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## **Caldwell to direct pediatric cardiology**

Randall Caldwell, MD, has been named director of the Section of Pediatric Cardiology.

He succeeds Donald Girod, MD, who has served as director for 37 of the 40 years he has been a pediatric cardiologist at Riley Hospital. Dr. Girod is only stepping down as section director; he will continue to work as a clinician and

teacher at IUSM.

Dr. Caldwell, who is the Peter Lawrence Phillips Professor of Pediatrics, has been on the IUSM faculty since 1978. He is an IUSM graduate and completed an internship, residency and fellowship at IUSM. He also completed a research fellowship in echocardiography at IUSM.

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## **Thurston, Frankel new competency directors**

Richard Frankel, PhD, professor of medicine, and Virginia Thurston, PhD, assistant professor of clinical medical and molecular genetics, have been named to become IUSM competency directors for the Competency-based Curriculum.

Dr. Frankel will replace S. Edwin Fineberg, MD, who has retired, as director of Competency 9: Professionalism and Role Recognition. He brings to this position extensive experience and knowledge in physician-patient interactions.

Dr. Thurston will assume the directorship of Competency 3: Using Science to Guide Diagnosis, Management, Therapeutics and Prevention. She will succeed Brenda O'Hara, MD, who has moved to Fort Wayne.

Dr. Thurston has the skills of a basic scientist but also has experience with the approach of a clinical practice.

The appointments were announced by Stephen Leapman, MD, executive associate dean for educational affairs.

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## **Zipes honored with endowed chair**

Douglas Zipes' career as a cardiologist, educator and researcher at IUSM has been recognized with an endowed professorship named in his honor and supported by the Medtronic Foundation.

The Medtronic Zipes Chair in Cardiology was endowed by the Medtronic Foundation to promote excellence in cardiovascular research, education and patient care. The School will begin a national search to recruit a leading physician-scientist to fill the endowed professorship.

Dr. Zipes is a Distinguished Professor at IU and professor emeritus of medicine. He will step down this month as director of the Krannert Institute of Cardiology at IU, a position he has held since 1995.

As a researcher, Dr. Zipes focused on the electrical impulses that stimulate the heart muscle. His electrophysiology research explored the mechanisms responsible for cardiac arrhythmias and sudden cardiac death. As a leading expert in the field, Dr. Zipes worked closely with Medtronic, Inc. to create the first implantable cardioverter designed to stop attacks of arrhythmia.

Taking research from the "bench to the bedside" was one of the clinical strengths of Dr. Zipes. In this vein, he also pioneered the use of alcohol ablation to treat arrhythmias, as well as other progressive therapies for cardiac irregularities.

Dr. Zipes also is recognized internationally for his research and promotion of the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) in public places such as shopping malls and airports. In Indianapolis, he has started the first Neighborhood Heart Watch to distribute AEDs into the community where 80 percent of sudden cardiac deaths occur.

As an educator, Dr. Zipes has trained more than 75 cardiac electrophysiologists who now practiced all over the world.

Colleagues and former students from the United States and Canada were speakers and guests at a June 8 symposium in Dr. Zipes' honor. The symposium presented a retrospective of his career. Speakers addressed state of the art diagnostic and treatment methods for heart rhythm disturbances and predicted what the future would hold in the field of electrophysiology.

A second event in Dr. Zipes honor will be held June 19 in Nice, France. More than 300 international guests also have been invited by Medtronic, Inc. to a dinner in his honor.

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## **New PhD minor offered in biomolecular imaging**

Biomolecular imaging, a new doctoral minor in the medical biophysics program, is now available to IUSM students.

The minor consists of three new courses that form the core of the biomolecular imaging doctoral program. Additional information on the minor and the PhD program can be found at <http://bioimage.medicine.iu.edu>. The medical biophysics doctoral program also has a revised curriculum that emphasized imaging.

The minor is a nine-credit hour curriculum teaching a wide range of imaging techniques.

There are three required courses for the PhD minor: F592 Introduction to Biomolecular Imaging, G613 Advanced Cellular Imaging and G614 Advanced Molecular Imaging.

Questions or comments may be directed to:

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## **Final Clarian North beam to be signed at hospitals**

Following construction tradition, IUSM and Clarian employees will have an opportunity Tuesday, June 15, to sign the final steel beam to be installed for the Clarian North Medical Center.

Employees are invited to take a moment to sign their names to the final steel beam that will complete the frame of the five-story hospital and medical office building which is scheduled to open in Carmel in late 2005.

The beam will travel by flatbed truck, making the following stops:

- Methodist Medical Plaza North -- 8 a.m.
- Riley Hospital for Children -- 9:30 a.m.
- Indiana University Hospital -- 11 a.m.
- Methodist Hospital -- 12:30 p.m.

The beam will be parked outside the main entrances of all facilities except IU, where the beam will be pulled in along the Michigan Street side of the building. Beam signing by people essential to the project is one of many traditions associated with the safe, successful completion of this key phase of construction.

The signed beam will be transported back to the construction site at 116th and Meridian for placement during a topping out ceremony at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, June 17.

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## **Bench to bedside Alzheimer's disease conference - June 25**

The Indiana Alzheimer's Disease Center is hosting a regional conference entitled "Alzheimer's Disease: Translating Research into Practice" from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday, June 25.

The seminar, which will be at the University Place Conference Center, will cover such topics as the National Genetics Initiative for Alzheimer's disease, current research status and meeting the needs of patients' families.

Along with members of the IU faculty, the Indiana Alzheimer's Disease Center has invited faculty from several other Alzheimer Disease Centers in the Midwest to speak at the inaugural regional conference. Conference organizers encourage everyone who works with or is interested in older adults to attend. The program is free of charge to IU faculty, staff and students, but registration is required.

For additional information or to register, see <http://cme.medicine.iu.edu>.

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## **Technology business seminar - July 14 and 15**

The Indiana Venture Center and the Midwest Entrepreneurial Education Center at Ball State University are hosting the Idea Accelerator Initiative July 14 and 15 at the Indiana Venture Center in Indianapolis.

This initiative is a free, two-day intensive class for potential entrepreneurs and organizations with new technology business ideas. The two-day seminar is limited to 15 participants. Participants must be available to attend both days. A \$250 stipend is available.

Contact Rory Small at [rsmall@indianaventurecenter.org](mailto:rsmall@indianaventurecenter.org) for additional information.

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## **AAMC seeks nominations, abstracts for Women in Medicine Program**

The Association of American Medical Colleges Women in Medicine Program is seeking nominations for the 2004 Women in Medicine Leadership Development Award.

The award recognizes an individual or women's group/organization for outstanding contributions to the development of women leaders in the field of academic medicine. Any member of the academic medical community may be nominated.

Nomination forms must be received by **Friday, July 30**. The award will be presented in November at the AAMC Annual Meeting in Boston.

For information see

[www.aamc.org/members/wim/2004awardnomination.pdf](http://www.aamc.org/members/wim/2004awardnomination.pdf)

The AAMC Women in Medicine Program also is seeking abstracts or posters that highlight women's leadership programs and women's health research. Selected entries will be presented at the first-ever Women in Medicine poster reception "Showcasing Women's Leadership" to be held in

Boston.

Submitted abstracts could include: research or project development reports; descriptions of new partnerships resulting in the advancement of women; inter-department curriculum plans for advancing women's health; or innovative solutions to old challenges. Submission forms must be received by **Thursday, July 1**.

For information see [www.aamc.org/members/wim/callforposters.pdf](http://www.aamc.org/members/wim/callforposters.pdf).

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## Honors

**Nancy Eckerman**, Special Collections Librarian at the IU Medical Library, is the recipient of the White Professional Development Award from the IU Librarians. Herbert and Virginia White funded the award to promote professional development among the librarians and employees of the IU Libraries.

**Debomoy Lahiri**, PhD, professor of neurobiology in psychiatry, has been selected to chair the organizing committee of the seventh annual International Conference on Protective Strategies for Neurodegenerative Disease to be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Aug. 14-17.

**Jeffrey Rothenberg**, MD, MS, medical director of the Coleman Center for Women, has been elected to the board of directors for the International Society for the Advancement of Humanistic Studies in Medicine. His term will expire in 2007. The international, interdisciplinary group is composed of health care professionals committed to nurturing aspects of humanism in medicine.

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

Tune in at noon, Saturday, June 19, 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 Kathy Miller, MD.

Guests will include Louise Walter, MD, University of California - San Francisco and the San Francisco Veterans Affairs, will discuss her research analyzing breast and cervical cancer screening trends in older women. She concluded that age and health status should be considered since the benefit of screening may be lost on unhealthy women, and conversely, many healthy older women are not getting screened.

Also on the program will be Margaret Fitzpatrick, RN, a Chicago area trauma nurse and co-author of *What to Ask the Doc*, a book that guides patients and family members through several health scenarios and provides lists of questions that should be asked of physicians.

Mark Jung Beeman, PhD, a cognitive neuroscientist at Northwestern University, will discuss his research of how the brain achieves insight that leads to "Aha moments."

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at <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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## 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 three easy ways to submit story ideas or information to *Scope*:

- e-mail the information to [mhardin@iupui.edu](mailto:mhardin@iupui.edu)
- 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>

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)

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