

HSC E-NEWS

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MARCH 2006--STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

This past month marked the fortieth celebration of Black History Week that was first celebrated in 1926 and expanded to Black History Month in 1976. Dr. Carter G. Woodson, educated at the University of Chicago and Harvard University, was concerned that history textbooks ignored the role of African Americans in the nation's history. He proposed Black History Week to be celebrated during February near the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass.



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Throughout the month of February, several of our outstanding citizens were honored at special events. To highlight two, Dr. Frances Brisbane, Dean, School of Social Welfare was honored by the Suffolk County Martin Luther King Jr. Commission. Dr. Aldustus Jordan, Associate Dean for School of Medicine Student and Minority Affairs was honored at Stony Brook for his work as Chair of Black History Month.

Some notable campus members currently serve on University and HSC committees to improve the campus community and promote campus diversity. Those named below have just been appointed to the President's Diversity Task Force to address the campus community climate and to serve on various subcommittees. Their goal is to deliver to the President, by the end of spring, a Campus Climate Plan containing specific goals, objectives and a timeline for their implementation. The Campus Climate Plan will include the names of administrators who will be responsible for implementation of the plan during the academic year 2006-07. Members of the task force are:

Walter Backus (SOM)
Ora Bouey (SON)
Maureen Burns (SDM)
Russell Day (LISVH)
Ed Drummond (UH-UUP)
Robbye Kinkade (SHTM)
Liz McCoy (Labor Rel)
Bessie Ortega (UH)
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Hector Sepulveda (SOM)
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Estella Shivers (MR/PR)
Kathy Tansey (LISVH)
Debbie Zelizer (SHTM)

As we are a Health Sciences Center, you might be interested in a few African American scientists and inventors whose names you might not recognize, but whose science lives on today.

Dr. Daniel Hale Williams, (1858-1931) a surgeon of the South Side Dispensary in Chicago became keenly aware of the lack of facilities for training African Americans like himself as doctors and nurses. As a result, he organized the Provident Hospital, the first black hospital in the United States. In 1893, Williams performed the first successful closure of a wound of the heart and pericardium.

In 1940, Roger Arliner Young (1889-1964) overcame racial and sexual barriers to become the first African-American woman to be awarded a Ph.D. in zoology, which she earned from the University of Pennsylvania. Her scientific contributions, resulting largely from research she performed at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, include improved understanding of the structures that control salt concentration in the paramecium, as well as the effects of radiation on sea urchin eggs. Dr. Charles Richard Drew, (1904-1950) earned advanced degrees in medicine and surgery from McGill University in Montreal, Quebec in 1933 and from Columbia University in 1940. He is particularly noted for his research in blood plasma and for setting up the first blood bank.

Our campus community has a rich history of influencing science, our community, and the world. Martin Luther King advocated social change through non-violent means. There are many professional African Americans, health care professionals, lawyers, scientists, social workers, teachers, civil right workers, and volunteers in the minority community doing great work who are never acknowledged. Here at Stony Brook, the collegial effort amongst us and our joint efforts to improve the world is a living testament to the contributions of African Americans not just during a single month but every day. We expand the cultural horizons of our students so that they will know and appreciate what Madam C.J. Walker, Justice Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King, and Rosa Parks have done for many people across the world.

News from the Schools

The School of Health Technology and Management

Dr. Craig Lehmann, PhD, Dean of the School of Health Technology and Management has been invited, on behalf of the Board of the World Summit on Innovation & Entrepreneurship to attend an event, to be held on April 1-3, 2006, in Muscat, hosted by the Sultanate of Oman. The event is designed to foster the development and competitiveness of developing nations.

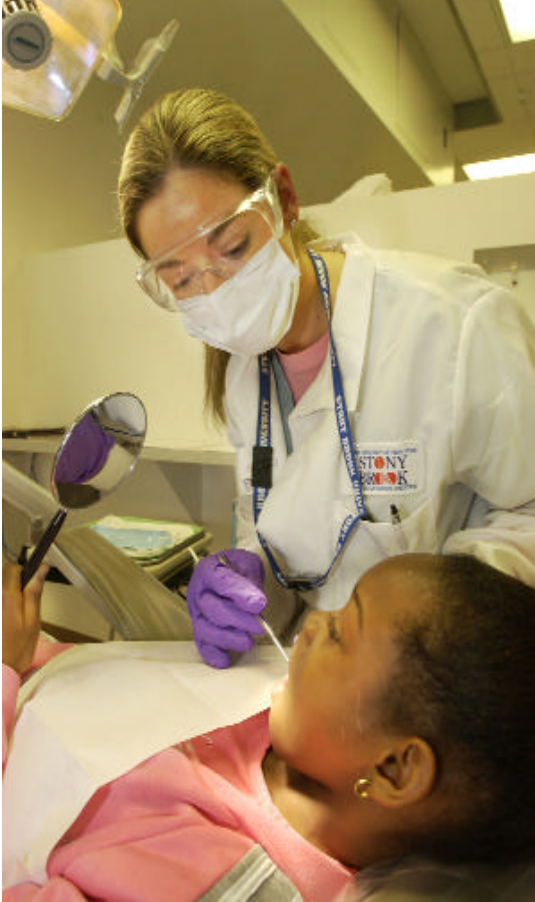
The World Summit on Innovation & Entrepreneurship is the first-of-its kind forum consisting of inspiring themes that simultaneously address real issues facing entrepreneurs and innovators; and provides opportunities for established leaders and entrepreneurs alike to create a new future.

This World Summit, held in concert with the United Nations Development Programme, the UN Economic & Social Commission for Western Asia and the UN Economic Commission for Latin America & the Caribbean is meant to be an exclusive meeting of minds that will attract the World's foremost corporate, government, media, innovation, spiritual and civil society leaders to:

- Improve infrastructure to achieve global competitiveness.
- Empower human development to accelerate knowledge partnerships.
- Inspire minds to leverage our collective talents for sustainable development.
- Make innovations foster better governance and legal reforms.
- Share reports from leaders and entrepreneurs on stimulating growth.
- Explore the impact on innovation trends that will affect future lives.

Together with an impressive collection of over 90 renowned speakers from across the globe such as Mr. Michael D. White, CEO Pepsi Co., Dr. Arun Gandhi, M.K. Institute and Dr. Rashid Bashur, Director of Telemedicine, University of Michigan Healthy Systems this landmark event will lay down the foundations to make innovation and entrepreneurship work for emerging nations. It may assist them to achieve global competitiveness by focusing on key initiatives and actions through three days of roundtables, town hall meetings and interactive workshops— where all will express the Summit theme of “A Better Generation in the Making.”

MORE NEWS FROM THE SCHOOLS



School of Dental Medicine

STONY BROOK DENTAL STUDENTS PROVIDE ORAL HEALTHCARE TO CENTRAL ISLIP SCHOOL CHILDREN ON "GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY"

STONY BROOK, NY, February 8, 2006—Stony Brook University's School of Dental Medicine participated in national "Give Kids A Smile Day." As part of the American Dental Association's 4th Annual "Give Kids A Smile Day," 200 students ages 3-12 from Central Islip School District and their parents received free dental exams, cleaning, sealants (as needed), a presentation on oral hygiene, tooth-brushing and flossing lessons, and packages of toothbrushes, toothpaste and dental floss. Care to the children is provided by Stony Brook's second- and third-year dental students, faculty, hygienists, and dental assistant students, Dental Care Center staff, as well as from volunteer dentists from the Suffolk County Dental Society.

Stony Brook University is the only academic dental school on Long Island.

Photo caption: At Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine's 4th annual "Give Kids A Smile Day," second year dental student, Wren Fich works on 7 year-old Central Islip resident, Natasha Taylor.

GALA BENEFITS ACUTE MYELOGENOUS LEUKEMIA RESEARCH AT STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

Check Presented to Stony Brook University Hospital's Blood and Marrow Stem Cell
Transplant Program



STONY BROOK, N.Y., February 13, 2006 – In a tribute to his late wife, Marilyn Colletta, and the treatment and care she received at Stony Brook University Hospital for Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML), Smithtown resident Joseph Colletta started the Stony Brook Foundation / Marilyn Colletta Fund.

The First Annual Marilyn Colletta Benefit Gala, sponsored by the Father Seyfried Council 821 Knights of Columbus of Kings Park, raised \$20,000 for AML research at Stony Brook. This important research is conducted through the Blood and Marrow Stem Cell Transplant Program a full-service program that performs bone marrow and stem cell transplantation in patients with blood cancers.

Photo caption: Presenting the check for \$20,000 from gala proceeds are Joseph Colletta (2nd from right), and Joseph Lupu, Grand Knight of Counsel (left), to (from left) Richard N. Fine, M.D., Dean, Stony Brook University School of Medicine; Kenneth Zamkoff, M.D., Medical Director, Blood and Marrow Stem Cell Transplant Program and Douglas Gladstone, M.D., Assistant Director, Blood and Marrow Stem Cell Transplant Program.

Other News of Note

The Long Island Veteran's Home

The Long Island State Veterans Home at Stony Brook University and the New York Islanders invite you to attend a special night, an opportunity to thank all Veterans, "America's Heroes", for their service and dedication in protecting our freedoms.

"A Salute to Veterans Night"

Saturday - March 25th, 2006

Game Time - 7PM

New York Islanders vs. Atlanta Thrashers

Tickets will be offered at a special discount ticket price of \$35 per ticket.

The event will include raffle prizes and special recognition ceremonies.

Proceeds from ticket sales will enhance programs, services and activities at the Long Island State Veterans Home to benefit our residents and those who care for them.

Tickets must be purchased through the Long Island State Veterans Home in order to receive the discounted price. To purchase tickets, please contact LISVH Community Relations at (631) 444-8615.

"The Fifth Annual Long Island State Veteran's Home Golf Classic"

The fifth annual Long Island State Veteran's Home Golf Classic will be held on September 21st, 2006 at the Great Rock Golf Club in Wading River. The full day event includes breakfast, scramble format golf, cocktail hour and dinner. Evening activities include a silent auction and raffle prizes. Proceeds from the event will enhance programs, services and activities at the Long Island State Veterans Home to benefit the residents and those who care for them. If you would like to participate in the event, sponsor, or donate an auction/raffle item, please call the Long Island State Veterans Home at 444-8615.

University Senate

The University Senate is conducting another survey among the faculty and professional staff in order to determine priority concerns for the University. A similar survey was conducted in 2003, so we will be comparing results with the previous survey to determine changes in campus attitudes and perceptions. All responses are non-attributable, and are only summarized at the highest organizational level (e.g., College).

This year, the survey is available only on-line at <http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/DoIT/senatesurvey.nsf/survey>. Please take the time to respond. The survey should take only about 15-20 minutes to complete, and a high response rate will make the results more meaningful. (W. Brent Lindquist, President of the University Senate.)

School of Social Welfare and School of Nursing

The School of Social Welfare and the School of Nursing are sponsoring a Geriatric Care Manager Education and Training Certificate Program. It will be held over four days at the Wang Center, March 13th through March 16th, 2006. The program is designed for social workers, nurses, paralegals, health professionals, and those who work for government agencies, not-for-profit associations, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted-living facilities, senior housing, home care, and senior citizen organizations. Tuition: \$300, application fee \$50. For information contact (631) 444-3142. Or email to: Mamie.Gladden@stonybrook.edu

PLEASE SAVE THE DATES

March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

To enroll in the "At Risk for Colon Cancer Pilot Study" contact HealthConnect at 444-4000. Free screening and educational programs.

"Little Miracles" Fashion Show
March 9, 2006, 6-9 p.m.,
Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook, NY,
Tickets \$60; Call 444-2899, ext. 2.

Dinner and Fashion show to celebrate "Little Miracles." The "Little Miracles" are the children who have survived cancer and are the stars of the show as they model fashions along with their families and staff from Stony Brook University Hospital. Funds support the Sunrise Fund for pediatric oncology programs at the Stony Brook University Hospital and the new Ambulatory Care Pavilion.

International Film Series

Film Fridays at Tabler Center for the Arts is presented by the College of Arts, Culture, and Humanities. **All films are shown at 7:00 p.m. and are Free and open to the public.**

March 3, **Swept Away** (Italian, 1974)
March 10, **The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie** (French, 1972)
March 17, **Knife in the Water** (Polish, 1962)
March 24th, **If...**(English, 1968)

Self Care Series, March 7, 14, 21 and 28

EAP and the Department of Campus Recreation are sponsoring the following classes. all meet from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m To register, call EAP at 632-6085.

Stretching Clinic: Tuesday, March 7th, SAC, Lower Level Aerobic Studio
What's Stress Got to Do with It?: Tuesday, March 14th, Women's Studies colloquium Center, Old Chemistry Building
Effective Ergonomics: Tuesday, March 21st, SAC Room 311
Walking Meditation: Tuesday, March 28th, Meet at the Labyrinth by the volleyball courts across from the SB Union.

Good communication is two way!

Send your news and comments to: HSC_VP@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

Please feel free to email this publication to others who might be interested in what is happening at the Health Sciences Center.