

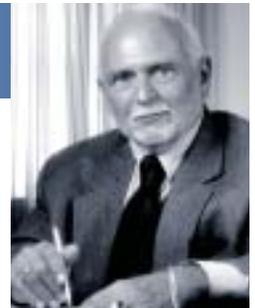
To: Community Representatives

From: Thomas Gallagher, Ph.D., Director  
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## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY LIAISON

**A**t the October Community Liaison Council (CLC) meeting, the assistant chief of the NIH Fire Department, Jonathan Mattingly, gave the CLC a minute-by-minute accounting of the NIH/Bethesda response to the underground gas line rupture that took place on the NIH campus in August. This particular incident occurred on the south side of campus and was related to the perimeter fence construction. The fire department response started within minutes of the event and was professional and well executed. Most importantly, no injuries or loss of property occurred. We always hope we don't need the services of the fire department. But when we do have a need, it is comforting to know that we have so much expertise available to us so quickly, and that includes the Bethesda and Navy firefighters. A few members of the CLC questioned how this incident could occur, even though NIH had contacted Miss Utility and used an underground utility locator map provided by Washington Gas. According to NIH officials, the location of this particular gas line was not properly sited on the map. Further investigation is being conducted, and OCL will keep the CLC informed of their findings.



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Now that the rains have stopped the NIH fence is progressing according to schedule, and completion is expected sometime around the end of the year. The walking/bicycle path around the fence is now in the final stages of completion.

Lesley Hildebrand, the CLC representative from Huntington Terrace Citizens Association, designed and led a community survey project to determine the number of pedestrian Metro users whose trek across campus would be affected by the completion of the perimeter fence and its vehicular/pedestrian gates. Complete results of this survey are pending. The survey was excellently planned and executed, and all those who volunteered to help are to be commended.

The meeting ended with an important discussion about laboratory safety. Several members of the council wanted to know the degree of existing oversight on any given NIH research protocol. Safety is of paramount importance to the NIH, and the discussion was valuable. Council members wanted to know specifically what oversight is in place to ensure that no one inside or outside an NIH laboratory is subjected to harm. In spite of the fact that NIH laboratories have a perfect 30-year safety history, this question is both reasonable and timely. Therefore, what follows is a brief overview of laboratory protocol oversight at NIH.

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The Community Liaison Council will hold its next meeting on **Thursday, November 20, at 4 p.m.**, in Conference Room D, Natcher Conference Center, Building 45 on the NIH Campus.

The NIH is the premier biomedical research facility in the world. That being said, there are many mandatory reviews for research conducted at the NIH depending on the nature of the protocols involved. All human subject research (clinical protocols) are reviewed and approved by the Institutional Review Board. If these protocols involve investigational new drugs or gene transfer/therapy, Food and Drug Administration approval is also required. In the case of gene transfer/therapy protocols the Office of Biotechnology Assessment, and in certain circumstances, Recombinant Advisory Committee review and approval is necessary.

All research protocols involving human infectious disease agents require review and approval of the NIH biosafety officer. All non-exempt recombinant DNA protocols require review and approval by the NIH Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC). Any investigator who requests use of the NIH Maximum Containment Laboratory must submit the protocol for review to the IBC and ultimately to the Program Review Committee in the Office of the Director, NIH. Any protocol using radioisotopes requires review of the NIH Radiation Safety Committee.

All protocols using research animals require the review and approval of an Institute Animal Care and Use Committee (ACUC). An occupational safety and health specialist sits on each ACUC to specifically review and approve the use of any hazardous substance in an animal protocol. Furthermore, the NIH Chemical Hygiene Plan requires review and approval of the use of certain hazardous chemicals by occupational safety and health specialists. In the event that a select agent is being used in any research protocol, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention must review and approve the study. If the agent is a select agent of agricultural importance, the Animal Plant Health Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture must review and approve these studies.

For all select agent work, Federal Bureau of Investigation Risk Assessments, including fingerprinting, must be completed prior to individuals having access to these agents. Various reviews for scientific merit also take place within each NIH Institute including periodic review by a Board of Scientific Counselors.

## NIH CAMPUS NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

### NIH Grantees Win Nobel Prizes

Three NIH-funded scientists won Nobel prizes last month for their work in the fields of chemistry and medicine. Peter Agre, M.D., and Roderick MacKinnon, M.D., won the 2003 Nobel Prize for Chemistry for advancing knowledge about cellular membrane channels—the passageways that control the movement of molecules across cell membranes. Paul C. Lauterbur, Ph.D., who receives funding from several NIH institutes, was co-awarded the 2003 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for major discoveries in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) along with fellow scientist Sir Peter Mansfield.

Dr. Agre, a professor of biological chemistry and medicine at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, Maryland, received half of the chemistry prize for “the discovery of water channels.” The other half of the prize went to Dr. MacKinnon, a professor of molecular neurobiology and biophysics at the Rockefeller University in New York City, for his work on “structural and mechanistic studies of ion channels.” Both scientists have received nearly \$17 million in NIH grants over the past two decades.



Peter Agre, M.D.

Their work is of great significance: “Each of the trillion cells in our bodies maintains a strict border control on what goes in and out through molecular channels,” explained NIH Director Elias Zerhouni, M.D. “The role of channels in the body is so critical that we would not be alive were it not for the vigilance of these gateways in maintaining healthy cells.” Their research will continue to help scientists better understand the molecular roots of disease as well as aiding in the development of new medicines to treat a wide variety of health disorders.

Dr. Lauterbur, a professor of chemistry, biophysics and computational biology and bioengineering at the University of Illinois, is a long-time NIH grantee. He has received funding from the National Center for

Research Resources, the National Cancer Institute, the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI), the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) and the National Institute of Mental Health. His prize-winning research allows scientists to see the inside of the body through clear MRI pictures, helping improve diagnosis and reducing the need for invasive procedures.

Since 1981, Dr. Agre received more than \$11 million in grants from the NHLBI, the National Eye Institute and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. Dr. MacKinnon's research was funded in part by a \$5.9 million grant from NIGMS for the past 13 years.

### **Tour de France Winner Bikes Through NIH To Raise Cancer Awareness**

Five-time *Tour de France* cyclist champion and testicular cancer survivor Lance Armstrong stopped at NIH on a cross-country bike tour aimed at raising cancer awareness and increasing public participation in cancer research. On October 17, Armstrong stopped at the NIH Clinical Center after biking for nearly a week from Los Angeles, California. The



*Tour de France* Winner and Cancer Advocate Lance Armstrong

tour, which took place from October 11–18, started in L.A. and continued through Phoenix, Dallas, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, before ending in Washington, D.C. at the Ellipse near the White House. Armstrong was joined on this "Tour of Hope" by a team of 25 other cyclists selected for their personal experiences with cancer and their biking ability. NIH

postdoctoral fellow Peter Scacheri of the National Human Genome Research Institute was one of the team members. Scacheri was selected from a pool of more than 1,000 applicants for his research exploring the genetic basis of cancer, his record as an avid cyclist and his personal loss of a good friend to cancer. The team of cyclists stopped at the National

Cancer Institute-funded Comprehensive and Clinical Cancer Centers in each city to inspire the public to participate in cancer research. They also shared their personal experiences with cancer along the way. For more information about the tour, visit <http://www.tourofhope.com>.

### **NICHD Honors Outstanding Scientists To Commemorate 40th Anniversary**

The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) officially became a part of NIH on November 14, 1963. To celebrate its 40th anniversary this fall, NICHD is paying tribute to 15 outstanding scientists who have made exceptional contributions toward improving maternal and child health. Their commitment to excellence has led to the prevention of some genetic childhood disorders, the eradication of certain diseases, the establishment of NICHD, the development of key drugs to prevent disease and to the establishment of key disease screening methods, to name but a few results of their work. At an NIH ceremony in September, these key scientists were elected into NICHD's Hall of Honor:

- Gary Becker, Ph.D.**, University of Chicago
- Ralph Brinster, V.M.D., Ph.D.**, University of Pennsylvania
- Robert E. Cooke, M.D.**, Johns Hopkins University
- Delbert Fisher, M.D.**, University of California, Los Angeles
- William Gahl, M.D.**, NICHD
- Roger Guillemin, M.D., Ph.D.**, The Salk Institute
- Edward B. Lewis, Ph.D.**, California Institute of Technology
- Maria New, M.D.**, Cornell University
- Craig Ramey, Ph.D.**, University of North Carolina, University of Alabama and Georgetown University
- John B. Robbins, M.D.**, NICHD
- Rachel Schneerson, M.D.**, NICHD
- Judith Vaitukaitis, M.D.**, NICHD
- Stephen T. Warren, Ph.D.**, Emory University
- Eric Wieschaus, Ph.D.**, Princeton University
- Ryuzo Yanagimachi, Ph.D.**, University of Hawaii

To learn more about each honoree's contribution, visit <http://www.nichd.nih.gov>.

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## NIDA Releases Updated Guide on Preventing Teen Drug Use

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) at NIH recently released an updated version of its publication, *Preventing Drug Use Among Children and Adolescents: A Research-Based Guide for Parents, Educators, and Community Leaders, Second Edition*. The 46-page booklet aims to prevent young people from using drugs.

“For almost 30 years, NIDA has supported a rigorous research program to determine what really works to help prevent drug abuse among America’s young people,” said NIDA Director Nora D. Volkow, M.D. “We want to share what we have found through scientific inquiry with families and schools in every community across America.”



The revised guide, expanding on the first edition, is presented in a question and answer format and organized around 16 fundamental principles derived from effective prevention campaigns. To obtain a copy of the guide or an abbreviated version, call the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information at 1-800-729-6686. For more information about the health effects of drug abuse, visit <http://www.drugabuse.gov>.

## NIAID Launches Treatment Study for West Nile Virus

Scientists at NIH’s National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) launched a study this fall aimed at developing new ways to prevent and treat West Nile virus. NIAID is enrolling volunteers at selected sites throughout the country to participate in the study.

“West Nile virus has emerged as a problem in the United States again this year, and public health officials are particularly concerned because the disease appears to be spreading more quickly and more widely than last year,” said NIAID Director Anthony S. Fauci, M.D. “We hope that the results from this study will ultimately give physicians and their patients a useful treatment option.”

West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne virus that can cause a range of symptoms of varying severity in humans. Most people with the virus have only a mild illness. However, the illnesses caused by West Nile virus may be serious and may include encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain, or meningitis, inflammation of the membranes and fluid surrounding the brain and spinal cord.

The new NIAID study will determine if giving antibodies to those infected with West Nile virus will help their immune systems to better fend off these more severe symptoms of the virus.

Researchers seek to enroll 100 hospitalized patients 18 years of age or older who have West Nile-related encephalitis or are at risk for developing it based upon clinical symptoms. Research sites are in various locations throughout the country, including the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. For more information about the study or additional sites, visit NIAID’s Collaborative Antiviral Study Group at <http://www.casg.uab.edu> or the NIH Clinical Center’s site at <http://www.clinicaltrials.gov>.

## New Exhibit Honors Outstanding Women Physicians

They stood strong in the face of adversity; they tackled discrimination; they fought prejudice. They also became some of this country’s finest women physicians. It is their persistence, ingenuity and ability that enabled them to advance in all areas of science and medicine. These talented women physicians from the past and present are saluted in a new interactive exhibition that opened last month, created by NIH’s National Library of Medicine (NLM). “Changing the Face of Medicine,” features rich stories of women physicians who have overcome great challenges to make extraordinary achievements. These talented women include:

- A New York native who became the first woman of color to lead a U.S. medical school;
- An Irish American who became the first woman to direct the NIH;
- A Puerto Rican pediatrician who became the first woman and Hispanic U.S. Surgeon General; and
- A South Dakota native who became the first woman director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The exhibit also includes a companion Web site at <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/changingthefaceofmedicine> and is located on the first floor of Building 38 on the NIH campus in Bethesda, Maryland. "Changing the Face of Medicine" is free and open to the public Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. and on Saturday from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. For directions or more information, visit <http://www.nlm.nih.gov>.

## NIH CALENDAR OF EVENTS\*

**November 6** . . . . .  
**NIH Work/Life Center Faces & Phases of Life Seminar Series:** *Hands-on Stress Management*, noon–2 p.m., Conference Room 10, 6th Floor, Building 31-C, NIH campus, free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call the Work/Life Center at 301-435-1619 or visit <http://wflc.od.nih.gov/faces.asp>.

**November 12** . . . . .  
**NIH Director's Wednesday Afternoon Lecture Series:** *Wounded Spirits, Ailing Hearts: The Legacy of PTSD Among American Indians* by Spero M. Manson, Ph.D., University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, 3–4 p.m., Masur Auditorium, Building 10, NIH campus, free and open to the public. Continuing medical education (CME) credit is available. For more information, call Hilda Madine at 301-594-5595 or visit <http://www1.od.nih.gov/wals/schedule.htm>.

**NIH Work/Life Center Faces & Phases of Life Seminar Series:** *What's Your Type? An MBTI Workshop*, noon–2 p.m., Conference Room D, Natcher Conference Center, Building 45, NIH campus, free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call the Work/Life Center at 301-435-1619 or visit <http://wflc.od.nih.gov/faces.asp>.

**November 13** . . . . .  
**Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Lecture Series:** *Flight-or-Fight vs. Tend-and-Befriend: The Significance of Gender Differences in Stress Responses* by Shelley E. Taylor, Ph.D., University of California, Los Angeles, 3–4 p.m., Room C, Neuroscience Building, 6001 Executive Blvd., Rockville, free and open to the public. For more information, call Ronald Abeles at 301-496-7859

**November 17** . . . . .  
**NIH Neuroscience Seminar Series:** *Emergence and Control of Cell Assemblies in the Hippocampus* by Gyorgy Buzsaki, M.D., Ph.D., Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, noon–1 p.m., Lipsett Amphitheater, Building 10, NIH campus, free and open to the public. CME credit is offered. For more information, call Peggy Whittingham at 301-435-2232 or visit <http://neuroseries.info.nih.gov/schedule.asp>.

**November 19** . . . . .  
**NIH Director's Wednesday Afternoon Lecture Series:** *The STAT3 Transcription Factor as a Cancer Target* by James E. Darnell, Jr., M.D., The Rockefeller University, 3–4 p.m., Masur Auditorium, Building 10, NIH campus, free and open to the public. CME credit is available. For more information, call Hilda Madine at 301-594-5595 or visit <http://www1.od.nih.gov/wals/schedule.htm>.

**November 20** . . . . .  
**NIH Work/Life Center Faces & Phases of Life Seminar Series:** *Who's on First? Managing Life Transitions*, noon–1:30 p.m., Conference Room 10, 6th Floor, Building 31-C, NIH campus, free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call the Work/Life Center at 301-435-1619 or visit <http://wflc.od.nih.gov/faces.asp>.

**Norman P. Salzman Fourth Annual Symposium in Virology—Highly Pathogenic Viruses: Potential Agents of Bioterrorism**, 8 a.m.–2 p.m., The Cloister Chapel, NIH campus. For more information, call Jenny Riemenschneider at 301-496-4396.

**November 24** . . . . .  
**NIH Neuroscience Seminar Series:** *Decisions, Uncertainty, and the Brain* by Paul Glimcher, Ph.D., New York University, noon–1 p.m., Lipsett Amphitheater, Building 10, NIH campus, free and open to the public. CME credit is offered. For more information, call Peggy Whittingham at 301-435-2232 or visit <http://neuroseries.info.nih.gov/schedule.asp>.

\*Calendar items subject to change. Call to confirm your event.

## OTHER NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST

### Bethesda's Winter Wonderland Set for December

Join in all of winter's festivities during Bethesda's Winter Wonderland festival on December 6 and 13 in downtown Bethesda. Held on Saturday from 1–3 p.m., this year's event features free performances by local elementary schools and children's cultural groups. Activities include caroling, music and a visit by Santa Claus. Sponsored by the Bethesda Urban Partnership (BUP), the festivities take place at Veterans' Park located at the corner of Woodmont and Norfolk Avenues. For more information or to confirm event times and activities, call the BUP at 301-215-6660, or visit <http://www.bethesda.org>.



## Bethesda Library Reopens

Bethesda residents got their first look at the newly renovated Bethesda Library last month when the library reopened its doors after being closed for nearly two years. On October 11, local officials, library officials and eager residents celebrated the reopening with a ribbon cutting ceremony. After \$3.2 million in renovations, the library now has a new reading room for children, new books, more shelving space, new heating and air conditioning, revamped electrical systems and a restructured entrance from Arlington Road. The renovations provide approximately 1,500 square feet more space, as well as large windows with views of the park and more computer workstations. The library is located at 7400 Arlington Road in Bethesda. Library hours are from 10 a.m.–9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m.–5 p.m. on Friday, from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 1–5 p.m. on Sunday (September through June).



County officials join library staff at the ribbon-cutting ceremony to officially reopen the Bethesda Library.

## Garden of Lights Winter Walk Opens at Brookside

This month marks the opening of Brookside Gardens annual “Garden of Lights” outdoor winter garden walk, with more than 600,000 lights illuminating unique plants, animals and fountains. Unlike other light shows, the Garden of Lights allows visitors to experience the magic close up as they walk through a maze of cascading fountains, garden bugs and luminous plants and flowers. Popular displays include a walk-through kaleidoscope caterpillar, swimming geese over sparkling water, an enchanted persimmon tree and rain clouds, complete with sound effects. Visitors can enhance their experience by purchasing special

light-viewing glasses, warming up with a cup of hot apple cider and listening to live entertainment on select evenings. Walk hours are from 5:30–9 p.m., Thursday through Sunday. The last car will be admitted at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$15 for cars and vans on the weekend and \$10 on Thursday. For more information, call the Garden of Lights Hotline at 301-962-1453.

## Strathmore Hosts Museum Holiday Shopping Event

Start your holiday shopping early by taking advantage of Strathmore Hall Arts Center’s 14th Annual Museum Shop Around on November 13–16. A virtual shopping mall of museums offers unique arts gifts for friends and relatives who are hard to buy for. More than 15 museum shops are scheduled to participate, including the National Building Museum, the Corcoran Gallery of Art, the Library of Congress and the Freer Gallery of Art. Event hours are 10 a.m.–8 p.m. on Thursday, from 10 a.m.–6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 10 a.m.–4 p.m. on Sunday. A tax-deductible donation of \$8 is encouraged. Limited free on-site parking is available, or visitors can take Metro’s Red Line to the Grosvenor-Strathmore station. Strathmore is located at 10701 Rockville Pike in North Bethesda. For more information, call 301-530-0540.

## Audubon Holiday Fair Set for December

Naturalists won’t want to miss the Audubon Naturalist Society’s annual juried holiday crafts fair on December 6 and 7. From 10 a.m.–5 p.m., the public can purchase nature-themed arts and crafts, jewelry, unique clothing, holiday greenery and birdseed and an assortment of nature and wildlife books. Children can make their own arts and crafts to take home and see live performances of the Scales and Tales nature exhibits. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 and free for children under 2. Shopping takes place rain or shine in heated tents on the grounds of Woodend Sanctuary at 8940 Jones Mill Road in Chevy Chase. On-site parking is limited, but free shuttle service is available from North Chevy Chase Elementary School and the Waverly Street public parking lot near the Bethesda Metro. For more information, call 301-652-9188 or visit <http://www.audubonholidayfair.com>.

## Nominations Needed for Outstanding Montgomery County Women

The Montgomery County Women's Fair Committee is now seeking nominations for three prestigious awards in a number of categories to recognize women's contributions to our community. The fair provides an opportunity for County women to network and learn about issues affecting women. Nominations for 2004 are sought for the following three awards:

The *Pioneer Award* is presented to a woman resident, past resident or an organization based in Montgomery County. This person or organization must have made a major contribution to the professional field either through volunteer efforts or through establishment of a program benefiting women.

The *Alpha Award* is given to a woman who lives or works in Montgomery County who has achieved a "first" for women.

The *Financial Award* is presented to a private, non-profit service organization providing educational, health, welfare or social services, singularly or in any combination, to women and families in Montgomery County.

Give some thought to women or organizations you know whose work or service is making Montgomery County a better place and which might fit into one of these categories. To be considered for an award, the nomination must include a statement of justification, with supporting documentation, and should be sent to: 2004 Awards Team Leader, Montgomery County Women's Fair, P.O. Box 4826, Silver Spring, MD 20914-4826. The deadline for nominations is November 30, 2003. For more information, call 301-564-0618 or download nomination forms from <http://www.mcwomensfair.org>.

## Historic Bethesda Theatre To Be Transformed into Performing Arts Facility

Montgomery County officials announced last month that plans were under way to transform the historic Bethesda Theatre on Wisconsin Avenue into a state-of-the-art regional performing arts facility

showcasing top-tier off-Broadway shows. Nederlander Worldwide Entertainment has agreed to operate and transform the theater, located at 7719 Wisconsin Avenue, into a cultural icon. Under the direction of the developers—The Bozzuto Group and Smith Payes, LLC—significant restoration efforts are under way that will enhance the theater's Art Deco style. Once finished, the Bethesda Theatre—



An artist's rendition of the restored Bethesda Theatre.

a historical landmark on the National Register of Historic Places—will retain its historic look and feel. It will have a capacity of 702 seats, cutting-edge sound and lighting systems, a Broadway-caliber stage and the most modern amenities. A conceptual plan for the theater site was developed in 1994, with the goals of preserving the theater, progressively lowering the height of development adjacent to neighborhood residences and providing a public parking facility that would serve the growing needs of downtown Bethesda. The renovated theater is scheduled to be complete by the fall of 2004.

## TRY THIS WEB SITE

<http://www.teens.drugabuse.gov>

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) at NIH recently launched a new Web site about drug abuse just for teens. The site contains age-appropriate facts on drugs, real stories about teens and drug abuse, games, take-home activities and a question-and-answer section. Geared for adolescents between the ages of 11 and 15, the Web site presents the science behind drug abuse. Visitors to the site can learn about the effects of ecstasy, marijuana, steroid abuse and other drugs to their body, take Dr. NIDA's Challenge to see if they really know what drugs do to the body and test their knowledge in Sara's Quest. Parents and teachers can benefit from the site by learning how to help their kids understand the effects of drugs on the brain and the body. The site also contains useful links to many other related sites for more information about drug abuse.

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Severe Aplastic Anemia?

If you suffer from severe aplastic anemia, then you may want to consider participating in a study at the NIH. NIH researchers are conducting a study that uses a new monoclonal antibody treatment. For more information, call 1-800-411-1222, TTY: 1-866-411-1010 or send e-mail to [prpl@cc.nih.gov](mailto:prpl@cc.nih.gov).

### Smallpox Vaccine Trial

Scientists at the NIH Vaccine Research Center are recruiting healthy adults between the ages of 18 and 60 for an investigational smallpox trial. All volunteers receive financial compensation and a traditional smallpox vaccine as part of the trial. To see if you are eligible, call 1-866-833-LIFE or TTY: 1-866-411-1010.

### Rheumatoid Arthritis Study

Tell us your rheumatoid arthritis story by participating in a medical research study at the NIH. You must be 18 years old or older and diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis. All study-related tests are provided at no cost, and you will be compensated for your participation. For more information or to participate, call 1-800-411-1222, TTY: 1-866-411-1010. You may also send e-mail to [prpl@cc.nih.gov](mailto:prpl@cc.nih.gov).

### Healthy Volunteers Needed

Researchers in the Mood and Anxiety Disorders Program at the National Institute of Mental Health at NIH are looking for healthy volunteers between the ages of 30 and 45 to participate in several studies. To participate, volunteers must be free of any medication and have no current or history of psychiatric illness. Compensation is available. For more information, call 1-866-627-6464.

*The OCL Update is available on our Web site at <http://ocl.od.nih.gov>. If you would rather view this document online and not receive a printed version, please contact the OCL office at 301-496-3931. If you would like to list an upcoming event of interest to the local community, call Terry LaMotte at Palladian Partners, OCL support contractor, at 301-650-8660, or send her an e-mail at [tlamotte@palladianpartners.com](mailto:tlamotte@palladianpartners.com).*

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