Honor Roll

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Gregory A. Fabiano, assistant professor in the University at Buffalo’s department of counseling, school and educational psychology in the Graduate School of Education, is lead investigator for a project aimed at improving driving habits of teenagers at the top of the risk pool. The study comes with a $36,000 grant from the UB 2020 Interdisciplinary Research Development Fund from the office of the vice president for Research.

Kevin F. Hulme, research associate for the New York State Center for Engineering Design and Industrial Innovation, designed and operates a driving simulator in the study of teens with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder.

Edmund L. Leising was chosen as the winner of the 2008 Health and Humanitarian Award given to an outstanding volunteer by the Jerome Foundation and the United Memorial Medical Center Foundation in Batavia, according to foundation presidents Justin Calarco-Smith and Christopher White. Leising was the 24th recipient of the honor presented at a recent luncheon. He was nominated by the Genesee County Court-Appointed Special Advocates and the Batavia Rotary Club. Leising has 35 years of volunteer efforts, which include raising funds for a school kitchen in Zambia. Other winners included Joseph R. Gerace and the late Rev. David J. Scheider.

John C. Dwyer was re-elected president of the Genesee Community College Foundation at an annual meeting of its board of directors. Dwyer will serve his third one-year term. He also served as executive director of the Genesee County Industrial Development Agency, now known as the Genesee County Economic Development Center.

Also elected to one-year terms as officers were: first vice president, Timothy D. Woodward; second vice president, Stuart Steiner, who heads Genesee Community College; secretary, Toni Ann Moore, a court administrator and Livingston County farm operator; treasurer, Brian M. Daviau, GCC class of 1981 graduate.
New members of the board are Richard L. Fish and Monica Hale Dawson.

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Kenmore Mercy Hospital’s medical staff has honored two associates with the hospital’s annual Medical Staff Award, recognizing outstanding associates for their meritorious service to patients and staff. The awards were presented to Jeanette McCann, surgery unit clerk, and registered nurse Johanna Boyd during a special ceremony in the hospital’s Main Lobby Atrium earlier this month.

McCann, began her career with Kenmore Mercy in 2000. She interned in the medical transcription department and also worked in all patient care units. In 2002, she became full-time unit clerk for the operating room. McCann has been successful in organizing and handling the operating room’s incoming information and communicates with the surgeons. She also has played an integral part in the successes of the current operating room process improvement project.

Boyd has worked at Kenmore Mercy since November 2000 after previously working with Allegheny Hospital and Suburban General Hospital in Pittsburgh. She currently balances several roles at Kenmore Mercy, including staff nurse and charge nurse.

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Shirley Bolea, certified nursing assistant, was honored not long ago for 25 years of service by the McGuire Group’s Northgate Health Care Facility in North Tonawanda.

Bolea works with patients receiving therapy in the facility’s subacute rehabilitation program, assisting them with activities of daily living. She has worked in several departments at Northgate over the years and has trained nursing assistants.

Bolea is a graduate of Niagara Wheatfield High School.

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