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HSC INFO-BYTES E-NEWS

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As the Health Sciences Center sustains its growth in stature, and as our faculty and staff continue to enhance the education and research opportunities we provide, I believe it is more important than ever to communicate within, and among, the HSC departments and schools.

These messages also will allow me to communicate to you, in a timely fashion, developments that you should know about. This way, when important issues arise, you will have the most accurate information as quickly as possible.

To ensure that as much information as possible is shared, I have asked each of the five HSC schools to submit to me, on a monthly basis, news about their areas. The first of those reports follows below. In addition, representatives from other shared areas, including research and the library, have also been invited to keep us informed.

As part of this overall communication initiative, we are currently involved in planning an Interactive Kiosk system. There will be two information Kiosks at important locations on Level 5 near the escalators to the HSC from the Hospital, and on Level 2, at the Bookends Cafe. They will be equipped with touch screens, enabling users to get directions within the HSC, print maps, find general information, obtain lecture information, and access news about events.

I think the effort of enhancing the dissemination of information is critical to the way we operate and to the way we promote ourselves to the public. But the first step is making sure we communicate with each other. I look forward to sharing with you a lot of good news.

Q & A

Good communication is two way. Therefore, if you would like to comment or respond to any topics, please do so at HSC_VP@notes.cc.sunysb.edu. Suggestions for future topics are always welcome, as well.

From the School of Medicine

The SOM welcomed the Class of '05 at the traditional White Coat ceremony.

The class—54 women and 48 men come from 52 undergraduate schools. They range in age from 20 to 35. For others with an interest in medicine, the Mini-Med School begins its second year on October 4 and continues every Thursday evening until November 15. The popular lecture series will explore a range of topics relating to anatomy, genetics, media medicine, medical myths, and pain management. The Mini Med School is free of charge and open to all students, faculty, and staff, as well as to the general public. Pre-registration is required. Dr. Jack Stern, Chair, Department of Anatomy, was awarded the title of Distinguished Professor by the State University of New York.

From the School of Dental Medicine

Dr. Lorne Golub, Professor in the Department of Oral Biology and Pathology, is the 2001 recipient of the American Dental Association Norton M. Ross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research. Dr. Barry Waldman has won the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching and the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching. Dr. Jonathan Garlick and Dr. Marcia Simon, Professors in the Department of Oral Biology, received a \$1.1 million grant from the Department of the Army to conduct research into the causes and treatment of skin blisters.

From the School of Health, Technology and Management

The Lori R. Brickman Memorial Fund was established to provide scholarship and educational assistance for students. Brickman, (a 1982 graduate of the school and a long-time employee of the Hospital), died in June after a lengthy battle against cancer. For information on making donations, contact dfirestone@epo.hsc.sunysb.edu. The Department of Physical Therapy has completed the renovation of its teaching library and also has received approval from the New York State Department of Education to offer a Doctorate in Physical Therapy. Occupational Therapy has completed construction of its Living Learning Center, to be used as a teaching lab.

School of Nursing

The SON has received the certificate of accreditation for the Surgical Technology Program from the Association of Surgical Technology and the American Medical Association. The 10 years of certification is the maximum allowed and is rarely given for a first-time accreditation

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School of Social Welfare

Michelle Cavalieri has been honored as Student of the Year by the Suffolk

Division of the New York State Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. Michelle is now in her second year of study and has just been elected President of the Graduate Student Government. She has also

played a key role in helping to organize events for the School's Alumni Association.

Research & Scientific Affairs

Helene Benveniste, M.D., PH.D. of the Department of Anesthesiology, has

been awarded a NYSTAR contract in conjunction with the Office of Scientific

Affairs to acquire an actively shielded, 7.2 T-horizontal micro-bore rodent MRI. The Micro MRI Center for Functional Rodent Imaging will be located at

Brookhaven National Laboratory. Dr Benveniste was recently recruited from

Duke University and is a recognized expert in the field of MRI research.

HSC Library

The HSC Library welcomes Eric Djiva Kamal as Senior Programmer Analyst in

the Systems Department. Eric has extensive knowledge of a broad spectrum of

information technologies. His knowledge of Linux will be important as the Library implements the latest in electronic remote access and web server solutions. His expertise in Unix shell scripting and HTML authoring are valuable in the maintenance of the Library's rapidly growing number of web

resources.

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Save the Date

September 24	Joint Faculty and Faculty Senate Meeting
October 3	QVC Presents "FFANY Shoes for Sale" benefiting the Long Island Cancer Center
October 10	University Convocation,
October 11	New Faculty Reception

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