IUSM hosts speakers for Diversity Week

A racially and culturally diverse physician workforce is the right prescription to help those who need it most - a diverse population that has limited access to medical care.

That will be among the many issues tackled by health-care professionals participating in Diversity Week activities, Jan. 11-14, at IUSM. Speakers will make their remarks each day at noon before IU medical students, faculty and staff in Emerson Hall Auditorium. Lunch will be provided.

Among the speakers:

- Winston Price, MD, president of the National Medical Association
- Chris Obeime, MD, an Indianapolis physician and co-founder of the Mercy Foundation, which provides medical supplies and assistance to Nigeria
- Virginia Caine, MD, director of the Marion County Health Department and president of the American Public Health Association
- James P. Comer, MD, professor of child psychiatry at the Yale Child Study Center and associate dean at the Yale University School of Medicine

Diversity Week was launched three years ago at the IU School of Medicine. It seeks to medical student groups to explore issues of diversity in medicine. The week-long observance occurs the second week of January and serves as a celebration of the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
IUPUI hosts Day of Service to honor MLK

IUPUI faculty, staff and students are invited to participate in the sixth annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service. This volunteer event, fast becoming a campus tradition, is organized by the Sam H. Jones Community Service Scholars, a group of undergraduate, service-minded students.

The 2005 Dr. Martin Luther King Day of Service will be Monday, Jan. 17. The 2005 theme is "Remember. Celebrate. Act!"

The day will begin with an 8:30 a.m. check-in at the Madame Walker Theatre, 617 Indiana Ave., for a free breakfast and brief program about the life and legacy of Dr. King and will include remarks by keynote speaker Dennis E. Bland, Esq., the president of the Center for Leadership Development. Volunteers then will disperse to one of over 25 service agency sites in the Indianapolis community to engage in service as a tribute to Dr. King.

Those interested in participating are asked to register either individually or as a group at www.mlkday.uc.iupui.edu. Questions may be sent to mlkday@iupui.edu, or to the Office of Community Service (University College 006D) at 274-5198.

National ranking earned by Riley Hospital

The James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children has been was ranked 18th overall out of nearly 150 children's hospitals across the country by the nationally distributed Child Magazine. Riley's neonatal intensive care unit was recognized as one of the top five NICUs in the nation.

Riley Hospital was the only Indiana children's hospital to be recognized in any category by Child Magazine. The rankings were released Jan. 4.

"We are delighted to be recognized for the outstanding and family-centered care that we provide daily to Indiana's families and children," said Ora Pescovitz, MD, president and CEO, Riley Hospital for Children. "I also want to send a special word of praise to the neonatal care team at Riley for being recognized as the best of the best."

Established in 1970, the Riley Hospital NICU was the first in Indiana. Its physicians and staff are regarded as national and international leaders in neonatal care. The Riley NICU has more than 30 neonatologists, 180 neonatal nurses and 20 neonatal respiratory therapists, as well as social workers, dieticians and other staff. The NICU also employs two parents full time to work alongside the social workers as family support professionals.

Promotion and tenure workshops

Two informational workshops are being offered to the IUSM faculty on promotion and tenure strategies and tactics. The workshops, both in room 319, Fesler Hall, are scheduled:

- Feb. 3 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Feb. 21 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Sample dossiers will be available for review, as well as other helpful information.

Brown bag workshop for female faculty
Female faculty members are invited to an informational workshop on promotion and tenure strategies and tactics. The workshop will provide a brief overview of the university process, the organization of the dossier and how to approach the personal statement. Sample dossiers will be available for review.

The brown bag lunch workshop will be from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, in room 319, Fesler Hall.

Seating is limited to 30 people. Call 278-5461 to make your reservation, no later than Wednesday, Feb. 9.

Personal renewal workshop – Feb. 9

A personal renewal workshop for IUSM and Clarian physicians entitled “From Chaos to Possibility” will be from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 9, at the Radisson Hotel City Centre.

Lead by Tom Lant and Dan Blazer, MD, the developers of Clarian’s “Gift of Caregiving” program, this free workshop will focus on the stresses of physicians’ multiple roles and transitions.

For more information or reservations, contact Steven Ivy, senior vice president at Clarian Health, at 962-3591, or by email at sivy@clarian.org.

Stem Cell Research Forum – Jan. 11

Interested in the public debate over the advancement of stem cell research? Learn from three experts as they present the basics in a forum addressing the science, ethics and public policy issues relevant to stem cell research.

"A Primer on Stem Cell Research: Science, Ethics and Public Policy" will be from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 11, in the Lilly Auditorium of University Library, 755 W. Michigan St.

Forum speakers include David Stocum, PhD, founder of the IU Center of Regenerative Biology and Medicine; Eric M. Meslin, PhD, director of the IU Center of Bioethics; and the Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, PhD, director of education for the National Catholic Bioethics Center.

Steven S. Ivy, senior vice president for Values, Ethics and Pastoral Services for Clarian Health Partners, will serve as forum moderator. The forum will include 15-minute presentations by each speaker, followed by a question-and-answer session.

The event is free and open to the public. For additional information, call 274-2195.

Bioethics Research Rounds – Jan. 14

Greg Gramelspacher, MD, associate professor of medicine, will be the Jan. 14 speaker for the Bioethics Research Rounds. His presentation, "Palliative Care Consultation: Quality and Cost" will be in the IU Center for Bioethics, 714 N. Senate Ave., room 200.

The monthly series, hosted by the center, is held on the second Friday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. This is a brown bag lecture series; beverages will be provided.

The series is an opportunity for faculty to present and learn about bioethics research in progress.
Organ transplantation topic of women’s health series

Mark Pescovitz, MD, IU professor surgery and vice chair of organ transplant research, will discuss organ transplantation at the Tuesday, Jan. 25, session of the IU National Center of Excellence in Women’s Health monthly lecture series.

Dr. Pescovitz’s presentation will be from noon to 1 p.m. in the first-floor auditorium of the IU Cancer Research Institute.

Combined Seminar Series for January

The IU Cancer Center Combined Seminar Series meets from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays in the IU Cancer Research Institute auditorium. This month’s sessions include:

Jan. 12 – Jennifer Lydon, BS, IUPUI clinical psychology graduate student “Spirituality, Religion and the Well-Being of Cancer Patients and Their Families”

Jan. 19 – Katherine Siminovitch, MD, professor of medicine, University of Toronto, Mount Sinai Hospital, “The Wiskott Aldrich Syndrome Protein: Forging the Link between Actin and Cell Activation”

Jan. 26 – Jake Chen, PhD, assistant professor, IU School of Informatics and Purdue School of Science Department of Computer and Information Science, “Discovery Informatics: A Power Tool for System-scale Biomedical Research”

Enhance your basic computing and word processing skills

Beginning computer user? Start 2005 right by taking a free STEPS workshop. The University Information Technology Service IT Training & Education is offering two STEPS workshops for beginners.

- Windows: Basic Computing Skills - Tuesday, Jan. 11 and Jan. 18, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Word Processing: Basics Skills - Thursday, Jan. 13, 9 a.m.- noon

These workshops, in the Informatics and Communications Technology Center, room 127, are free for students, faculty and staff. To view the STEPS fall workshop schedule, workshop descriptions, or to register, go to http://ittraining.iu.edu/iupui/workshops/.

Additional information can be provided by calling IT Training at ittraining@iupui.edu or 274-7383.

Chancellor's Faculty Awards need applicants

Applications are available for the Chancellor's Faculty Award and the Chancellor's Community Award for the Excellence in Civic Engagement at http://csl.iupui.edu/. The deadline for submission is 5 p.m. Friday, March 18.

Nominees for the faculty award should exemplify high standards of civic engagement, professional service or service learning. Nominees for the community award should demonstrate meaningful program collaboration with an IUPUI academic unit or units that resulted in student learning, faculty work and community improvements.

The awards will be presented at the Chancellor's Honors Convocation Tuesday, April 19.
IU students to open camp for kids

Later this year, IU students will welcome 40 children, ages 6-13, to Camp Kesem. The camp was completely envisioned, organized and developed by IU students for children who have or had a parent with cancer.

Camp Kesem hopes to build self-esteem and develop a solid peer support network among its campers.

Project coordinator Sigall Rave is assisted by eight student committee coordinators and 20 volunteer student counselors.

Camp Kesem will be Aug. 7-12 at Bradford Woods. For more information, call 812-322-1671, or email indiana@campkesemnational.org.

UITS Adaptive Technology Center opens in ICTC

The University Information Technology Services Adaptive Technology Center is a new resource center for IUPUI students, faculty and staff who have disabilities.

Located in the Informatics and Communications Technology Complex, the ATC is open seven days a week, 24 hours a day and offers a variety of adaptive software, hardware and services for people who have disabilities such as mobility impairments (e.g., carpel tunnel syndrome), learning disabilities (e.g., dyslexia), low vision and blindness.

Services available include screen readers and screen magnifiers for blind and low-vision users; high-speed scanners that convert books into electronic formats; voice recognition programs that allow users to dictate documents orally, and a variety of alternative keyboards and mouse devices for those with mobility impairments.

Onsite training in the use of adaptive hardware and software is available. To schedule an appointment, call the ATC at 274-4580, or send e-mail to iupulada@indiana.edu.

Fee courtesy application online

Full-time IUPUI employees, their spouses or partners, and dependent children who are taking classes in the spring may be eligible for fee courtesy to help cover the cost of classes.

For information and to complete an on-line request for fee courtesy, visit www.hra.iupui.edu/feecourtesy.asp.

IUSM merchandise available

Indiana University School of Medicine merchandise, including sweatshirts, Columbia fleece jackets, T-shirts, hats and other items, is available online. Visit the new online store at www.alumni.iupui.edu/medicine/merch/.
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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, 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. Co-host this week is David Crabb, MD.

Guests include Thomas Graboys, MD, associate professor at Harvard Medical School and chairman of Lown Cardiovascular Research Foundation, and William Davis, MD, medical director of Milwaukee Heart Scan, who will discuss the controversy brewing over the increased use of heart scans.

Julie Fenster, author of *Mavericks, Miracles, and Medicine*, will share stories of medical heroes, geniuses and eccentrics who challenged the conventions of their day at great personal risk to advance the boundaries of medicine.

*Sound Medicine* field reporter Kara Oehler will anchor a story on the use of maggots as a medical device.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at 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. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at 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. The calendar also can be accessed directly at webdb.iu.edu/iusm/scripts/calendar(instr).cfm.

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