



Hospital, Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson Awarded Top Honor from American College of Surgeons



Dr. Pestell

The American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer has awarded to the hospital its highest possible recognition for its cancer programs offered through the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson (KCC) – a three-year approval with commendation.

The Commission on Cancer approval is based on several criteria, including the ability to provide comprehensive state-of-the-art services and equipment, a multidisciplinary team approach in coordinating cancer care, a cancer data management system or cancer registry that is capable of recording and analyzing cancer trends by primary site, demographics,

treatment and patient outcomes and a lifetime follow-up and extent of disease analysis.



Dr. Yeo

“Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson are delighted to have received the highest possible rating from the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer,” says Richard Pestell, MD, PhD, KCC Director and Professor and Chair of Cancer Biology at Jefferson Medical College (JMC).

“Dr. Charles Yeo, Chair of Surgery, Drs. Walter Curran and Neal Flomenberg and the entire cancer team at all levels of the organization should be proud of

this important accomplishment, providing the highest quality of care to our cancer patients at Jefferson.”



Dr. Curran

“This is appropriate recognition of the level of clinical care and research expertise and achievement in a number of areas,” notes Walter Curran Jr., MD, Professor and Chair of Radiation Oncology at Jefferson and KCC Clinical Director. “We’ve received accreditation at the highest level for the maximum time, meaning we’ve met and exceeded a benchmark in all areas surveyed. It’s a good measure of our ability to have an effective clinical research program.”

Jefferson Ranked Third Among Top 10 Hospitals in Nation for Radiology Services

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital has been ranked third in the nation for radiological services among the top 10 hospitals in the United States in the field of radiology by *Medical Imaging*, a leading national magazine.

The *Medical Imaging* Industry Top 10 also singled out six Jefferson University Hospital specialists – ranking several of Jefferson’s experts as number one in their categories. They are the only radiology experts in Philadelphia to be so recognized.

The first annual *Medical Imaging* Industry Top 10 was featured as the magazine’s January 2006 cover story. The Top 10 is a ranking of the industry’s best in ten categories, including imaging facilities, physicians and technologists.

Recognizing Jefferson for Excellence
Jefferson Hospital was recognized among the best in the field for excellence in research, innovation, industry interaction and patient care. Outcomes, attitude, unique solutions and general knowledge were also factors in determining the rankings.

Hospital President and CEO

Thomas J. Lewis said he is proud that Jefferson’s imaging programs have been added to the list of nationally recognized, specialized services available to patients in this region and the nation.

“This honor reflects our staff’s commitment to providing exceptional patient care through the most advanced diagnostic imaging technology,” Mr. Lewis said.

Jefferson Hospital imaging experts named by *Medical Imaging* magazine in six categories are:

Radiologist:

- Vijay M. Rao, MD, Professor and Chair, Department of Radiology
- Barry Goldberg, MD, Professor, Radiology, and Director, Division of Diagnostic Ultrasound and Jefferson Ultrasound Research and Education Institute

Radiation Oncologist/Cancer Researcher:

- Walter J. Curran Jr., MD, Professor and Chair, Department of Radiation Oncology, and Clinical Director, Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson

Women’s Imaging Specialist:

- Catherine W. Piccoli, MD, Assistant Professor, Radiology, and Director, Jefferson’s Breast Imaging Center

Cardiovascular Imager:

- Ethan Halpern, MD, MS, Professor of Radiology and Urology, and Co-director, Jefferson Prostate Diagnostic Center

Nuclear Physicist/

Nuclear Medicine Researcher:

- James M. Galvin, DSc, Professor, Radiation Oncology, and Director, Medical Physics Division, Department of Radiation Oncology

Medical Imaging created the Industry Top 10 to allow radiology’s best to be recognized by their peers, thereby inspiring further accomplishments, research and goals among the magazine’s readers across the country.

Jefferson Hospital’s Radiology Residency Program Ranked Number One

In a separate development, Jefferson Hospital’s Radiology Residency Program was ranked first out of 187 residency programs in the country by the Radiology Residency Committee (RRC). The RRC awards the ranking based on based on the cumulative five-year (2001-2005) performance of residents in the American Board of Radiology examination.

Watch *JeffNEWS* for more details.



S.T.A.R. Employees Light Up Jefferson!

Check the *JeffToday* monitors in the Gibbon Building for more photos of the S.T.A.R. celebration.



Robert Neroni Photography

Jefferson University Physicians Selects Allscripts for Electronic Health Record

Jefferson University Physicians (JUP), a division of Thomas Jefferson University, will implement the Allscripts TouchWorks™ Electronic Health Record (EHR) to connect and provide clinical automation for its 480 physicians and 700 residents.

Allscripts is the leading provider of clinical software, connectivity and information solutions that physicians use to improve health care. The company indicated the contract with JUP is the largest it has signed, with a value in excess of \$5.5 million.

The Allscripts EHR solution will enable JUP physicians to have instant access to clinical records from any of the group’s 75 practice locations, the hospital or remotely, and provide a seamless connection to the other administrative and clinical systems in use by Jefferson.

Automating Daily Clinical Tasks

With the Allscripts EHR solution, JUP physicians will have the ability to automate many of their daily clinical tasks, such as prescribing medications, ordering lab tests, viewing test results, making referrals electronically and documenting clinical encounters.

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VITAL SIGNS:

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TJUH, Methodist, Geriatric Psychiatry, Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience

	Budget	Actual	Prior Year
Admissions	3,704	3,758	3,743
Length of Stay	6.16	6.48	6.00
Patient Days	22,805	22,480	22,779
TJUH, Methodist Outpatient Visits	38,575	38,696	37,748
Patient Satisfaction Overall Mean Score (Oct-Dec) 82.0			

Annual Student Research Day and William Potter Lecture March 21

Thomas Jefferson University will host its annual Sigma Xi Student Research Day and William Potter Lecture on March 21.

This year's William Potter Lecturer will be Dr. Phillip Zamore, Professor, Biochemistry and Molecular Pharmacology, University of Massachusetts Medical School. The title of Dr. Zamore's talk is, "RNAi and Other Ancient Pathways Programmed by Small RNA." The lecture is at 4 p.m. in 101 Bluemle Life Sciences Building.

JCGS and CHP graduate students, JMC students, and undergraduates from area colleges will present their research as posters. Members of Jefferson's scientific community will judge the posters.

All are invited to view the posters, attend the lecture, and join researchers at the reception following the lecture.

For more information, call 215-503-0153 or visit www.jefferson.edu/jcgs/home

Lawrence S. Lewin to Deliver 14th Annual Paul C. Brucker, MD Lecture March 31

The 14th Annual Paul C. Brucker, MD Lecture in Healthcare, "The Future of Health Care: Where does 'Health' Fit in?" will be delivered by Lawrence S. Lewin, MBA, executive consultant, founder and former CEO, The Lewin Group, at 101 Bluemle Life Sciences Building, 9 a.m., March 31. A 10 a.m. reception will follow the lecture.

Building on more than 30 years experience in health care, Mr. Lewin provides personal executive consulting services to senior health executives and trustees, and serves a number of for-profit and non-profit boards as a chair/director/trustee. During his career, Mr. Lewin has worked with a wide range of public and private executives in developing federal, state and local health policies and corporate strategies. Academic medical centers and public policy have been the principal focus of his efforts as a consultant and as a professional.

University Choir and Orchestra Perform Free Spring Concert March 31

The Thomas Jefferson University Choir and Orchestra will perform their 36th Annual Spring Concert on Friday, March 31, at 8 p.m. It will be held at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, 330 S. 13th St. The featured work will be Gabriel Faure's *Requiem* with full orchestra plus other selections including Pergolesi's *Magnificat*.

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call 215-790-5195 or -5194.

Jefferson University Physicians Selects Allscripts for Electronic Health Record *continued from page 1*

"Our partnership with Allscripts improves our ability to create a premier, patient-focused, integrated physician practice, while enhancing our tradition as a distinguished academic medical center," said Robert L. Barchi, MD, PhD, President of Thomas Jefferson University and Chair of the JUP Board.

"It is essential that we provide our residents and fellows access to leading technology, and the electronic health record has emerged as a mission critical tool for 21st century medicine. It was clear that Allscripts is the 'solution of choice' to align our integrated practice with an integrated clinical information system. Additionally, their level of expertise and experience in interfacing with IDX applications is impressive," said Dr. Barchi.

Evaluating for Two Years

JUP conducted an extensive two-year evaluation of electronic health record vendors and ultimately selected Allscripts for its industry leadership and its track record of successful electronic health record deployments at many of the nation's most prestigious academic medical centers.

Additionally, Allscripts will provide standardized interoperability with the physician group's existing IDX® Flowcast™ practice management system, and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's acute care clinical information system. Allscripts and IDX, now a part of GE Healthcare, share a strategic relationship that will directly link clinical and financial information systems to support process redesign and operational enhancements at JUP.

"Allscripts has a proven track record with physician practice, multi-center deployments," said Bruce Metz, Thomas Jefferson University's Chief Information Officer. "The fact that the application is web-based was important as our physicians will be able to access patient information securely anywhere at anytime. The implementation of the EHR will also improve JUP's position to provide quality care while ensuring a state-of-the-art environment for patient care and resident and student education."

"Our physicians are poised to begin implementation of these systems immediately," commented Thomas J. Nasca, MD, Dean of Jefferson Medical College and JUP President. "This will be a significant step forward not only for JUP and our physicians, but especially for the patients we serve."

Observing Universal Protocol and Its Four Steps (the 4 Cs)

Nursing staff observed Universal Protocol Day in order to make all staff aware that whether a procedure is performed in designated areas or at the patient's bedside the same steps must take place to decrease the risk of error in performing procedures. A display in the Gibbon lobby explained the four steps:

- 1) Identify Patient, Procedure and Procedure Site
- 2) Mark Procedure Site
- 3) Conduct 'Time Out' to review Steps One and Two
- 4) Complete documentation for Steps One and Two



From left, Kathy Jaffe, RN, MSN, charge nurse SPU/SDA; Joanne Grace, RN, MS, CNOR, CNS, Perioperative Services; Shirley Morgan, RN, MSN, CNOR, CS, Operating Room Staff Nurse, cardiac service.

Fred Gorstein, MD, Named Chair of Pathology



Fred Gorstein, MD, has been appointed Chair of the Department of Pathology, Anatomy and Cell Biology, Jefferson Medical College (JMC), Thomas J.

Nasca, MD, JMC Dean, and Thomas J. Lewis, hospital President and CEO, have announced.

Dr. Gorstein had been serving as Interim Chair since 2003, and as Professor and Vice Chair since 1995.

He came to Jefferson in 1995 from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, Department of Pathology, where he had served as Professor and Chair since 1989, as Interim Chair since 1981 and as Vice Chair since 1979.

Before that, Dr. Gorstein served on the faculty of New York University School of Medicine, Department of Pathology, as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor from 1963 to 1979.

He has also served as Director of Laboratories at New York University Medical Center-University Hospital and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

From 1992 to 1994, Dr. Gorstein was President of Universities Associated for Research and Education in Pathology, a consortium of 23 University Medical Centers with common research interests. He served as Editor in Chief, *Human Pathology*, from 1988 to 2005, among other editorial responsibilities.

He is the recipient of the Distinguished Service (Thomas Jefferson) Award from Vanderbilt University and the Distinguished Service Award from Association Pathology Chairs.

He has served in numerous professional leadership positions in the field of pathology and is a member of many professional societies, in addition to being author or co-author of more than 125 publications.

He earned a BA from New York University, University College, in 1951 and his MD from New York University School of Medicine, in 1955.

Dr. Gorstein can be reached at 215-955-5060.

Hospital Appoints Two Vice Presidents in Administration

Alan L. Brechbill, hospital Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, has announced appointments of two Vice Presidents in Hospital Administration, Kimberly Evans and Richard Webster.



Kimberly Evans was appointed Vice President for Clinical and Support Services. She succeeds Scott Eldredge, but departments

reporting to the position have changed. Ms. Evans is responsible for Environmental Services, Nutrition and Dietetics, Clinical Laboratories, Blood Bank, Rehabilitation Services, Tissue Typing and University Health Services.

Ms. Evans started at Jefferson in 1996 as an Administrative Intern from the Institute of Diversity in Health Management. The next year she returned to Jefferson to complete her Administrative Residency in Hospital Administration. Before accepting the Vice President position, she was the Administrator for the Solid Organ Transplant

Program and Clinical Neurophysiology.

Ms. Evans has a Bachelor in finance from Towson State University and a Master's degree in Health Administration from the Medical College of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University.

Her office is at 2210-Y Gibbon and her extension is 5-8197.



Richard J. Webster returned to Jefferson at the end of 2005 to assume the position of Vice President for Musculoskeletal Services. He was

formerly the Assistant Vice President for Perioperative Services at Jefferson and most recently the Director of Perioperative Services at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center.

The newly created position is responsible for growing and further developing Musculoskeletal Services at Jefferson. Mr. Webster's position is similar to Pamela Kolb's as Vice President for Neurosciences.

Mr. Webster has a BS in Nursing and a Master's degree in Science in Nursing from Thomas Jefferson University, as well as a BS in Food Service and Housing Administration from Pennsylvania State University.

His office is in 2210 Gibbon and his extension is 5-5085.

In Memoriam

Howard Mazer, MD

The Jefferson community mourns the death in January of Howard Mazer, MD, 80, 1949 Jefferson Medical College graduate and faculty member, Korean War Veteran, prominent South Jersey physician and cofounder of the Delaware Valley Stroke Council with his wife Toby Mazer, Administrative Director, Stroke and Cardiac Network Development, Jefferson Hospital. Donations in Dr. Mazer's memory may be sent to the Delaware Valley Stroke Council, 1528 Walnut St., Suite 903, Philadelphia, PA 19102

Radiology's PICC Program Increases Patient Comfort While Decreasing Length of Hospital Stay



Robert Neroni Photography

From left, Linda Burns, RN, Linda Simmons, RN, Nurse Manager, Radiology, and Karen McKeon, RN. Since June 2002 the team has used ultrasound guidance to insert 3,677 "PICC lines" (Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters) at patient bedsides. Previously patients had to be transported to the Interventional Radiology suite to receive multiple catheters instead of one PICC line at bedside.

Thanks primarily to the skill and dedication of two staff nurses in the Radiology Department, the comfort of patients receiving long-term therapy for cancer is now significantly enhanced. At the same time, the length of hospital stay for these patients has been cut in half.

High praise for these dual achievements is due Karen McKeon, RN, and Linda Burns, RN, says their manager, Linda Simmons, RN, Nurse Manager, Radiology, who developed the program that made

the accomplishments possible.

Ms. Simmons drew up an action plan and proposal to use ultrasound guidance to insert "PICC lines" (Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters) at patient bedsides. PICC lines are used for long-term antibiotic therapy, chemotherapy, venous access for long-term medications, and TPN (Total Parenteral Nutrition) therapy. The catheters can stay in for up to one year if needed for some therapies.

Previously, patients had to be

transported to the Interventional Radiology suite and placed on less comfortable X-ray tables.

There, several catheters had to be inserted, whereas the current program requires only one, central catheter, and it is accomplished at patients' bedside.

Better Patient Satisfaction

"Patients are more comfortable staying in their hospital beds," explains Ms. Simmons. "They are more relaxed in their own rooms and can have family members stay with them when possible during the insertion of these catheters. Patient satisfaction is higher because patients don't have to deal with multiple peripheral IV sticks."

Previously, the waiting time for PICC placement was 4 to 5 days. Now it is 24 to 72 hours, thanks to the efforts of Ms. McKeon and Ms. Burns.

"There is no question that earlier PICC line insertion is the best option for the comfort and safety of patients having poor vascular access," Ms. Simmons stresses.

Hired to the unit in June 2002, Ms. McKeon and Ms. Burns have since inserted more than 3,677 PICC lines with ultrasound guidance.

In addition to decreasing the waiting time, they have a success rate of 95 to 99 percent and have received many compliments from patients in addition to kudos from colleagues. They have been nominated and recognized as S.T.A.R. employees.

To learn more about the PICC lines, visit <http://www.cancerbacup.org.uk/Treatments/Chemotherapy/Linesports/PICCl ine>

Michael J. Mastrangelo, MD, Portrait Presented to University

Michael J. Mastrangelo, MD, Professor of Medicine, Division of Medical Oncology, Thomas Jefferson University, and Associate Clinical Director, Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, poses with members of his family following the presentation of his portrait to the University.

Offering remarks before the presentation of the portrait by artist Dean L. Paules, ASPC, were David Berd, MD, Professor of Medicine, Takami Sato, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, and Edward McClay, MD, a Fellow in Medical Oncology from 1984 to 1987. Members of Dr. Mastrangelo's family also offered remarks.

Robert L. Barchi, MD, PhD, University President, accepted the portrait on behalf of the University.



Don Walker Photography

From left are Dr. Mastrangelo's daughter, Audrey Reynolds, his son, David M. Mastrangelo, Dr. Mastrangelo, his wife, Ann Sunday Mastrangelo, and son, Mark S. Mastrangelo.

Jefferson Reaches Out to Homeless City Women to Deliver Internet-Based Breast Cancer Education and Treatment

Thanks to a one-of-a-kind Internet-based project, Jefferson healthcare professionals are able to reach an underserved city population – homeless women – with education, screening and treatment for breast cancer.

The effort is made possible by a \$59,000 grant from the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

The project is being implemented by the Hospital's Office to Advance Population Health (OAPH) and the University's College of Health Profession's Center for Collaborative Research in partnership with Project H.O.M.E. (Housing, Opportunities, Medical Care and Education), Eliza Shirley, and the ACTS (Acts Christian Transition Services) shelters and residences.

Focus groups with shelter residents identified the attitudes, beliefs, behaviors and barriers related to early detection practices such as breast self-examination, clinical breast examinations, and breast cancer screening/mammography. This research informed the content for breast health and cancer educational programs and development of a website module tailored to the needs of homeless and formerly homeless women. Currently six shelters/residences are involved, with the potential to reach nearly 400 women with direct education and the potential for many more through the web module.

Women at increased risk of breast cancer are referred to Jefferson's RUBEE project, also funded by Komen. Women aged 40+ who are un- or underinsured and have not had a mammogram in the past two years are referred for a free mammogram at Methodist Hospital. If a diagnosis of breast cancer is confirmed, women are referred for appropriate care, either through Jefferson or through the Pennsylvania Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Program.

Unique Program

Since many shelters in Philadelphia are internet-wired, the idea of using the Internet to serve a homeless population seemed natural, explains Project Director Rickie Brawer, MPH, Associate Director, OAPH.

No other similar breast health programs targeting homeless and formerly homeless women have been identified in the Philadelphia region.

Says Ms. Brawer:

"This program is unique because it provides breast health education relevant to the needs of homeless women that can be accessed long term, after the project is completed, and from any computer with Internet capability. In addition, the website can easily be updated as necessary."

Estimates place the number of homeless people in Philadelphia on any given day at 6,500. Almost one-fourth of homeless women report needing medical attention but being unable to access care.

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation is dedicated to fighting the disease of breast cancer. Working with its affiliates throughout the world, it raises money to support innovative research and community-based programs that include education, screening and treatment.

Jefferson Family and Community Medicine Awarded \$2 Million Federal Grant to Create Geriatric Education Center



Jefferson's Department of Family and Community Medicine has been awarded a four-year \$2 million grant to establish the Eastern Pennsylvania-

Delaware Geriatric Education Center.

The grant is from the Bureau of Health Professions in the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

Geriatric Education Centers are federally funded to bring together interdisciplinary teams of geriatric educators who can develop state-of-the-art curricula around important geriatric topics and also deliver education to a wide variety of health professions students and practitioners.

Christine Arenson, MD, Director of the Division of Geriatric Medicine in the Department of Family and Community Medicine, Jefferson Medical College, has been involved

in providing quality health care for the aging population for much of her career. Her division will partner with faculty at Marywood University in Scranton, PA, and Christiana Care Health System in Wilmington, DE, on the Jefferson-based Geriatric Education Center funded under the HRSA grant.

"We will provide innovative interdisciplinary education that will allow us to translate research developed at Jefferson into education programs to be delivered regionally and disseminated nationally," Dr.

Arenson said. "This educational process will also lead to improved geriatric expertise among students, health professionals and faculty and thus result in measurable improvements in the health of older persons."

"Thomas Jefferson University has long been in the forefront of creating interdisciplinary collaborations," said Richard C. Wender, MD, Alumni Professor and Chair, Family and Community Medicine. "This project provides a unique opportunity to further establish our national recognition in geriatrics."

Hindson Award Nominations Accepted Until March 24

Nominations for the ninth annual Janet C. Hindson Award will be accepted until March 24. Presented by Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, the award is open to nurses who exemplify the caring and service to others that characterized Miss Janet C. Hindson's life. The award winner will be presented during the Nurses' Week 2006 celebration activities held May 8 to 12.

Pick up nomination guidelines in the Nursing Office, 1990 Gibbon. Letters of nomination should be sent to Mary Ann McGinley, RN, PhD, Senior Vice President for Patient Care, 2210 Gibbon. For more information, call 5-2210.

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.

March 5 - 11: Patient Safety Awareness Week. March 30: National Doctors' Day.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Thursday, March 2

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Richard Siegal, MD, PhD, Head, Immunoregulation Unit, National Institutes of Health, NIAMS, "Life and Death Signals in Lymphocytes," noon, 101 BLSB.

Monday, March 6

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Matthias Schnell, PhD, Microbiology and Immunology, topic t/b/a, 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

Tuesday, March 7

• Women's Health Source, Marie O'Brien, MD, Rheumatology, TJUH, "Osteoporosis: Bone-Breaking Facts," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

• Radiology, Rashi Mehta, MD, Resident, TJUH, "Does Training Have an Impact on Clinical Efficiency of the Academic Radiologist?" 5 to 6 p.m., 780-L Main.

Thursday, March 9

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Anita Hopper, PhD, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine, "tRNA Retrograde Movement from the Cytoplasm to the Nucleus: A Means to Regulate Protein Synthesis in Response to Nutrient Deprivation," noon, 407 JAH.

Monday, March 13

• Jefferson Institute of Molecular Medicine, Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology, Medicine/Rheumatology, and Orthopaedic Surgery, Kenro Kusumi, MD, PhD, CHOP, "Formation of the Axial Skeleton and Notch Pathway-Dependent Regulation of the Somite Clock," noon, 105-107 BLSB.

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Edward Winter, PhD, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, topic t/b/a, 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

Tuesday, March 14

• Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Robert Sharrar, MD, MS, Executive Director, Clinical Risk Management and Safety Surveillance, Merck & Co., Inc., "An Industry Approach to Monitoring Product Safety," noon to 1 p.m., 203 JMC.

• Women's Health Source, Gregory T. Fossum, MD, Ob/Gyn, TJUH, "New Surgical Techniques for Abnormal Vaginal Bleeding, Pelvic Pain and Uterine Fibroids," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

• Radiology, Laurence Needleman, MD, Associate Professor, TJUH, Journal Club, 5 to 6 p.m., 780-L Main.

Wednesday, March 15

• Rehabilitation Medicine, Neurology and Office of Continuing Medical Education, 53rd Annual Course in Electrodiagnostic Medicine and Clinical Neurophysiology. Course Directors: Bryan J. O'Neill, MD, and Michael R. Sperling, MD. (Continues through Fri., Mar. 17.) Call 215-955-6992.

Thursday, March 16

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Walter Fast, PhD, Div. of Medicinal Chemistry, College of Pharmacy, University of Texas at Austin, "Mechanism and Inhibition of Dimethylargininase: Saying no to NO," noon, 105 BLSB.

Monday, March 20

• Jefferson Institute of Molecular Medicine, Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology, Medicine/Rheumatology, and Orthopaedic Surgery, Vu Nguyen, MD, PhD, University of Penn, "Scales in the Zebrafish: A Model for Hair/Tooth Development," noon, 105-107 BLSB.

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Richard Pestell, MD, PhD, Kimmel Cancer Center, topic t/b/a, 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

Tuesday, March 21

• Radiology, Garen Boghosian, MD, Resident, TJUH, "Predicting the Neurological Level of Injury with MRI Following Cervical Spinal Cord Injury," 5 to 6 p.m., 780-L Main.

Thursday, March 23

• Radiobiology, Mike Robbins, PhD, Radiation Oncology Brain Tumor Center of Excellence,

Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC, "Radiation-induced Cognitive Impairment: Experimental Insights," noon, 402 BLSB.

Monday, March 27

• Jefferson Institute of Molecular Medicine, Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology, Medicine/Rheumatology, and Orthopaedic Surgery, Kenneth Kinzler, MD, PhD, Johns Hopkins, "Lessons from the Genetic Analyses of Colon Cancer," noon, 105-107 BLSB.

Tuesday, March 28

• Women's Health Source, Susan Miller-Samuel, RN, MSN, APNG, Genetic and Preventive Medicine, TJU, "Colon Cancer: Understanding Risks and Screening Guidelines," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

• Radiology, Ketan Naran, MD, Resident, JMC, "Evaluation of Incidental Findings on C-Spine MRI," 5 to 6 p.m., 780-L Main.

Thursday, March 30

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Lawrence Shapiro, PhD, Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics, Edward Harkness Eye Institute, Columbia University, "Sticking Together As a Family: Molecular Mechanisms of Cadherin-Mediated Cell Adhesion," noon, 407 JAH.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

Three Patient Safety/Risk Management CME activities that fulfill PA Board of Medicine requirements are available online at <http://jeffline.jefferson.edu/jeffcme/>. The activities are Disclosure of Serious Events, Proactive Documentation and Learning from Closed Cases.

FORUM

Wednesday, March 8

• Health Policy, David St. Clair, President and CEO, MEDdecision, Inc., "Quality of Medical Care," 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., 218 Curtis. Call 215-955-6969.

LECTURES

Wednesday, March 1

• Surgery, David Efron, MD, Assistant Professor, Surgery, Johns Hopkins, "Statins in Sepsis and Trauma," noon, 605 JMC.

Wednesday, March 15

• Surgery, Eric Wickstrom, PhD, Professor, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, TJU, "SPECT, PET and MR Imaging of KRAS Oncogene mRNAs in Pancreatic Cancer Xenografts," noon, 605 College.

Wednesday, March 29

• Surgery, Hwyla Arafat, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Transplant Research, "Islet Transplantation, Promises and Challenges," noon, 605 College.

SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, March 30

• Family and Community Medicine, 17th Annual Edna G. Kynett Memorial Foundation Symposium, Vera Bittner, MD, Professor, Medicine, Director, Cardiology Fellowship, UAB; Howard Weitz, MD, Professor, Medicine and Vice Chair, JMC, Co-Director, Jefferson Heart Institute, TJUH; Michael Rosenthal, MD, Clinical Professor and Vice Chair for Academic Programs, JMC; Barry Maron, MD, Director, Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Center, Minneapolis Heart Institute Foundation; Christopher Hansen, MD, Medicine, Cardiology, TJUH, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., 105/107 BLSB.

GRAND ROUNDS

Wednesday, March 1

• Pediatrics, Charles P. McKay, MD, Director, Bone and Mineral Program, duPont Hospital for Children, "March of Dimes - Prevention and Treatment of Osteopenia of Prematurity," 8 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conf. Room, JMC.

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Benjamin Movsas, MD, Radiation Oncology, Henry Ford Cancer Center, "Opening the Radiotherapeutic Window in Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

• Family and Community Medicine, Bradley Smith, PGY-3 Resident, TJU, "Foot and Ankle Pain for the Primary Care Physician," 8 a.m., Herbut Aud.

• Psychiatry and Human Behavior, Mohammadreza Hojat, MD, Research Professor, Director of Jefferson Longitudinal Study of Medical Education, TJU, "Empathy in Patient Care," 11 a.m., DePalma.

• Methodist Hospital, Medical Grand Rounds, Steven P. Kutalek, MD, Associate Professor, Medicine, Drexel University College of Medicine,

"Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy," noon, Morgan Conference Center, Methodist Hospital.

Thursday, March 2

• Surgery, David Efron, MD, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, "The Current Management of Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors," 7 a.m., 605 College.

• Medicine, Allen Tunkel, MD, PhD, Professor, Medicine, Division of Infectious Disease, Drexel University, "Meningitis Treatment," noon, DePalma.

Friday, March 3

• Neurosurgery, Christopher Koebbe, MD, topic t/b/a, 7 a.m., DePalma.

Wednesday, March 8

• Family and Community Medicine, Alison Juozokas, MD, PGY-3 Resident, Tamara Welch, MD, PGY-2 Resident, Hospital Service Review, 8 a.m., 105 BLSB.

• Pediatrics, Ellen Freda, EdM, Outreach Coordinator, College of Physicians, "Philly Health Information: A Regional Community Health Information Service Meeting the Needs of Diverse Populations," 8 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conference Room at JMC.

• Psychiatry and Human Behavior, Philip C. Kendall, PhD, ABPP, Laura H. Carnell Professor of Psychology, Director, Child and Adolescent Anxiety Disorders Clinic, Temple University, "Treatment of Anxiety Disorders in Youth," 11 a.m., DePalma.

Thursday, March 9

• Medicine, George Francos, MD, Clinical Professor, Medicine, Div. of Nephrology, TJUH, "Renal Transplantation - What the Primary Doctor Should Know," noon, DePalma.

Friday, March 10

• Neurosurgery, James J. Evans, MD, topic t/b/a, 7 a.m., DePalma.

Wednesday, March 15

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Maria Werner-Wasik, MD, Radiation Oncology, JMC, "Stereotactic Radiotherapy for Meningiomas and Acoustic Schwannomas: The New Paradigms," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

• Family and Community Medicine, Jack Coulehan, MD, MPH, Director, Institute for Medicine in Contemporary Society, Professor, Medicine and Preventive Medicine, State University of NY at Stony Brook, "Professionalism," 8 a.m., 207 JAH.

• Methodist Hospital, Medical Grand Rounds, Sunil V. Mankad, MD, Associate Professor, Medicine, Drexel University School of Medicine, Allegheny General Hospital, "The Renin-Angiotensin System and CAD: New Data and Mechanisms for Risk Reduction," noon, Morgan Conference Center, Methodist Hospital.

Thursday, March 16

• Medicine, Randall Burt, MD, D. Keith Barnes, MD, and Ida May "Doty" Barnes, RN, Presidential Endowed Chair in Medicine, University of Utah School of Medicine, "Average and High Risk Screening for Colon Cancer," noon, DePalma.

Friday, March 17

• Neurosurgery, Hugh Moulding, MD, topic t/b/a, 7 a.m., DePalma.

Wednesday, March 22

• Family and Community Medicine, Danielle Snyderman, MD, PGY-3 Resident, TJU, topic t/b/a, 8 a.m., 105/107 BLSB.

• Methodist Hospital, Medical Grand Rounds, Howard J. Eisen, MD, Thomas J. Vischer Professor, Medicine, Drexel College of Medicine, "New CHF Guidelines," noon, Morgan Conference Center, Methodist Hospital.

Thursday, March 23

• Medicine, Joseph Rabinowitz, PhD, and Walter Koch, PhD, Assistant Professor and Director, Center for Translational Medicine, "Translational Medicine Conference, TJUH," noon, DePalma.

Friday, March 24

• Neurosurgery, Ralph Dacey, MD, Washington University, St. Louis, "Update on Cerebrovascular Surgery: 2006," 7 a.m., DePalma.

Monday, March 27

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Neal Flomenberg, MD, Program Chair, Hematology/Oncology, JMC, "Translational Research Opportunities in Hematologic Malignancies, 4 p.m., 101 BLSB.

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March 4 House for sale: Fishtown area, Riverside, 3-story brick, 5 bedrooms, fireplace in living room, 2-year old roof, tilt-in windows, 15 minutes from Center City, great location.

March 5 Apartment for rent: 900 block of Clinton, bright and sunny, 1 bedroom bi-level in brownstone, spacious, hardwood floors, 2 full baths, washer/dryer, air conditioning, heat and hot water included, \$1,050 per month.

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tennis, fitness, swimming, sleeps 6, \$3,400 a month.

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March 10 Vacation rental: Wildwood Crest, NJ, new, 2-story townhouse, sleeps 6, 2 bedrooms plus loft with queen sleeper, 1½ baths, sleeps 6, 2nd floor deck, 2-car garage, central air, washer/dryer, digital cable TV with HBO, no pets, no smoking, \$1,000 a week through 5/26/06, \$1,500 per week, 5/27 through 9/29/06, plus refundable security deposit.

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Boat for sale: 23' Mako, center console, T-top, 225 hp, Yamaha salt water series outboard, low hours, Rupp outriggers, center rigger, Cox double axle trailer, \$14,500. Call Bill at 215-850-6083.

For sale: Frigidaire refrigerator 18.5 cubic, 30"(w) x 67"(h), 1 year old, \$300. Call Maria Reilly at 215-806-0515.

Wednesday, March 15

• Pediatrics, Neil N. Finer, MD, Program Director, Division of Neonatology and Professor, Pediatrics, University of California, San Diego Medical Center, "Neonatal Resuscitation: Lessons Learned from Video-recording (Margaret Handy Conference)," 8 a.m.

Wednesday, March 22

• Pediatrics, Stephen E. Muething, MD, Director, Clinical Services, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Associate Professor, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, "Improving Outcomes Through Family-Centered Care," 8 a.m.

MEETINGS

Monday, March 6

• Full Board of Trustees, noon, 636 Scott.

Monday, March 13

• Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, TJUH, 5 p.m., 636 Scott.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENT

Thursday, April 20

• Women's Board of TJUH, reception to benefit the Jefferson Breast Care Center, 6 to 9 p.m., National Liberty Museum, 321 Chestnut St., Philadelphia. Private escorted tours. Food by Feastivities. Admission \$125 per person, Patrons \$500 per person. For an invitation, please call Marie Kraus, The Jefferson Foundation, at 215-955-0402.

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