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HSS 1960-1970

1960
The Alfred H. Caspary Research Building was dedicated.

1962
The bone tumor service of Memorial-Sloan Kettering Hospital became affiliated with HSS. Goren Bauer, MD succeeded Philip D. Wilson, MD as Director of Research.

1965
D. Dean Smith, MA, RN, was appointed Director of Nursing. The number of new orthopaedic residents was increased from 4 to 6 per year.

circa 1960's
Therapeutic Pool.
The expansion of the hospital continues to progress on schedule, and we are looking to open the new ambulatory surgery suite of eight operating rooms and approximately 25 beds in November 2006. The entire project will add nine operating rooms and 46 beds to the facility and give us a total of 30 operating rooms. Our surgical volumes have been increasing at a rate of 8 percent per year and because of lack of operating room availability, Saturday elective surgery schedules are occurring several times a month. The orthopaedic attending staff is now at 70 full-time attendings.

We had a great Alumni Meeting on November 10-11 with the largest turnout of alumni ever. The meeting culminated in a fundraising opera benefit of The Barber of Seville, which was attended by over 350 faculty, friends of HSS, and alumni. The Surgeon-in-Chief Pro-Tempore was Charles Court-Brown, MD from Edinburgh, who presented a number of papers on the management of trauma and outcomes of fracture care. Steven Katz, MD, Director of NIAMS, was the Chief Scientific Officer for the meeting, and Paul Emery, MD from Leeds, was the Physician-in-Chief Pro-Tempore. David B. Levine, MD who is currently Director of Alumni Affairs, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award, and his selection was greeted by a rousing standing ovation. Dr. Levine has been incredibly instrumental in reinvigorating the Alumni Association and is now chief historian of HSS and chair of the Archives Committee. For those alumni who have memorabilia from HSS which they would like to donate to the Archives, please contact David B. Levine, MD.

A new Adult Limb Lengthening Service has been created, and Robert Rozbruch, MD will head this service with Roger Widmann, MD, Chief of Pediatric Orthopaedic Surgery, involved on the pediatric side. Certainly, these cases are very complex, and this service will help to focus in on these difficult problems.

The Motion Analysis Laboratory has been reorganized and will be expanded. Howard Hillstrom, PhD will be directing the laboratory with Frank Cordasco, MD and David Sher, MD as Clinical Directors. The new laboratory will have a throwing and running center for the study of injuries to the shoulder, foot, and ankle as well as facilities for the study of joint replacement patients, pediatrics, upper extremity, and spine. The new lab will be named the Leon Root Motion Analysis Laboratory in honor of Dr. Root, who has done so much to make this laboratory successful. HSS continues to grow! Join us at the alumni cocktail party to be held on March 24 at the University Club of Chicago. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Thomas P. Sculco, MD
presents David B. Levine, MD with the Distinguished Alumnus Award.
From the Director’s Chair

Annual Alumni Meeting

For those of you who were not able to attend the 87th Annual Alumni Meeting, you missed a very busy two days with a full scientific program. Almost 360 staff and alumni attended. The Thursday night reception at Rockefeller University gave many a chance to catch up on what’s new with old friends. Of course, the Friday night opera benefit, with 350 attending, was a gala event whether you are a patron of the opera or not. Next year, we hope you will fit this special evening of the Alumni Meeting into your schedules. Your new Alumni President is Gary Gartsman, MD, with Wiley Williams, III, MD continuing as Secretary-Treasurer. Paul Pellicci, MD, was elected President-elect.

HSS Journal

Our new, peer-reviewed journal, HSS Journal, was sent to all alumni free of charge, and you must admit, it gives the Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery (JBJS) a run for its money. In fact, it is the only journal published worldwide encompassing all fields related to musculoskeletal medicine. Congratulations to Richard Laskin, MD and the editorial staff who should be very proud of such a professional publication. Do not forget to submit your own article for a future issue.

AAOS HSS Reception - March 24

At the AAOS meeting in Chicago, make sure to pencil in the HSS reception. It will be held Friday, March 24 from 6:30-9:00 pm at the University Club of Chicago located at 76 East Monroe Street. This is a chance for you to catch up with old HSS friends. It is an evening of free of charge for all who have paid their annual alumni dues.

HSS Archives

Last year was the 50th anniversary of the hospital’s move from East 42nd Street. A reception was held on May 25 in the Richard L. Menschel Education Center where a number of HSS staff spoke of their experiences in the old hospital, including James Nicholas, MD and Philip D. Wilson, Jr., MD. Also speaking was Dolores Mattia, Dr. Ramsay Straub’s only Secretary and the first Medical Education Director, first coming to HSS in 1942. Mary Birnbaum, Secretary to Dr. Wilson, Jr., came to the hospital in 1949. Also at the old hospital was Peter Marchisello, MD (to view photos of this event, see page 13). The history of HSS continues to be curated in two display cases in the hospital. One is in front of the main elevators, and the other is in the fourth floor atrium where friends and relatives wait during patient surgery.

If you have old photos, manuscripts, and/or memorabilia for HSS archives, email our new Medical Librarian Timothy Roberts at robertst@hss.edu.

Staff Changes

Join me in welcoming Wendy George, new Senior Coordinator of Alumni Affairs and Molly Murray, Associate Director of Resource Development. Tim Roberts, MLS is the new Medical Librarian and has done a terrific job in reorganizing and sprucing up the Medical Library. Visit the library and archives on the eighth floor in the main building. Tim would be pleased to show you around next time you are at HSS.
down because he had bad arthritic knees, and he also had arthritic thumbs. Yet he did the procedure masterfully.

Where did you go after HSS?
I was here on the Berry plan, which meant my military service was deferred until I finished my training. After I completed training, I had to go to the Navy in San Diego. After that, I spent 14 months as a Marine in Vietnam.

How did your training help you in Vietnam?
Well, I had three sources of training, and they all helped me. At Rochester, I learned about plastic surgery. At Johns Hopkins, I learned general orthopaedics. At HSS, I trained in the niche of hand surgery. With all that training, it was easy for me to adapt to whatever situation I might encounter. I ran the hand service at Balboa in San Diego. I remember being at Balboa right before I was supposed to leave for Vietnam, and a general’s wife telling me that I couldn’t leave yet—I had already operated on one of her hands (she had RA), and she was so pleased with the result, she wanted me to do the other. I told her she'd have to talk to the general.

And did you get to stay to do her other hand?
No, I shipped out and never got to do it.

In Vietnam, did you work on a hospital boat?
In my dreams! We went to those boats sometimes to take a shower. No, we were out on the beach.

So, a MASH type hospital?
Yes, exactly. It started as one tent on the beach, then it grew.

With all that training, it was easy for me to adapt to whatever situation I might encounter.
What sort of orthopaedic cases did you see?

Hand injuries, extremity injuries, that sort of thing. You know, five or ten years ago, someone came to my office with tingling in one hand. I realized that he had shrapnel in him. I asked him, “Did you get injured by a hand grenade?” And it turned out that he was a Marine also, in Chu Lai. He had shrapnel sitting on his ulnar nerve. I told him to go to New York. He was just visiting my area but he was from New York. I told him to go here, to someone at HSS. He had the procedure and it went well. He sent a nice note afterwards, and a gift certificate for my wife and I to have dinner at a very fancy restaurant here. It turned out that he was the president of some big company, and he had been a corporal in Vietnam.

What did you do after the Marines?

I stayed in San Diego. I was going to come to HSS, but at the last minute, funding for my position fell through. With the help of Vernon Nichols, MD, I went to Rancho Los Amigos, so I’ve been in California since 1966. Dr. Nichols always said that a successful orthopaedic surgeon sends his hand and spine surgeons away, and David (Levine, MD) and I always said that we were those surgeons—we both trained with him and he sent us away!

We thank Dr. Braun for his time in giving this interview. He is presently a practicing hand surgeon in San Diego, California.

This hospital was like a big orthopaedic museum and playground combined. I couldn’t go anywhere here without learning something.

AOSSM Alumni Reception
An Alumni Affair to Remember

by Wendy George, Senior Coordinator Alumni Affairs

For HSS Alumni, the annual American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) conference serves as both a forum for sports medicine professionals and a venue to reconnect with fellow alumni. Since its inception in 2001, sports medicine alumni have gathered annually for the society’s HSS Alumni Cocktail Reception.

While at the 2000 AOSSM conference in Keystone, Colorado, former fellow and current HSS sports medicine attending, Robert Marx, MD (’00) and former fellow John Sperling, MD (’00) recognized an underutilized opportunity to network with other HSS alumni. “We knew there were HSS alumni at the conference, but had no means to meet them or even know who they were,” said Dr. Marx. He and Dr. Sperling realized the potential to connect with other alumni on a professional and social level.

At the 2001 conference, they took the initiative to host a HSS cocktail reception. They sought out corporate sponsorship and received a grant from ArthroCare. The reception was a great success, and attendance has increased every year since. In 2001, about 20 fellows attended, and last year’s attendance boasted approximately 50 alumni and their families.

While the event is an excellent setting to make new connections with other HSS alumni, “the reception has been a great opportunity to stay in touch with former fellows and friends at HSS,” said Dr. Sperling. Like many other alumni, Dr. Sperling no longer lives in New York, but travels to the conference each year. This year’s AOSSM meeting will be held in Hershey, Pennsylvania from June 29 to July 2.
Meet Your President:
Gary Gartsman, MD (‘80)

Originally from Los Angeles, California, Gary Gartsman, MD, was a resident at HSS from 1975 to 1980. He initially came to HSS as a fourth-year medical student from the University of Chicago School of Medicine and accepted a Comprehensive Arthritis Program (CAP) service under Allen Inglis, Sr., MD. The experience led him to the HSS residency program after two years at New York Hospital in general surgery. He also completed an Upper Extremity Fellowship from 1981 to 1982.

After finishing his program at HSS, Dr. Gartsman went to Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore serving under Andrew Weiland, MD. “Microsurgery and tissue transplantation were exciting fields at the time,” said Dr. Gartsman. After six months in Baltimore, he moved to Houston, Texas to begin his full-time practice focusing on shoulder arthroscopy.

When asked about his experience at HSS he said, “I feel I graduated from the best training program in the world.” He currently resides in Houston with his wife Carol and has an 8-year old grandson Cameron.

Can you decipher the following Words from the President?

TEST YOUR ALUMNI KNOWLEDGE WITH THE HSS ALUMNI MEMORIES CROSSWORD PUZZLE. FIND OUT THE ANSWERS AT THIS YEAR’S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.

Words from the President
HSS Alumni Memories Crossword Puzzle

A few things in life get better with age. Pleasant memories are one. Another is your ability to solve this puzzle. The older you are, the easier it is! Regards from Texas, and I look forward to seeing everyone in November.

Gary M. Gartsman, MD
2006 Alumni Association President

Across
2. So many toes
4. Sleeping in Seattle
5. Imbibly Surgeon-in-Chief
6. Giant surgeon
9. Metabolic man
11. 1950’s Trauma Chief
13. Dr. Straub to you
15. Scoped out Texas
17. Scoliosis
18. Library
19. Musical orthopaedist
36. X-ray vision
39. Footologist

Down
1. Pep’s daughter
3. Trauma’s middle name
5. He stayed Hip
7. Mr. Knee
8. He could look right through you
10. AVologist
12. Scranton’s finest
14. Mini enthusiast
16. Gold and Tennis Day club
21. One Sculco
22. Large branch or pediatrician
33. Greek scoliologist
35. Other librarian
37. Number of operating rooms from 1955 to 1980
HSS has always been a world-class academic institution in musculoskeletal and autoimmunity clinical care, professional education, research, and community outreach. With the support of our Board of Trustees, over $115 million raised for research, unmatched research leadership and scientists, and a visionary strategic plan for basic and clinical research, we will soon be catapulted to a new level of excellence, as we aim for previously uncharted frontiers of science.

The following programmatic changes have been made to keep the HSS Rheumatology Division at the cutting edge of clinical care, education, and science:

- Two new, interdisciplinary Ambulatory Care Clinics have been instituted to assure the closest of ties between clinicians and scientists and to foster translational investigation. One involves rheumatoid arthritis and the spondyloarthropathies and the other scleroderma, systemic lupus, and the vasculitides. The co-directors of the RA clinic are Lionel Ivashkiv, MD, (right) HSS Director of Research and a world-class scientist, and Theodore Fields, MD and Joseph Markenson, MD, two excellent clinicians. The other clinic is led by Jane Salmon, MD, Director of the HSS Fc Receptor Laboratory, Michael Lockshin, MD, and Robert Spiera, MD, both clinical investigators and superb clinicians.
- A Peri-operative Care and Research Center has been developed under the aegis of our own C. Ronald MacKenzie, MD, and Michael Urban, MD, PhD of the Department of Anesthesiology. The program will not only deliver the best and most streamlined peri-operative care, but also include educational and investigative arms. Our HealthNet program will assure that no one “falls through the cracks.”
- The Golden Robinson Early Arthritis Center is actively involved in partnering with primary care physicians in the care of patients in the earliest phase of inflammatory joint disease. We are also studying these patients with regard to outcomes, optimal treatment plans, and new biomarkers that can predict their disease course and response to treatment.
- Our Infusion Unit is expanding under the direction of Linda Leff, RN, its superb Director. Space for four more infusion room chairs will expand the unit to 10. Over 2,500 infusions per year are performed here in this safe and supportive environment, primarily for treatment, but also for clinical trials employing new biologic agents such as rituximab.
- An expanded web presence is being shepherded by Theodore Fields, MD and Edward Jones, MD. Please visit us at www.hss.edu.
- The fifth edition of the HSS Manual was “hot off the presses” and available at the San Diego American College of Rheumatology (ACR) National Meeting. It is dedicated to Peggy Crow, MD who became the new President of the ACR. This edition is very different from the prior four in its look and style and it is more reader-friendly, while continuing to provide state-of-the-art science information.

Be sure to visit us soon. You will be amazed at the transformation that has occurred since you were last here.

Mark Your Calendar!

Please join us for the HSS Alumni Cocktail Reception during the 2006 AAOS Annual Meeting on March 24, 2006 at 6:30 pm at the University Club of Chicago Cathedral Hall 76 East Monroe Street Chicago, IL 60603

To register, visit: www.hss.edu/alumni
by Wendy George, Senior Coordinator, Alumni Affairs

On November 10-11, 2005, over 350 alumni, staff, residents, and fellows attended the Alumni Association 87th Annual Meeting. The event featured two full days of lectures, symposia, and debates from more than sixty faculty members. Alumni reconnected at the annual cocktail reception at Rockefeller University and opera gala benefit, The Barber of Seville. This year’s pro-tempore speakers included Charles Court-Brown, MD, from the University of Edinburgh, who served as Chief-Scientist; Paul Emery, MD from the University of Leeds who was the Physician-in-Chief Pro-Tempore; and Stephen I. Katz, PhD of the National Institute of Arthritis who served as Chief Scientist Pro-Tempore.

Over the course of the meeting, several awards were presented including the Distinguished Alumnus Award to David B. Levine, MD for his outstanding leadership and contributions to HSS. The resident and fellow research awards went to Andrew Swanson, MD who received the Lewis Clark Wagner Award, and Scot Campbell, MD, recipient of the Charles L. Christian Musculoskeletal Research Award. Steven Kim, MD was presented with the Philip D. Wilson Award.

This year’s Chief Scientist Pro-Tempore, Stephen Katz, MD, PhD, gave the second annual scientific lecture entitled, “Clinical Research: How Do We Get From Here to There?”

Left: HSS alumni congratulate David B. Levine, MD, this year’s Distinguished Alumnus Award recipient. From left to right: G. Dean MacEwan, MD, Charles N. Cornell, MD, Philip D. Wilson, Jr., MD, Thomas P. Soult, MD, David B. Levine, MD, Richard Braun, MD, Leon Root, MD
"I enjoyed the more creative aspects such as debates, symposiums, etc. Great! Well organized, fantastic meeting."

"In general, the best aspect of this meeting is the ability to re-connect with alumni and catch up on their current life and professional situations."
Alumni Profile: 
The Ranawat Family Legacy

by Wendy George, Senior Coordinator 
Alumni Affairs

F or almost 40 years, the Ranawat family has been an integral part of the HSS community. Born in Sarwania, India, Chitranjan Ranawat, MD first served as a hand surgery fellow in 1966 and continued at HSS as a fellow in rheumat-ortho- paedic reconstructive surgery. Dr. C. Ranawat became an attending on staff from 1979 until 1994, served as Director of the Hand Service for 13 years, and transitioned to Director of the Arthritis Service until 1994. He currently runs the Ranawat Orthopaedic Center at Lenox Hill Hospital.

Dr. C. Ranawat’s time at HSS proved to be extremely meaningful on multiple levels. While at HSS, he met his wife Gudrun, who was an OR nurse on staff. The Ranawats have four children (Amar, Chet, Anil, and Karen) who were all born at New York Hospital. Two of their sons would eventually follow in their father’s footsteps to become members of the HSS community.

During his tenure at HSS, Dr. C. Ranawat collaborated with departments across the institution to develop notable advancements in the field of orthopaedics. “Over three long and fruitful decades together, the HSS Bioengineering Department and I forged a strong, stimulating link, with thought-provoking ideas and designs that led to innovations in total knee, hip, elbow, and wrist replacements,” remarked Dr. Ranawat. He also held academic appointments as a Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Weill Medical College of Cornell University from 1979 to 1994 when he became Professor of Clinical Orthopaedics.

While Dr. C. Ranawat was developing breakthroughs in orthopaedic science, his sons Anil and Amar remember childhood memories of the green staircase at HSS. The brothers would accompany their father on Saturday rounds. “I used to sit in his office and play with model joints,” Amar recalls.

While Amar initially studied economics at Middlebury College, he shifted his focus to medicine, attended a pre-medical program at Columbia University, and graduated from Cornell University Medical College. He became a resident at HSS in 1997 and currently works with his father at the Ranawat Orthopaedic Center. Amar married his wife Andrea in June 2002, and their son was born in May of 2003. Anil attended Duke University, earning a BA in history, but also chose to pursue a career in medicine. He graduated from Weill Medical College of Cornell University in 2001. Anil jokes that his father, “happened to pick the best field in medicine.” He is currently a resident at HSS and will graduate this May. He married his wife Dana in 2005, and will pursue a sports medicine fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh, maintaining that, “Not every Ranawat has to be a joint surgeon.”

While Dr. C. Ranawat, Amar, and Anil have all received training through HSS, their experiences occurred at different phases in the hospital’s history. When Dr. C. Ranawat served as an attending, Anil notes that, “The hospital only performed one to three arthroplasties each week. Now we do 150.” The hospital has also grown in physical space and staff, especially in recent years with the hospital’s continued expansion. Despite the many changes, the core value of education remains constant at HSS. When asked about his recollections of the hospital, Dr. C. Ranawat responded, “Memories of HSS, vivid even to this day, are the ones I treasure the most — the OR, the Hand Clinic, the Comprehensive Arthritis Clinic, the myriad of educational processes that contributed to my success as a surgeon.”

Announcing Resident Research Awards

The hospital is proud to announce the creation of three new research grants that will provide additional funding sources for HSS resident research projects. The awards have been named in recognition of the following three HSS alumni who have made significant contributions to the field of orthopaedics:

Joseph M. Lane, MD
Eduardo A. Salvati, MD
Thomas D. Wickiewicz, MD

The announcement of the awards will coincide with the OREF Resident Research Award and will be presented in spring 2006.
During the 2005 Alumni Association Annual Meeting, we caught up with a couple of our alumni. We learned that from treating children suffering with congenital deformities to developing research programs, our alumni are involved in a diverse array of initiatives and activities.

Oved Khermosh, MD was a research fellow at HSS in 1963 under Professor Goran Bauer, MD and Paul Seville, MD. From 1973 to 1974, he completed a Research Fellowship at Harvard University. Dr. Khermosh subsequently returned to his homeland of Israel to work in general orthopaedics and eventually shifted his focus to his passion—pediatrics. While on staff at Dana Children’s Department at Sourasky Hospital, he treated children with congenital deformities and diseases of the hip, foot, and spine.

In 1998, Dr. Khermosh retired and currently works with disabled soldiers in the Israeli Defense Army. Despite the distance, he makes sure to attend the Annual Alumni Meeting every few years because he treasures his experience at HSS. Dr. Khermosh commented, “It adds a lot to orthopaedic practice to have a solid theoretical basis and method of thinking, combined with the art of surgery.”

Norman Johanson, MD was an HSS resident from 1980 to 1983. He served his first two years of general surgical residency at New York Hospital and became a resident at HSS under David B. Levine, MD. Dr. Johanson also completed a HSS Research Fellowship in Pathology under Peter Bullough, MD and staff.

From 1980 to 1990, Dr. Johanson made the transition from being a student to a colleague of his former teachers and served as an HSS attending. “Dr. Levine was my mentor for many years after my residency,” said Dr. Johanson. He recalls the pivotal time period at HSS when there were only four operating rooms and expansion was necessary to meet the growing needs of the hospital.

In 1990, Dr. Johanson accepted a position at Temple University Hospital working to develop and expand the arthritis service and total joint replacement surgery. While the position was an incredible opportunity for professional advancement, he commented that, “leaving HSS was one of the most difficult professional choices I ever made and will ever make.”

After spending ten years at Temple University Hospital, Dr. Johanson was invited to serve as Chair of Orthopaedic Surgery at Drexel University College of Medicine at Hahnemann Hospital. At the time, the department needed rebuilding. Dr. Johanson applied his experience and training from HSS to sculpt the program. “It’s about getting good people doing what they love and giving them the resources they need.” Over the past five years, he has developed both research and clinical programs at Drexel.

Dr. Johanson enjoys returning to HSS for the Alumni Association Annual Meeting because he appreciates, “the sense of stability and familiar faces that have stayed through the years. They provide an anchor for reviewing the past and assessing where I am and what kinds of values those people gave to me.” He currently resides in the suburbs of Philadelphia with his wife Brenda and daughters Grace and Elise. Their son Eric attends Tufts University and their daughter Kendra attends Columbia University.
Since assuming the position of Vice President of Nursing this past April, I have had an opportunity to experience firsthand the commitment to people and service that truly makes HSS a special place. Transitioning to a new role and a new organization could not have been made easier, thanks to the genuine warmth and kindness expressed to me by the entire HSS staff.

Over the past six months, nursing leadership has been hard at work to ensure that the Department of Nursing will continue to play a major role in meeting the exciting new opportunities and challenges presented by one of the largest building expansions in the history of HSS. The first step in this process took place on June 6, 2005, at the nursing leadership retreat, where we established a strategic direction for the Department of Nursing in 2005-2006. The Nursing Strategic Plan was developed in alignment with both the HSS Strategic Plan and the "Forces of Magnetism," which are especially important as we move into 2006 and obtain re-designation as a "Magnet" Hospital.

**Nursing Strategic Plan**

The Nursing Strategic Plan sets a high standard of excellence with a series of ambitious goals focused on three areas of development: People, Service, and Quality. Outstanding Service and Quality begin with the recruitment, training, and retention of a highly skilled and motivated nursing staff. To that end, a new Peri-Operative Residency Program has been developed and was implemented in October 2005. Eight nurses were selected to begin this orientation. This program marks the beginning of our recruitment efforts for the OR expansion. Since continuous learning and career development opportunities go hand-in-hand with retaining talented nursing staff, we have developed a series of retention strategies designed to promote the professional development of staff through education and research. For example, we have contracted with the Advisory Board Company to launch the Nursing Leadership Academy at Hospital for Special Surgery. The development of the nurse manager is accomplished through a shared national standard curriculum, teaching materials, and assessment tools.

We will be launching a series of initiatives throughout 2005-2006 to meet the four goals established under the Service banner of the Nursing Strategic Plan. The pre-surgical screening process will be redesigned to include all patients admitted to HSS. This will facilitate standardization and continuity of patient care. Patient Education will continue to develop comprehensive patient information material that encompasses all facets of the surgical experience from discovery to recovery.

The nursing commitment to quality translates into our goals to increase staff involvement and accountability in the performance improvement process; to utilize quality indicator results on patient care units to reflect continued nursing excellence; to create an integrated electronic method of clinical communication to improve effectiveness of patient care; and to optimize pre-operative preparation of patients to reduce potential risks in the peri-operative and post-operative phases of patient recovery.

The Department of Nursing is working hard everyday to transform our vision, strategy, and goals for 2005-2006 into a reality. From what I have witnessed over the past few months, I have no doubt that we will be successful in attracting and retaining a highly skilled workforce committed to excellence in the care of patients with musculoskeletal disease abnormalities and injuries.

**Hospital Expansion**

Hospital for Special Surgery is planning the expansion of its facility on East 70th Street in order to accommodate a dramatic increase in both in-patient and outpatient visits. HSS is planning to renovate approximately 73,000 square feet of its main building and to construct approximately 201,000 square feet of new space in three locations on its campus near FDR Drive and along the East River.

From 1995 through 2003, the hospital experienced a 40 percent increase in inpatient market share in the New York City metropolitan area. More than 16,000 surgeries are performed annually. On most days, more than 90 percent of available beds at the hospital are occupied. On peak occupancy days of Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, bed usage has typically been greater than 99 percent.

On the hospital's expansion, CEO John Reynolds commented, "To meet the community's demand for musculoskeletal healthcare services, we have developed a plan that will prepare the HSS campus for the delivery of care for the next decade. Its scope calls for additions in bed capacity, inpatient and ambulatory surgery operating rooms, imaging modalities, physician offices, and general operating and support space."
On May 25, 2005 the 50th anniversary celebration marking HSS’s move from 42nd Street to 70th Street was held in the Richard L. Menschel Conference Center. Speakers included staff who were present at the 42nd Street hospital.

Robert E. Atkinson, MD (’82) has been appointed Program Director of the Orthopedic Residency Program at the University of Hawaii.

Bernard R. Bach, Jr., MD (’86) Director of the Sports Medicine Division at Rush University Medical Center, has been named the Claude N. Lambert-Susan Thomsen Endowed Chairholder in Orthopaedic Surgery. Dr. Bach is the author or coauthor of nearly 270 scholarly works in orthopaedics, and he is one of fewer than 10 sports medicine physicians in the country to receive an endowed chair.

Ernest (Chappie) Conrad, MD (’84) was appointed Director of the Department of Orthopaedics at Children’s Hospital and Regional Medical Center. He is also Chief of the Division of Pediatric Orthopaedics and Vice-Chair of the Department of Orthopaedics at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

Robert Marx, MD (’00), Kai Mithoefer, MD (’04), Russell F. Warren, MD (’73), Thomas L. Wickiewicz, MD (’81), and Riley J. Williams, III, MD (’97) received the 2005 AirCast Award for Clinical Science for their paper, “High-Impact Athletics After Knee Arthroscopic Cartilage Repair: A Prospective Evaluation of the Microfracture Technique.” The award, presented by the American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM), recognizes the best clinical science paper.

Peter J. Millett, MD, MSC (’00) is the Co-Director of the Harvard Shoulder Service at the Steadman Hawkins Clinic. He is the winner of the Caspari Award from the International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine (ISAKOS) and Best Scientific Exhibit at the 2005 AAOS meeting. Also, his third child was born in August 2005.

Leon Rivets, MD, PhD (’58), former rheumatology fellow, was elected Honorary Member by the Congress of the Asia Pacific League of Associations for Rheumatology (APLAR) held in Jeju, Korea. This marks the first time the award was given to a doctor from outside the region.

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Keep the HSS community in the loop! Submit any personal news, awards, or achievements you would like to share with fellow alumni. Simply visit www.hss.edu/alumni and complete our online update form or write to: Alumni News, Education Division, Hospital for Special Surgery, 535 E. 70th Street, New York, NY 10021.
Introducing HSS Journal

by Chandler Wilson-Fordham, MPA
Assistant Director, Publications & Communications Education Division

HSS Journal is changing the landscape of peer-reviewed, musculoskeletal journals. The premier issue launched in September 2005 with two essential goals in mind:

■ Promote cutting edge research, clinical pathways, and state-of-the-art techniques to educate the orthopaedic and musculoskeletal communities
■ Further brand HSS nationally and internationally through promoting our broad-based mission of education and training programs

To fulfill its purpose, HSS Journal presents comprehensive clinical and research articles in the field of musculoskeletal medicine, as well as surgical procedures and case reports. Under the guidance of a distinguished Editorial Board, the journal is dedicated to providing timely and useful musculoskeletal information reaching a local, national, and international audience. To ensure the highest editorial quality, each article appearing in HSS Journal is peer reviewed for its clinical relevance, technical accuracy, and clarity of presentation.

Special features of the journal include three ongoing sections dedicated to radiology and imaging, ethics, and the history of HSS.

All HSS Alumni will receive a free subscription to HSS Journal, and alumni are welcome and encouraged to present original articles for consideration in the next journal edition.

Membership Matters

by David B. Levine, MD

Be active in the Alumni Association! You will appreciate the rewards of your involvement. The Association needs your help to support new initiatives in 2006 and beyond. Make your annual dues payment and look forward to these benefits:

■ Annual Educational Meeting & Reception
■ HSS Reception at AAO Meeting
■ Complimentary copies of Alumni News & HSS Journal
■ Access to the alumni directory on www.hss.edu

Alumni Association dues have increased this year from $150 to $200 and must be paid each calendar year prior to the Annual Alumni Meeting.

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Tucker Retires

HSS would like to recognize the outstanding efforts of James Tucker. Mr. Tucker will retire after decades of service to HSS as a member of the Plaster Room staff. Congratulations to Mr. Tucker for his wonderful contribution and years of dedicated service to HSS and its patients!

Copyright 1982 Barry Pribula. A patient is being transferred to be put in a scoliosis jacket. From left to right: John Piasdeki, MD, John Doherty, MD, Patrick McMahon, MD, and James Tucker.

Happy 105th Birthday

On behalf of the Alumni Association, we would like to wish a happy birthday to our oldest living alumnus, Frank Slowick, Sr., MD, who turned 105 years-old in January 2006. He currently resides in Dalton, Massachusetts.
IN MEMORIAM

Anthony Camarda, MD ('46) passed away at the age of 92. As one of our most loyal alumni, Dr. Camarda came back to HSS every year for the Annual Alumni Meeting which, his wife says, was the high point of his year.

Laura B. Flawn, MD ('82), who was a HSS orthopaedic resident and scoliosis and spine fellow, passed away in 2001. Recently, the Laura B. Flawn Memorial Fund was created at Brackenridge Hospital in Texas. The suite in which Dr. Flawn performed surgeries has been named in her memory, and proceeds from the fund will be used to improve seven surgical suites at Brackenridge. For more information or to donate, please contact Chris Kazen Attal, tel: 512.324.7326 or email: cattal@seton.org.

Alexander Hersh, MD ('48), a member of the HSS family for more than 60 years, began his residency in 1943. His career included serving as Chief of the Clubfoot Clinic for almost 30 years. Upon his retirement from active medical staff in 2003, the HSS Medical Board and Board of Trustees appointed Dr. Hersh Orthopaedic Surgeon Emeritus and a member of the Honorary Staff.

Allen Pavel, MD ('70) practiced orthopaedic surgery in Hawaii beginning in 1965 and was Clinical Professor of Surgery at the John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawaii. He was also one of the original founders of Orthopaedic Associates of Hawaii, Inc. which is now known as Orthopaedic Services Company, LLP.

Francis A. Slowick Jr., MD ('66) earned a bachelor of science degree from Yale University in 1957 and graduated from medical school at Tufts University in 1961. He did his internship and residency at Albany Medical Center from 1961 to 1967. He also received a fellowship at the HSS in 1965. Dr. Slowick served from 1967 to 1969 as a major during the Vietnam War. Following his service, he was certified by the Board of Orthopedic Surgery in 1969. In 1971 he joined and practiced with his father and co-founded Berkshire Orthopedic Associates.

Konstantin Velis-Kakis, MD ('55) was a Gibney Scoliosis Fellow at HSS, working with John R. Cobb, MD for seven years. He joined the staff at HSS, NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital Cornell Medical Center in 1957. Dr. Velis started the Scoliosis Service at Montefiore Hospital and Medical Center in 1961. Throughout his career, he helped thousands of suffering patients and mentored large numbers of medical students, residents, and fellows. He was skilled and innovative as a surgeon and displayed total dedication to spinal sciences as well as great concern and compassion for his patients.

T. Gordon Young was the HSS Administrator and CEO from 1954 to 1977. He was known for his concern, compassion, and attention to detail and went down in HSS history as the person who named May 25, 1955 “The Manhattan Transfer.” In addition to overseeing the seamless move of an entire hospital 28 city blocks, Mr. Young handled all administrative policy, departmental relationships, and general supervision with notable professionalism.

Correction: The Spring 2005 Alumni News stated that Mike Pagnani, MD no longer practices sports medicine. His new clinic does not care for general orthopaedic problems, but focuses on the knee, shoulder, and sports medicine exclusively.

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Sigvard T. Hansen, Jr., MD

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John N. Insall, MD
Honorary Lecture in Arthroplasty
How the Knee Moves
Michael Freeman, MD

**Friday, April 21, 2006**
Robert H. Freiberger, MD
Honorary Lecture in Musculoskeletal Radiology
CT Examination of the Musculoskeletal System
Kenneth A. Buckwalter, MD

**Friday, May 5, 2006**
Lee Ramsay Staub, MD
Honorary Lecture in Hand Surgery
Wrist Instability: Basic Pathomechanics and Treatment
Marc Garcia-Elias, MD

**Friday, May 12, 2006**
John L. Marshall, MD
Honorary Lecture in Sports Medicine
The Mechanotransduction Response of Tendon Cells: Implications in Rehabilitation and Repetitive Stress Injuries
Steven Paul Aronczyk, DVM

**Friday, June 9, 2006**
David B. Levine, MD
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Osseous Manifestations of Neurofibromatosis in Children
Alvin H. Crawford, MD

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- Advances in Hip and Knee Arthroplasty Surgery and Recovery: An Interdisciplinary Approach
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### May 5 & 6
- 4th Annual Orthopaedic Basic Science Review Course
  - Target Audience: Orthopaedic Residents, Fellows, and Practicing Physicians

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**Timeline HSS 1960-1970 continued**

**1967**
From left, Lee Ramsay Straub, M.D. and Richard Freyberg, M.D. formed the Comprehensive Arthritis Service.

**1970**
John Marshall, M.D set up the Sports Medicine Service. He demonstrated the importance of ligamentous structures in the knee, and initiated the foundation for arthroscopic procedures.

**1970**
Leon Root, M.D and Peter Bullough, M.D established the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Clinic. Charles L. Christian, M.D was appointed Physician-in-Chief and Director of Rheumatology.

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**1967**
Peter Bullough, M.D was one of the first to describe alterations of cellular mechanisms leading to osteoarthritis.