

President's Letter

Knock on wood! More than half-way through hurricane season and so far, so good. When I wrote 2008's Fall President's Letter we had already had two hurricanes and one evacuation. We now are also four years post Katrina. Progress has been slow but there are many encouraging signs. Dan, his faculty and staff have done a wonderful job of "growing the department."



The annual Brain & Behavior Conference will again be held at the Chateau Bourbon Hotel on Dec 5-6. The Department of Psychiatry and Neurology will be celebrating it's 60th anniversary. Time flies. On Friday evening, December 5th, the usual Holiday Reception will be held for meeting participants, faculty, alumni, students and interested friends. But that Saturday night will be something special. Don Gallant will lead a "roast" of our esteemed chairman Dan Winstead at Antoine's. So bring your favorite story and join the fun.

Since last August membership fees and donations have exceeded \$13,000. Remember, we are committed to underwriting the Brain & Behavior Conference with an annual donation of \$5,000. The Department also asked our help in underwriting the APA reception this year. The format changed increasing the cost. The Society paid \$8,500 of the cost. We also helped with some travel expenses for residents plus gave the annual awards at graduation. Our wonderful newsletter also cost us over \$1500. Through your generosity the Heath Society is able to truly support the Department.

By the time you get this newsletter the Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association's fall meeting will be history. It was held at the Sandestin Hilton on the Florida Gulf Coast in conjunction with the Southern Psychiatric Society. Candy Legeai set up a desk with information on the Heath Society to hand out to all attendees.

During the past year four members of the Society died. Alvin Cohn, Gene Usdin, George Bishop and Bill Bloom will be remembered as having contributed greatly to our profession.

Hope to see you at the Brain & Behavior Conference in December. Let us know what is happening in your life so we can let your friends know through this newsletter.

Douglas W. Greve, M.D.

Chairman's Column

Lots of news to report for our Fall Newsletter. First, we will soon have a new Chair of Neurology. Yes, it is finally about to happen and my administrators and I will assist in the "birthing" process. In the meantime, space has been renovated on the 13th floor of the Murphy Building for their academic offices and the former clinic space on the 7th floor of TUHC is being renovated for their clinical activities.



Speaking of the Murphy Building, most of our Child Psychiatry Section has moved to the newly renovated 14th floor. This gives them adequate room for the time being while freeing up space in the Tidewater Building that was desperately needed for the Adult Psychiatry Section and our adult psychologists and neuropsychologists. Some space will be used for research projects that have been recently funded.

Pat O'Neill has been promoted to full professor and has been appointed as Associate Chair for Clinical Affairs. He will work with Jim Landry to develop new business opportunities and our telepsychiatry initiative (see related article).

Erik Kinzie has joined our faculty and takes over as our Residency Training Director for adult psychiatry. Leslie Lawrence will continue as our Associate Training Director.

Of course the academic cycle has continued. At the medical school graduation, Jan Johnson was awarded the Gloria P. Walsh Award for her teaching excellence. Our residency graduation was held on June 5th at the Plimssoll Club and various awards were given (see related article). July saw the influx of new residents, fellows, and clinical psychology interns.

Special events are scheduled during our Brain and Behavior conference in early December to celebrate the Department's 60th Anniversary. Our holiday reception will be held on Friday evening, December 4th, where we will have cake and other goodies to mark the occasion. A Gala Dinner will be held on Saturday night at Antoine's where Don Gallant will "roast" yours truly. Should combine fun with an opportunity to raise money for the Heath Society. Hope to see you there!

Daniel K. Winstead, M.D.

Editor's Note

So, we have a lot to celebrate right now. Last issue we boldly pronounced that this was the 20th anniversary edition of our newsletter—which it was. But the Heath Society is actually 5



years older, so we are celebrating its 25th anniversary this time too. And the Department is even older, celebrating its 60th anniversary. All of this in 2009. What a year! And, if that weren't enough, this is the year that our Department will split into two distinct departments—truly an historic academic occasion. I know not everyone reading about this latest development in the Newsletter will be happy with this decision but I think Dan did a good job in explaining the reasons for making this move at this time. And, for the time being at least, we will continue to share information about both departments and faculty and graduates in this publication. We are all still Bob Heath's legacy.

For me personally the past 20 years as editor of this newsletter have been full of pleasant memories. I've had a chance to meet and chat with many of our faculty and graduates and have attended many great lectures put on by the Department and the Society, given by some of the top names in the fields of psychiatry, psychology and neurology. What I haven't liked about the job is writing the obituaries. Twenty years ago I got to write with some emotional detachment about my teachers. They were clearly a generation or more apart from me. But as time goes on I find it more difficult to write about those whom I have had the pleasure and privilege to work with and socialize with and who have mentored me. Their deaths are hitting closer to home and I no longer have that emotional distance I had with those who died when I was a relative newbie in the psychiatric community. Both Gene Usdin and Al Cohen were very good to me over the years, Gene being very supportive of my newsletter work and sponsoring me for the College and Al being a fellow disability examiner

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The Latest on Departmental News and Offerings is on the Web

Keep up with your Department on the web. Be sure to periodically check our website for the latest in the Department's faculty and resident awards and continuing medical education offerings. Just click on

https://tulane.edu/som/departments/psych_neuro/news-and-events.cfm

where you will find information on the Department's annual Brain & Behavior symposium in December along with the 60th Anniversary and Gala at Antoine's on December 5th and the annual Scrignar Forensic Conference in April.

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and practitioner in the Touro area. Al and I had many a good conversation over the years. And there have been others whose obituaries I have printed in recent years that have been good friends and helpful colleagues over the years. Chet Scrignar is another name that instantly comes to my mind. He wanted me to do his interview for our DVD collection of illustrative faculty and insisted that he interview me after I repeatedly refused and put him off for a year or two. I still question that decision of his but was flattered by his insistence.

And over the years I've taken pictures of most of our faculty and the big names in the field of American psychiatry who have come to lecture to us at Tulane. But the one photo that has always stood out in my mind is the one of Bob Heath and Art Epstein which is printed again in this issue. Two giants in their fields: Bob, the somewhat detached, complex, fearless and determined personality who founded our combined department and led it for about 30 yrs and Art, the open, warm and sensitive psychoanalyst, hypnotist, neurologist and poet. What a pair! What an honor to have studied under both of them. But this is just some of the rich heritage of Tulane psychiatry over the past 60 years. For all you younger graduates, look around you. For in your midst I know there are some new "giants" whom Drew and I will have the pleasure of covering in future issues of the *Newsletter*. 20, 25, 60 and counting.

Craig W. Maumus, M.D.

Emeritus Professor Marc Forman's article, "Lives too Soon" was published in the April issue of *Developmental Medicine and Child Neurology*. Daughter Vicki's memoir, "This Lovely Life" about the birth of her extremely premature twins, has been published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt books. Both Formans will present at a conference on "Born too Soon" at the Royal Society of Medicine in London in November.

Roger Kelly Named Chair of Neurology

Roger Kelly, MD, a 1976 alum of Tulane School of Medicine has accepted the Chair of our new Department of Neurology effective January 1st, 2010. Roger comes to Tulane from LSU-Shreveport where he has been Professor and Chairman of Neurology and Program Director of their Neurology Residency Training Program.

Dr. Kelly did his internship and initial year of a medicine residency at Deaconess Hospital in Boston before completing his neurology residency at the University of Miami. He then did a cerebrovascular fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Roger is a diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology with additional qualifications in vascular neurology. He has a major interest in stroke prevention and treatment.

Dr. Kelly has numerous research publications and has had multiple grants in the past. He serves on several editorial boards, reviews for a large number of journals, and is frequently called upon to present at various scientific meetings.

Please join me in welcoming Roger back to his alma mater!

Daniel K. Winstead, M.D.



After 60 years, Why Split Psychiatry and Neurology?

The tragic and untimely death of Leon Weisberg in December, 2006 left a gaping hole in our neurology section and in our department. Once the initial shock of his death had passed, it was clear that the department was at a major decision point. After consultation with the neurology faculty, my senior faculty advisors and key alums, the decision was made to search for a chair of a new department of neurology.

Why? Key reasons were:

1. Neurology in the vast majority of medical schools is an independent department. Therefore, to attract the highest caliber candidate, we would need to split the departments.
2. Additional resources from the school and from TUHC were more likely to be forthcoming if a new department were created.
3. The culture of the department had changed post-Katrina, in that many of our common clinical programs were lost (e.g. Headache Center, MS Clinic, Dementia Clinic and

Research Program, etc.), as were some of our common research interests.

There are obviously various reasons why some people will argue against this split. Our Department has a proud history and being unique was certainly a part of that tradition. Psychiatry and Neurology are getting closer as time and science moves on, yet the cultures of the two disciplines remain radically different. In the end, the advantages of a split outweighed the disadvantages. Please join me in supporting our new Department of Neurology.

My faculty, staff and I are committed to working with the new Department of Neurology and to be as supportive as possible. We fully plan to continue our combined psychiatry and neurology residency program and would hope to develop new common programs or re-develop some of those that were active in the past.

Daniel K. Winstead, M.D.

Associate Editor's Column

As a relatively new addition to the Newsletter team, I thought it would be appropriate this fall to focus my column on another new addition to the Tulane scene. Most alumni already know that there have been a number of office shifts this year. That is not merely a reference to the new space in the Murphy Building where the Child and Adolescent folks have staked their claim. There is a new chair of Neurology. New attendings are being recruited and are filing in. New residents are roaming the halls of Tidewater. And as Pat O'Neill has chosen a new administrative role with the department, there is a new residency training director, Erik Kinzie. Intrigued by the change, I decided to discuss with Erik his background and vision for the program as he begins this change in his career and as Tulane embarks on that change along with him.



Erik grew up in Oregon and went to medical school. He comes from a family of three generations of physicians, the latter two of which are all psychiatrists. His grandfather was a general practitioner in rural Washington state. His father and brother are both psychiatrists at the University of Oregon. Like his father and brother, Erik always saw himself being involved in academic medicine. To become a residency training director has for some time been one of his goals.

After graduating from medical school at the University of Oregon he completed residency at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. He worked in the emergency room in Charlotte for some time thereafter until he and his wife decided that with the birth of their son, now 2 ½ years old, having grandparents around might be a benefit.

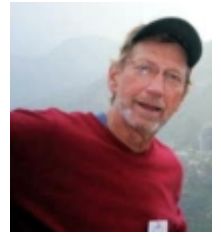
Moving to New Orleans to be closer to her family, Erik took a position with LSU as an attending psychiatrist at DePaul where he met Jan Johnson. After two years in that position he decided to apply for the position of training director when it came open. And with Jan's strong recommendation he got the job.

Fresh on the job Erik has several goals that he is focusing on. With the arrival of fall, though, there is not much time to forget one of the most essential goals: recruiting talented residents for the following year's class. Erik is full of praise for this year's class. Amongst the four categorical residents and two combined, the diversity among the group is a strength. The two combined residents have been doing good work at Southeast Louisiana Hospital. Meanwhile, the other four residents have been taking care of their requirements in medicine, pediatrics, and neurology, and reports of their performance back to our new training director have been very good. It seems that the new team is off to a good start. Future goals for Erik include expanding the program, developing a more community based model for the residency, and creating specialty clinics geared toward areas such as pharmacologic management of patients with psychotic disorders, women's mental health, anxiety disorders, and consultation in the internal medicine clinics. Working in the post-Katrina environment is still not an easy one, and Erik realizes he will need smart residents who are flexible to deal with the changes still occurring after the storm. Here's wishing him the best as he assembles the teams of future residents and as he works to continue to train them to become the highest caliber of psychiatrists.

Drew Morson, M.D.

Vice-President's Letter

Dear Heath Society Colleagues,



When we reach a certain age, we are once again free to explore new roles. So, Friday night I dressed in my Green Wave bill cap and pulled on my treasured "Perfect Season" tee shirt. Remember 1998? It was the first year of the BCS, and Tulane went 12 and 0 on the season, beating a tough BYU team in the Liberty Bowl and earning a number seven ranking in the final BSC list.

I had laid out a few bucks to buy two "Ultimate Fan" packages this year. The package includes tickets to all the home games of all Tulane athletic events. Now that I am representing all you Heath Society supporters as an "At Large" trustee for the Tulane Alumni Association, it behooves me to show the flag and to find reasons to get back to New Orleans. So, I flew in for the opener against Tulsa. This won't be another perfect season, but we had a good time. The TU Marching Band is first rate, and the cheer squad is all you expect from sharp Tulane co-eds.

My get-up succeeded, I guess. When I ran into Scott Cowen later, he pronounced me a true Ultimate Fan. My new persona.

Plan to come to the Tulane P&N Brain and Behavior conference this December. Among other cutting edge presentations, I will be sharing some of my experiences running a school-based mental health service for the children of our deployed soldiers at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, home of the 101st Airborne and the Fifth Special Forces Group. We can talk about "resiliency" (or "resilience") in kids (and in their mommies and daddies). I can use all the help I can get.

Until then,

Bob "Ultimate Green Wave Fan" Begtrup.

In Memoriam...

Gene L. Usdin, M.D. 1922-2009

Dr. Gene L. Usdin died this past May at his home at the age of 87. Gene was born in New York but grew up in St. Augustine, FL. He did his undergraduate work at UNC and Tulane and graduated from Tulane Medical School in 1946. He then served in the Navy and completed his residency in psychiatry at Cincinnati General Hospital. He returned to New Orleans and set up practice here in 1952. He was a clinical professor of psychiatry at Tulane from 1951-1967, a professor of psychiatry at LSU and a senior psychiatrist at Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans.

Gene was one of the early forensic psychiatrists in the New Orleans community along with Chet Scrignar who died just last year. He was also active in the early civil rights movement and started the first community mental health center in the Crescent City.

Dr. Usdin was a past president of the American Association for Social Psychiatry, the Southern Psychiatric Association and the Louisiana Psychiatric Association. He was a founding member and fellow of the American College of Psychiatrists. He was also past chairman of the American Bar Foundation's Psychiatric Consultants Committee, the American Psychiatric Association's Committee on Psychiatry and the Law, and the Louisiana State Medical Society's Committee on Mental Health.

Dr. Usdin was the editor of several books, including *Treatment Planning in Psychiatry*, *Psychiatry in General Medical Practice*, *Psychiatric Medicine, Depression: Clinical, Biological and Psychological Perspectives*, *Aging: The Process and the People* and *Schizophrenia: Biological and Psychological*

Perspectives. He also edited the book review section for *Psychiatric Times* and edited many special feature editions of various psychiatric publications.

Gene was preceded in death by his wife, Cecile, and they were an extremely close pair who frequented many a civic and psychiatric function for over 50 years. Gene established the Cecile Usdin Professorship in Women's Health in honor of his late wife Cecile and her life-long service and volunteerism in the New Orleans community. Cecile Usdin was also an accomplished artist and her sculpture, "Contemplation," graces the entrance of the Tulane Xavier National Center of Excellence in Women's Health (TUXCOE). Dr. Jeannette Magnus, Director of TUXCOE, was honored as the first recipient of the Professorship. She chairs the Maternal and Child Health section in Tulane University's School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine

In Memoriam...

George Albert Bishop 1932-2009

George Bishop was born in La Crosse, Wisconsin and suffered a fatal myocardial infarction this past May while attending the APA's annual convention in San Francisco where his daughter, Dr. Margaret Baier, was receiving a Nancy Roeske educational award.

George earned his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Notre Dame in 1954 and then his medical degree from The Medical College of Wisconsin, formerly Marquette Medical School. He completed his internship at St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville, Tenn. and then did his residency training in psychiatry at Tulane during the chairmanship of Bob Heath.

During the 1960s and early 1970s, George pioneered modern treatments for the mentally ill at East Louisiana State Hospital (ELSH) in Jackson. He was an associate professor of psychiatry at Tulane and conducted research with the Department. It was under his guidance that segregation at ELSH ended and racially integrated treatment programs began.

After George and his family moved to Baton Rouge, he worked with the state's Department of Health and Human Services (DHH), where he served in various capacities as assistant director of Mental Health for Substance Abuse, assistant commissioner of the Office of Mental Health and as medical director at Greenwell Springs Hospital when it was changed to a mental health facility and received its first accreditation. He retired in 1998 as medical director for the Capital Area Human Services District. George also served as the consulting psychiatrist at the Louisiana Training Institute, Elayn Hunt Correctional Facility and the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison. After his retirement, he was a consultant to evaluate delivery of mental health services to prisoners. He continued to work at the Baton Rouge Mental Health Clinic on a part-time basis until July 2008. He was active in the Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association and the American Psychiatric Association (APA). He was made a Distinguished Life Fellow of the APA in 2003.

Dr. William C. Keating

Besides this issue's obituaries of Tulane psych alums, we note the passing of Dr. William C. Keating of Sacramento, CA who recently died at the age of 88. He was a graduate of Tulane Medical School and upon completion of his psych residency in California he worked at the Sonoma State Hospital.

After serving as a Captain in the Medical Company during the Korean War, the Meninger Foundation recommend him to train for administrative psychiatry, one of only 2 people who were offered to take the course at the time. He received his degree in Psychiatric Hospital Administration and was soon offered the position of superintendent at the California Medial Facility at Vacaville, CA where he worked for many years. The parks there which he created for the children of Vacaville are named after him.

In Memoriam...

Worth S. Wilkinson, 1923-2009

We are saddened by the death of Worth Wilkinson M.D., 86, who passed away on July 3, 2009, in Shreveport.

A native son and life long resident of Louisiana, Dr. Wilkinson was born on May 8, 1923, in Gahagan, Louisiana. On his mother's side he was a lineal descendent of President Jefferson Davis.

At age 16 he entered LSU taking the premed curriculum and completing medical and psychiatric training at Johns Hopkins. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 1943 to 1945 and was Chief of Psychiatry at Ft. Meade, Maryland.

Dr. Wilkinson began his private practice in Shreveport in 1954. He was a Distinguished Life Fellow of the A.P.A. and clinical associate professor of psychiatry at Tulane Medical School.

All of us who worked with Worth were impressed by his clinical skills, his graciousness and his commitment to patient care.

One of Worth's passions that few knew about was his love for the outdoors and his appreciation of nature and all its wonders. He was a devoted conservationist.

He is survived by his daughter, son and wife, Cindy, and nine grandchildren.

Worth, all of us who knew and worked with you shall miss you very much.

"The strife is over/ The battle done/ The victory of life is won."



In Memoriam...

Alvin Cohen, 1922-2009

Dr. Cohen was born and raised in New Orleans. He received his B.S. and M.D. degrees from Tulane and then did his psychiatric residency at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, DC while serving in the U.S. Army which included time during World War II and the Korean conflict.

After his discharge from the Army, Al returned to New Orleans to open his private practice in New Orleans which he continued for over 55 years. Through the years he served with distinction as a consultant to several mental health centers and was an examiner for Social Security disability determination for fifty years. He was on the clinical faculty at Tulane in the 1950s and was a clinical professor of psychiatry at LSU. Additionally Al was a member of local and national psychiatric associations including the American College of Psychiatrists, the American Psychiatric Association and the Louisiana Psychiatric Association where he edited the Newsletter for many years and served as president.

Dr Cohen was a strong proponent of group therapy in psychiatry and served as

president of the Louisiana Group Psychotherapy Association. Among his treatment innovations was a unique synthesis of Gestalt Therapy and Transactional Analysis which was the topic of several of his professional publications and many community presentations. He served on the boards of various charitable and civic groups including the Jewish Community Center.

As a man of many interests and talents Al once said he regretted not having taken nearly every course offered at Delgado Community College. He particularly enjoyed the various shop courses offered there and also enjoyed acting. In his obituary in the Times-Picayune it was reported that he had his stage debut playing "Doc" in the Kenner Little Theater production of West Side Story at the age of 56, his video debut with the Small Wonder Puppet Theater at age 67 and his film debut in his granddaughter's film, "Change" at age 80. Dedicated to lifelong learning he began private acting lessons at age 87 just prior to his death.

In Memoriam...

William Anderson Bloom, Jr. 1939-2009

Bill Bloom died on June 5th at the age of 60. He received his BS degree from Central Methodist University in Fayette, MO, and his M.D. degree and residency training from Tulane. He was at one time the Medical Director of Southeast Louisiana Hospital in Mandeville, LA and had a private practice on the northshore since the 1980's. He was active in the past in the Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association and was a Life Member of the American Psychiatric Association. His family has set up the Dr. William Bloom Scholarship Fund at the Central Methodist University in Fayette, MO.

Psychology Now and Future

As you know, the Psychology Division was hit hard by the loss of long-term, talented, and committed faculty after Katrina. It has not been easy to readjust, but we are re-emerging as a strong and vibrant program that continues to develop innovative and sound clinical and research activities. Our Division consists of 15 clinical and developmental psychologists, plus one psychology post-doc and two psychology interns. Paula Zeanah, Ph.D. serves as the Chief of Psychology, and Julie Larrieu, Ph.D. serves as Training Director. This year, we added three faculty members. Dr. Arnold James returned to Tulane to provide teaching and psychological services at Southeast Louisiana Hospital; Dr. Kelly Irvine joined the Dept. of Psychiatry and Dept. of Internal Medicine as Assistant Director of the Mental Health and Resiliency Programs. Dr. John Mendoza, who also holds an appointment at the VAMC, joined us in a part-time capacity and adds depth and breadth to our adult psychology /neuro- psychology program. We continue close collaboration with the Tulane Cancer Center staff including Tim Pearman, Ph.D., and Sean Ransom, Ph.D. We are ably supported by our psychometrist, Yolanda Steptore, and Program Coordinator, Karly Hunter.

Our faculty members engage in a wide variety of clinical, consultation, and training activities. They have specific expertise in general adult and child psychology. Pediatric emphases include perinatal and infant mental health, early childhood trauma, school psychology, and general child psychology. Our adult services focus on general psychological health, neuropsychology, severe mental illness, and forensic psychology. Psychology faculty participate in didactics presentations and supervision at all levels within the medical school and have developed and served as course directors for the *Multiculturalism, Ethics, Parenting, and Professional Identity and Development* blocks and the *Forensic Research* seminar.

During 2008-2009, we published 20 unduplicated peer-reviewed articles and book chapters. We conducted over 30 presentations to professional audiences in Louisiana, presented at 14 national meetings, and three international meetings. Faculty members served on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Family Psychology*, and as guest reviewers for the *Infant Mental Health Journal*, *Journal of Early Intervention*, *Child and Youth Services Review*, and the *Journal of Public Health Nursing*. Several

faculty are supported in part by research grants.

After Katrina, we lost our training sites and funding for our adult psychology track. Under Dr. Larrieu's leadership, we have maintained our child track post-Katrina, and we are preparing to re-start the adult track in July 2010 with rotations in severe mental illness, adult health psychology, and forensic psychology. Child psychology training will focus on infant and early childhood mental health and trauma, pediatric psychology, and general child psychology. We will continue collaboration with the VAMC interns as well as child psychiatry fellows in our didactic series.

During 2009-2010, we will prepare for our accreditation site visit. We look forward to continued growth, active involvement in teaching, clinical services, and research, and academic productivity. In future newsletters, we will feature the programs and people in the Psychology Division. For more information about the Division faculty and training programs, please visit www.psychneuro.tulane.edu.

*Paula Zeanah PhD RN
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Psychology.*



Heath & Epstein



Hari Mallik and Katherine Mattis prove that doctors and lawyers can get along.....at least, with a little spirits to mediate

Incoming/Outgoing Faculty

The following is a list of new recruits who have joined our salaried faculty since July 1, 2008:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Start Date</u>
ADULT PSYCHIATRY:		
Kelly Irvine, PsyD,	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	10/16/08
Arnold James, PhD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	08/04/08
Erik Kinzie, MD	Assistant Professor and Director of Residency Training for General Psychiatry	07/01/09
John Mendoza, PhD	Clin, Associate Professor of Psychiatry	05/04/09
Andrew Morson, MD	Assistant Professor and Associate Director of Medical Student Education	07/01/08
Arwen Podesta, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	07/01/09
Jeffrey Rouse, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	07/01/08
Angela Traylor, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology	08/11/08

CHILD PSYCHIATRY:

Caroline Campion, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	04/05/09
Mary Margaret Gleason MD	Assistant Professor and Associate Training Director of Triple Board	07/01/08
Jacqueline Henschke, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	09/01/09
Krystal Vaughn	Instructor of Psychiatry	12/01/08

NEUROLOGY:

Maike Blaya, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	08/01/09
Sheryl Martin-Schild, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	08/01/09
Greg Redmann, MD PhD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	07/01/08

Following is a list of faculty who have left Tulane University since July 1, 2008:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Termination Date</u>
ADULT PSYCHIATRY:		
Tammy Chen, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	06/30/09
Lisette Constantin, PhD	Clin Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	02/14/09
J. Scott Stanley, MD	A ssistant Professor of Psychiatry	08/31/09
Jason Thomas, MD	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	06/30/09

This brings our salaried faculty to a total of:

ADULT PSYCHIATRY:	38
CHILD PSYCHIATRY:	27
NEUROLOGY:	7
DEPARTMENT TOTAL:	72

Community Drum Circles and Health Fairs

Community-Based Drum Circles are led by local professional percussionists and drummers. These activities serve to support the healing process for all community members and bring together pivotal elements of New Orleans musical culture focused around the pulse of the drum. In addition to the healing aspects of the event itself, community-based drum circles are a catalyst to community engagement and cohesion. They bring neighborhoods together, cultivating a sense of pride, identity and a great opportunity for broader civic participation, for example, community health fairs.

The therapeutic effects and medical benefits of drumming have been repeatedly documented by numerous well controlled studies (Michael Drake: *Therapeutic Effects of Drumming*. <http://healing.about.com/od/drums/a/drumtherapy.htm>). Drumming has been demonstrated to induce relaxation, lower blood pressure and reduce stress. It has been shown to boost the immune system, increase the number of cancer-killing cells, and to accelerate physical healing. It has been proved useful in controlling chronic pain and improving quality of life. Finally drumming has been shown to help induce deeper self-awareness, better self-esteem and to lessen feelings of depression.

Since receiving funding from the Heath Society, Tulane medical students



and Department of Psychiatry residents, with selected faculty involvement, have participated in several community drum circles and health fairs. We have done monthly drum circles/health fairs at the River of Hope Mental Health Resource Center, located in the 9th ward and which provides free mental health care and education. We have participated in two local church fairs, as well as larger festivals. These events have been very popular and give our trainees the opportunity to work directly in the community, while also

providing a service to the community. Although funding from the Heath Society is finished, we plan on continuing these events and have several more scheduled through the fall including the Rampart Street Fair coming up on November 22d. We are grateful to the Heath Society for their support of this community project and helping us to get started.

Janet E. Johnson, M.D.



Resident, Sapna Purawat, and faculty member, Philipp Sack, celebrate graduation



Mark Wilson, Julie Graybill, and Hari Mallik talking forensics, even at graduation

2009 Faculty Awards

Since our last issue, we would like to acknowledge the following faculty who have been recognized for their leadership and scholarly work in teaching, research, writing, and community service.

NAME	AWARD	ASSOCIATION
FACULTY		
Jose Artecona, MD	Certification in Addiction Medicine	American Society of Addiction Medicine
Neil Boris, MD Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	Promotion to Professor of Psychiatry with tenure Member, Editorial Board Consulting Editor Executive-at-Large, Board of Directors	Tulane University School of Medicine <i>Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry</i> <i>Infant Mental Health Journal</i> World Association of Infant Mental Health
Melanie Bronfin, JD Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	Libby Milton Champion for Children Award LA Pre-K Champion of the Year 1 st Vice President, Board of Directors Member, Board of Directors Member, Advisory Board	Kingsley House National Organization of Pre-K Now to Pre-K for All Louisiana Kingsley House New Orleans Early Childhood and Family Learning Foundation Agenda for Children
Monique Cola, PhD Asst Professor of Neurology	Scholar Mentee Award	African American Mental Health Research Scientist Consortium (AAMHRS)
Stacy Drury, MD, PhD Asst Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	Travel Award to 14 th Annual Research Colloquium for Junior Investigators Career Development Travel Award Young Investigator Award Member, Work Group on Research Secretary-elect Member, Robinson Cunningham Award Selections Committee Member, Physically Ill Child Committee	American Psychiatric Association Anxiety Disorders Association of America (ADAA) NARSAD, National Institutes of Health American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP) Association of Women in Psychiatry AACAP AACAP
R. Christa Eckert, MD Associate Professor of Psychiatry	Fellow and Alternate Representative (Mental Health)	American College Health Association Assembly
John Freiberg, MD Clinical Assistant Professor of Neurology	Owl Club Award 3 rd & 4 th Year Award for Best Attending in Neurology	Tulane University School of Medicine
Jan Johnson, MD Associate Professor of Psychiatry	Gloria P. Walsh Awards for Excellence in Teaching Owl Club Award 3 rd & 4 th Year Award for Best Attending in Psychiatry	Tulane University School of Medicine Tulane University School of Medicine

Angela Keyes, PhD Assistant Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	Member, Professional Development Advisory Committee Reviewer	LA Dept. of Social Services, Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education Journal of Early Intervention
Dennis Clay Kelly MD Associate Professor of Psychiatry	Promotion to Associate Professor	Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology
Julie Larrieu, PhD Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	Board Member Executive Board Member Member, National Child Traumatic Stress Network Peer Review Committee	LA Children's Trust Fund LA Infant Mental Health Association Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Leslie Lawrence, MD	Helping Hands Award	American Psychiatric Association
Herbert (Terry) LeBourgeois, MD Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	Education Committee Rappaport Fellowship Committee Computer Committee	American Academy of Psychiatry & the Law (AAPL) AAPL AAPL
Sheryl Martin-Schild, MD Assistant Professor of Neurology	Junior Academic Neurologist Scholarship to attend the ANA/NINDS Career Development Symposium and ANA Annual Meeting	American Neurological Association
Gina Manguno-Mire, PhD Associate Professor of Psychiatry	Promotion to Associate Professor	Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology
Geoffrey Nagle, PhD Associate Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	LA Early Childhood Champion 2008 2009 Health Care Hero Member, Advisory Board Board Member Member, Data Advisory Board Member, Public Policy Committee Member, Advisory Board Member, Human Services Task Force	LA Association for the Education of Young Children New Orleans City Business Louisiana Governor's Children's Cabinet Louisiana Partnership for Children and Families Louisiana KIDS COUNT LA Association for Nonprofit Organizations Louisiana Budget Project Louisiana Recovery Authority
Jeffrey Nicholl, MD Associate Professor of Neurology	President Vice President Secretary Member, Guidelines Committee	Epilepsy Foundation of Louisiana Epilepsy Foundation Physicians Advisory Board New Orleans Neurologic Society American Epilepsy Society
Pat O'Neill, MD Professor of Psychiatry	Promotion to Professor of Psychiatry Appointed Associate Chair for Clinical Affairs	Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology
Maryellen Romero, PhD Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	Member, Conference Committee	National Academy of Neuropsychology Annual Meeting
Michael Scheeringa, MD Professor of Psychiatry (Child Psychiatry)	Promoted to Professor of Psychiatry with tenure Reviewer, Special Emphasis Panel/Scientific Review Group 05 ZMH1 ERB-N (04) S Principal Investigator	Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology NIMH R25 Educational Grants NIMH RC1 Challenge Grant

Ashley Smith, MSW Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	Board Member	Louisiana Chapter – Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers
Herman Soong, MD Assistant Professor of Psychiatry	President Vice President Member, Psychiatry and the Law Committee Member, Institutional and Correctional Psychiatry Committee	Baton Rouge Psychiatric Association Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association (LPMA) LPMA American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law
John W. Thompson, Jr, MD Professor and Vice Chair, Adult Psychiatry	Forensic Director, State of Louisiana Member, Sub-committee of Forensic Strategic Task Force	National Association of State Mental Health Directors State of Louisiana
Angela Traylor, MD Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology	Fellowship Award to support attendance at Workshop on Clinical Trials in Psychopharmacology	American Society of Clinical Psychopharmacology
L. Lee Tynes, MD PhD Associate Professor of Psychiatry	Fellowship status	American College of Psychiatrists
Daniel Winstead, MD Heath Professor and Chair Dept of Psychiatry and Neurology	1 st Vice President Regent, Board of Regents Member, Long Range Planning & Policy Committee Chair, Education Committee Chair, Council on Quality Care Director Director Emeritus Member, Advisory Council Member, Conference Committee Reviewer, Industry Sponsored Symposia Advisory Board Member President Chair, Constitution and Bylaws Committee President Member, Senior Advisory Board Member, Editorial Board	American College of Psychiatrists (ACP) ACP ACP ACP American Psychiatric Association American Board of Family Medicine American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology Anxiety Disorders Association of America (ADAA) ADAA ADAA VA South Central MIRECC Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association (LPMA) LPMA Southern Psychiatric Association <i>FOCUS</i> , APPI Press, D.C. <i>Current Psychiatry</i>

<p>Charley Zeanah, MD Sellars Polchow Professor and Vice Chair, Child Psychiatry</p>	<p>Blanche F. Ittleson Award for Research in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry for 2009 Presidential Citation for Distinguished Research and Leadership in Infant Mental Health Vice-President, Board of Directors Co-Chair, Grants Committee Director, Infant Mental Health Team Member, Board of Directors Member, Scientific Advisory Board Official Research Reviewer Member of Governing Body</p> <p>Member, Advisory Board, Parent-Infant Program</p> <p>Councilor at Large</p> <p>Member</p> <p>Member, DSM-V Work Group on Developmental Issues (Child and Adolescent Disorders) Member, International Advisory Board Member, Editorial Board</p> <p>Consulting Editor Member, Editorial Board</p>	<p>American Psychiatric Association</p> <p>American Orthopsychiatric Association</p> <p>Institute of Mental Hygiene</p> <p>Institute of Mental Hygiene</p> <p>Jefferson Parish Human Services Authority Fundatia Tulane, Bucharest, Romania Institute for Child Development, Bucharest, Romania Universita di Padova, Padua, Italy</p> <p>Early Childhood Supports and Services, Office of Mental Health, State of Louisiana Columbia Center for Psychoanalytic Training and Research, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University, New York NY Society for Professors of Child Psychiatry Louisiana Council on Child Psychiatry American Psychiatric Association</p> <p><i>Attachment and Human Development Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Infant Mental Health Journal Journal of Infant, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry</i></p>
<p>Paula Zeanah, PhD, RN Professor and Head, Division of Clinical Psychology</p>	<p>Director</p> <p>Member, Steering Committee</p> <p>Editorial Board Board Member Board Member</p>	<p>LA Nurse Family Partnership Program LA Office of Public Health Maternal Child Health Section BrightStart Early Childhood Coordinated Services initiative, LA Office of Public Health <i>Journal of Family Psychology</i> Chartwell Center for Autism Trinity Counseling and Training Center, Trinity Episcopal Church and School</p>

2009 Resident Awards

Since our last issue, we would like to acknowledge the following trainees who have been recognized for their scholarly work in teaching, research, writing and community service.

NAME	AWARD	ASSOCIATION
Janet Bradley, MD	Lancaster Award given to psychiatry resident showing the most compassion toward patients	Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology
David Gloss, MD	Leon A. Weisberg Award given to resident contributing the most to medical student education in neurology Trufant Award given to resident contributing most to residency program in neurology Gonzalez Award for best publishable original paper written by a resident	Tulane Dept of Psychiatry and Neurology Tulane Dept of Psychiatry and Neurology Robert Heath Society
Colibri Jenkins, MD	Jeanne Spurlock Congressional Fellowship	American Psychiatric Association
Margorie Nathan Person, MD	Lancaster Award given to psychiatry resident showing the most compassion toward patients	Tulane Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology
Gayle Pletsch, MD	Owl Club Award Combined T-3 & T-4 in Neurology	Tulane University School of Medicine
Kartic Rajput, MD	Appointed to Committee on Residency and Fellowship	American Society for Clinical Psychopharmacology
Mehdi Soltani, MD	Travel Award	5 th Annual Neurology Resident Forum “Update on Management of Multiple Sclerosis and Parkinson’s Disease”
Justin Spooner, MD	Owl Club Award Combined T-3 & T-4 in Psychiatry 2009 Resident Travel Award	Tulane University School of Medicine American Association of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
Aaron Wilson, MD	Honoree	March of Dimes Spotlight on Success



Terry LeBourgeois proud about another year's excellent forensic fellows: Mehdi Qalbani, Arwen Podesta, and Jay Bordenave

Graduation 2009

Since our last issue, graduation for trainees in the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology was held on Friday evening, May 30, 2008, at the Plimssoll Club in New Orleans, Louisiana. There were eleven graduates recognized. The following is the information on our latest graduates:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FINISHING</u>	<u>FUTURE PLANS</u>
Shannon Bekman, PhD	Clinical Psychology Internship Program	Postdoctoral Fellow in Infant Mental Health, University of Denver, Dept. of Psychiatry, Aurora, CO
Valerie Bellas, PhD	Clinical Psychology Internship Program	Infant Clinical Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowship, Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology, Tulane University School of Medicine
Maike Blaya, MD	Neurology Residency Training	Full-time faculty, Dept. of Psychiatry & Neurology, Tulane University School of Medicine
Janet Bradley, MD	Psychiatry Residency Training	Staff psychiatrist, Southeast LA State Hospital, Mandeville, LA
Caroline Campion, MD	Psychiatry/Child Psychiatry Residency Training	Full-time faculty, Dept. of Psychiatry & Neurology, Tulane University School of Medicine
David Gloss, MD	Medicine/Neurology Residency Training	Academic career in epilepsy at Reed Neurological Research Center in Los Angeles, CA
Tracy Moran, PhD	Clinical Child Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowship	Full-time faculty, Dept. of Psychology, Erickson Institute, Chicago, IL
Margorie Nathan Person, MD	Psychiatry Residency Training	Inpatient and outpatient psychiatry, Ochsner, Raceland, LA
Arwen Podesta, MD	Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship	Full-time faculty, Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology, Tulane University School of Medicine
Mehdi Qalbani, MD	Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship	Full-time faculty, Dept. of Psychiatry and Neurology, Tulane University School of Medicine
Jennifer Rhodes, PhD	Clinical Child Psychology Postdoctoral Fellowship	Postdoctoral Fellow in Forensic Psychology, Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma, San Diego, CA

Food for Thoughts

Jamie Elson and Daniella Miller, third year Tulane medical students mentored by Dr. Janet Johnson, won a grant they submitted to the APA known as "Comfort Food."

This community service project includes a once-a-month (September-May) group cooking class for underprivileged New Orleans area teenagers suffering from mental illness. These classes would pair a group of children with similar psychiatric disorders (PTSD and depression) with local medical students and psychiatrists. The medical students would teach the teenagers how to cook as well as provide counseling and therapy while the cooking takes place. Ideally, the same medical

students and youth would be paired up for the duration of the semester to provide continuity of care. These classes would serve a variety of purposes:

- 1) Provide a welcoming & safe environment for teens to meet with & speak to other youth who have been impacted by the same type of trauma and who suffer from the same psychiatric disorders
- 2) Provide the teens a free and alternative avenue for administering therapy that disembarks from the formality of typical office visits
- 3) Foster interaction with local medical students who could serve as mentors to the youth and help them

to feel like they have someone to talk to and connect with outside of their family and friends

- 4) Teach a valuable job skill that can be used to find later employment
- 5) Teach teens about nutrition and how to eat more healthfully
- 6) Provide medical students interested in Psychiatry the opportunity to interact with patients in a hands-on and non-threatening atmosphere.

Dr. Janet Bradley is supervising the project.

Brain & Behavior: 60th Anniversary of The Department of Psychiatry and Neurology and the 25th Anniversary of The Robert Heath Society

This year marks the 60th Anniversary of the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology and the 25th Anniversary of the Heath Society. We have planned a scientific program for Brain & Behavior that will encompass some of the many crowning achievements of some of the illustrious alumni of this great organization. Our speakers will not only speak on their field(s) of expertise, but will also highlight how their experiences at Tulane University contributed to later success in their careers.

The following is the agenda for the upcoming Brain & Behavior conference.

Brain & Behavior: 60th Anniversary of the Department Of Psychiatry and Neurology December 4-5, 2009

Friday, December 4, 2009

7:15 am – 8:15 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:15 am – 8:30 am	Welcome and Introductions
8:30 am – 10:00 am	<i>50 Years in the Tulane Department of Psychiatry and Neurology: Unusual Experiences and Research Endeavors...</i> DON GALLANT, MD
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Refreshment Break
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	<i>Alzheimer's Disease: From Disease Causing Genes to New Drugs</i> ...STEVEN PAUL, MD
12:00pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch on your own (Heath Society Luncheon & Business Meeting)
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	<i>Recent Research Findings That Improve the Treatment of Addictive Disorders...</i> CHARLES O'BRIEN, MD
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Refreshment Break
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	<i>Understanding Early Experiences: A Mindful Journey to the Brain</i> ...CHARLES ZEANA, JR., MD
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Reception

Saturday, December 5, 2009

7:30 am – 8:15 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:15 am – 8:30 am	Welcome and Introductions
8:30 am – 10:00 am	<i>Bridging the Mind/Brain Gap: Multiple Sclerosis, Alzheimer's Disease, Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, Geriatric Depression...</i> PETER RABINS, MD
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Refreshment Break
10:15 am – 11:45 am	<i>Developing Clinical and Quality Research in Cerebral Hemorrhage</i> ...ANDREW NAIDECH, MD
11:45 am – 1:30 pm	Lunch on your own
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	<i>Managing Cancer-Related Symptoms...</i> TIM PEARMAN, PHD
2:30 pm – 3:15 pm	<i>Ischemic Stroke...</i> ROGER KELLY, MD
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Refreshment Break
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Workshops <i>Reaction and Resiliency in Children of Deployed Soldiers: Experience in a School-based Mental Health Service at Fort Campbell, KY</i> ROBERT BEGTRUP, MD <i>Modifications of Group Techniques</i> DONALD GALLANT, MD <i>Where have we been and where are we going?</i> DANIEL K. WINSTEAD, MD

A holiday reception will be held on Friday evening, December 4, in conjunction with the conference.

In addition, a gala/roast is planned to celebrate the anniversaries and to raise money in support of the Heath Society. The event will be held at Antoine's Restaurant on Saturday night, December 5. You will be receiving further information giving you the opportunity to participate in the festivities in the very near future.

Our Department has been blessed with much success over the years, the product of a tremendous group of people - alumni, faculty, staff, and friends - who have seen fit to make the extra effort to insure an investment in the future successes of this great institution. Come and join us in celebrating some of the finer moments.

Alum News

Michael Biunno is Medical Director of Louisiana Research Associates and Family Care, Inc. He continues as Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at Tulane.

Jerry Blackman, who was an assistant professor in the Department from 1981 through 1986, has just returned from China where he was a visiting lecturer at Shanghai Mental Health Center and at Peking University's Department of Psychology. He also presented "Multimodal Psychoanalytic Diagnosis" at the World Psychiatric Association annual meeting in Florence, Italy, excerpted from his upcoming book *Get the Diagnosis Right*. His other book, *101 Defenses: How the Mind Shields Itself*, was published in 2003. It is still in print and is scheduled to be translated into Romanian this coming year. Dr. Blackman was recently appointed head of the Honors Committee for the American College of Psychoanalysts and as the Curriculum Chair for the two-year psychotherapy program run by the China-American Psychoanalytic Alliance for psychiatry residents and faculty in China. He was also recently designated a Distinguished Fellow by the American Psychiatric Association and is a Training and Supervising Analyst with the New York Freudian Society (Washington, D.C). He continues his work as a Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at Eastern Virginia Medical School and as a civilian instructor at the Naval Medical Center Psychiatry Department in Portsmouth, Virginia and has a private practice of psychoanalysis and forensic psychiatry in Virginia Beach.

Renee Bruno joined the faculty at Tulane in January of this year. She is working as an attending psychiatrist at Southeast Louisiana Hospital, Clinical Director of the Eating Disorders Center at River Oaks, and Medical Director of Psychiatric Services at Women's Hospital in the area of perinatal psychiatry.

Angela Burt is Medical Director of Gulf Oaks, a private psychiatric facility in Biloxi, Mississippi.

Sheldon Cohen of Atlanta sadly reports the death of his wife, Dot, this past August.

Robert Cummings maintains a full-time psychoanalytic practice in Laguna Hills, California, and teaches psychoanalytic candidates at the Newport Psychoanalytic Institute.

Degan Dansereau has joined the Future Sites Committee for the Southern Psychiatric Association. He will do his best to juggle this with the needs of his newborn baby girl, born September 3, 2009.

David Dunn is the Residency Training Director of Child-Adolescent Psychiatry and the Triple Board program at the University of Indiana. He holds the title of Arthur B. Richter Professor of Child Psychiatry.

Susan Edelman will announce plans for future public speaking goals at the upcoming APA.

Clayton Edisen maintains a solo private practice in Metairie.

Walter Fanburg owns and operates a residential facility for patients with dementia. You can view the facility at www.arborpl.com.

John Fetzer is Medical Director and Chairman of West Florida Behavioral Health. He is also a USCG Licensed Charter Boat Captain. He and his wife own a 35-acre quarter horse ranch.

Ross Gallo opened a solo private practice in Uptown New Orleans in 2008 in which he focuses his practice on mood and anxiety disorders, ADHD, and adult and adolescent psychotherapy. He is also a speaker for various pharmaceutical companies.

Paul Graffagnino is enjoying American rules croquet in Napa with his wife and two sons. He fled for the more arid landscape, leaving behind the cold granite of Hanover, New Hampshire, in 2006 where he lectured at Dartmouth Medical School.

Nora Hanna is the proud parent of her 6 ½ year old son, Dakota, and her four year old daughter, Caitlyn. In Hartford, Connecticut, since 2000, she has focused on outpatient care and after school programs at the Institute of Living. Recently, she has served as the Assistant Training Director for the child psychiatry fellowship.

Clyde Hurst is performing solo, without even a secretary, in his Covington private practice.

Jay Hutchings is the new Director of Endoscopy at the LSU Interim Hospital. He hopes to put his manifold specialties to good use in developing a multidisciplinary clinic to target the always elusive dual diagnoses between the brain and the gut. Here's hoping he can wash it all out.

Tess Lusher has a general psychiatry private practice and works at two local clinics in Healdsburg, California.

Andy Naidech celebrated the birth of his daughter this fall.

David Post continues working for the Capital Area Human Services District in Baton Rouge, seeing both adults and adolescents. He still enjoys his weekends in his St. Charles Avenue condo, though.

Pam Quinn and her husband Brad are finalizing plans for foster/adoption this year in Alabama. Their four children are doing well, including the youngest, Julia, whose vision has improved with artificial corneal transplants. Pam is also looking for a publisher for some children's books.

Kenneth Ragan retired in December, 2008. He is enjoying traveling, gardening, and reading, while helping various environmental, wildlife groups.

Steven Rice works as a consultant for the North Mississippi Retardation Center. He has published a study about the use of ECT in psychogenic seizures. He is also the chair for the board of directors of Love in Action Ministry.

Alvin Rouchell is serving in his lucky 13th year as Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at Ochsner.

Philipp Sack continues to wear many hats at Southeast Louisiana Hospital, doing primary care as well as working on the acute, intermediate, and long-term units. Teaching duties include a weekly lecture series to med-psych residents and preceptor of Tulane internal medicine residents at the MCLNO clinic.

Michael Tuchman is in private practice in Palm Beach Gardens and is Director of Clinical Research at the Palm Beach Neurological Center. Look for him at his daughter, Jaimie's graduation from Tulane Law School in May.

William Vaughn will be retiring from active practice in May, but he plans to continue following his educational interests in psychiatry and psychoanalytic psychotherapy. He will be kicking off his retirement with a group motorcycle trip from his tree farm in Jackson to the Smoky Mountains this summer.

Michael Wall is Professor of Neurology and Ophthalmology at the University of Iowa. He recently renewed funding for a \$16 million NIH sponsored clinical trial to study idiopathic intracranial hypertension.

Myron Weiner is the senior editor of the American Psychiatric Publishing Textbook of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias, 2009.

Former resident, forensic psychiatry fellow and new faculty member, **Jeffery Rouse**, recently received the following commendation from the New Orleans City Council:

"Be it proclaimed by the Council of the City of New Orleans, that it hereby acknowledges Dr. Jeffrey Rouse, in recognition of his courage in returning to the City in order to care for first responders in the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and his commitment to the public and its mental well-being have made New Orleans a safer and saner place"

Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc. Donates Broad Street Building to Tulane

In honor of founder Ruth Fertel, Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc., the parent company of Ruth's Chris Steak House, recently announced it has donated the site of the Broad Street Ruth's Chris Steak House to Tulane University for the creation of the Ruth U. Fertel /Tulane Community Health Center, a neighborhood-based medical home that will provide care to patients regardless of insurance status or ability to pay.

The building will honor the restaurant company's founder, Ruth Fertel, who transformed the Broad Street restaurant into a New Orleans dining institution that would grow to become one of the world's largest upscale steakhouse companies.

Fertel worked as a lab technician with Tulane University School of Medicine before leveraging all her savings to open a steak restaurant in Mid City. Her residence was next to the restaurant and Fertel was revered as a passionate and generous neighborhood advocate and patron.

Recognized as a leader in community philanthropy, this gift to create the Ruth U. Fertel/Tulane Community Health

Center represents the largest single charitable gift in Ruth's Hospitality Group, Inc.'s history.

The 9,200 square-foot building and property was appraised at \$600,000 in 2006. Tulane will relocate its Tulane Community Health Center at Covenant House to the larger and more accessible site at 711 N. Broad St., the heart of the neighborhoods where most of the existing clinic's patients live. The new center will have more than double the space of the current facility, allowing doctors to accommodate more patients and offer expanded adult and pediatric services to treat entire families.

Tulane currently serves nearly 900 patients from the Treme, Mid-City and surrounding areas at its existing Covenant House site, which opened in September 2005. The new health center will have a capacity to serve more than 1,200 patients per month and will offer primary care to all ages, mental and behavioral health services, geriatrics care and reproductive health services. The Ruth U. Fertel /Tulane Community Health Center will also be more convenient for patients, as

the facility has parking for up to 50 vehicles and is at the intersection of two major bus lines.

The center will have a staff of 25, including five doctors, two social workers, a nurse practitioner and 19 administrative workers. It will also support workforce training for physicians, nurses, social workers, pharmacists and other health workers. The site will be an active training ground for health care innovation.

It will play a key role in the ongoing recovery of the surrounding area by both improving the health of residents and serving as an anchor tenant of a vital commercial corridor within the Broad Street neighborhood. In partnership with the community, the center will offer space for community events such as after-school programs, public meetings and other neighborhood gatherings.

Construction on the center is expected to begin this fall. Plans call for the clinic to be open by summer of 2010.

Keith Brannon in New Wave

Book Review

Editor's note: It's not often these days that a book review comes across your editor's desk so thanks to Dan for passing this along. It's a review of a book with the interesting title of 101 Things I Wish I'd Known When I Started Using Hypnosis by Dabney M. Ewin, M.D. and says as much about the man as about his work.

For those of you who may not know Dabney, he is a surgeon who has spent many years practicing hypnosis and has taught many a Tulane psychiatrist the art and technique. Consequently he is on the clinical faculty of the Department and an affiliate member of the Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Association. The review is by Richard P. Kluff, M.D., Ph.D. who is president of the Society for Clinical and Experimental Hypnosis and past-president of American Society of Clinical Hypnosis.

The book is available from Crown House Publishing Ltd in Wales. Their website is www.crownhousepublishing.com.

In general conversation, Dabney M. Ewin, M.D., is a congenial, meticulously courteous Southern gentleman, a pleasant and unfailingly interesting companion. However, when conversation turns to the clinical use of hypnosis, without Dabney's manifesting any apparent change in his appearance, behavior or demeanor, one's experience of Dabney

undergoes a metamorphosis. One rapidly appreciates that he or she is in the presence of an unusual and gifted clinician, for whom the term "therapeutic genius" is a pallid understatement. In fact, the more knowledgeable one is about hypnosis, the more easy it is to appreciate that Dabney Ewin is so skilled that he stands as an almost mythical figure in the world of hypnosis, conjuring up associations to Merlin, Gandalf, Yoda, and, more recently, Albus Dumbledore. As my experience grows in depth and in breadth, I continue to find in Dabney an inexhaustible fund of skill and wisdom. A few years ago my son was burned in an accident. I was given an upsetting estimate of his injuries. As I drove to the hospital I utilized some of Dabney's techniques over the telephone. When I arrived, the physician attending to my son apologized for having overestimating the severity of the burn wounds! My son healed without either scars or disfigurement, thanks to a skill I had learned from Dabney Ewin. In

101 Things I Wish I'd Known When I Started Using Hypnosis, the reader encounters Dabney Ewin reflecting on many topics and offering insights into what he has learned along the way in his distinguished career. *101 Things...* is a pathway into the experience of learning from Dabney Ewin. This is a book to read slowly and reflect upon, observation after observation. It will not serve as a textbook or a "good read." For those readers who have had the pleasure of knowing and/or learning from Dabney, it offers a chance to review and reflect, with many a smile, on the many (and still-evolving) facets of his approach to helping the hurt, the ill, and the suffering. For those readers who have not yet had the good fortune to know and learn from Dabney, I am confident that this introduction to him and his approaches will incline many of them to make their way to his workshops.

Growing, Growing, Growing!

The department continues to increase services provided to the State of Louisiana and, for the first time in its history, the department has contractual arrangements to provide services in all ten Regions/Human Services Districts in the state.

Telemedicine is playing a key role in our expansion. For the last several years we have provided telemedicine and teleconferencing to the East Louisiana Mental Health System in Jackson, Louisiana and to the Early Childhood Support Services in Lafayette, Louisiana. In April, child telemedicine services were initiated at the Lafourche Mental Health Center (Region III).

We will soon be providing child and adult telemedicine services to OMH-Region V (Lake Charles Area) and OMH-Region VIII (Monroe Area). Both of these partnerships provide the department a unique opportunity to assist the State in increasing access to mental health services in rural areas.

In addition to telemedicine, the department is partnering with Florida Parishes Human Services Authority (FPHSA) to provide services at the Rosenblum Mental Health Center in Hammond, Louisiana. FPHSA comprises five parishes on the north shore of Lake Pontchartrain. Although mostly rural, FPHSA is facing the challenges of significant population growth in Livingston and Tangipahoa parishes after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

With the closure of New Orleans Adolescent Hospital (NOAH) and the transfer of beds to Southeast Louisiana Hospital (SELH) in Mandeville, the department's presence at SELH hospital has grown to include fourteen faculty members. SELH has become a major training site for our residents and medical students.

In addition to these clinical activities with the state we are working with the Federal government and Industry to develop additional clinical activities for our faculty and trainees.

Jim Landry, Senior Department Administrator

Patrick O'Neil MD, Associate Chair for Clinical Affairs.

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Heath Society Joins Facebook

In our attempt to keep up with the times and attract our newest members, your Heath Society now has a presence on Facebook, the phenomenally popular social network website. If you already have a Facebook ID, become a fan and list the Heath Society as one of your contacts. You'll be able to stay up-to-date with information on upcoming events.

If you are not yet on Facebook, point your browser to www.facebook.com and sign up. It's free. Once you have your profile set up, put in "Heath Society" (use quotes to avoid getting multiple combinations of Heath and Society) in the search box located in the upper right-hand corner and you will be taken to the Society's page where you can see which of your fellow grads has become a fan. So far we have about 35 members fanned up.

If you are concerned about your privacy which can be a real issue on the internet, there is a "Privacy Setting" page that allows you to determine just who can find you on Facebook and what those people who can find you can see about you. (To play it even safer you can limit the amount of information you put into your Facebook account. Don't put in any information you would not want anyone to know.) And, if that is not enough, you can block a specific name or email address from being able to search for you on the site.

APA in NOLA

Get ready, alums! The APA will be having its annual meeting this spring in the Crescent City. And Dan Winstead is president of our Louisiana Psychiatric Medical Society which will be the local host for the national convention. So Tulane will have a high profile at the 2110 affair.

The convention is scheduled for the last week of May which will be May 23d thru May 27th. Weather should be warm but not too hot at that time of year, great for strolling the Moon Walk or the French Quarter or taking a tour of the city to see all the changes that have been going on in recent years (ie post-Katrina). We also have a bunch of new top-notch restaurants that are worth your attention.

Dan is working on booking a spot for our annual alumni party which we hope all Tulane attendees will attend. This will be a great opportunity to make contact with colleagues you may have lost touch with in recent years. So mark the date in your 2010 calendars and start making plans for what should be a great get-together.