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Community spirit shines in light and faith



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The University community got into the spirit of the season with campus events including Night of Lights and Festival of Faiths.

Emory Hospitals hosted its annual holiday lighting celebrations from Dec. 1–4. This year's festivities featured thousands of lights and decorations at each facility including the new Emory University Orthopaedics & Spine Hospital. A fireworks show further lit up the night at Emory Crawford Long Hospital.

Festival of Faiths, a Wonderful Wednesday event organized by Associate Professor in the School of Medicine Neil Shulman, was a celebration of religious and spiritual diversity. The more than 30 campus and community faith organizations present allowed participants to "window shop" the world's faith traditions, "to walk from church to temple to synagogue, and connect one-on-one in a non-threatening way," said Shulman. "I'd like to give Emory credit for the outpouring of support" for this event, he added.

Staff share cost-saving tips, ideas

By KIM URQUHART

Employees across campus are taking creative and simple steps to cut costs, finding in the current economic climate an opportunity to reduce, reuse and recycle even more.

"We must begin adjusting behavior now as we face the reality of constrained resources," wrote President Jim Wagner in a letter outlining cost-cutting recommendations and urging the community to "work together to move forward prudently and responsibly through these uncharted waters."

Cheryl Torrey, an administrative assistant in the Department of Surgery, is among the many employees responding to Wagner's call.

Before renewing doctors' subscriptions to professional journals, Torrey suggests to other School of Medicine

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Predictive Health is event focus

By HOLLY KORSCHUN

The fourth annual Emory/Georgia Tech Predictive Health Symposium will highlight a new biomedical focus that integrates biology, behavior and environment, and emphasizes maintaining health rather than treating disease. The theme of the symposium is "Human Health: Molecules to Mankind."

Major themes will include new ways of defining and measuring health, economic benefits of health promotion and disease prevention, the metabolic determinants of health, pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine, and predicting health all the way from the laboratory to large population groups.

The two-day symposium will be held Dec. 15–16 at

AIDS Quilt on Quad wraps up hope, action

By BEVERLY CLARK

For the fourth year in a row, the Emory campus commemorated World AIDS Day with "Quilt on the Quad," presented by Emory Hillel Dec. 1. In marked contrast to the gray skies overhead, sections of The AIDS Memorial Quilt were unfurled on the Quad in a joyous display of color and patterns that also served as a somber reminder of the lives each of the 800 panels represented.

During the opening ceremony, keynote speaker and Emory alumnus Kenneth Cole,

the designer, founder and CEO of Kenneth Cole Productions Inc., talked about his work as an activist and supporter of AIDS research. Cole was one of the first to use advertising campaigns to speak out about the issue of AIDS in 1985 at a time when little was said in the mainstream.

As current chairman of amfAR, the world's largest HIV/AIDS research organization, Cole said that although a stigma still prevails around HIV/AIDS, "profound advances have been made during this journey...and I believe a cure is

within reach."

Rev. Jill Patterson Tolbert, campus minister for the Presbyterian Church-USA, also dedicated a panel for her brother, John Hunter Patterson, who died in 1996 "much too young" at the age of 41. "He is still remembered and he is still missed," she said during the opening ceremony.

Tolbert said later that when she started at Emory last year, she was eager to get involved with Quilt on the Quad, and it gave her the motivation to put the finishing touches on the panel she had created with

her husband and three young sons at the NAMES Project Foundation. The foundation, headquartered in Atlanta, curates the Quilt and also provides materials and assistance to people working to create the memorials for their loved ones.

Tolbert's other brother suggested that she base the design for the quilt panel on a shirt that was specifically created for Hunter by Maria Sabina, a famous Mazatec medicine woman, in 1975.

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NEW ONLINE AT EMORY.EDU

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Meet the new faculty who joined Emory in 2008–09. Bios and photos are listed on the Provost's Office of Faculty Development Web site. Also recognized here are faculty who have earned tenure or received a promotion to the next rank during the 2006–07 school year.

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EMORY PROFILE: Connie Moon Sehat



Connie Moon Sehat is director of digital scholarship initiatives for Emory Libraries.

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A virtual librarian She wants you to check out digital scholarship

By CAROL CLARK

Connie Moon Sehat, Emory Libraries' new director of digital scholarship initiatives, combines a love of history, art, culture, language and technology in one compact, high-energy package. "I've had a wide-ranging set of interests," she says, laughing as she settles into a comfortable chair outside her office in Woodruff Library.

Sehat's father was a systems engineer who was often transferred, so her family moved frequently during her childhood, including stops in South Korea — where both her parents were born — and cities around the southern United States.

While completing a degree in art history Sehat did internships in computer science. She then worked as a software engineer for NASA, designing applications for the International Space Station and Mission Control. "It was fascinating and frustrating," she says of the job. "I got the chance to see some of the smartest minds at work."

Sehat left NASA for graduate school at Rice University. "I love art, but I'm actually more interested in culture and society," she says, explaining her Ph.D. in German history. "The moral questions surrounding the Holocaust have always intrigued me."

She lived in Germany for

a while, adding German to her language repertoire, which also includes the ability to read French and understand spoken Korean. "The strangeness and familiarity of living in a different culture makes you see your own culture differently," Sehat says. Her dissertation looked at ways that science museums in East and West Germany express ideas about freedom and technology.

The next stop for Sehat was George Mason University in Washington D.C. where she served as associate director of research projects for the Center for History and New Media. One well-known project of the CHNM is a digital archive of oral histories and images from the 9/11 terrorism attacks: <http://911digitalarchive.org/>.

In August, Sehat joined Emory, which she says is positioned to become a leader in the emerging trend of digital scholarship. Rick Luce, vice provost and director of libraries, is known as an IT innovator who is committed to digital library development.

"Emory is a broad research institution with a lot of faculty members who are open to exploring digital media," Sehat says. "At its heart, digital scholarship is interdisciplinary, investigative and creative."

A major challenge to researchers in the information age is the overabundance of data. "The Bush Administration is expected to generate

something like 100 million e-mails," Sehat says. "How is any one scholar supposed to read all that? You can't."

But the Internet era also provides opportunities to mine data more efficiently, enrich research and expand the reach of academia.

A good example of digital scholarship at Emory is

"Voyages: The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade Database," a free and interactive Web-based resource which recently launched. "You can literally see how many people got on the boat in Africa and how many got off," Sehat says. "It provides amazing evidence that allows people to comprehend things quickly."

A new commons for teaching, research

Over this spring and summer, Emory Libraries' Connie Moon Sehat will be launching the "Digital Scholarship Commons," or DiSC, to help train, inspire and connect faculty members throughout the University who want to use computer science in creative ways to enhance their teaching and/or research.

"We chose the term 'commons' because we want to use the library space to bridge the humanities and sciences, and also the professional schools," Sehat says.

The first goal of DiSC will be to train a group of consultants within the library system who can help introduce faculty members to resources such as Zotero, an open-source bibliographic manager that is being further refined and developed through a partnership between Emory and the Center for History and New Media at George Mason University.

A series of workshops will introduce the basics of digital scholarship, including ways to approach grant writing. Successful digital scholarship projects from around the country will be discussed, such as the idea of a Harvard professor to teach a course via Second Life.

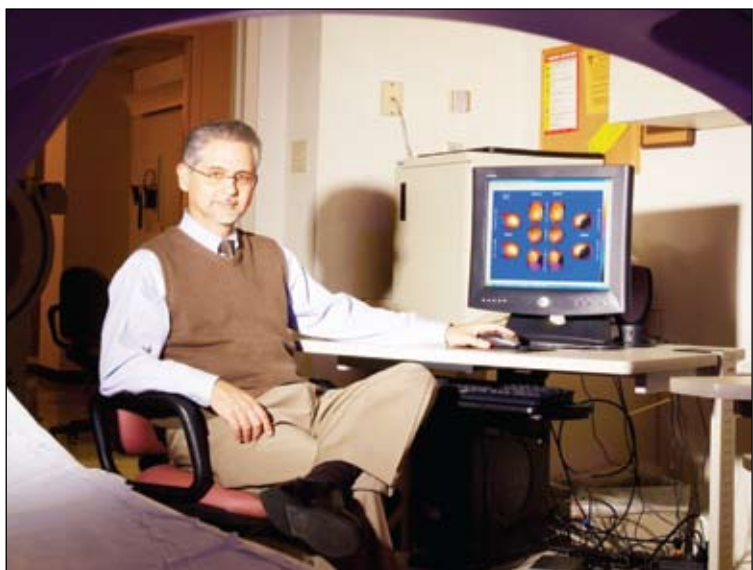
A conference hosted by Emory Libraries and the Council on Library and Information Resources April 17–18 will bring digital scholars from the U.S., Canada and Europe to campus to discuss their projects.

"This is an emerging field," Sehat says. "There are lots of small start-up projects, and people are searching for models to go by. We want to develop a more lasting infrastructure as a base for people to build on."

For more information about DiSC, visit the new Web site: <http://disc.library.emory.edu>.

People

Cardiac Toolbox helps its creator



Professor of Radiology Ernest Garcia learned that he had heart disease from the cardiac imaging software his team developed.

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By MONICA SALAMA

Radiology professor Ernest Garcia, whose team developed the Emory Cardiac Toolbox, was recently recognized by The Better World Report for his leadership role in academic research that has changed the world. And the cardiac diagnosis software recently changed his life.

With a family history of cancer, Garcia never expected to be concerned with heart disease. This August, the Emory Cardiac Toolbox diagnosed its own developer with heart disease. Garcia's diagnosis led to open heart surgery and with the expertise available at Emory, he recovered quickly.

As an expert in the field of cardiac diagnosis, Garcia has realized how easy it is to attribute the signs of a failing heart to other illnesses that the body may suffer. From this experience he says he has found a new appreciation for the importance of being well-informed and having a positive attitude.

The Emory Cardiac Toolbox relies on a bank of normal and abnormal scans to cross-reference and identify inconsistencies with a patient's scan. Though Garcia and his team developed the program, he attri-

butes his life-saving diagnosis to the patients and volunteers that supplied the images for the "normal" database.

Developments from Garcia's lab at Emory continue to be commercialized through Syntermed Inc., established in 1999 as a spin-off of research and technology from Emory and Georgia Tech. The Emory Cardiac Toolbox used by more than 20,000 clinicians worldwide continues to grow, with the most recent addition implemented by Assistant Professor of Radiology Ji Chen. The SyncTool uses multiharmonic phase analysis to quickly and accurately determine which heart failure patients will benefit from cardiac resynchronization therapy.

Learn more

Radiologist Ernest Garcia discusses the Emory Cardiac Toolbox on the latest edition of "Sound Science," a podcast series from the Woodruff Health Sciences Center. Listen at whsc.emory.edu/soundscience.

Also see the November 2008 edition of Rad Report.

Health educator will bridge efforts

By CAROL CLARK

Alyssa Lederer's interest in health education was sparked when she was a child, after a close family friend died of AIDS. "As I got older, I would hear people say things about AIDS that didn't resonate with my experience," she says. "I realized that what a lot of people knew was based on misconceptions."

She became involved in health awareness projects while still in high school. Last spring, she received her master's from the Rollins School of Public Health and in June she was hired by Emory to pioneer a new position: a health educator for the University overall, bridging the services of the Faculty Staff Assistance Program and Student Health and Counseling Services.

"I was brought in to unite the efforts of the two offices and to help create a University-wide, public health approach for a healthy campus," Lederer explains. "We really all want the same thing: to enhance the well-being of everyone in the Emory community."

This October Lederer coordinated the National College Health Assessment at Emory, a comprehensive survey that assesses students' physical and mental health concerns in addition to the health issues that most affected their academic performance. In the previous iteration of the survey in 2006, stress was the number one health concern cited by the respondents, followed by issues with sleep. The findings are in line with the national trend among college students, Lederer says, based on a standardized questionnaire created by the American College Health Association.

"Emory students work hard, both academically and in extracurricular activities," Lederer says. "They have a lot on their plate. It's hard not to feel stressed when you want to excel in every area."

Lederer is now working on developing a survey to assess the health of faculty and staff,



Alyssa Lederer

BRYAN MELTZ

which will likely be conducted in the spring. Once the results have been tabulated, along with the most recent student survey results, a "healthy campus coalition" will be formed to develop a comprehensive, strategic plan to make Emory a healthier place to live, work, teach and study.

"By finding out more about the needs of the entire community, and gathering baseline data, we're laying a foundation to build on," Lederer says. "It's an amazing opportunity, to be working for a university that is committed to taking an evidence-based approach to health promotion and that supports innovative strategies for health education."

Health education programs will be tailored to meet the specific needs of the Emory community, she says. Meanwhile, she wants to help students, faculty and staff understand and appreciate their interdependence.

"People who feel like they are part of a community generally have a better sense of well-being," Lederer says. "We want people to look out for each other, and to feel that others are looking out for them. Emory is a caring community, and we want everyone to know that it's okay to talk to your professor, your student or your colleague when something doesn't seem quite right or you notice a dramatic change in behavior."

APPOINTED

Dennis W. Choi has been appointed to serve as vice president for academic health affairs. He will continue as director of the Comprehensive Neuroscience Center in the Woodruff Health Sciences Center, and as executive director of the Neuroscience, Human Nature and Society Initiative within the University's strategic plan. Choi joined Emory in July 2007 and is a professor in the Department of Neurology.

June Connor has been named associate chief operating officer and associate chief nursing officer for Emory University Orthopaedics & Spine Hospital. Connor has served Emory for more than 30 years in numerous capacities, including staff nurse, director of nursing for cardiology services, and as a nursing instructor. Since 2002, Connor has served as assistant administrator of cardiac services for Emory Hospitals.

Walter Curran Jr. has been awarded the inaugural Lawrence W. Davis Chair of Radiation Oncology in Emory School of Medicine. Curran is chairman of the Department of Radiation Oncology and medical director of the Emory Winship Cancer Institute.

Jilleen Hoffman has joined Emory Facial Center as lead aesthetician. Hoffman brings more than 20 years of experience, including 15 years as the manager of a plastic surgeon's skin care center in New York City, five years as a member of New York University Medical Center's aesthetic surgery division and as a spa director for Hilton Hotels.

Omer Kucuk, who conducted the first clinical trials to show the benefits of soy and lycopene supplements in prostate cancer treatment, has joined Emory's Winship Cancer Institute as professor of hematology and medical oncology. Kucuk comes to Emory Winship from the Karmanos Cancer Center at Wayne State University.

Laurie Patton, Charles Howard Candler Professor of Religion, has been appointed as the inaugural director of the new Center for Faculty Development and Excellence. A culmination of University-wide efforts to support faculty development and foster intellectual community, the Center will launch its full slate of activities in January 2009.

Michael A. Watson has been named president and CEO of Wesley Woods. A longtime fundraising and campaign executive, Watson has 35 years of experience in both higher education and corporate sectors with organizations including BellSouth Corporation and Auburn University.

TRIBUTE: John T. Doby

Sociologist relished roles of scholar, friend



John T. Doby

SPECIAL

By ALVIN BOSKOFF

John T. Doby, emeritus professor of sociology, died on Nov. 1 in Corbin, Ky. After a distinguished career in the Air Force during World War II, he received his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin and began his career at Wofford College in South Carolina. In 1958 he came to Emory where, over 27 years, he nurtured a highly successful graduate program in sociology.

In those productive years, he published books on social psychology and methodology, several articles and book reviews, and received several research

and training grants for a rapidly developing program. He was one of the founders of the Georgia Sociological Society and served as president of the Southern Sociological Society. He was a frequent consultant to Georgia's mental health program.

Many of John's close associates and long-term friends saw him relish his role as scholar, administrator, mentor, debater and confidante. He combined small-town common sense and humor with the accelerating diversity of metropolitan Atlanta, but returned to Kentucky in retirement. John had a love for sociology at its core and a criti-

cal, Veblenian view of American higher education. He greeted stories and puns with reverberating laughter, even over the phone in recent years. His students and colleagues profited from his concern and knowledge.

He will be remembered as a leader, thinker, listener, pragmatist, but above all, friend.

Alvin Boskoff is professor emeritus of sociology. Department Chair Bob Agnew and Maggie Stephens, academic department administrator and close friend, contributed to this article.

"Appointed" is an occasional column announcing key hires and promotions at or affiliated with Emory University.

TAKE NOTE

Use sick leave for holiday vacation

University leadership is allowing staff and principals a one-time option to use accrued sick leave, in addition to the already available vacation leave or floating holidays, for Friday, Dec. 26 and Friday, Jan. 2, 2009. A grace period will be provided to essential staff and principals to use up to two sick days in lieu of vacation days or floating holidays, until Jan. 31, 2009, which must be approved in advance.

Review the announcement and Frequently Asked Questions at www.hr.emory.edu.

Humanities research projects sought

A call for proposals for the 2009 Research Collaboration in the Humanities Program has been issued by the Provost's Office. The deadline for proposals is Friday, Jan. 16.

All full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty engaged in humanities scholarship are eligible to apply. The Provost's Office is also encouraging applications for innovative collaborations between humanities faculty and faculty from other disciplines.

Visit www.emory.edu/PRO-VOST/documents/facultydevelopment/2008callforproposals.pdf.

Books' availability will change

Some temporary changes in the availability of Emory Libraries' Level 7 books are ahead as staff prepares for a return of the books to their newly renovated home in January.

Dec. 13 is the last day for Saturday retrievals. Dec. 30 is the last day for retrieval of any Level 7 books until the floor re-opens. Access to the collection is expected to re-open Jan. 22, 2009.

To request L7 books online, visit web.library.emory.edu/.

Fees up to reserve Jones Room

Reserving the Joseph W. Jones Room in the Woodruff Library building will cost more beginning with new reservations made in 2009 and beyond.

Instead of the current flat fee, four-hour use of the room, beginning with any pre-event staging and ending when the users have exited and all associated items have been removed from the room, will cost \$300. The rate for more than four hours per day up to an entire day will be \$600.

"The Jones Room is one of the most frequently used large gathering spaces on campus," says Emory Libraries' Michael Williamson. "Fees collected are used to maintain and enhance this important campus asset."

Reservations that are already approved will remain at the price negotiated upon booking, Williamson said.

SAVINGS: Economy is opportunity for thrift

Continued from the cover

administrative staff, consider sharing them in a central location and carefully check for duplicate renewal payments. "If everybody can cut back a little bit I bet we could save Emory thousands of dollars," Torrey says.

Print less, conserve more, drive less: Every employee can play a role in decreasing expenses in units and departments.

"Every dollar that we can save on operating costs or discretionary expenses means that's one more dollar we can put into faculty research and student financial aid and scholarship," says David Hanson, associate vice president for administration.

Keeping costs as low as possible is important no matter the economic climate, says Hanson, "but this is an opportunity to really dig deep and look at all the ways we spend money and rethink the way we do some things."

For example: When ordering office or lab supplies, turn first to Emory Marketplace, which

has already identified the vendor with the best quality and price, says Associate Vice President of Financial Operations David Thurston.

To save money through volume discounts on office supplies, the tenants of 1599 Clifton have on a voluntary basis decided to consolidate the days they place orders from Staples. In addition, says Thurston, who works in that building, "by cutting down on the frequency of Staples deliveries, we're reducing traffic on Clifton Road with less trucks coming to campus. When we do things like that to make it less expensive for our vendors to do business with us, it enables us to negotiate better deals with them."

Thurston recommends browsing the Emory Marketplace at www.finance.emory.edu/procurement to learn about "the tremendous number of values" offered at the one-stop site for purchasing needs. "If you go to our travel section, for example, you'll find out that we have a contract with Park'N Fly that allows you to park there for \$8.50 a day instead of \$14 at the Atlanta airport."

And, notes Thurston, "In these tight budget times, don't forget about our Sparkfly Employee Discount Program" that offers savings on consumer goods and services such as cell phone plans.

The Music Department has found teleconferencing and videoconferencing to be an efficient way to meet with its faculty members abroad. "Instead of having long-distance charges to reckon with, we installed Skype [the free software that allows users to make telephone calls over the Internet] and held a teleconference for free," says department chair Stephen Crist.

To save on energy bills, this year the Woodruff Library will be shortening its hours on the weekends and during intersession breaks. "We can conserve energy and be fiscally prudent by closing and turning off as many lights as possible during those days," says Charles Forrest, director of facilities management and planning.

To view the revised schedule for Emory's academic and professional libraries, visit web.library.emory.edu.

University Marketing has started a Carpool to Campus program for the tenants of 1762 Clifton, Plaza 1000. "Because we're off-campus, and so many of us go to main campus for various meetings, we thought we could reduce our carbon footprint by creating a shared calendar where people can connect and plan to share a ride," explains Kendra Price, executive administrative assistant.

The University Senate's Transportation and Parking Committee is hosting Commuter Fairs on Dec. 10 from 11-1 p.m. at the School of Medicine, and Jan. 8, 2009, at 11 a.m. and Jan. 9, 2009, at 5 a.m. in the Campus Services Training Room.

"We hope to get our coworkers to learn more about the options that are available and to sign up," says committee chair Linda King, who saves on gas, car insurance and maintenance by commuting to her job at Emory Law via vanpool.

Concludes Thurston: "You might need to change your behavior a little bit, but it's hard to argue with saving money."

Give your office break over the holidays

- Consult IT support staff about equipment to turn off over the break, like computers, monitors, printers and copy machines.
- Turn off all lights, including bathroom, desk, display case and overhead lights.
- Close blinds to help retain heat in the building; close exterior doors completely.
- Unplug coffee pots before leaving the office.

Source: Office of Sustainability Initiatives

Have a Bright Idea?

Have an idea that could save time, money or improve the quality of your workplace? Submit it to the Bright Ideas program, an initiative that encourages and rewards employee innovation. Visit the Bright Ideas Web site at www.brightideas.emory.edu to browse the repository of ideas submitted, or to enter your problem-solving proposal. The Bright Ideas Committee reviews all entries, and forwards the most promising ideas for further review and possible implementation.

Panel dissects proposal for tax policy changes

By ALLISON SHIRREFFS

As President-Elect Barack Obama continued to assemble his White House team, a group of lawyers, accountants, policymakers, business leaders and academics gathered at the School of Law to discuss an Obama presidency's effect on tax policy. During the half-day symposium, "Great Expectations: The Outlook for U.S. Tax Policy," experts touched on the Obama campaign promise of middle class tax cuts and tax increases for the wealthy, but noted that Obama's immediate effects on tax policy will be to stem the nosediving U.S. economy.

Sponsored by Emory Law, the Center for Transactional Law and Practice, Goizueta Business School, McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP and the Georgia Society of CPAs, the symposium featured keynote speaker Edward D. Kleinbard, chief of staff for the Joint Committee on Taxation, who provided a behind-the-scenes look at the data and analysis policymakers use to make tax policy decisions. Congressional staffers Mark Prater, chief tax counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance, and John Buckley, chief tax counsel for the U.S. House Ways and Means Committee, offered

a view of tax policy direct from Capitol Hill — via live videoconference.

Joe Dowley, a partner in the Washington office of McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP and former chief counsel of the House Ways and Means Committee, offered a sobering presentation, "The Perfect Storm," in which he explained the co-existence of an economic meltdown, the rising cost of U.S. debt, entitlement demographics, a health care system in crisis, engagement in two wars and energy imperatives highlights a need for tax reform.

The symposium ended with a roundtable that included Emory professors Dorothy Brown and Connie Kertz. The panel reviewed significant domestic and international tax policy reform proposals, including the implications of a second stimulus package and the possible effects of Obama's tax proposals on the business sector.

While the panelists could not predict when the Obama administration will tackle tax policy, Dowley articulated the symposium's prevailing sentiment: "The [tax] system simply isn't paying for the government we have. It has to be dealt with. We can't kick this can down the road any further."

SNAPSHOT



SPECIAL

First national championship

The Emory volleyball team capped off its storybook season Nov. 22 with a 3–1 win over the University of La Verne in the title match of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III National championship. The Eagles closed out their year with a 35–6 record following the 16–25, 25–21, 25–17, 25–22 win over the No. 4-ranked Leopards who finished out the campaign with a 27–3 won-lost ledger. Senior middle Dani Huffman was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament, and Jenny McDowell earned National Division III Coach of the Year.

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REPORT FROM: Emory Healthcare

Gearing up for Computerized Provider Order Entry

Computerized Provider Order Entry (CPOE) is Emory Healthcare’s next step in improving quality for patients. CPOE allows the caregiver to order medications and clinical tests at the computer and send them instantaneously to the appropriate department. The system can even provide real-time clinical decision support, like dosage suggestions, allergy warnings and drug interaction checks. And since all orders are electronically entered into the system, challenges and

errors related to handwriting will be eliminated.

The CPOE rollout will take place over an eight-month time period:

- February: Emory University Orthopaedics & Spine Hospital
- March through May: Emory University Hospital
- May: Wesley Woods Hospital
- June through August: Emory Crawford Long Hospital

The energetic CPOE implementation team is working round-the-clock to fine-tune the system and will provide ample, timely training and direction for all affected staff and physicians. To accommodate busy schedules, the training programs will be extremely flexible, with 24/7 online courses and convenient certification classes. After go-live, a robust on-site team will be available to offer support.

CPOE will be a challenging transition, as it will change clinical

workflows, roles and responsibilities for both providers and non-providers alike. Our motto is “CPOE works for me,” as the system fulfills a basic functional need and benefits the user. Find out how CPOE works for you. We ask you to learn your role as a provider, recipient or supporter to help make CPOE at Emory Healthcare a success.

Jack Morford is a project director at Emory Healthcare.

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE ROUNDUP

Employee Council learns about partner violence project

Initiatives in the works and learning opportunities were the focus of the Nov. 19 Employee Council meeting.

Paula Gomes, director of the Faculty Staff Assistance Program, and Sheryl Heron, assistant professor of emergency medicine, introduced a project that they have been working on since 2007: the Intimate Partners Violence Working Group. Gomes and Heron gave a breakdown of how the project group wanted to fulfill its two missions: to increase awareness of the issue and of programs available on campus and to improve resources available to victims.

Director of Learning Services

Wanda Hayes gave an overview of the programs, new since January, and classes offered by Human Resources, including five certificate programs. Gary Cruze discussed how his Center for Lifelong Learning course about improving communication can help participants understand their dominant communication styles and how to communicate effectively with others.

Senior Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Susan Cruse updated the Employee Council about the status of Campaign Emory, and remained positive about reaching the \$1.6 billion goal.

Faculty Council hears panel on conflicts of interest

“Exactly where do you draw the line? What creates a conflict of interest?” were some of the questions that came out of a panel discussion on conflicts of interest in research at the Nov. 18 meeting of the Faculty Council.

President Steven Culler said the panelists did a good job of explaining “how we got to where we are and what we doing about it,” the uncertainty around conflicts of interest and how the process is evolving. A series of vignettes describing various scenarios would be “very, very helpful” to help

clarify what does and doesn’t fall into a conflict area, he said.

Senior Vice Provost for Undergraduate Academic Affairs Santa Ono discussed the work of the Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee, part of Emory’s reaccreditation process. He asked for committee volunteers to help assess what student learning.

And Laurie Patton, director of the new Center for Faculty Development and Excellence, presented her ideas for a portfolio of faculty development processes.

Engagement theme of University Senate topics

University Senate members heard from two new directors of offices on campus and learned about ways to get involved in community outreach and problem-solving. Senate president Steven Culler said new Center for Women Director Dona Yarbrough and new Office of LGBT Life Director Michael Shutt are planning to build on what their offices have been doing as well as enhancing coordination with other groups on campus.

A presentation on Preparing Engaged Scholars, which Culler said “touches most of the constituency in the Senate,” provided a better appreciation for the multiple levels of engagement and real experience solving community problems. “Two or three things came to me that I could

bring into my classroom that I might not have thought of,” said Culler, an associate professor of health policy and management. “It’s clear there is a lot of opportunity for the faculty to be involved,” he said, adding “it’s nice to see an strategic initiative that has a track record.”

Also speaking was President Jim Wagner who got some feedback on how much communication faculty and staff needed on the economic downturn, finding it to be in line with how much is being done now. “Not all aspects of the economic situation are negative,” Culler said was the conclusion. “And it offers an opportunity to assess what really is important and what can be put on the back burner.”

— Leslie King

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Getting health discoveries to the developing world

By MARY LOFTUS

Health discoveries should be used to protect and heal not just the rich, but also the poor. This principle was near to Carolyn Kenline’s heart when she was a graduate student at the Rollins School of Public Health.

So Kenline ’08MSPH became involved with the international student group Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, whose mission is to ensure that drugs and health technologies invented at universities are made available in the developing world and to promote research into neglected diseases.

“This really works at Emory because of our strategic vision, which calls upon us to make a positive transformation in the world,” says Kenline, who now works for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

As part of Emory Global Access Partnership, the local chapter of UAEM, Kenline and other students met with Office of Technology Transfer Director Todd Sherer to see what could be done to increase global access to drugs and technologies developed at Emory.

With Sherer’s encouragement, the chapter decided to form a working group with administrators, faculty and students from across campus.

President Jim Wagner says he is grateful to the students for providing both the “energy and institutional conscience to ensure that these principles were developed and adopted. We are indebted to them for their clear moral thinking and for their persistence.”

The president’s cabinet adopted the guiding principles, and OTT incorporated them into its licensing program.

“Overly restrictive humanitarian licensing policies can scare away potential licensees from the start,” says Jennifer Moore, a molecular physiologist

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and licensing associate who was one of several OTT staffers to sit on the working group. “Then no one benefits, people in the developing world included.”

As for the guiding principles, Moore says, “the neat thing is, we’ve already done a considerable amount of licensing that one would consider humanitarian-friendly and that aligns nicely with the principles we’ve adopted. To formalize and publish these principles on our OTT Web site (www.ott.emory.edu/For_Inventors/Policies) hopefully will raise awareness around the issue and get more universities and companies interested in pursuing similar initiatives.”

The University is already receiving inquiries about the process.

Wagner says that being explicit about Emory’s technology transfer principles “helps to clarify our intentions in our own minds” and provides guidelines for discussions with outside commercial interests who seek to license and produce products based upon inventions by faculty.

“We have a responsibility to try to remove the barriers — at least the barriers that lie within our power to control — that inhibit world access to technology and ideas that might improve the human condition anywhere,” he says.

Ultimately, Kenline agrees, it’s all about getting these medicines and health care tools “into the hands of the people who need them the most.”

NEWSMAKERS

“Health care facilities can create safer conditions within the existing 80-hour limit by providing residents regular opportunities for sleep and limiting extended periods of work without rest.”

— Michael M.E. Johns, chancellor of Emory and chairman of the Institute of Medicine committee that released a report Dec. 2 on medical residents, proposing revisions to decrease chances of fatigue-related medical errors, reported in numerous major media outlets.



COVER STORY

HEALTH: New model to predict disease risk



"Human Health: Molecules to Mankind" on Dec. 15–16 will discuss new ways of defining health, predicting disease risk, personalizing treatment and maintaining long-term well-being.

SPECIAL

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the Emory Conference Center. The full agenda and registration are available at <http://predictivehealth.emory.edu/symposium2008.cfm>.

Keynote speakers include Ralph Snyderman, founder, Proventys, and chancellor for health affairs emeritus, Duke University, and Jeffrey Gulcher, chief scientific officer and co-founder, deCODE Genetics. The roster includes speakers from the Genetic Alliance, the Ohio State University, Vanderbilt

University, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and the University of Texas Health Science Center, in addition to scientists from Emory and Georgia Tech.

Predictive health is a new paradigm that defines the unique characteristics that predict disease risk for individuals and populations and uses new discoveries in biomedicine to emphasize health maintenance and health recovery rather than treatment of disease.

"Emory University is committed to national leadership in transforming health and heal-

ing through new ways of defining health, predicting disease risk, personalizing treatment and maintaining long-term well-being," says Fred Sanfilippo, CEO of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center. "By combining advances in science, technology and translational research with health economics, public policy, business and ethics, we are developing innovative strategies to translate this new knowledge to individuals and populations as Emory plays a major role in the revolutionary changes that must and will occur in health care's future."

Sanfilippo will lead the symposium along with President Jim Wagner, Kenneth Brigham, director of the Emory/Georgia Tech Predictive Health Institute, Chancellor Michael M.E. Johns, and Don Giddens, dean of the Georgia Tech College of Engineering.

Predictive Health and Society is a University-wide initiative within Emory's strategic plan that includes Emory's health sciences professional schools and centers, Emory College and Emory Graduate School and the College of Engineering at Georgia Tech. The Emory/

Georgia Tech Predictive Health Institute includes more than 20 basic and translational research projects linked to a Center for Health Discovery and Well Being. The Center is a new approach to health and healing, located at Emory's midtown campus at Crawford Long, enrolling individuals in a unique program to define and measure health, invent and discover optimal biomarkers of health, identify interventions and determine how to apply this new knowledge to make people healthier.

— Robin Tricoles

Researchers find clues to vaccine effectiveness

By EMILY RIOS

Researchers at the Yerkes National Primate Research Center and Emory Vaccine Center have developed a new approach to predict the effectiveness of vaccines without exposing individuals to infection. The discovery addresses a long-standing challenge of only being able to determine immunity long after vaccination, and often only after exposure to infection.

The study, which used the yellow fever vaccine (YF-17D) as a model, was published in *Nature Immunology*.

"Despite the great success of the yellow fever vaccine, little has been known about the immunological mechanisms that make it effective," says lead researcher Bali Pulendran, Yerkes researcher and a professor in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Pulendran's team sought to determine what makes such a vaccine effective so researchers

can use the model in designing new and better vaccines against global pandemics and emerging infections.

Researchers vaccinated 15 healthy individuals with YF-17D and studied the T cell and antibody responses in their blood.

"Using a bioinformatics approach, we were able to identify distinct gene signatures that correlated with the T cell response and the antibody response induced by the vaccine," says Pulendran. "To determine whether these gene signatures could predict immune response, we vaccinated a second group of individuals and were able to predict with up to 90 percent accuracy which of the vaccinated individuals would develop a strong T or B cell immunity to yellow fever."

The team is now working to determine whether this approach can be used to predict the effectiveness and immunity of other vaccines, including flu vaccines.

Diplomat: Afghanistan needs more help from international community

By LESLIE KING

"What do Afghans want?" Ashraf Haidari asked Marion Creekmore's South Asian politics class Dec. 2. "Basic security and basic rule of law and government."

Haidari has a front-row seat at the struggle of the strife-torn nation; he is the political counselor at the Afghanistan Embassy in Washington.

Seven years after the beginning of Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan is beset by the Taliban trying to reclaim its brutal political dominance; violence from Al Qaeda; drug traffickers; and criminals, particularly kidnappers.

The "reality on the ground" in Afghanistan is that "the international community has not sent enough forces to stabilize the country," Haidari said, and "2008 has been the bloodiest year so far."

The international forces put restrictions on military opera-

tions. For example, Germany won't send troops to the south and east where the Taliban is strongest. "First we don't have enough forces, and second, the forces we do have are in areas where they're not really needed," Haidari said.

The small number of international forces means they are insufficient to battle the Taliban so they call for airstrikes, which increases the possibility of civilian casualties.

"One way [to prevent civilian casualties in airstrikes] is to coordinate with the Afghan government in advance and I think some of these situations would be prevented," he said.

If civilian casualties occur, "a quick apologetic response would be powerful," he advised. "It helps if the apology is upfront and you help the victims."

Haidari also noted: "We need more international special forces. They can engage enemy so there's really no need to call for airstrikes."

Class members are reading "A Thousand Splendid Suns," by Afghan-American novelist Khaled Hosseini, described as an "epic of Afghanistan in turmoil."

They asked about the recent violence in Mumbai, India. "Unless we truly shut down terrorists," Haidari said, such incidents will continue. "Our hope is the international community will recommit to tackling this problem."

Following the class, Haidari spoke at a Halle Institute event. "Our allies have so far faltered on three key accounts," he said. They have failed to provide the necessary level of aid for reconstruction; to coordinate aid efforts with each other; and to engage the Afghan people and deliver on expectations.

Address these, Haidari said, and "when they exit Afghanistan, the Afghan people firmly stand on our own feet."

Emory University Summary Annual Report for the 2007 plan year

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Insurance information

The plan has contracts with UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, Reliastar Life Insurance Company and RELIASTAR LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY to pay Life Insurance, Long-term disability, LONG TERM CARE claims incurred under the terms of the plan. The total premiums paid for the plan year ending December 31, 2007 were \$8,198,831

Basic financial statement

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was \$8,176,588 as of December 31, 2007, compared to \$7,641,635 as of January 1, 2007. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of \$534,953. This increase includes unrealized appreciation and depreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan's assets at the end of the year and the value of the assets at the beginning of the year or the cost of assets acquired during the year. During the plan year, the plan had total income of \$8,711,068 including employer contributions of \$4,188,860, employee contributions of \$3,987,255, and earnings from investments of \$534,953.

Plan expenses were \$8,176,115. These expenses included \$8,176,115 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries.

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Insurance information

The plan has contracts with AETNA and CompBenefits Insurance Co to pay Dental claims incurred under the terms of the plan. The total premiums paid for the plan year ending December 31, 2007 were \$2,139,354.

Basic financial statement

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was \$67,406,076 as of December 31, 2007, compared to \$64,575,947 as of January 1, 2007. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of \$2,830,129. This increase includes unrealized appreciation and depreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan's assets at the end of the year and the value of the assets at the beginning of the year or the cost of assets acquired during the year. During the plan year, the plan had total income of \$132,264,305 including employer contributions of \$101,851,040, employee contributions of \$25,683,989, and earnings from investments of \$4,729,276.

Plan expenses were \$129,434,176. These expenses included \$12,043,274 in administrative expenses and \$117,390,902 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries.

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Basic financial statement

Benefits under the plan are provided. Plan expenses were \$175,217. These expenses included \$175,217 in administrative expenses. A total of persons were participants in or beneficiaries of the plan at the end of the plan year, although not all of these persons had yet earned the right to receive benefits.

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was \$53,366,785 as of December 31, 2007, compared to \$51,529,451 as of January 1, 2007. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its net assets of \$1,837,334. This increase includes unrealized appreciation and depreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan's assets at the end of the year and the value of the assets at the beginning of the year or the cost of assets acquired during the year. The plan had total income of \$3,789,762 including earnings from investments of \$3,789,762.

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ADVANCE NOTICE

MARIAL forum on memory, family

Experts on memory, family history and culture from Denmark, Germany and the United States will gather at Emory for a two-day conference Dec. 11–12 on “Culture, Family and Communicative Memory.”

The conference, free and open to the public, is sponsored by the Center for Myth and Ritual in American Life (MARIAL) and the Emory Cognition Project.

“Researchers from around the world will come together to consider how memory develops in childhood and throughout adulthood through family stories and cultural myths,” says conference co-organizer Robyn Fivush, Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor of Psychology and department chair. “Information shared at this conference will help us better understand the complex processes by which individuals come to define themselves in relation to the social groups in which they live.”

For the conference schedule, visit www.marial.emory.edu.

Join faculty authors at ‘Feast of Words’

The Academic Exchange and the Druid Hills Bookstore are hosting a celebration of Emory faculty authors and editors of books published in 2008. The annual “Feast of Words” will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 9, from 4:15–6:15 p.m. at Druid Hills Bookstore in Emory Village, and will include remarks and a toast from President Jim Wagner and Provost Earl Lewis.

Pick up a brochure listing all known Emory faculty books of 2008, or purchase a book by an Emory author for a daily-standing discount of 10 percent.

Bust holiday nutrition myths

With so many tempting treats, how do you eat healthy this holiday season? Get tips at the Emory Heartwise Lecture Series “Nutrition Myths” on Wednesday, Dec. 17, from noon to 12:45 p.m. in The Emory Clinic’s 5th Floor Conference Room, 1525 Clifton Rd.

“People tend to eat more and move less this time of year, and it’s also a time of fad diets,” says Cheryl Williams, the clinical dietician who will present the seminar. “We will focus on maintaining and achieving a healthy weight.” Fresh vs. frozen vegetables, and eating organic are among the topics to be covered.

Free and open to the public, registration is recommended at 404-778-7777 or healthconnection.emory.org.

Athletics

Tuesday, Dec. 9

Men’s Basketball v. Maryville College. 7 p.m. Woodruff P.E. Center. Free.

Performing Arts

Monday, Dec. 8

Emory Guitar Ensemble. 8 p.m. Performing Arts Studio. Free. 404-727-5050.

Emory World Music Ensemble with Tong Soon Lee. 8 p.m. Performing Arts Studio. Free. 404-727-5050.

Friday, Dec. 12

Paul Tate Live. 8 p.m. Cannon Chapel. Free. www.emory-catholic.org.

Religion

Tuesday, Dec. 9

Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration. 5 p.m. Winship Ballroom, Dobbs Center. Free. amallen@emory.edu

Sunday, Dec. 14

University Service. Alice Rogers, Candler School of Theology, preaching. 11 a.m. Cannon Chapel. Free. 404-727-6225.

Seminars

Monday Dec. 8

“Getting From Here to There: Health System Transformation in Three Easy Steps.” Fred Sanfilippo, executive vice president for health affairs, CEO of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center, and chairman of Emory Healthcare, presenting. 4 p.m. 860 Rollins School of Public Health. Free. policyinsitute@emory.edu.

“This World to the Next: The Decorative Program in the Burial Chamber of Tutankhamun.” Gay Robin, art history, presenting. 7 p.m. Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-4282.

“Type 2 Diabetes: A Global Problem Needing Global Solutions: Insights Into the Global Diabetes Epidemic From Some of the World’s Leading Researchers.” 5 p.m. Emory Conference Center. Free. 404-727-5692.

Tuesday, Dec. 9

Nutrition for the Heart. 11 a.m. 1525 Clifton Rd. Free. Registration recommended; healthconnection.emory.org.

Joints in Motion. 2 p.m. 136 Glenn Classroom, Emory Hospital. Free. healthconnection.emory.org.

Wednesday, Dec. 10

GYN OB DEPARTMENT GRAND ROUNDS: “Are We Teaching Incorrect Pelvic Anatomy?” S. Robert Kovac, department of gynecology/obstetrics, presenting. 8 a.m. Steiner Auditorium, Grady Hospital. Free. claire.hackworth@emory.edu.

Thursday, Dec. 11

“Culture, Family and Communicative Memory” Conference. 8:30 p.m. Winship Ballroom, Dobbs Center. Free. ekurylo@emory.edu. Two-day conference: Dec. 11, 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. and Dec. 12, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Special

Tuesday, Dec. 9

Peace Vigil. 1 p.m. Cox Bridge Bell Tower. Free. 404-727-0636.

Wednesday, Dec. 10

Toastmasters @ Emory Guest Event. 8 a.m. 231 Dental School Building. Free. 770-317-6285.

Visual Arts

Now Showing

“Latin American Posters: Public Aesthetics and Mass Politics.” Schatten Gallery, Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0136. Through Dec. 14.

“Big Shots: Andy Warhol’s Polaroid Portraits.” Carlos Museum. \$7 donation; free, Emory students, faculty and staff. carlos.emory.edu. Through Dec. 15.

“Jason Francisco: A Concern With History (2003).” Visual Arts Building Reception Lobby. Free. 404-712-4290. Through Dec. 18.

“Min Kim Park: Zummarella.” Visual Arts Gallery. Free. 404-712-4390. Through Jan. 24, 2009.

“Tutankhamun: The Golden King and The Great Pharaohs.” Atlanta Civic Center. Ticket prices vary. www.kingtut.org/. Through May 2009.

QUILT: Spreading awareness of AIDS



Quilt on the Quad

BRETT WEINSTEIN

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Other siblings added notes to Hunter’s panel.

“Not a day goes by that I don’t think of him,” Tolbert says. “But, it felt good to know that 100 years from now there will be something lasting and permanent that acknowledges and celebrates his life.”

Despite having to break down early due to weather, Quilt on the Quad was the largest display on any college campus and was the second largest in the world that day. Related events continued throughout the week, includ-

ing the seminar “AIDS at 27: Turning Hope into Action.”

Hosting the largest display of the Quilt on a college campus is especially relevant today, says Daniel Sperling, co-chair of the event. “Having the Quilt here again really stresses the fact that there needs to be a movement to lower infection rates among the younger generations,” says Sperling, an Emory College senior. “And having Kenneth Cole here was really inspirational. His life shows that even if no one else is working for a cause that needs to be addressed, you need to step up and take action.”

Celtic concert a holiday tradition



Alison Brown Quartet

CLARK R. HILL

Grammy-winning banjoist Alison Brown, with members of the Alison Brown Quartet (above), will light up the “Sixteenth Annual Atlanta Celtic Christmas Concert,” hosted and directed by James W. Flannery, Winship Professor of Arts and Humanities and director of the W. B. Yeats Foundation.

The popular event highlights Celtic and Appalachian music, dance, poetry, song and story featuring Rising Appalachia and the Elders, The Buddy O’Reilly Band, Scottish pipers, Irish and Southern clog dancers, and more.

With performances on Dec. 12 and 13 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 14 at 2:30 p.m. in the Schwartz Center’s Emerson Hall, tickets are \$25 for the general public; \$20 for discount category members; and \$10 for students. For tickets: 404-727-5050 or www.arts.emory.edu/tickets.