



# Pediatric News

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## Congratulations In Order for Newest Society Members

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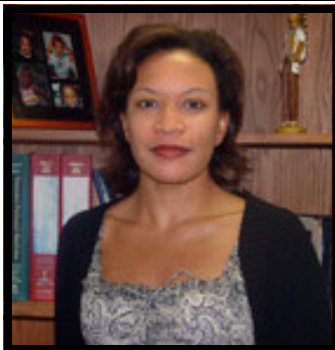


Dr. Frank Diamond  
Professor, Division  
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American Pediatric  
Society



Dr. Dorothy Shulman  
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American Pediatric  
Society

The American Pediatric Society, founded in 1888, has a long and prestigious history. It's first president was Abraham Jacobi, MD. The Society was founded for the purpose "...to bring together men and women for the advancement of the study of children and their diseases, for the prevention of illness and the promotion of health in childhood, for the promotion of pediatric education and research and to honor those who, by their contribution to pediatrics, have aided in its advancement.". The Society for Pediatric Research was founded in 1931. The Society actively supports the development of future pediatric scientists by sponsoring a student research-training program and recognizes outstanding research achievements in pediatrics through SPR sponsored awards. Congratulations to everyone !



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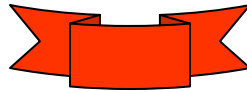
Dr. Rajan Wadhawn  
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Society for Pediatric  
Research



### From the Chairman's Desk

I wish each and every one of you and your families a safe and  
joyous holiday !

*Bob Nelson*



**December Birthdays:**

Sandra Shulman (Dec 2); Wanda Barker (Dec 3); Jenean Van Manen (Dec 3); Lisa Guetzko (Dec 4); Franz Badias (Dec 5); Terri Ashmeade (Dec 6); Elaine Scruggs-Jones (Dec 6); Dorothy Shulman (Dec 6); Tessy Varghese (Dec 8); Judy Zaritt (Dec 8); Sharon Funches (Dec 9); Norma Liburd (Dec 9); Morna Dorsey (Dec 10); Tiki Jackson (Dec 10); Dayla McElroy (Dec 13); Kristin Shedd (Dec 14); Ileana Arbona-Ramirez (Dec 16); Lazara Coello (Dec 17); Jane Carver (Dec 18); Andrew Strobe (Dec 22); Maria Cannarozzi (Dec 23); Verena Jorgensen (Dec 24); Barry Brooks (Dec 25); Maryann Lloyd (Dec 27); Melissa Loscalzo (Dec 27); Inez Marcano (Dec 27); Carol Evens (Dec 28); Veronica Huegel (Dec 28); Kathy Schnapf (Dec 28); Natasha Gwatney (Dec 28); Larue Van Nordstrand (Dec 28); Shu Liu (Dec 29)

Faculty News Reviews / Accomplishments

**Melissa Loscalzo, MD:** participated in the Congenital Heart Disease meeting of experts at the CDC in Atlanta October 24, 2008.

\* Was interviewed for the December issue of Endocrinology Today in an article entitled "Cardiovascular problems in Turner's syndrome are of major concern"

\* Authored a recent article "Turner syndrome" published in Pediatrics in Review.

**Drs. Eloise J. Prijoles, Maxine J. Sutcliffe, & Judith Ranells** attended the American Society of Human Genetics Annual 58th meeting in Philadelphia, November 11th through the 15<sup>th</sup>. They authored an Abstract publication and Dr. Prijoles delivered the poster presentation "Expanding the phenotype of 22q11.2 microduplication"

**Judy Ranells, MD:** was invited to give a presentation on genetics at the "Live Well Stay Well" event at the Tampa Jewish Community Center on 10/19. The Dean of the College of Medicine, University of South Florida, Dr. Klasko, was in attendance and also presented at this event.

**Luis Maldonado, MD:** Recently had an abstract accepted for poster presentation at the AAP Future of Pediatrics Meeting in February 2009 in California. The abstracted is entitled, "**Environmental Health Education in Florida Pediatric Residents and Community Pediatricians.**"

**Jane Carver, PhD:** Presented two talks entitled "Post-discharge nutrition for preterm infants" and "Writing for Publication" at a meeting entitled "Early Life Nutrition and Long Term Outcomes." The meeting was held in Bangkok, Thailand, Nov 21-22.



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**Dr. Patricia Emmanuel** was interviewed on WUSF regarding new preventions for AIDS. Listen to her interview at the following link:

[http://www.publicbroadcasting.net/wusf/news.newsmain?action=article&ARTICLE\\_ID=1428653&sectionID=1](http://www.publicbroadcasting.net/wusf/news.newsmain?action=article&ARTICLE_ID=1428653&sectionID=1)

**Kathleen Armstrong, PhD**: Recently had an article published in *Journal of Early Childhood Teacher Education: Literacy Training for Early Childhood Providers: Changes in Knowledge, Beliefs, and Instructional Practices* 29(4), pp 297-308.

**Rani Gereige, MD**: Tampa Tribune – 4 YOU Health Column. Ask the Expert. “How Can I Keep My Child Safe on the Playground?”. November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

<http://www2.tbo.com/content/2008/nov/12/how-can-i-keep-my-child-safe-on-the-playground/>

**Dr. Gereige** has also had two abstracts accepted for poster presentation at the AAP Future of Pediatrics Meeting in February 2009 in California. The titled of the posters are:

“**From a Pediatrician’s Desk to State Wide Oral Health Impact: The Power of Collaborative Initiatives**” and “**A Medical Home for CSHCN Weaving an EHR Web to link with Hospital and Community.**”

**Marisa Couluris, DO**: Had three recent publications.

**Marisa Couluris**, Jennifer L R Mayer, David R Freyer, Eric Sandler, Ping Xu, Jeffrey P Krischer. The effect of cyproheptadine hydrochloride (peractin) and megestrol acetate (megace) on weight in children with cancer/treatment-related cachexia. *J Pediatr Hematol Oncol.* 2008 Nov; 30 (11): 791-7.

Margaret Gross-King, Margaret Booth-Jones, **Marisa Couluris**. Neurocognitive Impairment in Children Treated for Cancer: How Do We Measure Cognitive Outcomes? *J Pediatr Oncol Nurs.* 2008 Jun 16.

**Marisa Couluris**, Bruce M Schnapf, Enid Gilbert-Barness. Intralobar pulmonary sequestration associated with a congenital pulmonary airway malformation type ii. *Fetal Pediatr Pathol;* 26 (5): 207-12.

**Sharon Dabrow, MD**: was interviewed by WFTS Channel 28 by Linda Hurtado. It aired on 10/20. The topic was “Parents Opt Out Vaccinating Their Kids”



**Medical Students and Residents Updates**



Residents and faculty donated lots of toys to the Child Abuse Council's Holiday Store. The Council provides holiday gifts for over 1000 families in our community. Thanks to all who donated !



**Dr. Eric Storch, Associate Professor in the Division of Neuropsychiatry and his wife, Jill welcomed the newest member of their family Maya Lanie Storch. She was born on October 6, 2008 and weighed in at 7lbs 4ozs. Congratulations to the new parents !**



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**Please hold the date**  
**2009 GASPARILLA CHILDREN'S PARADE**  
**Saturday January 24th at 3:00 pm**

**Plan on joining the fun !**

USF Health Funding

Finds List

Just a reminder you can view updated weekly funding finds online at the USF Health Office of Research.

<http://hsc.usf.edu/research/>

"Items of Excellence"

By now everyone has probably seen the email publication of "Items of Excellence". This publication will run every two weeks.

**What:** Items of Excellence (IOE) are summaries of wins and accomplishments that support the vision and strategic goals of the HSC, the College and the department – timely items that we would like everyone to know about. Examples include announcements of recently awarded federal grants, recent recent publication in a major peer-reviewed journal or presentation at a national research conference, top-level appointments and honors, collaborative/team initiatives and accomplishments by departments or colleges, etc. – all leading to national prominence.

**Who Can Submit:** Anyone at the HSC – deans, chairs, faculty, staff and students.

**How:** Please report your IOEs to your department or college under the following five categories. Be concise – just the basic facts needed:

Creative Educational Models (emphasis on national prominence, interdisciplinary collaboration)

Research Really Matters (emphasis on national prominence, interdisciplinary collaboration)

Entrepreneurial Academic Practice (successful clinical practice and community outreach programs/projects, collaborations with community partners-- e.g. TGH, Moffitt, VA, ACH, outpatient sites).

Operational/Financial Innovation (streamlining of clinic operations resulting in greater efficiency and profit – scheduling, patient flow, medical records, billing, etc)

People Excellence – Items that demonstrate the Winning Spirit, Creativity and Accomplishments of the people at HSC

