

SUMMER 2006

Classnotes

1940s



Eugene J. Hanavan Jr, left, and Daniel J. McCue, Class of 1941, attended the Reunion Weekend celebration on May 5, 2006.

1970s

Elsburgh Clarke, MD '77, is the CEO of Comprehensive Emergency Solutions, an emergency medical group that staffs the Methodist Medical Center Emergency Department Trauma Center in Peoria, Illinois. He also serves as chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine as



well as EMS director for the hospital. He hastily adds that he continues to pursue his professional photography career in photojournalism and professional sports.

1980s

Carlos Jaén, PhD '88, MD '89, professor and chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, has been

appointed by U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Michael Leavitt to the national advisory council of the U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). His term of service extends through November 2008. The council advises Secretary Leavitt and the AHRQ director, Dr. Carolyn Clancy, on matters related to actions of the AHRQ to (1) reduce the costs of health-care services and (2) improve access to health-care services through scientific research and promotion of improvements in clinical practice and the organization, financing and delivery of health services. The council consists of 21 representatives who are leaders in health-care



quality, primary care medicine, and health-care economics.

“We are redesigning the ways services are delivered in practices throughout our country,” Jaén says. “I am excited to be a part of that effort through this national advisory committee.”

1990s

Laurie Carter, DDS, PhD '93, is professor and director of oral and maxillofacial radiology and director of advanced dental education at Virginia Commonwealth University School of



Dentistry. She writes: “In November 2005, I was elected to a four-year term on the American Dental Association’s Council on Scientific Affairs and president elect of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology. Thank you to Drs. [Peter] Nickerson, and [John] Wright and

all the other dedicated and spirited faculty in the Experimental Pathology PhD Program!” E-mail is: lccarter@vcu.edu

Oren Fix, MD '99, writes: “I will finish my training in transplant hepatology at the University of California at San Francisco and will be joining the faculty at the University of Washington in Seattle in the fall. E-mail: orenfix@hotmail.com.”

2000s

Dave Fintak MD '03, see following classnote from Jennifer Wiler, MD MBA '03.

Jennifer Wiler MD, MBA '03, writes: I recently finished my emergency medicine residency at Drexel University College of Medicine and am working as assistant director of the Emergency Department at Hahnemann University Hospital and as clinical instructor at Drexel. Dave Fintak, MD '03, is entering his final year in ophthalmology and hopes to continue in a retina surgery fellowship. **BP**

Olmsted Ross Receives Lifetime Achievement Award National Conference for Community and Justice



Elizabeth Olmsted Ross, MD '39, a nationally recognized ophthalmologist, received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice at its Annual Citation with Banquet on March 29.

Over the course of her career, Olmsted Ross has been a champion for the visually impaired, tirelessly advocating for state-of-the-art care as well as for innovative research into diseases and conditions that cause visual impairment.

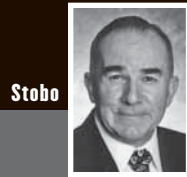
She is a diplomat of the American Board of Ophthalmology and a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. In addition, she has served as chair

of the ophthalmology section of the New York State Medical Society and is a past president of the Buffalo Ophthalmology Society.

Olmsted Ross also is a leading philanthropist, who has endowed the Ross Chair in Ophthalmic Pathology at UB and helped establish the Ira G. Ross Eye Institute for Research and Patient Care adjacent to the Elizabeth Pierce Olmsted MD Center for the Visually Impaired on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus.

The National Conference for Community and Justice, founded in 1927, promotes understanding and respect among all races, religions and cultures through advocacy, conflict resolution and education. **BP**

—SUZANNE CHAMBERLAIN



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STOBO AND KASSIRER SPEAK AT AAMC MEETING

TWO UB MEDICAL SCHOOL ALUMNI—JOHN D. STOBO, MD '68, AND JEROME KASSIRER, MD '57—WERE FEATURED SPEAKERS AT THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGES' GROUP ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT'S ANNUAL MEETING HELD MARCH 29–APRIL 1 IN AUSTIN, TEXAS.

STOBO, WHO SPOKE ON "SERVANT LEADERSHIP IN A PRODUCTIVE COMMUNITY," HAS BEEN PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH AT GALVESTON SINCE 1997. OTHER LEADERSHIP ROLES HE HAS HELD INCLUDE PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSORS OF MEDICINE, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF INTERNAL MEDICINE, AND CHAIR OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF INTERNAL MEDICINE'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOUNDATION. IN 1996, STOBO RECEIVED A

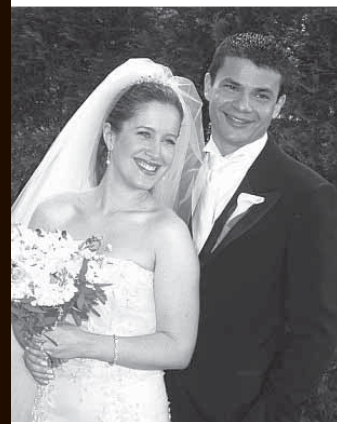
MASTERSHIP FROM THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNAL MEDICINE.

IN HIS TALK, STOBO DESCRIBED HIS BELIEF IN "SERVANT LEADERSHIP," WHERE THE HIGHEST NEEDS OF OTHERS ARE SERVED AND EVERYONE IS COMMITTED TO DOING THE RIGHT THING. HE ALSO EXPLAINED HOW HE BELIEVES IN A "PRODUCTIVE COMMUNITY," IN WHICH PEOPLE VIEW WHAT THEY DO AS A CALLING RATHER THAN A JOB, AND WHERE THEY SHARE A COMMON PURPOSE AND WORK (INDIVIDUALLY AND TOGETHER) FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL.

JEROME KASSIRER, MD, FORMER LONGTIME EDITOR OF THE *New England Journal of Medicine* AND FORMER VICE CHAIR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AT TUFTS UNIVERSITY, SPOKE ON "CO-DEPENDENT NO MORE," IN

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CLASSES OF 2002, 2003, 2004

On May 27, 2006, **Alex Volfson, MD '02** married **Natasha Manes, MD '03** at the Carlyle on the Green at Bethpage State Park [Farmingdale, NY]. **Robert Wong, Joshua Pasol, and John Mak**—all MD '02—were groomsmen. **Bobbi Wax, MD '03** was a bridesmaid. Also in attendance were **Branko**

Bojovic, Michael Kader, David Kim, Mitchell Lee, Marc Auerbach, and Vito Brunetti—all MD '02—**Kerryn Rock, Gerard Silva, April Baker, and Brandy Simmons**—all MD '03—and **Tania Mariani, MD '04**.

Natasha is in her residency in radiology at the New York Presbyterian Hospital/Cornell Medical Center. **Alex** completed his residency in anesthesiology there and is about to start a one-year fellowship in regional/obstetric anesthesiology at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, where **Robert Wong** will be his co-fellow.

Joshua Pasol served as chief resident in neurology at NYU and will be starting a neuro-ophthalmology fellowship at Bascom-Palmer in Miami. **John Mak** is starting a pain medicine fellowship at Boston University. **Bobbi Wax** is engaged to **Joshua Ring** and is doing radiology. **Branko Bojovic** is completing a surgical residency at the Beth Israel Medical Center in Boston and will be doing a plastic surgery fellowship. **Michael Kader** is a GI fellow in Rochester, where **David Kim** is a cardiology fellow. **Mitchell Lee** served as chief resident in anesthesiology at NYU and will be staying there as an attending. **Marc Auerbach** served as chief resident in pediatrics at NYU and will be starting a pediatric emergency medicine fellowship there. **Vito Brunetti** is currently chief resident in ENT at Beth Israel in New York. **Kerryn Rock** is about to begin her senior year of anesthesiology residency at Yale. She and her husband, **Michael**, have two wonderful daughters. **Gerard Silva** is an anesthesiology resident at NYU. **April Baker** is an emergency resident on Long Island. **Brandy Simmons** is married and lives in Buffalo. She has a wonderful baby daughter. **Tania Mariani** is engaged to **Kevin Regan** and is doing emergency medicine at NYU.

—SUBMITTED BY ALEX VOLFSO, MD '02

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In Memoriam

James D. MacCallum, MD '37, died on April 6, 2006.

Ralph E. Smith Jr, MD '43, died on March 10, 2006.

Robert J. Collins, MD, '43, March 8, 2006.

Anthony M. Aquilina, MD '44, died on March 13, 2006.

On April 12, 2006, the school was notified of the death of **Elizabeth McIntyre, MD '43.**

Hugh B. Hoeffler, MD '44, died April 3, 2006.



In Memoriam

Anthony Barone, MD '51, physician, surgeon and community leader, died on December 7, 2005, at his home in Jamestown, NY. He was 84.

A native of Buffalo, NY, Barone earned his undergraduate and medical degrees at UB. He completed his internship at Deaconess Hospital in 1952, after which he served as a captain in the air force during the Korean War. In 1959, he completed a surgical residency at Guthrie Clinic in Sayre, PA.

Barone then established a private practice in Jamestown, NY, where he was known for his compassion, especially for indigent and uninsured patients, for whom he often made house calls. In addition, he was on the surgical staff at WCA Hospital and the former Jamestown General Hospital, where he was chair of the board from 1972 to 1982.

Barone is survived by his wife of 54 years, Adelaide Thompson Barone; four sons, Nathaniel L. II, Anthony C. Jr, and Brian, all of Jamestown, and Charles of Sarasota, FL; and three daughters, Andrea of Olean, NY, and Adelaide and Tina, of Lakewood, NY.

Norris H. Frank, MD '33, died August 26, 2005, in Naples, FL.



A native of Buffalo, Frank practiced medicine in Collins Center, NY, and South Dayton, NY, from 1934 until 1940, at which time he was inducted in the army. In 1945, he returned to the area and opened a family practice in Gowanda, while also serving as an anesthesiologist at J. N. Adam, Tri-County and Dunkirk hospitals.

He and his wife retired to Clearwater, FL, in 1973, later moving to Naples in 1998.

During World War II, Frank served as an anesthesiologist with the 2nd Auxiliary Surgical Group on the general surgical and orthopaedic teams. Active in North Africa, the Mediterranean, and European campaigns, he earned six bronze campaign stars and a bronze service arrowhead for participation in the Anzio amphibious landing. He also held the Award of Legion of Merit, citation from General Mark Clark, and a Bronze Star for Bravery under fire.

Frank is survived by his wife, Donna, and daughter, Judith Pearson of Naples, FL. **BP**



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