Wake Forest anesthesiologist to lead IUSM department

John Butterworth IV, MD, has been named the chair of the IU Department of Anesthesia, pending administrative approval. He is scheduled to begin his duties at IUSM mid-summer.

Dr. Butterworth is a professor of anesthesia at Wake Forest University School of Medicine. His clinical interests are cardiovascular, regional and obstetric anesthesia.

He graduated with distinction from the University of Virginia with a bachelor’s degree in chemistry. He received his medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia, where he also completed a trauma research fellowship. His residency training was completed in surgery at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center and in anesthesia at Brigham and Women’s Hospital.


Help the homeless while dancing and singing the night away

The annual Evening of the Arts will be at 7 p.m., Saturday, April 2, at the University Place Conference Center auditorium. The program features IUSM students, faculty and residents displaying their vocal, instrumental and dance talents.

This year, in addition to performances by medical students, John Pless, MD, Culbertson Professor Emeritus of Pathology, will perform along with his Dixieland band, and Sara Highbaugh from the Clinical Education Skills Center will sing.
The preview for the silent auction will be at 6 p.m. Art work auctioned in past years has included photos and paintings, as well as more unique items such as furniture, handmade clocks and pottery. This year Jeffrey Rothenberg, MD, assistant professor of OB/GYN, is donating some of his blown glass.

Proceeds from EOTA will help an estimated 1,000 people served by Wheeler Mission, Genessaret Free Clinic, St. Thomas Clinic and Indianapolis homeless programs. The funds are used to purchase medical supplies and diagnostic equipment to support free health care services provided by the medical students under the direction of IUSM faculty.

"Many medical students say they were called to medicine because they want to serve and help others," says Micah Bhatti, who is coordinating the event with fellow students Jim Smith and Joe Frank. "Students who volunteer at homeless clinics have rewarding experience that really puts medicine and service into perspective."

This year marks the 14th consecutive year the med students have staged Evening of the Arts.

EOTA tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students and may be purchased at the door. They can be reserved by email at iusmeota@iupui.edu. More information about the program can be found at www.iupui.edu/~iusmeota.

EDF Ventures to meet with entrepreneur-wannabes

EDF Ventures, which assists researchers forming start-up companies, wants to meet with IUSM faculty to learn about their clinical interests, research and thoughts on commercializing their work.

IUSM and the IU Research and Technology Corporation are hosting EDF Ventures on Tuesday, April 5. Two of its partners, Mary Campbell and Mike DeVries will be at IURTC, 351 W. 10th Street, to meet with faculty interested in commercializing their inventions.

EDF Ventures provides equity capital to early-stage enterprises. They have a particular interest in assisting researchers within the university environment who plan to start companies. As seen their Web site at www.edfvc.com, EDF has funded several companies over its history, some of which began in a university.

Intralase is one such company, now publicly trading on NASDAQ as "ILSE." At the time of EDF's first investment, there was no corporate entity and only a rough prototype of the medical device. EDF assisted the scientific founders in refining the product strategy, adding expertise to develop clinical trial strategy, building a management team and recruiting additional investors.

Contact Jack Pincus, IURTC's vice president of technology transfer, at jpincus@iu.edu, or 274-5904, to schedule an appointment.

IUPUI to host second biosensor conference

The 2005 Indiana Biosensor Symposium will be Wednesday, April 6, at the IUPUI Conference Center.

As a follow-up to the Indiana Biosensor New Ventures Conference held in 2003, this year’s symposium is intended to strengthen the state’s research capacity through cultivating a network of leaders in the biosensor field and to serve as a catalyst for commercializing innovative ideas.

For more information, go to www.indianabiosensor.com.

Indiana Health Industry Forum – April 27-28
The fourth-annual Indiana Health Industry Forum Conference and Innovation Showcase – a summit for Indiana's health and life sciences community – will be April 27-28 at the Indiana Convention Center.

See www.ihif.org for the agenda, exhibitor details and other information.

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**Stroke Update Seminar – May 20**

The IUSM Department of Neurology Stroke Program is presenting “Stroke Update 2005” from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Friday, May 20, at the Pettigrew Auditorium at Methodist Hospital.

James Fleck, MD, assistant professor of clinical neurology, will serve as moderator. Seminar topics include PFO closure, anti-platelet agents and risk factor management, carotid angioplasty and stenting, stroke and depression, ED management of acute stroke/rt-PA, glucose and blood pressure in acute stroke, innovations in stroke and a panel discussion of cases.

CME and CEU credits are available.

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**Education Research Grant deadline April 8**

Education Research and Development Grants through IUSM are available for 2005. These grants are designed to stimulate educational research and development and are particularly geared toward projects involving interdisciplinary and inter-unit learning for medical students, residents and other health-care professionals in Indiana.

The deadline for applying for the grants is Friday, April 8. For additional information, see http://meca.iusm.iu.edu/Resources/Grants.htm.

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**5K run/walk supports Best Buddies**

Run, jog, walk or stroll along the canal in downtown Indianapolis to raise funds and awareness for Best Buddies Indiana, Saturday, April 2.

Best Buddies is a non-profit organization that enhances the lives of individuals with intellectual disabilities by providing one-to-one friendships and integrated job employment.

The IUPUI/IUSM chapter of Best Buddies is assembling a team of students, residents and faculty to participate in the run/walk. A 10-person team will pay $15 per person to participate. The entry fee includes a t-shirt and a sponsor pack. The more people recruited for the team, the lower the cost per person.

More information about the Dash For Friendship can be found at www.kenlongassoc.com/buddies.htm.

Information about Best Buddies can be found at www.bestbuddies.org or www.bestbuddiesindiana.org. Email Melissa Spurr, MS2, at bestbuds@iupui.edu for more information or to register for the team.

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**Pharmacogenomics topic of Medical Ethics seminar**

Barbara Evans, PhD, JD, LLM, from the IU Center for Bioethics, will present the final Medical Ethics and Humanities
seminar for the academic year will at noon Tuesday, April 5 in the Medical Library, room 301.

Barbara Evans will speak on the implications of pharmacogenomics for future health care.

Dr. Evans is the director of pharmacogenomics, ethics and public policy at the Center and a practicing attorney in health law, medical technology, and food and drug regulation.

The seminar is open to the public but seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling Judi Campbell at 274-4740, or emailing her at jizukac@iupui.edu by Monday, April 4. A light lunch is provided to those who make reservations.

The seminar is presented by the Medical Humanities Program at IUPUI in conjunction with the IU Center for Bioethics.

IUPUI resources for victims of domestic violence

The next in the "Crossing Michigan" Women's Health Series will be noon to 1 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, in University Library, room 1126.

The seminar will focus on resources available at IUPUI for victims of domestic violence. The workshop is free and brown-bag lunches are welcome. Drinks and desserts are provided.

Register at www.opd.iupui.edu or call 278-6221. The session is sponsored by the IUPUI Office for Women, the Center for Excellence in Women's Health and HRA Work/Life.

Riley autism center hosts event for physicians

An open house to familiarize pediatric care physicians with issues related to autism will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 13 at the Ruth Lilly Learning Center in the lower level of the Riley Outpatient Center.

The event is hosted by the Christian Sarkine Autism Treatment Center at Riley Hospital which recently launched Helping Answer Needs by Developing Specialists in Autism.

The HANDS in Autism program was established with a $468,000 grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to the autism center and Clarian Health Partners, creating an intensive training program that will initially be geared to teachers, administrators and other personnel in local school districts.

Information will be distributed to private pediatricians, libraries and all Clarian facilities in central Indiana, primarily at Riley Hospital, Indiana University Hospital and Methodist Hospital throughout the year.

For more information about the HANDS in Autism program, call 278-4887, or send email to pamander@iupui.edu.

Seven strategies for a successful retirement

Planning to retire within the next 10 years? Learn about the risks that lie ahead, how to minimize their impact on your portfolio and strategies to build your assets.

A free brown-bag seminar addressing retirement financial issues will be from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 30 in Riley Outpatient Center, Ruth Lilly Center, room B.

To register, see www.hra.iupui.edu/signup, select the “Benefits and Retirement” category then follow the prompts.
Free eye screenings available for youngsters

The IU Department of Ophthalmology, the IU School of Optometry and Indiana Lions Club are sponsoring eye screenings for very young children.

Volunteer screeners are visiting Indiana communities to detect serious eye disorders like juvenile cataract and amblyopia in children 18 months to 5 years of age. Children with suspected problems are referred to eye professionals for treatment.

To find out about the nearest screening location or to arrange for a free screening for your child's preschool or daycare, contact Janice Chapman, Operation Kidsight, at 578-0491, or kidsight@sbcglobal.net.

This week on Sound Medicine

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 3, 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.

Guests include Judith Monroe, MD, who will discuss her objectives as the recently appointed health commissioner to the state of Indiana.

Gary Wadler, MD, will discuss the growing use of anabolic steroids among high school students, not all of whom are athletes. Wadler is a member of the World Anti-Doping Agency’s Prohibited List and Methods Committee and has served as medical adviser to the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. He is an internist and associate professor of clinical medicine at the New York University School of Medicine.

In a special segment, Sound Medicine correspondent Shia Levitt will take listeners into the world of a certified doula — also known as a childbirth assistant.

Archived editions of Sound Medicine, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at soundmedicine.iu.edu/.

Online IUSM calendars

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at daly.medicine.iu.edu/med/Public/Calendar/default.asp?view=Week. 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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