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appointments

- **Jennifer Matz Bowker** joined the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University as manager of communications.
- New officers were elected for two-year terms on the Joseph Jefferson Awards Committee. The committee, comprised of theater professionals and enthusiasts, evaluates more than 200 productions annually, culminating in two awards ceremonies. **Susan Haines** was named chair, **Paulette Petretti** was named vice chair, and **Martha Hudak** was named secretary.
- **Melinda Ring, M.D.** was appointed medical director of the Resurrection Center for Integrative Medicine in Lakeview.
- Community Services Options, Inc., an advocacy group for the developmentally disabled, welcomed **Dawn Zayas** as director of development.
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- **Heather L. Fesko**, a senior associate in Epstein Becker & Green P.C.'s Health Care and Life Sciences practice, was promoted to a member of the firm. The Chicago office also brought on **Karen Weaver**, formerly of Weaver Law Group, LLC. Karen specializes in the life science industry, and also teaches Food and Drug Law at DePaul University.
- **Denise Funk** joined Parkside Magnetic Resonance Center as marketing representative.
- Openlands announced the hiring of **Holly Goldin** in the new position of communications manger. Openlands is a non-profit conservation organization that protects, expands and enhances public open space in the Chicago area and beyond.
- Butler Rubin Saltarelli & Boyd LLP, elevated **Julie P. Shelton**, formerly an associate, to partnership. Both practice in the area of complex corporate litigation, with extensive products liability experience.
- New World Repertory Theater announced the appointment of **Alison Henderson** as co-artistic director.
- Columbia College Chicago elected **Renetta McCann** to its board of trustees. Renetta is the chief executive officer of Starcom Media VestGroup, the world's largest media planning and buying agency.
- **Mercedes Rohlfis** was promoted to development director of the American Theater Company.
- Peregrine Financial Group, Inc. named **Brenda Cuypers** chief financial officer. Brenda has been with the firm for 12 years, serving as controller for the past six.
- The Women's Board of the Adler Planetarium elected their 2006 officers. **Susan V. Downing** was selected as president, **Anna Igoe** as executive vice president, **Debra Beck** as vice president board development, **Caroline Becker Joss** as vice president project and fund development, **Colleen M. Creighton** as treasurer, and **Pamela Jann** as recording secretary. **Sherry Schmitter Block**, **Pamela Cramer** and **Katherine Hunt** were named key committee chairs.
- HSM Electronic Protection Services, Inc. named **Diana Ziomek** director of national account customer support.
- **Simcha Lourie** was promoted to director of catering at Sofitel Chicago Water Tower. Simcha previously worked as catering manager.



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awards

- The Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois will present **Lois Weisberg**, commissioner of the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs, with the first Legendary Landmarks award on March 4. The Legendary Landmarks award program is being launched to