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Two from IUSM honored at IU Founder's Day

Faculty awards for outstanding teaching, research and service to Indiana University were presented March 30 at the 2008 Founders Day in Alumni Hall , Indiana Memorial Union . IU President Michael A. McRobbie recognized 21 faculty members and one doctoral student for outstanding teaching, research

and service to the university.

Peter Roach, PhD, Chancellor's Professor and professor of biochemistry and molecular biology at the IU School of Medicine, received the rank of Distinguished Professor. He was one of five university-wide faculty elevated to that rank.

Dr. Roach is a leading authority on glycogen metabolism, an integral research area for understanding diabetes and metabolic disease.

Richard Gunderman, MD, PhD, IU School of Medicine associate professor of radiology, pediatrics, medical education, philosophy, liberal arts, and philanthropy, was presented with the Herman Frederic Lieber Memorial Award for distinguished teaching. This marks the third time since the award's inception in 1961 that a School of Medicine faculty member has been selected. The first two were Richard Schreiner in pediatrics (1980) and Richard Kohler in medicine (2002).

Dr. Gunderman is a six-time recipient of the Trustees Teaching Award, and also received the 2006 School of Medicine Faculty Teaching Award and the 2007 IUPUI Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Feature stories from the IU Home Pages on Founder's Day award recipients can be found at:

Gunderman: newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/7808.html

Roach: newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/7803.html

A complete faculty awards listing from IU Founders Day is at newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/7779.html.

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Faculty election results

2008-2009 election results for the IUSM Faculty Steering Committee:

President-Elect of the Faculty

Jeffrey M. Rothenberg (Ob/Gyn)

Secretary-Elect of the Faculty

Richard B. Gunderman (Radiology)

Academic Standards Committee

Dean A. Hawley (Pathology)

Edward A. Liechty (Pediatrics)

Admissions Committee

Gregory P. Gramelspacher (Medicine)

Jerry V. Young (Anesthesia)

Awards Committee

Simon J. Atkinson (Medicine)

Nuria Morral (Medical & Molecular Genetics)

Biomedical Research Committee

Thomas J. Howard (Surgery)
Mu Wang (Biochemistry)

Community Relations Committee

Daniel F. Rexroth (Psychiatry)
Chandru P. Sundaram (Urology)

Curriculum Council

Alan P. Ladd (Surgery)
Lee McHenry (Medicine)

Faculty Development Coordinating Committee

Darrell D. Davidson (Pathology)
Mervin C. Yoder, Jr. (Pediatrics)

Faculty Promotion and Tenure Committee

Robert M. Bigsby (Ob/Gyn)
Dean A. Hawley (Pathology)

Lecturer & Clinical Rank Faculty Appointment Contract & Promotions Committee

Deborah C. Givan (Pediatrics)
Dennis L. Wagner (Anesthesia)

Student Promotions Committee

Edward A. Leichty (Pediatrics)
Don J. Selzer (Surgery)

Faculty Steering Committee Indiana University Medical Group Representative

Evan L. Fogel (Medicine)

Faculty Steering Committee Non-Indianapolis Representatives

David L. Daleke (Bloomington-Biochemistry)

IUPUI Faculty Council

Ronald T. Ackermann (Medicine)
Jeffrey O. Anglen (OrthoSurgery)
John F. Butterworth (Anesthesia)
Nancy L. Eckerman (Medical Library)
G. Marie Swanson (Public Health)
Xiofeng F. Yang (Microbiology)

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Education track PhD program in anatomy and cell biology

The Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology is pleased to announce the approval of a new education track doctoral program for individuals who desire careers in anatomical teaching and educational scholarship. This new career track is justified by the growing demand in the nation's health professional schools for highly-qualified educators in gross anatomy and the other anatomical disciplines.

The goal is to create a cadre of doctoral-level anatomy educators who are capable of teaching all of the anatomical disciplines to undergraduate, graduate or professional students, and who are capable of

producing the high-quality educational research and other scholarly work necessary for promotion and tenure.

Developed in cooperation with the IU School of Education, this five-year program will provide students with extensive training in the anatomical sciences, coupled with coursework in pedagogy, curriculum development, learning theory, educational assessment and statistics. Students will participate in supervised teaching experiences in gross anatomy, histology and neuroscience. After admission to doctoral candidacy, students will complete a rigorous dissertation in medical education research.

Additional information is available at <http://www.anatomy.iupui.edu/>.

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Call for abstracts for Cancer Research Day

Cancer researchers in Indiana are invited to submit research abstracts for the annual Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center Cancer Research Day on May 7.

Students, fellows, and faculty conducting cancer research at IUPUI, Indiana University-Bloomington, Purdue University, and the Walther Cancer Research Center at the University of Notre Dame are invited to present their current cancer research efforts at this year's event.

Cancer Research Day, led by James Klaunig, PhD, encourages collaboration among the cancer research institutions in the state.

Abstracts should be submitted electronically by **Wednesday, April 30**, for basic science, translational/clinical, or population science categories at cancer.iu.edu/intranet/CRD/. Individual laboratories may submit multiple abstracts; if space becomes limited, each laboratory will be asked to identify representative posters.

The scientific poster session is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the atrium of the VanNuys Medical Science Building. Cash awards for best posters by graduate students and by post-doctoral/medical fellows in all three research categories will be selected by a review board.

Michael J. Birrer, MD, of the National Cancer Institute will deliver the keynote address from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in room 101 of the IU Cancer Research Institute. He is with the NCI's cell and cancer biology branch and director of the Molecular Mechanisms Section.

For more information about Cancer Research Day, contact Dr. Klaunig at <mailto:jklauni@iupui.edu>.

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IUPUI Staff Council blood drive

The IUPUI Staff Council invites faculty, staff and students to “Spring Into Life” by giving blood during the Spring Blood Drive April 17, at the following locations and times:

University College	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fesler Hall	Noon – 5 p.m.

Safeco Building 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

To reserve a time to donate, see http://www.mysignup.com/cgi-bin/view.cgi?datafile=iupui_sc_blood_drive.

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Call for proposals for 'Cancer Stories'

The IU School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI and the IU School of Medicine are sponsoring a two-day symposium on “Cancer Stories: The Impact of Narrative on a Modern Malady,” Nov. 6-8. The symposium will be based on the premise that narratives about cancer have shaped the human and institutional response to cancer in America. Prose, poetry, performance and the visual arts constitute the range of narratives the symposium will explore. Included are both the production and reception of cancer stories by physicians, nurses, patients, artists, and advocates to explore how the cultural meaning of cancer has shaped the human and institutional response to it. "Cancer Stories" is a free symposium as one of a series of events surrounding the dedication of the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center.

Send electronic proposals for panels, workshops or roundtables, and individual papers to Judi Izuka Campbell, Medical Humanities Program, jizukac@iupui.edu, by **Friday, May 16**. Please observe a 1,000-word limit for panel proposals, 500 for workshops or roundtables, and 350 for individual papers. Proposals should include the title of the presentation(s) and proposers' complete contact details.

Visit medhumanities.iupui.edu/symposium_2008.htm for more information.

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Journal impact factors online

Journal impact factors (Journal Citation Reports®) can be found online by looking in the library's database directory. Journal Citation Reports calculates the impact factor of journals. Go to the medical library's homepage <http://library.medicine.iu.edu/>

Select Databases and enter Impact or Journal Citation Reports in the Find box.

Other suggestions: An online tutorial for Journal Citation Reports is available at scientific.thomson.com/tutorials/jcr4/. ISI is also the publisher of the Web of Knowledge, including Web of Science. In Web of Science you use the cited references searching to track those citing your articles and the articles of other researchers. The following URL connects to tutorials and other help in many different languages: scientific.thomson.com/support/recorded-training/wok/.

Contact the IUSM Medical Library at <mailto:medlref@iupui.edu> if you still have questions or for assistance.

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100 years of eye care celebration begins

The Indiana University School of Medicine Department of Ophthalmology will begin its celebration of 100 years of patient care with a free Healthy Eyes open house from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 5, at the Indiana Historical Society.

From 9 a.m. to noon, Hoosiers can receive a free vision screening from Prevent Blindness Indiana. Doctors from the IU School of Medicine Department of Ophthalmology will be available for visitors to “Ask an Eye M.D.” questions about vision concerns.

That evening, the IU Department of Ophthalmology and Prevent Blindness America will be honored at the Prevent Blindness Indiana gala.

For more information on the conference the speakers or the free events, visit <http://www.iueye.iu.edu/healthyeyes> or <http://www.pbeye.org/>.

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National Public Health Week Conference – April 8

The inaugural National Public Health Week Conference focusing on climate change will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 8, at the Sheraton City Center in Indianapolis. Hosted by the IUSM Department of Public Health and the Indiana Mid-America Public Health Training Center, the conference is designed to enhance professional development skills and examine relevant public health issues.

For more information or to register, contact Kate Nicholson, Indiana Mid-America Public Health Training Center, IUSM Department of Public Health, 274-3178, or katlnich@iupui.edu.

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Imaging Sciences workshop series

The Imaging Sciences Educational Workshop is an ongoing series of free lectures on the fundamentals of biomedical imaging for all who use, or are considering using, imaging in their research. Anyone who would like to know how imaging works is welcome. The program is presented by the Indiana Institute for Biomedical Imaging Sciences and the Imaging Sciences Section of the Department of Radiology at IUSM.

Introduction to Magnetic Resonance Imaging with Applications

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Indiana Research Institute II, room E101

- April 8 -- Basic Principles of Magnetic Resonance Imaging - I
- April 16 -- Basic Principles of Magnetic Resonance Imaging - II
- April 23 -- Whole Body MRI System and Safety
- April 30 -- Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Spectroscopy of Small Animals
- May 14 -- Magnetic Resonance Cardiac Imaging
- May 21 -- Magnetic Resonance Perfusion Imaging
- May 28 -- Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy - I
- June 4 -- Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy - II
- June 11 -- Magnetic Resonance Functional Imaging

June 18 -- Diffusion Weighted Imaging, Diffusion Tensor Imaging & Fiber-Tracking
June 25 -- Magnetic Resonance Angiography

For more information, contact Michael Miller, mmiller3@iupui.edu.

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Telemedicine and health care – April 15

“The Future for Telemedicine in Indiana: An examination of infrastructure, applications and reimbursement policies” is the topic of the Tuesday, April 15, Life Science Lunch Series presented by the Indiana Health Industry Forum and Barnes and Thornburg LLP.

Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and the presentation by video conference is from noon to 1 p.m. Speakers will be Cullen McCarty of Smithville Digital LLC, and Bart Collins, director of the Regenstrief Center for Healthcare Engineering at Purdue University.

The presentation can be viewed in Indiana at Barnes & Thornburg offices in Indianapolis, South Bend, Fort Wayne and Elkhart, and also can be seen at locations in Muncie, Terre Haute, Purdue Research Park, Evansville, Bloomington, Richmond and Merrillville.

For more information or to register, contact Deb Hallberg at 231-7356, or deb.hallberg@btlaw.com.

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Annual Education Retreat – RSVP by April 15

The 2008 IUSM Annual Education Retreat will start on the evening of Thursday, May 15 (6-9 p.m.), with a full-day session on May 16 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at IUSM Indianapolis campus. This year's retreat will focus on teaching the basic sciences in medical school. Additional information is available on the MECA website at meca.iusm.iu.edu/2008Retreat.html.

Space is limited. Send reservations to MECA (meca@iupui.edu) by **Tuesday, April 15**, so arrangements to invite facilitators and other details can be finalized.

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IUSCC Combined Seminar Series

The IU Simon Cancer Center Combined Seminar Series is from 4 to 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month in the IU Cancer Research Institute auditorium. April's schedule:

April 16
Sharon Manne
Fox Chase Cancer Center
“Colon Cancer Screening Intervention for Cancer Patients' Families”

April 30

Lawrence Loeb , MD , PhD
Professor, Department of Pathology
University of Washington
“Cancers Express a Mutator Phenotype: Origin and Consequences”

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FEED: Emerging Technologies in Education

The IUSM Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development will present “**Emerging Technologies in Education**: iPods, Blog, Wikis....What's it all about? How do I use them for teaching and learning?” Wednesday, April 16, at the FEED workshop from 5 to 7 p.m. on the lower level of the Riley Outpatient Center , conference rooms A and B.

This workshop will help medical educators explore an assortment of the newest technological tools, see examples of how faculty have incorporated these technologies into an established curriculum, and learn strategies to integrate technology into teaching. During this two-hour workshop, participants will:

- Become familiar with new technologies available for use in teaching
- See examples of the uses of emerging instructional technology
- Evaluate the effectiveness of emerging IT for use in your own instruction

Those interested in attending should e-mail Roberta Brown at <mailto:rabrown2@iupui.edu> or phone 630-6906.

IUSM designates this educational activity for a maximum of 1.5 AMA PRA category 1 credits.

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Harris to speak at Stepping Stones luncheon

On Friday, April 18, Lisa Harris, MD, will be interviewed at the April Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the IUPUI Campus Center, room 405.

In January, 2004, Dr. Harris assumed the role of CEO and medical director for Wishard Health Services, the second largest safety-net health-care system in the country in terms of outpatient visits, where in addition to her administrative responsibilities, she continues to care for patients both in inpatient and outpatient settings.

The Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership series is intended to create a forum where all faculty and students can learn about professional development through hearing the personal career journeys of successful women. The guest speaker for these sessions will be interviewed about significant milestones in their personal and professional lives that have led to career success. The sessions are open to all faculty and students, both men and women, and are sponsored by the IUSM Women's Advisory Council and the Office for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

Attendance is free and lunch will be provided. To attend, RSVP your name, academic/medical department and indicate the April Stepping Stones luncheon to sarareed@iupui.edu.

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Martin Family Alzheimer Disease Symposia – April 18

The Indiana Alzheimer Disease Center is hosting the Symposia on Mild Cognitive Impairment Friday, April 18, and Saturday, April 19, at the Indiana Historical Society.

Day one of the two-day symposia will be “Mild Cognitive Impairment: An Evolving Concept in Research and Clinical Practice,” a scientific program highlighting current concepts in the diagnosis, genetics, imaging and therapy associated with mild cognitive impairment. Day two's session is entitled “Mild Cognitive Impairment: Impact on the Patient and Family.”

This is the second annual Martin Family Alzheimer Disease Symposium and is designed to inform participants about the Indiana Alzheimer Disease Center and research in the area of MCI, as well as current best practice approaches to diagnosis, management and intervention.

CME credits are available. The courses are free but registration is required. See cme.medicine.iu.edu or call 274-8353 for additional information.

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Engaging the Arts – registration for second retreat opens

The second retreat of “Fostering a Sense of Community at Clarian: Engaging the Arts” will be Thursday evening and Friday all day (April 17 and 18) at the Indianapolis Arts Center in Broad Ripple.

This is the second of four planned retreats designed to give participants an opportunity to join other physicians, nurses, administrators and educators who work at Clarian Health to reflect on work experiences, explore unique stories and build a more cohesive and nurturing medical community through the use of the creative arts. The first retreat, which was in October, brought together 45 health-care professionals.

Retreat participants will have the opportunity to experience various media (prose, poetry, water color, mosaic making, and music) in the break out sessions. The artists from the Indianapolis community, who will facilitate the break out sessions, include novelist and creative director of the Writer's Center of Indiana Barbara Shoup; poet Norman Minnick; mosaic artist and storyteller Liza Hyatt, and water color artists John and Tina Gianfagna of Creating Hope.

In addition to the artists, faculty of the Relationship-Centered Care Initiative at IUSM, the IUPUI Medical Humanities and music therapy program will facilitate monthly gatherings based on the emerging interests and passions of retreat participants.

Those interested in attending the second retreat should email a brief message with name and contact information (including e-mail address), and a description of your role within the Clarian community by **Thursday, April 10**, to Kathy Bowman at katbowma@iupui.edu. Additional information is available at meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/EngageArts.html.

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‘How Doctors Think’ webinar

On April 22, an interactive live webinar open to students, residents and faculty will feature Jerome Groopman, MD, as he discusses his book, "How Doctors Think," from 3 to 4 p.m. EST. Registration will be limited. To register, go to www.bsbonlinemeetings.com/hmc.

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Lue to present Mark Brothers Lecture

Tom F. Lue, MD, will present the annual Mark Brothers Lecture at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 7, Wishard Memorial Hospital 's Myers Auditorium. Dr. Lue, who is on faculty at University of California, San Francisco, will present the clinically-oriented presentation "Medical Aspect of Erectile Function and Dysfunction."

On Tuesday, May 6, at 2 p.m., Dr. Liu will give a research-oriented presentation entitled "Adipose Tissue-Derived Stem Cell and its Potential Clinical Applications." IUSM faculty, staff and students are invited.

Dr. Lue is the Emil Tanagho Endowed Chair in Clinical Research, professor and vice chair of the Department of Urology at Mt. Zion Medical Center and the medical director of the Knappe Molecular Urology Laboratory.

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Biostatistics for Health Care Providers: A Short Course

On May 6, 7, and 8, the Division of Biostatistics will offer a short course on basic concepts of statistical methods commonly encountered in health care literature. The course, Biostatistics for Health Care Providers will be from 1 to 5 p.m. each day and is open to faculty, fellows, and residents, as well as other interested students and staff. Enrollment will be limited to the first 25 registrants.

Go to <http://www.biostat.iupui.edu/Teaching/ShortCourse> for a detailed brochure and registration form.

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Registration opens for Mental Health Symposium

The 11th annual Mental Health Symposium will be Friday, May 16, from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Union Station, 123 W. Louisiana Street, Indianapolis.

Hosted by the Mental Health America of Indiana and the IUSM Department of Psychiatry, the symposium cost is \$125 for full registration (includes breakfast and lunch, MHAI annual meeting and symposium), \$100 for symposium registration only (does not include lunch and MHAI meeting), or \$50 for MHAI Annual Meeting registration only (includes lunch, but does not include symposium).

Deadline for registration and refunds is **Friday, May 9**. For more registration and education credit information, call the Mental Health America of Indiana at 638-3501 or 800-555-6424.

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Melanoma Monday – free skin cancer screening

The American Academy of Dermatology has designated each May as Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month. The IU Department of Dermatology will sponsor a free skin cancer screening on Monday, May 5, from 7 to 9:30 a.m. Screenings will be offered at IU Dermatology Clinic, IUPUI Health Services in Coleman Hall, and Regenstrief Dermatology Clinic. Appointments are needed. Call 630-6833 to schedule a free screening.

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Rock for Riley –April 4

The fourth annual Rock for Riley concert will feature Margot and the Nuclear So and So's, an Indiana band that has recently springboarded onto the national and Indy rock scene. The show will be at the Vogue Theatre in Broad Ripple on Friday, April 4, at 9 p.m. Tickets are available through TicketMaster outlets, the Vogue box office, online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com/>, or can be charged by phone at 239-5151. Opening the show will be Bon Iver.

Rock for Riley, sponsored by the Office of Medical Service-Learning at

IUSM, is an annual concert event benefiting Riley Hospital for Children. In the past three years, Rock for Riley has raised more than \$450,000.

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It's the season for OMSL's Spring House Calls

As the winter season draws to a close, the warmer weather brings with it more opportunities to enjoy the outdoors. For nearly 150 IU School of Medicine students, faculty, friends and family members, this includes the 13th annual Spring House Calls service project sponsored by the Office of Medical Service-Learning.

Spring House Calls volunteers provide home and lawn maintenance for elderly, disabled and minority homeowners in two inner-city neighborhoods located just north and west of the IUPUI campus.

On Saturday, April 12, volunteers will gather at the Christamore House Family and Community Center to load supplies for planting flowers, cutting grass, removing weeds and performing other maintenance. After completing work at more than 30 homes during the morning, participants will join the homeowners for lunch at the Christamore House for a final chance to connect and celebrate.

Spring House Calls has become the largest and oldest service-learning project of the OMSL. The MS2 project co-chairs are Zach Tempel, Ray Ramirez, Ben Northcutt, Kaitlin Rice, Alejandro Miranda and Ben Redmon. For more information or to sign-up as a volunteer, go to <http://www.springhousecalls.org/>, or email Brendan Sweeny at brendan@sweeny.us.

The OMSL promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through innovative service-learning experiences. Visit <http://www.medicine.iu.edu/omsl> for more information.

Alternative Spring Break—Guatemala Seeks Physicians for International Service Trip

The IUSM Office of Medical Service Learning ASB-Guatemala Project seeks physicians to travel with a group of 6-8 first- and second-year medical students to Guatemala in the spring of 2009. Physicians would help coordinate small medical clinics in a rural setting where access to health care is limited or virtually non-existent.

Students will assist and observe the accompanying physicians, and assist with community health education on issues such as nutrition, prenatal care, sanitation, and child health.

This trip offers a unique opportunity to students in their pre-clinical years to gain hands-on experience in an international setting. It also offers physicians a chance to gain exposure to the world of global medicine and explore Guatemalan culture in an alternative setting.

The service trip will be March 14-21, 2009, and the approximate cost is \$1,600. No Spanish language skills are required.

For more information, contact the ASB -- Guatemala co-chair, Caitlin Dugdale, at cdugdale@iupui.edu.

The OMSL promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through innovative service-learning experiences. Visit <http://www.medicine.iu.edu/omsl> for more information.

Race for the Cure volunteers needed April 19

The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Tissue Bank at IU Simon Cancer Center needs help during this year's Race for the Cure on Saturday, April 19. The tissue bank will collect blood samples from thousands of women on race day. Volunteers must be willing to attend a 45-minute training session the week of the race and work a four-hour shift on race day. The following volunteers are needed:

- Consenters (Must have taken the IU Human Subjects Test and have a Conflict of Interest statement on file with IU.)
- Questionnaire assistant: Medical/pharmaceutical knowledge is needed to assist donors with completing these questions.
- Phlebotomists: This volunteer opportunity is also open to non-Clarian and non-IU employees as well as medical/nursing students. However, volunteers from outside Clarian and IU will have to complete additional paperwork.
- Lab techs: Experience with spinning and aliquoting blood required
- General volunteers are needed to greet donors and run supplies

If you are interested in volunteering, please visit <http://www.komentissuebank.iu.edu/>. Contact Casey Allen at <mailto:calallen@iupui.edu> with any questions.

New NSF grant funds graduate student fellowships

The GK-12 Urban Educators Program at IUPUI is a partnership between the IUPUI School of Science, the IU School of Medicine, and the Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS).

GK-12 Fellows are research graduate students who will dedicate 15 hours per week in nearby grade 6-12 school classrooms working with a science teacher partner to bring excitement of research into the science classroom or outdoor laboratory. The IPS schools involved include Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet School . GK-12 Fellows benefit by improving their leadership, communication, and teaching skills , and become more aware of the need for high-quality science education at all levels.

The program is funded by a \$2.9 million grant from the NSF to IUPUI. Kathy Marrs, PhD, from the IUPUI Department of Biology is the principal investigator, Simon Rhodes, PhD, of the IUSM Graduate Division is one of the co-principal investigators. Fellowship applications are available now. For more information, contact the IUSM Graduate Division at 274-3441.

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Renaissance woman in medicine award

The Foundation for the History of Women in Medicine is currently accepting nominations for the 2008 Alma Dea Morani, M.D. Renaissance Woman Award.

This award will honor an outstanding woman physician or scientist in North America who has advanced the practice and understanding of medicine and made significant contributions outside of medicine, for example, in the humanities, arts or social sciences, whose determination and spirit have carried her beyond traditional pathways in medicine and science; and who challenges the status quo with a passion for learning. Deadline for submission of nominations is **Tuesday, April 15**.

More information including guidelines, nomination forms and past recipient information can be found at <http://www.fhwim.org/> or by calling 484-945-2106.

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AAMC seeks nominations for Nickens Awards

The AAMC is soliciting nominations for the annual Herbert W. Nickens Award, as well as nominations for the Nickens faculty fellowship and medical student scholarships. Nominations for all three awards are due **Friday, May 2**.

For more information, contact Juan Amador, AAMC Division of Diversity Policy and Programs, 202.862.6149, NickensAwards@aamc.org or go to www.aamc.org/about/awards.

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Honors

Henry A. Pitt, MD, vice chairman of surgery, recently received the HPB Medallion, the distinguished

service award of the International Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association (IHPBA) at their World Congress in Mumbai , India. For the past eight years, Dr. Pitt has served as secretary, chairman of the Education and Training Committee, president and past-president of the IHPBA. During this time, the IHPBA has achieved membership growth and maturation of Regional Associations and National Chapters, improvement in their official journal HPB, standards and curricula for fellowship training, and development of the Warren Foundation, which supports research. Dr. Pitt will continue his involvement with the IHPBA as president of the Warren Foundation Board.

Mike Smith, a long-time volunteer at Riley and IU hospitals and the IU Simon Cancer Center, is the recipient of the William and Margaret Book Commitment Award presented by the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Indiana. The award recognizes outstanding volunteer commitment. Smith also was honored in 2006 as an *Indianapolis Business Journal* Health Care Hero volunteer category finalist.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 6, 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, guests will include Norman W. Baylor, PhD, director of the Office of Vaccines Research and Review at the Food and Drug Administration. Dr. Baylor is in charge of formulating next year's flu vaccine. According to the FDA, the 2008-09 formulation will undergo the biggest change in several decades.

In the monthly edition of *Sound Ethics* , Lewis will begin a two-part series on the challenges of dealing with “neglected diseases.” The World Health Organization estimates that 10 million people die annually (mostly in developing countries) because they don't have access to existing medicines and vaccines. Many more suffer from neglected diseases which are very rare or primarily afflict the poor, and are not deemed profitable enough to attract the research and development necessary to find and distribute a cure. Guests are Eric Meslin, PhD, director of the IU Center for Bioethics, and Alan Breier, MD, chief medical officer for Eli Lilly & Co.

April is National Donate Life Month and Dave Undis, executive director of LifeSharers, will discuss the goal of his nonprofit organization designed to increase the availability of donated organs by creating incentives for people to voluntarily be organ donors.

Robin L. Toblin of the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control, will discuss a recent study showing that at least 82 youths have died as a result of playing what has been called “the choking game.” Toblin has specific tips for parents and teachers to help alert them to the dangers of the game.

Today, there are more than 55,000 American centenarians and the over-85 age group, are the fastest-growing populations in the United States. Contrary to common logic, long life spans aren't solely reserved for those in tip-top health, says one new study. NPR's Allison Aubrey reports on findings that many very old people can reach the age of 100, despite 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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