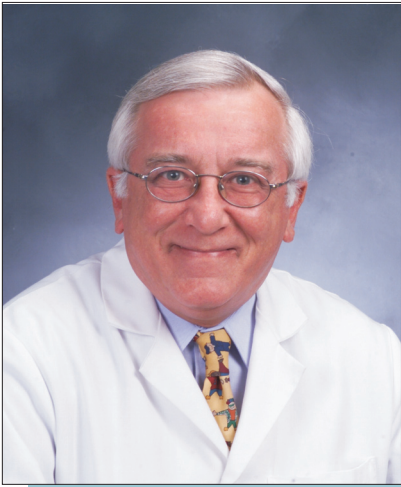


### Premier Issue

#### Note... From the President



Roger W. Yurt, M.D.

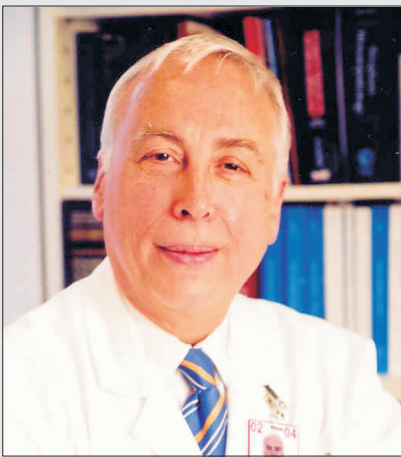
It is my pleasure to introduce the NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center Alumni Council (CAC) newsletter. As many of you

know, the CAC is an association for healthcare professionals at NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center that was established in 1976. Our objectives are to provide services that support and promote the educational, research and clinical missions of the Medical Center and encourage the coming together of current and former faculty and professional staff members of our Medical Center. The goals of this newsletter to increase communication among our membership and keep you informed of CAC projects and activities. We hope you enjoy our first issue, which will get you better acquainted with our four CAC Committees and our most recent programs and events.

#### Membership is comprised of:

- Physicians who received at least one year of training at NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center but are graduates of a medical college other than Weill Cornell
- Scientists and healthcare professionals involved in medical training at NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center
- Faculty members of Weill Cornell Medical College
- Members of NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center's administrative leadership
- Members of the professional staff associated with NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital or Weill Cornell Medical College

#### Note... From the Chair of the Fundraising Committee



Mark W. Pasmantier, M.D.

The Medical Center Circle is a group of Center Alumni Council members who have made a

significant philanthropic commitment to the future of patient care, physician training, and medical research at NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center. You become eligible for this recognition by making a gift or pledge of \$25,000 or more payable over five years; or by making a planned gift of \$50,000 or more. Pledges are made in support of the Medical Center – split equally between the Medical College and the Hospital.

#### Benefits of Membership

Along with the satisfaction of knowing that you are supporting a very important cause, members will:

- have their name inscribed upon a Medical Center Circle recognition wall in perpetuity, which is prominently located in the corridor that connects Weill Cornell Medical College to NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital.
- be honored and presented with a Medical Center Circle certificate at a yearly dinner hosted by the Dean of Weill Cornell Medical College and the President of NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital.
- receive honorary lifetime membership in the Center Alumni Council.

## Medical Center Circle Donor Wall Unveiling



**CAC Board Members and Medical Center Circle donors** were present at the event on June 14, 2007.

### **From left to right:**

Neal Flomenbaum, M.D.;  
Willibald Nagler, M.D.;  
Martin Post, M.D.;  
Roger Yurt, M.D.;  
Barry Brause, M.D.;  
Linda Saal, M.A., R.N., B.C.;  
Mark Pasmantier, M.D.;  
Farida Gadalla, M.D.;  
Morton Coleman, M.D.;  
Doris Glick, M.P.H., R.N.;  
Gerald Loughlin, M.D.;  
W. Shain Schley, M.D.;  
Frank Chervenak, M.D.



**From left to right: Drs. Pardes, Wolk, Klein, Wolf, Rosenfeld, Gotto, Pasmantier and Loughlin.**

**The 15 founding members of the Medical Center Circle** were honored at the CAC Awards Dinner on November 19, 2007. From the earliest member to the most recent member, they are: Mark W. Pasmantier, M.D.; Isadore Rosenfeld, M.D.; Harvey Klein, M.D.; O. Wayne Isom, M.D.; Karl H. Krieger, M.D.; Gerald M. Loughlin, M.D.; Nasser K. Altorki, M.D.; Anthony J. Tortolani, M.D.; Michael J. Wolk, M.D.; Barry D. Brause, M.D.; Morton Coleman, M.D.; William Teich Greene; James P. Smith; M.D.; Menard M. Gertler; M.D., Carl F.W. Wolf, M.D..

We are pleased to announce three new Medical Center Circle members: Alexander J. Swistel, M.D., Jack D. Barchas, M.D.; and Larry Schafer have been recruited for a total of 18 Medical Center Circle members to date.

**For more information about this recognition society, please contact us at 212-821-0948.**

## Note... From the Chair of the Awards & Nominations Committee

**T**he Outstanding Service Award was established in 2005 and is presented biennially (in odd years) to a Center Alumni Council member who is currently on staff and has dedicated many years of service and commitment to NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center.

Ralph L. Nachman, M.D. was the first recipient of the award in 2005. Joseph T. Cooke, M.D., Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine, Associate Professor of Clinical Public Health and Patient Safety Officer, is our second and most recent award recipient.



**Vinod Malhotra, M.D.**

## Outstanding Service Award



From left to right: Drs. Antonio M. Gotto, Jr., Vinod Malhotra, Roger W. Yurt, Joseph T. Cooke and Herbert Pardes

**2007 Outstanding Service Award** was presented to Joseph T. Cooke, M.D. on November 19, 2007.



## Distinguished Housestaff Award



2007 Distinguished Housestaff Award Recipients

**The Distinguished Housestaff Awards** are presented annually to a resident or member of the housestaff from each department who has been nominated by their Department Chair for all-around excellence. There were 27 award recipients last year.

## Distinguished Achievement Award for Physicians

**This award is presented biennially (in even years) to a physician who:**

- Spent at least two years as a house officer or faculty member at the Medical Center
- Has developed a distinguished career at another institution
- Is a graduate of a Medical College other than Weill Cornell Medical College

The 2008 CAC Awards Dinner is scheduled for this fall on **Thursday, November 13, 2008**. This year we will present the Distinguished Achievement Award to Roy L. Silverstein, M.D. We will also honor the Distinguished Housestaff Award recipients and our new Medical Center Circle members.

**If you are a member of the CAC and would like to submit a nomination for the Outstanding Service Award or the Distinguished Achievement Award, please send it to us with attention to the CAC Awards and Nominations Committee.**

## Note... From the Chair of the Reunion Committee



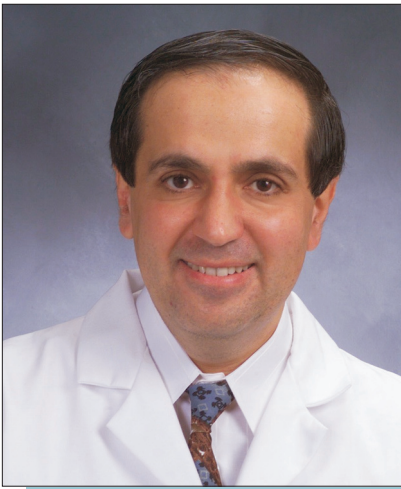
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**T**he Biennial Alumni Reunion Weekend is scheduled for **Friday, October 24th** and **Saturday, October 25th, 2008**. Among the events planned for the weekend are:

- Dean's State of the Medical College Address and Dean's Welcome Luncheon
- Presentation by Richard F. Daines, M.D. '78, New York State Health Commissioner
- Memorial tribute to G. Tom Shires, M.D. by Frank H.T. Rhodes, President Emeritus of Cornell University
- CEO'S Luncheon and State of the Hospital Address
- Gala at Chelsea Piers

**We invite you to take this opportunity to reunite with former colleagues. Be on the lookout for the official registration packets in the mail.**

## Note... From the Chair of the Membership Committee

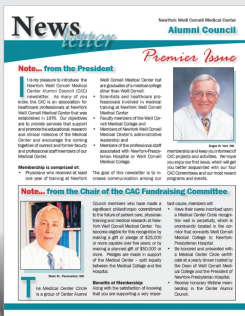


Frank A. Chervenak, M.D.

**W**e are pleased to inform you that we currently have approximately 1,500 CAC members. As our numbers grew, we were thrilled to compile the first directory of CAC members. We hope you enjoyed receiving a copy in the mail. If you are a CAC member and did not receive a copy, please contact us. We recently began reaching out to the residents and housestaff. We are proud to announce that on **Wednesday, September 17, 2008** the NewYork Weill Cornell Medical Center Alumni Council will host the inaugural Housestaff Welcome Reception. This cocktail reception will provide an opportunity for the CAC to make a connection with the housestaff as they begin their relationship with our Medical Center.

**You are invited to join this group of colleagues who are dedicated to our Medical Center. If you are already a member, please pass this on to someone who might be interested in learning about the Center Alumni Council. If each of us recruits just one member we can double our size. Simply fill out the reply form and submit it in the postage paid envelope that has been supplied.**

## Contest... NAME OUR NEWSLETTER!



We hope that you share in our excitement as we introduce our first issue of the CAC newsletter. **Here is your opportunity to participate by naming our newsletter!** Let your creativity flow and send us your ideas. The winner will receive recognition in the next issue and dinner for two at our very own Griffis Faculty Club in New York City.

## News Letter Alumni Council

To contact us about any items in this newsletter or with questions or comments:

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