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**Philip L. Howard's responsibilities as Vice President for Facilities Services for MCGHealth will expand enterprise-wide.**

## Two named to MCG leadership team

*By Christine Hurley Deriso*

Medical College of Georgia President Ricardo Azziz has filled two new leadership positions.

Michael W. Hill, formerly Vice President for Internal Auditing, Compliance and Risk Management, has been named Chief Audit Officer, overseeing the comprehensive internal auditing program enterprise-wide. He will oversee financial and operational audits to optimize standards, processes and controls while promoting organizational effectiveness through customer service and process improvement. A search is underway for a chief

compliance officer, who will oversee an enterprise-wide institutional compliance program.

Hill, who has more than 25 years of auditing experience, joined MCG in 1999. He previously directed internal auditing at Tennessee State University. He earned a bachelor's degree in commerce and business administration from the University of Alabama and has completed specialized training from institutions including the Peabody Professional Institute for Higher Education Management and the Middle Tennessee State University Leadership Institute.

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## Radiothon results break records

*By Delandous Haynes*

A caring community recently joined forces with 104.3 WBBQ FM and KISS 96.3 FM to raise a record \$210,000-plus for the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center during the 10th Annual Cares for Kids Radiothon.

"This is a tremendous success. We can't thank our supporters, volunteers, sponsors and friends enough for their generosity," said Catherine Stewart, Philanthropy Associate.

The radiothon ran from Dec. 9-11 in the CMC lobby. Many patients and families stopped by to share their stories with listeners and to encourage support for the children's hospital.

The radiothon has raised more than \$1.3 million for CMC patients in the fundraiser's 10-year history. Donations are used to provide charitable care, purchase life-saving equipment and fund research and education programs that save and improve the lives of children treated at the hospital.



Delandous Haynes photo

**MCG First Lady Cindy Azziz (right) joined Human Resources Information Coordinator Sandy Huntington to help raise money during the annual radiothon.**

## Cardiac program receives national certification

*By Delandous Haynes*

MCGHealth's Cardiac Rehab program recently received certification from the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation for enhanced care leading to improved quality of life for its patients.

"Heart problems simply don't disappear once you leave the hospital. That's why our patients get the

benefit of a dedicated team of professionals who help them make lifestyle changes that lead to a healthier future," said Dr. Vincent Robinson,

Professor of Cardiology and Director of the Cardiac Rehab program.

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## News, events and more

### Guideline changes

MCG inventory guidelines have changed for certain assets. The threshold for small-value property has been raised to \$3,000. Asset Management will continue to inventory all computers and firearms, regardless of cost. Items purchased at less than \$3,000 are now categorized as supply products. All existing items valued at less than \$3,000 will be retired from the inventory listing. Contact Asset Management at 706-721-1796.

### Sight Screening

The Ophthalmology Interest Group will offer free glaucoma screenings Jan. 14 from noon to 2 p.m. in Terrace Dining and Jan. 26 from noon to 2 p.m. in room 2021 of the Wellness Center.

### Lunch and Learn

The Departmental Administrative Support Staff Training Team will present lunch and learn sessions for business managers and administrative staff. All sessions will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with lunch provided. The team will cover topics in human resources Jan. 25 in room 1204 of the Health Sciences Building and March 1 in room 1222 of the Health Sciences Building; finance April 26 in room 1222 of the Health Sciences Building and May 10 in a location to be determined; budget and purchasing July 26 and Sept. 13 in locations to be determined and research administration Nov. 8 and Dec. 6 in locations to be determined. Call 706-721-0343 for more information.

### Training

Visit [mcg.edu/hr/training/](http://mcg.edu/hr/training/) to view Human Resources' January training and education opportunities. Call 706-721-0343 for more information.

### Your resolution

MCG Alumni receive 20 percent off any length flex-month membership at the MCG Wellness Center. Visit the Wellness Center front desk for details or call 706-721-6800.

### Support supper

Papa-N-Son's restaurant, 500 Fury's Ferry Rd. in Martinez, Ga., will donate

10 percent of proceeds to Safe Kids East Central and MCGHealth Children's Medical Center Tuesdays in January from 4-9:30 p.m.

### Research awards

The Education Discovery Institute is accepting nominations for its Medical Education Research Manuscript Award and Medical Education Research Scholarship Award. The awards honor individuals from the School of Medicine who have disseminated innovative, peer-reviewed, medical education scholarship during the 2010 calendar year. Deadline for nominations is Feb. 1. Contact Dr. Rhee Fincher at 706-721-3529 or [rfincher@mcg.edu](mailto:rfincher@mcg.edu) or contact Dr. Lara Stepleman at 706-721-0114 or [lsteplem@mcg.edu](mailto:lsteplem@mcg.edu).

### Valentine dance

The MCG Sertoma Club and the CSRA Shag Club will host a Valentine dance Feb. 11 from 8 p.m. to midnight at Julian Smith Casino. The Fantastic Shakers will perform. The event is BYOB, setups provided. Tickets are \$15 at the door, \$5 for students with a college ID. Reserved tables are available in limited numbers. Call 803-640-1130. All proceeds benefit local community needs.

### Nephrology update

The 2011 James B. Hudson Nephrology Update and Georgia-South Carolina Society of Nephrology Annual Meeting will be Feb. 19-20 at the Ritz-Carlton Lodge at Reynolds Plantation in Greensboro, Ga. Registration is \$125. Call Judy Sanders for registration at 706-721-2861. Visit [mcg.edu/som/medicine/nephrology/](http://mcg.edu/som/medicine/nephrology/).

### Retirement counseling

Teachers Retirement System of Georgia will offer one-on-one retirement counseling in rooms 1103 and 1109A of the Annex Feb. 15 from 1-4 p.m., Feb 16 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 17 from 8 a.m. to noon, March 29 from 1-4 p.m., March 30 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and March 21 from 8 a.m. to noon. Visit [trsga.com](http://trsga.com) and click on Workshops and Counseling to register.

### Medical educators

The MCG School of Medicine Academy

of Medical Educators is accepting applications. The academy promotes educational excellence, innovation and scholarship; serves faculty with career interests in medical education; and works to improve medical education through faculty development, mentoring and educational leadership. Visit [mcg.edu/som/ames/index.html](http://mcg.edu/som/ames/index.html).

### Join EDI

The School of Medicine Education Discovery Institute will meet today at noon in the Terrace Dining Dogwood Room to discuss health professions education and educational research. The group meets on the second Wednesday of each month. The institute provides refreshments, and participants may bring their lunch. Contact EDI@mcg.edu.

### Pet set

Submit your pets' photos and stories for the Pet Gazette. Contact Beeper editor Stacey Hudson at [smcgowen@mcg.edu](mailto:smcgowen@mcg.edu) or 706-721-4410.

### HPV study

Females age 12 to 26 who have received a three-dose regimen of a specific HPV vaccine are needed for a study that may develop vaccines that protect against additional types of HPV. Call 706-721-8944.

### Vein study

The Georgia Prevention Institute's Laboratory of Integrated Vascular and Exercise Physiology seeks volunteers for a study about arterial health following a high-fat meal in postmenopausal women. Participants must be adult men or women who have been postmenopausal either less than three years or more than 10 years. Contact Dr. Ryan Harris at 706-721-5998.

### Lung study

Healthy adults and adults with chronic obstructive lung disease are needed for an MCG study to determine why lung disease often damages both the blood vessels and the heart. Participants will provide blood samples, have non-invasive arterial health measurements and will participate in a study protocol of their choice. Participants will be paid. Contact Dr. Ryan Harris at 706-721-5998.

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Officer Robin Stewart adjusts one of the MCG Police Department's new body cameras.

# New equipment increases officer safety, accountability

By Stacey Hudson

The MCG Police Department is implementing new safety equipment. Each officer in the department has been equipped with body cameras and will begin using Tasers with built-in cameras in the next month.

Both the body cameras and the Tasers serve a dual purpose, according to Chief of Police William McBride. They allow officers to carry out their duties with greater accountability and with greater regard for public safety.

The cameras allow the department to analyze interaction between officers and the public.

"Complaints from citizens about alleged officer conduct are typically a one-on-one situation, where a citizen might say that the officer was rude, or did this or that," McBride said.

The digital footage from the cameras and Tasers will document the behavior of all parties involved. For example, MCG Police made 28 arrests during November and they issue hundreds of traffic tickets each year. Each interaction represents the possibility of misunder-

standing, which the body cameras are intended to minimize. Officers must turn on the camera at any traffic stop or field interview and download those incidents to the department's storage device at the end of each shift. They are unable to erase footage.

The cameras have already allowed McBride to adjust procedures, such as altering how officers approach vehicle occupants stopped for a traffic violation.

"We can use them as a training tool to help the officers be safe," McBride said.

Officers will complete Taser training this month. The non-lethal electroshock weapon disrupts voluntary muscle control long enough to subdue and arrest an unruly suspect, minimizing safety risks to all parties involved, including bystanders. "You can't use your muscles for the five seconds you're being Tased," McBride said. "It does hurt. But it doesn't leave any permanent damage. Within 15 to 20 seconds, they're back to normal."

These models are also equipped with cameras that automatically turn on when an officer removes the Taser from its holster.

"In a really quick, adrenalized situation, an officer may not have the time to turn on the camera. So as soon as you pull it out of the holster, the camera goes on," McBride said.

The exchange can then be dissected later for training purposes, or it can be used in court.

"I think, in general, my officers are very focused and they know what I want from them," McBride said. The bureau recently updated vision and mission statements that officers carry on duty.

"Our new Vision Statement is simple and still very ambitious," McBride said.

"It states that our goal is 'to set the standard for law enforcement excellence in the CSRA.'"

The department is a certified State of Georgia Law Enforcement Agency. Certification, which is voluntary, gives qualifying agencies 119 operating policies and procedures that optimize professional standards. Agencies are inspected every three years to ensure compliance. Only about 20 percent of the chartered police agencies in Georgia have qualified for this certification.

## CERTIFICATION

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# Evidence-based nursing conference returns to Augusta

By Sharron Walls

"Connecting the Pieces: Bringing Evidence to the Bedside," the second annual conference highlighting evidence-based nursing practices, will be held Saturday, Jan. 22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Medical College of Georgia Health Sciences Building, 987 St. Sebastian Way.

Evidence-based practice applies the latest evidence when making patient care decisions to improve quality and safety. This systematic approach incorporates a critical appraisal of the most relevant evidence available, the nurse's own clinical expertise and the patient's preferences and values.

More than 300 participants attended last year's conference, said Dr. Corliss Derrick, president of MCG's Beta Omicron Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International and conference planning team leader. "We are excited to offer another such conference to bring the latest evidence for excellence in patient care to the bedside nurse. This year, a wide range of patient care areas and interests will meet the needs of a large variety of nurses."

This year's keynote speaker is MCG alumnus Dr. June H. Larrabee, a professor at West Virginia University School of Nursing and clinical investigator at West Virginia University Hospital in Morgantown. Dr. Larrabee wrote the how-to handbook "Nurse to Nurse: Evidence-Based Practice," based on her experiences guiding direct-care nurses in making evidence-based practice changes. She is currently investigat-

ing the relationship between nurse fatigue and patient safety.

The conference is a partnership between MCGHealth, the MCG School of Nursing, the CSRA Chapter of the Georgia Nurses Association, the Academy of Nurse Scholars in Education and the Beta Omicron Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau. Attendees are eligible for seven contact hours from the Georgia Nurses Association.

Registration is \$50 and includes lunch. Early bird registration by Jan. 12 is \$30. Register online at [mcghealth.org](http://mcghealth.org). Click on the "For Professionals" tab, then select the Nursing Conference link.

For more information, visit [mcg.edu/son/EBP\\_Conf.htm](http://mcg.edu/son/EBP_Conf.htm) or call MCGHealth Human Resources at 706-721-1523.



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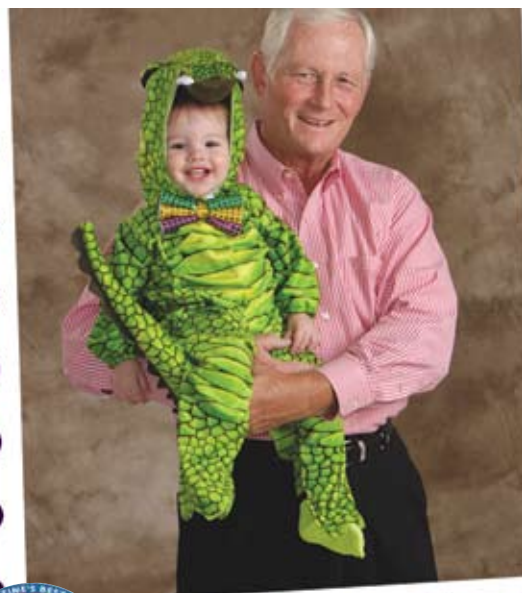
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Wear red to the second annual GO RED for Women Symposium on cardiovascular health.

# Go red for women's health

By Stacey Hudson

Take it to heart: Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death for both women and men in America. But not all is the same for both Dick and Jane.

"There is growing awareness that diseases in men and women are different," said Jennifer Sullivan, Assistant Professor in the Vascular Biology Center.

To combat misconceptions about heart and vascular disease, Sullivan is coordinating the second annual GO RED for Women Symposium Feb. 4 to encourage discussion and research collaboration pertaining to women's health issues.

GO RED for Women was created by the American Heart Association to raise awareness of heart disease as the number-one killer of women and to encourage women to take charge of their heart health.

The symposium will feature keynote speaker Dr. Chris Baylis, J. Robert Cade Professor of Physiology in the Department of Physiology and Functional Genomics at the Univer-

sity of Florida. Baylis will discuss the expansion of blood volume in pregnant women, and how pregnancy-related illnesses can be linked to cardiovascular health.

Following the keynote address, five researchers—Drs. Babak Baban, Eric Belin de Chantemele, Darrell Brann, Joseph Cannon and David Pollock—will highlight ongoing MCG research that relates to women's cardiovascular health.

"We have a number of people on campus who are doing this, but there is a lack of awareness that

there are others on campus with similar interests. So part of our goal is to get all of these people together," Sullivan said.

Afternoon poster presentations will cap off the day.

"These more casual informational mini-sessions offer an opportunity after the oral presentations to mingle, to talk about things, to get ideas flowing and to form collaborations," Sullivan said.

Those interested in participating may contact Sullivan at 706-721-9796 or jsullivan@mcg.edu.



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# NIH Director to discuss women's health

By Toni Baker

Dr. Vivian W. Pinn, the first full-time Director of the Office of Research on Women's Health at the National Institutes of Health, will discuss the vision for women's health research during the Medical College of Georgia Department of Medicine's annual Sydenstricker Medicine Grand Rounds at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 in the Lee Auditorium.

Pinn has served as Director since November 1991 and Associate Director for Research on Women's Health, NIH, since 1994. Pinn came to NIH from Howard University College of Medicine in Washington, D.C. where she was Professor and Chairwoman of the Department of Pathology. She previously held appointments at Tufts University and Harvard Medical School.

Her honors include the President's Achievement Award from the American Medical Women's Association, the Dr. Dorothy I. Height Leadership Award for Carrying the Torch of the Earth Shaker and Dream Maker from the Committee

for the International Salute for the Life and Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and the Women in Medicine Leadership Development Award from the Association of American Medical Colleges.



**Dr. Vivian Pinn will discuss women's health research Jan. 26 in Lee Auditorium**

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## Staff gives to breast cancer support group



Phil Jones photo

The MCGHealth Women's Health staff recently donated nearly \$3,000 to the Breast Cancer Support Group. Staff raised the money by selling pink watches and baked goodies during Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October. Penny Walden (from left) Kellie Bedenbaugh, Dr. Suzanne Thigpen, Michelle Marchant, Kim Luckey, Nicole Aenchbacher, Dekki Berry, Janice Parish and Linda Wildey show off the pink watches.

## Great Clips Salons Miracle balloons benefit kids



Danielle Wong Moores photo

Great Clips Salons recently raised \$2,462 through the Great Deeds program to help benefit the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center. The staff sold Miracle Balloons throughout the CSRA to benefit the patients and families at the children's hospital.

## Volunteers raise money with holiday spirit



Delandous Haynes photo

Nancy Hannan (from left), Department Administrator for Thoracic/Cardiac Surgery, Meera Dase, Administrative Assistant and Joseph Thornton, Assistant Vice President for Ambulatory Care Finance, are filled with holiday joy as they work the phones for the annual Radiothon to benefit the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center.

## QEP awards iPad



Melissa Duckett/Phil Jones photo

His name is Jonathan Buice, and he is the envy of all. Buice won an iPad in the Quality Enhancement Plan's fall grand-prize drawing on Dec. 17. Buice is a fourth year School of Medicine student who missed the ceremony while interviewing for a residency program in Utah.



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to these new members of the MCG community

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- 1 16-oz can kidney beans
- 1 8-oz can tomato sauce
- 10 oz package frozen corn kernels
- 2 14.5-oz cans diced tomatoes w/chilies
- 1 packet taco seasoning
- 24 oz. (3) boneless skinless chicken breasts
- chopped fresh cilantro

Combine beans, onion, tomatoes and diced chili peppers, corn, tomato sauce, cumin, chili powder and taco seasoning in a slow cooker. Place chicken on top and cover. Cook on low for 10 hours or on high for 6 hours. Half hour before serving, remove chicken and shred. Return chicken to slow cooker and stir in. Top with fresh cilantro. Also try it served over rice and topped with sour cream!

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# Newsmakers



Dr. Vernon Barnes

**Dr. Vernon Barnes**, Assistant Professor at the Georgia Prevention Institute, received a certificate of appreciation from Laney High School for his leading recruitment efforts for the Laney High School Health Fair. Medical professionals donated their services to more than 600 students.

**Dr. Betty Daniels**, Assistant Professor of Biobehavioral Nursing at the School of Nursing in Athens, has received the 2010 Public Health Nurse Creative Achievement Award from the Public Health Nursing Section of the American Public Health Association. The award recognizes exceptional contributions to public health nursing administration, education, practice or research.

Cardiology Fellow **Siva Krothapalli** received the award for best poster presentation at the Georgia Chapter of the American College of Cardiology Annual Scientific Sessions in Lake Oconee, Ga., in November. **Drs. Wesley Davis, Somsupha Kanjanauthai, William**



Dr. Betty Daniels

**Maddox, Michele Murphy and Amin Yehya** also presented.

**Dr. Adil Degani**, Pulmonary/Critical Care Fellow, received University Hospital's November Teaching Excellence on Pulmonary Rehabilitation Award.

Information Designer **Tricia Perea** won second place out of more than 770 entries in the Southeastern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Logo Competition at the annual meeting of the organization.

**Dr. Marlene Rosenkoetter**, Professor of Biobehavioral Nursing, will discuss global standards for culturally competent nursing care at the 2011 Conference of the International Council of Nurses. The conference will be held May 2-8 in Malta.

The MCGHealth Children's Medical Center was recently ranked in the upper 10th percentile nationally of children's hospitals in patient quality and safety, according to the



Somsupha Kanjanauthai



Dr. Marlene Rosenkoetter

University HealthSystem Consortium Quality and Safety Management Report. The center ranked 11th out of 111 academic children's hospitals.

The MCGHealth OB/GYN Ultrasound Services was recently accredited by the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine. Accreditation demonstrates clinical excellence and optimal patient care in diagnostic ultrasound services.

### Obituaries

The MCG community extends condolences to the family and friends of:

- Dorothy Wright**, retired Nursing Assistant, died Dec 6
- Martin Crean**, Biomedical Engineering Supervisor, died Dec. 28
- Mary Vignati**, retired Staff Assistant, died Dec. 8
- Roy Barnes**, spouse of Debra Barnes, Dental Assistant, died Dec. 23

## LEADERSHIP...from page 1

Hill is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Fraud Examiner and Certified Compliance and Ethics Professional.

Philip L. Howard, formerly Vice President for Facilities Services for MCG Health, Inc., will now manage facilities enterprise-wide, overseeing leadership, management, direction and administration of facilities operations, capital projects and construction management, including services related to utilities and energy conservation.

He will draw on more than 25 years of experience in project management, quality improvement and management of multi-site/multi-departmental operations. Howard, who earned a master's degree in business management from Johns Hopkins University, is a member of the American Society for Healthcare Engineers and the American College

of Healthcare Executives.

"Both positions are critical to our transformation as a leading academic health center, a top-50 research university and a health care and biomedical research destination," Azziz said. "They also reflect our commitment to an integrated enterprise. We're all moving forward together to advance our university's mission, and I'm happy to have these key leaders on board."

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CROSSWORD 217

ACROSS

- 1. \_\_\_-Hodgkin's lymphomas
- 4. Main cause of adult disability in the U.S., for short
- 7. One symptom of Tourette's syndrome
- 10. \_\_\_ bandage
- 11. DDE's opponent
- 12. Coxa
- 13. End of many e-mail addresses
- 14. "\_\_\_ Along, Little Dogies"
- 15. Lung contents
- 16. Onychomycosis site
- 19. \_\_\_ toe; possible cause of a painful, swollen hallux
- 21. Hallmark symptom of rubella
- 24. \_\_\_ on the lung; X-ray's troubling revelation
- 25. TV's "Whose Line \_\_\_ Anyway?"
- 26. Plumber's piece
- 27. Concordes, for short
- 28. Reason to prescribe Auralgan
- 32. Enjoyment
- 34. Prefix for pressure or puncture
- 35. Presurgical test, often: abbr.
- 38. Acute respiratory infection, for short
- 39. Curved bone
- 40. Suffix for blood or dirt

- 41. Brief blockage of blood supply to the brain, familiarly
- 42. Sullivan and Bradley
- 43. Progressive neurodegenerative disease, for short

DOWN

- 1. Dundee denial
- 2. Fourth-most-common mental disorder: abbr.
- 3. Low white blood cell condition
- 4. Twenty-four ribs
- 5. Vessel that carries blood to the heart
- 6. Dog on "The Thin Man"
- 7. Autosomal recessive blood disease
- 8. 55 and 56
- 9. Lifesaving technique, for short
- 17. Not one's cup \_\_\_; something disliked
- 18. Word with coffee or setter
- 19. Abbr. on a liquid prescription bottle, often
- 20. AP's news agency rival
- 22. Make a lap
- 23. Head-to-toe measures: abbr.
- 29. Like AB Negative blood, for example
- 30. GERD cause
- 31. Chicago team
- 32. Adipose tissue
- 33. Laryngitis or tracheitis, for short
- 36. Cath. or Episc.
- 37. April addressee: abbr.

MEDICAL WORD SEARCH

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Can you find and circle in the grid above the terms listed below?

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| Node        | Trauma        | Artery       |
| Motrin      | Parotid gland | Ribs         |
| Tonsils     | Colitis       | Omentum      |
| TIA         | Effexor       | Dystonia     |
| Sternohyoid | Ovary         | Thrush       |
| Cellulitis  | Esophagus     | Canker sores |

## SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills.  
The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers.  
Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.  
Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.  
Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

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RESEARCH...from page 7

to affect you,” said Pam Bourbo, the manager who helped start the unit. “We have an idea from what happens in animal studies but you never truly know until you give these drugs to patients.” If a drug isn’t helping, they stop it and try to identify other options. Patients return the favor of invaluable information.

“Everything they tell us, every side effect we see, everything that it does to our patients – good or bad – helps us get closer to either having a new drug available or going in a different direction if we see evidence that it’s not going to help the patient or that it’s too toxic,” Bourbo said.

The original unit started small on the fifth floor of MCGHealth Medical Center; the current unit, with two private infusion rooms, a dozen treatment stations and room to grow, is on the second floor of MCGHealth’s year-old cancer treatment facility. Private rooms are great, particularly for new patients who may spend many hours multiple days a week at the Cancer Clinical Research Unit, Bourbo said. Patients in infusion chairs can look through the wall of windows at the rooftop gardens and share the view – and the time – with a family member or friend. Onsite laboratories ease the extensive ongoing monitoring, such as checking blood levels of the study drug at regular intervals, said Dr. Thomas Samuel, an MCG hematologist/oncologist and breast cancer specialist.

The unit, which started with a handful of patients, studies and staff, now has nearly 60 patients enrolled in a number of Phase 1 and

2 trials for a wide range of cancers, including breast, lung, prostate, ovarian and liver as well as leukemias and lymphomas. Cancers lacking good treatment options, such as pancreatic cancer and glioblastoma multiforme (a brain tumor), are of particular interest.

“Our aim here is to really provide something for the patient,” said Samuel, a member of the Scientific Review Committee, which determines which protocols to pursue. Bourbo uses her cell phone number as the first point of contact for patients wanting to know if the unit has anything to offer them. Such personal but intense care is invaluable to Awan, who joined the MCG faculty in July 2009 and already is enrolling patients in about a half dozen of these early-phase studies.

While Stuckey had other options, including another course of chemotherapy, he and Awan agreed that he might benefit more – and suffer less – from one of the new immunotherapy agents. They opted for TRU-016, a drug Awan had studied in the lab that targets leukemia cells by targeting the CD37 receptor. The receptor, expressed primarily on the surface of leukemia cells, “holds its head up high” so it’s a solid target. The fact that there are less of the visible receptors on normal cells reduces side effects as well as healthy cell loss. Yet Awan describes the drug as a “leaner, meaner” immunotherapy that delivers a double whammy by directly killing leukemia cells and prompting the immune system to do the same. Side effects have included fleeting nausea and a temporary dip in white cell counts, No patient has

experienced hair loss. Awan recently began another trial that packages TRU-016 with one of the new chemotherapy drugs to see if that further enhances response.

Inspired early in his career by a leukemic cell that he describes as “big ... bulky ... it’s almost ugly-looking,” Awan is also busy in his lab across the street at the MCG Cancer Research Center looking for more answers like how to better personalize therapy. He wants to be able to tell a patient not only what drug will work best for him but how well it should work for him based on his cancer cells rather than making therapy choices and outcome predictions solely based on other patients’ experiences. He’s also a member of the National Cancer Institute’s working group on CLL that is identifying new approaches to the disease. “It’s very interesting to develop a mouse with CLL,” Awan said. “It gives you a model to study, but that knowledge has to be translated to my patients and what we are trying to do is develop those bridges.”

On one of his last treatment visits to the Cancer Clinical Research Unit, Stuckey and his white blood cell counts were looking good. Preparing for a television interview about his study, he wanted infusion nurse Carol Rauch, who spoils him anyway, to ensure that his hair looked good. “On my days off, I’d still rather come here,” said Stuckey, where he knows he’ll always find a warm blanket and friendly faces.

With his media debut and treatment complete, he headed across town to his small used-car lot to

take care of another kind of business. The man who has retired from careers as a rural mail carrier and nursing home owner/operator has no plans to stop working or smiling any time soon.

Neither do the doctors and nurses at the Cancer Clinical Research Unit. In fact, they expect the advent of even more targeted yet gentler therapies to provide more reason for optimism and appreciate the help of patients such as Stuckey in the lifesaving pursuit.

“It’s what gets me up in the morning,” said Samuel. Awan, a year out of his fellowship and research training at Ohio State University, doesn’t bat an eye at the possibility of curing cancer in his professional lifetime. “We are curing cancer right now but it comes at a price. So the goal is not only to cure everyone, but do it without side effects and unless we are there we should keep improving.”

For more information, visit [www.mcg.edu/cancer/clinical/](http://www.mcg.edu/cancer/clinical/).



After finishing up treatment at the Cancer Clinical Research Unit, Walter E. Stuckey, 74, is back to business at his car lot.

Phil Jones photo

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