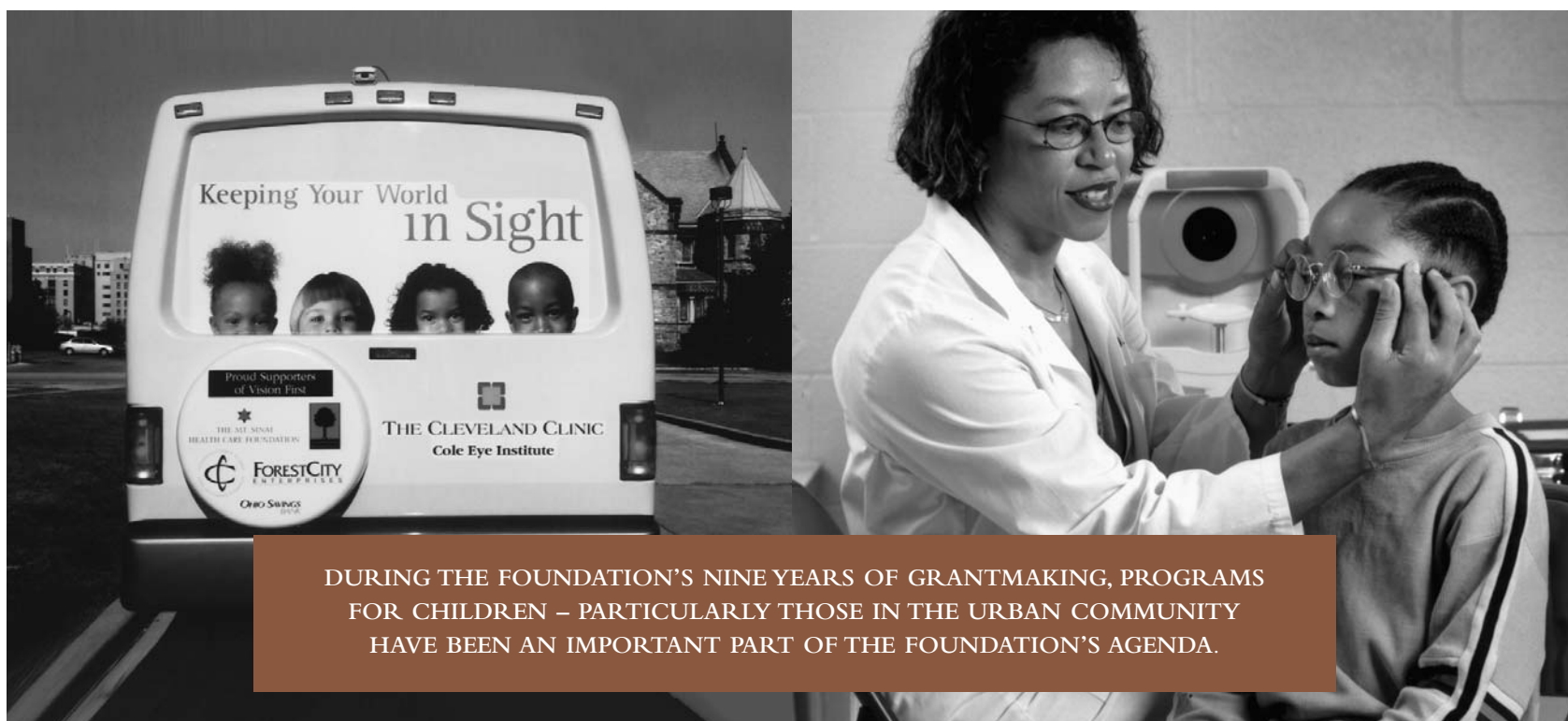


COMMITMENT TO CLEVELAND'S CHILDREN A HALLMARK OF FOUNDATION'S GRANTMAKING



DURING THE FOUNDATION'S NINE YEARS OF GRANTMAKING, PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN – PARTICULARLY THOSE IN THE URBAN COMMUNITY HAVE BEEN AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE FOUNDATION'S AGENDA.

IN AN EFFORT TO REACH THE GREATEST NUMBERS OF CHILDREN AND HAVE IMPACT “AT SCALE,” THE FOUNDATION HAS COLLABORATED WITH ITS FOUNDATION COLLEAGUES, AS WELL AS THE CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN IDENTIFYING AND FUNDING PROJECTS. The CMSD has provided a ready infrastructure for implementing some of the programs that benefit at-risk children. To date, the Foundation has granted over \$2.6 million to various projects to improve the health of children in the Cleveland schools. Following are some of the Foundation's signature projects and grants that have addressed the importance of helping kids stay healthy.

ChildSight – ChildSight® is a program of Helen Keller International that provides free vision screenings and a free pair of quality eyeglasses, as needed, to every middle school student in the Cleveland Municipal School District (CMSD). If children can't see, they can't learn. Approximately 25% of children screened fail the vision test. The majority of these identified students receive free, quality eyeglasses on the spot, in school, while a small percentage are referred to area providers or vision care specialists for further treatment.

In 1999, the Foundation established Cleveland as the program's first Midwest site. Funding from The George Gund Foundation enabled the program to expand to serve students in the East Cleveland Schools. In 2003, the next-day eyeglasses program was added, allowing students to choose a custom frame and receive their glasses the next day. This “next day” program was created after data showed that children who received frames of their choosing were more likely to wear their glasses, less likely to lose their glasses, and more likely to return to school with their glasses after vacation. The ChildSight® program is an integral part of the CMSD's Comprehensive Health Plan. On average, 12,000 students are screened per year and approximately 2,000 receive eyeglasses.

Vision First – Through a grant to The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, the Foundation helped establish Vision First to prevent serious vision problems in young children by detecting amblyopia in first grade and younger school children in the CMSD by referring these children for early treatment. Amblyopia is reversible to various degrees in children younger than ages eight or nine, but the condition must be detected early. The initial grant was used to retrofit a van to serve as an office for screenings and eye exams. The van travels with state-of-the-art equipment to schools throughout the District and is staffed by specialized personnel.

The program includes a structured follow-up and referral process and provides necessary treatments or surgeries to children that can benefit. In the first two years of the program, over 11,000 children were screened. Approximately 1,400 failed the eye exam and received some kind of correction or treatment. *(continued on page 4)*

The Vision First Van *(above left)* visits over 80 schools each year to screen young children for amblyopia, a reversible condition if detected before ages eight or nine. A middle-school student *(above right)* is being fitted for a free pair of quality eyeglasses in school as part of the Foundation's ChildSight® program, now in its 7th year in the CMSD.

FOUNDATION BOARD WELCOMES NEW DIRECTORS



Beth Wain Brandon



David Goldberg



Keith Libman



Norton Rose



Shelley Roth

FIVE NEW DIRECTORS WERE APPOINTED TO THE BOARD OF THE FOUNDATION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IN JUNE 2006. Each brings a wealth of knowledge and communal experience that will enhance the work of the Foundation. Together they represent an exceptional blend of commitment to the Jewish and general communities and to the traditions of Mt. Sinai.

Beth Wain Brandon – Mrs. Brandon grew up in a family where commitment to the community was and is a very high priority. She currently serves as a trustee of Bellefaire JCB, The Ratner School and the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland. She is a past president of Recovery Resources.

David Goldberg – Mr. Goldberg is co-chairman of the board of Ohio Savings Bank. His community commitments include serving as chairman of the board of trustees for Neighborhood Progress, Inc., and as chair of the Downtown Cleveland Alliance. He is also a member of the board of The Cleveland Foundation, University Hospitals of Cleveland, NorTech, the Greater Cleveland Partnership, and the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland.

Keith Libman – Mr. Libman is a principal in the accounting firm of Libman, Goldstine, Kopperman and Wolf. He is a trustee of United Way Services and serves on its Executive Committee. As a past president of Menorah Park Center for Senior Living, Mr. Libman is a life trustee and currently chairs the Leadership Development Committee. He also serves on the board of the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland and is a past officer. He is a former board member of the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland and currently chairs the Retirement Committee of the JCF. A long-time resident of Shaker Heights, Mr. Libman has served on various boards and committees for the City of Shaker Heights. Other positions of leadership and involvement include past president and trustee for life of The Temple-Tifereth Israel, past president of the Northern Ohio Golf Association, and officer and trustee of Oakwood Club.

Norton Rose – Mr. Rose has had extensive community experience in both the Jewish and general communities. In the Jewish community, he served three terms as a trustee of the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland; served on the board of The Mt. Sinai Medical Center; and currently serves as treasurer of the board of Siegal College of Judaic Studies. In the general community, Mr. Rose was a member of the Visiting Committee of the Case Weatherhead School of Management from 1972 to 2004 and served as chair from 1979 to 1982. He also served on the Case Western Reserve University Board of Overseers and on the board of The Gathering Place. He has been an advisor to the Julia Billiard School.

Professionally, Mr. Rose is a financial planner with Cedar Brook Financial Partners. He has worked with several leading Cleveland corporations including as president, chief operating officer and director of Cole National Corporation and as senior vice president and vice chair of Progressive Corporation. He has also been a consultant with Norton W. Rose Consulting and has done financial planning with the Clover Financial Group. Mr. Rose has also served on the boards of Revco and Trexon Corporations.

Shelley Roth – Ms. Roth is president of Pierre's Ice Cream Company, a 74-year-old regional ice cream manufacturer and distributor. She returned to Cleveland from New York City in 1979, where she had been in the marketing department at Atlantic Records, to assist her father with the family business. Her first assignment was in marketing which led to the expansion of Pierre's distribution beyond Cleveland and the expansion of its product assortment. In 1984, Ms. Roth assumed the position of vice president and, in 1991, she became president. Today, Pierre's ice cream is available throughout Ohio, in many states east of the Mississippi and in Aruba and Puerto Rico. The product assortment has increased from 100 to over 250 products/flavors that bear the Pierre's name.

In addition to her professional experience, Ms. Roth has been involved in numerous community organizations with a particular interest in the revitalization of Cleveland's neighborhoods. In 1995, Pierre's completed an expansion at E. 65th and Euclid, demonstrating the company's commitment and leadership in revitalization and redevelopment of an urban neighborhood.

Ms. Roth is a graduate of Leadership Cleveland and served as chair of MidTown Corridor, following years of involvement as an officer and committee chair. Ms. Roth also served on the board of National City's Ohio Bank and chaired the Cuyahoga Community College Foundation. She is also on the boards of United Way Services, the International Ice Cream Association and Park Synagogue.

SPRING/SUMMER 2006 GRANT AWARDS

THE FOUNDATION'S NEW GRANTMAKING AREAS OF INTEREST became effective January 1, 2005. The new categories include Health of the Jewish Community, Health of the Urban Community, Academic Medicine & Bioscience, and Health Policy. The following grants were approved for the spring/summer 2006 grant cycles:

HEALTH OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland

\$1,425,000 in support of the 2007 Campaign for Jewish Needs for health services.

ACADEMIC MEDICINE & BIOSCIENCE

The Cleveland Clinic Foundation

\$20,000 over two years for MRI Breast Cancer screening pilot study for high risk women.

The Gathering Place

\$25,848 for a community lecture and professional conference featuring Rachel Naomi Remen, MD.

Hanna Perkins Center for Child Development

\$28,000 toward accreditation of its child psychology Intern/Post-doctoral Fellow Program.

HEALTH POLICY

Center for Community Solutions (fiscal agent)

\$50,000 for Mt. Sinai membership in the AIDS Funding Collaborative.

Center for Families and Children (fiscal agent)

\$18,950 in support of the Mental Health Advocacy Coalition.

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\$25,000 to establish a health desk to report on issues affecting the health of Clevelanders.

Ohio Citizen Action Education Fund

\$35,000 for the Cleveland Air Pollution Prevention Campaign "Health of the Urban Community."

Planned Parenthood of Greater Cleveland

\$50,000 for the Prevention First family planning advocacy initiative, Phase I.

Voices for Children of Greater Cleveland

\$46,050 for children's health policy advocacy in the State of Ohio.

HEALTH OF THE URBAN COMMUNITY

American Heart Association, Cleveland Chapter

\$100,000 over two years in support of the Physical Best physical fitness and health program in the Cleveland Municipal School District.

Applewood Centers

\$10,000 for the Eastside Coalition for Children and Families to implement wraparound services in the Hough, Central and Broadway neighborhoods.

Care Alliance Health Center

\$68,180 over two years to hire a first-ever discharge care coordinator.

Environmental Health Watch

\$20,111 for development of an assessment tool in the Healthy Home Environments for the Elderly project.

Fieldstone Farm Therapeutic Riding Center

\$20,000 for participation by disabled students from the Cleveland Municipal School District.

Greater Cleveland Health Education and Service Council

Up to \$515,644 over two years to reduce minority health disparities through health education and other prevention programs.

Greater Cleveland Neighborhood Centers Association (fiscal agent)

\$15,000 to coordinate senior transportation in the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County.

Greater Cleveland Sports Commission

\$19,480 for GoGirlGo! girls fitness program in advance of the 2007 NCAA Women's Final Four (Cleveland).

Helen Keller International - ChildSight® Cleveland

\$300,000 over two years to provide free vision screenings and quality eyeglasses, as needed, to every middle school student in the Cleveland Municipal School District.

IDEAS Institute

\$36,306 for mealtime training of STNAs (state trained nursing assistants) caring for older adults.

YMCA of Greater Cleveland

\$29,850 in transition funding for Clevelanders in Motion fitness program.

COMMITMENT TO CLEVELAND'S CHILDREN

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Implementation of Cleveland Municipal School District's Comprehensive Health Plan – The Center for Community Solutions (CCS), formerly known as the Federation for Community Planning, has made a major commitment to public education reform in Cleveland. In 1996, through a Memorandum of Understanding, a Strategy Council was created whose charge was to develop and implement a strategic plan to get the District back on its feet. The Center for Community Solutions identified the creation of an overall environment within the District that promotes healthy life-styles and healthy behavior as essential to improving the health of Cleveland's children. Also included was the maximization of the use of the Medicaid funding stream to provide health care to all eligible children.

A first step in implementing the recommendations of the CCS was to hire a single coordinator for health and human services within the District. In its report to the community, titled *1995-2005: A Decade of Commitment and Progress*, CCS recognized The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation for its support of the Helen Keller International program ChildSight®. In 2002, thanks to the success of CCS's efforts, the District CEO called for the creation of a Health Leadership Council to develop and implement a Comprehensive Health Plan for the District. The CEO asked Community Solutions to staff the process as an outside consultant, working closely with the District's new health and social services director. The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation, along with colleagues in the foundation community, were asked to provide the funds necessary to allow Community Solutions to expand its staff and support the full needs of this health-focused engagement.

A Comprehensive Health Plan was developed by the Health Leadership Council with support from the Mt. Sinai Foundation and our sister foundations. The plan is based upon measurable goals and objectives in each of the U.S. Surgeon General's Healthy People 2010 indicator areas. The Comprehensive Health Plan has served as the blueprint for all activities since its adoption and has become a model for other urban school districts. The Foundation has supported the Center for Community Solutions in its ongoing efforts to implement the Comprehensive Health Plan.

Fieldstone Farm Therapeutic Riding Center – Through grants to Fieldstone Farm, the Foundation has enabled this non-profit organization to

offer therapy-based equine programs to young people in the CMSD who have physical, cognitive, sensory, or psychological disabilities. Fieldstone Farm offers professionally-designed equine programs that provide wholesome, challenging, enjoyable, educational and therapy-based opportunities to children from urban Cleveland with an experience that results in improved balance, mobility, muscle tone, coordination and posture, increased concentration and self-esteem, and enhanced independence.

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Great Lakes Science Center – The Foundation has provided support to the Great Lakes Science Center to enable children from the CMSD and from the East Cleveland schools to experience exhibits at the Science Center that offer health education. Support was provided to enable approximately 600 CMSD and East Cleveland school district children to attend *Body Worlds*, a traveling exhibition designed to teach those who viewed it what the human body looks like on the inside and how it functions using real, preserved human bodies. Support was also provided for *Brain: The World Inside Your Head*. This grant provided admission to the exhibit for up to 3,800 students and their adult chaperones from schools in the CMSD and supported pre-visit and post-visit materials that teachers were able to use in their classrooms to enhance the experience of their students. The exhibit was designed for both adults and children to understand the complex function of the human brain and issues such as brain-based diseases and disorders, with the intent of demystifying the brain and de-stigmatizing the diseases/disorders.

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Health Education Outreach through HealthSpace – HealthSpace, formerly The Health Museum of Cleveland which opened to the public in 1940, has provided health education and information in a museum setting for over half a century. Today the organization focuses on current health issues, health science technology and research discoveries. Grants from the Foundation have enabled children from the Cleveland and East Cleveland municipal school districts the opportunity to participate in health education in both the school and neighborhood centers settings. The programming of HealthSpace is designed to combat funding and resource shortages in area school systems by providing health and health science education programming. Through its various grants to HealthSpace, the Foundation has given children from the urban community of Cleveland the opportunity to participate in health education.



THE MT. SINAI HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION IS COMMITTED TO IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF GREATER CLEVELAND'S MOST VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES.



Students from the CMSD (above left) are exposed to therapy-based equine programs as a way to have enjoyable and educational experiences while addressing their physical, cognitive, sensory or psychological needs. Students (above right) examine a brain. Various grants from the Foundation to the **Great Lakes Science Center** and to **HealthSpace** have enhanced health education for students in the CMSD by providing them with opportunities to learn through exhibits and hands-on experiences.

FOUNDATION ADDRESSES ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

EACH REGION OF THE UNITED STATES HAS ITS OWN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROFILE BASED ON GEOGRAPHY AND ECONOMIC HISTORY. For Greater Cleveland, that which made the area a major center of industrial development has also contributed to some of the environmental health concerns Cleveland faces today—lead and air pollution. And although it has the wonderful benefit of four distinct seasons, with all of their glory, Cleveland also has the perfect setting for mold, mildew, and insect and rodent infestation.

Cleveland is fortunate to have both public and private organizations dedicated to addressing the questions of environmental health. These agencies are comprised of individuals with the passion and skills needed to identify the problems and work towards solutions.

Over the years, The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation has awarded grants, sometimes as sole funder and other times as one of several funders, to a number of these organizations for agency-specific projects and for collaborative programs. These have been both small grants and larger grants, all designed to make a difference within our community.

Support from the Foundation has enhanced the ability of **The Cleveland Housing Network (CHN)** to continue its mission of providing safe, affordable housing for residents of the City of Cleveland. Through the Lead Safe Housing Initiative and the *Healthy Homes Initiative—Asthma Abatement Project*, CHN is working to address environmental health issues, placing special emphasis on families with children under 6 years of age who, as a group, are at the greatest risk of profound, long-term damage. While lead poisoning has been identified as the number one environmental health hazard for American children and asthma is recognized as the leading serious chronic illness for Cleveland's children, both are in large part preventable and manageable pediatric public health problems. Through active intervention both in education of the residents and remediation of the properties, CHN is making a difference in the quality of life of Clevelanders.

With the help of grants from The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation and several other funders, the **Greater Cleveland Asthma Coalition (GCAC)** has grown from an informal association of organizations and individuals into a formal collaborative of over 50 members with the purpose of driving a community-based, integrated strategy for comprehensive asthma management, community awareness, and sustained multi-organizational linkages. The focus of GCAC is on health providers and families with asthmatic chil-

dren, with the goal of reducing the burdens of asthma in low-income populations. In its efforts to improve the health and quality of life of those affected by asthma, GCAC is currently involved in several projects, including Asthma Friendly Schools Initiative, Healthy Homes Initiative, and STEPS to a Healthier Cleveland. *(continued on page 9)*



NEWS IN BRIEF

Three founding directors of the Foundation, **Bobby Goldberg**, **Bob Gries** and **Elaine Rocker**, completed Board service on June 13, 2006. Each had served the maximum three, three-year terms and thus was not eligible for reelection. **Bennett Yanowitz** paid tribute to them for the important role each has played in developing the Foundation into a major new philanthropic resource for Cleveland and presented them with a Certificate of Honor.

Two other directors retired from Board service. **Dale Adler, MD**, recently relocated to Boston, and **Amy M. Morgenstern** has moved to San Francisco. Mr. Yanowitz thanked them for their outstanding contributions to the work of the Foundation and expressed how much they will be missed by the Foundation as well as by the entire community.

Foundation Chair **Bennett Yanowitz** and his wife **Donna** were recently honored at a Tribute Dinner by Gross Schechter Day School in recognition of their enormous dedication to the Jewish community at the local, national and international levels.

Victor Gelb, Foundation vice-chair, was the recent honoree at a dinner by Bellefaire JCB to celebrate Vic's 80th birthday in conjunction with the grand opening of a new building for Bellefaire JCB's Monarch School for Children & Adolescents with Autism.

Program Officer **Ann Freimuth** facilitated a session in October at the 2006 Ohio Grantmakers Forum Annual Conference in Cincinnati on *Exit Strategies and Sustainability* as part of a program on *Lessons Learned in Strategic Grantmaking*.

THE MT. SINAI HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION

Annual Meeting



Foundation Director **Sally H. Wertheim, PhD**; Community Activist **Belle Likover**; Sisters of Charity Foundation President **Susanna Krey**; and Deaconess Community Foundation President **Deborah Vesey**.



Kathleen Rosen, MD, director of the CASE/Mt. Sinai Skills and Simulation Center; Foundation Vice Chair **Vic Gelb**; and civic leader **Norman Wain**.



Plaques presented to outgoing directors **Robert Goldberg**, **Amy M. Morgenstern** and **Elaine H. Rucker**.



Foundation President **Mitchell Balk** and Foundation Chair **Bennett Yanowitz**.

THE THEME OF THE 2006 ANNUAL MEETING WAS A CELEBRATION OF THE MT. SINAI HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM—A LEGACY IN BIOSCIENCE.

In addition to the introduction of the Mt. Sinai Scholars who attended the meeting, the 2005 Annual Report also featured a description of each of the Scholars and the important research they are doing. The Annual Meeting also featured a video presentation titled, *The 1915 Mt. Sinai Time Capsule: A Seed Planted*. Thanks to the discovery of the 1915 time capsule that was uncovered when the old Mt. Sinai Hospital building was torn down in 2005, the video shows the history of Mt. Sinai from its early beginnings to its transformation into a health foundation perpetuating the legacy of Cleveland's Jewish-sponsored hospital.

A highlight of the Annual Meeting was the presentation of the 2006 **Maurice Saltzman Award** to **Avroy A. Fanaroff, MD**, chair of Pediatrics and the Eliza Henry Barnes Professor of Pediatrics and professor of neonatology at Case School of Medicine and University Hospitals/ Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital (see page 8 for full story). Special recognition was extended to five directors who retired from Board service: **Dale Adler, MD**, **Robert Goldberg**, **Robert Gries**, **Amy M. Morgenstern** and **Elaine Rucker**.

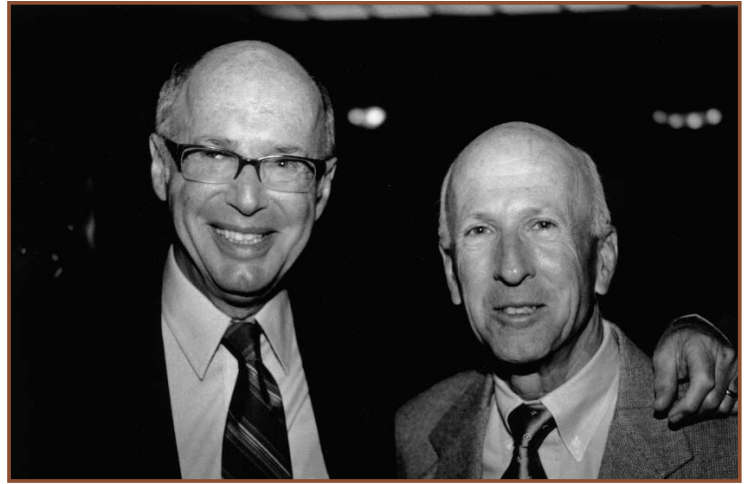


Mt. Sinai Scholar **Benjamin W. Strowbridge, PhD**.

THE 2006 ANNUAL MEETING WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2006
AT SEVERANCE HALL IN REINBERGER CHAMBER HALL.



Mt. Sinai Scholars Brian A. Cobb, PhD;
Patrick Viollier, PhD; and Erik Andrulis, PhD.



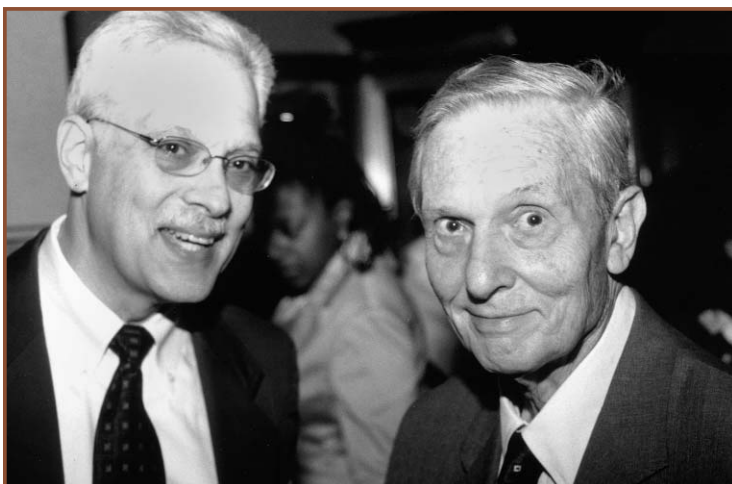
Foundation Director Marvin Lader and
Foundation Vice Chair William Heller.



Aileen and Foundation Director Julian Kassen, MD.



Foundation Directors Keith Libman and Renee Chelm.

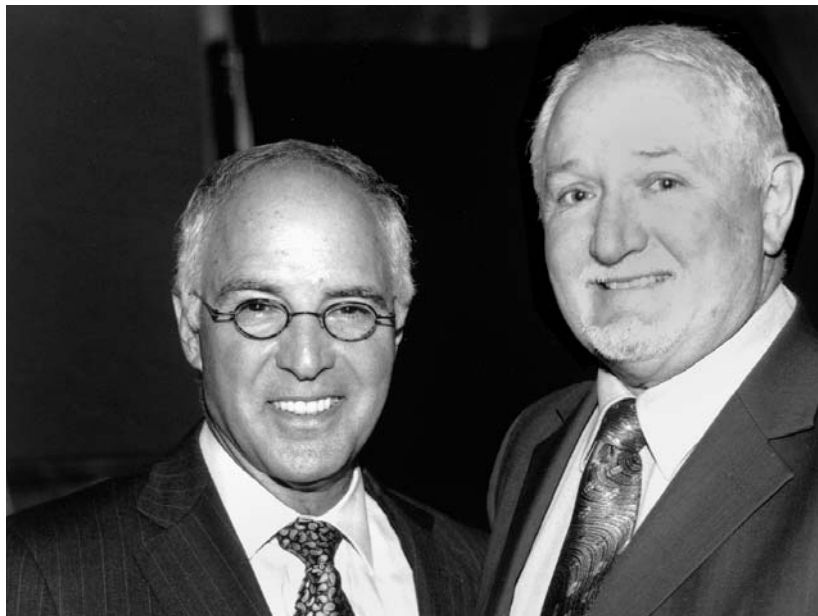


JCC Executive Michael Hyman and
Foundation Director Henry Goodman.



Cleveland Foundation Senior Vice President Robert Eckhardt;
Saltzman Award Winner Avroy Fanaroff, MD,
and Foundation Vice Chair Vic Gelb.

AVROY A. FANAROFF, MD



Foundation Director and Saltzman Award Selection Committee Chair **Jeffrey Ponsky, MD**, and Saltzman Award Winner **Avroy Fanaroff, MD**.

THE MT. SINAI HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION PRESENTED ITS PRESTIGIOUS MAURICE SALTZMAN AWARD TO AVROY A. FANAROFF, MD, chair of Pediatrics and Eliza Henry Barnes Professor of Pediatrics and professor of neonatology at Case School of Medicine and University Hospitals of Cleveland/Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital. The presentation of the Maurice Saltzman Award continues the tradition begun 23 years ago with the establishment of this award that pays tribute to Maurice Saltzman. The Saltzman Award is presented each year to a Greater Cleveland person or persons who, in the judgment of the selection committee, have in the recent past projected and achieved some piece of work of significant value or merit to the health care interests of our community. Mr. Saltzman's commitment and achievements on behalf of the health care service needs of people everywhere provide the benchmark against which each award recipient is measured.

The 2006 Saltzman Award recipient **Dr. Avroy (Av) Fanaroff** continues this proud tradition. In a nomination letter to the Foundation, one of his colleagues wrote, "Few physician-scientists have so profoundly influenced patient management, education, and clinical research in the field of Neonatal Pediatrics as has Dr. Fanaroff."

As a dedicated physician, an outstanding teacher, an internationally known and respected researcher, he has shared his talents, his passions, and his deep commitment to his patients, their families, his students and the greater medical world. His contributions have had major impact both locally and worldwide.

Advancement of neonatal care requires meaningful service in addition to leadership in education and clinical research. How appropriate

that the patients Dr. Fanaroff has chosen as his own are the youngest and most vulnerable. With his patience, understanding, empathy and insight, he has for over 40 years helped neonates, who in earlier times would not have survived, beat the odds and grow and develop. And he has made it possible that these extraordinary events happen not only here in northeastern Ohio but also around the world.

From his initial position in 1973 as Associate Director of Nurseries at University Hospitals of Cleveland to his current positions of Chair of Pediatrics and Eliza Henry Barnes Professor of Pediatrics and professor of neonatology, Dr. Fanaroff has constantly driven to achieve a superior standard of care. When he started his medical career in the nascent field of neonatology, the only places to do training were in the US and Canada. From that point, when few premature babies survived, to today, when a premature baby born weighing at least two pounds has more than an 80% survival rate, Dr. Fanaroff has been there every step of the way. His research has most notably been in the fields of neonatal pulmonology, hyperbilirubinemia, fluid balance & nutrition, and sepsis. He pioneered the use of nasal continuous positive airway pressure both for respiratory distress syndrome and apnea and documented the unique insensible water losses of preterm infants in health and disease—all of this directed at saving the life and creating a future for a newborn who may weigh 2 pounds or less.

In 2002, Av received the prestigious Virginia Apgar Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics, presented for lifetime devotion to the specialty of neonatology with contributions to both teaching and research. From the same organization, he also received the 1999 National Neonatology Education Award. He has been honored with the presentation of honorary degrees in his native South Africa, in England where he did a portion of his training, and most recently in Finland.

He has published prolifically and co-authored the decisive textbook on neonatology. He is senior editor or co-editor of leading publications in the field. Under his leadership, Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital became a founding member of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development's Neonatal Research Network, which coordinates research efforts in neonatal medicine and management among NICU's nationwide. Rainbow's international reputation in neonatology is due in no small part to Av's leadership.

The selection process is always challenging. Members of the 2006 Saltzman Award Selection Committee were Chair, **Jeffrey L. Ponsky, MD**, Foundation Directors **Julian Kassen, MD**, and **Dale Adler, MD**, Foundation Board Chair **Bennett Yanowitz**, Foundation President **Mitchell Balk**, **Ralph Horwitz, MD**, of CASE School of Medicine, **Ronn Richard** from The Cleveland Foundation, and **Harley Gross** representing the Jewish Community Federation. The Saltzman Award has become one of the most prestigious honors in Cleveland. Please note that all of the past recipients are listed below. Each has contributed to making Cleveland a center of medical excellence.

Dr. Fanaroff continues the extraordinary tradition of contributions to the field of medicine established through the work of the past Saltzman Award winners:

LeRoy Matthews, MD (1983) • Herman Hellerstein, MD (1984) • Saul Genuth, MD (1985) • David N. Myers (1986) • Matthew Levy, MD (1987) • Jack H. Medalie, MD (1988) • Richard E. Behrman, MD (1989) • Joseph Foley, MD (1990) • Richard J. Hanson, MD (1991) • Richard Fratiante, MD (1992) • Lester Adelson, MD (1993) • Oscar Ratnoff, MD (1994); • Anthony Tavill, MD (1995) • The Mt. Sinai Medical Center (1996) • Louis Rakita, MD (1997) • Pamela Bowes Davis, MD, PhD (1998) • Emanuel Wolinsky, MD (1999) • Roland W. Moskowitz, MD (2000) • CASE Western Reserve University School of Medicine (2001) • Joyce A. Lee, RN, MA (2002) • Edward M. Hundert, MD, Floyd D. Loop, MD, Fred C. Rothstein, MD, Terry R. White (2003) • Cleveland Functional Electrical Stimulation Center (2004) • Case Comprehensive Cancer Center (2005) under the leadership of Stanton L. Gerson, MD.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

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Cleveland Clean Air Century Campaign (CCACC) was originally funded by the US EPA and administered by the American Lung Association of Ohio to reduce air toxins in Cleveland with special focus on identified neighborhoods. When the federal grant ended, The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation and the George Gund Foundation stepped up with funding to enable CCACC to build capacity and assure continued success of its mission. The long-term goal for the Campaign is to improve health in Northeast Ohio through voluntary, sustainable community efforts. While some aspects of the CCACC benefit Cleveland as a whole, such as reducing diesel

emissions using school bus retrofits and school bus anti-idling policies and increasing awareness and education on indoor air quality issues through the creation and distribution of home-indoor-air education booklets to Cleveland residents, other activities are directed at specific neighborhoods which have included St. Clair/Superior, Slavic Village, Lee-Seville-Miles and Tremont.

Like a number of organizations that are concerned with the impact of the environment on health, **Environmental Health Watch (EHW)** was formed as a grassroots response to one critical issue, in this case, the “midnight dumping” of hazardous waste. Over the years, EHW has used its approach to the problem of hazardous waste as the model of addressing other needs. It has identified problems such as lead poisoning, toxic waste, and safer pest control, created partnerships with key government and non-profit health, housing, and community organizations, designed models, implemented pilot projects, and helped the appropriate organizations integrate the successful program into their own operations. Much of EHW’s work has been disseminated nationally as best practice models. With grant support from the Foundation, EHW has been able to continue its work, most recently with an award for the design of a *Healthy Home Environments for the Elderly* project to be conducted in conjunction with the Medical House Call program of Case (University Hospitals) Family Medicine Department.

When environmental health is the issue, there are a number of ways to approach it. Sometimes it’s through programs that work through remediation of the physical space, sometimes it’s through education of the consumer, and sometimes it’s through grassroots advocacy. With help from a grant from The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation, the **Ohio Citizen Action Education Fund** is conducting a campaign to reduce air pollution in Cleveland. This will be achieved through engagement of residents of five neighborhoods surrounding the Flats, through air-quality testing, by working directly with management of major polluting facilities to achieve concrete results, and by providing best-practice programs to improve

enforcement and monitoring of government air quality practices.

Whether organizations work individually or in concert with one another, their work at addressing the critical issues of environmental health is important to all of us. The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation is committed to improving the health of greater Cleveland through support of projects that are directed at health promotion and disease prevention. Addressing the issues of environmental health in our community provides an important venue.



FOUNDATION WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBER

Lisa M. Zwolinski, new administrative assistant, joined the Foundation in October. Ms. Zwolinski comes to the Foundation after many years with Ernst & Young LLP, where she held various positions including executive assistant for the Domestic-International Relocation director, recruiting assistant, and Human Resources administrative coordinator.

Ms. Zwolinski brings strong skills and experience in all aspects of administrative operations and is particularly skilled in managing work flow and balancing multiple priorities. In addition, she brings a bright smile and warm personality. She is a welcome addition to the staff.



Lisa M. Zwolinski
Administrative Assistant

YOUR IRA AND CLEVELAND'S HEALTH & WELL-BEING

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

On August 17, 2006, President Bush signed into law a pension reform bill (H.B. 4). Among the charitable tax incentives included in the bill is an IRA rollover provision that allows individuals age 70½ and older to make charitable donations up to \$100,000 a year from an IRA for tax years 2006 and 2007 without having to count the donation as taxable income. A spouse age 70½ or older can also make contributions up to \$100,000 from his/her IRA. This provision is in effect for only two years, allowing the charitable community to demonstrate its value as an incentive for increased giving that could be expanded in the future.

BACKGROUND

A growing number of Americans have accumulated unexpectedly large assets in their IRA and other retirement accounts, due in part to the growth of the stock market in the 1990s. With the new law, these individuals may draw on their IRA assets to make substantial contributions to charitable organizations like The Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation without having to pay Federal or Ohio income tax on the money.

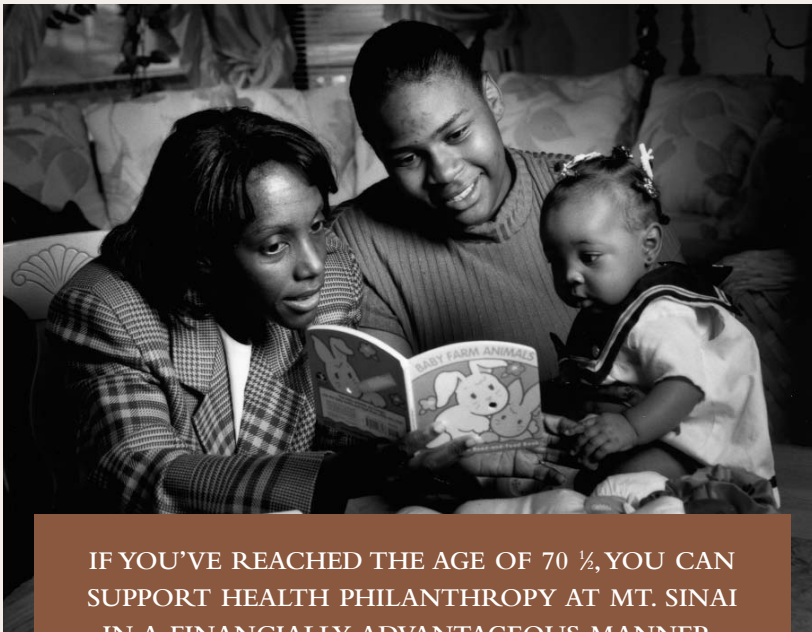
ESTABLISHING YOUR LEGACY AT THE MT. SINAI HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION

Your IRA contribution and that of your spouse may be used to establish a named fund in honor or in memory of loved ones that will meet the needs of the Jewish and general communities for generations to come. Contact **Mitchell Balk** at the Foundation office for more information on how you can join the hundreds of Cleveland families who have already established their philanthropic legacy through the Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation.

THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW

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