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>> TAKE NOTE !

College of Public Health's Global Health Synergy Social on November 18th was a great success—40 researchers from 11 colleges and institutions gathered to explore potential research collaboration on Global Health with one another. A new request for multi-disciplinary Proposals in Global Health was issued for the participating researchers, with a deadline of January 9, 2006.

Thanks to all for your participation, support and hard work!

Representative Board Members Selected for the National Board of Public Health Examiners

Twelve public health leaders have been selected to serve on the inaugural Board of Directors of the National Board of Public Health Examiners. These twelve individuals will serve as representatives of the organizations that have been collaborating to develop a credential for public health graduates. An additional six to 12 at-large Board Members will be selected by a nominating committee comprised of several members of the Board of Directors. The Interim President, Dr. Charles Mahan, will continue to provide leadership to the organization and Ms. Gillian Silver, interim board administrator, will continue to provide staff support. The Board will hold its first meeting in December 2005. Dr. Donna Petersen, Dean, University of South Florida College of Public Health will be one of four representatives from the Association of Schools for Public Health. Congratulations go out to both Drs. Mahan and Petersen! From ASPH Friday Letter #1387.

Students



Shalewa Noel-Thomas Presents at Conference

Shalewa Noel-Thomas, M.P.H., CFH doctoral student, presented a poster titled "Rapid HIV Testing Strategies in Labor and Delivery Settings to Reduce Perinatal HIV Transmission: The Florida Experience". The poster was presented at the 18th Annual National Conference of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care on November 18th -20th in Orlando. The poster highlighted the rapid HIV testing implementation in labor and delivery initiative. Funded by the Florida Department of Health, this program is a collaborative project between the USF Center for HIV Education and Research, the University of Miami School of Medicine, the University of Florida -Jacksonville, and the Florida Department of Health.

New Spring Course for Doctoral Students

Spring course: Advanced Gene Regulation Technologies
GMS7930.022S06, TTh 2-4p, MDC 3510

Course is designed to provided doctoral students in the biological sciences with an update of the advances in gene regulation, including the regulation of transcription, translation, and protein function. Example topics: chromatin modifying enzymes, micro-RNAs in development, and the regulation of protein processing. The first half of the course will represent faculty presentations and faculty led discussions. The second half the course will explore, with student presentations, gene regulation technologies used in patient therapy and in the biotechnology industry. The course will be based largely on review articles and original research articles. Course director: George Blanck, Ph.D, Professor, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, gblanci@hsc.usf.edu.

Student Service and Research Information

Feel free to check out your new bulletin boards upstairs (located next to the copy center) with student service and research opportunities. Students may also look at

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the web site at http://www.hsc.usf.edu/ahec/hsc_events.html for service opportunities. For information on additional internal (USF) and external funding opportunities for COPH students, go to <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/fundingopps.html>.

Students are encouraged to apply for the COPH Student Research Scholarship (SRS) awards again this year. The deadline date will be Monday, January 23, 2006, see website at <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/srsawards.html> For more info on the Student Honorary Award for Research and Practice "SHARP" awards go to <http://publichealth.usf.edu/officeresearch/sharp.html>

Meeting Scholarships Available

A limited number of scholarships are available to help students attend the Association for Community Health Improvement's (ACHI) Spring Training for Health Champions conference. (March 14-16, 2006) These scholarships are available to students in health administration and policy, public health, public administration and related fields. Successful applicants will be able to register for the conference for only \$70 and will receive a one-year, complimentary ACHI membership. In addition to participating in all conference activities, accepted students will be paired with an ACHI member in advance of the meeting, who will serve as a "mentor" or guide during the meeting. To qualify for consideration, students must be full-time undergraduate seniors or graduate level degree candidates. Go to <http://www.communityhlth.org/communityhlth/conference/annual06.html> and click on 'Students, see this special opportunity' and save to your computer

HSC Service Corps and Pediatric Interest Group Fundraising Event! Students can participate in a fantastic new fundraising event to raise money for All Children's Hospital! HSC students can paint pottery (a tile, mug, or plate) as a gift for a friend or relative for the holidays.....

When: Saturday, December 3rd (12-3 pm)

Where: COM picnic area overlooking Lake Behnke. Directions: Go to the USF health bookstore, go out to the parking lot, and turn to your right...there will be signs

Why: To raise funds for All Children's Hospital!

What to Do: (1) Choose your own piece(s) of pottery (tiles, plates, mugs, holiday pieces) to paint as holiday gifts for family or friends; (2) Pick up your fired/glazed pottery piece(s) on Dec. 9th from COPH Room 2023. Questions? Contact Ellen Kent, MPH, at ekent@hsc.usf.edu.

Prices: \$ 7 or \$8 and for each pottery piece that you paint, you pay - 60% for the price of the piece and the remainder is donated to the fundraiser.

Join Volunteer USF and Student Government in Celebrating USF's 50th Anniversary & Dr. King's Day of Service on Saturday, January 21 from 8:30 am to 2 PM. Stampede of Service (SOS '06) is the biggest community service project ever at USF that you don't want to miss!!! Come and make a difference in East Tampa by taking part in planting, rehabilitation projects, and much more!!!! Organizations with the most volunteers will be rewarded for their service. Remember to sign up in Volunteer USF (CTR 246). For more information call 974.5053 or e-mail vservices@admin.usf.edu.

Fill out the application at this website:
<http://ctr.usf.edu/volunteer/SOSApplication.pdf>.

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Alumni**Update on Gabriela Ramirez-Garnica, PhD, MPH (EPB, 2003)**

Gabriela, a graduate of the EPB PhD program, is employed by the Nemours Foundation as the Associate Director of the Nemours Clinical Management Program. In this capacity, she works on clinical epidemiology, health services and program evaluation projects with a focus on pediatrics. Results of one project were published this month in the American Journal of Public Health. See Nathanson I, Ramirez-Garnica G, Armatti Willtrout S. Decreased attendance at cystic fibrosis centers by children covered by managed care insurance. American Journal of Public Health 95[11], 1958-1963.

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>>Administration**Congratulations to June Lake and Chris Bahl**

We would like to send out congratulations to June Lake and Chris Bahl who were both married over the Thanksgiving weekend. June was married on Saturday, November 26th to Michael Moore. Chris was married on Sunday, November 27th to Rupa. We wish both of them many years of happiness.

Important Time Sheet Information

Time sheets and Time logs for the pay period 10/7/05-10/20/05 will be due to CPH-HR by Friday, October 14, 2005. Employees using the old forms for time sheets and time logs will not be accepted. If you need a new time sheet or time log, please contact Amy Tinkler at astahlbe@hsc.usf.edu.

We're approaching the holiday season, and that means time sheets and time logs will be due earlier than usual. Please take note of the following dates in which time logs & time sheets are due; failure to submit time sheets & time logs by the following dates may result in a delay of receiving your pay check:

12/2/05 - 12/15/05 - **DUE Thurs, 12/8/05**
12/16/05-12/29/05 (Holidays 12/23, 12/26)-**DUE Mon, 12/19/05**

Important Dates

Upcoming Holidays (COPH will be closed):
December 23, 26 - Christmas Holiday
December 30 and January 2, 2006 - New Year's Holiday

APHA 133rd Annual Meeting & Exposition is being moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, **December 10-14, 2005**. Updates will also be posted to the APHA Web site (www.apha.org).

Field Experience Debriefing Dates:
Global Health -Tuesday, Dec. 6th, 10-11am, COPH 1122
Comm. & Family Health-Thurs., Dec. 8, 9:30-11am, COPH 2024
EOH-Thurs., Dec. 8, 11am-noon, COPH 1122
HPM-Friday, Dec. 9, 1:30-2:30pm COPH 1122

Mandatory Field Experience Orientation
Spring Domestic Field Experience Orientation: **January 5**, 11 am - noon, Distance Learning Studio (COPH 2004).
Spring International Field Experience Orientation: **January 5**, 12:30-1:30pm, Distance Learning Studio (COPH 2004)

>> Faculty**Dr. Jay Wolfson Gives Lecture**

Dr. Jay Wolfson was the Fall 2005 Honors Excellence Lecturer at Florida International University presenting "Defined by her dying, not her death: lessons from the Schiavo experience". On 10 November 2005 in Miami.

Dr. Reid Has Article Published

Dr. Michael Reid, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, and Dr. Danielle Landis, Department of Global Health, recently had their article "The Public Health Leadership Institute of Florida: Training Leaders and Linking Academic Public Health with the Practice Community" published in the *Florida Public Health Review* (Volume 2, pages 121-125)

Dr. Aurora Sánchez-Anguiano Presents at Meeting

Dr. Aurora Sánchez-Anguiano, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, was invited by the Center for Border Health Research (CBHR) in El Paso, TX to present on November 11, 2005 a seminar on surveillance systems in its sister city, Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico. This is part of the series of workshops entitled, "Principles of Epidemiology." The workshop series is in support of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) certificate examination of the same name. The current series has 15 participants from different professions, predominantly physicians in charge of public health programs in hospitals and clinics in the region, as well as from the Department of Health of the State of Chihuahua.

Links of Interest

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