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## Moving days: Schedule for new facility slated

With the Medical Office Building nearing its ribbon-cutting in mid-July, plans are taking shape to move staff and equipment from 17 specialties into the spacious new facility this summer.

Highlights of the move were released last week:

- Family Medicine (Level 1), Urology (Level 2) and Neurosurgery (Level 2) move July 15-17. They'll open July 18.
- Pediatrics (Level 3); Internal Medicine, which includes seven specialties (Levels 4 and 5); and Ear, Nose and Throat (Level 3), move July 22-24. They'll open July 25.

- Obstetrics and Gynecology (Level 5) and Psychiatry (Level 6) move July 29-31. They'll open Aug. 1.
- Orthopedics moves into the adjacent new facility in mid-August.

All 17 specialties and Orthopedics are expected to be in the new facilities by late August.

The six-story, \$73 million office building includes more than 180 exam rooms. Among hospital services at the new facility, Radiology will operate an outpatient diagnostic center on Level 2.

The lab will have an outpatient draw center on Level 1 consisting of eight draw stations, with expansion available. Outpatient draw on Level 1 of the main hospital will remain open to support ambulatory services.

Three more groups are moving into the new KU Endowment facility. [Page 2](#)

## Happy Hospital Week!



At six events this week, hospital leaders served up burgers, brats and more to hungry staff. A record number of employees, 2,066, turned out for the May 3 picnic in the Orr-Major courtyard, including RNs **Doana Aguilar** (above left) and **Merrill Soloman**, both from the Renal Transplant Clinic.

Among leaders serving food were Patient Relations' **Judy Francis** and **Bob Page**, president and CEO.



## Med school applicants: Bone up on social issues

In coming years, aspiring young students entering the KU School of Medicine likely will arrive with a broader academic foundation.

They'll have spent more time in undergrad classes studying cultural and social issues than today's students, and less time cramming in basic science classes.

The changes are part of MCAT, the five-hour test every student must take to get into medical school. The

organization administering the test has recommended its first major overhaul in more than 20 years. The proposed changes, which are expected to be approved, would take effect in four years.

Some 2,500 students apply to our School of Medicine each year. Just 175 are accepted (191 starting next semester, with expansions in Wichita and Salina).

**Sandra McCurdy**, the school's associate dean for

admissions, said the MCAT is one of several important criteria used to grade applicants. Others include academic performance, written materials, recommendations and interviews with medical school groups.

The new MCAT would require major changes for pre-med students. Some from nontraditional backgrounds and smaller colleges might struggle to get access to the required new classes,

McCurdy noted.

Still, she and others on campus believe the proposed MCAT changes are positive overall.

"Our medical school curriculum has changed a lot over the last few years to better reflect the societal and cultural shifts in health care," said **Aniesa Slack**, a second-year medical student here. "So the MCAT should embrace those shifts as well."

Read more at [kumc.edu](http://kumc.edu).

# Parking: Light at end of the tunnel

Patient parking on the main campus has improved substantially since late March, due primarily to stepped-up enforcement in the Cambridge garage, hospital leaders announced last week.

**Dwight Kasperbauer**, hospital Human Resources and Support Services vice president, outlined several other changes that should

boost parking for patients and staff even more.

In late May, the 170-space YouthFront Yellow Lot will revert back to parking for Westwood Campus employees. They've been parking at 4350 Shawnee Mission Parkway since late November. The 4350 lot will be used for The University of Kansas Clinical Research Center

when it opens early next year.

The 600-spot Olathe II parking garage for patients is on schedule to debut in early June. That will open up about 200 spots in Olathe I. Those permits will be issued to Blue Lot parkers, with some Red Lot parkers moving up to Blue, and Yellow up to Red.

## KU Endowment building opens to KUMC

After welcoming its first tenants last month, the new KU Endowment facility has opened its doors to three medical center groups:

- Center for Health Behavior Neuroscience
- Preventive Medicine and Public Health
- Family Medicine (clinic research staff)

Those groups began moving in last week. By late May they will fill out the first and second floors of the three-floor facility, which is on Rainbow just south of Kirmayer Fitness Center. About 100 employees will

work in the building.

A ribbon-cutting is 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 10, followed by a reception and open house.

KU Endowment staff relocated to the third floor nearly two weeks ago. They're already celebrating their new home.

"We're thrilled not only to move into a facility designed for our work, but to be able to provide additional space for the medical center," said **Dale Seuferling**, KU Endowment president.

"It's terrific to have a place we can describe as our permanent home. This new

building increases our visibility. It provides a convenient location for donors and friends in the Kansas City area who help us in raising funds for the medical center."

The project team for the \$6 million 30,000-square-foot building is applying for a LEED certification.

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) rating system is a voluntary standard to certify successful sustainable building design, construction and operations.

## Nurses Week offers full slate of activities, speakers

Hospital staff are preparing to celebrate National Nurses Week with a bounty of activities:

**Friday, May 6** – Nurses Away

From the Bedside Marketplace, 2-4 p.m., cafeteria.

**Saturday, May 7** – HERO event, fixing area homes, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Details are on 24/7.

**Monday, May 9** – "Amazed & Amused," CE program with **Karyn Buxman, RN**, 8-9 a.m., Reike Auditorium, reception following in Stoland Lounge.

**Tuesday, May 10** – "Amazed & Amused," CE program with Buxman, 3-4 p.m., G013 School of Nursing, reception following in atrium.

**Wednesday, May 11** – Nursing Excellence Award presentation, 3:30-4 p.m., Battenfeld Auditorium, followed by reception in Francisco Lounge.

## Cancer Society's Road to Recovery needs drivers

Sometimes the biggest challenge in cancer treatment is getting there.

Every day, thousands of cancer patients need transportation to hospitals or physician offices for treatment. You can help save a life by volunteering as a driver for the American Cancer Society.

To become a volunteer driver, you must:

- Own a safe and reliable vehicle
- Have a current, valid driver's license
- Have proof of adequate automobile insurance
- Have a good driving record
- Attend Road to Recovery volunteer training

Information: **Megan Porter** at 816-218-7268 or [megan.porter@cancer.org](mailto:megan.porter@cancer.org)

exposure

### Consistency counts

During a four-week period ending April 2, 23 nursing units scored in the 90th percentile and above for patient satisfaction. It's believed to be the most ever at that level for our hospital. The results, hospital leaders say, reflect the importance of a consistent patient experience no matter where they are. On Unit 63-Transplant ICU, staff like **Nicole Hofmann, RN**, helped the unit reach 99th percentile during that period.



# eXtracurricular

## Thursday, May 5

SECOND ANNUAL Resident, Postdoc and Fellow Research Day Presentation: "CML: Best Model for Personalized Cancer Medicine," Kapil Bhalla, MD, noon-1 p.m., G013 School of Nursing. Event continues May 6. Information and schedule of events: [www2.kumc.edu/rpf/index.html](http://www2.kumc.edu/rpf/index.html).

"STRAIGHT FROM the Heart" Cardiac Recovery Support: Mondays and Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m., White Heart Learning and Resource Center Conference Room, Center for Advanced Heart Care. Talk with a heart health expert. Information: 8-1227.

## Friday, May 6

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "MultiModal Monitoring in the Neuro ICU," Stuart Glassner, DO, 8-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC Grand Rounds: "International Healthcare in Warzones and Disasters," Jeffrey Colyer, MD, 8-9 a.m., Clendening Auditorium.

UNIVERSITY COMPUTER Equipment Drop-Off: 8:30-10:30 a.m., Hixson Atrium. Dispose of university-owned computers and computer-related equipment. Information: 8-1081 or [www2.kumc.edu/safety](http://www2.kumc.edu/safety).

SECOND ANNUAL Resident, Postdoc and Fellow Research Day Awards Ceremony and Keynote Address: "RNA Binding Proteins and Tumorigenesis," Shrikant Anant, PhD, noon-1 p.m., G013 School of Nursing.

5TH ANNUAL AIHREA "Our Nation's Energies" Health and Wellness Pow Wow: 5-10 p.m., Johnson County Community College Gym/Field House. Event features free health screenings. Also 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Saturday, May 7. Information: AIHREA, 913-469-8500, ext. 4570 or 5-7049 or visit [AIHREA.com](http://AIHREA.com).

## Tuesday, May 10

CORE COMPETENCY Lecture Series: "Disruptive Behavior," Lee Norman, MD, and Kurt Schropp, MD, 6:30-7:30 a.m., G013 School

of Nursing Auditorium. ACGME Competencies: PBLI/PROF/ICS.

CORE COMPETENCY Lecture Series: "Disruptive Behavior," Lee Norman, MD, Elaine Carroll, MD, and Lisa Gilmer, MD, noon-1 p.m., 3014 Sudler Auditorium. ACGME Competencies: PBLI/PROF/ICS.

RESEARCH SEMINAR Series on Aging, Health and Dementia: "Animal Models of Normal Aging and Parkinson's Disease," John Stanford, PhD, 4-5 p.m., 200 Landon Center on Aging. Series concludes with additional seminar May 17. Register: [coa.kumc.edu/cpgec](http://coa.kumc.edu/cpgec) and select "upcoming programs."

## Wednesday, May 11

KANSAS PUBLIC Health Grand Rounds: "Setting Professional Standards in Public Health: The Certified in Public Health Process," Molly Eggleston, MPH, National Board of Public Health Examiners, noon-1 p.m., Sudler Auditorium.

HEAD AND NECK Cancer Support: Second and fourth Wednesdays, 4-5:30 p.m., Executive Dining Room, Westwood Campus. Information: 8-1227.

## Thursday, May 12

HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE Care Lecture Series: "Toyota, Pornography & Palliative Care – A Very Non-Boring Intro to Quality Improvement," Tim Williamson, MD, 8-9 a.m.; "Medical Costs at End of Life," David Mueller, PharmD, 9-10 a.m. Fee for each program is \$15. Series continues every Thursday morning. Register and select an ITV viewing site: [coa.kumc.edu/cpgec/palliative](http://coa.kumc.edu/cpgec/palliative).

KUMC DIVERSITY Seminar: "Diversity As a Vital Component of Health Systems Innovation," Marc Nivet, EdD, noon-1 p.m., G013 School of Nursing. Register: [www2.kumc.edu/PDFATraining](http://www2.kumc.edu/PDFATraining).

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## Royals offer discounted tickets

As part of the new partnership with the Kansas City Royals, hospital employees can buy discounted tickets for most games this season. Details are on 24/7.

## Open house for Plastic Surgery May 5

Plastic Surgery in The University of Kansas Physicians will hold an open house 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 5, Suite 3303 at the Westwood Campus.

Hosted by Chair **Richard Korentager, MD**, the event will feature live Botox demonstrations, refreshments and free skin care samples. Breast implant and skin care representatives also will be available to answer questions. Information: 8-2000.

## Seminar explores driving among older adults

In honor of Older Americans Month, which is May, the Landon Center on Aging will host "Older Adults in Kansas City ... On the Go!" The free seminar is 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, May 7, at the center.

Topics focus on driving safety and other transportation options for older adults. RSVP: [ssilva@practicalbioethics.org](mailto:ssilva@practicalbioethics.org) or 816-979-1366.

## Nominations needed for Nursing Support Awards

Nominations are under way for the hospital's annual Nursing Support Staff Excellence Awards. Support staff are honored in four categories: Patient Care Assistant, Health Care Tech, Unit Secretary and Administrative Assistant.

Details and nomination forms are on 24/7. They're due 4 p.m. May 25. Winners will be announced in June.

Nominees are based on their Five-Star Performance. In particular, they're judged on clinical competency, professional and role-modeling behaviors, communication and organizational skills, interactions with colleagues and compassion toward patients and family. The award program was launched in 2006.

## Med Ed Retreat features renowned editor

The KU School of Medicine's annual Medical Education Retreat features **Chris Candler, MD**, editor of *MedEdPORTAL*, a peer-reviewed publication developed by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

The retreat is 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday, May 13. Details and registration are at [www2.kumc.edu/PDFATraining](http://www2.kumc.edu/PDFATraining).

The day also includes a medical education update from **Barbara Atkinson, MD**, executive dean, and other school executives.

## Heroes Day at Hogle Ballpark

For the May 21 KU vs. KSU baseball game, Kansas Athletics invites all retired and active duty military, police, fire, and medical health professionals and teachers to enjoy the game and be recognized for their service.

The game is 6 p.m. at Hogle Ballpark in Lawrence. Tickets are \$3 each for you and up to three family members. Be ready to show your ID badge or credential.

## eXpress reminder

**HEART WALK** Fundraiser for Center for Advanced Heart Care departments: 3-8 p.m., Saturday, May 14, Paddy O'Quigley's, 119th and Roe in Leawood. Event will include a dunk tank featuring surgeons, cardiologists and other staff, as well as an auction, food and drink specials and more. Information: **Anna Werner**, 8-9300.

# eXchange

## Vehicles

2008 CHEVY EQUINOX, 35K, excellent cond., V6, gray metallic exterior/dark gray cloth interior, 2 years on factory warranty, remote start, photos, \$16,995 OBO. 785-248-6965.

2006 CHRYSLER PACIFICA, 85K, \$11,995. 816-359-1714.

2006 NISSAN MAXIMA SE, 50K, well maintained, power windows/locks/seat, clean title, premium wheels, anti-theft system, integrated garage door opener, \$14,500. 913-907-8469.

2003 DODGE STRATUS, 167K, silver with black interior, power windows/locks, MP3 hookup, photos, \$3,500 OBO. 913-972-2418.

1997 PONTIAC TRANS AM muscle car, 170K, fire engine red, V8, T-tops, alloy wheels, hatchback, leather interior, CD, flip-up lights, engine rebuilt '05, \$3,500 OBO. 913-220-3040.

## For Sale

DANSKO SHOES, men's size 13, black, worn twice, \$60. 913-378-6189.

ANTIQUe 3-DRAWER chest, attached mirror, 38" wide, golden brown finish, Overland Park, \$95. 913-262-5468.

BABY ITEMS: girl clothes, 9-24 months; shoes, 0-3 months to size 4; boy clothes, 4T-6; pink butterfly/ladybug crib bedding; nautical crib bedding; great cond., pet-free/smoke-free home, photos. 913-424-4925.

BABY BOY clothes, 0-6 months,

will make good deal if buy all. 913-894-6250.

MEDELA DOUBLE-electric breast pump, shoulder bag, great cond., used 3 weeks, \$150. 913-636-7660.

3 T-MOBILE STARTER phones, 2 Motorolas, 1 Samsung, car chargers, home chargers, hands-free headsets, photos, \$30 OBO. 913-526-2467.

7-PIECE FURNITURE: green/tan couch, loveseat, 2 lamps, 2 end tables, coffee table, good cond., photos, \$500, you pick up. 816-379-8233.

NINTENDO Wii console, family pack games, microphone, sword/bat, \$200; refrigerator, 2005 model, white, like new, \$450 negotiable. 816-797-1054.

42" PANASONIC 1080i HDTV, HDMI hookups, \$250 OBO. 816-507-7941.

DINING SET, 5 chairs, beautiful, solid wood, great cond., 2 leaf extensions, photos, \$175; Micro-suede sleeper sofa, chaise set, good cond., photos, \$300. 816-525-7276.

WOMEN'S SPRING and summer clothes: dresses, capris, pants, new/with tags, size 14 and 14P, 75 percent off tag price. 913-515-4637 after 5 p.m.

WEDDING DRESS, ivory, beaded with cathedral train, bustle, original size 16, altered to size 12, photos, \$125. 816-805-1333.

2 PURSES: Fossil black leather in excellent cond., \$35; large black purse with 2 front pockets, \$25;

degree candidate for health information management, School of Allied Health

- **Katherine Seymour**, doctor of medicine candidate, School of Medicine
- **Kevin Conard**, bachelor's degree candidate in nursing, School of Nursing

They're among 13 students representing KU's 12 schools and

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photos. 816-516-9566.

TILE for kitchen or bath, photos, \$30 OBO. 816-516-9566.

REPTILE CAGES, several large models and accessories, prices vary, you pick up. 913-744-1872.

EMBROIDERY MACHINE, Accent Baby Lock model EAc, programmable, 3 embroidery hoops, threads, bobbins, paid \$1,900, asking \$1,000 OBO. 816-674-4306.

WEIGHT GYM, Weider Pro 9635 3-station model, 7 different exercises, excellent cond., \$250 OBO. 816-674-4306.

DANSKO CLOGS, new/never worn, black patent, size 8, \$90 (cash only). 816-589-7635.

2 NINTENDO DS Lite units, 1 black, 1 white, both with chargers, \$50 each; Playstation II unit with games, Rock Band set, 2 guitars, 2 driving wheels, Dance Revolution mat, \$100. 913-558-8051.

STUDENT COMPUTER desk, 2-tier corner style, lime green/gray, photos, \$25. 913-558-8051.

## Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE: May 6-7, 510 W. Torrance, Maryville, Mo., brand-name clothing, baby items, toys, scrubs, home décor, more. 816-645-9360.

NEIGHBORHOOD SALE: May 7, Pine Lake subdivision, Northland, 110th & N. Oak.

MULTIFAMILY SALE: May 7, 4944 Briar, Roeland Park, lots of cloth-

ing, scrubs, boys clothes, furniture, more. 913-523-4213.

## Housing

### For Sale

ROELAND PARK ranch, 3 BR, 2 BA, modern colors, remodeled kitchen and bath, deck, fenced backyard, landscaping, 10 minutes to KUMC, lots of updates/space, \$137,500. 913-451-4415.

2-STORY OLATHE home, open floor plan, eat-in kitchen, hardwoods on first floor, large master suite, whirlpool tub, sprinkler system, 3-car tandem garage, huge basement. 913-904-6237.

LEE'S SUMMIT/Raytown area condo, 2 BR, 2 BA, adults 55 and older, 1,200 sq. ft., all new carpet/paint/heat/AC/appliances, deck, 1-car garage, basement storage, \$77,000. 816-260-8514.

LEE'S SUMMIT home, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2-car garage, basement, spacious kitchen, appliances, walk to grade school, motivated seller, photos, \$129,000 OBO. 816-853-2635.

### For Rent

BUNGALOW with upstairs BR and BA, spacious room large enough for bed, living area with large walk-in closet, blocks from KUMC, \$600/month (includes utilities). 913-449-8908.

## eXceptional

Three KUMC students who have excelled academically will carry banners representing their schools during the University of Kansas commencement May 22. They are:

- **Melissa Knight**, bachelor's

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the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who will lead their fellow graduates in the traditional march down Mount Oread into Memorial Stadium.

Banner carriers will join university officials on a platform in the stadium for the ceremonial conferring of degrees. Banner carriers first became a part of commencement in 1908.