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Talks under way to take heart program to more people

The University of Kansas Hospital is exploring a joint venture with Olathe Medical Center. Under this concept, the hospital's cardiology team would provide the physician component of clinical, diagnostic, interventional and inpatient cardiac care at Olathe Medical Center, Miami County Medical Center, and other facilities where Olathe Medical Center has established relationships.

"Under this proposed vision, we would be able to offer outstanding heart

care to even more people in a new area," said **Bob Page**, president and chief executive officer, The University of Kansas Hospital. "In our talks together to date, we share a vision to do what is best for our patients."

While there is a lot of potential in this joint venture, Page acknowledged many issues need to be thoroughly explored in order to reach an agreement. Discussions on this concept could last until the end of the year.

Inspiring the next generation of nurses

There may be a nursing shortage, but The University of Kansas Hospital and the University of Kansas Medical Center are doing their part to help.

Twenty-five area high school students participated in the 2009 Nurses Academy, June 29 and July 1. They toured clinical areas and participated in hands-on workshops, discovering a variety of options they can pursue.

"It's a joy to introduce students to the diversity of the nursing profession," said Unit Educator **Heidi Boehm, RN**, Unit 43, who coordinates the academy, now in its fifth year. "Nursing is such a wonderful and rewarding profession."

Students also attended a career fair, where they learned how to get into nursing school and listened to nurses discuss their profession. Besides the academy, volunteer nurses mentor students as part of the Nurse Academy Mentorship Program.



At this year's Nurses Academy, **Stephanie Winright, RN**, Unit 53 (right), showed student **Alicia Bermudez** the proper way to insert an IV in a simulator arm.



Garrett Sullivan, MD, is one of two physicians in Integrative Medicine. He's pictured in the Infusion Clinic, used primarily for cancer patients.

Integrative Medicine's new-age quarters

If you visit the newly renovated Integrative Medicine clinic, you'd swear you've stepped into another world, far away from the normal hustle of the hospital.

It's Zen-like here. Soft earth tones mixed with a Far East ambiance make you want to take your shoes off and find your inner peace.

That's the idea, of course.

Integrative Medicine staff combine the best of conventional medicine with integrative therapies: nutrition, acupuncture and massage therapy.

"Rather than focusing on disease and acute health issues, we take a broader view of patient health – body, mind and spirit," said

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Eye Center adds optic business

The KU Eye Center has opened an optical shop at its Prairie Village location. Patients at the clinic can browse more than 500 frames and fill their prescriptions for eyeglasses and frames, sunglasses, readers and contact lenses.

The center, at 7400 State Line Road, Suite 100, is operated by the University of Kansas Medical Center's Ophthalmology Department. Ten ophthalmologists provide specialized eye care with expertise in such areas as corneal diseases, dry eyes, eye infections and trauma, glaucoma, low vision, neuro-ophthalmology, pediatric ophthalmology, refractive surgery and retinal diseases.

The new shop accepts prescriptions from all providers. It is open 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and until 6 p.m. on Thursday.

First-time postdoctoral awards honor researchers

Congrats to the winners of the Postdoctoral Research Forum, slated to be an annual competition hosted by the University of Kansas Medical Center's Offices of Academic Affairs and Postdoctoral Affairs.

The following KU School of Medicine students earned honors in the oral presentations and poster sessions.

- Oral session 1 – Molecular and Cell Biology: **Cheryl Rockwell, PhD**, Pharmacology, Toxicology and Therapeutics
- Oral session 2 – Translational Research: **Robyn Honea, PhD**, Neurology
- Poster session winners – **Shirin Sundar, PhD**; Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; **Ronnie Yeager, PhD**, and **Yukun Jennifer**

Zhang, PhD, both in Pharmacology, Toxicology and Therapeutics

"This was truly an outstanding display of the exciting research being carried out by our postdoctoral scholars at KUMC," said **Allen Rawitch, PhD**, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, dean of Graduate Studies. "All who participated should be congratulated."

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Garrett Sullivan, MD, one of two physicians in the department, which is part of the University of Kansas Medical Center.

During an open house June 12, Integrative Medicine showcased its new surroundings, including a 4,600-square-foot infusion clinic, patient-care area and administrative suite.

Employees a year ago

moved into their new clinic on the second floor in Sudler. However, they decided to hold off on the open house until the demonstration kitchen was ready.

With the fully equipped kitchen, "our nutrition education is expanding considerably," said **Lisa Markley, MS**, the clinic's registered dietician. "We're now able to offer cooking classes along with nutrition counseling services and guided grocery

shopping tours."

Integrative Medicine Director **Jeanne Drisko, MD**, noted the program also encompasses a research program. One of its key areas focuses on how intravenous ascorbate (vitamin C) works as a pro-oxidant agent in cancer treatment. "In addition to our outstanding patient care," she explained, "we provide a robust research and medical education program."

Support staff kudos

The Department of Nursing on June 18 honored the 2009 Nursing Support Staff Excellence Awards nominees and winners. This year's winners (from left): **Hoang Le, PACU**; **Adekanmi Ilori, Unit 43**; and **Lisa Skwarlo, Emergency Department**. They received the HCT, HCA and unit secretary excellence awards, respectively. The Professionalism Council received more than 20 award nominations.



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Thursday, July 2

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

DERMATOLOGY JOURNAL Club: "Andrews Book Review," 2-3 p.m., 1107 hospital.

"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. Stop by to talk with a heart health expert. Information: 8-1227.

Tuesday, July 7

KIDNEY CANCER Support Group: First Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m., Atrium Conference Room, Westwood Campus. Information: 8-1227.

Wednesday, July 8

BIostatISTICS SEMINAR: "Rembrandt or Stick Figures? The State of the Art of Representation

in Biomedical Informatics," William Hogan, PhD, noon-1 p.m., 1025 Orr-Major. Lunch provided for first 25 attendees.

BROWN BAG Lunch Series for Older Adults: "Long-Term Care Planning: What is It?" noon-1 p.m., 200 Landon Center on Aging. Reservations: Matt Chandler, 8-3094 or mchandler@kumc.edu.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT Seminar: "Updates and Review of Laboratory Animal Welfare Training," David Pinson, PhD and Tom Field, 1-2 p.m., Rieke Auditorium. Register: www2.kumc.edu/PDFATraining.

HEAD AND NECK Cancer Support: Second and fourth Wednesdays, 4-5:30 p.m., Executive Conference Room 1, Westwood Campus. Information: 8-1227.

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CENTRAL PLAINS Geriatric Education Center Seminar: "Polypharmacy and Other Medication Use Issues in Older Adults," Lynne Kallenbach, MD, 5-7 p.m., 200 Landon Center on Aging. Register: coa.kumc.edu/cpgcec/upcomingprograms.htm.

Thursday, July 9

PREVENTIVE MEDICINE Seminar: "Translating Tobacco Control Policies and Communication Strategies: A View from Latin America and Beyond," Jim

Thrasher, PhD, noon-1 p.m., B018 School of Nursing. Lunch provided for first 40 attendees.

LUNG CANCER Support Group: Second and fourth Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Atrium Conference Room, Westwood Campus. Information: 8-1227.

Friday, July 10

MOVIE NIGHT at the Landon Center on Aging: *Bolt*, 6-8 p.m., 200 Landon Center. Information: Hallie Kates-Calloway, 8-0606.

KUMC employees: July 22 deadline for tuition assistance

July 22 is the deadline for Kansas state employees to apply for tuition assistance for the fall 2009 semester. The University of Kansas Medical Center, like other state agencies, is authorized to provide tuition assistance to full-time state employees who meet the program's eligibility requirements.

For more information or to print an application, go to kumc.edu, click on Faculty & Staff, Human Resources, Learning & Development, then Tuition Reimbursement. Return completed applications to the KUMC Benefits Office, 1044 Delp, mailstop 2022.

Volunteers needed for July 4 bike rodeo

At least 25 volunteers are needed to help fit bike helmets on children Saturday, July 4, at a bike rodeo in Prairie Village.

The University of Kansas Hospital's H.E.R.O. volunteer program supports the program sponsor, the Headstrong for Jake Foundation. The rodeo, part of the Village Fest Citywide Community Event, will be 10 a.m.-noon at the Prairie Village Municipal Campus, 7700 Mission Road.

The event includes a bike safety clinic, where kids and adults are properly fitted with bike helmets (free for kids, \$10 for adults). Organizers hope to fit 350 kids in two hours.

Attendees also get bike safety inspections and test their knowledge on a bike skills and safety course. Volunteers either take registrations or perform helmet fittings. (Training for helmet fitting is provided.)

Also sign up for an Oct. 3 event: 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Home Depot Safety Fair, Shawnee Mission Parkway and Lackman Road in Shawnee.

Information or to volunteer: **Shari Beeson**, Trauma and Burn Services Administration, 5-6933.

A swing for survivorship center

Back in the Swing, a nonprofit organization, presented a \$300,000 grant June 22 to The University of Kansas Cancer Center's Breast Cancer Survivorship Center. From left: **Missy Heidrick**, KU Endowment; center Managing Director **Jennifer Klemp, PhD**; Back in the Swing founder **Barbara Unell**; and **Carol Fabian, MD**, center director. Back in the Swing promotes healthy living through fundraising events, inspiring survivorship programs and clinical research in an academic medical setting.



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Vehicles

1993 GMC SONOMA S15 extended cab, V6, automatic, tow package, rebuilt engine, red with black interior, runs great, minor rust, \$1,800. 913-299-9068.

For Sale

TOOLS: Ridgid JPO610 jointer/planer on stand, \$300; Ridgid 1300 13" thickness planer, \$250; Craftsman 12"x18" router table with mounted router, \$75; dovetail jig, \$45. 913-390-9043.

COACH PURSES purchased last year at Coach store, \$125 each. 913-219-6073.

4 DRAG RACING passes for July 3-4 event at Heartland Park in Topeka, tickets are free and include gate admission and VIP pit access. 913-568-9139.

EXERSAUCER, great condition, non-smoking home, all lights/features work perfectly, \$30. 816-590-8184.

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER & TV, very nice, light-colored wood, older model TV but works fine, \$125 for all. 816-590-8184.

RAWSON-KOENIG pickup toolbox, \$300; antique dining set, \$1,000; wood-burning stove, new, \$150; Duncan Phyfe dining table with leaf, \$75; maple table with 6 chairs, \$125. 816-916-4814.

WROUGHT IRON table and 4 chairs, black with slightly faded umbrella, Shawnee location, \$125. 816-590-8184.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: mattress, pine bed frame with headboard/footboard, walnut bar stool with back/arm rests, 2 19" TVs with cables and remotes. 816-229-6282.

PATIO SET: 2 tan chairs and small glass-top table, good condition, purchased at Linens 'n' Things 2 years ago for \$150, asking \$55. 816-812-2035.

2 IONIC BREEZES air purifiers by Sharper Image, 1 big, 1 small, work fine, \$15 for both. 913-209-3241.

COFFEE TABLE and end table, matching blonde wood, coffee table has open storage underneath, \$35 for both. 816-812-2035.

DINING SET: round, wooden table with 4 chairs and leaf insert, \$65. 816-812-2035.

CONTEMPORARY DESK, silver metal frame with frosted glass, also black, armless office chair on wheels, photos, \$75. 816-812-2035.

LITTLE TIKES activity table, colorful, weather resistant, attached bench seating, top lifts for storage, excellent condition, sells for \$40, asking \$14. 816-363-8696.

TREK TRAILER BIKE, good condition with all accessories and manual, maximum load 85 pounds, purchased new in '02 for \$190, asking \$100 OBO. 816-444-5958.

MAYTAG GAS dryer, excellent condition, bought July '08 for \$609 with extended 3-year warranty, includes all original paperwork, \$250 OBO. 913-548-2430.

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1994 JET SKI and trailer, 2 person, excellent running condition, always covered, can inspect in Leawood, \$750. 913-338-3460.

SOLID OAK armoire/entertainment center, 83"x 44"x 24.5," 2 pocket doors, generous storage, photos, \$100. 913-709-6411.

GAZELLE EDGE fitness system, total body workout, \$50. 913-709-6411.

Housing

• FOR SALE

REMODELED home, 3 BR, 1.5 BA, new kitchen appliances, 2 finished rooms in basement, 1-car attached garage, 11414 Myrtle, off Red Bridge Road. 816-699-1407.

BRICK RANCH in Independence, 3 BR, 1 large BA, 1,100 sq. ft., clean, well maintained, new roof/gutters, fenced yard, mature trees, \$118,500. 816-223-3652.

NORTHLAND 2-STORY in Staley High School district, new HVAC in '07, newer roof, beautiful entry, great room with fireplace, large kitchen, 816-977-8850.

• FOR RENT

ROOM in Overland Park, 15 minutes to KUMC, quiet, access to own bathroom, pool, laundry, kitchen, \$550/month, includes utilities, cable, Internet. 913-530-8938.

HOUSE in Overland Park, 3 BR, 1 BA, new roof, huge fenced yard, pets OK, 7300 Antioch Road, \$900/month. 816-510-6016.

APARTMENT, 1 BR, 4 blocks south of KUMC, employee discount, \$380/month. 816-510-6016.

LAKE HOUSE at Gardner Lake, 3 BR, 1 BA, partially furnished, large kitchen, deck, stone fireplace, 2 docks, paddle boat, canoe, Aug. 1, \$950/month, plus deposit. 913 381-8682.

Pets

CALICO CAT and 4 short-haired kittens, blonde tabby male, gray male with white feet, black tabby female and calico female, social, litter-box trained. 816-721-4569.

Wanted

TENT/CANOPY with side covers for use at festivals and fundraisers, 10'x 20' in good condition (no rips or tears), may be slightly worn, will pay up to \$150. 816-588-7229.

ROOMMATE to share 2 BR, 2 BA apartment 0.2 miles from KUMC in Kansas, clean, spacious, available first week of July, \$335/month. 913-529-9906.

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Kim Templeton, MD, associate professor of orthopaedic surgery, last month was

appointed to an international research committee of the Bone and Joint Decade. Its goal: develop the global roadmap for future musculoskeletal research. Templeton leads the effort on women's health, as well as that of racial/ethnic minorities and global underserved populations.

Other committee members hail from prestigious institutions worldwide, including The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Mayo Clinic, Harvard University, Oxford University and universities in Toronto, Australia, Tokyo and the Netherlands.