

MASSEY GRAND ROUNDS APRIL 21, 2010

Like Jeopardy hosts Vanna White and Pat Sajak
We were welcomed with style by Fellows Shoucri and Pajak.

Aubie Angel set the stage
With warmth and grace and wit;
He reminded us of history
And why this event's a hit.

And then the Dean, our Faculty Queen
Emphasized communication.
And none of that can happen
Without sufficient information.

Michael Julius spoke proudly
Of Sunnybrook's research heaven,
And after that commercial plug
He intro'd Leslie Levin.

Levin asked us to begin
With an image of brain topology.
He swiftly moved to advocate
For new non-drug technology.

He emphasized the evidence;
He also made us think.
He warned of R&D's relentless search
To find our weakest link.

Imagining the future,
It's clear that his heart quickens –
But he closed his talk with words of wisdom
Straight from Charles Dickens.

Dr. Miller mined the quandaries
And she did not equivocate
On policy and evidence
In screening of the neonate.

We learned of micronutrients
And the work of Stanley Zlotkin.
He acknowledged it's a complex story but
For us he kept the plot thin.

He spoke of the necessity
Of his ketchup-based alliance
And negotiating the challenges –
Small-p politics, big-S science.

Kim Vicente, a real engineer, orated without slides
And told us of technology and its human sides.
He gave us hope that simple things are not all that expensive
But the impact of the human factor still can be extensive.

Neil Seeman's cheapest iPhone app –
Is called the human ear;
His tweet research is really neat
In helping docs to hear.

Shajania is a doctor's name
We now can safely spell;
He told us CPOE alone
Won't keep our patients well.

Jay Rosenfield's a teacher
Who speaks of simulation.
But it's dealing with real patients
That provides best stimulation.

In England some say riding to hounds
Is viewed as rather classy;
But nothing in my humble view
Can beat Grand Rounds at Massey.

- David S. Goldbloom