Gifts and Trailblazers

In November, I wrote about the power of gratitude and being thankful. This month, with the holiday season in full force, I would like to extend our gratitude to include the many gifts we have in the network. Among these gifts are countless clinicians, administrators and support staff. Each individual gives so much to their profession and is an integral part of the mission of Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN). The three physicians spotlighted below have retired or will be retiring this year, and are examples of this – they have given, collectively, 100 years of service to the network and will be missed greatly.

Bala Carver, MD, joined our medical staff 40 years ago. After starting her professional career as a general pathologist, she returned to school and obtained subspecialty certification in transfusion medicine. In 1979, she started the apheresis program at The Allentown Hospital, which revolutionized the management of patients experiencing side effects of chemotherapy as well as those with serious hematologic and neurologic conditions. Before establishing these programs, patients had to leave the Lehigh Valley to receive care for these conditions.

Similarly, Carver used her unique skill set to develop the human leukocyte antigen (HLA) lab – a key component to the success of our kidney transplant program, which performed its first transplant 26 years ago. Finally, she has not only served on multiple committees within the network but has also held numerous leadership appointments at institutions including the Greater Philadelphia Hospital Blood Bank Association and Miller-Keystone Blood Center.

Karen Bretz, MD, joined our medical staff and our Anesthesia Department in 1987 after completing medical school and residency training at Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia. In addition to serving as the Vice Chair of Quality Assurance in her department, she also contributed to numerous hospital committees including the IRB Committee, the Technology Assessment Committee, and the LVPHO Care Management Committee. She served faithfully for 27 years as the chair of the Code Blue Committee.

Lisa Baker Vaughn, MD, has officially been a member of our medical staff for 30 years as part of the Obstetrics
and Gynecology Department. Prior to starting as an attending physician, she was a trainee in our residency program where also she served as the program’s Chief Resident. Lisa has been one of the most popular women’s health providers within the department, being recognized numerous times by the community she served as a People’s Choice Award recipient, for the excellent, patient-centered care she provided day in and day out.

All three of these physicians have devoted their entire careers to caring for patients in the Lehigh Valley and at LVHN. They gave back not only as clinicians but also as administrators, as educators and mentors, and as leaders within their respective departments. Finally, these women are trailblazers, leading the way for young female medical students, residents and attendings while making a profound impact locally on medicine and our medical staff.

Today, 34 percent of our medical staff are women. In 1962, when Carver began her journey in medicine, only 8 percent of students entering medical school were female. LVHN has always been in the forefront of gender equity and diversity, but certainly these three physicians faced unique challenges in medicine simply because of their gender.

I recently received a message from Carver in which she stated: “... It has been challenging to be a woman in medicine, especially when I started. … In spite of a few difficult moments during my time at LVHN, I am thankful to not only have survived but also thrived. I am grateful to have had a professional life that was both fulfilling and rewarding.”

Thanks to these three doctors, and many other similar physician leaders, women now make up 45.6 percent of new entrants to U.S. medical schools and are an entering majority in 36 schools in this country.

Doctors Carver, Bretz and Baker-Vaughn have been great assets to the network. With their departure, LVHN will be a much different place. On a personal level, I will miss working with Karen in the operating room, calling Lisa my partner in the department of OB/GYN, and simply catching up with Bala in the physician lounge – where if either of us had the time we could chat for days. This organization owes each of these incredible women a debt of gratitude. They have been special “gifts” to us, their professions and medicine. We wish them happiness in the next chapters of their lives.

Joseph E. Patruno, MD
Medical Staff President
Physicians: Please Participate in Maslach Burnout Inventory Survey

Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) Medical Staff Services made the Maslach Burnout Inventory survey available to our member physicians online in early November and it will continue to be accessible throughout December. All physicians are encouraged to take the survey so an accurate assessment of burnout among our medical staff can be achieved.

One wellness initiative instituted by the network is to assess the level of burnout among members of the medical staff so we can better tailor programs to address this important issue. We are using the Maslach Burnout Inventory, a validated tool, along with some demographic questions, to get a better gauge of how our providers are doing. The survey is part of a larger, network-wide study examining the issue of burnout in health care.

The survey is confidential and anonymous. It has been available only to physicians on our medical staff. You should have received an email notification regarding accessing the survey. If you haven’t, please contact Suzanne Templer, MD, Chief Wellness Officer, at Suzanne_J.Templer@lvhn.org.

The survey also will be offered at various meetings in December.

Medical Staff Services leadership is very grateful to those who have taken the time to complete the survey, as by the end of November we were more than halfway to our goal of 700 physicians.
LVHN Sites Earn Certified Quality Breast Center of Excellence in the National Quality Measures for Breast Centers

The National Consortium of Breast Centers has granted Certified Quality Breast Center of Excellence™ in the National Quality Measure for Breast Centers to Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) facilities, including Breast Health Services sites in the Lehigh Valley and Lehigh Valley Hospital–Pocono.

This is the consortium’s highest certification level. It recognizes a center’s quality performance as meeting quality standards criteria. A Certified Quality Breast Center of Excellence must have supplied 90 percent of the measures for which its quality breast center should be able to measure performance.

LVHN has the only two comprehensive breast centers with the Certified Quality Breast Center of Excellence designation in Pennsylvania.

*For questions or feedback on this article, contact Catherine Taranto, Program Director, Breast Health Services, at 610-402-8132*
John Smulian, MD, MPH, Honored by March of Dimes

John Smulian, MD, MPH, Vice Chair of Lehigh Valley Health Network's (LVHN) Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Chief of the Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine, has been selected as 2017 Physician of the Year by the March of Dimes, Northeast Pennsylvania Market.

A longtime member of the organization’s regional board of directors and statewide maternal and child health committee, Smulian has been involved in the selection of the annual March of Dimes’ Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Nurse of the Year award, which has been revealed at the annual Signature Chef Auction since 2012. The event is a March of Dimes tradition nationwide where local chefs’ creations are sampled in association with silent and live auctions to support research and education concerning preterm birth. This year, the Northeast Pennsylvania Market auction was held Oct. 16 at the Mack Customer Center in Allentown.

In 2014, the board added a NICU Physician of the Year award to the festivities. Smulian found himself nominated for the award each year since its inception on the strength of his contributions to the March of Dimes, but has declined being considered because he wasn’t a NICU physician. This year, the board voted to drop the NICU distinction from the award and take the opportunity to honor Smulian.

Smulian arrived at LVHN in 2008 after a long career with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey–Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, where he was Director, Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine and Director of Perinatal Research.

*For questions or feedback on this article, contact Dawn Colon, Executive Secretary, at 484-644-7521.*
Cochrane Clinical Answers Now Available

The Library Services subscription to the Cochrane Collection now includes Cochrane Clinical Answers. Cochrane Clinical Answers provides a readable, digestible, clinically focused entry point to rigorous research from Cochrane systematic reviews. They are designed to be actionable and to inform decision making at the point of care.

Each Cochrane Clinical Answer contains a clinical question, a short answer and an opportunity to “drill down” to the evidence from relevant Cochrane reviews. The evidence is displayed in a user-friendly format, mixing narrative, numbers and graphics. The target audience for Cochrane Clinical Answers is health care practitioners and professionals, and other informed health care decision-makers.

Other resources that are part of the Cochrane collection include:

- **Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews** – Full text reports of clinical research reviewed by the Cochrane Collaboration
- **Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials** – Details on controlled trials including title, publication information and abstract if available; no full text articles
- **Cochrane Methodology Register** – Bibliography of publications on methods used to conduct controlled trials

To access Cochrane Clinical Answers through the Digital Library:

- **Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)–Cedar Crest, LVH–17th Street and LVH–Muhlenberg**
  - In Epic, choose Library Services under WebLinks then click on Cochrane Clinical Answers.
  - From the LVHN intranet homepage, click on Find Fast/Library Services and then click on Cochrane Clinical Answers.

- **LVH–Hazleton**
  - From the LVH–H intranet homepage, click on Library Services then click on Cochrane Clinical Answers.

- **LVH–Schuylkill**
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- **LVH–Pocono**
  - Please note not all eBooks are currently available at your site. From the LVH–P intranet homepage, click on LVHN Links and then click on Library Services\Patient Ed then click on Cochrane Clinical Answers.

*For questions or feedback on this article, contact Linda Matula Schwartz, Director, Department of Education, Educational Infrastructure, at 610-402-5290.*
December 2017 Papers, Publications and Presentations

- Alaina Garrie, DO, of the Department of Family Medicine, co-authored an article, “New vein compression entities in patients with unexplained leg swelling.” It was published June 21, 2017, online ahead of print in the Annals of Vascular Surgery.

- Gillian Beauchamp, MD, Alexandra Amaducci, DO, and Matthew Cook, DO, of the Department of Emergency Medicine, co-authored an article, “Caffeine toxicity: a brief review and update.” It was published in Clinical Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Volume 18, Number 3, September 2017.

- Gillian Beauchamp, MD, of the Department of Emergency Medicine, co-authored an article, “Sex as a biological variable in emergency medicine research and clinical practice: a brief narrative review.” It was published Oct. 6, 2017, online ahead of print in the Western Journal of Emergency Medicine.

- William Miller, MD, of the Department of Family Medicine, co-authored three articles: “Uncovering the wisdom hidden between the lines: the Collaborative Reflexive Deliberative Approach,” “Dimensions and intensity of inter-professional teamwork in primary care: evidence from five international jurisdictions” and “Contextual levers for team-based primary care: lessons from reform interventions in five jurisdictions in three countries” were published Oct. 23, 2017, online ahead of print in Family Practice.

- Nicole Defenbaugh, PhD, of the Department of Family Medicine, contributed a chapter, “Temporal reflections of UC remission: an autoethnography of body image and acceptance,” to the book “Reifying women’s experiences with invisible illness: illusions, delusions, reality,” edited by Kesha Morant Williams and Frances Selena Morant.

- Julie Dostal, MD, of the Department of Family Medicine, co-presented “Beyond the four walls of primary care offices: preliminary findings of an innovative and interdisciplinary approach to elderly primary care” at the American Public Health Association’s annual meeting in Atlanta, Nov. 4-8, 2017.
December 2017 Upcoming Seminars, Conferences and Meetings

Department of Education Conferences

- 1-2 – Ninth Annual Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology Conference with Hands-On Fetal Echocardiography; LVH–Cedar Crest, Auditorium
- 2 – Cardiology for the Primary Care Physician; University Center, DeSales University, Center Valley
- 26-28 – Department of Anesthesiology Eighth Annual Winter Retreat Conference; Bear Creek Mountain Resort, Macungie

*For more information, call 610 402 2277, option 1, or go.activecalendar.com/LVHN-DOE.*

Pediatric Grand Rounds

- 12 – Sports Nutrition/Performance Enhancing Drug Talk, with Matthew Silvis, MD, of Penn State Hershey; LVH–Cedar Crest Kasych Family Pavilion ECC Room 6, 8-9 a.m.
- 19 – Topic TBD, with Jeanette Taveras, DO, PGY–III; LVH–Cedar Crest Kasych Family Pavilion ECC Room 6, 8-9 a.m.

*For more information, contact Cari Cleffi in the Department of Pediatrics at 484-862-3131.*
Who’s New—December 2017

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New Appointments
Effective Dec. 5, 2017

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LVH–S

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Resignations

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Emergency Medicine  
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Active  
LVH LVH–M LVH–H  
10/31/2017

Bernice L. Robinson-Bennett, MD  
Obstetrics and Gynecology  
Gynecology Oncology  
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Active  
LVH–S  
10/13/2017

Amber H. Iqbal, DO  
Medicine  
Hematology-Medical Oncology  
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Provisional Active  
LVH LVH–M  
10/09/2017

Clarissa J. Liew, MD  
Medicine  
Neurology
Jeffrey A. Null, MD  
Pathology and Laboratory Medicine  
Anatomic Pathology  
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Active  
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11/01/2017

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Pediatrics  
Pediatric Subspecialties  
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LVH LVH–M  
05/08/2017

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Pediatrics  
General Pediatrics  
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Provisional Active  
LVH LVH–M  
11/06/2017

Jeffrey T. Yaiko, MD  
Anesthesiology  
(EmCare)  
Provisional Active  
LVH–S  
10/23/2017

Steven M. Young, DO  
Medicine  
Nephrology  
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Active  
LVH–H  
10/31/2017
**Status Change**

Justin L. Guthier, DO  
Medicine  
General Internal Medicine  
From: Lehigh Valley Physicians Practice  
To: Afterhours Physician Coverage Group  
From: Active  
To: Limited Duty  
LVH LVH–M  
12/05/2017

**Voluntary Relinquishment of Privileges**

Kenneth J. Cavorsi, MD  
Radiology-Diagnostic Medical Imaging  
Diagnostic Radiology  
Chest Radiology  
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Moderate Sedation-Adults  
Active  
LVH LVH–M LVH–H LVH–S  
12/05/2017

**Name Change**

Laura C. Bailey, CRNP, changed to Laura C. Swensen, CRNP  
LVPG Geriatric Medicine–17th Street  
Medicine  
Geriatrics/General Internal Medicine

Kristen P. Kametz, CRNP, changed to Kristen P. Lissenden, CRNP  
LVPG–Emergency Medicine  
LVH Pediatric Inpatient Care  
Emergency and Hospital Medicine  
Pediatric Emergency Medicine/Emergency Medicine

Evett Vega, LCSW, changed to Evett Key, LCSW  
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Psychiatry  
Psychiatric Ambulatory Care
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LVH–S

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LVH LVH–M

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LVH–S

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LVH LVH–M

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LVH–M

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LVH–M

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LVH–M

Resignations

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LVH LVH–M LVH–H
09/22/2017

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Allied Health
LVH LVH–M
11/06/2017

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LVH LVH–M
11/14/2017

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LVH LVH–M
09/29/2017

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LVH LVH–M LVH–S
10/22/2017

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Allied Health
LVH–S
10/15/2017

Jessica L. Yoder, CRNA
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
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Allied Health
LVH–S
10/15/2017

**Change of Supervising Physician**

Albert W. Adomitis, CRNACertified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
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To: Randy S. Cohen, MD
Allied Health
LVH–H
12/05/2017

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To: Uchenna C. Uzoukwu, MD
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LVH–S
12/05/2017

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12/05/2017

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LVH–H
12/05/2017

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To: Randy S. Cohen, MD  
Allied Health  
LVH–H  
12/05/2017

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To: Randy S. Cohen, MD  
Allied Health  
LVH–H  
12/05/2017

**Change of Supervising Physician and Group-Due to Slot Approval**

Courtney L. Highleyman, CRNP  
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To: OACIS Services – Jennifer Allen, MD  
Allied Health  
LVH LVH–M  
12/05/2017
Volunteer APCs Sought for Task Force

The Advanced Practice Clinicians (APC) Executive Council is organizing a task force whose members will assist APCs who are new to Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN).

They will help new APC graduates and hires familiarize themselves with the top 10 most common clinical diagnoses during their first six months on the job. Volunteer APCs are invited to be subject matter experts and help associate evidence-based articles, videos and presentations already prepared by network colleagues.

APCs interested in participating should contact Michele C.G. Hartzell, PA-C, MBA, President, LVHN APC Executive Council, at michele.hartzell@lvhn.org or 610 653 5792 by Jan. 5, 2018.