As we continue to highlight our strategic plan themes, this month I’d like to discuss achieving pre-eminence as an innovator. This theme includes educating the health, human, and legal services workforce of the state, working closely with the University of Maryland Medical Center to achieve a high-efficiency, integrated health delivery model and research enterprise, and promoting a culture here at the University in which there is a unified focus on innovation and scholarship.

It goes without saying that achieving pre-eminence as an innovator involves all seven schools at our University. But for today’s discussion I’d like to focus on one school in particular—the School of Nursing—and two innovators, one who is departing and one who is arriving.

In her 10 years at the helm of the School of Nursing, Janet D. Allan, PhD, RN, FAAN, has been a leader not just locally but nationally. Dr. Allan has contributed to organizations such as the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties, and the American Academy of Nursing (AAN). She has instituted change and health care reforms. Dr. Allan initiated and is co-chair of Maryland’s Action Coalition, a large group of diverse stakeholders charged with implementing recommendations in the Institute of Medicine/RWJF report “Future of Nursing.”

She served on Senator Benjamin Cardin’s Congressional Health Advisory Committee and contributed to the RWJF advisory panel’s five-year project “Prescription for Health.” Dr. Allan was vice chair of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force from 1999 to 2004 and was lead spokesperson on topics such as breast cancer screening, hormone replacement therapy, and adult obesity.

Her work is a shining example of achieving pre-eminence as an innovator. When Dr. Allan retires in December, the University is extremely fortunate to have someone step in who is also a nationally esteemed innovator.

Jane M. Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN, comes to us from the University of Kentucky (UK) College of Nursing, where she has been dean since 2006. She oversees a robust clinical research enterprise at UK. Dr. Kirschling initiated a program that sustained support for senior investigators while investing in the development of junior scientists. She also led the redesign of the college’s research infrastructure support to enhance investigators’ ability to focus on their science in writing grants. She founded the Kentucky Nursing Capacity Consortium, co-convenes Kentucky’s Action Coalition, and serves on UK’s Center for Interprofessional Health Care Education, Research and Practice Board of Directors.

At the national level, Dr. Kirschling is president of the AACN, an alumna of the RWJF Nurse Executive Fellows Program, an AAN fellow, and is active in the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association, twice serving as board president. She co-chaired the International Advisory Council of Chief Nursing Officers and Deans from 2007 to 2009.

In short, Dr. Kirschling is an innovator and a pre-eminent one, which is why I am pleased to have her serve not only as the next dean of the School of Nursing but also as university director of interprofessional education.

Thanks to people such as Drs. Allan and Kirschling, and those in the pages that follow, the University is closer to achieving pre-eminence as an innovator. Thank you all for your efforts.

All the best,

Jay A. Perman, MD
President
Laurels

CAMPUSWIDE
The School of Nursing, in collaboration with the School of Medicine, the School of Pharmacy, and the University of Maryland Medical Center, has received a four-year, $2 million research grant—“Managing Acute Pain in Critically Ill Noncommunicative Palliative Care Patients”—from the National Institute of Nursing Research. Principal investigator Deborah McGuire, PhD, RN, FAAN, professor in the School of Nursing, is joined by Karen Soeken, PhD, RN, professor emeritus, and Kathryn Walker, PharmD, assistant professor, from the School of Pharmacy; and School of Medicine faculty Brian Edwards, MD, Timothy Keay, MD, MA-TH, Matthew Lissauer, MD, Carl Shanholtz, MD, and Deborah Stein, MD, MPH.

Hanping Feng, PhD, associate professor, received a $138,179 grant from Merck for his project “Study of the Mechanism of Protection by HuMabs Against Relapse CDI.” Sharon Gordon, DDS, MPH, PhD, director of graduate research education, received a $181,675 grant from St. Renatus, LLC, for her project “Clinical Trial Comparing Kovacaine Mist to Tetracaine Alone and to Placebo.” Richard Manski, DDS, MBA, PhD, professor, received a $425,096 grant from the NIDCR for his project “Dental Coverage Transitions, Utilization, and Retirement—International.”

Mark Reynolds, DDS, PhD, MA, chair of the Department of Periodontics, is editor of the inaugural edition of the Annual Report on Periodontal and Implant Treatment, which was published in October by the Journal of Evidence-Based Dental Practice.

“Variance in Tongue Motion Patterns During the Production of /s/,” a paper written by Maureen Stone, PhD, professor, was published in the Journal of the Acoustical Society of America.

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY
Professors Dean Dessem, PhD, and Richard Traub, PhD, received a two-year, $275,000 grant from the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) for direct costs related to their project “Mechanisms Underlying TMD-IBS Comorbidity.”

M.J. Tooey, MLS, AHIP, FMLA, associate vice president, academic affairs, and executive director, Health Sciences and Human Services Library, has been elected vice chair of the board of trustees of Lyrasis, a national nonprofit support organization for nearly 2,000 member libraries.

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SCHOOL OF LAW

Professors Barbara Bezdek, JD, LLM, and Douglas Colbert, JD, served on the national planning committee for the annual teaching conference of the Society of American Law Teachers, which was held at the School in October. Presenters during the conference included Dean Phoebe A. Haddon, JD, LLM, and faculty members Bezdek; Colbert; Peter Holland, JD, MA; Michael Millemann, JD; Michael Pinard, JD; and Ellen Weber, JD.

The School has published a new issue of its online Law Research Paper Series. It includes articles from faculty members Jerome Deise, JD; Michael Greenberger, JD; Paula Monopoli, JD; Robert Percival, JD, MA; Rena Steinzor, JD; and Katherine Vaughns, JD.

“Regulation by Amicus: The Department of Labor’s Policymaking in the Courts,” an article by Deborah Eisenberg, JD, director of the Center for Dispute Resolution, has been accepted for publication by the Florida Law Review.

Student Abraham Gitterman was awarded second place in the long paper category of the Food and Drug Law Institute’s 2012 H. Thomas Austern Memorial Writing Competition.

“Choice of Entity for the Venture Capital Start-Up: The Myth of Incorporation,” an article by Daniel Goldberg, JD, professor, was selected for re-publication in the journal Law and Entrepreneurship as one of “the most important and influential previously published English language works in this particular field.”


Almost 200 students, faculty, staff, and alumni celebrated the second annual Dean’s Convocation with a keynote address from former U.S. Secretary of Defense William Cohen (above, second from the right) on the foreign policy implications of the 2012 presidential election. Cohen’s remarks were followed by a colloquy with Dean Phoebe A. Haddon, JD, LLM, professors Michael Van Alstine, JD, MJurComp, DrJur, and Urska Velikonja, JD, LLM, LLB, and members of the audience.

“The One Hundred Billion Dollar Problem in Small Claims Court: Robo-Signing and Lack of Proof in Debt Buyer Cases,” an essay by Peter Holland, JD, MA, visiting professor, was cited by a federal district court in Nebraska.

Professor Michael Millemann, JD, director of the Leadership, Ethics, and Democracy Initiative, was elected to the American Law Institute, which produces scholarly work to clarify, modernize, and otherwise improve the law.

“China’s Copyright Reforms: A Comparative Perspective,” an article by Shruti Rana, JD, MSc, associate professor, has been accepted for publication by the Santa Clara Law Review.

An article by professor Ellen Weber, JD—“Equality Standards for Health Insurance Coverage: Will the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act End the Discrimination?”—has been accepted for publication by the Golden Gate University Law Review.

Claudia Baquet, MD, MPH, associate dean for policy and planning and director of the Center for Health Disparities, is the recipient of the 2012 American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) Distinguished Lectureship on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities. Baquet was invited to deliver the lecture during the AACR Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities, held in San Diego in October.

Angela Brodie, PhD, professor, has received a Japanese patent for her invention “Androgen Synthesis Inhibitors.” A U.S. patent has been issued for the invention “HPV 16 Peptide Vaccine for Head and Neck Cancer,” co-owned by Scott Strome, MD, FACS, chair of the Department of Otorhinolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery.

Alessio Fasano, MD, director of the Center for Celiac Research and the Mucosal Biology Research Center, received the Shwachman Award—one of the highest honors in pediatric gastroenterology—from the North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition during the organization’s October meeting in Salt Lake City. The award recognizes Fasano for major lifelong contributions to the field of pediatric gastroenterology, hepatology, and nutrition.

Anthony Gaspari, MD, the Albert Shapiro, MD, Endowed Professor in Dermatology, was invited by the Chilean Society of Dermatology and Venereology to be a guest lecturer during the organization’s recent annual congress in Santiago.

“Rediagnosis: Investigating the Ills of Long-Dead Celebrities,” written by Philip Mackowiak, MD, MBA, vice chair of the Department of Medicine, was published recently in Science.

Geoffrey Rosenthal, MD, PhD, professor and executive director of pediatric critical care services at the University of Maryland Children’s Hospital, received the 2012 Pediatric Advisory Committee Award from the Office of Pediatric Therapeutics, Office of the Commissioner, U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The award recognizes Rosenthal’s scientific contributions and his work for the Pediatric Advisory Committee.

Vicki Tepper, PhD, associate professor, presented “The Next Generation: Perinatally Infected Adolescents and Their Reproductive Health” during the 19th International AIDS Conference, held recently in Washington, D.C. Tepper was part of the session “Youth and HIV: Risks and Interventions in the 21st Century,” which is posted on the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation website www.kff.org.

Jeanne Geiger-Brown, PhD, RN, FAAN, assistant dean of research, and Jane Kapustin, PhD, CRNP, FAAN, assistant dean for the doctor of nursing practice and master’s programs, were inducted as fellows in the American Academy of Nursing during its annual conference held in Washington, D.C., in October.
Former President Bill Clinton recently recognized the School’s Office of Global Health for its efforts to improve health care in Rwanda. **Jeffrey Johnson, PhD**, director of the office, represented it during the annual meeting of the Clinton Global Initiative, which was held in New York in September.

**Jane Lipscomb, PhD, RN, FAAN**, director of the School’s Work and Health Research Center, was elected secretary of the board of directors of Direct Care Alliance, an advocacy organization for long-term-care workers.

**Patricia Morton, PhD, RN, ACNP, FAAN**, associate dean for academic affairs, has been appointed editor of the *Journal of Professional Nursing*. Also, the 10th edition of *Critical Care Nursing: A Holistic Approach*, co-authored by Morton, was recently published.

**SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK**

Dean **Richard P. Barth, PhD, MSW**, delivered a keynote address focusing on successful interventions that help children in poverty during the annual School-Community United in Partnership Conference, held in September in Rockville, Md.

“Supervision Training: What We Know and What We Need to Know,” an article co-written by **Kathleen Deal, PhD, MSW**, interim associate dean of the master’s program, was published recently in the *Smith College Studies in Social Work*.

**Diane DePanfilis, PhD, MSW**, associate dean for research, will deliver the annual Aaron Rosen Lecture during the Society for Social Work and Research annual conference in San Diego in January.

**Fadia Shaya, PhD, MPH**, professor, has been named director of research and outreach for the School’s Center for Innovative Pharmacy Solutions.

**Bruce Yu, PhD**, associate professor, received a U.S. patent for “Highly Fluorinated Oils and Surfactants and Methods of Making and Using Same.”

**SCHOOL OF PHARMACY**

Students **Adenike Atanda** and **Saul Krosnick** have been named student ambassadors to assist the School with the student recruitment process.

**Kathryn Kiser, PharmD**, assistant professor, has been named treasurer of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy’s Ambulatory Care Practice and Research Network.
“The Impact of Divorce on Friendships With Couples,” written by Geoffrey Greif, PhD, MSW, professor, and Kathleen Deal, PhD, MSW, interim associate dean of the master’s program, was published in the Journal of Divorce & Remarriage.

“Evaluation of the Recognizing and Responding to Suicide Risk Training,” writers of which include faculty members Jodi Jacobson, PhD, MSW, and Philip Osteen, PhD, MSW, and student Andrea Jones, MSW, was published in the journal Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior.

The Political and Economic Sustainability of Health Care In Canada: Private-Sector Involvement in the Federal Provincial Health Care System, a book co-written by Howard Palley, PhD, MS, professor, has been published by Cambria Press.

“The New Politics of Social Work Practice: Understanding Context to Promote Change,” an article by Michael Reisch, PhD, MSW, MS, Daniel Thursz Distinguished Professor of Social Justice, and Jayshree Jani, PhD, assistant professor, was published in The British Journal of Social Work.

Questions and Answers

The questions below were sent to Dr. Perman and his administrative team at the 24-hour “Ask a Question” Web link at http://um.umd.edu/president/ask/.

QUESTION:
I received an email today wherein daily Saratoga Garage parkers are required to pay $6 for a new permit. Is this something that is going to occur with each garage? Also, we pay $47 biweekly to park in these garages—why are we subjected to an additional fee?

ANSWER:
Monthly payroll deduction parkers are not subjected to a fee for a permit. The cost to purchase a pay daily permit is $6 and the permit is good for two years. A pay daily parker will pay the $6 fee to renew the permit when it expires.

QUESTION:
Is the University developing a community involvement inventory, perhaps something similar to Johns Hopkins University’s “Community Engagement Inventory”?

Such a report would be useful to students, faculty, and the community. It would be an effective communications tool and help the University assess the scope and, to a lesser degree, the quality of engagement.
ANSWER:
Our University has a similar database to that of Johns Hopkins. It can be located at [http://www.umaryland.edu/offices/government/community/programs/index.html](http://www.umaryland.edu/offices/government/community/programs/index.html).

It is searchable by school and by the Maryland region where the service is delivered. The Office of Government and Community Affairs is working with all of our schools and the Center for Information Technology Services to make the site more comprehensive and accessible to internal and external audiences.

Thank you for your interest.

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QUESTION:
This question is regarding the construction in the Pratt Street Garage. My primary clinical work is at University Specialty Hospital (USH). If I have a meeting on campus, I often walk but sometimes need to drive.

During construction, I understand that I will first have to go to my usual garage, Penn Street, and then be directed to another garage. This is very inefficient. Could we be allowed to go to one of the peripheral garages to save time? Thanks for taking my question.

ANSWER:
Unfortunately a parker can't go directly to a peripheral garage. The Department of Parking and Transportation Services has a comprehensive redirection process because of the high parking demand on campus.

However, we do believe this is a good time to remind those at the University of the options payroll deduction parkers have during the Pratt Garage phase II project. They are:

**Option No. 1:** Market Center Garage at 221 N. Paca St. We are offering free parking to those who work daytime hours, have a permit for a University garage, and are on state payroll deduction.

**Option No. 2:** Parkers assigned to the Pratt Garage and Penn Garage are being offered temporary relocation to the Baltimore Grand, Pearl, and Lexington garages. This reassignment will be based on the availability of spaces in the garage requested by the parker and will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. This parking option is not free.

**Option No. 3:** Parkers assigned to the Pratt Garage and Penn Garage also are being offered free parking if they temporarily relocate to the Arena or BioPark garages. The relocation will only last for the duration of the Pratt project. This reassignment will be based on the availability of spaces in the garage requested by the parker and will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Anyone interested in the above options should contact their parking liaison for more information. If you do not know who your parking liaison is, please go to the Parking and Transportation Services website at [www.umaryland.edu/parking](http://www.umaryland.edu/parking) and click on Faculty & Staff Parking. Then click on the Parking Liaisons Directory for your school or department.