Somewhere from nowhere

Finding help when I least expected it and – with (a lot of) help - getting to where I wanted to go



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Me age 16 graduating from High School.



Chappaqua, NY. The house I grew up in.



What I thought I was going to be – or at least - it was better than the alternative.



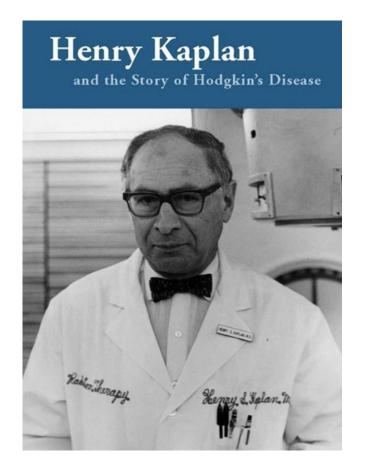
Cornell 1976-1980





Why do you keep on saying you are not smart. You are just as smart as everyone here.

First mentor, Henry Kaplan, M.D. 1981 - Feb. 4,1984





It is true that no one is interested in what you are interested in (breast and ovarian cancer) but when your time comes to be faculty, the field will arrive to meet you.

Second mentor, Bob Cardiff, M.D., Ph.D. 1986 - pres.

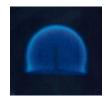




Ok, so you did not get funded the first time – go back and try again – I will help you.

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In the future you will mentor many people – it will be like breathing – you will forget some of the things you did (like I just did) – but this does not mean you did not care – it just means you helped a lot of people.

Third mentor, Ms. Faye Burt, 2000 – Nov. 23, 2008





I have prayed on it. You will start small – like an acorn - and grow like an oak tree.

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