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## WENDY WILLIAMS ANNOUNCED AS GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE 18TH ANNUAL POWER OF PINK LUNCHEON



» WENDY WILLIAMS, TALK SHOW HOST, AUTHOR

**THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL** for the Leon Hess Cancer Center at Monmouth Medical Center will host this year's 18th Anniversary **Power of Pink Annual Luncheon**, an event that benefits the cancer center, on **Thursday, July 11 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at Riverwind, the private estate of Morgan E. Cline.

This year's guest speaker will be talk show host Wendy Williams of "The Wendy Williams Show," the nationally syndicated weekday program that airs in 52 countries. The Power of Pink Luncheon will honor Robert A. Graebe, M.D., Chairman and Program Director of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Monmouth.

Wendy Williams burst onto the talk show scene in July 2009 with the launch of her show, which features a diverse mix of interviews with celebrity guests from television, film, music and sports. Prior to achieving success in daytime television,

Williams built a devoted audience of fans throughout a successful 23-year career in radio. She was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in 2009—one of only a handful of women with that honor.

In addition to her role as a talk show host, Williams is an author of *The New York Times* best seller *The Wendy Williams Experience* (Dutton Books) as well as several novels. She contributes a regular celebrity hot topics column to the entertainment magazine *Life & Style Weekly*. This spring she will be debuting her new book, *Ask Wendy*, with Harper Collins. Oxygen has recently announced a new exclusive first-look production deal with Williams and her production company, Wendy Williams Productions. Williams grew up in Ocean Township and currently lives in Northern New Jersey with her husband Kevin and their 12-year-old son Kevin Jr.

Dr. Graebe is an accomplished physician, recognized for his work in reproductive endocrinology. He is also one of the first physicians to incorporate the use of Monmouth Medical Center's robotic surgery system to improve patient outcomes.

Prior to taking on his current role, Dr. Graebe served as section chief of reproductive endocrinology at Monmouth since 1985. Board certified in obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Graebe is a member of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and American Fertility Society. Among his teaching awards, he received the Nathan Kasc Award for Teaching Excellence from Yale University School of Medicine and Pelviscopy and Laser Surgery Teaching Award from the chief residents in obstetrics and Gynecology at Monmouth. He was twice honored with the Gerald R. Cureton Award for Teaching Excellence at Monmouth, and as a resident at Monmouth, he

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**ROBERT A. GRAEBE, M.D.,**  
Chairman and Program Director,  
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Dr. Graebe is an accomplished  
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received the Robert Mackenzie Award  
for most outstanding obstetrics and  
gynecology resident, as well as the  
Samuel Adler Award.

Dr. Graebe received his doctor  
of medicine degree at Universidad  
Autonoma de Guadalajara in  
Mexico, and completed residency  
training in obstetrics and gynecology  
at Monmouth Medical Center  
and a fellowship in reproductive  
endocrinology and infertility at Yale  
University School of Medicine in New  
Haven, Conn.

The **Power of Pink Luncheon**  
brings together men and women to  
raise funds and enhance the quality  
of care delivered to cancer patients at  
Monmouth Medical Center. Proceeds  
from the event have contributed to a  
wide range of services and programs  
offered through the Leon Hess Cancer  
Center. This year's 18th annual  
luncheon proceeds will fund the  
Patient Infusion Unit.



## MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH COUNT BASIE THEATRE

**MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER**, a Barnabas Health facility, recently announced its partnership with the Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank as part of the hospital's ongoing community outreach.

As the presenting sponsor of the Basie Awards, Monmouth Medical Center will help the Count Basie Theatre recognize high school students from Monmouth County at the Eighth Annual Awards Ceremony on May 22. The ceremony will include musical production numbers from the schools nominated for specific categories, most of which are based on Broadway's Tony Awards, including Overall Outstanding Musical, as well as musical medleys performed by those nominated for Lead Actor and Actress.

"Monmouth Medical Center is proud to partner with the Count Basie Theatre to support arts in our schools and community," says Frank J. Vozos, M.D., FACS, president and chief executive officer of Monmouth Medical Center. "Like the Count Basie Theatre, Monmouth's Medical Center is dedicated to creating and maintaining strong community partnerships. It is part of our vision to be a leader in forming collaborative relationships with other providers in service to our community."

Basie CEO Adam Philipson added, "The Count Basie Theatre shares a similar philosophy about making meaningful collaborations in the community and we are grateful for the partnership with Monmouth Medical Center and Barnabas Health."

In addition to presenting the Basie Awards, Monmouth Medical Center will also endorse several classes annually through Count Basie Theatre's Performing Arts Academy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE COUNT BASIE THEATRE,  
THE BASIE AWARDS OR TO REGISTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS  
ACADEMY COURSES, VISIT [WWW.COUNTBASIETHEATRE.ORG](http://WWW.COUNTBASIETHEATRE.ORG).  
FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE COUNT BASIE THEATRE'S  
K-12 ARTS EDUCATION OUTREACH PROGRAM, CONTACT  
YVONNE LAMB SCUDIERY AT 732-224-8778, EXT. 106.

» HEALTH COMMISSIONER MARY O'DOWD TOURS THROUGH THE PEDIATRIC INPATIENT UNIT AT THE CHILDRENS HOSPITAL AT MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER WITH RENUKA VERMA, MD, SECTION CHIEF OF PEDIATRIC INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND PROGRAM DIRECTOR OF PEDIATRIC RESIDENCY AT MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER.



## SPOTLIGHT ON MEDICAL EDUCATION: COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH MARY E. O'DOWD VISITS MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER

**COMMISSIONER MARY O'DOWD** visited Monmouth Medical Center in March with Frank J. Vozos, M.D., FACS, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Thomas A. Biga, Executive Vice President of Operations for Barnabas Health, along with members of the hospital's senior leadership team.

During her visit, the Commissioner spoke with attending physicians and medical residents about the scope of programs and services available at Monmouth Medical Center. She toured through several areas of the hospital, including the Geriatric Emergency Unit in the Emergency Department and the Pediatrics Unit.

Following the brief tour, the Commissioner held a roundtable discussion in the Board Room where she had the opportunity to speak with medical residents from the eight medical residency disciplines offered at Monmouth. Residents represented orthopedic surgery, general surgery, dentistry, Ob/Gyn, internal medicine, diagnostic radiology, pediatrics and pathology. The Commissioner spoke to the residents about

their educational experiences and their choice in choosing New Jersey and Monmouth for their residencies.

Medical education has long played a key role at Monmouth Medical Center. In 1945, Monmouth established its first residency program in orthopaedics to meet the needs of physicians returning from World War II trained in treating battlefield trauma. Today Monmouth has 120 resident physicians in eight accredited programs.

"As an accredited diploma-granting institution, Monmouth Medical Center prides itself not just on providing quality health care, but on preparing the physicians of tomorrow," says Dr. Vozos, who trained in general surgery at Monmouth. "Teaching hospitals are responsible for training new generations of physicians and are the frontrunners in medical research and technology."

Monmouth Medical Center will receive \$4.4 million in Graduate Medical Education funding from the state in 2014, an increase of \$1.1 million from the current fiscal year.



> MICHAEL A. GOLDFARB, M.D., CHAIRMAN AND RESIDENCY PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY, WITH A GROUP OF SURGICAL RESIDENTS.

## MONMOUTH MEDICAL RESIDENCY PROGRAMS AND MED SCHOOL GRADUATES A PERFECT MATCH

MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER has emerged from the national match process — which each spring pairs medical school students and hospitals offering graduate medical education — with all residency positions filled.

As part of the National Resident Matching Program, the deans of all American medical schools on November 1 release letters of recommendation and the transcripts for their graduating students. Medical students apply to individual residency programs, and there is an intensive period of interviewing from November to January.

The Association of American Medical Colleges administers the computerized match, pairing each applicant with only one program and providing residency programs with only as many names as needed to fill all slots. Residency slots are filled when a residency program's choice for a resident and a medical student's choice for residency program match.

"We are very pleased with the high caliber of this match, and feel our continuously strong showing makes a very impressive statement

for the medical education program at Monmouth Medical Center," says Joseph Jaeger, Dr. PH., the hospital's associate vice president of academic affairs. "This was the first year that academic medical centers faced tough new rules that required them to either obtain all residents exclusively through the competitive matching process, or do so completely outside the match process. We recruited very well, and have a great group of young doctors coming to us."

Recently, Dr. Jaeger, participated in the Board of Directors meeting and attended the full annual meeting of the Alliance of Independent Academic Medical Centers in Naples, Fla. The Secretary / Treasurer of the Board and a member of the Conference Planning Committee, he has been nominated by the Alliance and the American Hospital Association to represent teaching hospitals nationwide on the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education's Institutional Review Committee.

At Monmouth, the new physicians-in-training will begin their residencies on July 1.

### APPLAUSE FROM TOMORROW'S DOCTORS, FOR A DOCTOR OF TOMORROW

AN APPLE FOR THE TEACHER CAN BE a way to curry favor, or it can be a recognition of excellence.

It's the latter for Children's Hospital at Monmouth Medical Center resident pediatrician Panagiotis Kratimemos, M.D., who was recognized recently with a Golden Apple Award bestowed by medical school students from the class of 2014 at Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia, the hospital's teaching affiliate.

"Faculty and residents at any of the 12 academic affiliates of Drexel were eligible to be nominated, making these awards extremely competitive," says Joseph Jaeger, Dr.PH., the hospital's associate vice president of academic affairs. "The fact that a Monmouth resident physician garnered this top award speaks highly of our resident abilities."

The Children's Hospital at Monmouth Medical Center also was honored with a teaching award bestowed by senior medical school students. Richard J. DeGroot, M.D., FAAP, director, Pediatric Inpatient Services for The Children's Hospital, was honored with the Dean's Special Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching from fourth-year medical students.

Also receiving an award was Allan Robert Tunkel, M.D., Ph.D., MACP, chairman of the Department of Medicine at Monmouth, who will receive Drexel's Blockley-Osler Award. Chosen by the Drexel University College of Medicine graduating class of 2013, Dr. Tunkel is being recognized for "excellence in the teaching of clinical medicine in the tradition of William Osler, M.D., who made teaching at the autopsy table and bedside customary in America."

The awards were presented at a reception after the Drexel University College of Medicine Commencement on May 17.

Monmouth Medical Center is a member of the Council of Teaching Hospitals of the Association of American Medical Colleges, a status held by just 400 of the nation's 6,000 hospitals. One of New Jersey's top academic medical centers, Monmouth offers highly competitive residency programs in diagnostic radiology, general surgery, internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, orthopaedic surgery, pediatrics and dental medicine.