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>> TAKE NOTE !

USF Health Choir (formerly Choir of the College of Public Health)

Many of you at COPH remember the Talent Show, organized by the Global Health Student Association back in March of this year. The Choir of the College was one of the featured groups of talented people and it was an instant success. At that time the Choir consisted of 10 people (students, staff and faculty), and we decided to continue singing and expand it across USF HEALTH. Doctoral student Cara de la Cruz, who did most of the organization of the COPH Choir agreed to continue as the choir's Executive Manager. Today we have a list of about 25 people and are practicing hard for an All-Mozart Concert to be held this coming Sunday (May 21st at 3 p.m.) at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit in Safety Harbor, where yours truly is Director of Music and Organist. The USF HEALTH CHOIR will be guest performers in addition to the Church's own Choir, Chimes Ensemble and an Instrumental Group of professional musicians. The concert is to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Wolfgang Amadeus MOZART, this unique genius, who during his short life of 35 years gave us the gift of over 600 compositions. Of these the audience will listen to song-variations (composed at the age of ten), excerpts from four choral compositions ("Exultate, jubilate...", "Agnus Dei...", "Ave verum...", and "Lacrimosa..." from the Requiem - the latter two were written in the last year of his life) and excerpts from various other pieces (Sonata, Fantasy for "Flute Clock" and "Adagio for Glass Harmonica", this last piece will be performed by the Chimes Ensemble). There will be several vocal soloists who were chosen from the two choirs. The one-hour long concert will be a true expression of Mozart's art and the USF HEALTH CHOIR will be the largest and the most rehearsed group in the entire ensemble. I recommend this concert to everyone who has an interest in serious classical music, in the cultural aspects of USF HEALTH, and wants to listen to Mozart's ingenious, beautiful and soothing music.

Unfortunately, to cover the expenses of professional instrumental musicians, we have to charge for tickets. Tickets are available from me (or from the Church) at \$ 5.00 per person (at the door tickets will be \$ 8.00). Incidentally, the Church can be reached (simplest route) via Interstate 275 South to the airport exit and then on Rt. 60 West through the Courtney Campbell Causeway to Clearwater. As soon as you get to the Pinellas Peninsula watch for the Bay-Shore Drive at right (about the third light). On winding Bay-Shore go about two miles north to the stop sign in down-town Safety Harbor. Go straight on Philippe Parkway (continuation of Bay-Shore) to the "fork" about 0.2 mile, where the Church is located. The parking lot is to the right and there is also parking on the streets around the Church property. There will be a reception at the Parish Hall after the concert with refreshments provided.

After the concert, the Choir will be on summer vacation until the fall, when we will be resuming rehearsals on Mondays at 5 p.m. at the EOH conference room. Our plans for the fall and winter: Visit hospitals, retirement and nursing homes to spread the culture of good music and to entertain and heal the old and the sick. This way we will truly contribute to the betterment of Public Health. Eventually performances at convocations and graduations will also be on our schedule if there is a need for it and if we are invited.

Come to the Mozart Concert and hear the CHOIR OF USF HEALTH live (eventually we will be recording a CD!).

Dr. Eugene L. Szonntag, Professor, Environmental and Occupational Health

HEPATITIS AWARENESS MONTH - HEPATITIS TESTING DAY

May 16, 2006

--Hepatitis: It's a Serious Disease, Learn the Facts--

May is Hepatitis Awareness Month, so throughout the month, the Hillsborough County Health Department is sponsoring activities related to education, prevention, and treatment for viral hepatitis. The Hillsborough County Health Department will be offering a free day of testing for hepatitis B, hepatitis C, HIV, and syphilis from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM, Tuesday, May 16th at 1105 E. Kennedy Blvd. in downtown Tampa. For more information, please call (813) 307-8010.

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3rd Annual Friends and Family Community Day - May 20, 2006

The Central Hillsborough Healthy Start Project believe that raising healthy children and promoting healthy families certainly raises hope for the world. Together we have a very special opportunity to provide health education and other valuable resources for the community. USF/Central Hillsborough Healthy Start Project will be collaborating with The City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department with their 3rd Annual Friends and Family Community Day Saturday May 20th, 2006 10:00am-2:00pm at the NFL Youth Education Town Center at Jackson Heights 3310 East Lake Avenue Tampa, FL. There will be free Health Screenings,

Community Resources and Fun Activities. Some of the venues will include: diabetes screening, moonwalk, cholesterol screening, face painting, pregnancy testing, arts & crafts, Prevent Blindness of Florida, food, door prizes, and retired NFL Players. Please come out and show your support.

Correction to Error in May 8th Monday Letter

Donna Shanklin & Evelyn Williams at KidCare Fair

Please note that the picture to the left was incorrectly captioned in last week's Monday Letter. I send my apologies out to Evelyn and Marilyn Williams for this error. The photo caption has been corrected in this issue.

>> Administration

Welcome to Ms. Paula Knaus and Ms. Sandy Wirth

Please welcome to the College of Public Health Dean's Office staff, Ms. Paula Knaus and Ms. Sandy Wirth. Ms. Knaus joins us as the Associate Dean for Faculty and Staff Affairs and comes from Faculty Affairs at USF Health. Ms. Wirth joins us as Ms. Knaus' assistant, also from Faculty Affairs at USF Health. Stop by the Dean's office and welcome them both.

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>>Students



Congratulations to Ms. Trudnak, Mr. Hoare, Ms. August, Ms. Phillips, and Mr. Gronow!

On behalf of the USF College of Public Health, the Student Affairs Committee is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2005-2006 Sam Bell and Lee Leavengood Scholarship Awards.

For the Sam Bell Endowed Scholarship, which is based on need and outstanding academic and professional achievement, the recipients are Ms. Tara Trudnak, Mr. Ismael Hoare, and Ms. Euna August.

For the Lee Leavengood Senior Program Scholarship, which supports a student displaying an interest and leadership in studies related to aging, the recipient is Ms. Karon Phillips.

On behalf of the USF College of Public Health, the Department of Health Policy and Management is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2005-2006 Carl Gelin Scholarship Award.

For the Carl Gelin Endowed Scholarship, which supports a student majoring in Health Policy and Management, the recipient is Mr. Thomas Gronow.

Congratulations to Reenal Doshi

Reenal Doshi is a member of the second cohort of students in Duke University's Global Health Fellows Program. She will begin her fellowship in Geneva in with the WHO in June. The program equips students to join in the fight against HIV/AIDS, malaria, TB and other pressing health challenges. For more information, visit www.pubpol.duke.edu/centers/ghf. Doshi is a Global Health student and her advisor is Dr. Tom Mason.

Student Research: For information on additional internal (USF) and external funding opportunities for COPH students, go to <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/fundingoppps.html>. For more info on the Student Honorary Award for Research and Practice "SHARP" awards go to <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/sharp.html>.

Student Service: To find out about additional service opportunities for the spring available through the USF Health Service Corps, COPH students may also look at the web site at <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/ahec/servicecorps.html> for more info about the USF Health Student Service Corps. The calendar at <http://my.calendars.net/servicecorps> as well as the web site at <http://www.hsc.usf.edu/ahec/hscevents.html> have been updated, and there are handouts at the display table near snack area.

Students are needed to help with fitting helmets and bike safety education next Saturday at the **May 20 Friends and Family Community Health Fair** at the Jackson Heights NFL (YET) Center 3310 E. Lake Ave. Tampa, FL 33610 from just 10:00am to noon. Please sign up with ekent@health.usf.edu. Thanks!

Here is a great opportunity for students interested in automobile safety. <http://carcrash.org/AAAMGrant.pdf>. The AAAM Endowment Fund has been established by donations from members of the Association to provide graduate student stipends for research in epidemiology, biomechanics and other areas of concern and interest of the Association. Successful applicants will be awarded \$10,000 each.

Important Dates

Friday, May 26, 2006

Dean's Public Health Lecture Series - 12-1 pm, 1023A COPH
Dr. Henry Falk: "Environmental Public Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention"

Links of Interest

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