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Nalin to serve as interim EAD for educational affairs

Peter Nalin, MD, associate professor of clinical family medicine, has been named interim executive associate dean for educational affairs while a search is conducted for a successor to Stephen Leapman, MD, who is retiring at the end of June.

Dr. Nalin currently serves as associate dean for graduate medical education at IUSM. He also directed the Family Practice Residency at IU. Previously, he was a founding faculty member of the Lafayette (NY) Family Medicine Residency Program and served as its director for more than four years. In 1998, he completed the fellowship of the National Institute for Program Director Development.

Since 2000, Dr. Nalin has earned recognition as a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. He was elected to the board of directors of the Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors in 2002. In 2005, he earned the bronze level Program Director Recognition Award from AFMRD.

In 2001, Dr. Leapman became the school's first executive associate dean for educational affairs, making him responsible for the creation, coordination and implementation of all major education programs. A surgeon by training, Dr. Leapman is the Delores and John Read Professor of Medical Education and as chair of the school's admission committee, he also holds the Frank C. and Ruby L. Moore and George T. Lukemeyer Professorship. He joined the IUSM faculty in 1977.

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IU trustees approve Wishard land exchange

The Indiana University Board of Trustees meeting today (June 12) in Gary approved a plan that would enable the Health and Hospital Corp. of Marion County to swap land with the university so that it could eventually build a new Wishard Memorial Hospital facility directly west of the IUPUI campus.

See newsinfo.iu.edu/news/page/normal/11136.html for more details.

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Admissions committee named

New faculty members or medical students recently named to the IUSM admissions committee for the 2009-10 academic year are James Connolly, MD, Meenakshi Garg, MD, MPH, Trent Morgan, MSIV, Raymund Ramirez, MSIV, Pat Bankston, PhD, and Daniel Wurtz, MD.

James Brokaw, PhD, and Karen West, MD, have been named co-chairs of the committee. Since June 2008, the admissions committee reviewed nearly 3,600 applications and interviewed almost 1,000 prospective students.

IUSM will matriculate a class of 322 students, making this class the largest class to enter the school ever.

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IUSM faculty invited to join translational research society

Anantha Shekhar, MD, PhD, director of the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute, announced that all IUSM faculty members are invited to join the newly established Society for Clinical and Translational Science, which was founded by the institutions that have received Clinical and Translational Science Awards from the National Institutes of Health.

Members of the society will receive its journal CTS: Clinical and Translational Science, discounts for the annual meetings, access to science network tools and other benefits.

As a founding institution of the society, IUSM can provide an unlimited number of memberships to its faculty. To join, go to the following web site:

www.zoomerang.com/Survey/survey-intro.zgi?p=WEB2298SDLMGZQ

For more information, the Society's web site is at www.ctssociety.org.

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Wells Center interns arrive

Twenty-nine students arrived this week at the Herman B Wells Center for Pediatric Research to complete a 10-week summer internship with pediatric researchers. More than 250 applicants applied for the limited positions; most of the candidates come from Indiana universities.

Each intern consults with a faculty mentor to define the research project. Students are strongly encouraged to attend a number of seminars and research-related laboratory and Wells Center meetings as part of the work experience. They are required to make a presentation at the completion of the internship and participate in a round table discussion with Wells Center faculties.

The program is open to high school seniors, who are 18 years of age or older, and undergraduate and graduate students. Each student receives a stipend of \$2,500. Interns are responsible for their own housing and transportation. Weinian Shou, PhD, associate professor of pediatrics and Wells researcher, is the program's director.

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Ball Garden free concerts

Mark your calendar for free summer concerts in Ball Gardens, which is located north of Ball Residence Hall and east of the Union Building.

The following concerts will be from noon-12:45 p.m.:

Tuesday, June 16	John Vander Gheynst Jazz Quintet
Thursday, July 16	IUPUI Steel Pan Ensemble
Tuesday, Aug. 4	John Alvarado, Classical Guitar
Tuesday, Sept. 8	The Chatham Arch String Quartet
Thursday, Sept. 17	IUPUI Chamber Ensemble

Rain Location: Riley Outpatient Center atrium

All of these concerts are free, kid-friendly, and open to the public. They are hosted by the IU Foundation and the Purdue University Department of Music and Arts Technology

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Public health degree, certificate info session

Want to learn more about the Master of Public Health Program or the graduate certificate in public health?

An information session on those programs in the IUSM Department of Public Health will be from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25. Faculty, staff, and students will be available to provide an overview of the MPH Program, the graduate certificate in public health, and the Office of Public Health Practice.

The IUSM Department of Public Health is located at 714 N. Senate Avenue (corner of Senate and St. Clair). Free parking is available in the two lots north of the building. Enter the building on the canal level.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Leah Jansen at lwissel@iupui.edu or 278-0765.

Link: www.pbhealth.iupui.edu.

Can't attend the information session in person?

Log on to: breeze.iu.edu/mphinfosession to virtually attend the session.

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2009 *Reflections* deadline is June 26

The sixth annual publication of *IUSM Reflections* will focus on experiences that mold one's life. The deadline for submissions for *Reflections: Who do I want to be?* is **Friday, June 26**.

The publication, which is distributed to incoming students in the IU schools of dentistry, medicine, nursing and public health, will look at the unique challenge health care professionals face in balancing the person they want to be with the person patients want. Stories and artwork that reflect who the author/artist hopes to become professionally and personally are welcome. Personal stories or anecdotes, poems, sage advice, photos and other artwork are appropriate for submission.

Stories may include...

- how the field of health care has helped shape you into the person you are today
- an anecdote from a mentor or inspirational figure that has been helpful in guiding you to become who you want to be
- how the person you want to become has changed since you first entered the health-care field
- how you are able to (or hope to) balance who you want to be in your personal life with who you want to be in your professional life

Submissions – with the completed release form available on the IUSM-MECA website at meded.iusm.iu.edu – should be emailed to Rowan Hurrell at rhurrell@iupui.edu by Friday, June 26. For more information, contact Angie Graves at 278-1762 or visit the IUSM - MECA web site.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 7, or 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, 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, Wesley Burks, MD, chief of pediatric allergy and immunology at Duke University Medical Center, will discuss his research into finding a way to reduce the number of peanut allergies in children. Ultimately, he hopes his research leads to a cure.

Nick Grahame, PhD, associate professor of psychology at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, will explain his research on impulsivity and alcoholism which focuses on whether alcoholism causes impulsivity or if impulsivity causes alcoholism.

Sound Medicine ethicist Eric Meslin, PhD, and Ken Goodman, PhD, co-director of the ethics program at the University of Miami, will discuss the bioethical challenges of ensuring electronic medical records are kept secure.

In this week's *Sound Medicine* "Checkup," Jeremy Shere, PhD, will explore if the brain is better at deciphering pictures or words.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, as well as other helpful information, including when and where the program airs around the state, can be found at www.soundmedicine.iu.edu.

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