

# CELEBRATIONS

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KATHLEEN JAY » AWARDS

## UCSF physician gets lifetime award



**Ron Stoney, M.D., receives highest honor from his peers**

At the 60th Annual Vascular Meeting on June 1 in Philadelphia, more than 1,000 members of the Society of Vascular Surgery gathered to honor Dr. Ron Stoney with its Lifetime Achievement Award. Stoney, a 35-year resident of Hillsborough, is a professor of surgery emeritus at the University of California, San Francisco. He has been working in the field of vascular surgery since 1959.

"My professional career has always been around helping people with the threat of vascular disease," Stoney said. "As a surgeon, I was able to do a lot of innovative surgery for people who had difficult problems."

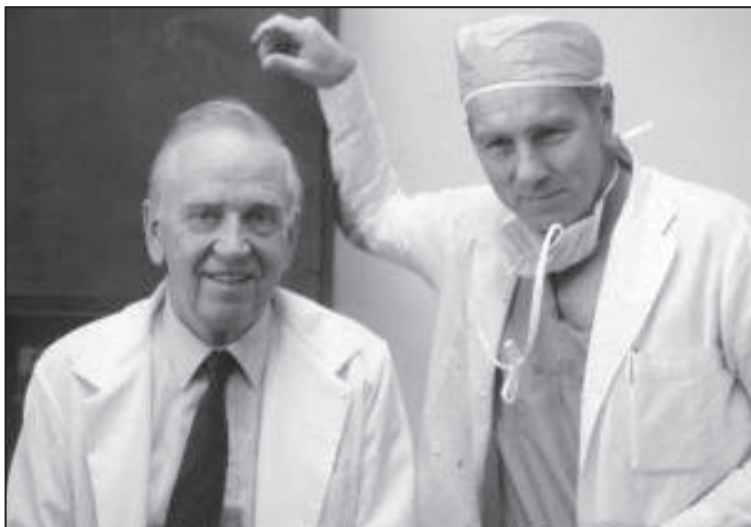
The lifetime achievement award — the highest honor bestowed among Stoney's peers — is in recognition of his outstanding and sustained contributions to the profession, as well as honoring exemplary professional practice and leadership.

"Dr. Stoney's dedication to vascular healthcare is legendary," said Dr. Craig Kent, the president of SVS. "He is internationally recognized as a master clinical surgeon, an outstanding educator and a tireless and tenacious advocate for vascular surgery."

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Dr. Ronald J. Stoney has served patients in northern California his entire career.

A native of Carmel, he gradu-



Dr. Ron Stoney, right, with his mentor, pioneering vascular surgeon Dr. Jack Wylie (deceased now) in the mid-seventies. Stoney received a lifetime achievement award from his peers last month for his work in vascular research. — Courtesy photo

ated from Carmel High School and received a bachelor's degree at Santa Clara University in 1955. He then attended the University of California, San Francisco, where he received his medical degree in 1959. He continued his practice as a resident of UCSF for six years, and in 1965, he accepted a position on the faculty of UCSF and began working with Dr. Edwin J. Wylie, a pioneer in vascular surgery.

"I worked with [Wylie] for the next 18 years," Stoney said "He was my mentor, and my partner."

Currently, Stoney splits his time between the hospital and the organization of which he is president.

"One of the things that has been most satisfying to me is finding a

charitable foundation called Pacific Vascular Research Foundation in 1982," Stoney said.

"With the financial help of a grateful patient, that research has grown substantially in using research to discover ways to improve the care of people with vascular disease."

In his free time, Stoney also serves at nearly every major academic medical center in the United States, and he lectures around the world. Recently, he also received an honorary doctoral degree from the University of Ferrara, Italy — in recognition of his longstanding record of academic accomplishment.

And when he's not practicing, Ron Stoney spends time with his wife Linda at their ranch in Carmel.

## SFSU professor's bomb detection system wins international award

By Kathleen Jay  
Special to The Examiner

An original design for a system that detects explosives in checked baggage at airports has won an international Industrial Design Excellence Award for San Francisco State University Assistant Professor Martin Linder.

"I have been working in the field of airport security explosive detection equipment research, industrial and interface design for 10 years," Linder said.

"My primary inspiration in designing for the explosive detection security industry is to participate in programs which bring greater safety and security to the citizens of the world."

Linder, an assistant professor and coordinator of the San Francisco State University Design and Industry Graduate Program, won the bronze award in the Business and Industrial Products category for the CT-80 Explosive Detection System.



Linder

Linder's product design team included SFSU students Chris Morlock, Gary Chen, May Thiers, Cory Bloom, Martin Etkin and Jane Rabanal.

The IDEAs, sponsored by BusinessWeek magazine and juried by the Industrial Designers Society of America, is an annual contest in which product designers are honored in 13 categories. In total, this year's contest received 1,494 entries from 29 countries.

The CT-80 Explosive Detection System, manufactured by Reveal Imaging Technologies, is an alternative to the traditional baggage screening machines found at airports. Its compact size allows it to sit adjacent to the ticket counter.

"You might see an object that appears to be a tin can of coffee, but it's really an explosive," Linder said. "With this technology, we're trying to catch it before it's too late."

Linder has been teaching at SFSU for five years. He grew up in Westfield, N.J., and received a bachelor's degree in fine arts from the Philadelphia College of Art, and a master's degree in fine arts from the Cranbrook Academy of Art. He currently lives in San Francisco with his wife Colleen, their two children and three dogs.

"I greatly enjoy working on projects that have the complexity of the technologies and the vastness of the problems inherent in the field of airport explosive detection," Linder added.

## Oakland cellist wins \$11,000 prize, series of solo recitals

On June 16, cellist David Requiro dazzled judges and an audience of more than 600 people at the 21st annual Irving M. Klein String Competition held at the McKenna Theatre of San Francisco State University's main campus. The Oakland native won first prize in the prestigious competition.

"David Requiro has an amazing combination of poise, deep musicality, self-assurance and polish, and every time he played, the audience was really swept away," said Mitchell Sardou Klein, competition director. The competition is named in memory of Klein's father, Irving M. Klein, a champion of young artists.

Following the competition, Requiro received the Maurice Kursh Memorial Award, which includes \$11,000, solo appearances with the Peninsula and Santa Cruz symphonies and recitals in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico and the Ralston Series.

"He is a perfect exemplar of what the Klein Competition is about," Mitchell Klein added.

Requiro performed selected pieces, including Kabalevsky's Cello Concerto No. 2, Op. 77 and "Wavering Lines," by Reynold Tharp, who was commissioned to write the piece for this competition. For his performance of the Tharp piece, Requiro also received the \$200 Allen R. Weiss Memorial Prize for best interpretation and performance of a new work.

Requiro, 21, is currently a student of Richard Aaron at the Cleveland Institute of Music. As a member of the Kashii String Quartet, he has also served on the faculty at the Innsbrook Music Festival and Institute. For the past four seasons, Requiro was also principal cellist of the Youth Philharmonic Orchestra of Boston and the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra.

The Irving M. Klein International String Competition is the largest international string contest in the world, and it pits some of the world's most outstanding young cellists, violinists and violists against one another. Drawing entrants from more than 20 countries each year, the competition's award carries the prestige that has helped many top soloists gain prominence in the competitive world of classical music. For more information, call (415) 282-7160 or visit [www.klein-competition.org](http://www.klein-competition.org).

Cellist David Requiro, a native of Oakland, performs at the 21st annual International String Competition at San Francisco State last month. Requiro won the competition's top prize.

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