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FROM THE 
PRESIDENT

Physician Fitness

September 13 was a special day at LVHN. Many of 
us woke up early and assembled near the new Fish 
Hatchery Road entrance to begin the second annual 
LVHN Marathon for Via. There were 2,230 runners 
with 11 percent of the participants working at LVHN. 
Of the roughly 230 LVHN people running, 40 were 
physicians. There were several ways to participate in 
the race. Most of us joined relay teams of five run-
ers who took turns winding our way along the 26.2 
mile course from the LVHN parking lot in Allentown 
to Easton’s Centre Square. Each leg ranged from 3.6 
to 6.5 miles. Others chose to run the half-marathon 
from Sand Island in Bethlehem to the same finish line 
in Easton while four of our Medical Staff members 
were strong enough to run the entire marathon them-
selves. All told, the event raised more than $90,000 
for Via of the Lehigh Valley, a non-profit organization 
that provides support and services to people with 
developmental disabilities, including autism.

It was wonderful to see so many departments repre-
sented by both attending and resident physicians. 
Following is a listing of the departments and their 
representatives:

Department of Dental 
Medicine
Nicole Miller, DDS*

Department of Emergency 
Medicine
Jack Basile, DO
Brian Berry, DO
Lauren Cipolloni, DO
Steve Conroy, DO
Kate Dewar, DO
Matt Dye, DO
Brian Lovett, MD
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Andy Miller, DO
Mike Nguyen, MD
Timarie Rayburg, DO
Greg Smeriglio, DO
Kevin Vong, DO
Jeremy White, DO
Christine Whyplings, DO

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For our marathon runners, Wayne Dubov finished this, his 8th marathon, in 3 hours, 52 minutes and 58 seconds, only 49 seconds behind Marc Vengrove, who completed his 21st marathon in 3 hours, 52 minutes and 9 seconds. My dentist, Nicole Miller, finished in 5 hours, 9 minutes and 2 seconds to complete her first marathon, and lifelong runner, Ken Zemanek also completed his first official marathon (4 hours, 5 minutes and 34 seconds). Go, Ken, Go!!!

There were also many non-physician, LVHN employees participating in the race such as Chuck Nace and David Freedman from the Blazin’ Bean Counters relay team. Additionally, two of our pharmacists, Melissa Czarnecki and Melodie Wendling, ran on a relay team. It should be noted that Andy Miller, DO, from the Department of Emergency Medicine, and Tom Hutchinson, MD, Chair of OB/GYN, likely would have been running with us had they not been in charge of the emergency medical tents. In fact, I saw Tom as he was hauling off a marathon runner rather quickly on a stretcher!

As physicians, we are often encouraging our patients to exercise, eat well, stay away from cigarettes and use alcohol in moderation. So, as a group, do we practice what we preach? It seems that we do. There is not much literature on the health of physicians as a group, but what is available to us is from an article published by Frank et al in JAMA in 2004. Their data suggests that, as a group, physicians lead healthier lifestyles and have lower mortality rates than the general public. A study of nearly 4 million U.S. men from the National Occupational Mortality Surveillance 1984-1995 database found that male physicians lived longer (average age at death, 73 years) than did lawyers (72 years), all professionals (71 years), and men in the general population (70 years).

There is also evidence that individual differences in personal health practices among physicians have consequences for patient care. Physicians who have healthy personal habits are more likely to discuss related preventive behaviors with their patients. For example, Lewis et al, in a mailed survey of 2,610 internists, found that respondents who exercised frequently were more likely to counsel their patients about exercise, those who wore seat belts more often promoted seat belt use, and non-smokers reported increased efforts to counsel their patients not to smoke.

I was so happy to see all the physicians out participating in this great event and am already looking forward to next year.

Enjoy the Autumn weather!

Matthew M. McCambridge, MD
Medical Staff President

P.S. I am deeply sorry to have forgotten my Trauma colleagues in my “Night Shift Docs” article in the last Progress Notes. Of course, our Trauma physicians have been working in-house at night since the inception of the Trauma program many years ago.

References:
BECOME OUR FAN AND FOLLOWER

We’re venturing into the online social scene, sharing health tips, news and updates through photos, videos and 140 characters or less

Just as you mastered e-mail (and how to receive and send e-mails from your mobile phone), new methods of online communication have emerged: Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and more. It’s called social media—socializing via the Internet—and our health network is fully embracing its possibilities. Here’s an introduction into how we’re engaging our online community and using social media to generate fans and followers.

Be Our Facebook Fan

Originally designed for students of Harvard University to interact online, Facebook quickly grew in popularity. This free service is now the world’s fastest growing social network. It allows you to connect with friends — old and new — by exchanging thoughts, photos, videos and event invitations. You also can become a fan of your favorite foods, places and even organizations, including our health network.

LVHN is using Facebook to share health news, tips and updates about services with our fans and to invite them to events. Become our Facebook fan (facebook.com/lvhealthnetwork) so that you can share our news with your Facebook friends. (If you become a fan, the health network doesn’t have access to your personal information, maintaining your privacy.)

Follow Us on Twitter

Twitter is a free Web service that allows you to communicate in real-time. Each message, called a “tweet,” is 140 characters or less in length. Tweets can be sent and received using computers and mobile devices (phones, etc.). Twitter lets you control how many messages you receive by allowing you to choose who you want to “follow.” Other people can “follow” you to receive your updates.

LVHN is “tweeting” our latest health news and tips and promoting upcoming events and programs. Follow us on Twitter (twitter.com/LVHN) and “re-tweet” our messages to your followers.

Watch Us on YouTube

YouTube is a free online video sharing Web site, in which you can watch and post videos. Videos include first-hand accounts of current events, highlights of people’s hobbies and interests, and instructions on how to complete tasks. You can comment on videos or post videos in response to others posted.

LVHN is sharing videos that highlight colleagues’ stories of passion, health tips and our events. Watch us on YouTube (youtube.com/lvhealthnetwork) and share videos with your online friends. Be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel to receive notices on new video postings.

For more information on social media, contact Kathryn Armstrong, Web Communication Manager, at kathryn.armstrong@lvh.com or 610-402-3177.

Socialize With Caution

While online social networking provides many benefits for you and the health network, it’s important to follow LVHN’s administrative policy and several guidelines while participating, especially when your association with the health network is apparent. These include:

➢ Do not socialize while working; only on your own time. You may not participate in social media from a network computer.

➢ Remember that social media on behalf of the health network is managed by Marketing and Public Affairs. Any official communications made on behalf of the health network must be trafficked through this department.

➢ Socialize in ways that are consistent with our Code of Conduct and PRIDE behaviors.

➢ Read more about our Social Media Policy and our Code of Conduct in the Administrative Manual on the intranet (lvh.com – go to Resources, General, LVHN manuals) and our guidelines at lvhn.org/socialmediaguidelines.
NPO Except Meds – Now a Better Way
A change has been made to the NPO orders that exclude specific meds. The new orders appear in the Nutrition Button, under the “Diets - Main and NPO” list. The new orders are “NPO after midnight except specified meds,” “NPO at specific times except specified meds,” and “NPO for test except specified meds.” These orders require the user to enter the specific med classes that should be given and NOT held (i.e., Give Cardiac Meds, Give Diabetic Meds, etc.). The order reference provides some instruction regarding the various classes of meds. The purpose of these orders is to clarify which med classes can be given despite the NPO order. Please use the appropriate order based on the clinical situation and complete all the fields necessary.

ADI - It’s been nice knowin’ you
As you may have noticed, ADI is being replaced by the newer and more robust DCI (Discharge Instructions) tool. ADI will continue to be used in the NICU. All users are strongly encouraged to learn and use the new DCI tool, which allows you to produce legible, accurate discharge instructions and create prescriptions for the patients. It also is integrated with the Medication Reconciliation application, and can greatly help manage home medications. If training is desired for either DCI or Medication Reconciliation, please contact the I/S Trainers at 610-402-1703.

Medical Staff Dues Deadline — October 15, 2009
On October 1, final notices were faxed to members of the Medical Staff who have not yet paid their annual Medical Staff dues. The deadline for payment of Medical Staff dues is October 15, 2009. As stated in the Medical Staff Bylaws — Article IV, Section A, # 3. — “. . . Any member whose dues are not paid in full by October 15 shall be considered to have voluntarily resigned from the Medical Staff effective as of that date and shall not entitle the member of the provisions of the Fair Hearing and Appellate Review Process. . . .”

If you have any questions regarding Medical Staff dues, please contact Janet M. Seifert in Medical Staff Services at 610-402-8590.

PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Michael D. Pasquale, MD, Senior Vice Chair, Department of Surgery, and Chief, Division of Trauma-Surgical Critical Care, and Robert D. Barraco, MD, Chief, Sections of Geriatric and Pediatric Trauma, were co-authors of an article that was written following a 22-center study with the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma. The article – “Clinical Clearance of the Cervical Spine in Blunt Trauma Patients Younger than 3 Years: A Multi-Center Study of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma” – was published in The Journal of Trauma Injury, Infection, and Critical Care – Volume 67, Number 3, September 2009.

John C. Smulian, MD, Chief, Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, was a co-author of two articles that were recently published. The first article – “Second-Trimester Genetic Ultrasonography” – was published in the August 2009 issue of The Female Patient. The second article – “Thromboembolic Diseases in Families of Women with Placental Abruption” – was published in the September 2009 issue of Epidemiology.
CONGRATULATIONS

Michael A. Rossi, MD, Division of Cardiology and Medical Director, Regional Heart Center, was recently elected to a two-year term on the Executive Council as the Secretary/Treasurer for the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American College of Cardiology. Dr. Rossi, who is also Physician Executive Director of Lehigh Valley Physician Group, joined the hospital’s Medical Staff in July, 1992. He is in practice with Lehigh Valley Heart Specialists.

BEST WISHES, DR. RISCH

Victor R. Risch, MD, PhD, who served as Chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology since 1991, has retired.

Dr. Risch came to the Lehigh Valley in 1988 when he joined Lehigh Valley Health Network’s Medical Staff. Three years later, he was named Chairman of the Department of Radiation Oncology. Since then, he has been the driving force behind LVHN’s success as the area’s leading provider of radiation oncology services. One of his many accomplishments is the John & Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center, which Dr. Risch helped design. Its growth propelled the development of the Cancer Center at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg.

During his 10-year tenure as Chairman of the Cancer Committee, the health network was recognized by U.S. News and World Report in 2006 and 2007 as the best community cancer center on the East Coast, and by the American College ofSurgeons Commission on Cancer, as a Network Cancer Program, the very first year we applied in 2005 — the only Network Cancer Program so recognized in Pennsylvania, New Jersey or Delaware.

Dr. Risch, on behalf of Lehigh Valley Health Network, thank you for all you have done. Your drive, your passion for cancer care, your intelligence and humor have been experienced by all your colleagues and friends. Best wishes for good health and much happiness as you enter the next phase of your life.

LVHN DIGITAL LIBRARY

Additional Online Databases: Moving Beyond Medline

Medline is the premier database for medical articles, but sometimes other databases can find information that is hard to find. If your research is failing in Medline, perhaps other database will be more appropriate. A link on the Digital Library homepage to Additional Online Databases provides access to over 80 online databases covering a variety of specialized subjects from hazardous materials to food pathogens.

Looking for information on the genetics of type 4 pontocerebellar hypoplasia? GeneReviews has detailed reviews of many genetic disorders covering such topics as disease characteristics, testing strategy, diagnosis, management, natural history, risk to family members, and counseling.

Want to know how many mg of potassium are in the spice — turmeric — that your patient is using for tea? In the USDA Nutrient Database, you can search by food name to find its nutrients: 1 tbsp of turmeric contains 172 mg of potassium.

Want to direct a patient to a chromosome-disease support group? NORD (National Organization of Rare Diseases) has a great database for basic information on unusual disorders with links to support organizations.

Have a parent giving their child pycnogenol? Check the Medline Plus Drugs, Supplements, and Herbal Information database for authoritative information including an evidence table.

Check out these and the other 80 databases from the Digital Library homepage by clicking on Additional Online Databases.

To get to the Digital Library homepage from the intranet, click on Find Fast and Library Services or click on the Resources tab in LastWord.

For more information or if you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Library Services at 610-402-8410.
UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Children Who are Exposed to Violence

Please join the Community Action Coalition Against Violence and various community partners in a community forum to discuss “Children Who are Exposed to Violence” on Monday, November 16, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Kasych ECC Rooms 7 and 8, at Lehigh Valley Hospital – Cedar Crest.

For more information or to register, contact Laura Bishop in the Department of Community Health at 610-969-2456.

Cardiology Grand Rounds

The next Cardiology Grand Rounds will be held on Friday, October 2, from Noon to 1 p.m., in the Auditorium at Lehigh Valley Hospital – Cedar Crest and in ECC Room B at LVH-Muhlenberg.

“Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy” will be presented by Matthew W. Martinez, MD, Division of Cardiology.

For more information, please contact Caroline Maurer in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-8215.

Medical Grand Rounds

Medical Grand Rounds will be held twice a month on Tuesdays, beginning at Noon, in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to ECC Room B at LVH-Muhlenberg and the VTC Room at LVH-17th Street. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- October 6 – “An Update on Malignant Gliomas” – Lisa M. DeAngelis, MD, Chair, Department of Neurology, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
- October 20 – “Update in Pulmonary/Critical Care” – Dorothea T. Watson, DO, and Joseph R. Paprota, MD, Division of Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine

For more information, please contact Becky Sherman in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-8045.

Neurology Conferences

The Division of Neurology conferences are held on Thursdays beginning at Noon. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- October 1 – Division of Neurology meeting
- October 8 – “Paraproteinemia” – Yuebing Li, MD, PhD
- October 15 – “Neuromuscular Pathology Present Cases, Differential Diagnosis, Review Pathology” – Jay D. Varrato, DO

For more information, please contact Sharon Bartz, Conference Coordinator, at 610-402-9001.

OB/GYN Grand Rounds

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology holds Grand Rounds on Friday mornings from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m., in the location noted. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- October 2 – “Simulation in the Clinical Environment” – Visiting Professor Larry Glazerman, MD, University of Southern Florida – LVH-Cedar Crest Auditorium
- October 9 – “Quality Assurance Update” – Fran Miranda, RN – Kasych ECC Room 8
- October 16 – “Faculty Development” – Krista Hirschmann, PhD – LVH-Cedar Crest Auditorium
- October 23 – OB/GYN Department Business – Thomas Hutchinson, MD – Kasych ECC Room 8
- October 30 – “Scholarly Activity” – Timothy Friel, MD – Kasych ECC Room 8

For more information, please contact Teresa Benner in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at 610-969-4515.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds

“A3 Thinking: A Problem-Solving Tool” will be presented at the next Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds on Thursday, October 15, beginning at Noon (registration 11:45 a.m.) in the Banko Family Center on the LVH-Muhlenberg campus. The guest speakers will be Kathleen Schuyler, Senior Organization Development Consultant, and Brett Williamson, Director, LVH-Muhlenberg Behavioral Health/Base Service Unit.

For more information, please contact Melissa Walters in the Department of Psychiatry at 610-402-5766.

Schwartz Rounds

“Boundary Setting in Medical Families: Dilemmas in Managing Dual Roles” will be presented by Jeffrey Sternlieb, PhD, and Kristin Reihman, MD, Department of Family Medicine, at the next Schwartz Rounds on Wednesday, October 7, in Kasych ECC Room 8 at LVH-Cedar Crest. Lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m., followed by rounds at Noon.

For more information, please contact Krista Hirschmann, Medical Educator in the Department of Medicine, at 610-402-1583.

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**Spine Conference**

Conferences relating to interesting spine cases are held on the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 7 a.m. All clinicians are invited to bring interesting cases to the meeting.

The next Spine Conference will be held on Wednesday, October 7, in Kasych ECC Room 10 at LVH-Cedar Crest.

For more information, please contact James C. Weis, MD, Co-Chief, Division of Spine Surgery, or Laura Warner, Clinical Coordinator, at 610-973-6338.

**Surgical Grand Rounds**

Surgical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays, beginning at 7 a.m., in the hospital’s Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest, and via teleconference to the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- October 6 – “Current Concepts in Autologous and Prosthetic Breast Reconstruction” – Maurice Y. Nahabedian, MD, Associate Professor of Plastic Surgery, Georgetown University
- October 13 – No Conference
- October 20 – “Regional Chemotherapeutic Approaches to Recurrent Extremity Melanoma and Other Solid Tumors” – Merrick I. Ross, MD, Professor, Surgical Oncology, University of Texas – MD Anderson Cancer Center
- October 27 - TBA

For more information, please contact Cathy Glenn in the Department of Surgery at 610-402-7839.

**Advanced Practice Clinicians Update**

**Upcoming Meetings**

- **Thursday, October 22, 5:30 p.m. – Kasych ECC Rooms 7 & 8**
  - **Elliot J. Sussman, MD**, LVHN President & CEO, will present a “State of the Union” for Advanced Practice Clinicians
- **Monday, December 14, 6 p.m. – Kasych ECC Rooms 6, 7 & 8**
  - Combined with General Medical Staff Meeting

For more information regarding the Advanced Practice Clinicians, please call 610-402-APC1 and leave a message.

**Physician Documentation**

**Clinical Documentation Improvement Program**

Through this critical program, providers continue to more accurately document in the patient’s record and hence provide basis for improved DRG, severity of illness and reimbursement status, which is crucial for eventual “bundling of payments and pay for performance.” The program has improved our ability to receive recognition in our sub-specialties and network-wide, supporting “Our Passion for Better Medicine.” The program continues to grow stronger each day with all of your help and understanding of these complex regulations.

Effective October 2, 2009, Anthony Matejicka, DO, MPH, who has served as Lead Physician Coach of this program for the past two years, will be leaving LVHN. **John P. Pettine, MD**, Division of General Internal Medicine, will assume the role of Lead Physician Coach with **Larry L. Levin, MD**, Division of Hospital Medicine/General Internal Medicine, supporting the LVH-M campus. Together, they will continue to lead the program forward in a positive direction, providing continued support for improved documentation.

If you have any questions regarding the Clinical Documentation Improvement Program, please email Dr. Pettine at john.pettine@lvh.com or Dr. Levin at larry.levin@lvh.com.
WHO’S NEW

This section contains an update of new appointments, address changes, status changes, resignations, etc. Please remember to update your directory and rolodexes with this information.

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Change of Supervising Physician

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To: Thomas D. Meade, MD

LaVonne Michalak
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APPROVED CHANGES TO THE MEDICAL STAFF BYLAWS

The following revisions to the Medical Staff Bylaws and Rules and Regulations were approved at the General Medical Staff meeting on June 8, 2009 and by the Boards of Trustees of the Lehigh Valley Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg on September 9, 2009.

Name change throughout the Bylaws to reflect Lehigh Valley Health Network – see sample below

DEFINITIONS

A. The term “Medical Staff” means the Lehigh Valley Hospital and Health Network Medical Staff and all medical physicians, dentists and podiatrists who individually satisfy the requirements for Medical Staff membership as set forth in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE III - MEDICAL STAFF MEMBERSHIP
SECTION E – ETHICS AND BEHAVIOR

Acceptance of membership on the Medical Staff shall constitute the staff member’s agreement that he or she will strictly abide by the ethical principles and/or codes of the appropriate professional society and LVHHN Code of Conduct/Behavior.

Article III Section E - Ethics and Behavior - Add word “conduct” to Code of Behavior

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