

IES BRAIN RESEARCH FOUNDATION NEWS

"BRAIN RESEARCH-A BRIGHT IDEA"

May/June 2011

Join Us In Our Mission For Brain Health!! **IES BRAIN RESEARCH** FOUNDATION

Volunteer run, recognized 501(c)3 tax exempt non-profit. All proceeds go to the Foundation's efforts.

WELCOME LEE ROUSON



former NY Giant and 2 time Super Bowl Champion to the **IES Brain Research Foundation** Family. We are happy & appreciative of Lee Rouson's interest in helping this volunteer run non-profit. He has agreed to continue to work with us and support the goals of the Foundation to find cures for serious brain diseases and conditions.

A "GIANT" GOLF OUTING & DINNER FOR BRAIN HEALTH

Lee Rouson, former NY Giant and two time Super Bowl champ came out on May 16th, despite the rain, to help raise money for the IES Brain Research Foundation. This 100% volunteer run organization raises money for basic brain research; the precursor to any and all treatments for debilitating conditions like Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, brain cancer, PTSD, schizophrenia, and traumatic brain injury. Volunteers and golfers braved the elements to support this important cause. Lee Rouson joined the IESBRF team and came out to socialize with guests and participate in a putting contest, creating an additional fun challenge.

There were many fun opportunities and contests throughout the day to win prizes.

The day of golf and networking culminated in an awards dinner which included compelling speakers, a silent auction and fantastic prizes, such as; Broadway tickets and a wide assortment of golf equipment. The silent auction had many wonderful donated items, including an autographed NY Giants football, restaurant gift certificates, Lake Mohawk golf foursome with lunch, golf bag, putters, and NJ Devil's autographed puck. Many non-golfers joined in for hors d'oeuvres and dinner while enjoying the ambience of Lake Mohawk Golf Club, a private member owned golf club, located at the base of a mountain ridge that overlooks beautiful Lake Mohawk, the largest man-made lake in New Jersey.

Guests were honored to hear from the inspiration for this Foundation, Dr. Eric J. Simon. Dr. Simon explained the importance of basic research and how at the basic level, information is shared and benefits multiple brain diseases. Dr. Ken Bonnet, Board Member & Professor of Psychiatry, shared information on the exciting work being done by two of our former summer fellowship recipients. Each student has

TEACHER RECOGNITION



Bart Hoebel, Ph.D.

Professor of Psychology, in the Program in Neuroscience at Princeton University

selected for inspiring interest in neuroscience

"...his singular enthusiasm and animation in the classroom enhanced my own growing interest in neuroscience. He encouraged discussion and debate, and I was able to refine my ability to think critically about neuroscience. I believe he is deserving of recognition for his unwavering dedication to undergraduate education in neuroscience". TM

"The years I studied under Bart were among the best and most intellectually fulfilling in my life. Bart's passion for science, knowledge & discovery were unparalleled. "DS

"Bart is not only an amazing researcher himself, but he is also a wonderful teacher, mentor and a genuinely kind person" JB

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the chance to study under remarkable scientists focused on improving our understanding of the complexities of the brain and how it functions. The project, in which one of the students mentioned participated, is a treatment for glioblastoma (a deadly brain cancer). Dr. Bonnet was excited to explain that this treatment is currently in clinical trial.

Guest speaker Joseph Fabbio was able to discuss his own struggles resulting from a tragic accident which left him wheel chair bound. His first-hand account of the impact basic research has and will have on his life and of his wheel chair bound friends, drove home the importance of the work the foundation is doing. It was a moving and emotional experience.

The goal of the summer student fellowship program as well as the teacher recognition is to attract and train bright, motivated students in the field of neuroscience. The hope is that these exceptional young scientists will add to the work of the outstanding senior scientists, leading to cures for serious brain diseases and conditions that impact us all.

A special thank you to our corporate sponsors: ThorLabs, Blank Rome, LLP, Harac Consulting, to Vid Pro Quo for video taping the event, and to our hole in one sponsor Warnock Lexus. Thank you to <u>all</u> of our sponsors, golfers, dinner guests and volunteers who made this event possible and beneficial. You can view a list of our sponsors and volunteers on <u>www.iesBranResearch.org</u>.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Lunch & Learn hosted by Blank Rome, LLP **WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2011** at the Chrysler Building in New York City.

Details to follow.

CONGRATULATIONS 2011 SUMMER FELLOWS

*Maren Ketcham working with Dr. Jack Rosenbluth	*Peter Kaufmann who donated the 2011 IES Brain Research Foundation Hanni Kaufmann Fellowship in memory of his beloved
at NYU on Multiple Sclerosis	wife, for research on Alzheimer's Disease.
*Tracy Ma working with Dr. Howard Weiner at NYU on Epilepsy	*Joseph Fabbio who donated the 2011 IES Brain Research
*Bryce Skarde working with Dr. Linda Watkins at U. of CO on Spinal Cord Injury	Foundation Fine Lighting & Décor Fellowship for research on spinal cord injury
Fine Lighting & Décor IESBRF 2011 Fellowship	* Dr. Joyce Lowinson who donated the 2011 IES Brain Research
*Kenneth Vera working with Dr. Barry Setlow at U. of Fla. on Addiction	Foundation Dr. Vincent P. Dole Fellowship "in memory of a respected mentor and researcher extraordinaire"
Dr. Vincent P. Dole IESBRF 2011 Fellowship	* Dr. Judy Gao & her husband, Dr. Kenneth Bonnet who donated
*David Lee working with Dr. Chiye Aoki	the 2011 IES Brain Research Foundation Yin-ming Huang &
at NYU on Alzheimer's Disease	General Jian Gao Fellowship in memory of Dr. Gao's beloved
Hanni Kaufmann IESBRF 2011 Fellowship	parents
*Joanne Wang working with Dr. Richard Lewis at Harvard U. on Vestibular Migraine	If you donate a summer fellowship (\$2500), you can attach the
Yin-ming Huang & General Jian Gao IESBRF 2011	name of someone you would like to honor or remember, or the name of a business, and you can also choose the area or disease for
Fellowship	which you would like this donation earmarked.
Go to www.iesBrainResearch.org and read about	Pass This On To Friends and Family
the experiences of previous IES Brain Research Foundation Student Summer Fellows	One of the best ways that you can help this Foundation grow, is to share the information with others
The mission of the foundation is to	50/50 Raffle
hasten brain research that will lead to cures for serious brain diseases and	Purchase tickets by mailing a check to: IES Brain Research
conditions such as: brain cancer, PTSD,	Foundation, or call 973 726-6218 faye@iesBrainResearch.org
stroke, addiction, depression, autism,	Raffle ticket stubs will be mailed to you, if you purchase
epilepsy, Alzheimer's & Parkinson's	by mail. Drawing will be July 20th.
diseases, pain, schizophrenia, traumatic	Everyone can help no matter where you live!!!
brain injury, etc.	\$5 per ticket \$25 per book of 5 tickets

SPECIAL THANK YOU

TO:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a skill, talent, time that you would like to share with IES Brain **Research Foundation?** Any amount of time whether occasionally or regularly, from home or at an event, can help and is very much appreciated. It can be anything from; writing newsletters or press releases, to; making phone calls, handing out flyers, getting auction items & door prizes, making copies, designing brochures, hosting a cocktail party, taking photographs, helping at or organizing an event!

We are run solely by volunteers. No act is too small.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION

it is greatly appreciated!! It is what keeps us running and enables us to continue giving out fellowships. Donations can be made by credit card on our website (via PayPal - you do not need a PayPal account) or by mailing a check.

ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE! Donations of any amount help and are appreciated.

Donation & volunteer forms are available on our website. www.iesBrainResearch.org

We can also always use new items, gift cards, tickets, etc. for auction, prizes, etc.

Questions, comments, ready to help! Contact us! faye@iesbrainresearch.org faye722@centurylink.net or 973 726-6218