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Groundbreaking scheduled at IUSM – Fort Wayne

The groundbreaking ceremony for the new Indiana University School of Medicine – Fort Wayne Medical Education Building will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, at the construction site near Williams Theatre on the Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne campus.

Speakers will include IU President Michael McRobbie, IUSM Dean Craig Brater, IPFW Chancellor Michael Wartell, city and state elected officials, and others associated with the project.

According to Fen-Lei Chang, assistant dean and director of IUSM – Fort Wayne, the more than 41,000-square-foot Medical Education Building will provide state-of-the-art lecture halls and laboratories for first- and second-year medical and allied health students. The building will include laboratories with advanced technology for faculty research and to support community health organizations and functions.

The new building also will serve as the future home for the third and fourth year of medical education on the IPFW campus. Currently, IU medical school students can attend their first two years of advanced schooling at eight regional campuses or the Indianapolis campus. All third- and fourth-year students

now matriculate to the Indianapolis campus but plans are being made to increase medical student enrollment and expand the programs at the regional campus to meet the future needs of Indiana's health care system.

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New listserv for IUSM women faculty, students

As part of the observance of Women in Medicine month, the medical school is announcing a new listserv: IUSM_Women-L. It will be used to disseminate information about efforts of the IUSM Women's Advisory Council and the Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development to advance the professional and academic satisfaction and achievement of women in the School and to develop an environment in which all women faculty and students have ample opportunities for development and growth.

It is an open, edited listserv. To subscribe, send an email to listserv@iupui.edu with the following in the body (not the subject line) of the message: subscribe IUSM_Women-L

Please delete all autosignatures to prevent error messages. Those enrolling will receive an email requesting confirmation of their email address.

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IU supports short-term faculty exchange programs

Each year, the IU Office of the Vice President for International Affairs recruits faculty members and librarians for short-term (minimum of one month) assignments at partner institutions abroad during the calendar year.

Approximately two-thirds of the advertised positions will be funded. In all cases, the partner institution will provide a stipend to help offset local expenses and the Office of the Vice President for International Affairs will cover round-trip air transportation.

The deadline for submitting applications is **Thursday, Dec. 20**.

To see a list of participating universities or for application materials, see www.indiana.edu/~intlprog/grants/facannapp.pdf. For further information see www.indiana.edu/~intlprog/ or contact Shawn Reynolds, Office of the Vice President for International Affairs, Bryan Hall 104, IU Bloomington, phone: (812) 856-9024, fax: (812) 855-6884, email: shreynol@indiana.edu.

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Medical Humanities - Health Studies Seminars

Speakers at the Health Studies Seminars this fall will cover topics as varied as organ donation and a historic looking at a campaign to eliminate sleeping sickness in Africa. The programs are free and open to the public but seating is limited. To attend, RSVP to Vanessa d'Amico at vkoepke@iupui.edu or 278-

1669.

Fall speakers:

Sept. 25 – Edgar Huang

Associate Professor, IU School of Informatics

“Touching Life: Telling Organ Donation Stories”

Noon, University Library Auditorium.

Oct. 16 – Guillaume Lachenal

Post-doctoral Researcher, Centre d'Etudes des Mondes Africains, CNRS, Paris

“The Making of a Colonial Medical Catastrophe: The campaign against sleeping sickness in Cameroon in the 1950s”

4 p.m., Lilly Medical Sciences Library, room IB 301

(Co-sponsored by the IUPUI African Studies Committee and the John Shaw Billings History of Medicine Society)

Oct. 24 – Cees Th. Smit Sibinga, M.D., Ph.D.

Professor, International Development of Transfusion Medicine, University of Groningen, Netherlands,

Senior Medical Advisor to the American Association Blood Banks

“Is Blood Safe Today? A Global Perspective”

Noon, Van Nuys Medical Sciences Building, Basement, room B13

Refreshments will be served

(Co-sponsored by the Global Health Student Interest Group)

Dr. Smit Sibinga will also speak on October 25th at noon at the Indiana Blood Center on the topic of PEPFAR (the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief).

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IU School of Law presents Oct. 5 program

“Wellness and the Law: State Governments’ Role in Addressing America’s Public Health Crisis” will be presented Friday, Oct. 5, at the IU School of Law – Indianapolis. The Program on Law and State Government Fellowship Symposium will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Wynne Courtroom.

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Clarian’s Community Plunge focus is mental health

Jeannette Walls, journalist and author of *The Glass Castle*, will be the keynote speaker at the Clarian Health’s 10th annual Community Plunge Friday, Oct. 12. This year’s program, Challenging Our

Community to a Better State of Mind, focuses on mental health.

The program will be from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, 350 W. Maryland Street. To register, call 916-3525 or see www.clarian.org/communityplunge. The deadline for registering is **Friday, Oct. 5**. The cost is \$30

Community Plunge, sponsored by Clarian Health Promotions and Community Relations, is an annual one-day event that brings together service providers, social workers, school administrators, local business leaders, local and state government agencies, nurses, physicians, teachers, parents and others to discuss a community health issue and its impact. The program provides an opportunity for individuals and organizations to make connections and ultimately create a healthier community.

This year's Community Plunge will focus on mental health as it relates to our community, the work environment, the criminal justice system, homelessness, stress, substance abuse and chemical dependency.

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The Cutting Edge series begins Oct. 10

The multidisciplinary Cutting Edge Lecture Series, presented by IUPUI professors, will continue this fall beginning Oct. 10. The other lectures in the series will be on Wednesdays through mid November.

Each lecture will be in the University Library Lilly Auditorium beginning at 4:30 p.m. The speaker will be available for more discussion immediately following the lecture at 5:30 p.m. Lectures are free and open to the public. Complimentary parking is available in the North Street Garage. See www.opd.iupui.edu or email Andrew Barth at aaspeak@iupui.edu for additional information.

The series:

Oct. 10 – “Lecturing with Hope, Teaching with Joy” by Sharon Hamilton, Department of English

Oct. 17 – “Rapid Climate Change” by Gabriel Filippelli, Department of Earth Sciences

Oct. 24 – “The Legacy of Frankenstein” by David Stocum, Department of Biology

Nov. 7 – “The Missing Missing: Quantifying Serial Murder” by Kenna Quinet, SPEA

Nov. 14 – “Recovering from Mental Illness” by Gary Bond, Department of Psychology

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International development and the role of universities

“Higher Education: A Change Agent in International Development,” a symposium exploring the role that institutions of higher education play, will be Sunday, Oct. 14, from 4 to 5 p.m. at the University Place Conference Center.

IU President Michael A. McRobbie, Moi University (Kenya) Chancellor Bethwel Allan Ogot, IU Professor Emeritus of Medicine Joseph Mamlin, MD, and Autonomous University of the State of

Hidalgo, Mexico, Rector Luis Gil Borja will speak.

A champagne reception will immediately follow the symposium. Reservations are requested by **Monday, Oct. 8**, to Maggie McFarlin, 274-7400 or mmcfarli@iupui.edu.

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Grant writing workshop – Nov 16

David Morrison, PhD, co-founder and member of Grant Writers' Seminars and Workshops, will conduct a grant writing workshop Friday, Nov. 16, for the IUSM Clinical Investigator Training and Education Program, the General Clinical Research Center and IUPUI Research and Sponsored Programs.

A principal investigator, Dr. Morrison has had continuous funding for more than 30 years from the National Institutes of Health, including a 10-year MERIT award.

For more information or to register, contact the IUSM Division of Continuing Medical Education at 274-8353, or visit the web site at cme.medicine.iu.edu.

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FEED series: The Scholarship of Education

FEED: Presenting “The Scholarship of Education” by Debra Litzelman, MD, Laura Torbeck, PhD, and Alex Djuricich, MD. This workshop will be on Wednesday, Oct. 17 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Riley Outpatient Conference Center, rooms A and B.

Education is one of the core missions of the medical school. Teaching has always been an expected core activity for faculty members. Recently, scholarship in the educational arena has taken on new meaning and importance. In this workshop, participants will review the scholarship of education and will work together in groups to discuss ways to improve and document the quality of their own teaching, and curricular materials.

Participants will:

- Be able to list and define four types of scholarship for medical educators.
- Have access to tools and assessments for evaluating, improving and documenting education efforts (examples include peer assessment forms and curriculum review forms).
- Be familiar with systems on the IUPUI and IUSM campuses and at the national level that can aid them in their teaching and overall educational activities (examples include MedEdPortal and the Center for Teaching and Learning within the Office of Professional Development).
- List and understand the appropriate documentation of educational activities and products critical for faculty promotion and tenure.

If you are interested in attending, please e-mail Roberta Brown at <mailto:%20rabrown2@iupui.edu> or call 630-6906.

Faculty Enrichment and Educational Development (FEED) present quarterly workshops on key topics in clinical teaching. These workshops are designed to provide an opportunity for the department faculty to

improve their teaching skills in a collegial and fun environment and as part of the Department of Medicine's continuing commitment to provide the highest quality learning environment for medical students, residents and fellows.

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ACS funds available for cancer research

The deadline for application for funds from the American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grant is **Wednesday, Nov. 14**. Forms may be obtained from:

Elizabeth Parsons
Cancer Pavilion RT-455
Phone: 317-278-0070; Fax: 317-278-0074
email: eparsons@iupui.edu

These ACS grants are usually allocated in amounts of up to \$25,000. The purpose of the grant is to assist young investigators in the ranks of assistant professor, research assistant professor, and assistant scientist in starting their independent research projects and to foster cancer research at the campuses of IUSM in Indianapolis and at the regional centers of the medical school. Applications from research assistant professors and assistant scientists require a letter from the department chair certifying that the research proposal is independent of the research program of the laboratory P.I.

The applications (8-10 pages, no recycled R01 applications) will be reviewed by the ACS Institutional Research Grant Committee. The investigators who receive grants must submit an interim and a final progress report as required by the American Cancer Society.

Applicants with prior funding from the ACS are not eligible to apply. Applicants with significant funding from other sources are not eligible to apply. Limited support for partial salary may be allowed. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, or submit proof of approval for a green card. The funding period will be Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2008.

The body of the proposal should not exceed 10 pages. Proposals need to follow formatting guidelines of fonts of Helvetica or Arial, font size 11 point or larger, ½ inch margins and double-spaced. An electronic copy in .pdf format should be submitted to eparsons@iupui.edu.

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International fellowship program seeks applicants

Graduate level U.S. students in the health professions are invited to apply for the NIH/Fogarty International Clinical Research Scholars Program. The program offers a one-year clinical research training experience to advanced standing students in U.S. medical, osteopathic or dental school; or students enrolled in doctoral level programs at U.S. schools of public health, optometry, nursing, pharmacy or veterinary medicine.

This is an opportunity for highly motivated individuals to experience mentored research training at top-ranked NIH-funded research centers in a diverse group of countries, including Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, China, Haiti, India, Kenya, Mali, Peru, South Africa, Tanzania, Thailand, Uganda and Zambia.

The program is sponsored by the NIH's Fogarty International Center (FIC) in partnership with the NIH National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the NIH National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, and the NIH National Institute on Drug Abuse. The Association of American Medical Colleges, Vanderbilt University, Meharry Medical College, Indent Inc., and the Association of Schools of Public Health are managing the program.

The deadline to apply for the program is **Friday, Dec. 14**.

To learn more and to obtain an application, visit www.aamc.org/overseasfellowship, or contact fic-fellowship@aamc.org with questions.

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VA Young Investigator Awards

The VA Medical Research Service at the Richard L. Roudebush V.A. Medical Center requests applications for small research grants. As many as five awards (maximum value of \$30,000 each) will be awarded by the Indiana Institute for Medical Research, Inc.

Applicants should be a clinician investigator (MD, DO and/or PhD engaged in patient care) with an academic rank not exceeding assistant professor. Applications should be directed at the study of discrete projects intended to produce preliminary data in support of a future application for a VA Career Development Award or Merit Review grant. Thus, the applicant must be qualified to apply for VA funding. Clinical relevance and significance to the veteran population will be considered in assigning priorities. Awards will not be made for purposes of providing bridge funding. Prior year awardees may now compete for a second year.

Applications are specifically intended to be straightforward and not-cumbersome in nature. A face page with title and name of investigator and department will be required together with a curriculum vitae (NIH or VA biosketch will suffice). The narrative should be limited to 5 pages and include specific aims, background, preliminary results, and work proposed. References are excluded from the page limit. Figures and tables can be submitted as appendices. A budget sheet is required. A letter from a mentor is encouraged but letters from department chairpersons or division directors are not required. A final report will be required.

Applicants can request the appropriate approvals from the Institutional Review Board, Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, and Bio-safety Committee after the award has been announced. Funding will not begin until approvals are complete. All funded projects will in addition require approval by the V.A. Research and Development Committee.

Deadline for submission is **Friday, Dec. 7**. Anticipated start of funding is Jan. 31.

Applications should be sent to:

Medical Research Service
Richard L. Roudebush V.A. Medical Center
1481 West 10 th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202

For more information contact Peggy Hannon, AO (VA 988-3032; MARGARET.HANNON@va.gov) or Howard Pratt, ACOS/R&D (VA 988-2624; johpratt@iupui.edu).

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Lungs for Life run/walk still accepting entries

The annual Lungs for Life 5K Run/Walk and One-Mile Family Walk will be Saturday, Sept. 29, beginning at 9 a.m. in front of the Indiana Cancer Pavilion.

The entry fee is \$25 and children 12 and under are \$10; kids in strollers are free.

The Lungs for Life organization was formed by IU Simon Cancer Center lung cancer specialist Nasser Hanna, MD, and his wife Amy. The goal of the organization is to reduce Indiana's rate of lung cancer, provide support for those impacted by the disease, and improve treatment options for patients by raising funds for cancer research and by hosting community-building and educational events that provide knowledge about lung cancer. Funds raised by the walk will benefit research at IUSCC.

See <http://www.lungsforlife5k.org/> for complete information.

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Creating Hope Family Walk Oct. 7

The sixth annual Jeanette G. Shamblen Memorial Creating Hope Family Walk will be Sunday, Oct. 7, at Windermere Park near 96th Street and Windermere Boulevard, Fishers.

Registration begins at 2:15 p.m. and participants are encouraged to make a donation, collect pledges or host a personal fundraiser. The one-mile walk will begin at 3. Creating Hope, founded by breast cancer patient Jeanette Shamblen in 2002, is a non-profit organization that distributes art materials to cancer patients to help people cope with cancer through self-expression and creativity.

The Creating Hope Family Walk offers fun for people of all ages. Painting activities are hosted for children; music will be provided by the Holy Mackerels and Kolleen Stacey, an ovarian cancer survivor, will speak.

For more information or to register, see <http://www.creating-hope.org/> or contact Tina Gianfagna at 523-8642, or tina.creatinghope@sbcglobal.net.

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Join Miles for Myeloma event at IU Memorial Stadium

Rafat Abonour, MD, takes to the roads on foot and bike from Indy to Bloomington and back for [Miles for Myeloma](#), Nov. 3-4.

This year's event, dubbed the Bloomington Boomerang, features an opportunity for patients, families, friends, and all IU School of Medicine employees to join IU cheerleaders in forming a welcome tunnel on the Hoosiers' football field during the IU vs. Ball State pre-game festivities Nov. 3. Dr. Abonour will run through the tunnel as he completes the first leg of Miles for Myeloma. Free tickets to the game are available by contacting [Theresa Vernon](mailto:Theresa.Vernon@iupui.edu), tm5@iupui.edu or (317) 274-7409.

Also, all employees are invited to the Miles for Myeloma Finish Line Celebration at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, in the Indiana Cancer Pavilion atrium. All funds raised by Miles for Myeloma support myeloma research at the IUSCC.

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Timmy Foundation seeks medical professionals

The Purdue University chapter of the Timmy Foundation seeks physicians, nurses, physicians' assistants, and dentists to accompany the chapter on its international medical service trip to Quito, Ecuador, in the spring of 2008.

The service trip will be from Saturday, March 8, to Sunday, March 15, and will involve setting up several medical clinics in areas in and around Quito.

The Timmy Foundation is an organization that strives to build healthy futures for children and adults by providing education and medical care to areas that generally lack access to modern medical assistance. The Purdue University chapter is composed of students dedicated to local and international medical service projects.

In a typical week, we as a chapter will treat approximately 1000 patients and deliver thousands of dollars worth of medical supplies and hygiene products contributed by local individuals and businesses. The chapter seeks 10 medical professionals: four medical doctors or nurse practitioners, two pharmacists, two nurses, and two dentists. They will accompany 20 students and other Timmy personnel. The tentative cost of the seven day trip will be \$1,150-\$1,200. Donations of medicine also are being solicited.

For more information on the Purdue chapter see www.purdue.edu/timmy and for additional information about the national organization see <http://www.timmyfoundation.org/>.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30, 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.

This week, IUSM pediatrician Rachel Vreeman, who conducts research on children's health issues, will weigh in on the effectiveness of home remedies for the common cold.

Dr. Robert Colver of Midwest Fertility Specialists and Dawn Spartz, mother of one-year-old Jake who was conceived from an eight-year-old frozen embryo, will discuss frozen embryo transfer and the joy of parenthood.

Nancy Swigonski, IU Children's Health Services Research, will bring an update on the legislative and presidential wrangling over the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

In the segment "Chatty Doctors," co-host Kathy Miller, MD, will look at a study on the effectiveness of doctors who share personal information with patients and if that actually helps establish a rapport.

Sound Medicine correspondent Shia Levitt reports on Lifemasters and other home health care systems for individuals with chronic diseases.

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 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 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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