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Wooden named vice-chair for surgery

William Wooden, MD, professor of plastic surgery, has been named vice-chair for clinical affairs in the Department of Surgery, effective Feb. 6.

Dr. Wooden joined the IUSM faculty in December. He had previously been on faculty at the Brody School of Medicine in Greenville, N.C. A graduate of the University of Florida School of Medicine, he has held several leadership positions including vice-chairman of the Department of Surgery and assistant dean for specialist programs at the Brody School of Medicine.

Dr. Wooden has extensive background in academic and clinical medicine and the economics of medicine. He may be contacted by calling 274-0770, or email at wwooden@iupui.edu.

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Mark Brothers Lecture with T.K. Li – Feb. 23 and 24

Former IUSM Associate Dean for Research, Ting-Kai Li, MD, director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, returns to IUSM on Feb. 23 and 24 as the Mark Brothers Lecturer.

The Mark Brothers Lectureship was endowed by Dr. and Mrs. Guey C. Mark to honor Dr. Mark's elder brothers. The award recognizes internationally renowned medical scientists of Asian descent, bringing them to our campus to interact with both faculty and students.

Dr. Li's research-oriented presentation entitled "Animal Models in Alcohol Research: What Are We Modeling?" will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, in the first-floor auditorium of the IU Cancer Research Institute.

At 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, Dr. Li's clinically-oriented presentation, "Alcoholism: Understanding the Developmental Trajectory and Recovery," will be in the same auditorium.

Dr. Li was a faculty member in the IU Department of Medicine with joint appointments in biochemistry and psychiatry from 1971 to 2002, when he resigned to join the NIAAA.

Dr. Li, who was the first associate dean for research at IUSM, received the highest academic honor bestowed by the university when he was named a Distinguished Professor in 1985. His accomplishments again were recognized when, in 1999, he was elected to membership in the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences. Throughout his career, Dr. Li has been an international leader in scientific advances that have transformed both the way alcoholism as a disease is understood and the means of understanding alcohol's effects on the body and the brain.

For questions about the lectures, contact Janice Walther, IUSM Dean's Office, at 278-3048, or by e-mail at jkwalthe@iupui.edu.

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March is Staff Council Awareness Month

Visit the Staff Council website at www.iupui.edu/~scouncil to find out more about:

- Playing IUPUI-opoly every week in March to win prizes. The top winner(s) will receive a gym bag donated by the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence. All prizes will be awarded by April 15.
- The Staff Council's spotlight on a few good staff members who are making a difference at IUPUI and in the community. Nominations will be accepted through **Friday, March 3**.
- Nominations for the Gerald L. Bepko Staff Council Spirit Award will be accepted through **Friday, March 3**. The winner will be announced by April 3.

Stop by the following locations during March for Staff Council information, as well as small giveaway items:

- Cavanaugh Hall (Wednesday, March 8, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
- Herron School of Art (Wednesday, March 22, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

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IUCC hosts research internships for high school, undergrads

Applications are being accepted for the IU Cancer Center Summer Research Program, June 5 to Aug. 4. The program, open to high school and undergraduate students, is designed to increase the number of cancer researchers among underrepresented groups.

Students are assigned mentors affiliated with the center. Participant selection is based on interest in biomedical or behavioral science, grades and personal interviews.

Information about the program and applications are available through the center's web site at www.cancer.iu.edu. The deadline for submitting applications is **Wednesday, March 1**. Applicants will be notified by April 1.

For more information, contact Gwendolyn Johnson, PhD, program administrator, IU Cancer Center, at iuccsrp@iupui.edu.

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Med students to volunteer in Mississippi during spring break

Spring break is traditionally a time college students visit exotic destinations but this year, 15 IUSM students will volunteer to help clean-up hurricane-ravaged Mississippi.

Inspired by other stories of student volunteers, Anne Gabonay, MS I, organized a group of her peers to aid in the recovery efforts.

With the assistance of IUPUI staff member and former resident of Waveland, Miss., Hayward Guenard, the medical students will be in the Gulf Coast region March 10-17 closely working with a local agency which collects and distributes work orders from residents.

The students would welcome donations to cover expenses. For additional information, contact Jose Espada at 274-1967, or email jespada@iupui.edu.

The other students participating and the medical education center they attend:

Stacie Lynn Braswell, MS I, Indianapolis
Ashley Noelle Costas, MS I, Indianapolis
Eve Maureen Doucette, MS I, Indianapolis
Anne Marie Gabonay, MS I, Indianapolis
Shane Robert Hudnall, MS III, Indianapolis
Robert Givens Kellogg, MS I, Indianapolis
Jaeho Lee, MS I, Indianapolis
James Malenkos, MS I, Indianapolis
Carrie Monica Marusek, MS I, Terre Haute
Victor C. Njoku, MS I, Indianapolis
Julie Lauren Ruckman, MS I, Terre Haute
Laila Saied, MS I, Lafayette
Candice Scroggins, MS I, Terre Haute
Lori Rich Wheeler, MS I, Terre Haute

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Civic Theatre production benefits Midtown mental health center

Relive the golden age of radio when the Indianapolis Civic Theatre and the Wishard Memorial Foundation present comedy routines and famous tunes at "The 1940s Radio Hour" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19.

Purchase tickets for that performance and the Civic Theatre will donate a portion of the ticket price to the Wishard Memorial Foundation to benefit Midtown Mental Health Services.

It's easy. Call Michelle Mills at the Civic Theatre, 924-6770, ext 217. This opportunity to benefit Wishard's Midtown Mental Health Services is available only for the Feb. 19 performance.

"The 1940's Radio Hour" features great period songs by Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington and Art Shaw, including such hits at "Chattanooga Choo Choo" and "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy."

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Life Sciences Lunch Series continues Feb. 21

The next in the Life Sciences Lunch Series, presented by the Indiana Health Industry Forum and Barnes and Thornburg LLP, will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. ET Tuesday, Feb. 21. The formal presentation begins at noon.

"The Importance of Education Reform for Indiana's Economic Future" will be presented by Ron Meeusen; David Shane, senior advisor with the Office of the Governor; Pam Oldknow, judging committee and co-chair Intel International Science and Engineering Fair.

The series is simulcast at Barnes and Thornburg offices in Indianapolis, South Bend, Fort Wayne and Elkhart, and in cooperating facilities in Muncie, Terre Haute, West Lafayette, Evansville, Bloomington and Richmond.

Box lunches are provided or those attending can bring their own.

Math and science education is more important now than ever. Learn what Indiana is doing to stay ahead of the curve in math and science education and the impact that current education requirements will have on economic development for Indiana. Indianapolis will host the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair May 12-13. Find out how this showcase of science technology puts Indianapolis in the spotlight and how you can be a part of the action.

Register at www.lifescienceslunch.com, or send your name, company and email address to registration@islseries.com. Registrations also can be taken over the phone by calling (317)-231-7356.

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Next FEED Series workshop slated for Feb. 22

"The Problem Learner" will be examined by Jean Pappas Molleston, MD, at the Wednesday, Feb. 22, Faculty Enrichment and Education Development (FEED) Series hosted by the IU Department of Medicine. The workshop will be from 5 to 7 p.m. in the lower level auditorium of the Riley Outpatient Center.

The workshop will help faculty develop the skills necessary to identify and remediate learning problems of students and residents and develop specific strategies for assessing, diagnosing and responding to learning problems.

The program begins at 5 p.m. with a buffet dinner and group sessions begin at 5:45 p.m. Faculty interested in attending should e-mail Roberta Brown at rabrown2@iupui.edu or call 630-6906.

FEED is a quarterly series offering of key topics in clinical teaching. These workshops are designed to provide an opportunity for the department faculty to improve their teaching skills in a collegial and fun environment and as part of the Department of Medicine's continuing commitment to provide the highest quality learning environment for medical students, residents and fellows.

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Electronic research made easy – Feb. 22

Researchers and staff who use the Medical Library and Internet electronic medical resources may be interested in the 2-hour, hands-on class, Locating and Using Electronic Resources. It covers the publishing process and presents tips on using databases and other virtual information.

Class time is from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, in room 318 of the Medical Library.

For more information or to register, call or email Elaine Skopelja at 274-8358, or eskopelj@iupui.edu.

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Taylor Symposium: The Crisis in Urban Health Care

The 17th Annual Joseph T. Taylor Symposium will be from 8:45 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 22, at the University Place Conference Center. This year's topic is "The Crisis in Urban Health Care."

The symposium is free. Lunch tickets can be purchased for \$30. For online registration, visit universityplace.iupui.edu, or call 274-3280.

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International research ethics topic of seminar

The second in a series of seminars hosted by the Office of International Affairs and the Center on Bioethics will be Thursday, Feb. 23, with Mike Kowolik, PhD, School of Dentistry, and John Sidle, MD, (IU-Kenya Partnership) speaking on "International Research Ethics: Guatemala and Kenya." The presentation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. in room 2115E of University Library.

Other speakers and topics in the series will be:

- Wednesday, March 29
Kathleen Hall (Medicine), "Nigeria"
Mary-Beth Riner (Nursing), "Mexico"
- Friday, April 21
Ulla Connor (ICIC), "International communication"
- Friday, May 5
Michael Clayman (Eli Lilly), "Research ethics and the pharmaceutical industry"

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Women's Health Series lecture – Feb. 28

African American women and breast cancer will be the topic of Kathleen Russell, DNS, RN, associate professor of nursing at the IU School of Nursing, Tuesday, Feb. 28, at the IU National Center of Excellence in Women's Health Noon Lecture Series.

The noon program, "Being a Survivor is More Than a Label: Quality of Life in African American Women with Breast Cancer" will be in the IU Cancer Research Institute auditorium. Lunch will be provided and CME credit is available. Reservations are not required.

For additional information, contact Tina Darling at 278-7253 or tdarling@iupui.edu, or see www.iupui.edu/~womenhlt/.

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Schwartz to present at Seminars in Medical Humanities

Seminars in Medical Humanities and Bioethics Medical Humanities Program at IUPUI in conjunction with the Indiana University Center for Bioethics will host Peter H. Schwartz, MD, PhD, core faculty member, IU Center for Bioethics, and assistant professor of medicine. He will present "Risky Ethics: Patient Understanding in Screening and Prevention" from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, March 3, in the Ruth Lilly Medical Library, room 301.

Every day patients must make decisions relying on judgments about risk and probability but studies show that

patients have limited understanding of these concepts and make persistent mistakes applying them. This problem undermines the "autonomy" model of medical decision making, suggesting that requiring patients to make independent decisions may lead them to make bad ones. This talk will explore the ethical questions involved in balancing beneficence and autonomy in this area, especially in the setting of screening and prevention in general medicine.

Dr. Schwartz received his MD and PhD in philosophy from the University of Pennsylvania and completed his residency in internal medicine at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. He taught previously at Boston University.

The presentation is open to the public, but space is limited. Call Kelly Canaday at 278-1669, or email medicalhumanities@gmail.com to reserve a spot.

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Inaugural Kenya Medical Scholarship endowment event – March 8

Faculty Women will launch the Kenya Medical Scholarship endowment fund on Wednesday, March 8, with an international celebration. The event will take place in the Herron School of Art galleries from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Join the fellowship, enjoy fine art and a selection of international wines and hearty appetizers while supporting students interested in making a difference. Herron galleries will be open and those in attendance will be able to participate in a silent auction of American artists' works to support Imani Workshops, an economic development arm of the IUSM AMPATH program in Eldoret. Imani crafts also will be available for purchase.

Reservations can be made by mailing a check, made out to Faculty Women's Club, to Mary Cook, 312 W. North St., Indianapolis 46202, or call 636-0138. The cost is \$40 per person and the deadline is **Wednesday, March 1**.

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IU hosts National Conference on Dual Diagnosis

The National Conference on Dual Diagnosis: Integrating Neurobiological, Psychiatric, and Social Systems Perspectives on Co-occurring Substance Use Disorders and Mental Illness is the first multidisciplinary event dedicated to the topic of dual diagnosis held in the United States.

The purpose of the March 2-3 conference is to exchange and disseminate scientific information on the neuroscience, clinical phenomenology and societal impact of substance use disorders in people with mental illness and to provide an intensive and comprehensive examination of the serious and broad issue of co-occurring substance use disorders and mental illness.

For additional information, see www.iupui.edu/~psycdept/ncdd.htm, or call Kellie Hindman at 278-5838.

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Darwin Day Conference at IUPUI

The Center for Inquiry Community of Indiana is hosting a Darwin Day Conference, Saturday, March 4, in room 100 of the Lecture Hall, 325 University Boulevard. The conference, which is free to Friends of the Center, students and teachers, will be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Several distinguished speakers and panelists will debate evolution/intelligent design. The program is approved for CRUs for teachers and graduate credit through IUPUI. For additional information or to register, see www.centerforinquiry.net/indy.

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Mark your calendar for Biomarkers Lecture

The Office of Technology Commercialization in partnership with Bindley Bioscience Center at Purdue University is sponsoring a special lecture, "Biomarkers: Issues and Advancements."

The presentation will be from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday, March 9, in room 121 of the Purdue University Burton D. Morgan Center for Entrepreneurship.

Participants will have the opportunity to learn more about biomarkers and their importance to advances in the medical field, learn about Purdue research in the biomarkers field, and hear industry's interest and concerns with biomarkers. Speakers will include Purdue scientists and life science companies.

Admission is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, contact Sue Grimes at 765-494-5858, or email sgrimes@purdue.edu.

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Reservations now open for Health Care Heroes awards breakfast

Finalists for the annual Health Care Heroes Awards include six individuals affiliated with IU. Health Care Heroes awards will be presented Friday, March 10, at the Westin Indianapolis, 50 S. Capitol Ave, in five categories: Community Achievement in Health Care, Advancements in Health Care, Physician, Non-Physician, and Volunteer.

IUSM finalists and their categories are:

- **Advancements in Health Care** – Michael Kraus, MD, and J. Marc Overhage, MD, PhD
- **Physician** – Rafat Abonour, MD, and Roberta Hibbard, MD
- **Non-Physician** – Patricia Ebright, RN and DNS
- **Volunteer** – Mike Smith

The awards ceremony is from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and reservations are being accepted by the *Indianapolis Business Journal* online at www.ibj.com. The deadline is **Friday, March 3**. This is the sixth year for the award recognition program.

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IUPUI surpasses United Way goal

IUPUI has exceeded its 2005 United Way campaign goal of \$335,000 by raising \$340,141. Thanks are extended to all the employees who participated in the campaign.

For additional information about the campaign, see www.iupui.edu/~uwaycamp.

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Honors

Marilyn Bull, MD, the Morris Green Professor of Pediatrics at IUSM, is the recipient of one of the three national awards presented by Castle Connolly Medical Ltd. for Physician of the Year. Dr. Bull joined Riley Hospital in 1976. She founded the Section of Neurodevelopmental Pediatrics and directs the Automotive Safety for Children Program and the Indiana Partnership for the Prevention of Firearm Violence. The Physician of the Year awards for clinical excellence will

be presented at a dinner March 15 at the Metropolitan Club in New York City. Castle Connolly publishes the *America's Top Doctors* series.

Andrew Chambers, MD, assistant professor of psychiatry and director of the Laboratory for Translational Neuroscience of Dual Diagnosis Disorders, has been awarded the APIRE/AstraZeneca Young Minds in Psychiatry Award. The \$45,000 award will support his schizophrenia research. This is the second consecutive year that an IUSM psychiatry faculty member has won this prestigious international award.

Michael Ney, MHA, vice-chair for academic support, technology and mission management in the Department of Surgery has been appointed to two state organizations. The Indiana State Library recently appointed him to the Indiana State Library Advisory Council for the next two years. He also will serve on its economic development and disaster planning committees. In addition, Ney has been re-commissioned in the Indiana Guard Reserve. The Guard Reserve's mission is to maintain, organize, and train military forces capable of timely and effective response in support of orders from the Governor of Indiana under all conditions prescribed by the civil statutes of Indiana. Ney, a Vietnam veteran and former National Guard member will command and help in the development of a medical detachment to be used in state-wide disasters.

Ora Hirsch Pescovitz, MD, IUSM executive associate dean for research affairs and CEO at Riley Hospital, recently was the recipient of the 2006 Leading Light Award for Outstanding Contribution to Health, Life Science, Physical Science or Agri-Science presented by Women and Hi Tech. The category recognizes individuals who have directly affected organizations in these fields through research and development for a company product, technical support, technical writing, systems development or systems support. Amy Jo Hatfield, assistant librarian in the Ruth Lilly Medical Library, was first finalist in the Distinguished Use of Technology in Healthcare Delivery category. Women and Hi Tech is a non-profit organization addressing the needs of women in high tech industries in Central Indiana and encourage more women to consider careers in technology.

Rock Tiffault, MD, assistant professor of clinical family medicine and assistant residency director for IU Family Practice Residency, has been accepted into the 2006 Association of Departments of Family Medicine Fellowship Program. The purpose of the ADFM is to promote the philosophy and interests of family medicine in medical schools and to support research and scholarship within activities in family medicine in United States medical schools. Dr. Tiffault's participation in the February 22-25, meeting in Albuquerque, New Mexico, will constitute his fellowship activities.

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This week on Sound Medicine

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 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. Co-hosts of this week's program are Ora Pescovitz, MD, and Kathy Miller, MD.

Guests will include Harold Burstein, MD, who will discuss his research on low-dose chemotherapy for breast cancer patients. Dr. Burstein is a medical oncologist in the Breast Oncology Center of the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston and an assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School.

Wulf Utian, MD, will provide updates on the current trends in hormone replacement therapy. Dr. Utian is the executive director of the North American Menopause Society and has written five books on menopause. Hormone replacement therapy for menopausal women has been a controversial topic since a 2002 study on the risks that come with it. Since then, many studies have been published regarding the risks and benefits of HRT.

Is soy a good way to prevent breast cancer or does taking soy actually increase a women's risk of developing breast cancer? Kathy Miller, MD, a Sound Medicine co-host and a breast cancer specialist, will review the facts on soy and breast cancer.

Michael Robertson, MD, explains what a new trend called "personalized medicine" can mean for the future of

medicine. Dr. Robertson is the principal investigator of a clinical trial for the personalized cancer vaccine, Favid. He is the director of the lymphoma program at the IU Cancer Center. Also, joining Sound Medicine is one of Dr. Robertson's patients diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in early 2005 who has participated in the clinical trial on Favid.

Sound Medicine essayist and Indianapolis-based science writer Eric Metcalf shares a conversation with his mother about the health advice she and many mothers give their children.

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

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Scientific Calendar online

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.

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- e-mail the information to mhardin@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Mary Hardin, Z-7, Ste. 306, IUPUI
- fax your information to (317) 278-8722

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format.

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- 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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