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► Swanson named chair of public health

G. Marie Swanson, PhD, MPH, has been named chair of the IU Department of Public Health by IUSM Dean Craig Brater. A professor of public health, Dr. Swanson has served as an associate chair of the department since she joined the IUSM faculty in August 2007. She also is an associate director for cancer prevention and control at the IU Simon Cancer Center.

Prior to coming to Indiana, Dr. Swanson was professor of epidemiology and biostatistics and founding dean at the Mel and Enid Zuckerman Arizona College of Public Health, University of Arizona, and director of its Arizona Area Health Education Centers Program. She held the Mel and Enid Zuckerman Endowed Chair in Public Health.

Dr. Swanson also was on faculty at Michigan State University where she was a professor in the Department of Family Practice and the Department of Medicine in the College of Human Medicine and director of the Cancer Center there.

She received her bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in sociology from Wayne State University and a master's of public health from the Johns Hopkins University.

She succeeds former Indiana State Department of Health Commissioner Gregory Wilson, MD, who has served as interim chair for two years since the founding chair Stephen Jay, MD, stepped down as chair.

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» **Bankston to lead College of Health and Human Services**

Patrick Bankston, PhD, has been appointed dean of the College of Health and Human Services at IU Northwest. Dr. Bankston, who is assistant dean and director of the IUSM- Northwest, has served as interim dean of the College since December 2006.

The appointment was made earlier this month by IU Northwest Chancellor Bruce Bergland and is effective through June 30, 2011.

The College combines the undergraduate health care disciplines of nursing, radiological sciences, health information management, respiratory therapy, medical lab technology, dental hygiene and the master's degree program in social work. For additional information on the College of Health and Human Services at IU Northwest, see www.iun.edu/~chhs/.

Dr. Bankston has been a member of the IUSM faculty at IUSM- Northwest since 1978.

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» **Notre Dame joins CTSI**

The University of Notre Dame has joined the first round of the Indiana CTSI Collaboration in Biomedical/Translational Research (CBR/CTR) pilot grant program, which now is accepting proposals. The awards are meant to foster collaborations between investigators at IU, Purdue and Notre Dame on translational research projects with the potential to develop into larger, continuing, externally funded research programs.

Indiana CTSI collaboration awards are considered seed grants. Applications may request up to \$75,000 and are limited to one year duration. Proposals should include participation by two or more principal investigators representing at least two of the sponsoring affiliates for this program. Sponsoring affiliates are:

- IU School of Medicine
- IUPUI (non-IUSM)
- IU Bloomington
- Purdue University (West Lafayette)
- University of Notre Dame

For more details, visit www.indianactsi.org/grants to log into the system using your Indiana University, Purdue University or Notre Dame account, and then click on Collaboration in Biomedical/Translational Research Pilot Grant Program.

Access for Notre Dame faculty and staff to the CTSI grants software is being set up. Until that work is completed, Notre Dame faculty and staff can go to the IUSM Office of Operations website at medicine.iu.edu/ctr to access the application information and forms.

The deadline for submissions is Monday, Dec. 1. Proposals must be submitted electronically at www.indianactsi.org/grants.

mms://wms.indiana.edu/ip/vic/Peds_GR_fall08_20081029.wmv.

Dr. Dinarello's presentation was entitled "Autoinflammatory Diseases and Interleukin-1 Beta: A New Classification and Therapy of Chronic Inflammatory Diseases."

Dr. Dinarello is a professor of medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, an associate member of the European Molecular Biology Organization and a member of the National Academy of Sciences. His research focus is anti-cytokine-based therapies.

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» **Fourth Miles for Myeloma begins tonight**

Want a unique way to celebrate Halloween? Come to the Indiana Cancer Pavilion at midnight tonight, Oct. 31, and give a rousing send-off to Dr. Rafat Abonour, an amateur marathon runner, who will begin a 12-hour run to Bloomington. This is the fourth year for the Miles for Myeloma event.

When he arrives in Bloomington, during pre-game festivities at the home football game at IU's Memorial Stadium, a group of myeloma patients, family members and friends will be on hand to form a "human tunnel" for Dr. Abonour to run through. Last

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» **Beerling Lecture archived online**

The presentation of Charles A. Dinarello, MD, who received the 2008 Steven C. Beerling Award for the Advancement of Biomedical Sciences Oct. 29, has been archived at

year, when he took a similar route for Miles for Myeloma, more than 500 people participated in the human tunnel.

Miles for Myeloma wraps up with a finish-line celebration around 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, outside the IU Simon Cancer Center.

Overall, this year's event will take him about 120 miles by foot and bike, and he hopes to become the "million-dollar doc" by raising a cumulative \$1 million for myeloma research.

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› **Bioethics Journal Club**

The next meeting of the Bioethics Journal Club will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the IU Center for Bioethics, HITS Building, third floor. Jere Odell will discuss the article entitled "Information Technology as an Ethical Challenge" by Rafael Capurro. Odell has a master's degree in library sciences and is the academic literature specialist at the IU Center for Bioethics.

The article is posted in the Resources section of the BJC Oncourse project site. If you have questions please contact Robin Bandy at rjakers@iupui.edu. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

The program is co-sponsored by the IU Center for Bioethics and the IUPUI Philosophy Graduate program

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› **Neuroscience annual meeting at IUPUI**

The Indianapolis Chapter of the Society for Neuroscience 2008 Annual Meeting will be Friday, Nov. 7, in the Riley Outpatient Center Ruth Lilly Learning Center.

The day-long program will featured guest speaker Michael Bardo, PhD, director of the Center for Drug Abuse Research Translation and professor of psychology at the University of Kentucky. His talk, "Individual Differences in Neurobehavior and Drug Abuse Prevention" will also be the Grand Rounds lecture at 11 a.m.

Other presentations will be made by investigators at Indiana University and Purdue University describing ongoing work in their laboratories. They include: Anantha Shekhar, MD, PhD, associate dean for translational research and the Raymond E. Houk Professor of Psychiatry; R. Andrew Chambers, MD, assistant professor of psychiatry; Nicholas J. Grahame, PhD, associate professor of psychology; Julia A. Chester, PhD, assistant professor of psychological sciences, Purdue University.

Email inquiries to IndySfN@iupui.edu

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› **Tasmanian view on ethics, law and genetics – Nov. 10**

Mark Stranger, PhD, from the University of Tasmania, will present "Genetics, Ethics and the Law Down Under: A Tasmanian Perspective" at 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10. The presentation will be in the IU Center for Bioethics, HITS Building, suite 3100. This presentation is free of charge and open to the general public.

Dr. Stranger is a senior research fellow and executive director of the Centre for Law and Genetics at the University of Tasmania. He also manages the centre's multidisciplinary, International Biotechnology, Ethics, and Law and Society

(BELS) Network. He is a sociologist with an interest in risk and social change, and skills in social research methodologies.

The program is presented by the IU Center for Bioethics Program in Predictive Health Ethics Research (PredictER), the IUPUI Office of International Affairs, the IUPUI Consortium for Health Policy, Law and Bioethics and IU Center for Bioethics,

RSVP to Eva Jackson at evajacks@iupui.edu.

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› **2008 Community Plunge**

"The Food Guide Pyramid and Beyond: Meeting the Nutritional Needs of Diverse Cultures" will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown.

The Community Plunge is a one-day event that brings together service providers, public health and medical professionals, community business leaders, state government agencies, parents and community members to discuss a community health issue and its impact at the grassroots level. The event provides an opportunity for participants to form linkages that will be essential to creating a healthier community.

Clarian Health's 11th Annual Community Plunge will focus on new approaches to nutritional intervention amongst diverse populations. Come join us to discuss and receive solutions about this community health issue.

Registration closes **Wednesday, Nov. 5**. Checks or credit card payment must be received by that date as well. Cost is \$50 per person or \$30 for full-time students. Checks may be made payable to Clarian Health Community Plunge, Attn: Laura McCammack,

P.O. Box 1367, Office E618, Indianapolis, IN 46202-1367.

See www.clarian.org/communityplunge or call 800-265-3220 for more information.

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» **Intellectual property issues topic of Bloomington conference**

Protecting investments in intellectual property developed at life sciences companies will be the focus of the second seminar in the 2008-09 Indiana Life Sciences Collaboration Conference Series at Cook Medical world headquarters in Bloomington on Friday, Nov. 14.

Faculty from the Indiana University School of Law--Bloomington and IU's Kelley School of Business will be joined by intellectual property attorneys from around the world and key executives at several companies, including Cook Group Inc., Eli Lilly & Co., Roche Diagnostics Operations, Inc. and Zimmer.

A complete program schedule, links to the participants' biographies and parking information is available at www.kelley.iu.edu/cbls/conferences/conf2.html

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» **Women's Health Symposium – Nov. 14-15**

The fifth annual Symposium in Women's Health for Primary Care Providers will be Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14-15, at the University Place Hotel and Conference Center. The symposium is presented by the IU National Center of Excellence in women's Health, in conjunction with the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

IU faculty presenters from several disciplines will lecture about pre- and post-natal issues, contraception, domestic violence, postpartum depression, polycystic ovarian disease, obesity, sexually transmitted diseases, and more. This year's conference is led by IU OB/GYN faculty Peter Marcus, MD, and Jill Hollingsworth, MD.

Registration is \$125 for physicians; \$50 for nurses and other health care providers; \$50 for IUSM and Clarian Health faculty and staff; and \$25 for residents-in-training. To register on-line, or to download the brochure, visit cme.medicine.iu.edu/iucme/courses.asp

Questions? Please contact Tina Darling, associate director, at 278-2264 or tdarling@iupui.edu

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» **Grant writing symposium – Nov. 17**

Registration is open for the symposium "Write Winning Grants" to be held Monday, Nov. 17, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium. This is an annual workshop on grantsmanship - the art of writing and is appropriate for new and seasoned investigators.

With tight funding levels at the NIH, don't miss this opportunity to learn how to make every word count. The cost is only \$100 for IUPUI faculty and staff. Registration is available on the CME web page at cme.medicine.iu.edu/iucme/courses.asp.

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» **Fall Junior Faculty Forum Nov. 21**

The Fall 2008 Junior Faculty Forum "Navigating the Road to Success in the Academy" is designed to bring together junior faculty from Butler University, IUPUI, Marian College and University of Indianapolis to participate in sessions and discussions on topics that are relevant to the success of their careers.

A wide range of topics will be presented including: teaching strategies and classroom assessment, developing award-winning grant proposals, finding and securing research and sponsored program funding, understanding service learning and civic engagement, and preparing for promotion and tenure.

Another intended goal of the JFF is to promote informal and formal collegial connections and scholarly exchange among JFF participants.

The forum will be from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, in the Lilly Auditorium, IUPUI University Library. To register, go to www.crl.iupui.edu/Events/eventsRegistration.asp?id=1401.

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» **Confucius say, 'Attend DiversiTea on Dec. 3'**

Nick Brasovan with the Confucius Institute in Indianapolis will facilitate the next DiversiTea session on "The Self as a Relational Being in Chinese Philosophy." The program will be from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, in the Daly Student Center, room 185.

Looking back to classical Confucian philosophy, one finds that people understood themselves fundamentally as dynamic and relational beings. That is to say, people identified themselves by the different roles and relationships that they held in family and society. According to this philosophy, each person is a function of his or her relationships: His or her relationships (guanxi) constitute who that person is. This concept of self stands in stark contrast to a "Western" based understanding of the self, in which people understand themselves as atomic beings. According to the latter tradition the relationships that one enters into in day-to-day life are merely accidental and non-essential.

Brasovan, also will briefly introduce the Confucius Institute in Indianapolis (housed in Cavanaugh Hall 129), its mission, and programs. He is the office manager of the institute, where he works to promote Chinese language and culture. His focus is on Chinese and comparative philosophy and he has studied in China on multiple occasions.

Space is limited. **RSVP by Wednesday, Nov. 26**, to mlaystro@iupui.edu, or call her at 274-7217.

DiversiTea is a collaborative staff development initiative of the Dean's Office-HR Services and the Office of Multicultural Affairs. These sessions provide an opportunity to share information, expand thoughts and understanding through informal dialogue between the presenter and IUSM staff while utilizing the universal tradition of tea drinking to recognize our similarities and celebrate our differences.

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» **Austism conference – Dec. 5**

The Christian Sarkine Autism Treatment Center, Riley Hospital for Children and IUSM are hosting "A Time for Transition: Autism Spectrum Disorders in Adolescence and Adulthood" Friday, Dec. 5, at the Ritz Charles, 12156 N. Meridian.

People of all professions and training are welcome, including those in the fields of psychology, special education, social work, speech and language, and occupational therapy as well as primary care physicians, pediatricians, psychiatrists, parents, and individuals on the autism spectrum.

For more details about the conference, contact Kellie Hindman at 278-5838 or visit www.handsinautism.org/conference.html.

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› AAMC issues health care reform principles

The Association of American Medical Colleges has issued six principles to help guide reform of the nation's health care system.

Noting that the United States health care system faces a crisis of access, cost and quality, the AAMC document calls for U.S. medical schools and major teaching hospitals to play "a pivotal role in improving health and health care and in achieving positive changes in the health care system," given their significant roles as health care providers, educators of future physicians, and discoverers of new scientific knowledge. Such reform must improve both health care delivery and financing, while preserving the greatest strengths of the current system. The goal of the new AAMC principles is to guide this process.

For a copy of the "AAMC's Principles for Reform of U.S. Health Care: A Guide for Policymakers," go to:

www.aamc.org/reformprinciples

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› Open Enrollment deadline

The deadline for Open Enrollment 2009 elections is **Friday, Nov. 14**. Forms or online enrollment must be received in University Human Resource Services by that date.

For more information and to find all the forms needed for Open Enrollment, check on-line at

www.indiana.edu/~uhrs/benefits/2009/openenroll_2009.html or email enews@indiana.edu for assistance.

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› Traffic survey

As part of an effort to provide better transportation services to student, faculty, staff and visitors, Parking & Transportation Services is assisting IU's master planning consultants in collecting feedback about campus transportation issues. Please take our quick survey by following this link: www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=_2bFAoEdqJji_2boMo3bvupzBQ_3d_3d

The survey will be available on the web through Monday, Nov. 3.

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› This week on Sound Medicine

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, to *Sound Medicine*, the award-winning weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. The program is hosted by Barb Lewis.

This week, Linda Heitzman, the director of life science practices at Deloitte Consulting, will join *Sound Medicine* to discuss two growing trends in the business of medicine: medical tourism and retail health clinics.

Continuing the discussion of retail health clinics, Ateev Mehrota, M.D., MPH, researcher at the University of Pittsburgh's School of Medicine, will explain his recent study of the effectiveness of the clinics, such as those found in CVS and Wal-mart stores.

This month's *Sound Ethics* will feature a discussion on the use of biobanks and guest host Eric Meslin, Ph.D., will share thoughts about his recent bioethics research in Western Australia.

In this week's *Sound Medicine* "Check Up," Jeremy Shere will highlight the Hip Hop Stroke program that teaches kids to be aware of the symptoms of a stroke.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine* as well as other helpful information can be found at www.soundmedicine.iu.edu.

Sound Medicine is underwritten by the Lilly Center for Medical Science, Clarian Health, and IU Medical Group. Jeremy Shere's "Check-Up" is underwritten by IUPUI.

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› Continuing Medical Education at your fingertips

The Continuing Medical Education office launched a new and improved website at cme.medicine.iu.edu. In addition to online registration and listings of grand rounds, conferences and courses, the site provides in-depth tools and information for presenters and program developers. Included are forms, tips, links, contacts, maps, and a host of other handy resources to make it easier to participate in CME events, prepare a presentation or plan an event.

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› Scientific Calendar online

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at the new [Scientific Calendar](#) website. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Kelli Diener at kas1@iupui.edu.

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› Scope submission guidelines

Scope wants your news items.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays. *Scope* is published electronically and sent to faculty, staff, students, and residents on Fridays (except on holiday weekends when it is published on the following Monday).

There are three easy ways to submit story ideas or information to *Scope*:

- e-mail the information to mhardin@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Mary Hardin, Z-7, Ste. 306, IUPUI
- fax your information to (317) 278-8722

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format. Word document attachments in lieu of fliers are encouraged.

In the interest of accuracy, please do NOT use:

- acronyms
- abbreviations
- campus building codes (use full, proper name of building and include the room number)
- Dr. as a preface before names (designate MD or PhD)

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