Gala: “a festive occasion; festival; celebration.” Also, a wonderful opportunity for social get-together while raising funds for your favorite Asthma Center.

Your participation has been made easy. You can obtain your tickets on-line at our Asthma Center website, www.asthma.partners.org. We are aiming for 100% participation by members of the Asthma Center.

There are other ways that you can help: invite your family members, friends, and patients; give an item (e.g., sports/concert/theater tickets; weekend getaway; etc.) for the Silent Auction; or take an ad in the Event Booklet.

And be sure to mark the date on your calendar; you won’t want to miss the fun. That’s Thursday, September 22 at the Boston Marriott Newton Hotel in Newton.

Get Out Your Dancing Shoes (and Wallets): The 2005 Partners Asthma Center Dinner-Dance & Silent Auction Are Fast Approaching

EXCELLENCE IN ASTHMA CARE FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS

Brigham and Women's Hospital
Massachusetts General Hospital
Faulkner Hospital
Newton-Wellesley Hospital
North Shore Medical Center
Partners Asthma Center’s Asthma Educators’ Institute’s Programs for 2005

Partners Asthma Center’s Asthma Educators’ Institute is now three years old. To date we have presented 8 one-day educational seminars for more than 1200 nurses, respiratory therapists, pharmacists, and other health professionals. The 2005 program is as follows:

**June 25:** Becoming an Asthma Educator (Introductory Program) at Faulkner Hospital;

**September 17:** Becoming an Asthma Educator (Introductory Program) at Newton-Wellesley Hospital;

**October 29:** Understanding Allergy (Advanced Program) at North Shore Medical Center; and

**November 19:** Asthma vs COPD: Making the Distinction (Advanced Program) at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Drs. Bob Tarpy, Dino Beer, James MacLean, and Fiona Gibbons have taken leadership roles in organizing these courses.

Other planned activities of the Asthma Educators’ Institute include:

- publishing an Asthma Educators’ Workbook from Partners Asthma Center (McGraw-Hill); and
- partnering with the Berkshire Area Health Education Center to present a one-day seminar on Becoming an Asthma Educator in Pittsfield, MA in May, 2006.
Other Partners Asthma Center Events and News

Asthma Grand Rounds
Friday, June 3, 8:30 a.m.

*Obesity and Asthma*

Dr. Kelan Tantisira

Location: BWH Bornstein Family Amphitheater
Videoconferencing: MGH (Lawrence House)
NSMC (MAC-4, Davenport)

Asthma Center Picnic
Sunday, June 12, 2 - 5 p.m.

Home of the Fantas
17 Chapin Rd.
Newton Center

*Food, fun, families, friends, and more!*

Congratulations!

… to *Kenan Haver, M.D.* on directing another successful CME program from Partners Asthma Center (“Pediatric Asthma Update for Primary Care Providers”), and

… to *Lisa Stieb, R.N., AE-C,* for her service on the Massachusetts Department of Education’s Task Force on Food Allergies.
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Cherry Tree at Mass Mental Hospital, Spring, 2005