Message from the Chief

This edition of the Vascular Newsletter is dedicated to Dr. Seymour Glagov, Professor of Pathology at the University of Chicago. Dr. Glagov’s fundamental concepts regarding the structure and function of the artery wall are the foundation of our current understanding of the relationship between hemodynamic forces and atherosclerosis. On February 20 a Symposium to honor Dr. Glagov’s lifelong contributions was held in the Munzer auditorium on the Stanford campus, attracting a national and international participation. Highlights of this scientific symposium are shown in this newsletter and can be seen in more detail at the vascular website. Dr. Glagov’s concepts are central to our Cardiovascular Biology and Biomechanics research program which will move into the new Clark Center in July. This research program brings together the disciplines of biology, engineering and medicine in an effort to increase our understanding of vascular disease and to improve our ability to treat patients. This month’s outstanding symposium marks the beginning of an annual Glagov Lectureship at Stanford to acknowledge Dr. Glagov’s seminal contributions which are sure to continue to stimulate new discoveries.

Christopher K. Zarins, MD

Highlights:

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The first Glagov Symposium on hemodynamics and vascular remodeling began with a lovely surprise to Dr. Glagov by the unexpected appearance of Dr. Don Giddens, Professor and Dean of College of Engineering at Georgia Tech, who took time out from his busy schedule to honor Dr. Glagov.

Dr. Zarins opened the symposium by introduction of Dr. Glagov’s contribution to science over the years. Dr. Giddens added a tribute highlighting the collaborative research effort over the years.

Dr. Glagov then made a speech by telling a funny story appreciating the tribute offered by the symposium.

Among the speakers, Dr. Hirotake Masuda, Professor of Pathology, 2nd Department of Pathology, Akita University, Akita, Japan, was one of a distinguished guest speaker at the symposium.

The symposium issued a trophy in recognizing Dr. Glagov’s contribution. The symposium featured thorough discussion throughout the whole 3 and a half hour. During lunch time the discussion was continued.

Featured Story: Carol Haggerty, RN

-- By Alison M. Kerr, RN

Have you ever wondered who within the division of Vascular Surgery has been at Stanford Hospital the longest? Your thoughts may drift towards some of our more "senior" faculty with graying hair, but the person with the longest tenure at Stanford is actually our clinic nurse Carol Haggerty, RN.

Carol Haggerty RN graduated in 1963 from O'Connor Hospital Nursing School. To help support herself during nursing school, she worked at Stanford Hospital in central supply and as a nursing assistant. She officially was hired as a nurse at Stanford 9/14/64 where she worked on West 3B on the Obstetrics and gynecological floor. After two years on the floor, she did an 8 month stint as the hospitals PM nursing supervisor. She then taught the nursing assistant program at Stanford for 4 years. Incidentally, after Carol stopped directing the nursing assistant program it disbanded. Carol married in 1970 and had her first of five daughters in 1971. Carol continued to work outside the home ½ time as the afternoon supervisor for 15 years and in 1985 joined the dermatology as their clinic nurse for a 6 month maternity leave coverage. She continued to float in multiple clinics and continue her pm nursing supervisory position. In 1989 Carol joined the primary care clinic full time until 1997.

Carol joined the Vascular Surgery clinic 12/4/97. Carol is an inspiration to those of us who work with her. Her unending patience even in the most difficult situations and her tempered reason and sense of humor makes even the most stressful days pass quickly. Her infectious laugh can bring a smile to even the most sullied patient.

Carol affectionately calls many of her co-workers "little bug" despite her relatively small stature, and has been known to spend hours solving problems for patients that would drive the majority of us to distraction (or drink!). Carol has developed very close relationship with many of our long term patients and is a familiar face to for them when they come to clinic. Not a day goes by where someone who doesn't see her asks "where's Carol?"

In her spare time away from work, Carol enjoys bike riding with her 5 daughters (a civil engineer, a veterinarian, physical therapist, scientist in the biotech industry and a personal trainer with a business degree) and gardening. She is immensely proud of her daughters and loves to share stories of her family with those of us who work with her.

Stanford Hospital and specifically the Vascular Surgery clinic its patients and staff are much richer for having Carol dedicate herself to the care of our patients for so many years. We are grateful for her efforts, and hope that she will continue to work with us in the years to come.

Announcement of Annual Glagov Lectureship was made at the end of the symposium by Drs. Zarins and Taylor. Thanks to the generous support by the Guidant Corporation represented by Dr. Beborah Kilpatrick, who was also a distinguished speaker at the symposium, this lectureship becomes possible for years to come.

Announcement of Annual Glagov Lectureship

Syposium

(Continued from page 1) The dinner at Dr. Zarins’ home to further honor Dr. Glagov was featured by a wine taste course by Chris Cheng, PhD and a country music “forever young” solo by Dr. Masuda (movie clip).
Upcoming Events

- Mini Symposium in honor of Dr. Norman Rich, who will deliver the Holman Lecture on March 7, 2003
- Stanford / UCSF Symposium – May 1-3, 2003, at the Renaissance Stanford Court
- SVU Interpretation Symposium, May 4, 2003 just following the Stanford / UCSF symposium
- SVU’s 26th Annual Conference July 16-19, Charlotte, NC
- Bonnie Johnson RDMS, RVT, FSVU: To lead delegation of vascular professionals to China April 3, 2003. People to People Ambassador Programs offer professional exchange opportunities worldwide

Presentations


Publications

- Filis KA, Arko FR, Rubin GD, Raman B, Fogarty TJ, Zaris CK. Aortoiliac angulation and the need for secon-dary procedures to secure stent graft fixation: which angle is important? Int Angiol. 2002 Dec;21(4):349-54. [abs, pdf(-)]

Stanford University School of Medicine Department of Surgery Grand Rounds

- Low Extremity Revascularization: Development of New Technologies in Silicon Valley. Presented by Brad Hill, MD, Assistant Professor, Division of Vascular Surgery, Department of Surgery, Stanford University School of Medicine, February 18, 2003, 7:00 to 8:00 am. Munzer Lecture Hall, Beckman Building/Ground Floor
- New Therapies in Venous Disease. Presented by Sheila Coogan, MD, Assistant Professor, Division of Vascular Surgery, Department of Surgery, Stanford University School of Medicine, February 25, 2003, 7:00 to 8:00 am. Munzer Lecture Hall, Beckman Building/Ground Floor

Please send your publications and presentations for future newsletters. Your suggestion is always welcome. Thank you.

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