



THE FUTURE OF LEAN

What a fantastic article (“Empowered to Improve,” summer 2012)! Tremendous work by this team. It’s exciting to anticipate the future results of more lean initiatives.

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A GREAT MAN

Thank you for brightening my day by mentioning my father, Charles A. Thompson (M.D. 1954), in Lives Lived (summer 2012). He was a great man, a leader and a true blue follower of Michigan.

*David Thompson
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CADASIL

My son, Matt, has a stroke syndrome known as CADASIL. He had his first stroke at the age of 40. This is a nasty disease that has no cure or treatment. Through research on the Web, I found

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out that U-M has a research facility dedicated to CADASIL.

I contacted (Director of Molecular Stroke Research in the Department of Neurology) Dr. Michael Wang, and we exchanged e-mails concerning my son.

I have been very impressed with Dr. Wang and his associates. In fact, Matt and I were invited to visit U-M and discuss Matt’s situation with the research team. We did, and we were treated extremely well. Matt was impressed that he actually spoke with the doctors who were working on his disease.

I received your magazine and am impressed with the coverage it extends to the different research teams at U-M. How about an article on the work Dr. Wang and his folks are doing? The more people who are exposed to the word “CADASIL,” the more support the research will receive.

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CORRECTION

In the Lives Lived section of the summer 2012 issue (p. 47), we erroneously stated that Robert Goldsmith (M.D. 1951, Residency 1957) served as chair of the U-M Department of Ophthalmology from 1960-64 and 1974-76; in fact, he served as chair at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital during those periods. Our apologies.

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PUZZLED

With reference to “What’s in a Name,” (Moments, summer 2012), a reader might be puzzled and at a loss in an attempt to figure out the connection between the photo of Linda Ma holding a skull and just how the photo relates to an eponym. Could you explain? Does the emperor have no clothes?

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EDITOR’S NOTE: The skull was intended as a symbol of the human body and the many eponyms it contains, including in the head and neck region.

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