## 2005 Dementia Management Conference Set for February 4

The 6th annual Dementia Management Conference – "Dementia Management: New Directions in Providing Care to Patients and Their Families" – will be held February 4 from 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. at the Bluemle Life Sciences Building.

Sponsored by the Center for Applied Research on Aging and Health, Jefferson College of Health Professions, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and the Farber Institute for Neurosciences at

Thomas Jefferson University, the conference is targeted to multidisciplinary professionals. These include physicians, nurses, occupational and physical therapists, social workers and psychologists as well as researchers in Alzheimer's disease, dementia and family caregiving.

The conference is also appropriate for Alzheimer family caregivers and other consumers with an interest in these issues.

Keynote Speaker will be Samuel

Gandy III, MD, PhD, Director of the Farber Institute. Barry Rovner, MD, Director of Clinical Alzheimer's Disease Research at the Farber Institute, will be among the presenters.

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## \$30,000 Gift Received for Cardiac Imaging Research

Thomas Jefferson University has received a \$30,000 gift from Atlantic Medical Imaging (AMI), a 20-physician radiology practice with offices in southern New Jersey. The gift will fund a fellowship in cardiac imaging in the Department of Radiology, chaired by Vijay M. Rao, MD.

"Their gift presents a wonderful model of private practice/academic department partnership, setting a stage for a totally new paradigm that we hope will encourage other practice groups to become involved and support education and research in the academic community," says Dr. Rao, "Jefferson is training top-notch radiology residents and fellows, and private practice groups want to hire excellent people, so it benefits everyone."

Atlantic Medical Imaging offers a full range of radiography and

imaging services, including sophisticated cardiac CTA, MRI and PET scans. "Their group is doing outstanding work that represents a revolution in the way coronary artery disease is diagnosed. More than 1,000 patients have received coronary CT angiography at Atlantic Medical Imaging, easily a practice with the largest experience in the country," says Dr. Rao.

Marc Peck, MD, AMI President, and a Jefferson post-graduate alumnus, says, "Performing a CT scan of the coronary arteries allows us to evaluate not only the artery, but its wall and the plaque formations that may be present. It is certainly less invasive than angiography for the patient. When we hire new radiologists for our practice, we would like them to know these advanced procedures.

By funding this fellowship, we ensure that there will be a pool of well-trained radiologists that our practice and others can hire. We want to help maintain the integrity of academic medicine."

David Levin, MD, former Chair of Radiology at Jefferson, was instrumental in forming the relationship between Jefferson and AMI. He comments, "Technology has raced ahead at a tremendous pace. Academic health centers like Jefferson simply cannot bear the entire cost of hiring the best educators and purchasing the latest equipment without some outside help. Dr. Peck understands this problem and offered to assist us with this gift. He is really a visionary and progressive thinker."

**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.**

**Month/Days**  
**January 1 - 31: Cervical Cancer Screening, Cervical Health Awareness, National Glaucoma Awareness March of Dimes Birth Defects Prevention and National Volunteer Blood Donor month.**  
**January 1: New Year's Day**

**BROWN BAG LUNCHES**

Lesbian and gay lunch group for staff, students and other members of the Jefferson community. The meetings will be held every third Wednesday of each month, noon to 1 p.m., 1508 Pavilion. Contact John at JeffGala@aol.com for more information.

**CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS**

**Tuesday, January 4**  
 • Radiology, Donald G. Mitchell, MD, Radiology, TJUH, "ACRIN Multicenter Evaluation of Imaging for Cervical Cancer Staging," 5 to 6 p.m., 780L Main.

**Thursday, January 6**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Sarah Bronson, PhD, Cellular and Molecular Physiology, Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine, "Murine Embryonic Stem Cell-Derived Osteogenesis," noon, 101 BLSB.

**Friday, January 7**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 105 BLSB.

**Tuesday, January 11**  
 • Radiology, Meir Shinnar, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Medicine, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, New Brunswick, NJ, "Cardiac MRI: Current and Emerging Clinical Applications," 5 to 6 p.m., 780L Main.

**Thursday, January 13**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Randy R. Brutkiewicz, PhD, Microbiology and Immunology, Indiana University School of Medicine, Walther Oncology Center, "Alterations in CD1d Molecules and NKT Cells Following a Virus Infection," noon, 101 BLSB.

**Friday, January 14**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 105 BLSB.

**Monday, January 17**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Jim Jaynes, Microbiology and Immunology, "Transgenic Analysis of Homeoprotein and Polycomb-dependent Boundary Element Function in Drosophila," 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

**Tuesday, January 18**  
 • Radiology, Karl Doghramji, MD, Professor, Psychiatry, JMC, "Fatigue and Sleepiness in Physicians," 5 to 6 p.m., 780L Main.

• Jefferson HealthCARE – Voorhees, David Kastenber, MD, Gastroenterology and Hepatology, TJUH, "Do You have GERD: Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease?" 6 to 7 p.m., Jefferson HealthCARE – Voorhees, 445 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees, NJ. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

**Thursday, January 20**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Catherine Berlot, MD, PhD, Geisinger Clinic, "Visualization of G Protein Targeting and Signaling Using GFP Fusions and Biomolecular Fluorescence Complementation," 4 p.m., 207 JAH.

**Friday, January 21**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 307 JAH.

**Monday, January 24**  
 • Jefferson Institute of Molecular Medicine, Depts. of Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology, Medicine/Rheumatology, and Orthopaedic Surgery, H. Clark Anderson, University of Kansas, "Matrix Vesicle Mediated Mineralization: Role of Pyrophosphate," noon, 101 BLSB.

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Michael Root, Microbiology and Immunology, "Inhibiting HIV-1 Entry: How the Rabbit Beats the Tortoise," 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

**Tuesday, January 25**  
 • Women's Health Source, Donna Zwas, MD, Jefferson Heart Institute, "Caring for Your Heart: Cardiac Risk Factors for Women," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

• Radiology, David Naidich, MD, "Evaluation of the Pulmonary Nodule: Current Status," 5 to 6 p.m., 780L Main.

**Wednesday, January 26**  
 • Jefferson HealthCARE – Voorhees, Carissa C. Pineda, MD, Jefferson Stroke Center and Division of Cerebral Vascular Disease, TJUH, "Stroke Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation," 6 to 7 p.m., Jefferson HealthCARE – Voorhees, 445 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees, NJ. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

**Thursday, January 27**  
 • Women's Health Source, John H. Moore, MD, Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, TJUH, "Small Procedures, Big Results," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

**Friday, January 28**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 307 JAH.

**Monday, January 31**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Translational Research Opportunities, Scott Waldman, MD, PhD, "Developmental Therapeutics," 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

**UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS**

**Friday, February 4**  
 • Co-Sponsored by the Center for Applied Research on Aging and Health, Jefferson College of Health Professions, TJUH and the Farber Institute for Neurosciences, TJU, various keynote speakers, "Dementia Management: New Directions in Providing Care to Patients and their Families," 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., 101 BLSB. For more information, email Sandy.Schinfeld@jefferson.edu

**FORUM**

**Wednesday, January 12**  
 • Health Policy, Frederic Cohen, MD, President, Crownstone, "Secular and Recent Trends in Pharmaceutical Industry Innovation," 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., 218 Curtis. Call 215-955-2822.

**GRAND ROUNDS**

**Wednesday, January 5**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Mitchell Machtay, MD, Radiation Oncology, JMC, "Hemoglobin Effect in Definitive RT," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

• Pediatrics, James A. Forsman, PhD, Vice-President and General Manager, DuPont Safety Resources, "Creating a Culture of Safety," 8 to 9 a.m., Lecture Hall, duPont Hospital for Children. (Video teleconference from duPont Hospital for Children to AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System.)

• Pediatrics, Joel Edman, DSc, FACN, CNS, Director, Integrative Nutrition, Myrna Brind Center for Integrative Medicine, "The Use of Dietary Supplements in Pediatric Clinical Practice," 8 to 9 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conference Room at JMC.

• Psychiatry and Human Behavior, Kim Marie Olthoff, MD, FACS, Associate Professor, Surgery, University of Pennsylvania Hospital; Robert M. Weinrieb, MD, Associate Professor, Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, "The Selection of Liver Transplant Recipients: A Transplant Treatment," 11 a.m. to noon, DePalma.

**Thursday, January 6**  
 • Medicine, Walter Koch, PhD, "Translational Medicine: From Benchtop to Bedside, Part III," noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 7**  
 • Neurosurgery, Amgad Hanna, MD, Neurology, case presentation, 7 a.m., DePalma.

**Wednesday, January 12**  
 • Pediatrics, Stephen J. McGeary, MD, Associate Professor, JMC, Chief, Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, DuPont Hospital for Children, "Asthma and the NIH Guidelines," 8 to 9 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conference Room at JMC and Lecture Hall, duPont Hospital for Children. (Video teleconference from Jefferson to duPont Hospital for Children, AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System.)

**Thursday, January 13**  
 • Medicine, Gregg Semenza, MD, PhD, "Erslev Lecture," noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 14**  
 • Neurosurgery, James S. Harrop, MD, and Dennis Dlugos, MD, Neurology, "Predicting Drug Response in Epilepsy – Old Ways, New Ways," 7 a.m., DePalma.

**Wednesday, January 19**  
 • Pediatrics, David A. Paul, MD, Associate Professor, JMC, Attending Neonatologist, Christiana Hospital, "Infant Mortality in Delaware - How Real is the Problem?" 8 to 9 a.m., Lecture Hall, duPont Hospital for Children.

• Pediatrics, Denise V. Rogers, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Community Health; Professor of Environmental and Occupational Medicine, UMDNJ, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, "A Lifecycle Review of Health Disparities," 8 to 9 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conference Room at JMC.

**Thursday, January 20**  
 • Medicine, Anthony DiMarino, MD, "Update in Gastroenterology," noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 21**  
 • Neurosurgery, Robert Sergott, MD, F. Gonzalez-Scarano, MD, "Neuro-Ophthalmology," 7 a.m., DePalma.

**Wednesday, January 26**  
 • Pediatrics, Lawrence G. Lenke, MD, Jerome J. Gilden Professor, Orthopaedic Surgery, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Co-Chief Pediatric and Adult Spinal Scoliosis and Reconstructive Surgery, Barnes-Jewish Hospital, St. Louis, "Evaluation and Treatment of Idiopathic Scoliosis," 8 to 9 a.m., Lecture Hall, duPont Hospital for Children. (Video teleconference from duPont Hospital for Children to AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System.)

**Friday, January 28**  
 • Neurosurgery, Journal Club, case presentation, 7 a.m., DePalma.

**MEETINGS**

**Wednesday, January 5**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Faculty Meeting, 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

**Monday, January 10**  
 • Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, TJUH, 5 p.m., Scott.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Wednesday, January 5**  
 • Pastoral Care Ground Rounds, round table discussion including presentations from Community Health, Palliative Care, and Education. Looking at what factors influence quality of life assessments from these various perspectives, 12:30 p.m., DePalma Aud. Call 215-955-6336.

**Thursday, January 6**  
 • Activities Office, Intermediate Ballet Classes, prior ballet experience preferred, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Group Exercise Studio, B100 JAH. \$20 TJU students and Commons members,

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January 1 Apartment for Rent: Swarthmore area, condominium building, one bedroom, updated kitchen and bath, new paint, carpets, balcony, free parking, laundry on site and pool, \$850 includes utilities.

January 2 Studio for Rent: City Line, new kitchen and bath, balcony with great view of park and City, good closets, laundry and health club on-site, door-man, secure building, free parking, \$825 a month includes utilities.

January 3 Cottage for Rent: Small stone cottage, 2 to 3 minutes walk to Secane train station (Media line), recently renovated, secluded on 16 wooded acres, one large open room, sleeping loft, bathroom, porch, washer/dryer, gas stove, refrigerator, radiant heat, swimming pool on premises, \$850 a month includes utilities. Available immediately.

January 4 House for Rent: Elkins Park, two-story, single family house, six-rooms, three bedrooms, one bathroom (renovated), formal dining room, eat-in kitchen, newly done hardwood floors, complete basement ideal for storage, off-street parking, commuter's delight with easy walking distance to the R5 train and along the SEPTA 28 bus route, parks and Cheltenham Schools within walking distance. Ask about our rent-to-own program, \$1,375 a month.

January 5 Apartment for Rent: Olde City, one bedroom, large, fully renovated with hardwood floors, new washer/dryer, new shower, includes 1 parking space, pets allowed (cats only).

January 6 Vacation rental: Massachusetts, Martha's Vineyard, spacious house on private road, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, post and beam construction, fireplace, stained glass windows, lofts, skylights, upstairs and downstairs decks, washer/dryer, dishwasher, microwave, new kitchen, access to town beaches and tennis courts, \$1,000 a week, June and September, \$1,600 a week, July and August.

January 7 Vacation rental: Ocean City, NJ, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, sleeps 8, new construction, 2 blocks from beach and boardwalk, fully furnished, kitchen, washer/dryer, fireplace, front and back decks plus rooftop deck. Available year round.

\$30 Jefferson employees. Pre-register in Activities office, B100 JAH (continues Thurs. through Feb. 16.)

• Activities Office, Hip Hop Dance Classes, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., Group Exercise Studio, JAH. \$20 Commons members and TJU students, \$30 Jefferson employees, \$40 guests of above. Pre-register in Activities office, B100 JAH. Call 215-503-7949 for prices.

**Friday, January 7**  
 • Activities Office, Disney's "On the Record," 8 p.m., Academy of Music. Limited tickets available in Activities Office, B100 JAH.

**Friday, January 14**  
 • Activities Office, Philadelphia Orchestra: Late Great Works Festival, 8 p.m., Kimmel Center. Limited tickets available in Activities Office, B100 JAH.

**RELIGIOUS SERVICES**

**Monday, January 3**  
 • The 2 Chronicles 7:14 prayer group, 6:30 to 6:55 a.m., 9490 Gibbon (behind the chapel). Also Mondays, January 10, 17, 24 and 31. Call Paul at 609-680-7546.

**Tuesday, January 4**  
 • Christian prayer meeting, praise, prayer and Bible reading, non-denominational, noon to 1 p.m., 219 Curtis. Also Tuesdays, January 4, 11, 18 and 25. Call Theresa at 215-955-4710.

• Hospital Christian Fellowship, brown bag, Bible study, 1 to 2 p.m., 302 MOB. Call Hyacinth Williams at 215-474-0864. Also Wednesdays, January 12, 19 and 26.

**Thursday, January 6**  
 • 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, January 13, 20 and 27. Call 215-955-6336.

To place an ad to buy or sell personal items, send written copy and a photocopy of your Jefferson ID to Ruth Stephens, 211 S. 9th Street, Suite 300. Please include your Jefferson extension and area code for home number. (Please do not abbreviate copy.)

Sublet: Office space for sublet in the Ben Franklin, part-time, hours flexible, willing to negotiate. Call Dr. King at 609-425-2681.

For sale: Medical office/clinical furniture, excellent condition: exam tables, base sink, wall cabinets, waiting room furniture, desks, chairs, etc. Reasonable offers accepted. Possible delivery. Call Sy at 570-407-2716.

For sale: 2002 Acura RL (Metallic Mist), 18,000 miles, garage kept, fully maintained by dealership, fluid/filter recently changed, sun roof "Bose", 6 cylinder, AM/FM, sound system, leather heated seats with lumbar support, traction control, anti-lock brakes, "E" tinted glass to avoid glare, fog lights, etc., any octane fuel can be used (automatically adjusts), \$26,999. Call Leo at 856-424-8255 or email leo8255@earthlink.net.

For sale: 2002 Acura TL (Diamond White), 33,000 miles, garage kept, fully maintained by dealership, fluid/filter recently changed, sun roof "Bose", 6 cylinder, AM/FM, sound system, leather heated seats with lumbar support, traction control, anti-lock brakes, "E" tinted glass to avoid glare, fog lights, etc., any octane fuel can be used (automatically adjusts), \$22,999. Call Leo at 856-424-8255 for email leo8255@earthlink.net.

For sale: 1999 Honda Odyssey, dark green, 71,000 miles, good condition, \$10,000. Call Heesun at 610-543-3694.

For sale: 1994 Volvo 850 turbo sedan, aqua with brown leather, 120,000 miles, good condition, extras, \$4,000. Call Heesun at 610-543-3694.

For sale: Sofa and armchair fabric, extra wide sofa exceeds 91", good condition, both for \$80. Call Lin at 856-428-0183.

For sale: Office chairs, file cabinets, desk and printer, 15" personal computer screen, keyboard, etc., den furniture, stereo, large TV, 50-gallon hot water heater, 3-speed bike (like new), 205 Michelin radial tires. Call Leo at 856-424-8255 or email Leo at Leo8255@earthlink.net

For sale: Large selection of medical books, most in pristine condition: neurosurgery, neurology, oncology, microbiology and genetics. Best offers taken. Call Pat Wallace at 215-955-6222 for a complete list or email Pat.Wallace@mail.tju.edu

**SUPPORT GROUP**

**Thursday, January 6**  
 • Therapy Group in Psychiatry open for people with depression and anxiety, Farrell Lines, MD, and Steven Huege, MD, third-year resident, 1 to 2:15 p.m., 833 Chestnut St., Suite 210. Meets every Thursday. Call 215-955-8420.

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<b>New Year's Day</b>	Observed Friday, December 31, 2004
<b>Memorial Day</b>	Observed on Monday, May 30
<b>4th of July</b>	Monday, July 4
<b>Labor Day</b>	Monday, September 5
<b>Thanksgiving</b>	Thursday, November 24
<b>Christmas</b>	Observed on Monday, December 26