



## Gaye Riddick-Burden, MSN, CRNP, Receives 2005 National Nursing Excellence Award from *Nursing Spectrum*

*Nursing Spectrum* magazine presented its 2005 National Nursing Excellence Award in the Clinical Care category to Gaye Riddick-Burden, MSN, CRNP.

Ms. Riddick-Burden is the nurse practitioner who directs the Sickle Cell Day Unit at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. She was instrumental in designing and implementing the outpatient day treatment unit for the management of painful crisis in adult patients with sickle cell disease. She is responsible for the clinical care of patients in this innovative setting.

A strong advocate for patients with sickle cell disease, Ms. Riddick-Burden has worked with sickle cell patients for more than 12 years and obtained her advanced certification specifically to enhance her service to that community.

The success of the hospital's Sickle Cell Day Unit is in large part



Robert Neroni Photography

the result of her vision for improved care of these patients, an often underserved population.

With Ms. Riddick-Burden in the photo are, at left, Ruth Hart, RN, MSN, Nurse Manager, who

nominated Ms. Riddick-Burden, and Mary Ann McGinley, RN, PhD, Senior Vice President for Patient Services and Chief Nursing Officer.

## Live Webcast January 19 Will Give Close-up View of Robotic Surgery for Prostate Cancer

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital will host a live webcast January 19 at 4:30 p.m. of a radical laparoscopic prostatectomy using a futuristic, state-of-the-art robotic technology, called the daVinci® System. The webcast can be viewed at [www.jeffersonhospital.org/webcast](http://www.jeffersonhospital.org/webcast).

## Robotic Surgery Advances Treatment Options for Prostate Cancer

New technological advances now make it possible for the internationally recognized urologic specialists at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital to offer another advance in less invasive treatment options for men with prostate cancer.

The latest tool is a futuristic, state-of-the-art robotic technology, called the daVinci® System, that allows Jefferson specialists to perform a less invasive, laparoscopic radical prostatectomy, by using a small, thin tube with a scope on the tip to see inside the body and remove prostate tissue.

"We welcome the daVinci robot as another option for patients with prostate cancer who are seen at the Kimmel Cancer Center," says Leonard G. Gomella, MD, FACS, the Bernard Godwin Jr. Professor of Prostate Cancer and Chair, Department of Urology, and Director of Urologic Oncology, Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson.

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## Richard Wender, MD, Chair of Newly Named Family and Community Medicine Department, Voted President-Elect, American Cancer Society



Richard C. Wender, MD, Alumni Professor and Chair, Department of Family and Community Medicine, Jefferson Medical College (JMC) and Thomas

Jefferson University Hospital, was voted President-elect of the American Cancer Society (ACS) at its annual national meeting.

Dr. Wender will become the first primary care physician to lead the American Cancer Society.

At the same meeting, Carolyn D. Runowicz, MD, JMC '77, was elected ACS President, thus placing two Jeffersonians in the ACS's dual leadership roles.

The first breast cancer survivor to become an ACS President, Dr. Runowicz is Director of the Carole and Ray Neag Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of Connecticut Health Center in Farmington, Conn., and Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine. She is an

internationally recognized gynecologic cancer expert and author of several books for the public, including her most recent, *The Answer to Cancer*.

### Active Roles with ACS

Dr. Wender is Chair of the ACS Incidence and Mortality Committee and a member of the editorial advisory boards for the ACS journal *CA: A Cancer Journal for Clinicians and Patient Care*.

Dr. Wender became Chair of Family Medicine at Jefferson in 2002. Noted for his warmth and enthusiasm, Dr. Wender believes in the positive impact of humor in the healing process. He is a popular lecturer and is admired and well respected by students, colleagues and patients.

After receiving a BA from Princeton University in 1975 and his MD from the University of Pennsylvania in 1979, Dr. Wender completed a residency in Family Medicine at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in 1982, where he served as Chief Resident, and

joined the Jefferson faculty that same year. He directed the Jefferson Family Practice Residency from 1985 to 1995.

He has published extensively on such topics as cancer, diabetes and humor in medicine in professional journals including *Cancer, Journal of Family Practice and Archives of Family Medicine*.

### Incentive Offer for Remote Parking Continues

The incentive offer of \$25 for the first four weeks of Remote Parking, instead of the normal \$55, is still available to employees. Even at the regular monthly rate of \$55, the cost is only \$2.62 per day. In addition, Remote Parking now begins 1 hour earlier at 4:30 a.m. and extends 4 hours later until midnight. Watch for more information soon. To sign up or learn more, call Commuter Services at 5-6417 or visit [www.jefferson.edu/cso](http://www.jefferson.edu/cso)



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From left, Robert L. Barchi, MD, PhD, President, Thomas Jefferson University, The Honorable Edward G. Rendell, Governor, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and Robert H. Rosenwasser, MD, FACS, Professor and Chair, Department of Neurosurgery, met at the 17th Annual Pan Philadelphia Neurosurgery Conference, co-directed by Jefferson Medical College, at the Union League of Philadelphia. Gov. Rendell called on doctors to support the development of national health insurance that combines quality and cost-efficiency without bureaucracy. "Decent health care should be a right of every American," he said. "Doctors can make a difference if they speak up for it."

### VITAL SIGNS: NOV 2005

TJUH, Methodist, Geriatric Psychiatry, Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience

|   | Budget | Actual | Prior Year |
|---|--------|--------|------------|
| Admissions  | 3,574  | 3,572  | 3,551      |
| Length of Stay  | 6.26   | 6.22   | 6.64       |
| Patient Days  | 22,388 | 21,768 | 22,059     |
| TJUH, Methodist Outpatient Visits                               | 39,209 | 36,730 | 39,250     |
| <b>Patient Satisfaction Overall Mean Score (July-Sept) 82.0</b> |        |        |            |



## NBC-TV Newsmen's Widow Speaks on Preventing and Treating Blood Clots (DVTs)

Melanie Bloom, national spokesperson for DVT prevention, addressed a special two-hour Medical Grand Rounds on "Prevention and Treatment of DVT and PE in the Medically Ill."

Ms. Bloom is the widow of David Bloom, the late NBC-TV news correspondent, who died from a Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT), or blood clot, while covering the war in Iraq.

She is the National Patient Advocate for the Committee of the Coalition to Prevent Deep Vein Thrombosis.



Melanie Bloom is shown here with others who addressed the special session at DePalma Auditorium. From left, Geno J. Merli, MD, Ludwig A. Kind Professor of Medicine, Director, Division of Internal Medicine, Jefferson Medical College, Samuel Z. Goldhaber, MD, Director, Venous Thromboembolism Research Group, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, along with a third generation DVT patient, Cristina Bertorelli-Olsen, at right.

## Nursing's Beth Ann Swan, PhD, CRNP Now AAN Fellow and AACN President in 2006

Beth Ann Swan, PhD, CRNP, Associate Professor and Program Coordinator, Adult Nurse Practitioner Program, Department of Nursing, Jefferson College of Health Professions, has been selected as a 2005 Fellow by the American Academy of Nursing (AAN).

Dr. Swan is currently President-Elect of the American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AACN), with whom she has been a member for 15 years and a Board of Directors member since 2001.

She became an AAN Fellow in November 2005 and will become AACN President in March 2006.

## Patient Safety/Risk Management CMEs Now Available Online

The Risk Management Departments of Jefferson University Physicians and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and the Office of Continuing Medical Education (CME) of Jefferson Medical College (JMC) announce the availability of three web-based CME activities for Jefferson Medical Staff. The three modules – Disclosure of Serious Events, Proactive Documentation, and Learning from Closed Cases – are CME-certified and will count toward the 12 Patient Safety/Risk Management CMEs required for licensure by the Pennsylvania Board of Medicine. JMC is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing education for physicians. The three modules are available online at <http://jeffline.jefferson.edu/jeffcme/>. To learn more, contact Eileen Craig ([Eileen.Craig@jefferson.edu](mailto:Eileen.Craig@jefferson.edu)) or Andrea Weinstein ([Andrea.Weinstein@mail.tju.edu](mailto:Andrea.Weinstein@mail.tju.edu)).

## University Celebrates Constitution Day

The University Offices of Financial Aid and Activities hosted Thomas Jefferson University's celebration of Constitution Day. At left, Patti Haas, Director, Activities Office and Bookstore, and Susan Batchelor, University Director, Student Financial Aid, helped distribute copies of the United States Constitution to students and employees from displays in Jefferson Alumni Hall and Edison.



Medical Media Photography by Dave Super

## Thanks to Connelly Foundation Generosity, Hamilton Building to Include 21st-Century Auditorium

The Dorrance H. Hamilton Building, which is already under construction at the northeast corner of 11th and Locust Streets, will include a state-of-the-art auditorium thanks to the generosity of the Connelly Foundation.

The Connelly Foundation has pledged \$2 million toward the auditorium, which will seat 295 people and feature the most up-to-

date electronic and audiovisual capabilities. It will be a key location for educating students from all three colleges of Thomas Jefferson University, and will also be available for other Jefferson groups. An entire Medical College class can fit comfortably in the auditorium, which will be ready for students arriving in August 2007.

The Connelly Foundation has

been one of Jefferson's most loyal supporters for more than three decades. With this gift, it is joining with alumni, faculty, staff, trustees and corporations in transforming Jefferson's educational space. The Jefferson Foundation is proud to note that fundraising for the Hamilton Building is on track for success.

## Jefferson Neuroscientists Find Over-the-Counter Arthritis Drug Might Also Help Against MS



Glucosamine, the over-the-counter natural product that is touted to help with joint and cartilage problems associated with arthritis, may also

provide some relief to individuals with multiple sclerosis (MS), a degenerative, nervous system disease with no known cure.

Using a mouse model of MS, neurologists at Jefferson Medical College (JMC) found that doses of glucosamine similar to those taken for osteoarthritis dramatically

delayed the onset of symptoms and improved the animals' ability to move and walk.

The scientists, led by A. M. Rostami, MD, PhD, Professor and Chair of the Department of Neurology at JMC and the Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience, and Guang-Xian Zhang, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Neurology at JMC, say the treatment's anti-inflammatory effects may be useful in conjunction with more mainstream therapies such as beta-interferon in helping patients with MS to delay or perhaps stave off some of the debilitating effects of the disease.

They reported their findings December 2005 in *The Journal of Immunology*.

"It would be fantastic if glucosamine works in humans because we have a product that has a long track record for safety, and most importantly, can be given orally," says Dr. Rostami, who is also Director of the Neuroimmunology Laboratory in the Department of Neurology at JMC. He notes that current treatments for MS are given by injection. He hopes to test glucosamine in clinical trials in the near future.

## Robotic Surgery Advances Treatment Options for Prostate Cancer *continued from page 1*

### Ten Years in January

Jefferson's multidisciplinary Genitourinary (GU) Cancer Center celebrates its 10th anniversary in January.

"We were the first institution in the Delaware Valley to offer laparoscopic prostatectomy in 2000 and have the longest experience in the region. We are pleased to offer robotically assisted laparoscopic prostate surgery as an additional option for our patients cared for at our multidisciplinary cancer center," says Dr. Gomella.

The new robotic system further refines laparoscopic prostatectomy by allowing a surgeon's hand movements to be scaled, filtered and translated into precise movements of micro-instruments within the operative site. The magnified, three-dimensional view the surgeon experiences enables

him or her to perform precise surgery in complex procedures through small surgical incisions.

### Pioneering Experts

Edouard Trabulsi, MD, Assistant Professor of Urology, JMC, a urologic oncologist and an

expert trained in laparoscopic prostatectomy by one of the pioneers of the technique, and Costas Lallas, MD, Assistant Professor of Urology, JMC, who completed a robotic surgery fellowship at the Mayo Clinic, are leading the first robotic efforts at Jefferson.

## Hospital Web Site Earns Two National Awards

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital has earned two 2005 eHealthcare Leadership Awards, selected from nearly 1,200 entries, for outstanding web sites among healthcare organizations.

The awards were presented to the hospital at a healthcare Internet conference sponsored by Greystone.Net, an Atlanta-based strategy firm, in cooperation with the Chicago-based Forum for Healthcare Strategists. The entries were judged by 100 individuals familiar with healthcare and the Internet.

In the category of hospitals with 400 or more beds, Jefferson's web site, [jeffersonhospital.org](http://jeffersonhospital.org), received a Gold Award for Best Special Effects and a Distinction Award for Best Overall Internet Site.

Mark Mystysyn, Web Master, and members of the Communications Office, maintain Jefferson Hospital's web site.

## Hospital's Service Excellence Program Takes Us 'From Good to Great'

Hospital Administration has initiated a service excellence program for employees designed to improve the patient experience.

Its purpose is "to move from GOOD to consistently GREAT in the service we extend to our patients and other customers," says Beth-Ann Schauer, Director of Service Improvement.

A dual purpose is to create a caring work culture that fosters cooperation and harmony from coworker to coworker and department to department.

The program describes concrete examples, in actions and words, of how employees can help improve the patient's experience in such situations as, for example, handing off a patient at nurse shift changes or to radiology technicians. GREAT behaviors include making eye contact, smiling, using the patient's preferred name, introducing coworkers by first and last name and by position and using clear, direct and specific language to explain shift changes.

In helping to create a caring work

culture, the program offers specific ground-rules for creating harmonious coworker relationships, including specific words or phrases whose effect is either "Tragic" or "Magic."

Participating so far have been department managers and supervisors. Their suggestions are being incorporated into the program before it is widened to include all employees in January, February and March.

To learn more about the program, contact Ms. Schauer at **5-2425**.



## Grateful 'Ladies of Port Richmond' Walk to Raise \$35,000 For Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson

It all started last January at Mary Louise Leuters' kitchen table in her Port Richmond, Philadelphia home. She and her friend and neighbor, Lenore Czyzewski, were talking about the excellent care they received when treated for breast cancer at the Kimmel Cancer Center (KCC) at Jefferson.

"How can we show our gratitude to Jefferson?" they asked each other.

They decided to organize a neighborhood group, "The Ladies of Port Richmond," with Ms. Leuters as President and Ms. Czyzewski, Vice President. Thanks in great part to Mrs. Leuters' powers of persuasion, the group quickly grew to about 14 residents of Port Richmond and surrounding neighborhoods.

"The Ladies" – including supportive spouses and other male relatives and friends – organized three large fundraisers in their first eight months.

They started with a casino trip, followed by a breakfast that drew 250 people, and capped by their most successful event, "The Port Richmond Breast Cancer Walk." They had planned on 500 walkers,



From left, Ms. Leuters, Ms. Zamorski, Ms. Soleiman, Ms. Czyzewski

and wound up attracting 880.

The result? A total of \$35,000 in donations and an informal ceremony at Jefferson to present the check to Joy Soleiman, Clinical Administrator, KCC, and Lora Rhodes, LSW, Coordinator, Advocacy and Survivorship Program, KCC.

In accepting the check, Ms.

Soleiman said, "I am overwhelmed by the magnitude of this grassroots effort and very grateful for all the hard work of every volunteer."

Where do "The Ladies" go from here?

"Our goal is simple," says Angeline Zamorski, Treasurer. "Double our donations next year."

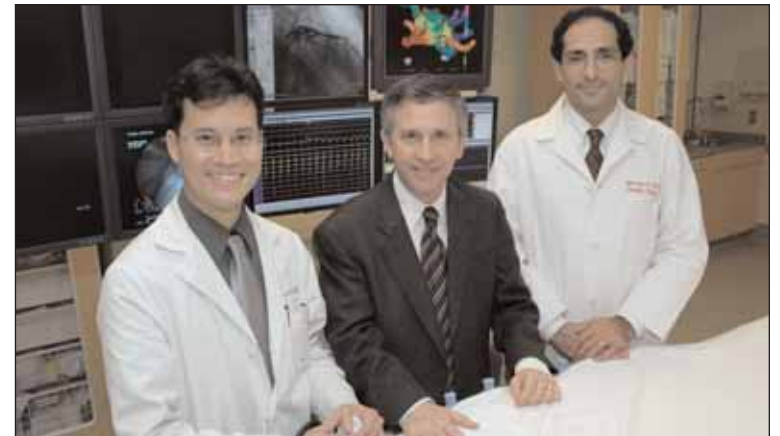
## New Cardiac Electrophysiology Lab Opens in Jefferson Hospital

To accommodate the ever-growing demand from referring physicians and their patients, the Cardiac Electrophysiology Lab at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital has moved into a new, much larger, dedicated suite.

The new space offers a heart care facility filled with the aura of professional medical care – stocked with new devices, new equipment and technology, all of it geared toward treating patients with heart rhythm disorders, including fast and slow heart rhythms.

For 25 years, the hospital's Cardiac Electrophysiology Lab has been a regional and national leader in cardiac electrophysiology, the treatment of rhythm disorders and related conditions.

Among the most common procedures, explains Arnold Greenspon, MD, Lab Director, is placing implantable cardiac defibrillators (ICDs). "With a recent ruling from Medicare, we can now implant the devices in people who have had a heart attack or another reason for a decrease in the pumping function of their heart. Previously, ICDs were primarily used for people who had already suffered cardiac arrest," he said.



From left, Reginald Ho, MD, Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine; Arnold J. Greenspon, MD, Professor of Medicine and Director, Cardiac Electrophysiology Laboratory; and Behzad Pavri, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, and Director, Electrophysiology Fellowship Program.

## Jefferson's Major Disaster Drill Gauges Area Hospitals' Terrorism Preparedness



For the second year in a row, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital conducted one of the largest multi-hospital emergency drills in the United States.

Drill observers watched as 400 volunteers, including more than 200 first-year Jefferson Medical College (JMC) students and Jefferson College of Health Professions nursing students made up by injury simulation experts role-played disaster victims.

The drill helped Philadelphia-area medical centers assess their readiness, and those of emergency medical services personnel, to care for victims in times of emergency. The exercise has been developed by the Center for Bioterrorism and Disaster Preparedness at Jefferson. The medical students took part in the exercise as part of a new disaster preparedness curriculum offered at JMC.



The disaster drill, directed by Edward H. Jasper, MD, Director of the Center for Bioterrorism and Disaster Preparedness at Jefferson Hospital, served as a prelude to Jefferson's International Conference on Terrorism for healthcare and emergency response professionals. See story and photo at right.

## Arthur D. Blackshaw Award for Courage Presented to Philadelphia Police Inspector Robert Tucker

Inspector Robert Tucker, Commanding Officer, Domestic Preparedness Division, Philadelphia Police Department, received the Arthur D. Blackshaw Award for Courage at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's seventh annual International Conference on Terrorism and Disaster Preparedness.

The award is named for the late Arthur D. Blackshaw Jr., CRNA, CD, who was instrumental in first developing Jefferson University Hospital's terrorism program.

The full-day 2005 conference at the Pennsylvania Convention Center featured European terrorism, security and medical specialists who dealt first-hand with highly publicized terrorist attacks and major disasters, such as the Madrid train and London subway bombings. They shared notes with more than 600 of their counterparts in the United States on how to best respond to such incidents.

The conference was sponsored by Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in collaboration with the Pennsylvania Department of Health and with support from the Centers for Disease Control and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).



Philadelphia Police Inspector Robert Tucker with the Blackshaw Award presented to him by Emergency Medicine Physician Edward H. Jasper, MD, the conference's Program Director and Director of the Center for Bioterrorism and Disaster Preparedness at Jefferson Hospital.



**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**  
**January 1 - 31: Cervical Cancer Screening, Cervical Health Awareness, National Glaucoma Awareness, March of Dimes Birth Defects Prevention and National Volunteer Blood Donor month.**  
**Week**  
**January 15 - 21: Healthy Weight**  
**January 22 - 28: National Nurse Anesthetists and National Intravenous Nurse week.**  
**Days**  
**January 1: New Year's day**  
**January 19: Women's Healthy Weight 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**

**Thursday, January 5**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Andrew Tsourkas, PhD, Bioengineering, University of Penn, "Molecular Probes for the Non-Invasive Imaging of Disease," noon, 101 BLSB.

**Friday, January 6**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 407 JAH.

**Thursday, January 12**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Thanos Halazonetis, DDS, PhD, The Wistar Institute, "DNA Damage Checkpoints and Cancer," noon, 101 BLSB.

**Friday, January 13**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 407 JAH.

**Thursday, January 19**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Alfred Knudson, MD, PhD, Fox Chase Cancer Center, "Hereditary Cancer: Lessons and Opportunities, noon, 105 BLSB, noon.

**Friday, January 20**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 407 JAH.

**Monday, January 23**  
 • Jefferson Institute of Molecular Medicine, Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology,

Medicine/Rheumatology, and Orthopaedic Surgery, Dr. Brad Jameson, Drexel University College of Medicine, "The Role of Serotonin in Mounting an Immune Response," noon, 105-107 BLSB.

**Tuesday, January 24**  
 • Women's Health Source, Brenda Byrne, PhD, Light Research Program, TJU, "Here Comes the Sun: Managing Seasonal Affective Disorder," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

**Thursday, January 26**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Arup Chakraborty, PhD, Professor, Chemistry and Biological Engineering, MIT, "How T Cells See Again," noon, 101 BLSB, noon.

• Women's Health Source, Deborah K. Witt, MD, Family and Community Medicine, TJUH, "Health Screening and Preventative Care for Women," noon to 1 p.m., 1990 Gibbon. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

**Friday, January 27**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Research in Progress, noon, 407 JAH.

**Monday, January 30**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Adam Dicker, MD, PhD, Program Chair, Radiation Oncology, JMC, "Translational Research Opportunities in Radiobiology," 8 a.m., 101 BLSB.

• Jefferson Institute of Molecular Medicine, Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology, Medicine/Rheumatology, and Orthopaedic Surgery, Dr. Harry Ischiropoulos, University of Penn, "Biological Significance of Nitric Oxide-Mediated Protein Modifications," noon, 105-107 BLSB.

**FORUMS**

**Wednesday, January 11**  
 • Health Policy, Stanley Music, MD, Safety Surveillance Physician, Benefit-Risk Management, J&J Pharmaceutical Research and Development, LLC, "Smallpox and Beyond," 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., 218 Curtis. Call 215-955-6969.

**GRAND ROUNDS**

**Wednesday, January 4**  
 • Pediatrics, Anthony P. Acquavella, MD, MPH, Director, Adolescent Medicine, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, "Adolescent Men's Health," 8 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conference Room at JMC.

• Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Lewis Rose, MD, Medicine, JMC, "Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

• Methodist Hospital, Medical Grand Rounds, Edmund A. Pribitkin, MD, Associate Professor; JMC, "Evaluation and Treatment of Thyroid Nodules," noon, Morgan Conference Center, Methodist Hospital.

**Thursday, January 5**  
 • Medicine, James Zangrilli, MD, Assistant Professor, Pulmonary and Critical Care and Tung Chan, PhD, Assistant Professor, Medicine, TJU, "Translational Medicine," noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 6**  
 • Neurosurgery, Christopher Loftus, MD, Temple Neurosurgery, topic t/b/a, 7 a.m., DePalma.

**Wednesday, January 11**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Christopher Crane, MD, Radiation Oncology, MD Anderson Cancer Center, "Chemoradiation for Localized Pancreatic Cancer: Standards, Limitations and Directions," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

**Thursday, January 12**  
 • Medicine, Wally Smith, MD, Associate Professor and Chair, Quality Health Care, Virginia Commonwealth University, "Revelations About Pain and Functional Status in Sickle Cell Anemia," noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 13**  
 • Neurosurgery, Pascal M. Jabbour, MD, topic t/b/a, 7 a.m., DePalma.

**Wednesday, January 18**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Leonard Gomella, MD, Urology, JMC, "Prostate Cancer Update 2006," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

**Thursday, January 19**  
 • Trauma Surgery, Benjamin Braslow, MD, "Complete Pelvic Injury - Role of the General Surgeon," 7 a.m., 605 College.

**Thursday, January 19**  
 • Medicine, Rita Axelrod, MD, Clinical Associate Professor, Medical Oncology, TJUH, "New Paradigms for Lung Cancer Anemia," TJUH, noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 20**  
 • Neurosurgery, Thomas Willcox, MD, Otolaryngology, t/b/a, 7 a.m., DePalma.

**Wednesday, January 25**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Generosa Rana, MD, FACP, Hematology/Oncology, Cooper Cancer Institute, "Breast Cancer," 8 a.m., G-312 Bodine.

• Pediatrics, Departmental Meeting, 8 a.m., 7th fl., Jimmy Brent Conference Room at JMC.

• Methodist Hospital, Medical Grand Rounds, Serge A. Jabbour, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, JMC, "Incretin Mimetics," noon, Morgan Conference Center, Methodist Hospital.

**Thursday, January 26**  
 • Medicine, Ron Arky, MD, Charles S. Davidson Distinguished Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School, "Medical Education," noon, DePalma.

**Friday, January 27**  
 • Neurosurgery, Journal Club, 7 a.m., DePalma.

**GRAND ROUNDS - VIDEO TELECONFERENCES WILL BROADCAST FROM LECTURE HALL, duPONT HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN AND 7th fl., JIMMY BRENT CONFERENCE ROOM AT JMC**

**Wednesday, January 4**  
 • Pediatrics, Matthew Grissinger, RPh, FASCP, Medication Safety Analyst, Institute for Safe Medication Practices, Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, "A System Based Approach to Medication Safety," 8 to 9 a.m. (from duPont to AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System).

**Wednesday, January 11**  
 • Pediatrics, Judith L. Ross, MD, Director, Endocrinology and Metabolism, Pediatrics, TJU, Professor, Pediatrics, JMC, "Turner Syndrome: Transition to Adulthood," 8 a.m. (from Jefferson to duPont, AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System).

**Wednesday, January 18**  
 • Pediatrics, Stephen A. Pearlman, MD, Associate Director, Neonatology, Christiana Care Health Systems, Christiana Neonatal Associates, Clinical Associate Professor, Pediatrics, JMC, "Nosocomial Infection in the Special Care Nursery - Is It Preventable?" 8 a.m. (from duPont to Jefferson, AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System).

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To place an ad to sell or rent property, complete a housing registration form available at the TJU Housing Office, 103 Orlovitz Hall or at the Communications Office, Suite 300, 211 S. 9th St.

For more information on any property listing, call 5-6479. Telephone numbers do not appear in JeffNEWS real estate ads.

January 1 House for rent: Northern Liberties, 2 bedrooms, everything in house is new, 10 minutes from Jefferson, walk to train, great area, \$1,000 a month plus utilities.

January 2 Apartment for rent: Maintenance-free estate living in the heart of Jenkintown, 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths on one acre wooded property, air condition and 3 fireplaces, 1 block to train, \$1,800 a month plus utilities.

January 3 Chalet for rent: Locust Lake Village, beautiful Chalet in the Pocono Mountains, sleeps 8, 2 baths, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer/dryer, coffee maker, microwave, wood burning stove, electric heat, loft, lake view from deck, near Jack Frost and Big Boulder, short drive to Camelback and the Crossings Outlets. No smokers, no pets. Winter weekends and summer rental available.

January 4 Summer home for sale: Villas, NJ, single home with large yard, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, partially furnished, move-in condition, quiet, wide street, 20 minutes from Cape May and Wildwood.

January 5 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, June through

September, \$1,000 a week, July and August, \$1,600 a week.

Sublet: Medical/office space available at 819 Locust St., approximately 950 square feet, excellent location, private entrance, waiting and reception area. Call Carol at 215-922-4250, ext. 325, for details about cost and availability of individual sessions.

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.)

Furniture sale: 5-piece bedroom set, Italian Lacquer, pearl with silver chrome trim, includes full dresser with mirror, queen size bed (mattress and box spring included), 2 night stands, and armoire. Set is 11 months old and in excellent condition, asking \$1,500. Call Jennifer at 215-503-0150.

For sale: Sharp microwave, dark brown, very clean, \$50 or best offer. Call Lea at 215-498-5881.

For sale: White wicker rocking chair, good condition, \$45, very comfortable desk and office chair, excellent condition, perfect for home or office, \$50. Call Mary Grace at 5-8370.

For sale: New treadmill, paid \$500, asking \$239; sofa bed, \$199; Deluxe Whirlpool dishwasher, all features, \$199; office chairs, desk, all size file cabinets, lamps, etc., \$39 and up, 2 space heaters, 99% efficient, \$49 each, firewood, \$20 a bundle. Call Terry at 856-424-8255 or email leo8255@earthlink.net

**Wednesday, January 25**  
 • Pediatrics, "Orthopaedics t/b/a," 8 a.m. (from duPont to AtlantiCare and Christiana Care Health System).

**MEETINGS**  
**Monday, January 9**  
 • Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, TJUH, 5 p.m., 636 Scott.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**  
**Wednesday, January 4**  
 • TJU Choir rehearsal, rehearsals every Wed., 7 p.m., through March 29, 139 JAH. The Choir is open to all members of the Jefferson community and there is no audition.

**Tuesday, January 10**  
 • Activities Office, Indian Dance Sampler, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Group Exercise Studio, JAH. (Tuesdays through January 31.)

**Wednesday, January 11**  
 • Activities Office, Tai Chi, 6 to 7 p.m., Cafeteria, JAH. (Wednesdays through February 15.)

**Thursday, January 12**  
 • Activities Office, Dinner and movie, "Unleashed," Foerderer Lecture Hall, JMC, (dinner, 6:30 p.m., movie, 7 p.m.).

**Friday, January 13**  
 • Activities Office, Beginner Ballet, 4 to 5 p.m., JAH. (Fridays through February 17.)

**Tuesday, January 17**  
 • Activities Office, Ikebana Demonstration and Sale, noon to 2 p.m., JAH. (Fridays through February 17.)

**Wednesday, January 18**  
 • Activities Office, Polymere Clay Class, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., JAH (Wednesdays through Feb. 22.)

**Wednesday, January 25**  
 • Jefferson HealthCARE - Voorhees, Heart Healthy Cooking Demonstration, 5:30 to 8 p.m., Jefferson HealthCARE - Voorhees, 443 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees, NJ. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

**RELIGIOUS SERVICES**  
**Tuesday, January 3**  
 • Christian prayer meeting - Join us as we seek the Lord in Scripture, song and prayer, 1 to 2 p.m., 214 Curtis. Also Tuesdays, Jan. 10, 17, 24 and 31. Call Theresa at 215-955-4710 or email Theresa.Kaggia@jefferson.edu

**Wednesday, January 4**  
 • Hospital Christian Fellowship, brown bag, Bible study, 1 to 2 p.m., 302 MOB. Call Barbara J. Scott at 215-276-9292. Also Wednesdays, Jan. 11, 18 and 25.

**Thursday, January 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, Jan. 12, 19 and 26. Call 215-955-6336.

**Monday, January 9**  
 • The 2 Chronicles 7:14 prayer group, 6:30 to 6:55 a.m., 9490 Gibbon (behind the chapel). Also Mondays, Jan. 16, 23 and 30. Call Paul at 609-680-7546.

**Friday, January 27**  
 • Inspirational video showing and Bible study, 5 separate sessions: noon, 12:30 p.m. and 1 p.m., 139 JAH. All welcome. Call Ester at 215-955-5951 or 610-352-9167 or Nenita at 215-725-1579.

**SUPPORT GROUPS**  
**Wednesday, January 11**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center, Man to Man, Joel Edman, DSc, "Healthy Eating and Lifestyle," noon to 1:30 p.m., G-312 Bodine. Call 215-955-8370 to register.

**Wednesday, January 19**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center, Current Topics, Staff from the Pennsylvania Health Law Project, "Understanding Changes in Medicare," noon to 1:30 p.m., G-312 Bodine. Call 215-955-8370 to register.

**Thursday, January 26**  
 • Kimmel Cancer Center, Facing Breast Cancer with Information and Support, Dale Parenti, Breast Cancer Survivor and Hope Afloat Team Member, "Hope Afloat - The Dragon Boat Experience," noon to 1:30 p.m., G-312 Bodine. Call 215-955-8370 to register.

**'No Ifs, Ands or Butts' Starting January 3**

On January 3, Jefferson Hospital building entrances will be smoke free.

Jefferson employees who would like assistance in their effort to stop smoking can take advantage of several programs offered at Jefferson:

Jefferson Hospital's Tobacco Intervention Program is a sophisticated, interdisciplinary, therapeutic approach to smoking cessation overseen by a team of healthcare professionals. For more information, call 215-955-STOP.

The SmokeStoppers® internet-based program is a fully interactive, individually-tailored program that utilizes an easy-to-follow system to assist employees in improving their health. Program content is tailored to each user based on his or her unique personal profile and smoking history. The program is delivered daily by email in the form of a personal Daily Action Plan which offers a proven way to unlearn a hard-to-break habit such as smoking. The program can be accessed from any computer-at home, office or other place. Go to [www.jeffersonhospital.org/smokestoppers](http://www.jeffersonhospital.org/smokestoppers)

Jefferson's health insurance plans, Personal Choice and Keystone HMO, offer fee reimbursement up to \$200 to employees who successfully complete a smoking cessation program.

**Official University Holidays in 2006**

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| <b>New Year's Day</b> | Observed Monday, January 2 |
| <b>Memorial Day</b>   | Observed Monday, May 29    |
| <b>4th of July</b>    | Tuesday, July 4            |
| <b>Labor Day</b>      | Monday, September 4        |
| <b>Thanksgiving</b>   | Thursday, November 23      |
| <b>Christmas</b>      | Monday, December 25        |

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