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## **Klaunig retires as state's toxicology chief**

After 12 years as one of the state's leaders in the battle to keep impaired drivers off the roadways, James Klaunig, PhD, has retired as director of the State Department of Toxicology and as state toxicologist.

Dr. Klaunig, who will continue as professor and director of toxicology at IUSM, worked closely with law enforcement, prosecutors, the courts and the legislature to reduce the number of drunk or impaired drivers on Indiana roads and to upgrade the state's alcohol and drug testing equipment and procedures.

During his tenure, he was active in training police officers through the breath alcohol testing and training program and he worked with judges and prosecutors so they had a better understanding of the figures and the science behind the forensic program. He was responsible for upgrading the alcohol testing and drug testing equipment used by the state and revised state procedures to raise the level of professionalism and scientific integrity in the department. He also actively promoted the development of a soon-to-be-completed joint laboratory venture with the Indiana State Police and the Indiana Department of Health.

He was a member of the Governors Council on Impaired and Dangerous Driving, where he supported the amendment to reduce the legal limit for impaired driving from .1 to .08 which passed in the 2001 legislature. He also was a member of the Indiana Controlled Substances Advisory Board, the Indiana Pesticide Review Board, the U.S. EPA Advisory Board and the National Toxicology Program Board of Scientific Councilors.

Dr. Klaunig was honored Oct. 16 at a reception where he was awarded a Sagamore of the Wabash on behalf of the governor's office by Sen. Tom Wyss (R-Fort Wayne), who spent more than a decade fighting to reduce the state's legal blood-alcohol content level for impaired driving.

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## **IU Cancer Center presents Cancer Research Day**

The IU Cancer Center is sponsoring the first annual Cancer Research Day Wednesday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will expand on the regularly scheduled IUSM and IU Cancer Center Combined Seminar Series and will include a scientific poster session.

“Cancer Research Day was developed to highlight the excellence in research being conducted in the laboratories of our investigators,” says Maureen Harrington, PhD, associate director of basic science research, who is coordinating this year's Cancer Research Day. “Our main goal is to enhance opportunities for translation research by offering a forum for clinical, basic and behavioral scientists to interact.”

The scientific poster session will be held in the atrium of the Van Nuys Medical Science

Building from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Posters will represent the ongoing research in the labs of IU Cancer Center members as well as colleagues from Eli Lilly and Purdue University.

The shared facilities whose state-of-the-art services help support the center's research also will present posters. Two "best of show" awards will be given: one for graduate students and one for post-doctoral fellows.

Nancy Davidson, MD, professor of oncology and director of the breast cancer program at the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at John Hopkins, will speak at the seminar immediately following the scientific session from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Cancer Research Institute Building. She will present on the "Epigenetic Regulation of Gene Expression in Breast Cancer."

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## **Match program launches new Website**

The National Resident Matching Program launched a new Web site in response to an antitrust lawsuit filed against the program and its five sponsors and 29 hospitals that sponsor residency programs. This comprehensive site, [www.savethematch.com](http://www.savethematch.com), is designed to ensure that medical students, residents and the general public have accurate information about the Match and to help protect the program from being dismantled or undermined because of the lawsuit.

The AAMC is one of five sponsoring organizations for the NRMP and also manages the Match. For further information about the lawsuit and the AAMC's response, see [www.aamc.org/newsroom/jungcomplaint](http://www.aamc.org/newsroom/jungcomplaint).

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## **Tour of Hope event photos on the Web**

If a picture's worth a thousand words, then a visit to [medicine.indiana.edu/toh/index.html](http://medicine.indiana.edu/toh/index.html) is worth more text than a page will hold. Visit the site for a recap of the Oct. 16 Indianapolis visit of Lance Armstrong and the Tour of Hope.

The event was sponsored by the IU Cancer Center, IU School of Medicine, Pacers Sports & Entertainment, Indiana University Hospital – Clarian Health Partners and Bristol-Myers Squibb.

For background on the Bristol-Myers Squibb Tour of Hope – organized to promote clinical cancer research – see [www.tourofhope.com](http://www.tourofhope.com).

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## **Beering Lecture to be Nov. 5**

The 2003 Steven C. Beering Award will be presented to Elizabeth Blackburn, PhD, during the annual Beering Lecture at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 5, in the University Place Conference Center auditorium.

Dr. Blackburn is a professor in the departments of biochemistry and biophysics and microbiology and immunology at the University of California, San Francisco.

Her groundbreaking research into telomere structure, telomere synthesizing enzymes and chromosome structure and function has earned her numerous honors, including the National Academy of Science Award in Molecular Biology (1990), the Australia Prize (1998), the California Scientist of the Year Award (1999), the American Cancer Society's Medal of Honor for Basic Research Award (2000) and the General Motors Cancer Research Foundation Alfred P. Sloan Award (2001).

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## **A little fright music - neurologically speaking**

"Music and Madness: The Neuro-bowl of Famous Musicians, Composers, and Assorted Monsters" will be presented at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, by Robert Pascuzzi, MD, acting chair of the Department of Neurology. The presentation will be at the Indiana Medical History Museum.

Dr. Pascuzzi will discuss the neurological conditions of Rachmaninov, Shostakovich, Frankenstein, Dracula, Weir Mitchell and Osler.

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## **Colloquium on cardiovascular reactivity to be Oct. 31**

The Department of Psychology at IUPUI is hosting “Cardiovascular Reactivity and Recovery: Evolution of a Model of Chronic Disease,” from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31, in the Science Building, room 124. The colloquium presenter is William Gerin, PhD, associate professor of medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University.

Dr. Gerin is internationally known for his work on blood pressure reactivity to stress and its association with cardiovascular disease. He has been on faculty at Cornell University Medical Center, Mount Sinai School of Medicine and Columbia University. He is on the editorial board of Health Psychology, and served as editor for special issues of Psychosomatic Medicine and Annals of Behavioral Medicine.

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### **Medical malpractice lecture series**

A series of lectures on topics related to medical malpractice will be conducted in October and November. The lectures will be from noon to 1 p.m. in Van Nuys Medical Science Building, room B26.

Indiana Supreme Court Justice Frank Sullivan Jr., will speak Friday, Oct. 31, on "Judicial Interpretations of Indiana Medical Malpractice Law." Credit will be offered for Continuing Medical Education.

This lecture is sponsored by the Health Law Student Interest Group.

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### **Candidate for ob/gyn endowed position to speak**

Jin Cheng, MD, PhD, associate professor of pathology at the University of South Florida College of Medicine, will speak at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, in the IU Cancer Research Institute auditorium. He is a candidate for the Hulman-George Family Professor of Gynecologic Cancer.

The title of his presentation is “The Role of AKT in Cancer.”

His seminar is sponsored by the IU Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

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## **Combined Seminar Series for November**

The November Combined Seminar Series lectures will be from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays in the auditorium of the IU Cancer Research Institute. They are:

**Nov. 5** -- David Strayer, MD, PhD, professor, Kimmel Cancer Institute, Thomas Jefferson University, "Gene Delivery to the Bone Marrow and to Solid Organs: Opportunities and Avenues for Progress"

**Nov. 12** -- Robin Leach, PhD, professor, Department of Cellular and Structural Biology, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, "Molecular Genetic Approaches to the Study of Prostate Cancer"

**Nov. 19** -- Anthony Firulli, PhD, associate professor, Herman B Wells Center for Pediatric Research, "Getting a HANDel on bHLH Function"

**Nov. 26** -- Holiday

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## **W. George Pinnell Award nominations sought**

Nominations are being accepted until Wednesday, Nov. 5, for the W. George Pinnell Awards, which recognize outstanding service by faculty and librarians to the university, to a profession or discipline, or to the public.

The awards are made on a competitive, university-wide basis and are presented at the IU Founders' Day Ceremony in March.

The University Faculty Council established the Pinnell Award in 1988, honoring the memory of the former executive vice president of the university who also served during his career as president of the IU Foundation and dean of IU's Kelley School of Business. Pinnell was known for his stewardship, leadership, initiative and service to the university, the state and the national government. The award recognizes faculty members or librarians who have shown exceptional breadth of involvement and depth of commitment in service to the university, their profession or the public.

Contact Jennifer Buck, Office for Professional Development, 274-8880, for more information.

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## **Save the dates for the St. Margaret's Guild fundraiser**

Each year, St. Margaret's Hospital Guild hosts the Decorator Show House, an event that raises money for Wishard Health Services.

This year two houses located in the heart of Meridian Kessler will be open Feb. 7, 8, 14 and 15 for tours of the "undecorated" houses. The decorated show houses will be open April 24 through May 9. The houses are at 5555 Washington Blvd., an English Tudor house with all the classic details, and 5540 Central Ave., an Italian Renaissance-style home. There will be a total of 39 interior areas and 11 landscape areas in the two houses.

Proceeds from the 2003 Decorators' Show House Tour generated \$295,000 for Wishard.

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## **Confused about IU benefits? Come to the Fair**

The open enrollment deadline to add, drop or make changes to your health and dental care, tax saver benefit plan and personal accident insurance is Wednesday, Nov. 14.

Undecided about your options? Attend an open enrollment session at the IUPUI Health and Benefits Fair Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the University Place Conference Center. These 90-minute information sessions will be held in room 206 at 11:30 a.m. and at 1:30 p.m. In addition several workshops at the fair will review your other IU benefit options. They are:

- Indiana University Optional Insurance Benefits (Long-Term Disability Insurance, Personal Accident Insurance, Supplemental Life Insurance), 8:30-9:30 a.m., Room 206
- Health Care Options for Retirees, 9:45-10:45 a.m., Room 206
- Five Habits of Highly Successful Investors, 9:45-10:45 a.m., Room 208
- PERF Retirement Plan Overview, 11:00-Noon, Room 208
- Developing an Investment Strategy, 12:15-1:15 p.m., Room 208
- PERF Retirement Planning, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Room 208



Many other workshops on various health and fitness topics will be presented at the IUPUI Health and Benefits Fair. To learn more about the fair, go to [www.hra.iupui.edu/HBFair2003.asp](http://www.hra.iupui.edu/HBFair2003.asp) and click on "Schedule of Events" for workshop information or click on "Frequently Asked Questions" for general information.

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## **Pediatric neurosurgeon speaker at IUPUI King Day Dinner – tickets now on sale**

Pediatric neurosurgeon Benjamin Carson Sr., known for his expertise in separating conjoined twins and conducting brain surgery to control seizures, will deliver the keynote address at the 34th annual IUPUI dinner honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Carson, who first gained international recognition as the principal surgeon in the 22-hour separation of conjoined twins from Germany in 1987, will speak at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dinner to be held at 6 p.m., Monday, Jan. 19, at the Indiana Roof Ballroom.

The theme for this year's dinner is "Striving for Excellence, and Continuing the Dream." Tickets went on sale Oct. 20, 2003.

Tickets for the King Dinner are \$20 each for IUPUI undergraduate students, \$35 for IUPUI faculty and staff, and \$35 for community guests. Tickets for tables of eight also are available. Tickets are available through Campus and Community Life at 274-3931.

The 2004 dinner is a collaborative event sponsored by the IU School of Medicine, the IUPUI Black Student Union and the IUPUI MLK Dinner Committee.

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## **Honors**

**Rajiv Agarwal, MD**, associate professor of clinical medicine, has been appointed to the Clinical Science Committee of the American Society of Nephrology for a three-year term.

**Charles Clark Jr., MD**, has been selected by the American Diabetes Association for the 2003 Josiah K. Lilly Distinguished Service Award. The award, which will be presented Nov. 1 at the Indiana Roof Ballroom, is presented annually to an individual, organization or institution that



has made an outstanding contribution to the lives of individuals with diabetes mellitus. Dr. Clark is associate dean for Continuing Medical Education and was director of the IU Diabetes Research and Training Center from 1977 to 2002.

**Morris Green, MD**, was honored with a special lifetime achievement award, the Distinguished Service for Years of Health Advancement Award, presented Oct. 23 at the Tony and Mary Hulman Health Achievement Awards Dinner. The event is sponsored by the Indiana Public Health Foundation. Dr. Green is the Perry W. Lesh Professor of Pediatrics and director of behavioral/developmental pediatrics. He served as chairman of the IU Department of Pediatrics and physician-in-chief of Riley Hospital from 1967 to 1987. He joined the IUSM faculty in 1957.

**Larry R. Jones, MD**, has received the Method to Extend Research in Time (MERIT) Award from the National Institutes of Health. MERIT Awards are presented to a limited number of investigators “who have demonstrated superior competence and outstanding productivity during their previous research endeavors.” The benefit of the award is it relieves the recipient from writing frequent renewal applications by providing the opportunity to gain up to 10 years of support in two segments. The objective of the MERIT award is to provide long-term stable support to investigators whose research competence and productivity are distinctly superior and who are likely to continue to perform in an outstanding manner. Dr. Jones, the Charles Fisch Professor of Cardiology and professor of biochemistry, focuses on the biochemistry of cardiac sarcolasmic reticulum and cardiac cell membranes.

**Robert Stoelting, MD**, has received the American Society of Anesthesiologists Distinguished Service Award. The announcement came at the Society’s annual meeting in October and the presentation will be made at the 2004 annual meeting. The award is the ASA’s highest tribute paid to an anesthesiologist for meritorious service and achievement. Dr. Stoelting, professor emeritus of anesthesia, served as chairman of the IU Department of Anesthesiology for 26 years retiring this past June.

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**Indiana University School of Medicine  
Grants & Awards  
August 1, 2003 - August 31, 2003**

<b>Project Director</b>	<b>Agency Name</b>	<b>Award Type</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Start/Stop</b>	<b>Total Award</b>
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Andrew P. Evan	NIH - National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases	Continuing/Competing Research	SWL in Renal Injury and Stone Comminution	07/01/03 06/30/04	\$879,116
Peter J. Roach	NIH - National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases	New Research	Research Training Program in Diabetes and Obesity	08/05/03 06/30/04	\$112,551
Susan J. Gunst	NIH - National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute	New Research	Regulation of Actin Dynamics in Airway Smooth Muscle	08/15/03 06/30/04	\$338,625
Tatiana M. Foroud	Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association	Continuing/Competing Research	Charcot-Marie Tooth Registry	08/01/03 07/31/04	\$36,812
Xuening Chen	NIH - National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases	New Research	Regulation of Vascular Calcification in Diabetes	08/01/03 06/30/04	\$89,109
Simon J. Conway	Medical University of South Carolina	New Research	Load-Induced Cardiac Hypertrophy in the Adult Mammal	08/01/03 07/31/04	\$25,377

Kathleen E. Bethin	NIH - National Institute of Child Health and Human Development	New Research	Genetic Analysis of Myometrial Function in Parturition	07/01/03 04/30/04	\$93,585
Mark R. Kelley	NIH - National Cancer Institute	New Research	Therapeutic/Mechanistic Role of Apol in Germ Cell Tumors	08/05/03 07/31/04	\$235,376
Harikrishn Nakshatri	American Institute of Cancer Research	New Research	The Role of the Herb Feverfew in Preventing CXCR4-Mediated Metastasis of Breast Cancer	07/01/03 06/30/05	\$164,997
Thomas A. Gardner	US Department of Defense	New Research	Development and Pre-Clinical Evaluation of a Novel Prostate-Restricted Replication Competent Adenovirus, AD-IU-1	05/01/03 04/30/06	\$558,750
<b>TOTAL GRANTS &amp; AWARDS:</b>					<b>\$2,534,298</b>

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## **This week on *Sound Medicine***

Tune in at noon, Saturday, Nov. 1, 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's co-host is David Crabb, MD.

Suicide among the elderly will be the topic of IUSM psychiatrist John Kennedy, MD, who will comment on the increase in rates, especially among men, during the holiday season. Indiana State Department of Health Commissioner Greg Wilson, MD, will review Indiana's statistics for West Nile virus this year. IUSM occupational medicine specialist Stephen Wintermeyer,

MD, discusses the new nasal flu vaccine, as well as the pros and cons for getting a flu shot.

Archived editions of Sound Medicine, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at [soundmedicine.iu.edu](http://soundmedicine.iu.edu).

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## Online IUSM calendars

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

A Special Events Calendar for presentations, symposiums, conferences and other activities at IUSM can be found on the School's Web page at [www.medicine.iu.edu](http://www.medicine.iu.edu). The calendar also can be accessed directly at [webdb.iu.edu/iusm/scripts/calendar/instr.cfm](http://webdb.iu.edu/iusm/scripts/calendar/instr.cfm).

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- mail the information to Mary Hardin, Z-7, Ste. 306, IUPUI
- paste your plain text message into *Scope* Web form on the IUSM faculty & staff page: <http://medicine.iu.edu/faculty>

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