

# IRENE & ERIC SIMON BRAIN RESEARCH FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

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"I was truly impressed to see the young students

who have directly benefited from your efforts.

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# 4<sup>th</sup> Gala Dinner

The mentoring program is a truly wonderful opportunity for them and will bring more young scientists into the field of neuroscience. It was a wonderful event." "Congratulations!! It was a well run, classy event" And in response to listening to our guest speaker, Theresa A. Branchek, PhD, as well as Board members and revered scientists Dr. Eric Simon & Dr. Kenneth Bonnet: "Educational, inspiring" Those are just a few of many very enthusiastic comments about the event. Some of the finest minds in brain research gathered at the Tides Estate in New Jersey on Oct. 24 to celebrate advances in neuroscience and raise money for the Irene and Eric Simon **Brain Research Foundation. The foundation** supports the development of some of the brightest young students in the field by providing summer fellowships, so it was appropriate that three were present to share about their exciting summer research experience: Justin Little and mentor Dr. Luke Johnson (NYU), Emiliya Mezhericher and faculty sponsor/mentor Dr. Jorge Ghiso (NYU) and Noam Rudnick with faculty sponsor/mentor Dr. Steven Siegel (U of P). Marsha E. Bates, Ph.D. research professor of psychology at Rutgers U and associate professor of psychiatry at UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, was recognized for inspiring interest in neuroscience. Our guest speaker Theresa A. Branchek, PHD, CEO of Lundbeck Research USA was interesting, inspiring and extremely supportive of the Foundation's work and programs. Lundbeck Research, USA, our corporate sponsor sent 10 people to the dinner as well as sponsored a teacher. Dr. Keneth Bonnet sponsored 2 teachers in addition to his dinner. Dr. Yeckel & Dr. Numan, also recognized as teachers encouraging interest in

# SUMMER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 2008

Neuroscience, were unfortunately unable to

photography services and Tran Whitley his

our website: www.iesbrainresearch.org.

attend. We thank Kent Hagedorn for donating his

music. More details and photos will be posted on

2008 application forms should be ready by the beginning of 2008. Go to our website for info or contact Faye. Businesses or individuals who want to sponsor fellowships (\$2500 each) please contact us.

# Save the Date-May 12



Non-golfers are encouraged to come to the dinner at beautiful Lake Mohawk Golf Club (Sparta, NJ)

**Spin Cycle and Cycle for Health 2008** Dates to be announced. Details to follow. Go to www.iesBrainResearch.org or contact:

973 726-6218 or fave@iesBrainResearch.org

## if you are interested in participating or helping TEACHER RECOGNITION

Teachers are an important part of creating interest and motivating students in the field of neuroscience. Nominate a deserving high school or college science teacher by March 15th. Selected teachers will be invited as our guest to the May 12th dinner and receive a certificate & small gift.

Businesses or individuals let us know if you are interested in sponsoring a teacher (\$150).

# HOLIDAY TIME - A TIME FOR GIVING

### Please think of the Foundation. DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED

\*\*\*\*Our goal for 2008 is to raise enough money to start a new program:

Training Grants for Post Docs in Neuroscience Help us reach our goal to raise enough money for at least 1 training grant, in addition to 6 student summer fellowships.

## Please give what you can!!! & spread the word

If you would like to make a tax deductible donation, please make the check payable to: **IES Brain Research Foundation** 

and send it to: IES Brain Research Foundation #210 270 Sparta Ave. Suite 104 Sparta, N. J. 07871

If you would like a certificate sent "in honor" or "in memory of", please indicate the name & address of the recipient, who the certificate is in memory or honor of, a message you would like included, how you would like it signed and the donors name & address.

Official forms (although not essential), can be printed from the web site,

We wish you all happy, healthy, and peaceful holidays ©



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# FUND-RAISING PARTNERSHIPS \$

#### American Success Mortgage

American Success Mortgage will donate \$200 to the Foundation for any loans that close with the IES Brain Research Foundation mentioned or with the flyer submitted, plus you will receive \$200 off the application fee. American Success is a full service broker for purchases and re-finances in:

NY, NJ, CT & FLA. They offer excellent rates & terms, with terrific service. Spread the word!!

For information or a flyer call: Faye 973 726-6218 or Scott 1-888-WHAT-A-RATE

Mention IES Brain Research Foundation.

#### Commerce Bank Affinity Program

If you are an existing Commerce Bank Customer Call and ask to have your accounts included as part of IES Brain Research Foundation's Affinity Membership Program at Commerce Bank. 973 827-0115 or a branch near you. (You can also receive \$25 by opening a new account with new money).

#### If you are not a Commerce Customer

Open an account for any amount at any location. Tell them to include you in the IES Brain Research Foundation affinity program and you will receive \$25 as well as help the Foundation.

Each family member (whether or not an existing customer) can participate, as it goes by social security number.

There is no cost to you in either case, nothing changes about your accounts and there is total confidentiality. They will only tell us the number of members & the total balance of all the members' accounts for which we will receive an annual donation. Checking, Savings, Money Market, CD & Retirement accounts are all included in the affinity program.

If you have not yet received and would like a flyer emailed or sent to you or someone you know, with all the information, please call or email Faye.

\*\*If you would like us to know that you have participated, call or email (no details)

973 726-6218 faye@iesbrainresearch.org
Help us reach 50 accounts (including existing and new customers - individual or business), to start receiving the annual donation.

Once we have achieved our goal, we hope to keep adding more accounts & increasing the contribution amount, SO......

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!!

# **Matching Contributions**

Check with your employer...some businesses will match your charitable donation, so that whatever you give IES Brain Research Foundation, you can double the impact of your tax deductible donation!!!!! If we are not on their list, you can help us by requesting the forms to put us on their list. Thank you Dave Grossman for registering us with AXA for matching contributions to your generous gifts.

# THANK YOU ©

# Thank you to all who have and continue to support the Foundation with time, donations, participation, ideas and good wishes.

Thank you all for volunteering your time before and/or during the gala dinner: Faye Simon Harac, Allison Reynolds, Rohan Mathur, Len Harac, Lisa Mullahy, Lois Burmester, Lorraine Cancro, Andy Ball, Ronnie Moran, and Irene & Eric Simon. We thank Tellurian Networks for continuing to donate their services to host our web site.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Share your time, skills & ideas with us.

A few hours per month, week or day;

# Your help is greatly appreciated:

Let us know how you want to help. Go to our website or contact us for a form & list of *many ways you can help*.

\*\*\*\*Also, we can use help with keeping the website updated and writing media articles & newsletters. Please let us know if you have either skill & even a small amount of time to give.

## **LOOKING FOR HOSTS**

Let us know if you are willing to host a cocktail party or coffee & cake get together, breakfast or luncheon for friends, family, and co-workers to learn more about the Foundation. Call to find out more about it or to let us know that you are interested.