



## STUDENT NEWSLETTER

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### Successful Health Fair-Bonaire

Congratulations to Dr. Bruce Davidson and The SGA Bonaire for a successful Health Fair. By popular demand, plans are now under way for a health fair in the neighboring town of Rincon. The health fairs are an excellent way of giving back to the community and for medical students to get hands on experience in patient relations. In recognition of the hard work and dedication to SJSM's Community Outreach program a plaque will be presented to Dr. Davidson and the SGA. Individual certificates of recognition will also be presented to Dr. Davidson and the members of the SGA. We thank them for their efforts and look forward to many more successful health fairs in the future.

### Successful Health Fair-Anguilla

Congratulations to Dr. Satheesha and the SGA Anguilla for their first successful Health fair. There was a great response and interest from the community and we look forward to many more health fairs in the future. In recognition of the hard work and dedication to SJSM's Community Outreach program a plaque will be presented to Dr. Satheesha and the SGA. Individual certificates of recognition will also be presented to the Dr. Satheesha and the members of the SGA. We thank them for their pioneering efforts in organizing the health fair.

### Reminder to Clinical Students

The Clinical Department would like to remind all clinical students that participation in research and the documentation of this research as a thesis paper is a requirement for graduation. Prior to starting the research, a one page proposal should be submitted to the Office of the Dean of Clinical Affairs for approval. This is applicable to all students who completed Basic Science in or after December 2008. Students are urged to submit their research proposals asap. Please see our website and clinical handbook for details.

### Correction on tuition invoice

The following was omitted on invoices sent via e-mail on Nov 1st: "Payments received on or after January 1st 2011 will incur an additional \$200 late fee". Invoices sent via regular mail were corrected, however, and contain this statement. We apologize for any inconvenience caused.

### Shop SJSM

Show your school Spirit! Check out our newly redesigned T-shirts, folders and more. Available online and now on campus in both Anguilla and Bonaire. The T-shirts are high quality fabric in a contemporary style. The folders are sleek and professional. Visit the store online or on your campus today.

### Free Apple® iPads™

SJSM is at it again! We've given away two brand new Apple® iPads™ to the first two students that submitted all of their enrollment documents and tuition on time for the Fall semester! Yes, it's just that easy to win these state-of-the-art gadgets. So we decided to do this again for the spring semester! All new students coming in, please contact your advisor for details.

### Case of the Month

A smooth, well-demarcated patch without papillae on the posterior portion of the tongue (picture) was discovered incidentally while the oropharynx of a 65-year-old woman was being examined. On inquiry, she said that she had been aware of the unusual appearance of her tongue since childhood and that the lesion's size and shape had been stable since that time. She reported no tongue pain, dysphagia, dysarthria, or bleeding. There was no evidence of candidiasis on the tongue or adjacent structures. There was no regional lymphadenopathy, and the patient reported no constitutional symptoms such as fever or weight loss. There was no history of alcohol or tobacco use.

What is the most likely diagnosis?  
How would you confirm the diagnosis?  
What is the next step in treatment?

[Click here for the answer.](#)



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