

Reunion 2003

Last June, the Alumni Association held its first reunion in more than 10 years. Approximately 75 current and retired medical staff as well as former residents and fellows attended the weeknight event.

Visiting alumni had a chance to meet new staff as well as to get reacquainted with former colleagues. The alumnus who travelled the farthest to attend was Frederick E. Hoelsher, MD (IM'56, GE'58), of Switzerland. The oldest alumnus present was 96-year-old John Fromer, MD (*see page 3*).

One of the highlights of the evening was when David M. Barrett, MD, chief executive officer, shared plans for the Clinic's future expansion (*see page 5*).

"I think the event was an overwhelming success," says Guy T.

*From left to right,
Eugene Clerkin, MD,
Endocrinology; Carl Bartels,
MD, retired cardiologist;
and Samuel L. Moschella,
MD, Dermatology, greet
John L. Fromer, MD, retired
allergist and dermatologist.*



Napolitana, MD, executive director of the Alumni Association, "and I hope it will create some momentum for future alumni-sponsored functions."

The Alumni Association also elected new officers and councilors. Neurosurgeon Charles A. Fager, MD, will now serve as president, and retired internist Burton Mandel, MD, will be

vice-president. (*For a complete list of the executive board, see page 2.*)

"Welcome to the new officers," says Napolitana, "and thank you to the former officers for their service to the Alumni Association."

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As Lahey Clinic celebrates its 80th birthday, we take a look at the early days through the eyes of an alumnus.

Dr. Lahey's Able Assistant

Bernard J. Ficarra, MD, came to Lahey Clinic in 1945 to polish his surgical skills or, as he says, "to put the whipped cream on my cake." Much to his surprise, after only two months at the Clinic, he was appointed first assistant to founder Frank H. Lahey, MD. His rapid rise had to do, in part, with his height.

Soon after Ficarra arrived in Boston, Lahey's first assistant quit, saying that the demanding team of Lahey and Wallace (Blanche Wallace, RN, his long-time surgical nurse) was making him a nervous wreck. Next in line for the position was William F. Trevor, MD, whose sister, Claire, was a popular movie star at the time.

"Now Bill Trevor was 6' 3", and Dr. Lahey was 5' 5 1/2", says Ficarra, "so when Bill Trevor bent over the operating table, he hit Dr. Lahey's head. So they got rid of him."

Ficarra first learned he was to be the new assistant when his roommate, who worked with the prominent thoracic surgeon Richard Overholt, MD, brought home the next day's surgical schedule.

"After hearing about the experience of others, I thought I was going into the lion's den!" Ficarra says.

He had good reason for his trepidation. Lahey was a hard taskmaster, and none of his assistants remained with him for more than a couple of

months. At 5'8", at least Ficarra would be about the same height as Lahey, who always stood on a stool when he operated.

"Everybody called Dr. Lahey, 'Dr. Lahey,'" he says. "No one, not even Drs. [Richard] Cattell, Gilbert Horrax, or Sara Jordan, all famous doctors, ever called him 'Frank.'"

On his first day as Lahey's assistant, Ficarra showed up early at the Baptist Hospital. (In those days, Clinic surgeons operated at the New England Deaconess, Robert Breck Brigham, New England Baptist, and the now-defunct Cory Hill Hospital.) Blanche

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Letter from Iraq

The following timely letter was read to the assembled group at the Alumni Reunion in June:

My fellow alumni, our greeting from Baghdad, Iraq, to you at the Alumni Reunion 2003.

I joined the Lahey Clinic, at 625 Commonwealth Avenue, as a fellow in internal medicine, on July 1st, 1953. This is the first time I respond to the gracious invitations of the Alumni Association over the years. Over the past half century, our region and country have been in a state of evolving concatenation of tumultuous political and social upheavals, with their imposed limitations on us and our plans.

It was a privilege to be associated with Lahey, which helped me develop further my professional knowledge and conduct, more so by intimate assimilation than by didactic instruction. Indeed, it was very pleasant and cordial to work at Lahey, and we fellows, at the time, recognized and commented upon it as such. We then also predicted that the benefit received would be more obvious to us after we left. This is what I found out in the succeeding years.

It left me with a warm attachment to the Clinic and its staff, still evident in the signed photographs of Drs. Lahey, Cattell, and Hurxthal, and group photographs of the staff and of the fellows of the department of medicine that still grace the walls of my office. Furthermore, some of the occasional recent Clinic publications, curtailed during the embargo, eventually find their way to the reception room to the keen interest of my patients who read English.

My wife joins me in wishing you and yours and the attending staff an abundance of health, service, and prosperity and with your indulgence, may I single out those present who did the fellowship with me. God bless you all and thank you.

Dr. Joseph T. Marrow
Internal Medicine '54

Enriching the Educational Experience

During the past year, the Alumni Association has continued its mission to support Lahey Clinic's educational endeavors. Your dues and other contributions have enabled

- residents and fellows to attend medical meetings;
- renowned speakers to lecture at medical and surgical grand rounds;
- the purchase of computer equipment, books, and subscriptions for the Cattell Memorial Library; and
- the purchase of updated audiovisual equipment for the Alumni Auditorium.

This year's fund drive allows you to contribute to the fund of your choice. For example, you may wish to support the Cattell Library or Medical Grand Rounds. So please take a moment to respond to the appeal recently mailed to you. Thank you. ■

Reunion 2003 Scrapbook



John F. Beamis, MD, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine (left), catches up with Benjamin White, MD (PUD'78), of Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. The two were residents together at the New England Deaconess and had the same mentor at Lahey, Edwin Kroeker, MD.



David M. Barrett, MD, chief executive officer, spoke on the growing demand for health care and Lahey's future



John W. Braasch, MD, retired general surgeon, Charles L. Ward, MD (IM'60), and Eugene P. Clerkin, MD (END'59), Endocrinology



John J. Smith III, MD (U'89), chats with Bruce B. Campbell, MD (IM'98). Both are now members of the medical staff.

An Honored Guest

Among the alumni who returned for the 2003 reunion was retired physician John L. Fromer, MD, 96, who headed the Clinic's Department of Allergy and Dermatology for 40 years.

"When Dr. Lahey hired me, he said, 'I don't know anything about allergy and dermatology. You run the show. If you don't hear from me, you're doing okay.'"

A native of New York City, Fromer graduated from New York University Medical School. He was an intern at United Hospital Medical Center in Port

Chester, New York, and a resident at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center in New York City.

His first job was as a country doctor in New Hampshire. But after practicing general medicine for a while, he decided to go to Dublin, Ireland, and London, England, to train in dermatology.

When he returned, the Clinic was looking for a new dermatologist, and someone recommended him. "Dr. Lahey personally hired me at his summer home on Lake Winnepesaukee,"

says Fromer. "He did all the hiring and firing himself."

The specialties of allergy and dermatology were combined at that time, so Fromer learned to do both. (The department split into two in 1993). But he confesses that dermatology was his real love.

His schedule was hectic. In addition to seeing patients at the Clinic, he was on staff at the Baptist and Deaconess Hospitals. On Saturday mornings, he went to the office to do

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Like Father, Like Son

After growing up in a house with a basement that “looked like an anatomy lab” and seeing his first pictures of the bowel at age 5, Steven F. Nezhad, MD, decided to become a gastroenterologist like his father. What’s more, he chose to do his GI fellowship at Lahey Clinic, as his father had before him.

Manouchehr F. Nezhad, MD, came to Lahey Clinic as a fellow in 1961 following an internship at the Hospital for Joint Diseases and a residency at Bronx Lebanon Hospital in New York. A graduate of Tehran University Medical School, he returned there as an assistant professor

after completing his fellowship. In 1966, he came back to the U. S. to practice medicine in Waterbury, Conn., and became a teaching attending physician at the Yale-affiliated Waterbury Hospital. In 1999, he retired, although he remains active with his GI Journal Club and medical school alumni association. He also enjoys reading, traveling, gardening, using the computer, and an occasional game of golf.

Meanwhile, his son’s career has just begun. The younger Nezhad completed the GI fellowship program in June and then was asked to join the Department of Gastroenterology at Lahey Clinic Northshore in Peabody,

Mass. A graduate of Hamilton College and the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, he was a resident in internal medicine at Maine Medical Center before coming to the Clinic.

“My training at Lahey was excellent,” he says. “I will be forever indebted to my mentors. Even now, I can still hear their voices giving advice like, ‘Keep the scope straight, doctor, no loops.’ It was a great experience; that’s largely why I stayed.” ■

Customized Care

A new state-of-the-art Varian 2100 ECX linear accelerator is helping radiation oncologists provide patients with enhanced cancer care. The technologically advanced radiation device allows doctors to customize treatment to meet the specific needs of each patient.

Radiation therapy fields can now be preprogrammed using a computerized treatment planning system. Computer software determines the radiation pathways that destroy tumor cells best but protect healthy tissue as much as possible.

“The new linear accelerator makes possible intensity modulated radiation therapy,” says J. Robert Cassady, MD, chair, Radiation Oncology. “This should make treatment of complex cases with radiation easier and quicker. It also allows improved documentation of treatment.”

The new accelerator largely eliminates the need for shielding healthy tissue with lead blocks and repositioning of the machine. Instead “multileaf collimators” or computer-controlled devices define the radiation field and shift position as the machine rotates around the patient.

“Complex treatments are now sped up, to the benefit of both patients and staff,” says Cassady. “From a staff perspective, there are fewer injuries resulting from lifting the blocks, which weigh anywhere from 10 to 30 pounds. And because patients have to stay still for a shorter period of time, positioning errors are minimized.” ■

The Katie Couric Effect

Lahey patients have been signing up for colonoscopies ever since NBC television host Katie Couric had her colon examined on the air in March 2000. In fact, in a recent issue of *Archives of Internal Medicine*, researchers noted colon-cancer screenings have recently increased 20 percent nationwide and dubbed the phenomenon the “Katie Couric effect.” Couric, whose husband died of colon cancer at age 42, has led a campaign against the disease, which kills more than 56,000 Americans annually.

The discovery and removal of polyps can often prevent colorectal cancer. “With other cancers, such as breast, prostate, and skin, the best you can do is early detection,” says Andrew S. Warner, MD, Department of Gastroenterology. “By publicizing the obvious benefit of screening for colon cancer, Ms. Couric will probably save lives.”

But David J. Schoetz, Jr., MD, Department of Colon and Rectal Surgery, warns, “‘The Katie Couric effect’ is a very real and potentially dangerous issue in this country. The fact of the matter is that there are not enough trained colonoscopists to do the anticipated volume of colonoscopies.”

The current demand for screening at Lahey is so high that the wait is more than a year. “A while ago, the American Cancer Society stated that only 30 percent of eligible patients were getting screened,” says Patricia L. Roberts, MD, Colon and Rectal Surgery, “so I think it is great that there is increased awareness about colorectal screening.” But she notes, “Screening for ‘average risk’ individuals is recommended at age 50, not at 40 as Ms. Couric has suggested.”

She also cautions, “Screening decreases the risk of colorectal cancer but does not absolutely prevent it.”

Plus colonoscopy is not considered an ideal screening test. “While the risk of complications from the procedure is low,” says Roberts, “perforations, significant bleeding, and even death can occur.”

Adds Warner, “There is debate about the best and most cost-effective way to screen for colon cancer, with options being colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy with fecal occult stool tests, barium enema, and CT colongraphy. However, most physicians who debate the various options will themselves choose to have a colonoscopy, since it is the ‘gold standard.’” ■

Lahey's Expansion: Building on Our Strengths

In the past 80 years, Lahey Clinic has grown from a handful of specialists to 400 plus physicians as well as more than 4,000 nurses, technicians, and other staff. Today its main facility in Burlington is a comprehensive multi-specialty outpatient clinic with a 257-bed hospital and a trauma center. Doctors and other staff care for more than 3,000 patients each day. That adds up to over one million patient visits per year. In addition, more than 140 residents and fellows currently train at the Clinic. And many medical staff and trainees are actively engaged in clinical and basic research.

These are just some of the vital statistics that David M. Barrett, MD, chief

executive officer and chair of the Board of Governors, shared with alumni when he spoke at the recent reunion. He described how Lahey now includes major facilities in Burlington, Peabody, and Lexington, and community group practices in towns and cities throughout eastern Massachusetts. Seventy communities in the state are home to 1,000 patients or more, he noted.

To meet the health care needs of its patients and position the Clinic for continued growth, Lahey is undertaking a major facility expansion. "In 2002, we worked together to develop a long-term strategic plan that builds on our strengths and reflects the needs of our patients," Barrett said.

The resulting proposed expansion will

- add new operating rooms and 80 beds;
- create a heart and vascular center;
- construct the Sophia and Bernard Gordon Cancer Center; and
- add a parking structure reserved for patients and visitors.

The expanded facility will also feature a new ambulatory surgery center as well as cardiac care and intensive care beds.

"The expansion will reduce ER diversions, address growing health care demands, and support all medical services," concluded Barrett. ■

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dictation, and on Sundays, he did hospital rounds. His daughter, Alice Fromer Leighton, one of four children, recalls being dropped at Sunday school in Newton before her father drove into Boston to see patients.

"He was totally committed to his work," says Samuel L. Moschella, MD, Dermatology. "He loved to see patients and saw them by the numbers. He was also very active in medical societies."

In 1972 he was elected vice president of the American Academy of Dermatology.

In addition to teaching residents at Lahey, Fromer taught and attended conferences one day a week at Massachusetts General Hospital, where he was on the staff for 50 years. He also lectured to nurses at the Deaconess and Baptist, where he was a favorite.

In 1945, he "went to war," but he never got any further than Fort Devens in Massachusetts, where he was an Army physician for five years. According to Fromer, they wanted to send him to Africa and other places, but Lahey wouldn't allow it.

Before leaving for Fort Devens, he hired his own replacement, Harriet



John L. Fromer, MD

James, MD, whom he describes as a "wonderful clinician." When he returned, they worked together for many years. (The department consisted of just the two of them until 1963 when a third physician was hired.)

Fromer was a pioneer in clinical radiotherapy. In the mid-1950s, he helped to develop the use of the electron beam at the Massachusetts

Institute of Technology (MIT) with Ferdinand Salzman, MD (RO'50), and John G. Trump, DSc. "We tried using the electron beam for mycosis fungoides," says Fromer, "and it was a big success." Doctors initially treated patients with the skin cancer at MIT, but later, the electron beam was moved to Burlington.

He takes pride in having hired three accomplished physicians who are still on the Lahey staff today—Drs. Moschella, E. Laurie Tolman, and John M. O'Loughlin. And as a long-time advocate of relocating the Clinic to the suburbs, he is delighted with the success it has achieved in its present location.

Fromer, however, left two years before Lahey's move to Burlington because of a mandatory age 65 retirement policy. He continued to practice, though, until he was 88. "After leaving Lahey Clinic, I went into private practice," says Fromer. "I spent a day each in Saugus, Needham, and Nashua, New Hampshire."

Today he lives in Natick but has a summer home in Islesboro, Maine, and enjoys bragging that he's nearly 100. "If he could have his way," says his daughter Alice, "he'd still be seeing patients." ■

Wallace was walking in the front door with her old brown instrument bag.

"May I carry that for you, Miss Wallace?" Ficarra asked. She didn't say yes or no; she just handed him the bag.

"Oh, my Lord, she doesn't even say good morning to me," Ficarra thought. While he carried the bag, he said, "I'm Dr. Ficarra."

"I know who you are," she replied.

When they reached the nurses' anteroom, he humbly said, "Miss Wallace, I'm coming on your team, and I hope you will teach me surgery."

At this point, Ficarra had already had five years of training at the Kings County Hospital, the municipal teaching hospital of the State University of New York Health Center in Brooklyn, N.Y. As chief resident there, he had many hundreds of surgical patients under his supervision. But he realized he was new to the Lahey-Wallace team, which had been together for 27 years. (Ficarra notes Lahey never had to ask for an instrument, he just put out his hand, and Wallace gave him the proper one.)

"I learned a great deal from her," says Ficarra, "When I left the Lahey Clinic, I asked her if she would buy me a complete set of Lahey instruments. She did, and I used them for 50 years during my surgical practice. I took excellent care of those instruments, which include the Lahey double hook and the Lahey Clinic clamp."

As he worked across from the great surgeon, Ficarra came to share Lahey's interest and expertise in gastrectomies and thyroidectomies. He also discovered that Lahey had a humane side. He recounts a time when Lahey operated on a doctor's mother for colon cancer, which was attached to the veins of the sacrum. When he removed the cancer, the patient bled to death.

"Dr. Lahey asked me to close up the wound, and he went out of the room," says Ficarra. "We got ready for the next operation, but we could not find Dr. Lahey. So Blanche Wallace sent me to look for him. I looked every-



Bernard J. Ficarra, MD, after a lecture at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., in 2002

where, and eventually, I found him in a stairwell crying. Very few people knew that side of him."

The nearly 90-year-old Ficarra says one of the greatest days of his life occurred when the Deaconess amphitheater was crowded with at least 100 visitors there to see the famous Frank Lahey operate. As was customary, Ficarra and Blanche Wallace prepared the patient for surgery before Lahey entered the room.

"Dr. Lahey would always put his head in the door before he put on his operating gown and say good morning," says Ficarra, "then ask the first assistant if there were any problems."

On this particular morning, when he came in to start surgery, a visiting

physician from South America asked, "Dr. Lahey, can you tell us something about thyrouacil?"

"Yes, I will," replied Lahey, who at the time was busy studying about this new anti-thyroid drug. And he picked up a piece of chalk and began writing the drug's formula on a blackboard in the operating room. After about five or ten minutes of lecturing, Lahey realized that the patient was under anesthesia and said, "Dr. Ficarra, will you start the operation."

"Well, Dr. Lahey kept talking, and I kept operating," says Ficarra. "I was in my glory! Dr. Lahey turned from the blackboard and watched me operate. Then he turned to the audience with the chalk still in his hand and said 'Now you men,'—there were no women in the audience — 'you observe how Dr. Ficarra is doing this thyroidec-tomy in the manner in which we taught him.' And he went on and mentioned my name about five times, and every time he did the adrenaline went to my heart and brain. The more he mentioned my name, the greater show I put on. I imitated Dr. Lahey's technique as if it were a photograph.

"And I imitated Dr. Lahey's method all my life. The happiest days of my professional career were at the Lahey Clinic when I was assistant to Dr. Lahey.

"I still have a letter from Dr. Lahey and an autographed photograph that is an exact copy of the portrait hanging in the Clinic's lobby," he adds. "In the right upper quadrant of the photograph, Dr. Lahey wrote, 'To Bernard J. Ficarra, an able assistant.'" ■

✧ In Memoriam ✧

Recent alumni losses include:

Robert F. Bradley, MD (IM'48)

Edmund W. Campbell, MD (IM)

William I. Coldwell, Jr., MD (IM'48)

Edward V. Dillon, MD (GS'57)

Luis Estrada, MD (GS'55)

Oliver B. Johnston, MD (ORS'61)

Charles J. Lemmon, Jr., MD (GS'43, NS'46)

H. Eugene Reese, MD (IM'52)

Robert W. Sjogren, Sr., MD (GE, IM'51)

John H. Vansant, MD (GS, CTS'59)

Postgraduate Recognition Day

In June, 69 residents and fellows joined the ranks of Lahey Clinic alumni. Guy T. Napolitana, MD, Alumni Association executive director and chair of the Postgraduate Recognition Day Planning Committee, welcomed the new graduates and guests.

Then residents and fellows presented research papers judged to be meritorious by a review committee of Lahey Clinic physicians, headed by John A. Collier, MD, Department of Colon and Rectal Surgery. The papers presented this year were:

- “De Novo Overlap Syndrome of Primary Biliary Cirrhosis and Autoimmune Hepatitis Post-Liver Transplantation” by Andrew P. Keaveny, MD, Hepatobiliary Surgery and Liver Transplantation Fellow
- “Identification of FGFR3 Mutations in Urine Sediment DNA Complements Cytology in Bladder Tumor Detection” by Arthur Mourtzinis, MD, Urology Resident
- “Comparison of CT Angiography and Digital Subtraction Angiography Prior to Right Lobe Donation for Live Donor Adult Liver Transplantation” by Christoph Wald, MD, PhD, Diagnostic Radiology Resident
- “Early Treatment of Cystoid Macular Edema Secondary to Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion with Intravitreal Triamcinolone Acetonide” by Meher Yepremyan, MD, Ophthalmology Resident

Following the presentations, David J. Schoetz, Jr., MD, of the Department of Colon and Rectal Surgery and chair of Medical Education, made remarks in honor of the fellows and residents. He stressed the importance of education as a primary mission of Lahey Clinic.

“Postgraduate Recognition Day is a celebration of the trainees’ central importance to our medical staff,” says Schoetz. “The training of residents and fellows reinvigorates the medical staff and forces us to perform better to be more effective teachers. Ultimately, our patients are the ones who benefit from the presence of trainees.” ■



Among the award winners at Postgraduate Recognition Day were (left to right): Arthur Mourtzinis, MD, Urology; Christoph Wald, MD, PhD, Radiology; and Andrew Keaveny, MD, Liver Transplantation.

Newest LCMC Alumni 2003

Anesthesiology

Elzbieta Kos, MD
Chander Mishra, MD
Shilpa Shah, MD
Ivan Valovski, MD
Olga Volfson, MD

Cardiology

Ayman S. Iskander, MD
Rizwan Khan, MD
Timothy J. Alikakos, MD
Atasu K. Nayak, MD
Erik A. Cohen, MD
Vinay Sanghi, MD

Cardiology/Electrophysiology

Arsad Karcic, MD

Colon/Rectal Surgery

Joshua M. Braveman, MD
David E. Rivadeneira, MD

Dermatology

Nanette J. Kwon, MD

Diagnostic Radiology

Dmitry Elentuck, MD
Nayyer U. Islam, MD
Anita A. Uppin, MD
Christoph Wald, MD, PhD

Gastroenterology

Craig M. Ellison, MD
Steven F. Nezhad, MD

General Surgery

Theodore D. Edson, MD
Ean R. James, MD
Jennifer A. Mcquade, MD
Maromi K. Sakurai, MD
Samuel H. Shuffler, MD
(GS/U)

Hepatobiliary and Liver Transplant Surgery

Edward D. Kreske, MD
Andrew P. Keaveny, MD

Internal Medicine

Asma M. Al-Olama, MD
Christine S. Ament, MD
Tracy A. Timms Balboni, MD
Amy E. Barto, MD
Vincent A. Bilello, MD
Terry T. Chiou, MD
Ninoo S. Devidoss, MD
Henry Duke, MD
Daniella Floru, MD
William T. Ford, MD
Thomas A. Fry, MD

Dinamarie Garcia-Banigan, MD, PhD

Melissa A. Hession, MD
Richard D. Hollister, MD
Supriya Jagannath, MD
Robert P. Kelleher, MD
Alexandra Mangili, MD
Maryellen Morris Sun, MD
Kevin J. Yeh, MD

Interventional Neuroradiology

Toru Koizumi, MD

Laboratory Medicine

Francesco G. Derosa, MD

Neurology

Aaron C. Heide, MD (Stroke Fellow)
Monique M. Ryan, MD
(Neurology/EMG Fellow)

Orthopaedic Surgery

Michael E. Ayers, MD
Timothy Bhattacharyya, MD
Eric G. Bonenberger, MD
Rafael Levin, MD
Jonathan W. Surdam, MD
William W. Whang, MD

Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

Timothy J. Germain, MD
(PRS/GS)
Andrea M. Doyle, MD

Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine

David Wolf, PsyD

Pulmonary Medicine/Critical Care Medicine

Carla R. Lamb, MD
Marya A. Koza, MD (PUD/IM)
David J. Shaz, MD

Pulmonary Medicine/Sleep Medicine

Yousuf A. Dawoodjee, MD

Urology

Michael J. Michaels, MD
(U/GS)
Alireza Moinzadeh, MD
John T. Stoffel, MD

Continuing Medical Education

Attend a medical education course and save! Alumni who have paid their annual dues are eligible for a 25 percent reduction on registration fees for Lahey Clinic continuing medical education courses. Upcoming courses in 2004 include:

March 31 – April 3

***Interventional Pulmonology
Therapeutic Bronchoscopy,
Medical Thoracoscopy,
Percutaneous Tracheostomy***

*Lahey Clinic Medical Center,
Burlington, Mass.*

Course Director:

John F. Beamis, Jr., MD

June 5

***Third Annual ENT Update for
Primary Care Providers***

*Lahey Clinic Medical Center,
Burlington, Mass.*

Course Director:

Robert Dolan, MD

June 19 – 22

***Cardiovascular Disease:
State of the Art 2004***

*Ocean Edge Resort
and Conference Center
Brewster, Cape Cod, Mass.*

*Course Directors: Albert B. Levin, MD,
and Sherif B. Labib, MD*

To register, call Continuing Medical Education at 781-744-8969.

For further information on upcoming courses, see Lahey's Web site at www.lahey.org. (From the home page, select "For Health Care Professionals," then choose "Physicians" from the left-hand navigation menu, and you will find the CME listing.)

LECTURES AT LAHEY

The Molly Abrano Lecture "Cystic Fibrosis"

Andrew Colin, MD

Clinical Director of Pulmonary Medicine,
Associate in Medicine, Children's Hospital, Boston

Friday, November 21, 2003

7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. Lecture

Alumni Auditorium

Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Burlington

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17th Annual David P. Boyd Lecture in Cardiothoracic Surgery

William C. Nugent, MD

Section Chief of Cardiothoracic Surgery,
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center,
Lebanon, N.H.

Wednesday, December 3, 2003

7:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

7:30 a.m. Lecture

Alumni Auditorium

Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Burlington



*Henry C. Bodenheimer, Jr., MD, chief of Digestive Diseases at
Beth Israel Medical Center in New York (center), spoke
on "Evaluation and Treatment of Hepatitis" at the Tenth
Annual Robert E. Crozier, MD, Lecture in Gastroenterology
on October 3. Here he is joined by Crozier (left) and
Andrew S. Warner, MD, chair, Gastroenterology.*