

3/5/2004 WATSONIAN NEWS LETTER



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MEET a new member:

My name is Erin Black (previously Erin Minor, I was married this past July). I am a research biologist in the Bioterrorism Rapid Response and Advanced Technology (BRRAT) Laboratory in NCID. I graduated with a BS in Biology from Marist College, in Poughkeepsie NY, and just finished my MS in May from Georgia State University. I have been working in the BRRAT since I graduated from college, nearly three years. For the first 2 ½ years I was an ORISE fellow and was made a full time employee in September. I joined the Watsonian Society because I have a great interest in Public Health and related issues. My long-term career goals include using the response and diagnostic experience that I have gained in the laboratory to shift into a role more related to the behavioral science and health education aspects of public health. I am fascinated with learning the skills and program strategies that can help people choose healthier lifestyles.

Committee news

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

New Exemplar

Joe Carter has agreed to serve as Exemplar for the Watsonian Society. The position of Exemplar is offered by the Watsonian Society President to the most senior public health advisor based on years of service and at least two years in the field.

We are honored that Joe has accepted this position within the Watsonian Society. Joe Carter is the Deputy Chief Operating Officers within the Office of the Director, CDC. As other PHAs in the Office of the Director, he reflects the value of the public health advisor to CDC and to public health.

Although Joe started his career in August 1964, he is a “young” PHA. By “young,” I mean that he is just as enthusiastic as he was on his first day of work. He is just as energetic. He is forward thinking, not content with the status quo. I’m sure that the lessons he learned in his first assignment, Detroit, he carries with him in his current position.

Joe followed a career path that many of us have traveled — a few years each in Newark, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Trenton, and then around 10 years in the New York City

Regional Office. After nearly 40 years in service to the government and to public health, Joe plans to retire in May of this year.

Executive Committee Meeting

Open meeting

When: Tuesday – March 16, 2004, 2-4 p.m.

Where: Corporate Square, Building 8, Room 6B.

Communication Committee

We remind you to reference our website for the photos of recent events {we can not attach to the newsletter as some systems bounce mail w/ links and attachments}. You can also review themembership. The members of the committees, etc. Visit the Watsonian Society website at www.cdc.gov/watsonian

A reminder- when changing your internet server—please let Rita Varga know in advance to ensure continuation of the newsletter delivery to you.

Anything you would like to post will be considered. Remember this is generally a monthly newsletter with special notes and announcements as needed for important notices.

Community Service Committee News

Please welcome **Lauren Lambert** as the new Co-Chair for the Community service Committee. Lauren will be working with Chairperson, Angela Banks, on upcoming Community service events.

Feel free to contact Lauren to wish her congratulations on her new committee position:

Lauren A. Lambert, MPH

Ph: 404-639-8442

Community Service Committee

Purpose: To coordinate community service projects that complements the mission of PHAs and CDC.

Co-Chairs: Angela Banks
Lauren Lambert

Members (as of 2/24/04)

Banks, Angela	NCIPC
Frazier Jr., Leroy	NCIPC
Harper, Stacy	NCHSTP
Heath, Bruce	NCHSTP
Heninburg, Anne-Renee	NIP
Johnson, Deane	retired
Keegan, Bob	NIP
Koski, Kathryn	NCHSTP
Naehr, Jerry	retired
Ortiz, Tom	retired
Rifenburg, Jim	NCEH
Williams, Melinda	NCIPC

Sick Call

Mr. Esteban Calderon, NIP's Public Health Advisor in Puerto Rico sought treatment a couple of weeks ago for pain in his leg and a severe headache. He was admitted to Universitario Hospital's neurological ward where A CAT scan revealed a brain hemorrhage. Unfortunately they were unable to control the bleeding and subsequently Estaban went into a deep coma. His prognosis is not good, however his family, friends, and Department of Health colleagues are still hopeful. Your prayers and thoughts are greatly appreciated.

[At the time of this newsletter Esteban remains in a coma.](#)

Condolences

Death of a WATSONIAN MEMBER:

Patrick Edward Johannes

[Published on February 16, 2004 Albuquerque Journal daily newspaper]

As sorry as he was to leave his family and friends, Patrick Edward Johannes passed away peacefully at his home attended by his loving family on Tuesday morning February 10, 2004, after a struggle with cancer. He was born October 8, 1938 in Black Hawk County, Iowa to Maurice Henry and Mary Phyllis Mahoney Johannes. Pat was raised by his mother and his dear aunts, Frances Huber and Mary Cavanaugh. He attended the Sacred Heart School in Waterloo and graduated from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa. He taught high school English and worked as a social worker before beginning his thirty-year career with the Public Health Service. He retired as a Senior Public Health Advisor for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, assigned to the Indian Health Service. He specialized in the prevention and treatment of communicable diseases, beginning his career as a "clap chaser." For obvious reasons, the details of his work were always unclear to his children. For many years they were told he "made things run smoothly," and did it so well that he eventually was promoted to "counting things."

In retirement, he also worked for the New Mexico Department of Health. He was dedicated to excellence in his work and was a good friend to his many colleagues. They will miss the morning coffee that he had waiting for them at the start of the workday. In addition to work and his family, his lifelong enthusiasm was the study of the settling of the American West. He took his family to every Lewis & Clark historical marker, military fort and battlefield west of the Mississippi (most on more than one occasion). He was equally interested in Native American historical sites and wildlife areas. Favorite spots included Little Bighorn Battlefield, Fort Robinson, Nebraska, Bent's Old Fort, Bosque del Apache, City of Rocks, Bent's Old Fort, Mesa Verde, Carlsbad Caverns and the bat flight, Bent's Old Fort, Yellowstone National Park, The Grand Canyon, Death Valley, Las Vegas, NM, Molly's in Tijeras, Ole's Big Game Bar in Paxton, NE and Bent's Old Fort. His unique sense of humor created the family secret pass phrase: "A wet bird never flies at night" which was used in all manner of family misadventures. For an irreverent and wildly inaccurate family history, please consult Pat's work in the Johannes Family Album. A writer of specialized technical papers, he also wrote outrageous and hilarious fiction which was often described, to his face, as "sick and twisted." Pat was a brew master, baker, historian, genealogist, handicapper, explorer, camper and crossword puzzle solver; his contagious enthusiasm for these pursuits infects his wife and children. He was a founding member of the Writer's Bloc at Cherry Hills Library, belonged to the Albuquerque Genealogical Society, the Watsonian Society (an organization for Public Health Advisors) and the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. Pat enjoyed an

active retirement, briefly interrupted when he was hit by a city garbage truck while out for a walk. He was greatly chagrined that his wife merely told family and friends the truth rather than report that he had been struck by the Space Shuttle. The Green Bay Packers, Dave Barry, Alfred Hitchcock, Bill Mauldin, Robert Frost, Bill Bryson, Tony Hillerman, David McCullough, Travis McGee, Flashman have lost one of their greatest fans. The family will be consoled by listening to the Statler Brothers, Bobby Bare, Roger Miller and Willie Nelson and watching Casablanca, Zulu, John Wayne, Seinfeld and The Simpsons.

Pat was predeceased by his parents, numerous aunts and uncles, close friend Paul Christianson, ol' pard Bruce Johnson of the Nebraska Sandhills, dog Cinder and cat Maynard. He is survived by his wife and dear companion Carolyn O'Hearn Johannes, brother James D. Johannes, M.D., children Michelle and Doug Boe, Mary Johannes, Patrick Johannes, Brian Johannes, Miles Raventon and Mariah Raventon; grandchildren Eric, Andy, Emily and Calle. In addition to many nieces and cousins, his in-laws, John O'Hearn, Rick and Roxanne O'Hearn and Onalee and Charles Kramer will miss his company.

A special thank you to Drs. James Liebmann and James Rice and clinic staff members for their outstanding medical care. A Funeral Mass and interment will be held this Fall at Immaculate Conception Church of Blessing, Iowa. In lieu of flowers, please send memorial contributions to Immaculate Conception Church; c/o St. Mary's of Mt. Carmel Church; 1435 East Eagle Road; Waterloo, IA 50701. May God sleep on your pillow, may he hold you in the hollow of his hand, and may you be a long time in heaven before the devil knows that you're gone. Slainte! He'd want us all to have a beer for him.

Barbara Sanders had a long and distinguished career at CDC. Her employment spanned a time when CDC grew from a small organization focusing largely on a few infectious diseases to its current multi-billion dollar mission addressing a vast range of disease and disability prevention challenges. CDC'S success has always depended on assembling talented and committed people to anticipate and respond to changing health threats to Americans and the international community. To her co-workers, Barbara was the prototype CDC professional: smart, flexible and focused on the work to be done. When a team was needed to face a new and urgent challenge, Barbara would likely be part of that team.

There are many examples, but two underscore the value of Barbara in helping CDC adapt to change. In the mid 1960's CDC was asked to investigate a backlog of complaints alleging the existence of racially segregated health care facilities and services in several states. This task was given to CDC not because it was part of CDC'S mission, but because it had a work force capable of rapid and thorough action. This backlog needed to be cleared up in 6 weeks. Barbara was asked to assist in coordinating this work. Her team members found out why she was chosen as they assembled and spread out to these states to investigate complaints of segregated health facilities and services. Many problems arose that had no precedent but which required immediate resolution. Barbara was a key decision-maker, requiring an understanding of the purpose of the mission, the realities of the challenges being faced by investigators, and compliance with federal rules and regulations. Everybody — CDC leadership and team members — learned how Barbara's intelligence, knowledge, judgment and tireless energy could make a success out of a seemingly impossible challenge.

The second example actually occurred several times during Barbara's career. Many programs located in other parts of the federal government were transferred to CDC. Barbara played a key role in assimilating these programs, and the people working in them, into a new organizational environment in a new part of the country. Barbara not only knew what had to be done to insure a smooth transition, but did it with great humanity and sensitivity.

Barbara was highly respected and genuinely loved by the people she worked with at CDC. She brought calm judgment to complexity, self-sacrifice when she thought it was called for, extensive knowledge of how CDC operated, and the ability to work out problems in the context of the larger goals of a task — she always "had her eye on the ball."

Family-Placed Death Notice: MRS. BARBARA FRANKLIN SANDERS 68, of Tucker, GA died February 17th, 2004 from complications of ovarian cancer and a previous stroke. She died at home under the care of a Hospice center. She was born in Gainesville, GA on April 28, 1935 and was a survivor of the great tornado of 1936. Daughter of James and Grace Franklin Eades Hoffman, the family moved to Shelby, NC where she grew up, class of 1953. A memorial service will be held Saturday, February 21st at Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church, 4882 LaVista Road, Tucker, GA at 11:00 am to be followed by a reception in the fellowship hall. In lieu of flowers, it is requested that a donation be given to the church. Barbara was a long time Federal employee beginning her career with the FBI and retiring from Centers of Disease Control (CDC) in middle management. Her main passion after retiring in 1990 was Genealogy and traveled to several state archives for research. She was just before publishing a family history when she was struck by the stroke and cancer. She was a member of the Public Health Service Women's Club, GA Genealogical Society, NARFE, and a friend's lunch club. Barbara is survived by her husband of 49 Plus years Jerry C. Sanders, a brother and sister-in-law, Gus and Ginny Sanders, niece and nephew, Maresa Sanders and Nathan Sanders, and a cousin, Jackie Harbuck of Norfolk, VA. The Sanders family would like to thank all the friends for the hundreds of cards and visits and food over the three year ordeal. Arrangements by Lowndes & McLane Funeral Home, Tucker (770) 491-3021. Published in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution on 2/19/2004.

Larry Dodd, a retired Senior Immunization PHA died at the age of 70, Wednesday, February 25, 2004 in Jacksonville, FL., surrounded by his family. His body was cremated. A memorial service for Larry was held on February 28, at the St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church, Leonid Road, Jacksonville, FL 32218. Memorials may be sent to the church or to the Northeast Florida Community Hospice, 4266 Sunbeam Road, Jacksonville, FL 32257 in Larry's name.

Larry is survived by his wife Ann, and their sons, Kenneth and Thomas; and his daughter-in-laws and several grandchildren

Larry, a Georgian native, graduated from the Citadel in 1958. He served his country in the Navy from 1951-1954 during the Korean Conflict. Larry worked a few years in the VD Program assigned to Pensacola and Miami before assuming the Immunization Sr. Rep position at the Florida State Health Dept. He then served in the Immunization Division Headquarters in Atlanta before retiring and afterwards spent a few years as Country Representative in Ghana for the Guinea Worm Project sponsored by Global 2000 of the Carter Center

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**Dr. Libero Ajello**, former Director of the Division of Mycotic Diseases, passed away on Tuesday, February 24. Born in New York in 1916, Dr. Ajello obtained his PhD degree in general mycology from Columbia University in 1947. He then won a three-day national examination for a medical mycologist staff position at the newly established Communicable Disease Center. Initially, he was assigned to work at Duke University Medical School, but soon he was recalled to Atlanta, to develop a reference mycology laboratory to serve the nation's needs.

Over the next 43 years, Dr. Ajello and his staff made significant contributions to many areas of medical mycology. Their collective research led to numerous taxonomic, ecologic, and epidemiologic studies on superficial and systemic fungal diseases, and to the development of serologic tests and reagents for many systemic mycoses. Over the course of his career, Dr. Ajello published more than 350 scientific papers, edited 12 books, and co-authored 3 others. Dr. Ajello and his staff were instrumental in the training and education of several generations of medical mycologists from all parts of the world. At the CDC, he organized two- and four-week courses that covered all aspects of fungal identification and diagnosis. He also traveled extensively throughout Latin America, Europe, and other parts of the world giving lectures and conducting training courses.

Dr. Ajello's numerous contributions to medical mycology were honored in many different ways. The eponymous names, *Trichophyton ajelloi* and the genus *Ajellomyces*, are a permanent monument to his decisive influence on the taxonomy of pathogenic fungi. Dr. Ajello was elected an honorary member by eight overseas scientific societies, and received numerous awards, including the prestigious Lucille K. Georg Medal from the International Society for Human and Animal Mycology. On his retirement from CDC in 1990, he received the William C. Watson Medal of Excellence for outstanding scientific advancement and exceptional leadership in the field of mycotic diseases.

Following his retirement from CDC in 1990, Dr. Ajello became an Adjunct Professor at Emory University, where he continued his mycological research interests.

We extend our sincere condolences to his family: to his wife of 61 years, Gloria, his son Mark, and two grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on March 4 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Atlanta, 1911 Cliff Valley Way, Atlanta, GA.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the CDC Foundation and/or the American Cancer Society.

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Sherwood N. Zimmerman PHA Retired sent this information :

I just received word from Carolyn Underwood that her husband **Wade Underwood**, a former PHA, died of complications of Parkinson's Disease on 1-10-04 at the age of 81. He would have been 82 the next day. He retired after 28 years with CDC in 1982 in Frankfort, Kentucky. He was with the Immunization Program when he retired. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War 11 as a P-51 fighter pilot in Europe.

I had the good fortune to work with Wade in Kentucky when I first entered the Immunization Program in 1967. He was a good teacher and friend.

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**Marilyn DiSirio** (NCEH International Health and Refugee Division) lost her mother on Jan 5, 04. She lived in Rhode Island. The burial was in January in NY State Donations can be made in her name : Amelia Rossetti to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

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Have You Heard?

Colleagues :

I am pleased to announce that **Susan DeLisle** has agreed to serve as Acting Deputy Director of the Division of STD Prevention beginning on March 23. She will be acting in the place of Candice Nowicki-Lehnherr who will be detailed to EPO for 90-120 days beginning on that date. As you know Susan has extensive programmatic and administrative experience from her service as the Branch Chief of the Program Development and Support Branch of DSTDP since 1997 which should be of great benefit to DSTDP during the time of Candice's detail. For the present she will also continue to function as the PDSB Branch Chief.

Please join me in welcoming Susan to acting service in this critical DSTDP post.
John M. Douglas, Jr, MD
Director, Division of STD Prevention, MS E-02
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I am pleased to announce that **Tanja Popovic, M.D., Ph.D., F.A.A.M.**, has agreed to be the next Acting Associate Director for Science, Office of the Director, CDC and ATSDR. Dr. Popovic will assume this role on Tuesday, February 17.

As you know, Dr. Susan Chu has previously held this position since October 2003. I would like to express my appreciation to her for serving in that capacity during the past 4 months, and I deeply value her outstanding leadership and contribution.

Dr. Popovic has been with CDC's National Center for Infectious Diseases since 1989. She first joined NCID as a Fulbright Postdoctoral Fellow and then as a Visiting Associate. From 1994 to 1997, she was Chief of the Diphtheria Reference Unit, Childhood and Vaccine Preventable Diseases Laboratory Section, Respiratory Diseases Branch. Since 1997, Dr. Popovic has been Chief of the Epidemiologic Investigations Laboratory, Meningitis, and Special Pathogens Branch.

Dr. Popovic has written several laboratory manuals and over 130 publications and book chapters, served on several important committees or advisory groups, and received several awards for her contributions in the scientific and public health arenas.

I know I can count on your enthusiastic support of Dr. Popovic as she assumes this key position at CDC and ATSDR. Please join me in welcoming her to this new role Julie

Louise Gerberding, M.D., M.P.H.-18.

Candice Nowicki-Lehnherr "has accepted a detail to serve as Deputy Director of the Epidemiologic Program Office for 90-120 days beginning March 23. This represents a significant career opportunity for Candice, and her administrative and organizational skills should be a great asset to EPO since their incumbent Deputy Director was recently re-assigned to IRMO.

However, the loss of someone with Candice's talents and divisional history in such a key position will have a significant impact on our Division. As you all know, not only has Candice served as Deputy Director since 2001, she also co-directed the Division with Sevgi Aral during the interim between Jack Spencer's departure and my arrival this past July. I am hopeful that we can find a suitable candidate to serve on an acting basis in the near future as well as a permanent replacement for Candice should she remain at EPO as their full-time Deputy. I would appreciate your sharing with me the names of possible candidates within the next several days."

John M. Douglas, Jr, MD, Director, Division of STD Prevention, CDC

PHAs make theNEWS

[Article re former CDC PHA Alan McNamara
(1982-1986: Philadelphia/Austin, TX, and Miami, FL)]

Syphilis outbreak triggers detective work

Sunday, February 08, 2004

By Christopher Snowbeck, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Alan McNamara spends a lot of time hanging out with drug dealers and prostitutes. And whether it's in a bar, on the street or at a crack house, he always makes a point of talking about sex.

It's not a walk on the wild side for the white-haired, bespectacled 51-year-old. It's his job. McNamara is a state Department of Health worker on the front line of a surprising throwback in the public health wars: the war on syphilis.

It's a battle being waged in big cities such as San Francisco, Detroit and Atlanta, but the main front in these parts is New Kensington, a Westmoreland County town of 15,000.

Syphilis had been nonexistent for years in Westmoreland County, and the number of cases in Allegheny County each year ran in the single digits during the late 1990s. But since 2001, 62 people in the two counties have been infected with cases traced to the New Kensington outbreak.

As it has elsewhere, the New Kensington syphilis is spreading here primarily among people who trade sex for drugs and among prostitutes and their clients. So it's not exactly an issue that community leaders are excited about publicizing. But that makes McNamara's legwork all the more important.

Nationally, the number of primary and secondary syphilis cases stood at an all-time low of 5,979 cases in 2000. By 2002, there were 6,862 cases, with the growth concentrated among men who have sex with men.

When the first outbreak case appeared here in October 2001, McNamara went to interview the man at a New Kensington address that was supposedly the man's home. It turned out to be a crack bar. Who did you have sex with? McNamara wanted to know. The sex partners needed treatment, but the man was so indifferent to the "crack whores" who had traded him sex for drugs that he refused to provide names. McNamara had only one option: Infiltrate the man's social network, a world of drugs and prostitution, to learn who might be at risk. It's a task to which he's become accustomed in 20 years of public health work.

Aid without judgment

McNamara doesn't write off drug dealers and prostitutes. Dealing crack is as low as it gets, he said, but he said many dealers were just responding to their economic circumstances and that women who turn to prostitution often develop incredible survival skills.

In any case, he said, it's not his job to justify or condemn the activities; he needs to get people screened and treated.

"Health care is a right. It shouldn't be a benefit to be earned at the negotiating table," he said. "My ladies have as much right to health care as anyone else." As McNamara began his work in New Kensington, Dr. Jonathan Han started seeing patients with syphilis show up at the UPMC New Kensington Family Health Center.

In its early stages, syphilis brings a single sore where the bacterium enters the body and then a rash. The disease is called "the great imitator" because these initial signs are often mistaken for symptoms of other diseases. The first woman to test positive for syphilis at the clinic, for example, appeared to have herpes, but Han ordered a syphilis test just in case.

Syphilis is a reportable disease, and when Han alerted the state to the cases, he got a return call from McNamara, who doesn't mince words and is bold to the point of seeming cocky, a style that startled Han at first. After the call, Han phoned Harrisburg just to make sure McNamara was legitimate. But they quickly became allies.

As McNamara identified people at risk of syphilis, he sent them for testing and penicillin treatments to the health center, which is run by UPMC St. Margaret, and to two other clinics in the area. The partnership was crucial, McNamara said, because most of those caught up in the outbreak don't have a place where they routinely get care. Plus, not all physicians are comfortable with the patients he sends their way.

In many ways, McNamara operates like a beat cop. He travels city streets to see who's coming and going and to hear from the old ladies who know everything about a block. Walking around is better than driving, he said. But if people think McNamara actually is a cop, he won't find the people who need treatment, because many are involved in illegal activities. There's another problem with the perception: It could get him hurt.

"You have to hang, you have to be seen, and people will ask about you: 'Who's the old white guy?' " he said. "After a while, everyone knows you're the Health Department; you're Switzerland." McNamara never uses drugs or money to get information, but he will hand out cigarettes, 40-ounce beers and food certificates. If the conversation suggests he's talking to someone at risk, he then talks about the outbreak, trying to instill a sense of urgency about testing and treatment.

In December 2001, McNamara had a breakthrough. He got inside a crack house and persuaded the dealer inside to allow a public health nurse to perform blood screenings. The key to opening doors is to treat people with compassion and respect, McNamara said. In this case, he had learned on the street that the dealer's mother was sick. After a long conversation in which McNamara inquired about the woman's health, the dealer agreed to cooperate, and 13 people in the crack house were screened.

By January 2002, 12 people had tested positive, and McNamara started to focus on several pregnant prostitutes and crack cocaine users. The syphilis bacterium can infect a woman's baby during pregnancy. Depending on how long a pregnant woman has been infected, she may have a higher risk of a stillbirth or giving birth to a child who dies shortly after birth. But he was discreet in seeking out the women. If people hear that a Health Department worker is looking for Jane Doe, they will assume Jane has AIDS, he said.

During the course of the outbreak, McNamara's efforts have prevented four cases of congenital syphilis, state officials say. When McNamara gives presentations about the outbreak, he always shows a picture of one of the children.

Control, not eradication.

Syphilis is a public health concern both because of the congenital syphilis problem and for the long-term damage it can cause internal organs such as the brain, nerves and heart. Nationally, the increase in syphilis cases among men who have sex with men has accompanied a related rise in the number of people infected with the virus that causes AIDS, said Dr. James Heffelfinger, a medical epidemiologist with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The federal government in 1999 set a goal of eliminating syphilis, though not eradicating it. Eradicating, or wiping out, the disease isn't realistic because of immigration and international travel. Elimination, on the other hand, would mean ridding 90 percent of U.S. counties of all syphilis cases and keeping the national total below 1,000 cases a year, Heffelfinger said. Despite recent increases, federal officials still believe elimination is possible. In 2002, half of all syphilis cases were confined to 16 counties and one city. Plus, even with the increases since 2000, the total is still a fraction of what it was 10 years ago, when there were more than 50,000 cases. In 1990, 41.6 percent of counties reported no primary or secondary cases of syphilis, compared with 80.7 percent in 2002.

McNamara is optimistic about ending the local outbreak, too, even though he sometimes wonders if he still is effective. The first time he talks with someone about their syphilis risk, McNamara can stress the urgency of the situation and use it as leverage to get people to seek treatment. But only some of those exposed to syphilis come down with the disease, so many people who get tested learn they dodged the bullet. That makes it more difficult to get them screened the next time. Still, there's reason to be optimistic. It's clear, for example, that various state agencies are doing a better job working together because of the outbreak, since intervention efforts have included screenings at local jails and at drug-and-alcohol rehabilitation programs.

"Too often today, people write things off as no-win propositions -- there's always going to be whores and junkies, and we can't do anything about it," he said. "But if I didn't think we could do anything about it, I wouldn't be out here. I don't necessarily think we have it under control, but I haven't given up hope."

Charles J. Vukotich, Jr.
Assistant Deputy Director
Allegheny County Health Department

Newly hired / changed assignments/ promoted

There are currently 4 PHAs working in India:

Brian Wheeler, PHA seconded to WHO as a Technical Officer, World Health Organization, National Polio Surveillance Project is on long term overseas assignment for 2 years.

Nancy Nay, CDC/NCHSTP/Global Aids Program is on a 4 year assignment to US Embassy New Delhi

Anne Rene Heninburg, PHA Team Leader from CDC/NIP Global Immunization Division, Polio Eradication Branch is working on temporary assignment in the western state of Uttar Pradesh preparing for National Immunization Days.

Alice Pope, PHA Team Leader from CDC/NIP Global Immunization Division, Polio Eradication Branch is working on temporary assignment in the western state of Uttar Pradesh preparing for National Immunization Days.
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Transfers/Promotions

Susan J. Shaw leaves PHPPPO after working 5 years with the BT Cooperative Agreement Health Alert Network. **She** started January 26th at (NCID)Office of the Director, Office of Informatics.

Tracy Ford (DSTDP) has accepted a transfer Richmond, VA effective January 25, 2004.

Patrick Harris (DSTDP) accepted a transfer to Detroit, MI effective January 25, 2004.

Patricia Mason (DSTDP) has accepted a transfer with promotion to Newark, NJ effective January 25, 2004.

Emmanuel Pupulampu (DSTDP) has accepted a transfer with promotion to Trenton, NJ effective January 11, 2004.

Regina Richardson-Idaho (DSTDP) has accepted a promotion, Dallas, TX, effective December 28, 2003.

Emmett Coursey (DSTDP)has accepted a promotion, Nashville, TN, effective December 28, 2003.

Carla Hardnett (DSTDP)has accepted a transfer to Ft. Lauderdale, FL, effective December 28, 2003.

Dawn Rekas (DSTDP) has accepted a transfer to Chicago, IL, effective November 30, 2003.

Colleen Crowley (DSTDP)has accepted a transfer to Washington, DC, effective November 30, 2003.

Brenda LaRochelle (DSTDP) has accepted a position with NCHS, effective November 16, 2003.

David Block (DSTDP)has accepted a transfer with promotion in the Training and Health Communication branch, Atlanta, GA, effective November 2, 2003.

John Katz (DSTDP) has accepted a transfer to Philadelphia, PA, November 2, 2003.

Michael Bender (DSTDP) has accepted a transfer with promotion to Newark, NJ, November 2, 2003.

Sandra Mattson has accepted a promotion, Cheverly, MD, November 2, 2003. *

Resignations

Laura Neylans resigned from CDC/DSTD in January '04. Laura started her PHA career in Chicago in 1991 and had assignments in NYC, then Patterson, NJ and then returned to NYC. She recalls her time with CDC as a wonderful experience. She is doing well and very happy with her decision to stay home with their 2 boys (youngest born last August).

Mark King (DSTDP) of St. Louis, MO, effective October 3, 2003.

NEW HIRES in the DSTDP

Robin Hennessey has accepted a position with the Program Development and Support Branch, New York, NY effective January 25, 2004.

Tameeka Johnson has accepted a position with the Program Development and Support Branch, Los Angeles, CA effective January 11, 2004.

Demeatrice Smith (DTBE) has accepted a transfer to the Program Development and Support Branch, Robeson County, NC, from the Division of TB, effective January 11, 2004.

Eric Warren accepted a position with the Program Development and Support Branch, Chicago, IL, effective November 2, 2003. *

Brian Robinson accepted a position with the Program Development and Support Branch, Philadelphia, PA, effective November 2, 2003.

RETIREMENTS

Dean Mason:

Dear Dean:

Congratulations to you and your family on your retirement from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). During your 30-year career with CDC, you have developed and shared a wealth of knowledge and experience with colleagues and partners associated with immunization programs nationwide. You have made highly significant contributions to public health through field assignments in Miami, Florida, St. Louis, Missouri, Kansas City, Missouri, Houston, Texas, and the state of South Carolina. Additionally, your contributions are most recognized by serving at CDC, with the National Immunization Program in Atlanta since 1985. Your superior attention to detail coupled with your ability to lead by example, has enabled the National Immunization Program to successfully complete many nationally recognized initiatives that have improved the health of children, adolescents, and adults. In 1991 to 1992, you were responsible for strategic planning and conduct of the HHS Secretary's "Six Cities Initiative", which led to the development of Immunization Action Plans in 64 nationwide immunization projects. Most noteworthy is the key role you played in 1993 to 1994, whereby you were

responsible for the planning, policy development, national training, and implementation of the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program. Under your guidance and leadership, the Vaccines for Children Program recently completed a decade of unparalleled success, and today is one of the best examples at CDC of partnership between the public and private healthcare sectors, and has become one of the largest grant funded programs at CDC. We in the National Immunization Program (NIP) are proud and honored to call you one of our own. Your efforts and contributions to the National Immunization Program will continue to have impact well beyond your years of service. I personally thank you for your dedication, passion, and commitment to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Immunization Program. Speaking as the Director of CDC and on behalf of all of your NIP colleagues, I commend you on a job well done. I wish you and your family many years of enjoyment and happiness in your retirement.

Sincerely,
Walter A. Orenstein, M.D.
Assistant Surgeon General, Director
National Immunization Program

Come Join us in a celebration of

Dean Mason's completion of 30 years service to CDC.

Date: Friday evening March 19, 2004

Place: RAY's On The River

6700 Powers Ferry Road (Exit # 22 Powers Ferry Rd & Northside Dr)
Atlanta, GA, 770 995-1187

Menu Choices:

Grilled Breast of Chicken with Wild Mushroom Sauce

Garlic & Herb Roasted Prime Rib 10 oz. with Pan Jus

Broiled Seafood Platter with Salmon, Scallop, & Shrimp

RSVP a final head count is needed

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**Donald Ruberti** retired from the CDC on Friday, January 2, 2004 after more than 41 years of Federal service.

Following graduation from the University of Southern California, Don was inducted into the U.S. Army where subsequently he was cited by the 56<sup>th</sup> Artillery Brigade, Air Defense Command, for Exemplary Service to his country. Following separation from the military, Don worked for the Transamerica Corporation in Los Angeles as a writer/editor for the organization's Public Relations Department. In 1965 he was recruited by the CDC as a Public Health Advisor in STD Control that eventually led to several field supervisory assignments with the Los Angeles County Health Department, the California State Department of Health, the Connecticut Health Department, the Arizona Department of Health, and the Iowa Health Department.

In 1987, Don was promoted and was transferred to Atlanta to help implement the original "Family of Surveys" with the HIV Seroepidemiology Branch/CID - the precursor to his NCHSTP career.

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Karen Frnka retired on March 1, 2004 with 36 years of federal service. Karen began her Federal career in 1968 working with the U.S. Coast Guard at Guard Headquarters,

Washington, DC. In 1970 Karen moved to Dallas, Texas and began working for the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. In 1989 Karen transferred to Atlanta working at Ft. McPherson. In 1990 the Army's loss was CDC's gain when Karen took a job in the Division of HIV/AIDS, NCHSTP where she worked for 8 years. In 1998 Karen transferred to the Division of Viral and Rickettsial Diseases, NCID where she currently works. Karen is looking forward to retirement as she begins a most exciting and challenging stage of life that of being a Grandmother and of being footloose and fancy free. Karen's first grandchild (a grand-daughter) is expected in June. Karen plans to add travel to her "I finally have time to do what I want list". Karen is affectionately known by her co-workers as "Suzy Homemaker". We all look forward to special occasions that prompt Karen to delight us with her homemade bread, cakes and pastries. A farewell luncheon, was held on February 27, 2004.

Patsy Bellamy retired on March 3, 2004 with 36 years of federal service. Patsy began her Federal career in 1968 working at the Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of Labor in Atlanta. In 1969, Patsy came to work for the then Bureau of Epidemiology at CDC. She worked in various Divisions of the National Center for Infectious Diseases (including Viral, Bacterial and Host Factors) until she joined the EIS Program in 1989. For the past 14 years, students, physicians, scientists, epidemiologist, veterinarians, and nurses applying to EIS have been swept away by Patsy's southern charm. Patsy is looking forward to retirement so she can devote more time to her love of animals with her rescue efforts and placement of "last chance" dogs and cats. She is also looking forward to working part time at a knitting and quilt shop and being able to "baby-sit" her granddaughter.

Please join us in wishing Patsy good luck in her new endeavors. The EIS Program office will host a retirement celebration for Patsy at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia, 4355 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA on April 21, 2004 during the annual EIS Conference. Please check the final conference program for details or contact the EIS Program Office (404.639.4774) for details in early April. If you would like to send a card or note of well wishes to be included in a memory book, please mail to Lisa Pealer, D

Nancy C. Lee, MD, Director, Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC), National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, has announced her retirement from CDC. Dr. Lee currently leads CDC's research and programs in cancer prevention and control, including cancer surveillance, and cancers of the breast, colon, rectum, cervix, ovary, prostate, and skin, cancer survivorship, screening, early detection, research and public and professional education. Her reputation as an outstanding scientist and leader has contributed significantly to the success of CDC's cancer control programs and to CDC's reputation and influence on public health both within and outside the federal government.

Nancy Lee joined CDC in 1981 as an Epidemic Intelligence Service officer with the Division of Reproductive Health (DRH). During her ten years with DRH, Nancy authored or co-authored numerous scientific articles, and collaborated with scientists in academia and at CDC, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), FDA, the Agency for International Development, and the Institute of Medicine (IOM). At DRH her major research was in the etiology of cancers of the reproductive system in women, particularly the effects of oral contraceptives on risk; contraception and sterilization, particularly safety of intrauterine devices; human immunodeficiency virus; and many other topics in women's health. In 1991, Nancy joined the Division of Chronic Disease Control and Community Intervention. She is author or co-author of 90 scientific journal articles, 5 book chapters,

She is an active member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Society, the American Society for Microbiology, Sigma XI, Scientific Research Society of North America, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Beta Kappa Chi, Scientific Honor Society, CDC Mentoring Steering Committee, Atlanta University Center Biology Honor Society, Beta Kappa Chi, Scientific Honor Society, and is an Honorary Life Member of the Georgia Congress of Parents and Teachers.

After retirement, Edith will enjoy her free time while remaining involved in the community and the New Beginning Full Gospel Baptist Church. She will continue her fight for better conditions of work, health, and education for people in this country.

The Retirement Celebration for Edith A. Hambie will be held on Friday March 26, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. , The Gazebo , Courthouse Square, Downtown Decatur

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Job Opportunity(s)

Supervisory Behavioral Scientist GS-0101 -15
CLOSING DATE: 3/12/2004

LOCATION: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP), Division of STD Prevention (DSTDP), Behavioral Intervention and Research Branch (BIRB), Atlanta, GA

The Behavioral Intervention and Research Branch, DSTDP, has just announced an opening for the Chief of the Branch. We are asking all Watsonian members to share this announcement with any qualified and interested colleagues. Below is a brief description of the duties of this position.

This position serves as the Branch Chief of the Behavioral Intervention and Research Branch with the primary responsibility to plan, direct, evaluate and coordinate the staff and activities of the branch and determine the broad direction of behavioral and prevention research activities within the branch. Incumbent establishes the mission, goals, performance standards, and priorities of the branch in accordance with the mission, goals, and priorities of the Division. Incumbent provides behavioral science and policy guidance to the scientific staff and oversees the design, implementation, and evaluation of model interventions to prevent STD infection. Incumbent provides expert leadership in behavioral/social science issues and shares expertise with public health officials, research scientists and scientific administrators on behavioral, social science and community level research issues.

The CDC Vacancy Announcement can be found at the following link:
<http://vaps.hrmo.cdc.gov/viewdetail.asp?AnnouncementNumber=2-04-868&QuickHireAnnouncement=N>.

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**Public Health Advisor, GS-0685-13/14**

Open Date: 03/04/2004

Close Date: 03/17/2004

Announcement Number: HHS-CDC-T2-2004-0136 (internal)  
HHS-CDC-T2-2004-0137 (external)

The incumbent serves as the Assistant Director for Operations (ADO) and functions as the principal management person for all Global AIDS Program (GAP) activities in Botswana. Responsibilities include program planning and evaluation, formulation and implementation of policy and program, management of resources, property, contracts, memorandums of agreement, and procurement activities. Incumbent acts with full authority in the absence of the Director on all matters involving non-scientific program operations and field activities. The incumbent is responsible for providing program and operational support to the GAP initiative with particular emphasis on HIV/AIDS prevention program activities in the country of assignment. Provides advice and assistance on the implementation, direction and evaluation of the management of program activities funded through collaborative agreements and contracts.

This is a two-year assignment that may be extended for an additional two years. Moving expenses are authorized.

For more information see the links below or contact Megan Davis e-mail [mdavis3@cdc.gov](mailto:mdavis3@cdc.gov) or phone 404-639-6336:

Internal Applicants

<http://www2.cdc.gov/hrmo/viewdetail.asp?AnnouncementNumber=2-04-944&QuickHireAnnouncement=Y>

External Applicants

<http://www2.cdc.gov/hrmo/viewdetail.asp?AnnouncementNumber=2-04-945&QuickHireAnnouncement=Y>

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Virginia Department of Health (VDH)
Director of Pharmacy Services (Position #00930)

The Virginia Department of Health (VDH) is seeking an individual to provide leadership for the Commonwealth's public health pharmaceutical program, which serves individuals and communities statewide. The Director will develop policy and protocol for a network of public health pharmacy services, including business and continuity of operations plans. The incumbent regularly consults with health directors, clinicians, dentists, and nurses regarding prescribing, drug interactions, dispensing and handling of pharmaceutical products. The director also provides expert professional advice to senior agency and state officials, especially regarding infectious diseases, immunizations and emergency preparedness and response. Responsibilities include directing an effective procurement and distribution network; and providing business, contract management, and financial oversight of VDH pharmacy operations. The Director also serves as Pharmacist-in-Charge of VDH's Central Pharmacy which includes supervising and participating in day-to-day pharmacy operations. The Director will develop staffing and operational strategies as well as opportunities for contractual services and enhanced use of technology in the delivery and quality assurance of public health pharmacy services.

Must be licensed as a pharmacist by the Virginia Board of Pharmacy and have demonstrated the ability to effectively plan, direct and evaluate a complex pharmacy system, preferably in Public Health, or similar environment. Must have considerable experience supervising the procurement, storage, preparation, compounding, repackaging, dispensing, inventory control and distribution of pharmaceutical products.

Requires knowledge of contemporary public health pharmaceutical issues, strategies and solutions. Extensive background investigation is required. Salary negotiable to \$95,705.

Interested candidates are encouraged to apply by submitting a state application for employment (form #10-012) for Position #00930 to: Virginia Department of Health, Human Resources, 109 Governor Street, Room 1114, Richmond, VA 23219. For questions, contact: Human Resources, Voice: 804-864-7100 Fax: 804-864-7088 Email: employment@vdh.virginia.gov. Download an application at www.dhrm.state.va.us/statefrm.htm. Your application must be received by 5:00 p.m. on **April 12, 2004**. Equal Opportunity Employer.

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
National Immunization Program
Global Immunization Division**

The Global Immunization Division (GID) of the National Immunization Program at CDC works to support vaccine preventable disease initiatives around the world. CDC, the World Health Organization, UNICEF, Rotary International and other partners are working toward the global eradication of polio by 2005, as well as reducing measles mortality and morbidity, and strengthening routine immunization activities. There are currently six polio endemic countries remaining. CDC is looking for volunteers to assist in the final phase of polio eradication as well as assist with launching measles activities and supporting routine immunization worldwide.

Title: Polio eradication consultants (STOP: Stop Transmission of Polio)

Location: Africa, Asia and Eastern Mediterranean

Timeframe: Twelve week assignment overseas beginning in May and September 2004, and January 2005, with a one and half week required training at CDC in Atlanta, GA prior to the assignment.

Duties: CDC, in collaboration with the World Health Organization and UNICEF, is looking for volunteer health professionals to participate in 3-month short-term consultations to assist with polio eradication (and measles mortality reduction and control) programs. Participants work at the district level along with a national counterpart. The work focuses on surveillance and/or assisting with planning, monitoring, and evaluating National Immunization Days. Other activities that may require participation include: routine EPI integrated surveillance, house-to-house immunizations, case-investigation and follow-up.

Each participant receives training, per diem and travel expenses by GID. CDC staff must obtain approval from supervisors to take a leave of absence from duty and to continue receiving salary from their own CIO.

Qualifications: Either a graduate degree or licensure in a health field (example: RN, MPH, MD, etc.) AND have at least three years of relevant work experience OR have at least five years of relevant work experience. Relevant experience is defined as having worked in disease surveillance, field epidemiology, and mass immunization services or

programs. Command of English is required. Fluency in French and Portuguese and prior international experience are considered additional strengths.

Contact: Please visit our website at <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/global>. To apply, submit your CV with contact information for three references via the website or to NIPSTOPteam@cdc.gov. Be sure to include on your CV language abilities, prior international work experience, and the time frame for which you wish to be considered. If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to send questions to NIPSTOPteam@cdc.gov.

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR UNIQUE EXCURSION THROUGH HISTORY, NATURE AND CULTURE

National Park Service & Amtrak Add Zing to Atlanta-New Orleans Train Link
All Aboard!

The National Park Service (NPS) and Amtrak announce an exciting opportunity for volunteers in Atlanta to travel, interpret, and explore southern rails this summer.

Trails & Rails-an interactive educational program established nationally through the NPS/Amtrak partnership in 2000-kicks off this summer with a new route from Atlanta to New Orleans, staffed by Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site park rangers and community volunteers. The first volunteer training and orientation sessions will be held at the King historic site March 2 and 3, 2004.

Beginning this June, Trails & Rails guides will offer a unique travel experience to passengers aboard the Amtrak passenger train Crescent, presenting informative talks, announcements, and exhibits about the natural, cultural and historical significance of the train's route. Many of the talks during the Crescent's journeys this summer will focus on destinations important to Civil War, Civil Rights, and Native American heritage, and also "Southern Wonders" like kudzu and the 24-mile long bridge spanning Louisiana's Lake Pontchartrain.

Trails & Rails volunteers need not be historians or naturalists to participate. The Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site seeks dedicated and entertaining volunteers with an enthusiasm for public speaking, travel and human interaction. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, in good health, and available to make at least three two-day trips during the course of the summer season. Uniforms, program materials, travel, meals, and overnight lodging are provided. Volunteers must attend the training and orientation sessions.

For more information on the Trails & Rails program aboard the Crescent in 2004, or to receive an application, contact: Trails & Rails Coordinator, Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site, 450 Auburn Avenue NE, Atlanta, Ga. 30312, (404) 331-6922 extension 3604. Also visit www.nps.gov/trails&rails/htm # # #

SHARE NEWS

SHARE, Inc.

MARCH SPECIAL PROMOTION
CDC-LOGO GREEN MERCHANDISE
15% OFF
MARCH 8 - 17, 2004

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE -(SORRY NO RAIN CHECKS)
SHARE STORE HOURS: 9:30AM - 2:30PM

**EMPLOYEES WILL NEED TO SHOW PROOF OF SHARE MEMBERSHIP FOR THIS
DISCOUNT OFFER**

No other discounts apply.

If you have questions about this announcement, please contact the Roybal SHARE
Store 404-639-7777.

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CDC/SHARE Night with the  
Gwinnett Gladiators!!

vs

Alaska Aces

Tuesday, March 23, 7:35 pm-- (Premium Seating )\$9

NEW Gwinnett Arena (I85N Sugarloaf Parkway)

<http://www.gcvb.org/GwinnettArena.asp>

Welcome to the 1st year of Gwinnett Gladiator Hockey from the East Coast  
Hockey League (ECHL). Come out and enjoy one of the best sports to see LIVE!  
It is great fun for the whole family in the new arena at Gwinnett Center. SHARE is  
happy to offer our next game at this point with 50% discount prices .

These are premium lower level side seating, and its group appreciation nite, plus  
NO ticketmaster charges. Our seats offer a great view and value. So get your  
order in early and fast to insure the best seats and get in on the fun.

Please contact Tony McDonald, SHARE Entertainment/Recreation Chairman, by  
email, with your count, & mailstop to reserve your spot. Tickets are limited so act  
today! Send payments to Tony McDonald at M/S E85. Remember as usual,  
seats will be assigned in the order of payments received, and will be distributed a  
week or so prior to the game. You must be a SHARE member to enjoy our  
discount offers. So if you are not a member you can join by adding \$4 to your  
order. Another benefit offered by SHARE!

Just another great opportunity from your SHARE Entertainment/Recreation Committee.

*DEATH in the House next door to Kathleen Turner's House- Long Island*

By William Ludel - Directed by Jeff Steitzer

Friday, May 21, 2004 World Premiere 8 pm. On the Alliance Stage

Two hapless acting students, inexplicably named Lucy and Desi, break into a  
movie star's house to snap a photo of her Academy Award. Trouble is...it's the  
wrong house...there's no Oscar...and there's a dog under a sheet on the living  
room floor showing no signs of life. When the real homeowners unexpectedly  
pop up, Lucy and Desi have a lot of `splaining to do!

This fast-paced, quick-witted world premiere is a knee-slapping, belly-laughing, banana-peel-slipping comedy about love, death and the Oscar that Kathleen Turner never won.

SHARE is pleased to make available to our members the opportunity to see this special concert. We are able to offer these Category A Orchestra Seating at the Alliance Theatre in the Woodruff Arts Building, for this show at a discount price of \$33, 15% off the regular price, plus no ticketmaster charges. These tickets will go very fast, and there is a limited number of tickets available to the show.

Reservations must be sent via email to Tony McDonald, this includes number of tickets, and mailstop. Then send payment to Tony at Mailstop E85. Tickets will be distributed about 2 weeks prior to the show as usual, so tickets are not lost. We are making these reservations early to guarantee our great seating in the lower level orchestra, as this show will sell out very quickly to the public.

**LORD OF THE RINGS**  
**ASO Special - June 5, 2004**  
**A Symphony in Six Movements**  
**for Orchestra and Chorus**  
**Music from the Motion Picture Trilogy**  
**Howard Shore, composer and conductor**  
**with Alan Lee's Original Illustrations**

Aficionados of The Lord of the Rings can look forward to a live performance of music from the motion picture trilogy in Atlanta Symphony Hall. Saturday, June 5th at 8:00 PM, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chorus will perform The Lord of the Rings Symphony: Six Movements for Orchestra and Chorus. Howard Shore is composer and conductor for this South-Eastern debut!

SHARE is pleased to make available to our members the opportunity to see this special concert. We are able to offer these Rear Orchestra tickets in the Symphony Hall at the Woodruff Arts Center for this show at a discount price of **\$41**, 15% off the regular price, plus no ticketmaster charges. These tickets will go very fast, and there is a limited number of tickets available to the show. Reservations must be sent via email to Tony McDonald, this includes number of tickets, and mailstop, then send payment to him at E85. Tickets will be distributed about 2 weeks prior to the show as usual, so tickets are not lost.

\*Please do not reply to this email with questions, but contact Tony McDonald by email, thank you.

Atlanta Opera Presents  
**MADAME BUTTERFLY**  
Sunday, May 23, 2004 3pm --**\$56**

By Giacomo Puccini  
Directed by Henry Akina  
Conducted by William Fred Scott  
At The Atlanta Civic Center

A young Japanese woman marries an American naval officer in a ceremony she takes to heart, but he does not. Puccini's passionate and ravishing music leads us to hope that all might turn out well for this fragile Butterfly. The heart wrenching story of Cio-Cio-San returns to The Atlanta Opera in an exquisitely beautiful and critically acclaimed production.

There are a limited number of tickets available to this show, and seating assignments are done on a first payment received basis. Tickets are **\$56** for orchestra seating, which is a 15% discount plus no ticket processing charges. Reservations must be sent via email to Tony McDonald. This includes number of tickets, mailstop, and membership number. Payments must be sent via interoffice mail to **Tony at M/S E85**. But remember to hurry because these will go fast. Tickets will be distributed about 2 weeks prior to the show as usual.