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Nurses Week Honors Hospital's 1,500 Nurses

The dedicated nursing professionals at The University of Kansas Hospital are winners, every one. Each day, they provide compassionate patient care.



And during the hospital's Nurses Week celebration Monday, May 5, through Friday, May 9, they'll get a chance to be winners, literally. A fun new aspect of this year's activities is the

Nurses Week Trivia Contest, with a daily drawing for a \$100 gift certificate. (See back page.)

The Department of Nursing's Professionalism Council, chaired by **Karen Wray, RN**, director, Acute Care, and **Mary Bianchi, RN**, director, Women's/Child's Health, has planned activities around the theme, "Celebrating Our Nurses and the Difference They Make Every Day."

"Our nurses make a difference in the lives of our patients and their families every day," said **Tammy Peterman, RN, MS**, executive

2008 Nurses Week Activities

- **Monday, May 5**, 6:30-7:30 a.m.: Donuts for all nursing areas at the hospital and Westwood Campus
- **Tuesday, May 6**, Nurses Day gifts delivered
- **Wednesday, May 7**, 4 p.m., Rieke Auditorium: Nursing Excellence Awards winners announced by Tammy Peterman, RN, MS, executive vice president, chief operating officer and chief nursing officer
- **Thursday, May 8**, 4-6 p.m.: Cookies for all nursing areas at the hospital and Westwood Campus
- **Friday, May 9**, Managers' Choice appreciation: Each nursing manager will choose a special way to recognize employees. Managers also will send a specially designed Nurses Week card to each employee.

vice president, chief operating officer and chief nursing officer. "Their countless contributions have been key factors in the success of our hospital."

As a highlight of Nurses Week, Peterman will reveal

the names of the eight recipients of the Nursing Excellence Awards Wednesday, May 7. All nominees are invited to attend the announcement. The awards will be officially presented

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Child Health Center Will Mark 50 Years

The Center for Child Health and Development (CCHD) at the University of Kansas Medical Center will celebrate its 50th anniversary Friday, May 2. An open house from 2 to 7 p.m. will be at the center on Olathe Boulevard, directly across from Olathe Parking Garage.

During the event, staff will offer tours of the recently refurbished clinical area. From 4 to 6 p.m., children with disabilities will be honored for creating artwork at the Kemper Museum ArtReach project.

The event celebrates the center's half-century commitment to serving children with developmental disabilities and

Matt Reese, PhD, director, Center for Child Health and Development, works with a child at an outreach clinic in Dodge City, Kan.

their families. CCHD's goal is to accurately diagnose the child's problems, understand

the reasons for these behavioral challenges, and then

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recommend and provide the most effective treatments.

"Ideally, a child with a developmental issue should receive an early and accurate diagnosis. But for many families, it is difficult to obtain," said **Lisa Hull**, director, Operations, CCHD. "At the CCHD, we address the whole child. Providers from multiple disciplines contribute information to help reach a consensus on a diagnosis and to develop a cohesive treatment plan."

Disciplines include medicine, psychology, speech language pathology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, nutrition, social work and special education.

Matt Reese, PhD, CCHD director, is a nationally known leader in autism diagnosis and model program development.

"Our goal is to translate autism research into practice so families across Kansas and

the region can benefit from the latest findings available," Reese explained.

The CCHD is part of the Schiefelbusch Institute for Life Span Studies and the Kansas University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities.

eXtra: For more information, visit kumc.edu/cchd.

New Campus Safety Devices to Be Tested

Safety devices called Alertus are being installed on interior walls of the University of Kansas Medical Center buildings.

The small yellow units will be tested intermittently Monday, May 5, through Monday, June 2. During testing, you may hear an alarm and see a flashing red light and text on the display board.

Once operational, the Alertus system will allow KUMC's Police Department

to communicate with the campus in real time during emergencies. These include:

- Severe weather conditions requiring immediate action
- Situations affecting public safety
- Hazardous spills or environmental dangers

Watch *Center eXpress* and e-mail broadcasts for more information about Alertus, the system's "go live" date, and what to do if the alarm sounds during an emergency.

KUMC Honors Volunteer Efforts

The University of Kansas Medical Center's 8 in '08 campaign takes the spotlight during National Volunteer Week, which continues through Saturday, May 3.

The 8 in '08 campaign encourages KUMC faculty, staff and students to volunteer at least eight hours in the community in 2008.

Among opportunities:

- A Reach Out and Read lunch and learn program about volunteer opportunities, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, May 1, 1014 Orr-Major, with pizza for the first 25 attendees
- The 2008 Kansas City Heart Walk, 8 a.m. Saturday, May 31, Theis Park
- YouthFriends student mentoring program



KUMC asks those who volunteer to submit their hours on the External Affairs Web site: kumc.edu/community, Get Involved, Submit Hours. For more information about volunteer opportunities, contact **Paula Baum**, manager, Community Affairs, 8-1017, pbaum@kumc.edu.

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Griebing Invested in Urology Professorship

Tomas Griebing, MD, third from left, is the first recipient of the John P. Wolf 33rd^o Masonic Distinguished Professorship in Urology. He was honored at an April 11 ceremony. An associate professor and vice chair of Urology, Griebing joined the University of Kansas Medical Center in 1999. The cancer endowed chair is named for the late John Wolf, a Kansas City area Mason who died of prostate cancer. Urology faculty members, from left, include **Jeffrey Holzbeierlein, MD**; **John Weigel, MD**; the honoree; **J.B. Thrasher, MD**; **David Duchene, MD**; and **Ajay Nangia, MD**.



eXtracurricular

Please send news and calendar items to mmurphy@kumc.edu or contact Marli Murphy at 5-5192. Items must be received by noon on the Monday prior to publication.

Thursday, May 1

ANATOMY & CELL BIOLOGY SEMINAR: "Ramping Up CGRP Expression and Function: Potential Relevance to Migraine," Andrew Russo, PhD, University of Iowa, 4 p.m., Lied Auditorium.

Friday, May 2

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "Migraines and PFO," Srinivas Bandi, MD, 7-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY TUMOR Conference: 7:30 a.m., 3015 Sudler Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: "Childhood Depression," Martha Barnard, PhD, 8-9 a.m., Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

PSYCHIATRY GRAND ROUNDS: "22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome: A

Review and Case Report," Richard "Ryan" Brewington, MD, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Sudler Auditorium.

Monday, May 5

KUMC AUXILIARY BREAKFAST: 8-9 a.m. meal, followed by Auxiliary Board meeting, Varnes Conference Center, School of Nursing. Hosted by the hospital. Register: 5-5717 or vwiese@kumc.edu by 5 p.m. Thursday, May 1.

PATHOLOGY AND LABORATORY Medicine Grand Rounds: "Building and Maintaining an Academic Community," Robert Folberg, MD, Department of Pathology, University of Illinois-Chicago, noon-1 p.m., Boley Conference Room, hospital. Continuing education credit available.

Wednesday, May 7

KANSAS PUBLIC HEALTH Grand Rounds: "Update on MRSA and Emerging Infections," Garold Minn, MD, KUMC-Wichita, noon-1 p.m., 1023 Orr-Major.

JAYDOC LUNCH AND LEARN: Writing workshop, "Your Writing Project: Use Illustrations and Data Displays," Mike Werle, PhD, noon-1 p.m., Clendening Auditorium. Pre-register for lunch and hand-out: www2.kumc.edu/PDFATraining.

Thursday, May 8

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE & MEMORY Disorders Caregiver Support Group: 2-3:30 p.m., 145 Landon Center on Aging.

SPINAL CORD INJURIES Support Group: Second Thursday, 4-5 p.m., Wyandotte Room. Information: 8-1227.

Friday, May 9

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "Cranio-cervical Developmental Anatomy and Its Implications," Arnold Menezes, MD, 7-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC GRAND ROUNDS: "Physician Workforce: What's in Our Future?" Michael Kennedy, MD, Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

Petpalooza Teaches Responsible Ownership

The University of Kansas Medical Center's Community Outreach Program will host the Rosedale Neighborhood Petpalooza from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3.

At the northeast corner of 39th Street and Rainbow Boulevard, Petpalooza will focus on responsible pet ownership and the health benefits of animal companions. Activities include how-tos for constructing a shelter for your pet, a coloring contest and games. Spay & Neuter Kansas City will offer low-cost rabies vaccinations and microchips. Pets on leashes are welcome.

The event is in conjunction with the Rosedale Development Association.

Employee Appreciation Week Breakfast Set

An Employee Appreciation Kickoff Breakfast Snack event will honor the University of Kansas Medical Center employees from 7 to 9 a.m. Monday, May 5, in Murphy Hall Lobby and the Support Services cafeteria.

The event kicks off Employee Appreciation Week Monday, May 5, through Friday, May 9. The breakfast is sponsored by the KUMC Human Resources Department and Panera Bread.

KUMC departments are encouraged to plan celebrations during the week to demonstrate employee appreciation. Human Resources will reward the department with the most creative event with a Summer Fun Pizza Party in July.

Landon Center to Honor New Grad, Age 95

The Landon Center on Aging's fourth annual Senior Celebration will offer food, fun, information – and a chance to meet America's oldest new college graduate.

Open to the community, the event Saturday, May 10, begins with a free pancake breakfast from 8 to 9 a.m. Afterward, **Bill Grigsby**, Kansas City sports broadcasting icon, will give a keynote speech. **Nola Ochs**, a 95-year-old Kansan, will receive the center's first Outstanding Older Adult of the Year Award. She will break the Guinness World Record for oldest college graduate when she earns a general studies degree from Fort Hays State University later this month. She has taken classes since 1972.

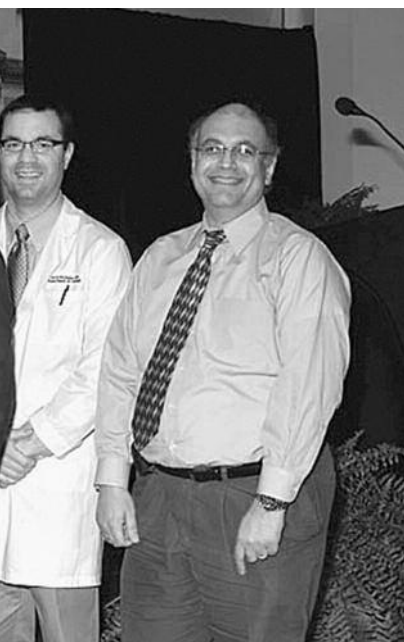
Hosted by the center's Community Outreach Team, the celebration also includes free chair massages, health screenings and information booths. The event is in conjunction with Older Americans Month.

Health Insurance CEO to Discuss Leadership

The chief executive officer of BlueCross BlueShield of Kansas City will offer leadership tips at a Campus-Wide Leadership Series 2008 lunch. The event will be noon to 1 p.m. Friday, May 2, in G013 KU School of Nursing.

With more than 30 years of experience with his organization, **Tom Bowser** will share his story and discuss challenges professionals often must overcome to achieve success.

Lunch will be provided for the first 125 attendees. Continuing education credits are available.



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Vehicles

2006 KIA SEDONA LX, 5K, fully loaded, DVD, remote start, 1 owner, non-smoker, \$18,000. 913-787-1006.

2001 SUBARU OUTBACK, 94K, AWD, factory roof rack, AC, cruise control, power windows/locks/seats; stereo with cassette/CD/weather band radio; antilock brakes, front air bags, \$9,500. 913-709-8155.

2001 FORD F-150 LARIAT, 120K, black, tan leather, good condition, runs great, \$11,200. 913-220-0861.

2001 HONDA ODYSSEY, 140K, silver, seats 7, removable seats, power brakes and windows, recently detailed; new battery, timing belt and water pump, \$6,500 OBO. 913-907-9950.

1996 CHEVY S-10 4x4 TRUCK, 135K, 4.3 V-6, no mechanical problems, needs body work, \$2,000 OBO. 913-709-4289.

1984 CAMARO Z-28, 5-speed, new clutch, new 350-crate engine,

4-wheel disc brakes, needs minor body and interior work, \$2,000 OBO. 913-709-4289.

For Sale

MICHELIN TIRES, set of 4, P225 60 Radius/16" (97S Model M+S), 10K remaining tread life, \$20 each, \$75 for set OBO, you pick up. 913-744-9669.

CHROME SPOKE RIMS, 20", set of 4, \$600. 913-299-8129.

GARMIN ETREX Vista, new in box, \$150. 913-709-8155.

NEW BINOCULARS, UV-coated optics, magnification 7Xs, center-wheel focus, protective pouch, retails for \$50, asking \$15. 816-363-8696.

LONGABERGER HAMPER with lid, like new, never used, retailed over \$300, asking \$200. 913-599-0557.

BED EXTENDER for Ford Explorer Sport Trac, used once, \$200 OBO. 913-568-9226.

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Housing

• FOR SALE

MISSION HOME, 5039 Outlook, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2 fireplaces, finished basement, large screened porch, 2-car garage, \$169,950. 816-519-5113.

ACREAGE on private lake near Pomme de Terre, Mo., 35 miles from Lake of the Ozarks, city water/electricity, owner finance. 816-454-9252.

1935 TRIPLEX 3 blocks from KUMC, formal living and dining rooms, butler's pantry, wood floors, updates, \$215,000 as is. 816-806-7653.

• FOR RENT

HOUSE near KUMC, 2 BR, 1 BA, hardwood floors, oak kitchen cabinets, basement, garage, fenced back yard, \$600/month plus utilities. 913-745-5722.

HOUSE, 4 BR, 2 BA, large kitchen, washer/dryer, basement garage, fenced back yard, walk

to KUMC, \$1,000/month plus utilities. 913-558-8602.

Wanted

STEREO EQUIPMENT from 1960s or '70s: JBL, Altec, Marantz or McIntosh turntables, speakers, amps, receivers, etc. 816-454-6727.

SWING SET, willing to buy and pick up. 785-925-6441.

USED FURNITURE and home accessories at reasonable prices, especially a sofa, loveseat, TV and toddler furniture. 816-519-4424.

TWIN-SIZE BED. 913-829-0352.

USED MOTORCYCLE, reasonably priced cruising bike, good condition. 816-506-7348.

USED LAWN MOWER, power type. 913-271-8941.

Pets

LOVABLE KITTEN needs good home indoors, female, white/brown/black, litter box trained, playful, good with smaller animals. 913-544-5547.

GUINEA PIGS, 2 females, 1 1/2 years old, with cage, food, hay and bedding. 913-207-5775.

eXtra: Find these and other classifieds on the hospital intranet, 24/7, <http://intranet.kumc.com>.

Nurses Week continued from pg. 1 to the honorees at a recognition dinner in June.

Wray stressed that Nurses Week isn't just about being honored, it's about "honoring each

other. The Professionalism Council really encourages our nurses to voice their appreciation to special colleagues they respect and admire, thanking them for all they do," she said.

Nurses Week Trivia Contest

Nurses employed by the hospital are eligible to win a \$100 gift certificate (restaurant, spa, entertainment, etc.) by participating in the Nurses Week Trivia Contest.

A new question will be posted on the hospital intranet, 24/7, at 10 a.m. daily during Nurses Week activities, May 5 through May 9.

E-mail your answer to nursesweek@kumc.edu by 9 a.m. the following day. Those submitting correct answers will be entered in a daily drawing. Friday's answers will be accepted until 9 a.m. Monday, May 12.

To play from home, access 24/7, the hospital's intranet, through <http://citrix.kumc.com>. Log in with your Novell ID (employee user name and password) and click on Intranet.

Nurses Week events honor the professionalism, commitment and contributions of the hospital's approximately 1,500 full- and part-time nurses. In fiscal year 2007, they provided 2.1 million hours of direct care.

National Nurses Week is celebrated each year from May 6, which is National RN Recognition Day, to May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale. She is considered the founder of modern nursing for her efforts during the Crimean War. In the U.S., there are nearly 2.9 million registered nurses.

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