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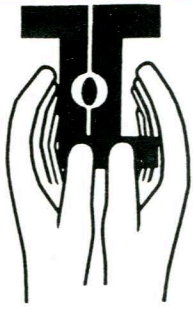
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# TOURO COLLEGE

## BARRY Z. LEVINE SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

# ALUMNI NEWS

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## Letter From The Dean

Dr. Joseph Weisberg, Ph.D., P.T.



Dear Alumnus:

As a graduate of the Barry Z. Levine School of Health Sciences, you will undoubtedly take pride in what our school has accomplished during the past year since my previous report to you in this alumni newsletter.

Our Physical Therapy program continued to grow, becoming one of the largest in New York State. This program now has an enrollment of 150 students in all three years of study. The number of applicants for the 1993 admission increased approximately 35%, with a total of 535 applications for 52 spaces. The program continued its outstanding success rate on the New York State Licensure Examination with a passing rate of 98% on the first-time taking of the exam.

Additional exciting news about our school was the approval of an Advanced Master's Degree Program in Orthopedic Physical Therapy by the New York State Educational Department. This program is designed for licensed physical therapists wishing to further their education in the area of orthopedics. Scheduled to begin in 1994, it

will be the only program of its kind in New York State.

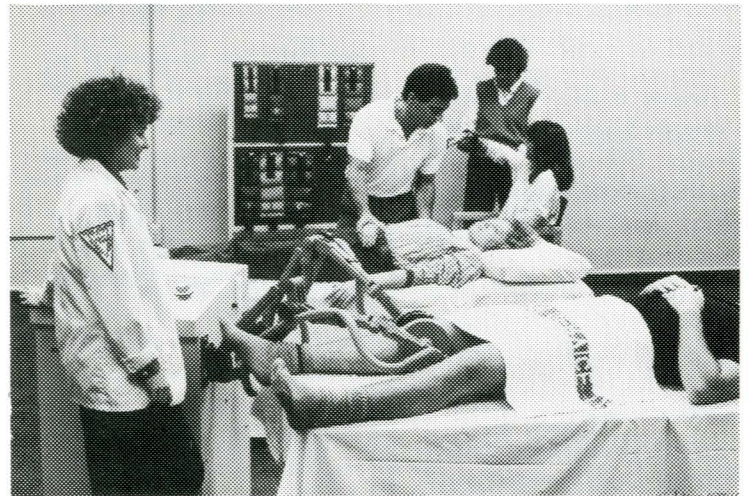
Our Physician Assistant Program, which admitted 45 students to its 20th class last Fall, began an educational extension center at Coney Island Hospital in Brooklyn. In February, 17 students were admitted to that extension center where they are receiving most of their didactic education. The center had received State Education Department approval in January.

The Health Information Management Program signed a formal affiliation agreement with the Franklin General Hospital Medical Center on Long Island. Under the terms of the agreement, the hospital will serve as the laboratory site for all H.I.M. professional course work.

During the 1992-1993 year, our Biomedical Program celebrated its 10th year of operation by enrolling the largest class to date—20 students. The larger class size reflected an increase in applications to the program. This is true not only for our program but for all medical schools. This renewed interest in a career in medicine is good news for our Biomedical Program because it forecasts an increase in the number of qualified applicants for our program in the future.

Another positive development in the Biomedical Program this past year has been the strengthening of our ties with the Technion Faculty of Medi-

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## 110 Graduates At 1993 Commencement Exercises

Touro College's School of Health Sciences conferred degrees on 110 graduates at the school's 1993 commencement exercises held on Sunday, September 19th, in the auditorium of the college's Law Center in Huntington, Long Island.

The commencement speaker was Edward S. Salsberg, the Director of the Bureau of Health Resources Development in the New York State Department of Health, a nationally recognized expert on the supply and demand of the health workforce.

Dr. Bernard Lander, President of Touro College, presided at the commencement exercises and conferred the degrees with the Health Sciences School's five Program Directors.

Twenty students in the Biomedical Sciences graduate program received M.A. degrees in Interdisciplinary Studies in

Biological and Physical Sciences and will be continuing their education at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa, Israel leading to an M.D. degree from the Technion.

In addition, 33 students received Bachelor of Science degrees from the Physician Assistant Program; 48 students received B.S./M.A. degrees from the Physical Therapy Program; four received B.S. degrees from the Health Information Management Program, and five received degrees from the Occupational Therapy Program.



# Touro's Outreach To Community



By Esther Ingber  
Coordinator, Special Projects

As part of its commitment to outreach to the community, Touro's School of Health Sciences sponsored two interesting seminars earlier this year.

At the end of April, the School of Health Sciences presented an all-day seminar titled *The Future of Health Administration In The 21st Century*. The Nassau/Suffolk Hospital Council co-sponsored the seminar while the United Hospital Fund and the Health Care Financial Management Association supported the event.

Dr. Harry Rosen, Ph.D., Chairman of the Department of Health, at Baruch College at the City University of New York, was the keynote speaker. He presented a number of possible scenarios for the future of health administrations.

Other guest speakers included John Lavan, Vice President/Finance at New York Hospital; Carmine Asparro, Vice President/Management Care Operations, Empire Blue Cross; Bruce Morton, J.D., Touro Law Center and Peter Sacco, Lazar DeThomasis and Co.

Touro speakers included Dr. Catherine Gordon, Director of the OT Program, who discussed *Health Care Manpower Needs In The Future*; Faith Goldstein, Director of the H.I.M. Program, whose insights for the future included

robotics and digital transmission for storage and retrieval data; and Peter Sacco, an H.I.M. faculty member who discussed the role of the physician in the future.

On Monday, May 24th, Mrs. Rena Weisberg hosted a seminar on *Women's Health Issues Of The 90's*. Speakers included Dr. Richard Byrnes, radiation oncologist and speaker for the American Cancer Society, and Debora Sermet, Public Health Educator, Suffolk County Department of Health.

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## Diane Stadtmiller A Faculty Profile

Physician Assistant Program faculty member Diane L. Stadtmiller, PRAC, has declared her candidacy for the position of Secretary of the New York State Society of Physician Assistants (NYSSPA).

A very enthusiastic faculty member, Ms. Stadtmiller both coordinates and teaches the Physical Diagnosis, Lab Procedures, and Correlative Medicine courses to junior PA students at Touro College School of Health Sciences, as well as provides clinical education to senior PA students at their rotation sites. Beginning in the summer of 1994, she will introduce and teach the newly implemented Otolaryngology course to the junior PA students.

In addition to her teaching responsibilities, Ms. Stadtmiller works clinically in occupational

medicine at Long Island Occupational and Environmental Health Center in Suffolk County, Long Island. An avid computer maven and graphic designer, she has designed numerous publications for Touro College and NYSSPA, in addition to having originated and designed the corporate logos for the Physician Assistant Foundation and its Funding The Future Scholarship campaign.

For the past three years, Ms. Stadtmiller has served as an active member of NYSSPA Conference Planning and Membership Committee, as well as having served as the Publisher of NYSSPA News. This past June, she represented New York PAs at the American Academy of Physician Assistant's (AAPA) national conference in Miami as an Alternate Delegate. During the Miami conference, she also participated in the Association of Physician Assistant Program's (APAP) meetings and exhibit. In August Ms. Stadtmiller promoted the PA profession at the NYSSPA booth at the New York State Fair in Syracuse.

As Secretary of NYSSPA, Ms. Stadtmiller's goals are to promote the PA profession, facilitate more effective communication between the PAs of New York and the NYSSPA Board of Directors, ensure the organization's fiscal responsibility, and actively reach out to involve New York PAs in NYSSPA.

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# Primary Care: The Road To Success For Physician Assistants

Paul F. Jacques, RPAC  
Director, Physician Assistant Program  
(Reprinted from NYSSPA News—May/June 1993)

Health care reform is the number one topic among health policy legislators on both federal and state levels. It is also constantly mentioned in the media because the public is concerned with access to health care and its spiraling costs. Health care reform has many facets, but the main focus is to funnel some money away from acute care and develop a health care system that provides primary health care services which includes preventative care services as its foundation.

The United States Department of Health and Human Services (HRSA) states that primary health care includes a comprehensive range of public health, preventative, diagnostic, therapeutic, and rehabilitative services. The goals of these services is to prevent premature death and disability, preserve functional capacity and enhance the overall quality of life. Primary medical care is characterized by the following elements:

- first contact care for persons with previously undifferentiated health concerns;
- comprehensive care which is not organ or problem specific;
- an orientation toward providing continuous care;
- responsibility for coordinating other health services.

Health professionals who are trained in primary medical care are "generalists". They are trained in, practice, and receive continuing education in the following areas:

- health promotion and disease prevention,
- assessment and evaluation of undifferentiated symptoms and physical signs;
- management of common acute and chronic medical con-

ditions

- identification and appropriate referral for other health services.

Primary medical providers include generalist physicians (family practitioners, general internists, and general pediatricians), certified nurse midwives, nurse practitioners and physician assistants.

The health care system should be configured like a pyramid with a broad base of preventive and primary care. Instead, the current health care system is an inverted pyramid, with its base composed of expensive subspecialty acute and tertiary care services. The top of today's health care pyramid is formed by a small number of practitioners who are delivering primary care. To "right" this pyramid and develop an efficient, cost-effective system, primary care must be established as the foundation of an integrated, balanced continuum of care in each community.

Today's primary care deficit contributes to overcrowded emergency rooms, reliance on the late-state expensive treatments, as well as fragmented and duplicated services. These problems spiral into rapidly rising insurance premiums and growing demand for increased government and personal outlays. Extending medical insurance coverage will ameliorate but not cure these symptoms in the health care delivery system. A lasting solution depends upon successfully building the type of health care system the country needs; one that has primary and preventive services as its foundation.

Almost all of the PA programs in the United States are educat-

ing individuals to become "generalists". The graduates of these PA programs are educated to face the challenges and demands of providing primary medical care and to help this country meet the health needs and invert the health care pyramid.

The Physician Assistant profession must meet the demands of the changing health care system as reform takes place. Here in New York State, the Action for Primary Care Legislation Coalition has calculated a current need for 4,350 additional primary care practitioners. Meeting society's health care needs has led to the success of our profession and primary care is the largest area of need in the foreseeable future. PA involvement with primary medical care delivery will secure a brighter future for the profession.

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## Bill For Increased P.A. Fees Defeated In Albany

A bill that would have increased fees for PAs for licensing and limited permits and initiated a new examination in New York State has been defeated in Albany.

A Legislative Day in the state capital, while the bill was before the State Assembly, was attended by SHS Senior Paul Rojak, the NYSSPA Student Director-at-Large, Juniors Donna Krinsky, Cara Tweeddale and Janis McGaughan, PAs, accompanied by PA Director Paul Jacques.

In a report on their trip to Albany which appeared in the NYSSPA News, Tweeddale and McGaughan pointed out that as students they were not only concerned about the increases in fees but also the addition of a state exam and its exorbitant fee.

In their report they said:

"At present, the NCCPA allows only students who have completed an accredited PA Program to take the examination. This helps to ensure that only properly trained and qualified individuals can be certified as PAs. The institution of a state-controlled exam could have possibly enabled unqualified individuals to sit for the exam. This had the potential to both deprive the patient of quality health care and undermine the profession by allowing unlicensed medical graduates to become PAs."

# Looking For A Few Good Men and Women! Do You Know Where These Graduates Are?

## Physician Assistant Program (PA'S)

### 1974 Graduates

Thomas Gordon  
Leo Kline  
Martin Markovits  
Norris Markworthy

### 1976 Graduates

Ademola Adedeji  
Muhees Adeola  
Wanda Cuilla  
Andrew Engleseder  
Garrett Gianninoto  
Ruth Hall  
David Heckler  
Steven Herzenberg  
Stella Kovacs (Van Cleave)  
Steven Leskowitz  
Frank Lonano  
John Madden  
William Marino  
Louis Martir  
John Montalvo  
Gerard O'Brien  
Modesto Ordoqui  
Frank Parato  
Paul Rifkin  
William Seese  
Steven Siegel  
Alain Smolarski  
Christopher Sprennik  
Otis Stoval  
Marcia Susse  
Jonathan Tessler  
Mary Veasey  
Joseph Vierra  
Charles Williams  
Ronald Williams  
Sarag Young  
Roman Zownitrowycz

### 1977 Graduates

Lisa Falcon  
Bonnie Fishbein  
Victor Garcia  
Boris Kogan  
Lydia Lestage Miller  
Shirley Litwak  
Arthur McDermet  
Toby Maimon  
Vasil Moshkovitch  
Lynn Nachamie  
Barbara Namm  
Judy Robbins  
Rosenberger  
Linda Shaw  
Beth Silverstein  
William Skinner  
David Squillacote  
Steven Tiger  
Gail Ungar  
Joan Grunner (Walter)  
Edward Williams  
Donna Zaken

### 1978 Graduates

Duglas Charney  
Mala Chibber  
Audrey Kahn  
Hilary Kilcullen  
Linda Kolcun  
Jean Lauterbach  
Marilyn Levi  
Michael Malgran  
Susan Masloff  
June Mayers  
Fay Minsky  
Michael Miranda  
Paul Monthnie  
Jeri Ness  
Anna Oswald  
Karen Rosen  
Leonard Rosenzweig  
Steven Roth  
Larry Rustmeyer  
Mansfield Samptah  
Valerie Shifley  
Adele Spitz  
Igor Stiller  
David Williams  
David Wood  
Ann Zeisler

### 1979 Graduates

Jon Bombero  
Iris Cohen  
Martin Diner  
George Dupee  
Wendy Heyman  
Bradford Houck  
Heusent James  
Teresa Kulik  
Patti Lacey  
Marjorie Lazoff  
Michelle Lehman  
Barbara Levine  
Caryn Lobel  
David Mael  
Philip Magaletti  
Sharon Mailman  
Jerzy Maksymowicz  
Eugene Mancuso  
Malanie Meyers  
Gerald Miceli  
Peter Murray  
Rochelle Stern  
Bernie Stuetz  
David Viera  
William Wright  
Mindy Zelin

### 1980 Graduates

Fern Arlen  
Phyllis Cooper  
Eric Gillart  
Margaret Hospidales  
David Kaplan  
Jean Koppelman  
George Lakikos  
Daniel Lessner  
Celeste Marino

Juan Marrero  
Bernice Mortimer  
Julie Naczi  
John Obrodka  
Joan Parry  
Iris Polvy  
Mark Roby  
Donna Sabol  
Beth Sanders  
Jeffrey Shiff  
Allan Weinberg

### 1981 Graduates

Peter Bass  
Federick Fallick  
Zeida Flores  
John Karagianiz  
Joanne Kearns  
Mary Ann Legarda  
Rocco Loricco  
David Lyon  
David Mader  
Vivienne Maralon  
Silverio Mazella

### 1982 Graduates

Steven Abel  
Beth Abrams  
Dianne Backowski  
Joseph Holder  
Monique Knopf  
Diana Louie  
Helen Manzi  
Linda Marmo  
Willard Martin  
Dean Phillips  
Stuart Reich  
Walter Rustman  
Merra Satyado  
Raphael Torres  
Christine Totani  
Cindy Shamk  
Debra Silver  
Larry Starke  
Jennifer Starr  
Michael Stivelman  
Rena Tennenberg  
Raphael Torres  
Christine Totani  
Keiver Welch  
Sharon Williams  
Barbara Wohl

### 1983 Graduates

Vincent Campi  
Amy Downey  
Clinton Glass  
Shirley Hewlett  
Richard Hughes  
Linda Kaiser  
Eleanor Dreiger  
Chaya Lavie  
Barry Lebowitz  
Gail Lindenberg  
Tamar Mandell  
Karen McKenzie  
Jeannette Mendoza

Joseph Nagy  
Bridget Nosal  
Erik Podszus  
Murray Rosenthal  
Chaya Roth  
Bruce Silverstein  
Pamela Smith  
Iris Snider  
Terry Stein  
Allison Taylor  
Jane Testa  
Patrick Van Ora  
Jennifer Vincel  
Wendy Wang  
Helene Wolfson

### 1984 Graduates

Ziba Dayyani  
Miriam Fishbaine  
Edward Frederick  
Gerald Gambale  
Salvatore Guadino  
Fariba Ghatan  
Victoria Harris  
Eric Hecht  
Paul Hnatiw  
Steven Hodkin  
Kathleen Hutcheon  
Hans Jannerjahn  
Joanne Lapiere  
Christopher LaRosa  
Joyce Malls  
Craig McCoy  
Gloria Molenje  
Janet Montante  
Aviva Pessin (Parness)  
Rachel Reichman  
Carsandra Sanders  
Stanley Schwartz  
Evelyn Sheehan  
Farahaz Shmoullian  
Joyce Tabb

### 1985 Graduates

Camillen Bristol  
Miriam Gwertz (Krammer)  
Lawrence Harris  
Grace Holder  
Laura Homiak  
Armon Imbriglio  
Robert Johnson  
Peter Kolb  
Demetri LaFortune  
Lavone Mosley  
Felice Neger  
Hung Nguyen  
Violet Pert  
Cheryl Rothman  
Rebecca Rothstein  
Yonia Sait  
Alisa Shirvan  
Lori Sukenik  
Salvatore Trazzera  
Christine Triolo  
Marie Valentin  
Stuart Wax

### 1986 Graduates

Haseeb Ali  
Tina Bauefach  
Laura Gray  
Sheila Horlback  
Louis Jean Simon  
Lynn Jennings  
George Lentini  
Richard Luch  
Lisa McCarthy  
Kathy McCook  
Rosmarie Martinez  
Daniela Maugeri  
Kim Nelly  
Cynthia Robinson  
Janet Runcie  
Peter Schectman  
Laura Simon  
Kevin Welch  
Robert Woodall

### 1987 Graduates

Tina Caci  
Amy Feder  
Thelma Goldberg  
Denise Fernandes  
Maria Jamie  
Inga Komitsky  
Maria Jamie  
James L'Episcopo  
Malkie Mintz  
Martin Nicole  
Francisco Peguero  
Sema Ramcharitar  
Andrea Ruskevich  
Dana Rutyna  
Leena Shah  
Theresa Spruill  
Daniel Theodoro  
Janet Thorne  
Michael Torrie  
Bert Ventura

### 1988 Graduates

Velman Blackburn  
Paul Byssainthe  
Riesa Gurdwerg  
Mariantha Harris  
Michelle Sumik (Heimowith)  
Mirna Jacob  
Rachael Maglorie  
Claudette McKenzie  
Rowena Mendoza  
Iftikhar Mian  
Jean Millien  
Francis Narcisse  
Manjula Patel  
Cleofe Pineda  
Huma Quraishi

Rebecca Rivera  
Annette Ruedenberg  
Lorraine Saunders  
Parnell St. Louis  
Susan Scher

### 1989 Graduates

Delisa Banks  
Vahe Boyadjian  
Jean Frederic  
Janice Kasprzak  
Lomane LeGros  
Daniel Moseley  
Maline Patino  
Hardath Peersaud  
Seema Quraishi  
Raheev Ramsinghani  
Carlos Rios  
Janet Schiff  
Gabrielle Severe  
Jean Severe  
Melissa Valentin

### 1990 Graduates

Jill Jeffrey-Kuser  
Kettelye Joseph  
Henry Mombeleur  
Andrew Schwartz

## Health Information Management Program (RRA'S)

Olatubosun Adedipe  
Mary Blades  
Michael Burmmel  
Eleanor Cochrane  
Adrea Flynn  
Stuart Holster  
Joanne Librub  
Lillian Nieves  
Sheila Peterson  
Sarah Pinzone  
Katherine Riley  
Deborah Weiner

## Physical Therapy Program - (PT'S)

Zvi Adlet  
Kathleen DeRisi  
Antoinette Foster  
Eleen Kehoe  
Frances Mednick  
Cheryl O'Downd  
April Railford

## BioMedical Program (MD'S)

**Alumni,  
We are waiting to  
hear from you!!**

## Physician Assistant Program's New Affiliations

Paul F. Jacques, RPAC  
Director

The Physician Assistant Program's two affiliations with leading hospitals in the New York area are going extremely well, Paul Jacques, Director of the PA program, reports.

Under Touro's agreement with Winthrop-University Hospital in Mineola, Long Island, 22 senior PA students are currently doing five-week rotations at the hospital in the second year of the Touro affiliation with the hospital.

Eighteen Touro PA students are taking part in didactic sessions. Beginning in January they will then move into clinical rotations at Coney Island Hospital under the affiliation agreement with that Brooklyn hospital, which went into effect early this year.

## News From Physical Therapy Program

Jill Auster-Liebhaber, MA, PT  
Director

### ACCREDITATION

The Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the American Physical Therapy Association granted accreditation to the Physical Therapy Program at Touro College for a period of eight years.

### NEW PROGRAM

Touro College's School of Health Sciences has established an Advanced Masters Program in Orthopedic Physical Therapy.

The new program is designed for licensed physical therapists and can be completed within three years. Upon completion, the graduate will receive a Master of Arts in Orthopedic Physical Therapy.

The program has a unique curriculum design. A number of courses will have a format similar to the model used by professional continuing education courses which will permit Touro College to recruit the most recognized experts in the field of Orthopedic Physical Therapy as instructors. Other courses will follow the classic academic format.

## News From Occupational Therapy Program

Dr. Catherine Y. Gordon  
Director

In keeping with our emphasis on required community service for all students in the School of Health Sciences, the Occupational Therapy Department has instituted community service workshops and continuing education programs as fundraisers for Occupational Therapy students involved in out of town fieldwork. They were conducted this spring.

The programs were on a variety of topics including:

- Parenting and toddlers
- Assessment of Cognitive Deficits
- Driver Assessment

Our O.T. faculty, Andrea Krauss and Eliza Magliari, were instrumental in leading these courses. Dr. Rosamond Gianutos also provided a workshop on driver assessment for individuals with perceptual and/or cognitive deficits.

Additionally, these programs were made possible by the work of Ariela Neuman who coordinated efforts to make these kinds of programs possible and our office staff who assisted her in this work. We hope to be able to continue these kinds of community and continuing education programs.

## News From Health Information Management Program

Faith Goldstein, MPH  
RRA, Director

The Health Information Management Program (HIM) is now also located in the Dix Hills campus along with the other Health Science Programs. Sixteen students are registered for this semester. Laboratory sessions will be held at Franklin Hospital Medical Center in Valley Stream and also at St. Charles Hospital in Port Jefferson, New York.

Our New York campus at New York Hospital has accepted 10 students for the fall '93 semester.

An assessment was conducted that indicated that the Long Island community could use an HIM Program. As always, both the Bachelor of Science and the Certificate Program are available.

We plan to continue to vigorously recruit for additional students. If you know of anyone who wishes to enter the dynamic and rewarding career of HIM and lives on Long Island, please put the potential student in touch with me at (516) 673-3200.

The HIM Program on the Island is located at Building #14 and our Program coordinator is Jane Nagle.

## Three Leaders In Medical Fields Were Honored At Third Annual Dinner In 1992

Three distinguished leaders in medical science fields — Dr. Raymond V. Damadian, inventor of magnetic resonance scanning (MRI), and Chairman and President of Fonar Corporation in Melville, Long Island; Dr. Edward S. Orzac, Medical Director of Franklin Hospital Medical Center in Valley Stream; and Dr. Jane L. Mitchell, Chief of Perinatology at Harlem Hospital Center in New York—were honored by Touro College's School of Health Sciences at the School's Third Annual Awards Dinner last Fall.

The tribute took place at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury. The School's Distinguished Achievement Award was presented to each of the honorees.

Dr. Damadian was cited for his "pioneering achievements in medical imaging (MRI) and contributions in the development of medical technology".

Dr. Orzac was cited for a "lifetime of uniquely outstanding contributions to the field of community health service".

Dr. Mitchell's award was in recognition of "her contribution to medical issues of cultural diversity and her dedication to improving the medical care of children, particularly to health services to teenagers".



(Left to right): Dr. Bernard Lander, President and Founder of Touro College, Dr. Janet L. Mitchell, Dr. Raymond Damadian, Dr. Edward S. Orzac, and Dean Joseph Weisberg of Touro's Health Sciences School.

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Help plan events, telephone  
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greeters.



Yuri Benin, President Alumni  
& Dean Weisberg



Guest & Alumni  
SHS '92 Award Dinner



SHS Lab

## Sixth Annual Job Fair

**April 1994**  
**Save The Date!!**

Twenty-four (24) exhibitors  
participated in the Fifth Annual  
Job Fair held in April of 1993.  
All Programs of the School of  
Health Science were represented  
as well as an impressive number  
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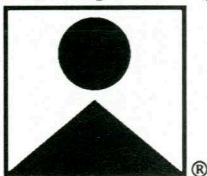
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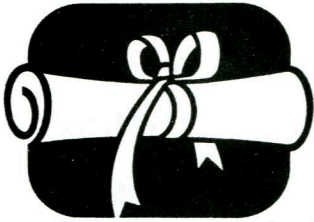


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## OVERHEARD

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### **Congratulations to: . . .**

**Shlomo Twersky, PA**, on the Bar Mitzvah of his son Aaron . . . **Tony Hollander, (OT Faculty)** completed dissertation at NYU. . . **Bernadette Mineo's (OT Faculty)** husband **Lou**, graduated NYU PT. . . **Beverly Horowitz, (OT Faculty)** completing her doctoral at Fordham Univ. . . **Marie Baron, PT ('87)** engaged. . . **Russ L'Hommedieu, PT ('90)** proud father. . . **Karen Hugelmeyer Schmidtt, PT ('90)** is expecting. . . **Lisa Sussman, PT ('92)** betrothed this fall. . . **David Fischer, PT ('91)** opened his own practice. . . **Dr. Piroaska Szabo, (PT Faculty)** is now a licensed PT. . . **The PT Class of 96** has accepted 54 students from a pool of 535 applicants. . . **Karen Neblock PT ('90)** and spouse are the proud parents of a one year old. . . **Joseph Cuteri, MD PA ('79)** who is in solo, Ob/Gyn says hello and is the proud father of two girls. Young Father of six awarded National Physician Assistant Foundation Scholarship . . . **Israel Bochner, PA ('93)**. NYSSPA's Physician Assistant Foundation awards **92-93 Scholarships** to: **Deborah Clark** and **Frank Ruzzuto PAs** . . . **Nancy Clarke, PT ('93)** betrothed, fall bride . . . **Geraldine Bostock, PT ('92)** September bride . . . **The HIM Program** wishes to congratulate, . . . **Thomas Johnson, RRA**, for receiving the 1993 *Outstanding Clinical Preceptor Award* . . . **Leroy Johnson, MA** for receiving the 1993 *Distinguished*

*Faculty Award* . . . **Grethel Marks, HIM ('90)** made Director of HIM at Hospital for Joint Disease . . . **Tanya Srdanovic, HIM ('90)** employed by St. Vincent's Hospital for special projects. . . **Sherry (Aaronson) Roth PA ('82)**, mother of a baby girl . . . **Dan Swanner, PT ('93)** and **Kevin Lawless, PT ('93)** on the impending arrival of their first born children, respectively . . . **Maria Jadlichyj, PT ('93)** and **Mark Cifarelli, PT ('94)** are engaged.

### **Just Wanting To Say Hello:**

**Andrew Schwartz, PA ('90)**, **Carlos Rios, PA ('89)**, **Diane (Plazzo) Gentile, PA ('86)**, **Salvatore Trazzera, MD, PA ('85)**, **Ava Dennie, PA ('85)**, **Nicholas Cantalupo, MD, PA ('89)**, **Lorie Schryver, Administrative Assistant in the PT Dept.** and her husband **Clam**, retired to Florida and send their regards.

### **Condolences:**

Our heartfelt sympathy to **Jill Auster-Liebhaber, P.T. Director**, and her family on the death of her mother-in-law.

### **Biomed Alumni**

#### **Where Are You???**

**Robert Simon, MD**, is helping us contact the Biomed Alumni.

Touro College, Dix Hills campus will be the home of Long Island District Chapter of APTA this year for their meetings and continuing education courses. Several faculty members are on the board, including . . . **Rob Paskoff as Chairperson**, . . . **Sylvene Blissett as Corresponding Secretary** . . . **Gary Corso on Nominating Committee**. Several of PT Alumni are on the board, including . . . **Joe Hayes, PT ('91)**, legislative liaison; . . . **Jackie Baker-Fullam, PT ('92)**, recording secretary; . . . **Evan Cohen, PT ('92)**, newsletter editor. . . **Debbie Weingarten, PT ('92)** is presenting courses for continuing education of L.I. Dist. APTA.



## Nancy Clark A Graduate Profile

Nancy Clarke, who won four silver medals in swimming at the 1988 Para-Olympics in Seoul and earned her Master's in physical therapy at Touro's School of Health Sciences last September, is now working as a physical therapist at Booth Memorial Hospital in Flushing, Queens.

In newspaper interviews in two New York newspapers, Nancy, who was told in 1979 that she would never walk again because of a paralyzed leg, said:

"I wanted to work in the rehabilitation realm because I've been through it. I can empathize with my patients. When someone can't bend their arm or leg and I need to progress them, it will hurt, but I truly understand."

Nancy's odyssey with pain dates back to her days in high school in 1979 where swimming and gymnastics were her true love. In her sophomore year, she felt sharp pain in her left knee as she rode her bike one day. An operation to repair torn knee ligaments went awry, paralyzing her left leg. In the next three years, she had two more operations on her leg. Years of intensive therapy followed. She walked on crutches for three years after her last operation and now walks with a slight limp.

After Nancy had discarded her crutches, she resumed her athletics, setting her sights on the competition held in conjunction with the 1988 Olympics where she competed with

other physically handicapped athletes.

As a physical therapist, she works with about 10 to 13 patients daily in Booth Memorial's gymnasium. Therapy sessions include patients' use of walkers and crutches, bed mobility and balancing themselves.

Her job, she says, offers solid gratification. "There is visible, obvious healing there. You can see the results. When I see progress, I start to beam. Then I know I've done my job."

As to her goals for the future, Nancy says: "I enjoy working with spinal cord-injured athletes and wheelchair sports that I've been involved in since 1987. If I can't compete anymore, I'd like to coach basketball or amputee swimmers."

## Letter From The Dean

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cine in Israel. A good working relationship has developed which will enable us to address issues that can improve our joint program.

In other school developments, our Occupational Therapy Program enrollment grew during the past year to its planned class size of 30.

Initial plans for a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant program were developed and will be pursued in concert with Mt. Sinai Hospital.

Contact has been made with St. Charles Hospital on Long Island to pursue development of two new occupational therapy programs, a part-time entry level program and an advanced Masters program in Occupational Therapy.

As you can see, the past year has seen another major growth in the accomplishments and prestige of our school. And as I pointed out in my letter to our alumni last year, a strong alumni organization with a continuing interest in our school is very helpful to our success. I urge all our graduates therefore to enroll in our alumni organization and to support its activities.