

DR. EMILY ABEL received the Viseltear Award for outstanding book on the history of public health given annually by the Medical Care Section of the American Public Health Association. Abel's book is entitled *Tuberculosis and the Politics of Exclusion* (see Bookshelf on this page).

DR. CAROL ANESHENSEL is the 2008 recipient of the Leo G. Reeder Award for Distinguished Contributions to Medical Sociology from the American Sociological Association. Leo G. Reeder was a member of the UCLA School of Public Health faculty at the time of his death in 1978.

DR. ALINA DORIAN was awarded the Medal of Gratitude from the president of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic for her public health leadership in a country that was decimated by war after declaring its independence from the former Soviet Union. The award is the highest civilian honor conferred by the government.

DR. JONATHAN FIELDING was named by Secretary of Health and Human Services Michael Levitt to chair the National Advisory Panel on the Nation's Objectives for 2020. He was also named to the Public Health Advisory Committee of the California Department of Public Health, along with fellow faculty member **DR. ANTRONETTE (TONI) YANCEY**.

DR. GILBERT GEE received a Scientific and Technological Achievement Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for two 2007 papers.

DR. FRED HAGIGI received the 2007 Distinguished Lecturer Award from the UCLA Academic Senate Committee on Teaching. The award was one of three given for the campus in honor of excellence in teaching.

DR. VICKIE MAYS was elected to the American Psychological Association's Board of Scientific Affairs and appointed to the Harvard School of Public Health Visitors Committee.

DR. JACK NEEDLEMAN was named an honorary Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing for the contribution of his research to understanding the impact of nurses on quality of care and the economics of nursing.

DR. CHARLOTTE NEUMANN received the UCLA James S. Coleman African Studies Center Honor for 40 years of teaching, research, and public service.

THOMAS PRISELAC received the National Healthcare Leadership Award from the National Center for Healthcare Leadership.

DR. LINDA ROSENSTOCK was appointed senior advisor for the X PRIZE Foundation's Health and Healthcare Prize. She serves as president of the Society of Medical Administrators and is chair-elect of the Association of Schools of Public Health.

DR. WENDELIN SLUSSER received the Beverlee A. Myers Award for Excellence in Public Health from the California Department of Public Health and the Department of Health Care Services.

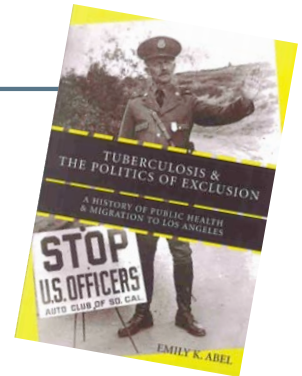
DR. ELIZABETH YANO received the VA Health Services Research & Development Research Career Scientist Award for accomplishments in research, mentorship and service.

bookshelf

...recent books by UCLA School of Public Health authors

Tuberculosis and the Politics of Exclusion: A History of Public Health and Migration to Los Angeles,

by Emily K. Abel. Rutgers University Press. Abel shows how the association of tuberculosis in Los Angeles with "tramps" during the 1880s and 1890s and Dust Bowl refugees during the 1930s provoked exclusionary measures against both groups. In addition, public health officials sought not only to restrict the entry of Mexicans (the majority of immigrants) during the 1920s but also to expel them during the 1930s. The book provides a critical lens through which to view both the contemporary debate about immigration and the U.S. response to the emergent global tuberculosis epidemic.



DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD — Dr. Abdelmonem A. Afifi, professor and dean emeritus, was the recipient of the inaugural Dean's Distinguished Teaching Award in May. The award was created to recognize the best of the school's faculty educators and was presented at the school's annual 2008 Honors and Awards Reception. Afifi has been an integral part of the UCLA School of Public Health since 1965 — as a member of the biostatistics faculty, a department chair, and dean of the school from 1985 to 2000. He teaches courses in biostatistics to public health students and clinical research physicians, and doctoral-level courses in multivariate statistics and multilevel modeling. He has authored numerous publications, including two widely used books on multivariate analysis; has lectured around the globe; and has been honored by numerous national and international organizations.

new faculty



DR. HAROUTUNE K. ARMENIAN

has joined the UCLA School of Public Health faculty as professor in the Department of Epidemiology. Armenian was among the first to apply epidemiologic methods to study

effects of civil war at the population level during the 1980s in Lebanon, and to study the long-term effects of an earthquake in Armenia during the 1990s, using case-control and cohort approaches. His most recent research includes the study of cancer within the multicenter AIDS cohort program and the study of psychopathology as a determinant of physical illness. He is president of the American University of Armenia and former director of the Master of Public Health Program at Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. Armenian received his M.D. from the American University of Beirut School of Medicine, and his M.P.H. and Dr.P.H. from Johns Hopkins.

DR. LILLIAN GELBERG, UCLA professor of family medicine, has joined the faculty as a professor in the Department of Health Services. As one of the nation's leading researchers on access and quality of care for homeless and vulnerable populations, she examines both the physical and mental health needs of Los Angeles County's impoverished residents by using sophisticated statistical techniques along with innovative interviewing strategies.

DR. DINESH KHANNA has joined the faculty as assistant adjunct professor in the Department of Health Services. Khanna's research focus is in assessment of health utilities in patients with arthritis, with a goal of understanding patients' decision-making and incorporation of health utilities in large arthritis-related clinical trials. He is also assistant clinical professor of medicine and director of the UCLA Scleroderma Clinic.

DR. LISA RUBENSTEIN, a UCLA professor of internal medicine, has joined the faculty as a professor in the Department of Health Services. As director of the VA Health Services Research & Development Center of Excellence for the Study of Healthcare Provider Behavior and a practicing general internist and geriatrician, Rubenstein focuses on improving quality of care and patient quality of life.

news briefs

salon series prepares for second year

The UCLA School of Public Health-sponsored salon series "Healthy Futures," launched last fall, has brought dozens of the school's faculty members, alumni, donors and friends together in intimate settings across Southern California for focused discussions on today's leading public health issues.

The first year has featured discussions on cancer survivorship with Dr. Patricia Ganz, on the cost of health care with Drs. Gerald Kominski and Jack Needleman, and on stopping the next pandemic before it starts with Drs. Nathan Wolfe and Hilary Godwin.

The school is currently planning Healthy Futures salons for the 2008-09 academic year, beginning with a lunchtime event in September that will address the nation's looming public health workforce crisis.

Anyone with suggestions for topics or who wishes to be included on the invitation list is encouraged to contact the Alumni Affairs and Development office at (310) 825-6464 or email Cheryl Difatta at cdifatta@support.ucla.edu.

sph invited to beijing forum



Dr. Linda Rosenstock, dean of the UCLA School of Public Health, was invited to present on a panel on Diversity of Population Development and Health Security at the Beijing Forum, an annual international meeting in China, hosted by the public and private sectors to advance solutions to complex global issues.

Rosenstock's presentation addressed the lack of investment in population health around the world, the increase in obesity and diabetes-related diseases, and the occupational hazards faced by the world's 2.7 billion workers. She emphasized the need for increased efforts to prevent disease and disability, promote healthy environments and behaviors, and ensure the availability of high-quality, cost-effective health care in order to improve the health of millions at a time, rather than just one at a time.



DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR LECTURE — Dr. Roger Detels was selected to deliver the school's first Dean's Distinguished Scholar Lecture in April, kicking off a new lecture series highlighting the work of distinguished faculty. Detels, dean emeritus and professor of epidemiology, began research in 1981 that evolved into the Multicenter AIDS Cohort Study, the longest-running study of HIV. He has generated more than \$100 million in grants since 1970 and has published more than 350 research articles. He is senior editor of the *Oxford Textbook of Public Health*.



BRESLOW LECTURE — Paul Krugman, professor of economics and international affairs at Princeton University and an op-ed columnist for *The New York Times*, was the speaker at the 34th Annual Lester Breslow Distinguished Lecture. Krugman spoke on "Prospects for Universal Health Care" and also touched on 2008 presidential politics. *The Washington Monthly* called Krugman "the most important political columnist in America" and *The Economist* has heralded him as "the most celebrated economist of his generation."



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD — Dr. Marjorie Kagawa-Singer, professor of community health sciences at the school, received the Ann C. Rosenfield Distinguished Community Partnership Prize from the UCLA Center for Community Partnerships. The campus-wide award recognizes Kagawa-Singer's collaboration with Families in Good Health-St. Mary's Medical Center to promote, through research and advocacy, early cancer screening among underrepresented Asian communities.

SAVE THE DATE

UCLA SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
ALUMNI AND FRIENDS RECEPTION

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2008
6:30 – 8:00 pm

Manchester Hyatt, Manchester Ballroom B

During the Annual Meeting
of the American Public Health Association,
October 25-29, in San Diego

Check the APHA schedule or stop by the UCLA School
of Public Health booth for location information.

godwin new associate dean



Dr. Hilary Godwin, professor and chair of the school's Department of Environmental Health Sciences, will become associate dean for academic programs effective July 1. She replaces Dr. Gerald Kominski, who steps down after seven years to devote

increased time to his research and return full time to the Department of Health Services.

clark joins sph as asst. dean



Dave Clark has joined the School of Public Health as assistant dean for student affairs. As the newest member of the school's leadership team, Clark is responsible for overseeing the central student services office, including recruitment, admissions, graduate

advising, retention and career services. Clark brings 14 years of experience in student affairs and college administration. He was formerly the dean of students at Pitzer College, a member of the Claremont College Consortium, where he provided leadership for the entire college's student affairs division and the interface with sister institutions.



LOUIS VUITTON BENEFIT — Dean Linda Rosenstock (second from left) joins members of the Entertainment Industry Task Force (EITF) at a luncheon benefiting the school at the Louis Vuitton store in Beverly Hills. EITF members, from left, include Wendy Goldberg, Lynda Resnick, Hillary Mendelsohn, Cynthia Sikes Yorkin, Irena Medavoy and Cindy Horn. Sikes Yorkin and Horn also serve on the school's Dean's Advisory Board.

DID YOU KNOW?

You are a lifetime member of the UCLA School of Public Health Alumni Association if you are a graduate of the UCLA School of Public Health and its executive programs.

If you would like more information about the activities of the Public Health Alumni Association, please call (310) 825-6464 or e-mail phaa@support.ucla.edu.