

Annual Gala

Following the celebration of its 150th anniversary in 2008, Long Island College Hospital dedicated this year's Annual Gala to the hospital's next 150 years, reflecting its commitment to quality healthcare in changing times. Attended by more than 400 guests at Stage 6 at Steiner Studios on October 1, 2009, the gala raised \$425,000 to help the hospital provide medical care and services of the highest caliber to the residents of Brooklyn and Greater New York.

The gala honored LICH's own Balendu Vasavada, MD, Chief of Cardiology, and gastroenterologist Rami Atallah, MD, for their significant contributions to the advancement of medical excellence at the hospital. Guests enjoyed a cocktail reception, dinner, and music and dancing to the Roustabouts and Pan Fusion Calypso Steel Band. Morrell M. Avram, MD, Ciril Godec, MD, Niki Kantrowitz, MD, V. John Mani, MD, Sudhakar Prabhu, MD, John Romanelli, MD, Richard M. Rosenfeld, MD, and Tucker Woods, DO, served on the Physicians' Committee for the gala.

PHOTOS

- 1** SUNY Downstate President John C. LaRosa, MD, Judith LaRosa, PhD, RN, and Cobble Hill Health Center CEO Olga Lipschitz
- 2** Chairman of Otolaryngology Richard M. Rosenfeld, MD, MPH and Mindy Rosenfeld
- 3** Nurse Managers Judy Quashie, RN, and Christine Hooker, RN, enjoy the convivial atmosphere
- 4** Ozgen Dogan, MD, Jasmine Vasavada, Zubin Vasavada, MD, Natasha Vasavada, and John Romanelli, MD
- 5** Chairman of Internal Medicine Frank DiPillo, MD, and Chief of Nephrology Morrell M. Avram, MD—both past honorees and esteemed LICH physicians
- 6** Zubin Vasavada, MD, accepting the Honoree award for his father, Balendu Vasavada, MD, with presenter Ozgen Dogan, MD
- 7** VP of Nursing Catherine Gallogly and Raffaele Borriello, MD
- 8** Thoracic Center Administrator Kathy Garrett-Szymanski, RRT, AE-C and Director of Community Affairs and Volunteer Initiatives Natasha Burke, MPA



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- 9** The extended Atallah family
- 10** Dance the night away....
- 11** Clinical Enhancements—one Gala at a time!
- 12** Honoree Rami Atallah, MD, and Interim President Dominick Stanzione
- 13** Interim Vice President of Medical Affairs and Chairman of Anesthesiology David Wlody, MD, and Lance Wagner, MD, Anesthesia Chair at Lutheran Medical Center
- 14** Presenter Daniel D. Ricciardi, MD, with Honoree Rami Atallah, MD, and Master of Ceremonies and President of the LICH Medical Staff, John Romanelli, MD
- 15** Chairman of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine Elpidio Jimenez, MD and Elena Bratkovsky, RN, MSN, Core Indicators Coordinator, Division of Quality Assurance
- 16** Interim President Dominick Stanzione and New York State assemblywoman Joan Millman
- 17** The Emergency Department knows how to celebrate! Miriam Chapman, RN, Nurse Manager; Doris Palazzo, Administrator; and Tucker Woods, DO, Chairman
- 18** (Standing) Interim President Dominick Stanzione and community activist Murray Adams; (Seated) Board of Regents member Joe Broadwin and Healthy Families Brooklyn Executive Director Necole Brown

