Med students to 'doctor' inner-city houses

IUSM student volunteers will conduct their annual Spring House Calls, Saturday, April 16, an activity which matches the physicians-in-training with homeowners in the neighborhoods west and northwest of the downtown IU Medical Center.

Organizers need more than 150 volunteers to do general yard work at 29 houses, says co-chair Susan McDowell, MS 2. To volunteer, email Matt Powelson at mpowells@iupui.edu or Jon McCrea at jmmccrea@iupui.edu.

"Students, faculty or staff interested in getting their hands dirty and then eating some great food from Marbles Southern Cookery should be sure to sign up this week," she said.

The students will gather early in the morning at Christamore House Community Center to pick up tools and supplies needed for the day's work, which includes minor house and property repairs, painting, yard work and flower planting.

In the early afternoon, the students and community homeowners will return to Christamore House for a lunch catered by a neighborhood business.

"Spring House Calls is one of several student-initiated service-learning activities that provides them with an opportunity to interact with patients in the context of their daily rather lives rather than in an exam room," says Patricia Keener, MD, assistant dean of the School's Office of Medical Service-Learning and professor of pediatrics. "These experiences enhance the students' ability to relate to patients when they do meet in a clinical setting."

Nearly 800 IU medical students have volunteered 6,000 hours for the Spring House Calls program since 1996. For more information about School's Office of Medical Service-Learning and its many projects, go to www.medicine.iu.edu/~omsl.
Richter Conference in Child Psychiatry – April 21-22

Howard S. Koplewicz, MD, founder and director of the New York University Child Study Center, will speak at the 28th Annual Arthur B. Richter Conference in Child Psychiatry April 21-22.

Dr. Koplewicz will present his lecture, Depression in Children and Adolescents: An overview of the Recent Controversies, at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 21, at the Richter Pre-Conference Lecture and Indiana Psychiatric Society Meeting. He will speak at 9 a.m. Friday, April 22, on Depression in Children and Adolescents: Historical and Current Ideas and Diagnostic Considerations, and at 1:15 p.m. on Treatment Considerations: Psychopharmacology and Medication Side Effects.

Dr. Koplewicz, the 2005 Ritchter Lecturer, is the Arnold and Debbie Simon Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the New York University School of Medicine.

The conference “Recent Developments in Assessment and Treatment of Depression in Children and Adolescents” will be at The Ritz Charles, 12156 N. Meridian, Carmel.

IU faculty presenting at the conference are Melissa Ertl, PhD, Ann Lagges, PhD, Gina Laite, MD, and Eric Scott, PhD.

For registration information, call 274-8353, or visit cme.medicine.iu.edu.

2004 Beering Award recipient dies

The 2004 Steven C. Beering Award recipient Stanley J. Korsmeyer, MD, 54, died March 31 of a nonsmoking-related form of lung cancer.

His illness prevented him from making personal appearances for some months and he had been unable to travel to Indianapolis to accept the Beering Award or present the annual lecture as originally scheduled on Oct. 20.

Presentation of the award to Dr. Korsmeyer continued to be a concern for the Beering Award Committee. After some discussion, it was decided that committee member Karen Roos, MD, would make a trip to Boston to deliver the award to Dr. Korsmeyer. That was accomplished in March.

In a note of appreciation received before his death, Dr. Korsmeyer’s assistant, Jeannie Tomeu, wrote to thank everyone involved with the effort to make the presentation. “Unfortunately a direct presentation was not possible, but the award has since been delivered to Dr. Korsmeyer who was flattered and thankful to receive this distinction,” she wrote.

At the time of his death, Dr. Korsmeyer was the Sidney Farber Professor of Pathology and of Medicine at the Harvard Medical School and director of the Program in Molecular Oncology at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. He had done pioneering work on the regulation of apoptosis having identified the key genetic mechanisms that control cell death and survival. His research has been significant to research in lymphomas and other cancers.

Open house at Riley autism center – April 13

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 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.

State health commissioner to speak April 18

Judith Monroe, MD, the recently appointed commissioner of the Indiana State Department of Health and medical director of the state’s Medicaid program, will discuss improving the health of Hoosiers and proposed changes to Medicaid from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, April 18, in Hurty Hall C, Fesler Hall.

The event is sponsored by the Health Law and Public Policy Student Interest Group.

For more information, contact Kelly Horst, MS3, at kkhorst@iupui.edu.

FEED Workshop: Faculty enrichment series on April 21

“Teaching Caring Attitudes and Relationship-Centered Care,” a Faculty Enrichment and Education Development Series workshop, will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

The FEED seminar, hosted by the IU Department of Medicine, provides two hours of Category 1 CME credit.

The Department of Medicine seeks to provide the highest quality learning environment for our medical students, residents and fellows. As a part of this commitment, the FEED series will be offered quarterly on key topics in clinical teaching. These workshops will provide an opportunity for the department faculty to improve their teaching skills in a collegial and fun environment. Mark your calendar for future workshops:

Aug. 17 – Educational Goal Setting, Feedback and Fostering Self-Assessment Skills
Oct. 20 – Role of Advisor and Mentor: The Basic How-To.

Faculty interested in attending the April 21 workshop should e-mail Kathie Mullins at kmullins@iupui.edu, or call 656-4275. There is no charge for members of the Department of Medicine, but other faculty will be charged $25.

Location change for seminars on IRB policy

The IU Clinical Trials Program and the Office of Research Compliance Administration are co-sponsoring a series of educational seminars for researchers and their staff about anticipated changes to IRB policies, processes and forms resulting from the recent review and accreditation process conducted by the Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs Inc.

Due to popular response for the sessions, “Changes to IRB Procedures and Forms,” the location of the sessions on May 6 and May 20 has been moved to Myers Auditorium in Wishard Memorial Hospital. The April 11 session will remain at the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

Details about the programs can be found under "Educational Seminars in Clinical Research 2005" on the Clinical Trials
Indiana Health Industry Forum Showcase – 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.

Biocomplexity Workshop – May 9-11

The Biocomplexity Workshop VII: Unraveling the Function and Kinetics of Biochemical Networks From Experiments to Systems Biology will be May 9-11 at IU-Bloomington. It is hosted by The Biocomplexity Institute and the IU School of Informatics.

The workshop will host researchers in many disciplines, including experimental and theoretical biology, biophysics, engineering, mathematics and computer science, to discuss current and future problems in the reconstruction, kinetics and function of biological networks.

While numerous workshops and scientific meetings address the topology of biological networks, network dynamics and the relation of topology to dynamics, few focus on the reconstruction of the biochemical networks from experimental data, which is one of the most important problems in this area.

For more information see biocomplexity.indiana.edu/events/bio7/.

New and used book sale at University Library

A new and used book sale at University Library will have it all – popular fiction, classics, non-fiction of all subject areas, children’s books and foreign language titles.

Sale hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday and Tuesday, April 19 and 20, at University Library, room 1126.

Sponsored by Indiana University Librarians Association, the sale supports scholarships for IUPUI library science students and professional development for IUPUI librarians.

Donations of books, journals, magazines, posters, audio cassettes, videos and CDs to support the scholarship project are accepted all year at the IUPUI University Library.

For additional information, contact Kristi Palmer 274-8230, or e-mail at klpalmer@iupui.edu.

Toss those toxic products and recyclables

Recyclables and household hazardous waste can be dropped off from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, April 14, and from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 15, at the Environmental Management Facility located west of the Union Building in parking lot 20.
The IUPUI Recycling Committee is sponsoring the event. The first 50 people each day to visit the site will receive a free tulip popular seedling.

Accepted recycling items include aluminum cans, glass, corrugated cartons, mixed paper, newspaper, plastic, steel cans, text books, toner and ink cartridges and white paper.

Accepted household hazardous waste items range include such items as aerosol cans, asbestos tile, gasoline, herbicides, household batteries, insecticides, lead acid batteries, used motor oil, rat poisons and thermometers.

Questions may be forwarded to recycles@iupui.edu.

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Scuba for Riley Hospital

The Indy Dive Club, Divers Supply of Indy and the Metropolitan School District of Warren Township are hosting a fundraising event for Riley Hospital Saturday, April 23, at the Warren Central High School natatorium, 9500 E. 16th Street.

From 9 a.m. until noon, individuals can experience the adventure of scuba diving with professional instructors. Cost is $25.

For more information or to enroll, call 897-2822.

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This week on Sound Medicine

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 17, to Sound Medicine, the weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. This week’s edition of Sound Medicine is a special quarterly program, Sound Ethics, which explores ethical issues in medicine. Eric Meslin, PhD, director of the IU Center for Bioethics, and Barbara Lewis delve into end-of-life decisions in the United States.

Joining the co-hosts is Richard Miller, PhD., director of the Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions at IU, who will discuss the role religion plays when a decision must be made.

Other guests will be Robert Olick, PhD, associate professor at the Center for Bioethics and Humanities at State University of New York Upstate Medical University and a faculty member at the College of Law at Syracuse University, and Jeffrey Kahn, director of the Center for Bioethics at the University of Minnesota. They will discuss the political and legal ramifications of end-of-life decisions, and changes in how the decisions are viewed since the cases of Karen Ann Quinlan and Nancy Cruzan.

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
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