

Partners Asthma Center Faculty Newsletter

Excellence in asthma care for children and adults



*Brigham and Women's
Hospital*

*Massachusetts General
Hospital*

Faulkner Hospital

*Newton-Wellesley
Hospital*

*North Shore Medical
Center*



Dinner-Dance and Silent Auction Joins Drazen Visiting Professorship 2009

You are invited!

Thursday evening, October 1, Partners Asthma Center will celebrate its 20th anniversary, having begun in 1989 as the Longwood Medical Area Adult Asthma Center, before morphing to become an official Center at Partners in 1997.

We have much to celebrate. Here are some of the highlights planned for this event:

19th Asthma Center Visiting Professor and
9th Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor:

**Monica Kraft, M.D., Director of the Asthma, Allergy,
and Airway Disease Center at Duke**

2009 Partners Asthma Center Awardee:
State Representative Jeffrey Sanchez

Lifetime Achievement in Asthma Awardee:

Albert L. Sheffer, M.D.

Mistress of Ceremonies:

Mallika Marshall, M.D. (WBZ-TV)

Here's how you can help: 1) Contribute an item to the silent auction; 2) Make a voluntary donation for dinner-dance tickets (\$100 per ticket); and 3) Come to the gala ... and bring your family and friends!



Asthma Grand Rounds 2009-10: NEW TIME

Partners Asthma Center's *Asthma Grand Rounds* series is moving to a new time. Starting with this season's first lecture in September, *Asthma Grand Rounds* will be held on Fridays at **12 noon**.

The precipitating event for the time change was the decision by the Department of Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital to change the time of its Medical Grand Rounds to 8 a.m. The consequence of the time change may be that *Asthma Grand Rounds* will no longer fall in the middle of resident and fellow work-rounds nor conflict with Medical Grand Rounds at North Shore Medical Center. We will continue to provide live videoconferencing of *Asthma Grand Rounds* to the Cox 2 conference room at MGH and to Macomber 4 Conference Room at Salem Hospital.

September 4, 2009

Novel Imaging Techniques in Asthma: What Have They Taught Us?

Scott Harris, M.D.

November 13, 2009

Panel Discussion: Treatment of Mild Asthma

*Kenan Haver, M.D., Elliot Israel, M.D.,
Bruce Levy, M.D., and James MacLean, M.D.*

January 15, 2010

Diet and Asthma: Exploring the Link

Augusto Litonjua, M.D., M.P.H.

March 5, 2010

Dendritic Cells in Asthma: Linking Innate and Adaptive Immunity

Nora Barrett, M.D.

June 4, 2010

Guidelines for the Evaluation and Management of Difficult Asthma

Christopher Fanta, M.D. and Aidan Long, M.D.

Annual Partners Asthma Center Picnic

Good food.
Comraderie.
Vitamin D!!

Come join in the festivities: the annual Partners Asthma Center picnic at the home of the Fantas

Sunday, September 13

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Bring your family ... and enjoy!

News from Boston Asthma Centers Coalition

Under the leadership of Partners Asthma Center, the Boston Asthma Centers Coalition continues to explore opportunities to reduce asthma morbidity in inner-city communities in Boston. We are collaborating with the Boston Public Health Commission and have the support of the Environmental Protection Agency via its Center for Asthma and Schools, part of the Indoor Environments Division.

An initiative currently being discussed by this group is a Boston Asthma Registry, similar to the Asthma Registry model implemented with great success by Dr. David Link via the Cambridge Health Alliance. If you are interested in participating in this project, give a call (Chris Fanta at 617-732-4353) or e-mail.





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Save the Dates

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**Jeffrey M. Drazen, M.D. Visiting Professor Dinner and
20th Anniversary Dinner-Dance and Silent Auction**

Thursday, October 1, 2009



Summer, 2009