
Fellows in the news

V. K. Kapoor, MBBS, FACS, FACG, FRCS, of the department of surgical gastroenterology at the Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences in Lucknow, India, has been awarded a Fulbright Fellowship by the U.S. Educational Foundation in India. Beginning in August 2008, Dr. Kapoor visited U.S. educational institutions—including Oregon Health and Science University, Portland; Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN; Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH; and Fox Chase Cancer Center and Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, PA—and attended the Clinical Congress in San Francisco, CA, and the American College of Gastroenterology's meeting in Orlando, FL.

Cato Laurencin, MD, PhD, FACS, dean of the School of Medicine and vice-president for health affairs at the University of Connecticut, Farmington, received the Excellence in Science and Technology Award at the 15th Annual Caribbean American Heritage Awards, which honor and celebrate individuals of Caribbean heritage and Friends of the Caribbean who have been standard bearers of excellence, and who have made positive contributions to the American and international landscape.

The staff of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center selected **Jack Matloff, MD, FACS**, in recognition of his lifetime of achievement and leadership in cardiac medicine, as the organization's 2008 Pioneer in Medicine. His four-

decade career at Cedars-Sinai began when he was recruited in 1969 to design and develop the center's division of cardiothoracic surgery.

Donald Palmisano, MD, JD, FACS, has published a book, *On Leadership: Essential Principles for Success*, with a foreword from Louisiana's Gov. Bobby Jindal. More information about the book is available at www.onleadership.us.

The Indiana State Medical Association installed **David Welsh, MD, FACS**, a surgeon from Batesville, IN, as president of its 8,300-member organization. Dr. Welsh is employed at the Margaret Mary Community Hospital in Batesville.

Call for nominations for ACS Officers-Elect

The 2009 Nominating Committee of the Fellows has the task of selecting nominees for the three Officer-Elect positions of the American College of Surgeons: President-Elect, First Vice-President-Elect, and Second Vice-President-Elect. The following guidelines are used by the Nominating Committee when reviewing the names of potential candidates for nomination as Officers of the College.

- Loyal members of the College who have demonstrated

outstanding integrity and medical statesmanship along with an unquestioned devotion to the highest principles of surgical practice

- Demonstrated leadership qualities that might be reflected by service and active participation on ACS committees or in other components of the College

- Recognition of the importance of their representing all who practice surgery

The College encourages consideration of women and other

underrepresented minorities.

Nominations should include one or two paragraphs on the potential contributions each candidate can offer in terms of what he or she can do for the members of the College. Submit nominations to memberservices@facs.org by Friday, **February 27**.

If you have any questions, contact Patricia Sprecksel, Staff Liaison for the Nominating Committee of the Fellows, at psprecksel@facs.org.