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#### Chairman's Column

Starting with the 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration last fall and continuing into the spring we have experienced a new wave of energy and excitement here at Tulane. The University is about to embark on a major fund raising campaign, "Promises and Distinction". The Tulane University Hospital and Clinic has em-



barked on a new program to strive for excellence in all they do, and the department continues to grow and thrive. Our own development efforts have resulted in the new Susan G. Willard Professorship in Eating Disorders, increased funding for our Institute of Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health, and monies and pledges that get us to the half-way mark for the new Remigio Gonzalez, M.D. Professorship in Child Psychiatry. The support of our alumni in these endeavors is greatly appreciated.

Many of you may have heard that the School of Medicine has leased approximately 180,000 square feet of space at 1555 Poydras. This will house the Dean's Office, a new auditorium, many new classrooms, the business offices for Tulane University Medical Group, information services (computer operations) for the entire University, and academic offices for a number of clinical departments. Final decisions regarding who moves and when have not yet been made, but our academic offices are likely to move there in the near future. We are hopeful that this will give us some additional space, which is sorely needed. The Poydras location would put us in the mainstream of the School of Medicine and much closer to our MCL-NO (Charity) and VAMC affiliates.

Our educational programs continue to flourish as evidenced in part by the success of our residents in receiving national awards. (Please see related article on page 6). We hope to continue this pattern of excellence and build on our success to date.

Our Brain and Behavior CME program was well attended and allowed us to have a meeting of the Heath Society. Officers of the Society were elected and are approaching their new responsibilities with excitement and enthusiasm. I look forward to

## President's Column

It is important and beneficial to briefly review the history of this psychiatric alumni society since we have new officers and are trying to renew interest and formulate new goals for the Heath Society. In 1984 the Tulane Department of Psychiatry did a survey of alumni and 60% responded expressing an interest in an alumni association. A



meeting of these interested alumni was held, officers were elected and the principle activities of the Society were established. These activities were "to present an annual award for best original paper by a resident, to sponsor an annual lecture and seminar, give a reception at the annual APA convention and other educational activities." The original name for the alumni group was "The Tulane Psychiatry and Neurology Alumni Association." In 1985 the first major scientific and social activity occurred at the Tulane Homecoming. That year Bob Heath received the first Alumni Award.

In 1990 the name was changed to the Robert G. Heath Society in honor of our founder and first chairman of the Tulane Psychiatry Department The same year Craig Maumus joined the board as Editor of the Newsletter. The Society was fortunate to have a nationally honored psychiatric editor take on the task of editing our newsletter. The first newsletter was published that spring and included an article entitled "Bob Heath Remembers." Craig has since toiled with this labor of love, publishing two newsletters each year. Thanks, Craig.

The Society was incorporated on March 23, 1997. I recently reviewed most of the newsletters. They provide a very complete picture of departmental and alumni activities over the past fifteen years.

The Heath Society has had a very close relationship with the Department of Psychiatry at Tulane. Dan Winstead, the current chair of the department, has been a major supporter of the Society. In the first newsletter Dan wrote, "the true strength of any academic department rests on the shoulders of its alumni." In return, the department has provided funds, staff and emotional support for us. The Society owes both Dan and his staff a very warm and heartfelt "thank you."

# Editor's Note

It's springtime once again in the Big Easy and the renewed enthusiasm of the season with its food and music festivals and balmy weather is mirrored



this year in the Robert Heath Society. For, for the first time since our founding some 20 years ago, we have a major change in leadership.

It's unfortunate, of course, that the change took place because of the deaths of two of our founding members, but we are most fortunate to have found enthusiastic alumni to carry on the mission of our association. And, to encourage greater alumni participation and develop new leadership, we have split the duties of the secretary/treasurer and have created a new position of historian.

Many of you probably already know our new board members and I won't duplicate the comments made by our new president, Doug Greve, in his inaugural column. Just allow me to observe that with our board meeting in December and our upcoming meeting in April we've equaled the number of board meeting that I recall having over the past 20 years and this can only add to the initial enthusiasm of your new board to continue the previous activities of the society and develop some new ones.

Some recent examples: After expressing my concern to Doug Greve that I knew of no document under which we were operating to deal with the forced transition in our leadership, he got together with Dan Winstead who discovered the existence of a constitution and bylaws dated 1997 that was signed by Remi Gonzalez who apparently forgot to mention this in one of his regular columns and which was never publicized or passed around to other board members. Doug contacted our treasurer, Wally Tomlinson, who in turn contacted the Louisiana Secretary of State's office to change the leadership names of the Society. Wally is also working with our president and vice-president to arrange for multiple signatures on our society's checks.

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The election of Bob Begrub to replace Frank Silva as our veep not only continues the tradition of having someone outside of the greater New Orleans area on our board, but now adds someone representative of our membership outside the state of Louisiana. Bob provides the board a whole new perspective.

Marilyn, of course, provides us with a direct link to Remi's legacy but is a loyal alum in her own right and gives us sexual diversity that has been absent on our board for the first 20 years.

And Chet Scrignar, in the new position of historian, will be providing us with regular articles documenting the legacy of our fine society. Additionally, with the financial support of Dan Winstead and the Department, he is creating an oral and visual history of our heritage that we will be able to pass on to new generations of Tulane graduate.

So, after a sad and somber 2004, we enter 2005 with renewed enthusiasm, vitality and optimism. We will be canvassing our former graduates who have not yet joined us to consider formally signing up and making the small annual contribution to our society. We hope our past and present efforts will be enticement enough to bring some new members into the fold and hope that with their added support we'll be able to expand our activities for the benefit of all.

Craig W. Maumus, M.D.

At the Department's CME meeting this past fall, the Heath Society elected four new officers and re-elected Wally and Craig Maumus. I (residency class of '66) was elected President, Robert Begtrup ('71) Vice-President, Marilyn Skinner ('77) Secretary and Chet Scrignar ('65) Historian. Wally Tomlinson ('69) continues as Treasurer and Craig Maumus ('76) continues as Newsletter Editor.

As the newly elected President of the Heath Society, I am proud to follow in the footsteps of Remi Gonzales ('65), the first and only President of the Society in its twenty year history.

As you know, Remi, President and Frank Silva ('58), Vice-President, both passed away last year. They were two of the original three officers. Their loss is deeply felt by their colleagues throughout the psychiatric community. Wally Tomlinson was and still is the Treasurer of the Heath Society.

A meeting was held with several of the new officers and with Dan Winstead in January, 2005. During that meeting our new historian, Chet, gave an extensive report on his Oral History Project. Chet is to be commended for his tireless efforts to gather an impressive oral history that documents the department, its alumni and faculty.

### **Choral Creation**

Tulane Health Sciences Center Chorale is open to new members connected in some way to Tulane University, including alumni, who are interested in singing. The group does two performances per year - one in the spring and one during the holidays in December. Practice is every Monday night, except holidays, in the Medical School auditorium, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. It is not necessary to know how to read music (although it helps), but you do have to know how to sing. If anyone is interested in more information, contact Candy Legeai at 504 588-5247 during office hours which are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. The Chorale currently has two of our alumni who are members.



New officers of the Robert G. Heath Society pose after their election at the December meeting of the Society. From left to right: Craig Maumus, Wally Tomlinson, Chet Scrignar, Bob Begtup, Doug Greve and Marilyn Skinner.

Dan said that the goals of the Heath Society have stayed the same since its inception. The Department and the Society have shared responsibility and money. Specifically:

Alumni directory is a Departmental expense

*Newsletter*: Society pays for printing (\$1250 twice a year) and the Department for mailing

Resident Prizes: Society pays for prizes (\$500)

APA reception: Shared by Department and Heath Society. This year's reception in Atlanta will be shared with Loyola of Chicago and the University of Tennessee.

CME: Department pays plus gets some monies from the Society's lectureships We learned that there are a little over 800 alumni of the department. Of these, 417 are members of the Heath Society. We plan to reach out to get new members and to solicit suggestions for activities.

As you can see from the list, the Society is responsible for the printing of the *Newsletter* twice a year, the Resident's prizes and helping to fund the APA reception. Because of these obligations, we will appeal to members for contributions to fund these worthwhile projects.

The benefits of being a member include significant discounts for CME programs, the *Newsletter*, up-dates on the Department and friends and the alumni reception at the annual APA meeting. An alumni society enhances the professional experience of being a psychiatrist. It endows its members with a sense of themselves in history and provides an opportunity to endow a worthwhile organization.

The Heath Society is interested in reaching out to the members. Our organization will benefit from knowing what is going own around the country in academic institutions and private practices. Please contact us with information about your activities and include the year you finished training. The Heath Society welcomes your comments and questions. Join us in creating a lively and supportive organization for the alumni of the Tulane Department of Psychiatry.

Douglas W. Greve M.D.

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working with them on a variety of new projects. The officers are:

President:	Doug
Vice-President:	Robe
Treasurer:	Walla
Secretary:	Maril
Newsletter Editor:	Craig
Archivist/Historian:	Chest

Douglas Greve, M.D. Robert Begtrup, M.D. Wallace Tomlinson, M.D. Marilyn Skinner, M.D. Craig Maumus, M.D. Chester Scrignar, M.D.

Please plan to join us and your fellow alums at our annual APA reception, which will be Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005 at the World Trade Center in Atlanta from 7:00 - 9:00 pm.

# **Historical Perspective**

Robert G. Heath: "A Perfect Gentleman"

Confucius said that the three virtues of a "perfect gentleman" were wisdom, courage, and benevolence. No one doubts that Bob Heath had wisdom. The author of sev-



eral books and hundreds of scientific articles attests to his intellectual prowess. And who can forget Heath's lectures on adaptational psychoanalysis and his references to Sandor Rado, one of his mentors. Those who had the opportunity to observe Bob Heath interviewing patients during a clinical conference were impressed by his bedside manner emphasizing sensitivity and adeptness.

Advocating a biological basis for schizophrenia at a time when the "schizophrenogenic mother" held sway in the mind of many psychiatrists required courage as Heath withstood an avalanche of criticism. Implanting electrodes in the subcortical regions of patients to study the neurochemical and neurophysiological basis of the brain and behavior required both wisdom and courage. Open to new ideas Bob Heath had a flexibility of mind and an eclectic spirit. Invited guests during grand rounds included psychoanalysts, psychopharmacologists, behaviorists, anthropologists, sociologists, neuroanatomists, theologians and occasionally a political leader.

But what about benevolence? Those who did not have an intimate knowledge of Dr. Heath may wrongly conclude that he was hard-nosed and lacked compassion. But, to date, I have interviewed over two dozen fellow faculty and former residents who studied under Dr. Heath and almost all have given examples of Bob's kindness and generosity.

Dan Winstead and Leon Weisberg recall that Dr. and Mrs. Heath helped their families adjust after moving to New Orleans. Dan Sprehe recollects how understanding and accommodating Dr. Heath was he transferred from a residency in neurosurgery to Tulane psychiatry even though the residency had begun three months earlier. Chuck O'Brien and Joe DiGiacomo give many examples of Dr. Heath's mentoring and generosity. And I recall that following surgery on two occasions, Bob was at my bedside offering comfort.

My final contact with Bob disclosed his breadth of humanity and good will. At that time, he was retired and living in Florida. Knowing that he was 83 years old and not feeling well, I called Bob and asked if he would consent to participate in a taped interview concerning his remembrances as Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dan Sprehe and I conducted the interview in a conference room at the hospital where Dr. Heath was a patient. After the interview, and despite his illness, he invited Dan, Frank Silva, and me, along with our wives, to have dinner at his club in St. Petersburg. The dinner, an example of Dr. Heath's hospitality, gratitude, and benevolence, was lively and entertaining as we all talked about the history of the Department. He died 10 days later.

Indeed, Robert G. Heath was a "perfect gentleman."

> C. B. Scrignar, M. D. Society Historian

# Drs. O'Neill and Gallant to receive Irma Bland Awards from the American Psychiatric Association

The American Psychiatric Association has recently created the Irma Bland Awards for Excellence in Teaching Residents. Each medical school is allowed to nominate two of its faculty: one salaried and one non-salaried faculty member. Criteria include excellence in the teaching of residents in a variety of settings and through a variety of techniques such as lectures, rounds, supervision, small group teaching, career counseling, etc.

Patrick T. O'Neill, M.D. was nominated by us as the salaried faculty member since he has been active as Director of Psychiatric Residency Training here at Tulane since 1987 and, thus, has been involved in a wide variety of teaching activities with our trainees.

Donald M. Gallant, M.D. has been actively teaching residents for close to 50 years. These activities have continued beyond his official retirement as he continues to spend the better part of 3 days each week teaching our medical students and residents. Certainly Don has a long and distinguished career as a psychiatric educator.

These awards will be presented at a special luncheon for residents, medical students and educators during the APA 2005 Annual Meeting in Atlanta. Please join us in congratulating Pat and Don.



Dan Winstead delivers his State of the Department address at the December meeting of the Heath Society at the Hotel Intercontinental.

# Campaign Update

"Promise and Distinction: The Campaign for Tulane University" was officially launched March 17. Begun quietly in 1999, the \$700 million campaign drive ends in 2008. Toward the campaign, the Health Sciences Center is committed to raise \$202 million to help finance the recruitment, equipment and facilities needed to champion growth for all of its divisions including the School of Medicine and the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology. The Health Sciences Center has already raised three-fourths of the goal leaving \$50 million to be raised in the next three years. Benefits from the drive – including new facilities, rapid growth in research, and increased educational accomplishments — are sweeping across the Health Sciences Center. More information and regular updates will be available at www.distinction.tulane.edu. Monies donated by the alumni of the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology may be designated for specific projects and/or sections in the department, viz:

Adult Psychiatry Heath Lectureship Forensic Lectureship Chair/Professorship in Eating Disorders Epstein Lectureship/Professorship

<u>Child Psychiatry</u> Endowed Chair in Child Psychiatry Gonzalez Professorship Funding for Institute of Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health

<u>Neurology</u> Endowed Chair in Stroke Chair/Professorship in Cognitive Neuroscience/Neuro-imaging

Departmental Chair/Professorship in Education



Lee and Susan Tynes pose with their children, Bryce and Brynn, and Rose and Chuck Chester at the December party.

## **Prim Smith Lecture**

"Bioethics on the Brain" is the title of the initial public lecture in honor of the late Rev. Prim Smith who was chaplain of the Tulane University Health Sciences Center. The lecture on Wednesday, April 27 at noon will be held in the J. Bennett Johnston Health and Environmental Research Building on the downtown medical campus.

The inaugural Rev. Prim Smith Lecture will be given by Robert Martensen, a professor of surgery at the Tulane University Health Sciences Center, who holds the James A. Knight MD Chair of Humanities and Ethics in Medicine. Dr. Martensen is author of the book, *The Brain Takes Shape* (Oxford University Press, 2004), about what makes a living human body a person.



Arthur and Marion Sue Strauss enjoy the ambience of the annual holiday party.



Charley and Paula Zeanah enjoy the holiday party.

## Residents in Psychiatry and Neurology Land Prestigious National Awards

Nine residents in the Department of Psychiatry and Neurology, one post-doctoral fellow and two junior faculty members have received significant national awards since July 1st, 2004. While these individuals are to be commended for their achievements, their training directors and/or mentors should also be acknowledged for their support of these trainees and the strong letters of recommendation written on their behalf. So, first let me give special thanks to Patrick O'Neill, M.D., Anne Foundas, M.D., and Brian Stafford, M.D. for their role in making this happen.

Stacy Drury, M.D., Ph.D. (General and Child Psychiatry) was recently awarded the APA/Shire Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship for 2005-2006. In addition, she was named as one of the NIMH Outstanding Psychiatry Residents for 2004. Furthermore, she was granted a Janssen Resident Psychiatric Research Scholars Award from the American Psychiatric Institute for Research and Education for 2005 and 2006.

Morgan Feibelman, M.D. (Child Psychiatry) was named a Fellow of the Child and Adolescent Psychopathology Research Initiative that is supported by the Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.



Mary Margaret Gleason and Morgan Feibelmanw ere honored for their accomplishments.



Award winning residents get together for a photo op:\_Front Row (left to right) Angela Traylor, MD, Janet Zadina, PhD, Linda Soohoo, MD, LaShondra Washington, MD, Stacy Drury, MD, PhD, Jeffrey Rouse, MD; Back Row (left to right) Jose Suros, MD and Andrew Morson, MD. Shelly Savant, MD (combined psych/neuro) also was an awardee, but was unable to make photo shoot.

Mary Margaret Gleason, M.D. (Infant Psychiatry Fellow and Instructor in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry) was granted a Fellowship for the NIMH/Stanford/UPitt Research Development Institute which includes mentorship and collaboration on developing a research career. In addition, she was named one of the "Future Leaders in Psychiatry for 2005" and given a Travel Award from Emory University to attend their special program for early career psychiatrists.

Terry LeBourgeois, M.D. (Adult Psychiatry) was also granted one of these "Future Leaders in Psychiatry" Travel Awards.

Andrew Morson, M.D. (General Psychiatry) and Angela Traylor, M.D. (Psych/Neuro) were each given a Training Residents in Psychiatry Scholarship (TRIPS) Award from the Veterans Administration South Central Mental Illness Research, Education, and Clinical Center.

Jeffrey Rouse, M.D. (General Psychiatry and Neuroscience Fellow) was given a Janssen Resident Psychiatric Research Scholars Award from the American Psychiatric Institute for Research and Education (APIRE). This allows him to participate in APIRE's Research Colloquium for Young Investigators at the APA meetings in 2004 and 2005. Furthermore, he was granted a Trainee Travel Award to attend and participate in the 2005 annual meeting of the Anxiety Disorders Association of America.

Shelly Savant, M.D. (Psych/Neuro) was granted a Travel Award from the American Pain Society, which will allow her to travel to their annual meeting in Boston, Massachusetts from March 31st to April 2nd, 2005.

Linda Soohoo, M.D. (Med/Neuro) was granted one of the Humanism and Excellence in Teaching Awards by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation in recognition of her commitment towards compassionate patient care and teaching of students.

Jose Suros, M.D. (Neurology) was granted a Travel Award from the Wake Forest Residents Epilepsy Program to attend their meeting.

LaShondra Washington, M.D. (General Psychiatry) was selected as an APA/Astra Zeneca Minority Fellow by the American Psychiatric Association for 2004 and 2005.

Janet Zadina, Ph.D. (PostDoctoral Fellow in Behavioral Neurology) was given the Pi Delta Kappa's Region C Award for Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation. In addition, she was the Summit Plenary Speaker Awardee at the "Celebrating Our Rising Stars" meeting of the Office of English Language Acquisition sponsored by the Department of Education in Washington, DC.

Please join me in offering your congratulations to these outstanding individuals.

Daniel K. Winstead, M.D.

#### The Big Move



Anticipated new home of the Department on Poydras St. across from the SuperDome.

The Tulane University School of Medicine will gain from a recent, significant expansion of educational space and faculty recruitment.

The Tulane University Board of Administrators approved a long-term lease for 150,000 square feet of space for the medical school at the 1555 Poydras Building. The lease, which runs through 2017, involves space that will be converted into classrooms and offices. Construction should be completed by fall 2005.

The Tulane board also voted to make available \$24 million in investment capital to upgrade and expand educational space and to recruit new faculty and department chairs. The funds were designated now so that enhancements could start in advance of reaching the fundraising goals of the "Promise and Distinction" capital campaign by 2008.

The Department of Psychiatry and Neurology faculty will be relocating to the new building which will also house a variety of spaces for teaching, state-of-the-art multimedia equipment and computer and study areas for the students.

"The new space on Poydras Street, along with the grant opportunities we've developed, creates a wonderful synergy between education and research that better positions us to continue to attract the top medical students and faculty from around the country," says Ian Taylor, dean of the medical school.



Dan Winstead poses with Nehama Dresner, M.D. and Christopher Randolph, Ph.D. Dr. Randolph of Loyola University Medical Center in Chicago gave the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Robert G. Heath, MD Lecture on "Re-examining 'Post Concussion Syndrome.'" His wife, Dr. Dresner conducted grand rounds at TMC while in town.

### Sophomore Neuropsych Exam

A few issues back we ran the first two installments of a neuropsychiatric exam dated May 1948. Wally Tomlinson came across this neuropsychiatry exam for sophomore medical students and it is believed that this is the first neuropsych exam given at Tulane since 1948 is the year Bob Heath came to Tulane as chairman. Due to space considerations we had to hold the next set of questions for a couple of issues of the Newsletter. But, once again, we're publishing a few questions so you can see what was expected of the students over a generation ago. The original test had 50 questions and the answers to each question were to be "three words or less." The first two sets of questions were heavily analytically based. Note how these questions are neurologically oriented.

- 29. What form of sensation is chiefly impaired in a peripheral nerve lesion?
- 30. In a spinal cord lesion?
- 31. What segment of the cord corresponds to the umbilicus?
- 32. A dorsal root lesion has what effect on pain perception?
- 33. The corneal reflex tests what nerve or nerves?
- 34. Is the jaw jerk usually absent?
- 35. In getting a tendon reflex, should the tendon be completely relaxed?
- 36. What lesion produces a Babinski reflex?
- 37. Where is the lesion causing spastic hemiplegia?
- 38. Name the system involved in the Parkinson tremor.
- 39. Give the two signs of damage to the cerebellar system.
- 40. The Rhomberg is a sign of damage where?

# AlumNews:

**Victor Angeles** of Elizabethtown, KY is a consultant at the Twin Lakes Medical Center in Leitchfield, KY, the Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown and at the Taylor Regional Hospital in Campbellsville, KY. He is in the process of establishing a neurodiagnostic center for EEGs and EMGs.

**Sandra Baltz** married Ken Nazor (a Tulane architect graduate) in July of last year and they are now expecting their first child this June. She is now living in Memphis, TN where she is director of medical student and resident training in the Department of Psychiatry at the VA Hospital there and is coordinator of geriatric training in the UT Department of Psychiatry. She is currently working on some new Alzheimer's drug trials.

**Martha Ban** is still at the VA Medical Center in Tuscaloosa, AL in the outpatient MHC. "Imagine I'll stay as long as I continue to enjoy it as much as I do now!" Her kids are "getting grown" with a 20 year old daughter in Anniston, AL, a 20 year old son in college in Tuscaloosa and 16 and 14 year old sons who are both in high school.

Minati Biswas has been in private practice in New Orleans after leaving the VA there in 1997. She is now medical director of the partial hospital program at Kindred Hospital and is on the active staff there where she sees general adult and geriatric inpatients. She is also on the active staff of Touro Infirmary across the street. She reports a busy outpatient practice that includes children and adolescents as well as patients with substance abuse problems. Additionally Dr. Biswas is a staff psychiatrist at a methadone clinic and two chemical dependency units in the greater New Orleans area.

**Elias Bond** is still in private practice of psychiatry with the Jackson Clinic, a multispecialty clinic of 130 physicians, in Jackson, TN.

**Maureen Burrows** is chief resident at Tulane this academic year and will be *Tulane Psychiatry & Neurology Alumni Newsletter*  doing her fellowship in forensic psychiatry at Tulane this coming year.

**Richard Capiola** presently resides in Naples, FL where he is medical director for Psychiatric Consultation Services. He is also a hospital accreditation surveyor for the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation and is a psychiatric consultant to Best Choice Home Health Care. He comes back to New Orleans frequently for various festivals, Mardi Gras and Tulane psychiatric conferences.

**Dabney Ewin** was awarded the Pierre Janet Award for Clinical Excellence for 2002 by the International Society of Hypnosis for a "lifetime of published experimental work (that) substantially advances the understanding of the process of hypnosis and the ability to predict the outcome of its applications." The ISH meets every three years but had to postpone the 2003 meeting in Singapore to 2004 because of the SARS epidemic.

**Louis Escalada** continues to enjoy retirement in Kenner, LA. He notes his time is mostly taken up with grandchildren, travel and "time to learn."

**John Fetzer**, who lives in Cantonment, FL, sadly reports he is still cleaning up from Hurricane Ivan.

**Doug Greve** continues his private practice in the French Quarter and is resident assistant coordinator at Tulane.

**Evan Howell** is president of the New Orleans Neurological Society and has been picked to be an advocate to Capitol Hill after training in San Diego this past January.

**Irving Kraft** of Houston notes that at age 83 he is still seeing patients 1-2 afternoons a week. "Some patients ask me why I pose certain questions to them, noting 'That is more internal medicine or neurology.' I tell them that Bob Heath's et al training certainly included neurophysiology, etc. Somehow that doesn't seem to have been part of what their previous therapists and psychiatrists queried." He says he was saddened to learn of the death of Charlie Feigley. Your editor had not been previously informed.

**Reaves Lee** of Memphis, TN notes the highlights of this past year have been an "awesome" trip to Italy for his son's wedding, a career low of 74 in golf and a good practice and "steady progress with the study group affiliated with the American Psychoanalytic Association." He is hoping 2005 offers him complete remission from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma by a clinical trial with personalized vaccine.

**William Leone** of Pinecrest, FL is still practicing one day a week. He's also into DIY projects, boating, and swimming. He proudly announces the birth of his eighth grandchild.

**Harold Lief** of Bryn Mawr, PA celebrated his 87<sup>th</sup> birthday in December. He has five kids and 9 grandkids with a 10<sup>th</sup> on the way. He is also looking forward to a great grandchild. He co-authored a paper in last August's issue of *J.Nerv and Ment Dis* and co-authored a chapter on the "History of Psychologic Treatments" in the forthcoming *Textbook of Women's Sexual Dysfuctions*. And last, but not least, Dr. Lief reports co-editing a book with **Ralph Slovenko** describing the False Memory Syndrome phenomenon of the last decade.

Ken Lippincott is staying very busy in Tupelo, MS by being active on 3 hospital staffs and functioning as medical director of geriatric psychiatry at one (Trace Regional Hospital Pathways). Yet he still reports that hunting, fishing and motorcycling are "not enough!" Meanwhile his wife is working on her master's in nursing and they have a daughter at Millsaps, a son who is a senior in high school and another son who is a sophomore in high school and who plays blues guitar. **Joseph Lupo** has a private practice of child psychiatry in Tampa and is a clinical professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of South Florida.

**Irwin Marcus** of New Orleans has authored a new book entitled *Why Men Have Affairs*. He has aired on radio to 127 stations nationally plus 9 times locally as well as having been interviewed on CBS television.

**Joe Marnell** informs us that he is in private practice in Bethesda, MD.

**Andrew Naidech** is now on the faculty of Northwestern University in Chicago specializing in neurointensive care.

**Charles Nicholson** writes in that he is working as a forensic psychiatrist in Santa Barbara, CA.

**Chuck O'Brien** was invited by the Academic Medical Center and the University of Amsterdam in Holland to present The Anatomy Lesson in November. The Anatomy Lesson is a tradition dating back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century and is a weeklong event consisting of a presentation by an internationally prominent scientist to the people of Amsterdam. The topic was addiction and Dr. O'Brien presented the work of his team at the Philadelphia VA and Penn's Department of Psychiatry dealing with brain mechanisms of addiction and the development of new treatments for these disorders.

**Don Ragan** has an office practice at the West Florida Behavioral Health in Pensacola, FL.

**Stephen Reich** of Baltimore was recently promoted to professor at the University of Maryland where he is co-director of the Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Center.

Lillian Robinson is enjoying retirement in the Pacific Northwest. Some of her time is spent reading to people who have macular degeneration. And every year she travels to NYC for the annual meeting of the Guild of Episcopal Scholars. Additionally she always attends a meeting of the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and often the APA. She reports to us that the Seattle Tulane Club is quite an active group that stays in touch via email.

**David Shraberg** continues to do hospital work in neuropsychiatry and forensics in Lexington, KY.

**Charles Rodney Smith** has a limited practice of adult psychiatry in the Helis Building at DePaul-Tulane in New Orleans. He reports his heath is good and he mourns the passing of several of his psychiatric colleagues this past year as we all do. He has one new granddaughter, Ella Grace.

**Bruce Smoller** is currently president of the Montgomery County Medical Society and is editor-in-chief of the *Maryland State Medical Journal*. He is on the clinical faculty of George Washington



George and Kathy Bishop of Baton Rouge, LA came to town for the annual Brain & Behavior program and met up with old friends, Mary and Chet Scrignar at the departmental holiday party.

University School of Medicine and maintains a private practice of psychiatry in Chevy Chase, MD.

**Wally Tomlinson** delivered a paper at the 39<sup>th</sup> International Congress for the History of Medicine in Bari, Italy this past fall.

**Ron Taravella** has a full-time private practice of psychiatry in Baton Rouge, LA. He writes that he is "forever in debt to Dan Winstead, Pat O'Neill and Tulane."

**Hien Tran** is clinical medical director of the Terrebonne Mental Health Center in LA and is a clinical instructor in the Department at Tulane.

**Son Trinh** is medical director at the River Parishes Mental Health Center in La Place, LA.

**Gene Usdin** was again honored at Ochsner Clinic in New Orleans by the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Gene Usdin, MD Distinguished Visiting Lectureship in Psychiatry in February. Dr. David Mrazek was the Usdin Lecturer and spoke on "Gene Knowledge: How Well Do You Know Yourself."

**Gordon Walker** of San Jose, CA notes he has his daughter, Whitney, attending Tulane as an undergraduate. Dr. Walker continues to practice psychiatry in the San Jose area.



Dr Ewin with his Pierre Janet Award

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