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Family donates \$1 M for new hybrid suite

A twist of fate landed a San Francisco area man in our hospital – and later resulted in a \$1 million gift to equip the Center for Advanced Heart Care’s new hybrid suite.

A native of Prairie Village, **Kent Price** was in town to visit family over Labor Day weekend in 2009. He began experiencing chest pains – and after a quintuple bypass and other heart-related procedures – he knew he needed immediate care.

His father’s cardiologist, **Loren Berenbom, MD**, Mid-America Cardiology, is also a neighbor and friend of the family. So there was no question in their minds where Price should go for treatment.

“Unfortunately, I’ve had

more experience than most with hospitals,” Price said. “The minute I arrived at The University of Kansas Hospital with chest pain, I knew there was something very special going on there. ... I felt I had finally found the kind of care I needed for my lifelong battle with heart disease.”

He praised **Peter Tadros, MD**, Berenbom, and the nursing staff for the outstanding care he received. Since then, he’s flown halfway across the country to Kansas City to continue care with our heart team.

When the Price family learned of plans for the heart center’s new hybrid suite, they wanted to help make it happen. The state-of-the-art hybrid suite,

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Team increases Gyn Onc services



Julia Chapman, MD (center), said new oncologists **Evelyn Reynolds, MD**, and **Gary Johnson, MD**, will allow the division to “greatly increase the number of patients we see.”

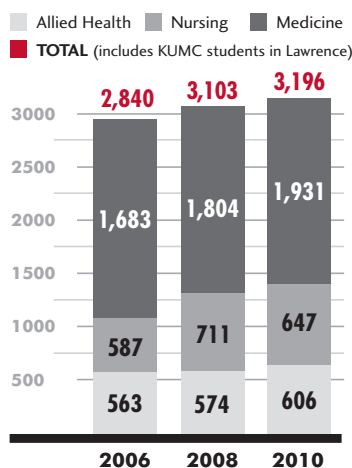
Gynecological Oncology is expanding cancer treatment services in a big way. With two more gynecologic oncologists on board, the division will triple access for new patients and significantly shorten their wait time for an appointment.

“We’ve been limited in our ability to expand simply because there was just one person,” said that one person, **Julia Chapman, MD**, associate professor of Gynecologic Oncology, a division of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

“New patients will no longer have to wait a month or more,” she added. “We’ll greatly increase the number of patients we see and we’ll be doing it in a timely fashion, which will save the patient a lot of the anxiety of waiting for an appointment.”

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KUMC fall enrollment pushes toward 3,200 students



After topping the 3,000 milestone two years ago, KUMC enrollment continues to inch upward, setting another record with 3,196 students enrolled this fall.

That’s up just .6 percent from last fall, but it’s still a significant 12.5 percent higher than four years ago.

The KU School of Medicine posted the largest increase of the three schools, fueled by more doctoral students enrolled in basic sciences, along with higher enrollment in Health Policy and

Management programs, Preventive Medicine and in the combined MD/PhD program.

The KU School of Allied Health also has more students this fall, while the KU School of Nursing’s numbers eased again. Enrollment in that school is down 9 percent from its high two years ago, a reflection of budgetary issues rather than declining applications, school leaders say.

Other tidbits:

- KUMC students self-identifying as minorities this fall is

14.8 percent, down slightly from 15.4 percent a year ago. The main reason for the decline is a federally mandated change this year in the way ethnicity is reported.

- This fall, 61.9 percent of KUMC students are female, down slightly from 63.8 percent last fall.
- The ranks of men continue to swell in the School of Nursing. They account for 9.3 percent of students this fall, up steadily from 5.5 percent since 2006.

United Way: Campus prepares to 'Live United'

Hospital campaign

The hospital launches its one-month United Way campaign at 12:01 a.m. Friday, Oct. 1. At this magical hour, employees will receive an email from the United Way of Wyandotte County, inviting them to make their contributions.

"In this time of great need, giving to the United Way has never been more important," said **Lisa Ward**, hospital campaign co-chair. "United Way agencies across the metro are reporting record requests for assistance and services."

"We are fortunate to have jobs that give us a chance to serve our community," added **Dorothy Gunderson**, hospital campaign co-chair. "Giving to the United Way is

just an extension of the care we provide to our patients and their families each and every day."

The hospital's campaign goal this year is \$150,000, up from the \$110,000 goal last year. Each hospital team ambassador is seeking to increase the number of donors in their respective areas by at least 10 percent. Track the progress on 24/7.

KUMC campaign

KUMC kicks off its two-week campaign Oct. 12. KUMC and The University of Kansas Physicians employees last year pledged \$89,939, and campaign organizers hope to increase that amount to \$100,000 in 2010.

Additionally, last year's participation rate was a mere 7 percent. KUMC hopes to eclipse 20 percent participation this year and is creating several fun and easy ways to give back to our community.

As in 2009, KUMC and the physicians group will use the online United Way e-pledge system to help streamline the giving process. More information about the campaign will be distributed soon.

KUMC also participates in Community Health Charities' (CHC) workplace giving. KUMC state employees can donate to CHC through payroll deduction.

Information on the CHC campaign will be distributed to individual departments.

Our neighbors in need

As this year's United Way campaign launches, consider some grim statistics for many in our community:

- More than one in every five Wyandotte County residents lives below the poverty line.
- Between June 2008 and June 2009, nearly 1,700 residents lost their jobs, and the area's unemployment rate consistently hovers around 10 percent.
- Many local children go without necessary school programs, healthy meals and shelter.

Ops Support winners show can-do spirit

Seven outstanding employees have won the 2010 Operations Support Excellence Awards.

This is the second year for the awards, which honor employees who provide operational support to the hospital. This year's winners:

- Exceeding Excellence – **Chris Delaney**, Westwood Campus Service Operations
- People Excellence – **Heather Garza**, Central Transportation and Dispatch

- Leadership Excellence – **Frankie Hagen**, Human Resources
 - Growth Excellence – **Armando Molina**, Environmental Services
 - Cost Excellence – **Lynn Niemann**, Human Resources
 - Quality Excellence – **Samuel Rogers**, Environmental Services
 - Service Excellence – **Stephanie Wright**, Dietetics and Nutrition
- Besides receiving a certificate, winners will have their names displayed on a plaque on the second

floor of the hospital.

Employees in operational support typically have limited patient interaction, but their role is undeniable in the hospital's growth and impressive patient satisfaction scores, hospital leaders said.

"We've enjoyed so much success because every player on our team works well together," said **Bob Page**, president and CEO. "Our success is truly a team effort."

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By seeing patients sooner, staff also will provide better service for referring physicians.

Chapman was joined this summer by MDs **Gary Johnson** and **Evelyn Reynolds**, who hail from Southern Illinois University and Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., respectively.

Chapman previously saw approximately 12 new patients two days a week; the trio of oncologists has the capacity of seeing approximately 140 patients five days a week.

Chapman said the new oncologists also will help the department offer additional clinical trials, giving patients more treatment options. Other goals include creating a survivorship clinic to provide true continuity of care from diagnosis through survivorship. It's all focused on providing better outcomes for patients, Chapman said.

"My hope is that the work we're doing gets us one step closer to NCI designation," she said. "But our ultimate goal is to minimize the delay in seeing patients and initiate therapy earlier – be it surgery or chemotherapy.

"In addition, we want to be able to continue their care after their treatment. We want to address all the issues that are important to women and be there for them every step of the way."

Hall of Fame Recovery

Rehabilitation Services "graduate" **Shawn Spiwak** was inducted into the staff's Hall of Fame Sept. 23, an annual recognition of an inpatient who has overcome significant challenges to return to a productive life. Dozens of staff throughout the campus were part of his remarkable recovery, including Rehabilitation Services' **Hilary Wingate, PT** (left), and **Jill Georges, CCC-SLP**.



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Thursday, September 30

CENTRAL PLAINS Geriatric Education Center Program: "Dementia: Diagnosis, Management and Emerging Trends in Research," Jeff Burns, MD, and Russell Swerdlow, MD, 3-6 p.m., 200 Landon Center on Aging. Registration \$30. Register: coa.kumc.edu/cpgec and select "upcoming programs."

Friday, October 1

PEDIATRIC GRAND Rounds: "Patterns of Sensory Processing, Brain Activity and Temperament in Children with and without Asperger Disorder: Preliminary Findings," Winnie Dunn, PhD, OTR, 8-9 a.m., Wahl West 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.

SCRUB SALE: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Stoland Lounge. Regular-priced scrubs from the KUMC Bookstore discounted 20 percent. Clearance scrubs and clothing marked up to 50 percent off. A percentage of profits will benefit the Association of Undergraduate Students in Nursing. Information: Susie Haydu, 8-2494.

Saturday, October 2

JOHN GLASER MEMORIAL 5K: 8 a.m., Fire Station 71, 6501 Quivira, Shawnee. HERO information: Kayla Northrop, RN, 8-0110.

Monday, October 4

PATHOLOGY & LABORATORY Medicine Grand Rounds: "Protease Receptors in Cancer and in Injury to the Nervous System," Steven Gonias, MD, PhD, noon-1 p.m., Lied Auditorium.

Wednesday, October 6

KANSAS PUBLIC Health Grand Rounds: "The 411 on Air Quality and the Kansas Permitting System," Rick Brunetti, Bureau of Air, KDHE, noon-1 p.m., 1023 Orr-Major.

CENTRAL PLAINS Geriatric Education Center Program: "Using Music from Morning 'til Night: Practical Ways to Life Quality for Persons in Late-Life Care," Alicia Clair, PhD, 3-6 p.m., 200 Landon Center on Aging. Registration is \$30. Register: coa.kumc.edu/cpgec and select "upcoming programs."

Friday, October 8

PEDIATRIC GRAND Rounds: "Influenza Outlook: 2010-2011," Jason Eberhart-Phillips, MD, MPH, 8-9 a.m., Clendening Auditorium (NOT Wahl West).

Saturday, October 9

2010 KUMC GALA: "Decade of Progress," 5:30 p.m. cocktail reception, 6:30 p.m. dinner and program, Hyatt Regency Crown Center. Tickets \$125 for guests, \$85 for alumni. Information: Stephanie Sharp, 8-5412 or ssharp3@kumc.edu.

Send calendar items to centerexpress@kumc.edu. Items must be received by noon on the Monday prior to publication.

TJC BE EVER READY TIPS... for Infection Control

In preparation for The Joint Commission visit later this year, we'll run tips every week.

- "Hardwire" hand hygiene into activities: approaching/leaving patients, procedures, equipment use.
- Use standard/isolation precautions. Use personal protective equipment before contact with blood/body fluids.
- Monitor refrigerators/freezers. No food/drink in patient care areas. Monitor temps in refrigerators/freezers.
- Follow best practices to prevent infections: multi-drug resistant organisms, central lines, surgery.
- Also stay home when ill, cover linens, disinfect equipment.



KUMC open enrollment under way

Annual open enrollment begins Friday, Oct. 1, for group health insurance and flexible spending accounts for KUMC state employees. Enrollment runs through Oct. 31, with changes effective Jan. 1.

This is employees' opportunity to change companies, add or drop dependents from coverage, add or drop dental or vision coverage, change tax status, enroll in a flexible spending account, and apply for the HealthyKIDS program. Online enrollment is at da.ks.gov/ps/subject/ssc.

All employees enrolled in state employee health insurance also must declare their tobacco use status every year. Non-tobacco users and those who enroll in and complete a tobacco cessation program will pay \$40 per month less for health insurance premiums.

Employees are encouraged to attend an informational meeting Tuesday, Oct. 12, to ask questions and learn about the coverage. Meetings are 9:30 a.m. in Clendening Auditorium and 1:30 p.m. in Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

Information: KUMC Benefits Office, 1044 Delp, 8-5087.

Smile! Studio photographer here Oct. 8-10

Back by popular demand, professional photography studio Vision Events will snap family photos Oct. 8-10 in the Wyandotte Room (hospital cafeteria). It's your free gift worth \$70. Call 913-232-1054 or email portraitappt@live.com to schedule a morning, afternoon or evening appointment.

Up to 12 people can be in the portrait. Each household will receive one free 10" x 13" color portrait. You can also buy a CD of your extra poses from the sitting.

Plus, the hospital will benefit from having your family photo taken. Vision Events will donate \$5 per sitting to the KUMC Auxiliary. Proceeds will be reinvested in the hospital and KUMC through annual gifts.

Lactation room opens at Westwood Campus

The hospital has designated a lactation room on the Westwood Campus, at the east end of the facility.

To reserve it, conduct a "busy search" for the times it's available by using the email WestwoodLactationRoom@kumc.edu. Then send an appointment for the available time you want; you'll receive an autoreply that you've booked the room for that time.

The guard at the Administration entrance has a key to the room.

The room is available to any hospital employee. Information: Eva Wise, Human Resources, 5-6857.

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Vehicles

2006 LAND ROVER LR3 SE, 41K, V8, great cond., automatic, new brakes in Jan., 2 skylights, 6-disc CD, tan leather, heated seats, AWD, 4-hi for towing, \$26,500. 816-797-8499.

2005 CHEVY MALIBU Maxx LS, 140K, V6, most options, good mpg, \$4,600. 816-506-0013.

2002 CHEVY CAVALIER LS Coupe Sport, 131K, runs great, good mpg, dual air bags, keyless entry, CD, good cond., regular maintenance, new battery, \$2,750. 785-550-2559.

For Sale

15' ABOVE-GROUND POOL, round Intex model with metal frame, ladder, filter, skimmer, chemicals, fully operational, no leaks, Olathe location, \$100. 913-764-8060.

TITLEIST 909 D2 DRIVER with head cover, 9.5 degrees, never used, plastic protection on club head, stiff shaft, retails \$299, ask- ing \$250 OBO. 417-622-1949.

TOYS: Tickle Me Elmo Hands, \$15; Play and Learn Horse, \$20; slide, \$10; swing, \$5; boy's black/red Old Navy coat, size 18-24 months, \$10; all like new. 913-302-0863.

SOFA with matching chair, ottoman, \$650; 2 Queen Anne recliners, hunter green, \$200, all excellent cond., non-smoking/ no pet home. 913-721-2989.

DOONEY & BOURKE Signature wallet, brown, \$50. 816-419-8263.

COFFEE TABLE, \$65. 913-299-0288.

ESTEBAN GUITAR set with instructional materials, amplifier; Ibanez guitar, amplifier; photos, \$100 each (firm). 913-636-6229.

OAK BEDROOM SET: dresser, mirror, full/queen-size headboard, night stand, \$300. 816-217-5244.

50" TOSHIBA HDTV, 6 years old, great cond., \$200 cash, needs color lamp (about \$150). 913-206-6394.

BABY ITEMS: Toddler fire truck bed, mattress, \$150; Graco Pack

Please send classified ads to centerexpress@kumc.edu or post online at 24/7. Items must be 25 words or less and received by noon Monday. Ads are for staff and students only. You cannot promote personal businesses or commercial ventures. Ads run on a space-available basis.

'n Play, \$40; car seat, diaper caddy, walker; all in good cond., photos. 816-868-2775.

ARMOIRE, fits up to 32" TV, closing doors, upper shelves, drawers below, heavy oak, good cond., \$75 cash. 816-977-7964.

Housing

For Sale

SHAWNEE HOME, 2 BR, 1 BA, new roof/siding, remodeled kitchen, wood-burning fireplace, marble surround, upgraded windows, huge basement, 2-car tandem garage, photos. 785-979-6468.

For Rent

TOWNHOME, 2 BR, 1 BA, 5 minutes from KUMC, private patio, new appliances, garage, washer/dryer hookups, fireplace, 1941 Lawrence Ct. in KCK, no smoking, \$725/month. 913-432-2602.

Found

EYEGLASSES, found Sept. 21, Westwood lot, Shawnee Mission and Rainbow, given to security. 913-907-4827.

Pets

LARGE PLECOSTOMUS (Pleco) fish, 10"-12" long, beautiful, pick up in Olathe. 913-764-8060.

FEMALE LAB, black, 4 years old, house-trained, very sociable, plays well with children and other dogs. 816-682-2267.

Wanted

TIME SHARE, APARTMENT or home in south Florida for family of 5, Dec. 27-Jan. 1, prefer Palm Beach to Miami, reasonably priced. 305-401-8892.

ROOMMATE to share house, walk to KUMC, upstairs BR and BA, available in Dec., pets OK, \$425/month, split utilities. 913-963-6224.

KU AND MU TICKETS for games against Nebraska. 816-830-2214.

PLACE TO LIVE in Overland Park for retired physician; also ride to/from work at Rockhill Manor, 4235 Locust St., KCMO, Monday-Friday, will share expenses. 913-438-6315.

Volunteers needed for Christmas in October

Registration deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 6, for Christmas in October. Hospital and KUMC volunteers will rehabilitate area homes 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9.

They'll caulk, paint, clean gutters, install insulation, trim trees and do other chores for area homeowners who aren't able to do the repairs.

To join the campus Christmas in October 2010 team:

- Hospital – Vicki Melin, vmelin@kumc.edu, 5-5490
- KUMC – Cori Ast, cast@kumc.edu, 8-2695

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opening in early October, combines a catheterization lab with an operating room.

Both less invasive and more complicated surgical procedures can be performed in the same place, without having to move the patient. So earlier this month, Price and his wife, **Andrea**, and his par-

ents, **Steve** and **Carole Price**, made a \$1 million gift toward equipping the new suite.

"The hybrid suite will provide the ability to have the latest equipment available for better patient care, and it will provide the staff a wonderful place to teach the next generation of cardiologists," Price said.

You can donate to hybrid suite

Hospital employees can help equip the new hybrid suite through an Employee Campaign contribution. Go to 24/7/Employee Campaign/Donate Now. Type "Hybrid Surgical Suite Fund" in the box specifying funds. Donate through payroll deduction or a one-time gift. Information: **Courtney Johanning**, 8-4704, cjohanning@kumc.edu.

Others can make gifts at kuendowment.org, or contact **Kevin Flattery**, 5-5726 or kflattery@kumc.edu.

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