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Partnerships *strengthen* Cancer Center

The University of Kansas Cancer Center. That's a name you'll be seeing a lot more in the weeks and months to come.

The University of Kansas Medical Center and The University of Kansas Hospital have partnered to form The University of Kansas Cancer Center with the University of Kansas at Lawrence, the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita, and the members of the Midwest Cancer Alliance, which is a network of hospitals and physician groups dedicated to cancer research

throughout the state of Kansas and western Missouri.

This partnership is part of the 2007 affiliation agreement among the hospital, medical center and

Combining strengths

Medical center and hospital leaders believe this brand partnership encompasses the strengths of both institutions, from groundbreaking cancer research to

and into the clinic," said **Roy Jensen, MD**, director, The University of Kansas Cancer Center.

While 63 medical institutions in the U.S. have been awarded NCI designation, none exists in Kansas. The closest are in St. Louis and Omaha, Neb.

NCI designated cancer centers are considered the hallmark of cancer programs. "This designation will not only reduce the burden of cancer, but it will reduce hardships on families seeking access to clinical trials," said **Jeff Wright**, executive director, Cancer Services, hospital.

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the Kansas University Physicians, Inc.

As part of The University of Kansas Cancer Center effort, a joint logo, messaging and fund development activities have been created to build community awareness and support.

the highest-quality patient care, and that the partnership will help support a successful application for National Cancer Institute (NCI) designation.

"We want to be the best place in the world to foster ideas coming out of the lab

'Heroes' honored in *Ingram's*

A renowned campus physician and an administrative assistant from the University of Kansas Medical Center have been named "Heroes in Healthcare" by *Ingram's* magazine.

Marc Asher, MD, University Distinguished Professor, Orthopedic Surgery, and **Sandra**

Walker, administrative assistant, Department of Urology, are featured in the magazine's February issue. *Ingram's* annually honors Kansas City area health care employees who go above and beyond in contributions to their institutions and the health care industry.

Asher received the Lifetime Service Award, honoring individuals who have devoted a substantial part of their lives to the selfless service of others.

For more than 35 years, Asher has been dedicated to the academic practice of orthopedic surgery, including clinical research. In 1989, he and his colleagues introduced a spinal implant system that became one of the most commonly used in the world to treat spine deformities. Asher retired from clinical practice in 2002. He continues his clinical research, as well as staff recruitment and development for Orthopedic Surgery.

For many years, he and his wife, **Ellie**, have been major donors to orthopedic research on campus. The Marc A. Asher, MD, Comprehensive Spine Center at The University of Kansas Hospital bears his name in recognition of his contributions to improving the lives of people with spine conditions. It opened in November 2008.

Sandra Walker received the magazine's Auxiliary Staff Service Award. She has

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worked with the Department of Urology for 27 years and is a dedicated “go-to” person for patients as well as physicians.

Walker was honored for her tireless dedication to being there for patients, whether that means scheduling appointments, coordinating appointments for anesthesia, lab work and X-rays, or simply answering questions about a condition or diagnosis.

“I love working with our patients,” she said. “I enjoy getting to know them and finding the best ways to help them with their needs. Sometimes I spend more time with someone who has cancer, just talking and helping that person feel better – and to know someone else has been down that road,” she said.

Asher, Walker and the magazine’s other award

recipients will be honored at a breakfast Friday, March 13, at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown.

eXtra: You can read “Heroes in Healthcare” at ingramsonline.com.

Employee health review required

The University of Kansas Hospital requires all employees to have an annual health review. Your manager will notify you when it’s time for your annual health review. Contact the Occupational Health Clinic, 8-6512, to schedule an appointment. At that time, a clinician will review your vaccination and immunity status and schedule any needed exams, tests or vaccines.

Kansas health assessment

The state of Kansas requires employees to have a periodic health assessment to evaluate their fitness for

In memoriam

The hospital is saddened by the loss of **David Woods**, who died March 6 at the hospital following a lengthy illness.

An employee of The University of Kansas Hospital and the University of Kansas Medical Center for more than 30 years, he held a variety of positions and was most recently office supervisor for the Department of Nursing.

He will be remembered for his giving nature, steadfast friendship and his love for his hospital family.

Memorial services are 2 p.m. Thursday, March 12, in Battenfeld Auditorium. Woods’ family members will greet friends at 1 p.m. and encourage attendees to wear a bit of green in his honor, as he took great pride in his Irish heritage. Burial will be in Humboldt, Kan., his hometown. Memorial donations are suggested to the Kansas City Zoo, 6800 Zoo Drive, Kansas City, Mo., 64138, Attention: **Laura Berger**.

work. This assessment will be conducted every two years during your annual health review. There is usually no physical exam. You need only to answer a series of questions. All medical information will be kept confidential.

Less-frequent TB testing

The Centers for Disease Control has changed its guidelines regarding

tuberculosis testing. Now, if an employee does not share air space with patients, periodic TB testing is not required. For employees who share air space with patients, TB testing is required every other year.

For more information, contact **Jan Wesselmann, RN**, manager, Employee Health, 8-2080.

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Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation bestows grant

Phoebe Williams, RN, PhD, professor, University of Kansas School of Nursing (far left), recently received a ceremonial check from the Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF) for her study to develop a child-friendly and clinically usable therapy-related symptom checklist. The \$100,000 grant is for a two-year project. Attendees included (second from left) **David Brownstein, ALSF**; **Lavonne Ridder, CPON**, Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, the University of Kansas Medical Center, and **Arthur Williams, PhD**, Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, co-investigators with Williams on the grant; **Mark Mozer, MD**, and **Cat Hamilton**, Kansas City ALSF committee; **Marge Bott, RN, PhD**, associate dean, KU School of Nursing; and **Kara Cunningham**, Kansas City ALSF committee.

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eXtracurricular

Thursday, March 12

HISTORY & PHILOSOPHY OF Medicine Lecture Series: "Can Numbers Lie? Case Studies in Statistics and Health Care in New York City, 1915-1930," Tanya Hart, 4:30 p.m. reception, 5 p.m. lecture, Clendening Auditorium.

LUNG CANCER SUPPORT Group: Second and fourth Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Atrium Conference Room, Westwood Campus.

Friday, March 13

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "So You'd Like to Live Forever and Not Get Alzheimer's Disease," Russell Swerdlow, MD, 6:45-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC GRAND Rounds: James Riviello Jr., MD, 8-9 a.m., Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR Symposium Honoring Dale Abrahamson, PhD: "Kidney Filtration Apparatus: Molecular Insights from Goodpasture and Alport Syndromes," Billy Hudson, PhD, 3 p.m., Lied Auditorium, reception follows in Hixson Atrium. Information: Kelly Hutsell, 8-2695.

Monday, March 16

MOLECULAR & INTEGRATIVE Physiology Seminar: "Cardiac Autonomic Neuroplasticity in Congestive Heart Failure," Wohaib Hasan, PhD, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Beller Conference Center.

Wednesday, March 18

STORYTELLING SERIES, Landon Center on Aging: "Why Write Your Life Story," Rolland Love, noon-1 p.m., 200 Landon Center. Reservations: Matt Chandler, 8-3094.

CANCER WELLNESS Program: "Health Information on the Internet," Lynn Marzinski, RN, 1-2:30 p.m., Atrium Conference Room, Westwood Campus. Register: 8-1227.

Thursday, March 19

CERTIFIED NURSES DAY Reception: 2-4 p.m., 5003 hospital. Information: Mary Bianchi, MSN, 8-7837.

BLOOD & MARROW TRANS-plant Support Group: First and third Thursdays, 1-2:30 p.m., Atrium Conference Room, Westwood Campus, Information: 8-1227.

US, TOO, PROSTATE CANCER Support Group: Third Thursdays, 7-9 p.m., Rieke Auditorium.

Friday, March 20

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "Controversies in Stroke Management," Frank Yatsu, MD, 6:45-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC GRAND Rounds: "The Blessing and 'Curse' of Botallo's Foramen," Leone Mattioli, MD, 8-9 a.m., Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

PSYCHIATRY GRAND Rounds: "In the Blink of an Eye: Implications for Sensorimotor Gating Research in Clinical Psychiatry," Albert (Buddy) Poje, PhD, 10:30 a.m.-noon, 3015 Sudler Auditorium.

"LOOK GOOD, FEEL BETTER" Cancer Patient Support Group: 1 p.m., Atrium Conference Room, Westwood Campus. Register: 8-1227.

Saturday, March 21

BRAIN DISCOVERY FAIR: 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Beller Conference Center. Free workshop-based activity for students and parents. View real human brains, brain and nervous tissue, meet neuroscientists and more. Information: www2.kumc.edu/sfnkc.

Match Day links students with residencies

Graduating students from the University of Kansas School of Medicine will be paired with residency programs throughout the country on Match Day, Thursday, March 19.

At 11 a.m. in Battenfeld Auditorium, students will walk on stage one by one to open envelopes that reveal their residency assignments. About 125 students will participate this year.

Match Day is the final step in the residency-matching process that starts when students interview for spots in residency programs and rank their favorites. Using a computerized system, the National Resident Matching Program weighs the placement preferences of doctors-in-waiting with the preferences of the residency programs to which students have applied. The results are then sent to medical schools nationwide for distribution on the same day.

Gift basket auction will benefit Street Fair

The University of Kansas Medical Center Student Governing Council (SGC) is seeking themed gift basket donations for a silent auction Tuesday, March 31, through Thursday, April 2. The auction benefits the 10th annual KUMC Street Fair Saturday, April 4.

The gift baskets will be displayed at various locations across campus. Proceeds from the silent auction typically make up a large percentage of money earned at the Street Fair, which is then donated to a charitable group. This year's proceeds will go to the Rosedale Development Association.

To donate a basket or to learn more, contact **Andrea D'Achiardi**, Street Fair chair, adachiardi@kumc.edu, or **Ryan Gove**, director, Student Engagement, rgove@kumc.edu.

This year's Street Fair is at Rosedale Middle School, 3600 Springfield St., Kansas City, Kan. The free event features rides, food, games, live entertainment, health education and screenings, and other activities.

Auxiliary to tour National WWI Museum

Members of the University of Kansas Medical Center Auxiliary will take a guided tour of the National World War I Museum Thursday, March 19.

The tour will begin at 10 a.m. at the museum, 100 W. 26th St., Kansas City, Mo. It will be followed by lunch on site at the Over There Café. Museum entrance fee is \$7; \$6 for seniors. Lunch is \$9, to be paid at the event.

Designated by Congress as the nation's official World War I Museum, it uses interactive technology and a collection of memorabilia to present the era's history. Contact **Carrie Slattery**, Cash Office, 5-5641, to make a reservation and lunch selection.

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Vehicles

2003 HONDA VT1100C Shadow Spirit, 3.3K, like new. 913-526-4945.

1998 ACURA 3.2TL, 170K, black exterior, leather interior, moon roof, new tires, 1 owner, all maintenance performed, service records, \$4,000 OBO. 913-522-9327.

1998 MAZDA 626, 141K, recent tune-up, rebuilt transmission, salvage title, mechanic owned/ repaired, cruise, tilt, AC/heat, radio/CD player, \$1,500 OBO. 913-568-9226.

For Sale

WEDDING RING SET, 14 kt. yellow gold bridal set, never worn, appraised at \$5,250, asking \$2,500. 816-591-1011.

MICHAEL KORS authentic East/West Satchel, brown, orange/tan trim, pockets on each side, 3 sections, brand new with dust cover, \$398 retail, asking \$180. 816-419-8263.

2 SLOT MACHINES, casino size with keys, tokens included or use quarters, \$200 and \$275 or \$450/pair. 816-804-5252.

WATERFORD CRYSTAL, discontinued "Sheila" pattern, white wine glasses, champagne flutes, sherry glasses, asking \$10 less

per stem than *replacements.com*. 913-671-6763.

NINTENDO WII, great condition, includes Wii console, Super Swing Golf game, wireless sensor bar, Wii remote, nunchuck controller, clear stand, AC adapter, AV cable, manual, \$250 OBO. 816-668-5538.

AREA RUG, 5' x 8,' cream colored shag, very good condition, no stains, smoke-free home, \$55. 816-872-4315.

WINE RACK, iron, excellent condition, \$20. 816-872-4315.

5-SHELF BOOKCASES, 2 available, \$10 each; 3-shelf black bookcase, \$5; 3-shelf brown bookcase with minor damage, \$4; you pick up. 605-659-4972.

MATCHING COACH bag and wallet, authentic Coach Signature Carly bag, khaki/black with matching Signature wallet, new with tags/dust cover, \$200 for both. 816-419-8263.

Housing

• FOR SALE

HOUSE, 3 BR, 1,700 sq. ft., in DeSoto. 913-585-1441.

CONDO, 2 BR, 3618 Wyoming St., KCMO, walking distance to KUMC, screened front porch, all appliances, hardwood floors,

arts and the ArtsKC Fund. It is open to The University of Kansas Hospital employees, staff and volunteers.

The contest has been expanded beyond photographs this year to include paintings, drawings, sculpture, textiles and other art forms. Participants submitting work other than photography must send a

Classified ads

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quiet 1-way street, \$65,000. 816-756-3237.

OLATHE HOUSE, 4 BR, 2 BA, 1 1/2 stories, master on main level, treed lot, finished basement, lots of upgrades, 5 minutes from I-35, \$180,000. 913-449-1950.

• FOR RENT

NORTHLAND TOWNHOME, 3 BR, 2 BA, large eat-in kitchen, living room, washer/dryer, basement, garage, maintenance free, newly remodeled, new appliances, furnace, AC, Twinhomes at Barry Park development, \$1,000/month. 816-914-6881.

TOWNHOME, 2 BR, 1 1/2 BA, 1941 Lawrence Ct., 1 mile north of KUMC, new kitchen appliances/cabinets, new carpeting, remodeled bathrooms, private back patio, garage, \$700/month. 913-432-2602.

DUPLEX, 3 BR, 2 BA, 1-car garage, \$850/month. 816-356-5151.

Pets

TEDDY the lovable Australian Shepherd/Golden Retriever mix, 4 years old, neutered, vaccinations current, well behaved, likes attention, good with other dogs but not cats. 816-728-3003.

digital photo of the piece, as actual art objects will not be accepted.

Contest guidelines and an online submission form are on 24/7 under Hospital/Community Involvement/ArtsKC. You can submit up to three digital photos of your original works of art. An entry form is required for each piece. If a photo

Wanted

SEWING MACHINE, gently used, for 11-year-old learning to sew. 816-425-5320.

UPRIGHT FREEZER, smaller size or frost-free chest freezer may work. 816-665-2298.

2 ROYALS TICKETS for Opening Day game Friday, April 10, will pay around \$100 for both. 816-807-9807.

eXtra: Find these and other classifieds on the hospital intranet, 24/7, intranet.kumed.com.

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Hospital sponsors art contest

Showcase your artistic side by entering the 2009 Art Is Everywhere Contest. The deadline for submitting entries is 5 p.m. Friday, March 27.

The contest is designed to promote awareness of the

includes a patient, you must submit a signed consent form with your entry.

The ArtsKC Fund provides financial support for a variety of arts organizations and programs in the metro area. The fundraising campaign will run Monday, March 23, through Friday, March 27.