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'Doctors Without Borders' founder coming to IUPUI, medical school

Providing emergency medical relief to desperate people and war-weary nations is a global obligation if you ask Patrick J. Aeberhard, MD, one of the founders of Médecins sans Frontières, better known as Doctors Without Borders.

That will be among the messages Dr. Aeberhard will bring to the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis campus in lectures early this week.

From **noon to 1 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 24**, Dr. Aeberhard will make a presentation in room 326, VanNuys Medical Sciences Building, about the status and future of international medicine. The event is co-sponsored by the IUSM International Medicine Student Interest Group & Physicians for Social Responsibility.

At **8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25**, he will address international institutions' responses to medical relief efforts. The presentation is at Myers Auditorium, Wishard Hospital as part of Medical Grand Rounds.

At **7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25**, Dr. Aeberhard will discuss trends in humanitarian medical relief and his experiences with Doctors Without Borders. The presentation will be made in the Riley Outpatient Center Ruth Lilly Auditorium at the intersection of West and Middle drives, just north of Michigan Street.

The French physician's experience in global medicine began in 1968 while serving with the International Red Cross as a surgeon in Biafra during the civil war in Nigeria. In 1971 he and other French physicians launched Doctors Without Borders, sharing a belief "that all people have the right to medical care and that the needs of these people supersede respect for national borders," according to the organization's charter.

Also at **noon Sept. 25**, Andrew Burness, president of Burness Communications Inc., a company providing public and media relations support to non-profit groups on health policy issues, will speak on the topic of international health and communicating global needs. He will make his presentation in IB 301-302 at the Ruth Lilly Medical Library.

Burness has served as legislative assistant for health and education policy in the U.S. House of Representatives and is a former information officer for the President's Commission on Medical Ethics.

The lectures are sponsored by the IUPUI Medical Humanities, the Indiana University Center for Bioethics, IU School of Medicine Department of Medicine, Indiana Department of Public Health and the IU Center for Aging Research.

News from your Faculty Steering Committee

The President's Corner

The IU School of Medicine is strong, healthy and is undergoing rapid growth. As the faculty continues to grow, communication between the faculty and the administration becomes increasingly important. *The President's Corner*, is intended to open a new line of communication among the faculty and to identify issues that arise in the IUSM Faculty Steering Committee, the Centers for Medical Education and the dean's office.

This column will give advanced notice of areas of concern to the faculty and will report on actions taken to resolve concerns and frequently will be accompanied by *The Dean's Corner*, which will serve as a direct line of communication from Dean D. Craig Brater, MD, to the faculty. Both columns will highlight issues of critical importance to the faculty and will, when appropriate, refer to articles in that issue of *Scope* for further details.

The goal of the School's Steering Committee is to serve as a forum for exchange of information between the faculty and the administration. During the upcoming year, representation on the Committee, from both the graduate programs and the clinical programs, will be strengthened. The effectiveness of the committee depends on the veracity of the information flowing in both directions. It is incumbent on the faculty to use this committee as a communication tool.

To that end, we encourage the faculty to contact representatives of the committee and discuss issues/areas of concern. The Faculty Steering Committee, which meets once a month, is made up of members from each of the IUSM standing committees, the membership of which has been elected by the faculty. The standing committees were designed to address the three major missions of the IUSM: teaching, research and service. The 2002-2003 IUSM Faculty Steering

Committee is composed of the following members:

<u>Members</u>	<u>Committee/Office Represented</u>
Craig Brater	Dean's Office
Jan Froehlich	Past President of IUSM, IU and IUPUI faculty councils
Maureen Harrington	President of the IUSM faculty IUPUI Faculty Council
Steven Bogdewic	President-Elect of the IUSM faculty
Robert Havlik	Secretary of the IUSM faculty
Praveen Mathur	Secretary-Elect of the IUSM faculty
Robert Tarver	IU Faculty Council
Sue Kirkman	Academic Standards
Frederick Rescorla	Admissions
Mark Kelley	Biomedical Research
Janet Arno	Curriculum Council
Nancy Eckerman	Community Relations
Naomi Fineberg	Promotions and Tenure
Deborah Givan	Clinical Faculty Contract and Promotions
James McAteer	Student Promotions
Felicia Young	Center for Medical Education - Northwest
John Watkins	Center for Medical Education Bloomington
Lyn Means	Dean's Office
Debbie Cowley	Office of Academic Administration
Iona Sewell	Committee Secretary and Dean's Office

A current issue requiring involvement of the faculty and administration is the choice of a new IUPUI chancellor to replace Gerald Bepko, JD, who has announced his retirement effective June 30, 2003. A search committee, chaired by John Walda, IU executive director of federal relations, has been appointed to

conduct the search. The committee is very interested in the views of our faculty and administration. You are encouraged to submit the names of potential candidates and suggestions with regard to important characteristics of potential candidates to: John Walda, IP 243, Office of the President, IUPUI.

The IUSM faculty Steering Committee can serve as the voice of the faculty and we encourage you to use this committee well.

Best regards,

Jan Froehlich, PhD
Maureen Harrington, PhD

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Data storage workshop for researchers, Oct. 11

Mark your calendars for a free distributed storage services workshop to be held on Friday, Oct. 11. The workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in SL251. The deadline for registering is **Friday, Oct. 4**. Registering early is recommended because seats are limited. The workshop will be useful to researchers for using IU's Common File System service or the Massive Data Storage System service. The workshop will familiarize participants with the services offered by these systems and discuss ways to use them effectively in research. For more information on the distributed storage system, see <http://storage.iu.edu>. For more details on the workshop or to register, see <http://storage.iu.edu/workshop.html>. The workshop is offered by the UITS Distributed Storage Services Group.

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Update your address books for CME

The Division of Continuing Medical Education moved into new quarters on Monday, Sept. 9. The new address is: 714 North Senate Avenue, EF 200, Indianapolis, IN 46202.

Staff telephone numbers remain the same. The office phone numbers are 274-8353 and 274-4084. The fax number is 274-4638.

The CME also maintains a full-time office at the Methodist Hospital campus. This office can be reached at 962-6572 and the fax number is 962-6707.

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Researchers: Bioinformatics tools now available

A suite of Web-based pattern discovery tools for bioinformatics is available on the Indiana University IBM SP.

Patterns can be sought in molecular sequences and in any dataset that can be encoded as integers. Also available are annotations of 77 genomes that have been prepared using the pattern discovery tools. These tools and data are available through IBM's Bioinformatics and Pattern Discovery Group. A synopsis is available at www.indiana.edu/~rac/bioinformatics/teiresias.html, and the server is at <http://orion17.uits.iupui.edu>.

For more information, contact Richard Repasky at rrepasky@indiana.edu, or by calling 812-856-4404.

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Scientific Calendar online

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar/. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at imsewell@iupui.edu.

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

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Submissions to Scope

Scope wants your news items.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Fridays. *Scope* is published electronically and sent to faculty, staff, students, and residents.

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

- fax the information to 278-3502
- e-mail the information to mhardin@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Mary Hardin, LO 401, IUPUI
- paste your plain text message into Scope Web form on the IUSM faculty &

staff page: <http://medicine.iu.edu/faculty/index.html>

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format.

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