STOLZOSCOPY
I am a School of Medicine alum (PhD ’02), and I teach biology at the fourth largest private institution of higher learning in Texas, the University of the Incarnate Word. Several of our classes involve teaching our students the concept of electron microscopy and how it has opened up a whole new world for us to visualize and appreciate.

I was very impressed by the work of Dr. Donna Stolz and her associates at the Center for Biologic Imaging who collated all of those wonderful TEM (transmission electron microscopy) and SEM (scanning electron microscopy) images into the format of a Periodic Table [“What Would Mendeleev Do?” Spring 2009]. The time and effort it must have taken to find all of these images and present them in this format! Dr. Stolz has given educators a wonderful teaching tool. Several faculty members in my department plan to incorporate the table into their course material.

Again, I would like to congratulate Dr. Stolz, the Center for Biologic Imaging, and the persons responsible for choosing this work to be published in Pitt Med.

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We gladly receive letters (which we may edit for length, style, and clarity).

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In our Summer 2009 issue, we noted the election of Pitt’s Michael Fine (Res ’87) and Mark Gladwin to the Association of American Physicians. Fine is an MD professor of medicine and Gladwin is an MD professor of medicine and chief of the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine. We accidentally omitted the election of Merrill Egorin, MD professor of medicine and pharmacology and chemical biology (noted in this issue); David Rothstein, MD professor of surgery, medicine, and immunology; and Gary Silverman, MD/PhD professor of pediatrics and chief of the Division of Neonatology and Developmental Biology.

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