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Creative expression sought for Helping Hands project

The IUSM Dean's Office for Medical Education and Curricular Affairs, in collaboration with the Mindfulness in Medicine group and the Relationship-Centered Care Initiative, invite submissions for inclusion in an upcoming publication and/or exhibition of creative work tentatively entitled "Helping Hands: Reflections on Humanity in Medicine." Submission of photographs, artwork, essays, narratives, poetry, journal entries and other forms of printable creative expression are welcome.

Works will be chosen for inclusion in a publication and/or a public exhibition at IUSM.

We want to see your stories and your pictures. Tell us about a person, experience, piece of art, or life moment that conveys something about what it means to give or receive a "helping hand." For example, stories about: interactions with patients, students, staff, faculty, health care providers, hospital volunteers or others who have helped you to learn and grow; patients or patient families helping, teaching, and supporting others:

- help with illness, coping, loss, or professional challenges; volunteer experiences;
- a life moment that helped to illuminate a certain particular path to take;

- receiving support from a team or helping as a team member;
- the helping contributions of less visible or “unsung” members of our community... the possibilities are endless.

For more information regarding submissions, visit the website at:

<http://meded.iusm.iu.edu/helpinghands>. The deadline for submissions is **Friday, May 11**.

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Gunderman to receive chancellor’s teaching award

Richard Gunderman, MD, PhD, associate professor of radiology and of pediatrics, has been awarded the 2007 IUPUI Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. This marks the fourth time that an IUSM faculty member has won the campus’s highest award for teaching, the most recent being David Crabb, MD, in 1989.

Dr. Gunderman, who also serves as vice chair of radiology and director of pediatric radiology, is the author of over 180 scholarly articles and four books. His latest book, *Achieving Excellence in Medical Education* (Springer 2006), received strong endorsements from both the *New England Journal of Medicine* and the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, the latter describing it as “an eloquent, quotable, and inspirational book that provides a template for achieving excellence in medical education.”

Dr. Gunderman regularly teaches courses in radiology, pediatrics, ethics and leadership. He is a five-time recipient of the Indiana University Trustees Teaching Award, as well as the Robert Shellhamer Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching and the 2006 Indiana University School of Medicine Faculty Teaching Award. He will be honored at the Chancellor’s Convocation on Friday, April 27.

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Mark your calendar – Spring Faculty Meeting

The IUSM Spring Faculty Meeting will be from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

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Faculty promotion information

Faculty promotion dossier materials for promotions effective July 1, 2008, are available on the web at medicine.iu.edu/body.cfm?id=274&oTopID=274. Dossiers will be due in the Dean's Office (Academic Administration) no later than **Friday, July 13, 2007**.

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Annual Doris H. Merritt Lecture – April 24

The seventh Doris H. Merritt, MD, Annual Lectureship in Women's Health will be Tuesday, April 24, beginning with lunch at 11:30 a.m. followed by the noon presentation.

Haywood L. Brown, MD, the Roy T. Parker Professor and chairman of the Department of OB/GYN at Duke University Medical Center, will present "Women's Health Care: Strategies for the 21 st Century." The presentation will be in the Indiana Cancer Research Institute auditorium. Dr. Brown also will present Grand Rounds on Wednesday, April 25, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Memorial Hospital. His topic is "Health Disparities: How Can We Close the Gap?"

RSVPs for the luncheon are required and can be made by contacting Shirley Ernest at sernest@iupui.edu, or 278-7253. The lecture is sponsored by the IU National Center of Excellence in Women's Health.

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Fairbanks Ethics Lecture – April 25

"The Mentally Ill in the Acute Care Setting: Challenges to Providing Ethical Care," is the topic of the Wednesday, April 25, Fairbanks Ethics Lecture. Presenting will be Alan Schmetzer, MD, and Margaret Gaffney, MD.

The lecture, sponsored by the Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics, will be from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

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Managing Difficult Conversations – May 14

In the fast-paced world of academic medicine, the opportunities for engaging in a difficult conversation are ubiquitous. Yet many people choose to avoid such encounters. Why? What makes these interactions difficult and are there strategies that can be used to manage them successfully? This and similar topics will be the focus of "Managing Difficult Conversations."

This workshop will be presented by Catherine J. Morrison, JD, a principal of Morrison Associates, a consulting practice providing negotiation and dispute resolution services, strategic advice, and training for its clients. She will speak from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Monday, May 14, in conference rooms A and B in the Riley Outpatient Center.

To register for this workshop, contact Kelli Diener at kas1@iupui.edu. Early registration is suggested. The venue for this workshop will only accommodate 64 people so space will be limited.

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Education Research and Development Grants

IUSM offers Educational Research and Development Grants to stimulate educational research and development. The funding supports innovative projects designed to improve medical education. It is anticipated that grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded this year for the funding period June 1, 2007,

through May 31, 2008.

For more information, see meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/ERD.htm. Deadline for submission is **Tuesday, May 1**.

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One-man 'traumedy' performance to be May 11

On Friday, May 11, IUSM will host a special event. Brian Lobel, a former testicular cancer patient who received his care at the IU Cancer Center, has developed a one man show, BALL, which enacts his experience with testicular cancer.

With support from the IU Cancer Center and the Arnold P. Gold Foundation for Humanism in Medicine, Lobel will be on campus for two performances on Friday, May 11:

- Cancer Center Grand Rounds, 7:30 a.m., room 101 in the Cancer Pavilion
- General performance and question/answer session, 1:30-3 p.m. in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Memorial Hospital

Students, residents and faculty are encouraged to attend the performance.

Lobel has performed BALL at medical schools across the country and internationally, including McGill University in Montreal, Canada, Ben Gurion University in Beersheva, Israel. For more information, see Lobel's website at brianlobel.freeservers.com/BALL1.htm.

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LARC pilot grants available

A special program, Pilot Funding for Research Use of LARC Facilities, has been created to provide seed funding to junior investigators for small-scale animal studies that will support the collection of preliminary data for competitive extramural grant applications.

All full-time faculty members, regardless of tenure status, having a primary appointment in the School of Medicine at a rank of assistant professor or assistant scientist, who have less than \$100,000 in extramural funding at the time of application, are eligible to apply to the Biomedical Research Committee for this pilot funding program.

The application deadline for these grants is Monday, May 14. For additional information, see adminfinance.iusm.iu.edu/operations/pfl.htm.

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Kelley School life sciences collaboration program set for May 18

The next conference in the Kelly School of Business LifeSC Collaboration Series, on the topic of "Research and Development Management," will be Friday, May 18, in the Orthopaedic Capital Center

at Grace College, Winona Lake, Ind.

The program begins with registration at 10 and will feature speakers from eight life sciences companies as well as IU, Notre Dame and state government discussing research and development issues, management and strategies.

The program is free but space is limited and registration is required. Detailed conference, location and registration information is available at <http://www.kelley.iu.edu/lifesc/conf4.htm>.

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Staff Council Blood Drive – a big draw

The IUPUI Staff Council “Let’s Get Stuck Together” blood drive on April 17 produced 95 units of blood for the Indiana Blood Center and the Central Indiana patients it serves. A total of 138 people showed up to give but 43 were deferred for various reasons.

Blood collection took place at three locations. The results:

- Safeco location – 32 units
- Fesler Hall location – 35 units
- University College location – 28 units.

Pleased Staff Council members report the total was three times what was anticipated for its first blood drive.

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Join the Cancer Survivors Choir

The Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center is recruiting adults touched by cancer - either through their own illness or that of a loved one – for a Cancer Survivors Choir.

The choir’s first performance will be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 30, in the Indiana Cancer Pavilion during the Torchbearer Awards Ceremony celebrating those who fight and transcend cancer. The ceremony is held at the conclusion of the center’s annual National Cancer Survivors Day® event, Celebration of Life.

Participation in four rehearsals in May prior to the performance is required. The rehearsals and performance will be led by conductor Chris Ludwa.

For more information or to join the Cancer Survivors Choir, contact Debra S. Burns, PhD, board certified music therapist at the cancer center and IU School of Music, at 278-2014, or desburns@iupui.edu. For more information about Celebration of Life and the Torchbearer Awards Ceremony, visit www.cancer.iu.edu/events.

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Gold Foundation seeks abstracts on humanism in medicine

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation is calling for abstracts to be submitted for poster and oral presentations at an upcoming symposium on humanism in medicine. The Sept. 27-29 symposium, "How are we teaching humanism in medicine and what is working?" will explore innovative educational experiences for students and residents to help them develop the skills and habits necessary for compassionate and respectful patient care.

All submissions must be received by **Tuesday, May 1**. For more information, see <http://www.humanism-in-medicine.org/>.

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Openings available for clinical ethics fellowship

The Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics at Clarian Health Partners sponsors a part-time, 10-month clinical ethics fellowship. The primary goal of the fellowship is to enhance the ethical environment of the Clarian community by improving the ethical skills and capacities of professional staff.

Eligible applicants include physicians, nurses, chaplains, social workers and other staff employed in Clarian hospitals. Others may apply by special arrangement.

Contact Patty Bledsoe at 962-9260, or pbledsoe@clarian.org, for application materials or additional information.

The application deadline is **Friday, June 1**.

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It's time again for the Decorators' Show House

St. Margaret's Hospital Guild Decorators' Show House and Garden Walk will be April 28 to May 13. This year's Show House is at 4201 N. Washington Boulevard.

This will be the 46th year St. Margaret's Hospital Guild has hosted the annual Decorators' Show House and Garden Walk to benefit Wishard Health Services. This year also marks a milestone for St. Margaret's Hospital Guild, as the Guild celebrates a century of charitable contributions to Wishard Health Services.

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Medicare invites comments on new clinical research policy

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services has proposed revisions to the Clinical Trial Policy national coverage determination. Under the Clinical Trial Policy, first developed in September 2000, Medicare pays for certain items and services for Medicare beneficiaries involved in clinical trials.

Details of the coverage policy are available at the CMS coverage website at www.cms.hhs.gov/mcd/viewdraftdecisionmemo.asp?id=186.

The deadline for comments is **Thursday, May 10**.

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This week on Sound Medicine

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 22, to *Sound Medicine*, the weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. The program is hosted by Barb Lewis.

Organ donation and organ transplant waiting lists are the focus of part of this week's *Sound Medicine* program. Sam Davis, director of professional services at the Indiana Organ Procurement Organization, and Eric Meslin, PhD, director of the IU Center for Bioethics, will discuss new proposals for kidney waiting lists. David Undis will discuss LifeSharers, the non-profit network of organ donors he founded. Also, Susan Morgan, PhD, a Purdue University communications associate professor, will discuss Hollywood's role in the perception of organ donation.

A recent study published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* suggests that women who have been diagnosed with cancer in one breast should receive a magnetic resonance image, on the other. Kathy Miller, MD, a breast cancer specialist at the IU Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center, will discuss the findings and the importance of receiving cancer screening.

"Preguntale el Pediatra" ("Ask the Pediatrician") is a Spanish-language radio call-in program which airs the last Friday of each month on WEDJ 107.1 FM, an Indianapolis Radio Latina station. Deanna Reinoso, MD, assistant professor of clinical pediatrics at IUSM, created and hosts the monthly show. She will discuss the program's response from the Hispanic community.

Each year millions of non-English speaking people arrive in U.S. emergency rooms, and, often times, there are not enough qualified interpreters to bridge the doctor-patient language gap. Contributing reporter Mandy Trimble of WOSU, reports on the new "instant interpreter" service.

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

Sound Medicine is underwritten by the Lilly Research Clinic, 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

Online registration and a list of grand rounds, conferences and courses are available on the Continuing Medical Education website at cme.medicine.iu.edu.

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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 Iona Sewell at imsewell@iupui.edu.

To access calendars and information prior to 2003, visit the old site [at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar](http://www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar).

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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.

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.

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)

To keep the electronic version of *Scope* as streamlined as possible, only seminars and lectures of general or multidisciplinary interest will be included.

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