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## KUMC unveils plans for 'green' building

A new environmentally friendly building is on the horizon at the University of Kansas Medical Center.

Construction will begin this fall on a three-story 40,000-square-foot building at the southeast corner of Rainbow and Olathe boulevards, south of the Kirmayer Fitness Center.

The building is expected to qualify for LEED silver certification because of its environmentally friendly features: a highly reflective roof to deflect heat, a ground-source heat pump system to save energy, and strategic use of windows on the east and west sides to minimize the impact of radiant heat.

The \$6 million project, funded by KU Endowment, *continued on page 3*

## Teams support fundraising record

Donors to KU Endowment set a record in contributions, \$106.4 million, in the 2009 fiscal year, a 13 percent increase over the previous year's record.

The University of Kansas Hospital and the University of Kansas Medical Center played important roles in the record, reporting \$21.5 million and \$28.5 million in total gifts, respectively. Both figures include deferred gift commitments as well as outright gifts and pledges.

The hospital's Fund Development team, headed by **Janice Benjamin**, and KU Endowment's Medical Center fundraising team, headed by **Stephanie Grinage**, operate independently from one another but consider themselves "partners in philanthropy." They collaborate on various fundraising programs, most notably for The

University of Kansas Cancer Center.

KUMC fundraising efforts are part of KU Endowment in Lawrence, the official fundraising foundation for the University of Kansas.

Though KU Endowment operates separately from the hospital's team, the Lawrence group processes contributions to the hospital and manages and invests those funds.

Those relationships might be difficult to follow, but one thing is clear: "We have two strong institutions, and it has been a great year for both of us," said Benjamin. "People know their giving has impact. Our physicians, nurses and other staff

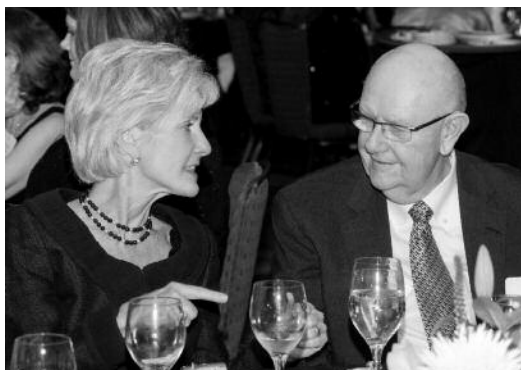
deliver outstanding patient care, and these grateful patients give back by investing in us."

Added Grinage: "Our greatest fundraising success over the past year – and into the future – is our community collaboration and our internal partnerships. Individuals, corporate leadership and our foundation partners recognize the positive impact an academic medical center has on an entire region."



The hospital's **Janice Benjamin** (left) and KUMC's **Stephanie Grinage** discuss fund development programs.

## Sebelius, Hemenway honored at KUMC Gala



At the KUMC Gala, **Kathleen Sebelius** and **Robert Hemenway, PhD**, were honored for their "outstanding efforts" to support the university's success.

The University of Kansas Medical Center bestowed two awards on Kansas leaders at its annual Gala celebration Oct. 17.

The Life Sciences Leadership Award was presented to U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Secretary **Kathleen Sebelius**. The award recognizes significant

and sustained effort by a remarkable community leader to advance the cause of the life sciences in Kansas and the Kansas City region.

The Distinguished Service Medallion was presented to **Robert Hemenway, PhD**, former chancellor of the

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## Retired KUMC leader dies

**James Price, MD**, former executive dean of the KU School of Medicine, died Oct. 17. He was 83.

After earning his medical degree in Colorado, Dr. Price joined KUMC in 1978 as associate professor in Family Medicine and was named department chairman in 1980. After serving three years as head of the school of medicine, he retired in 1993 and was named professor emeritus.

Since his retirement, Dr. Price has volunteered at free clinics in Kansas City and in St. Lucia.

Among his many accomplishments, Dr. Price was president of the American Academy of Family Physicians in 1973 and president of the American Board of Family Physicians in 1979. He also wrote a syndicated newspaper column, "Your Family Physician," from 1973-90.



# United Way: Why we give

Last year, Environmental Services was among the top 10 departments at The University of Kansas Hospital to donate to the United Way. And of its then 128 employees, more than half contributed.

As her department's United Way ambassador, **Kristi Burkhart**, administrative assistant to the director, guides co-workers through the process. "Some people are unsure what the United Way is all about," she said. "I explain that it's there for you when you have nothing. With the United Way, organizations such as the American Red Cross can provide people with shelter or clothing during an emergency."

Her dedication began three years ago when she joined the hospital. "I hadn't previously been involved in charity work, but I've fallen in love with contributing and helping



Each year, Environmental Services' **Kristi Burkhart** helps coordinate her department's United Way bake sale.

others," Burkhart said.

A big part of the EVS effort is its bake sale, which Burkhart coordinates with **Pat Branch**, second-shift supervisor. Last year EVS raised \$450 at its United Way bake sale, where they sold about 1,000 baked goods.

Information (hospital employees): See the United Way's Oct. 5 email to make an online pledge, or request a donation form from your supervisor. Contact: **Jane Gonzalez**, [jgonzale@kumc.edu](mailto:jgonzale@kumc.edu); **Dorothy Gunderson**, [dgunderson@kumc.edu](mailto:dgunderson@kumc.edu); or **Lisa Ward**, [lward2@kumc.edu](mailto:lward2@kumc.edu); (University of Kansas Medical Center employees): **Paula Baum**, [pbaum@kumc.edu](mailto:pbaum@kumc.edu).

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University of Kansas. The medallion honors a civic leader whose commitment and dedication to KUMC have significantly advanced its mission and, in turn, improved the Kansas City community.

"The Gala provides us with the opportunity to recognize the outstanding efforts of two dedicated advocates for the University of Kansas Medical Center," said **Barbara Atkinson, MD**, KUMC executive vice chancellor and executive dean at the KU School of Medicine.

"These awards reflect our desire to bring notice to the many outstanding individuals whose efforts contribute to our success. As an academic medical center, our strength is a reflection of our faculty, the excellence of our students and the support of many others who choose to invest their time and resources in advancing our mission."

Nine annual alumni awards also were given for career achievements of alumni and honorary alumni of the three schools:

**Distinguished Alumnus Awards**  
**Allied Health:** Nancy Hudson, RD  
**Medicine:** Robert Gish, MD  
**Nursing:** Janalee Isaacson, RN

**Honorary Alumnus Awards**  
**Allied Health:** Virginia Johnston, PhD  
**Medicine:** Frederic Chang, MD  
**Nursing:** Nancy Dunton, PhD

**Early Career Achievement**  
**Allied Health:** Brian Stewart, MSPT  
**Medicine:** Karin Porter-Williamson, MD  
**Nursing:** Julie Wilhauk, MSN

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## Sundae celebration

Employees throughout The University of Kansas Hospital enjoyed sundaes Oct. 15-16. The ice cream socials celebrated the hospital's No. 2 ranking among the nation's academic medical centers. Among those digging in were NICU's **Vanessa Miller** (from left), **Glenette Saunders**, **Stacey Stewart, RN**; **Michelle Remmich, RN**; **Kate Scaletty, RN** (in headband); and **Melissa Woodward, RN**.

# eXtracurricular

## Thursday, October 22

UNIVERSITY HUMAN Resources Brown Bag Wellness Seminar: "Positive Work Cultures: Addressing Co-Worker Tension," Larry Long, PhD, noon-1 p.m., G013 School of Nursing Auditorium. Open to university faculty, staff and students. Register: [www2.kumc.edu/HRLD](http://www2.kumc.edu/HRLD).

"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, October 23

NEUROLOGY/NEUROSURGERY Grand Rounds: "Spasticity – To Treat or Not to Treat," Atul Patel, MD, 6:45-9 a.m., Lied Auditorium.

PEDIATRIC GRAND Rounds: "Future of Education in Kansas," Alexa Posny, 8-9 a.m., Wahl Hall West Auditorium.

## Monday, October 26

STUDENT WELLNESS Program: "Discovering Balance Series: Ask Student Health," Student Health staff, noon-1 p.m., 1014 Orr-Major.

MOLECULAR & INTEGRATIVE Physiology Seminar: "Wnt Signaling in Cell Fate Determination," Katherine Swenson-Fields, PhD, 4-5 p.m., Lied Auditorium.

## Tuesday, October 27

CAMPUS EMPLOYEE Flu Shot Clinics: 7-9 a.m., 11 a.m.-1 p.m., and 2-4 p.m., 2093 Delp.

RESEARCH SEMINAR Series on Aging, Health and Dementia: "Understanding Verbal Fluency in Health Aging, Alzheimer's Disease, and Parkinson's Disease," Joan

McDowd, PhD, 4-5 p.m., 200 Landon Center on Aging.

GI GRAND Rounds: 5-6:30 p.m., B018 KU School of Nursing.

CANCER EDUCATION Presentation: "Cancer Vixen" author Marisa Acocella Marchetto, 6-8 p.m., Westwood Campus Atrium. \$15 admission includes paperback copy of "Cancer Vixen" and 2 tickets. Tickets: Rainy Day Books, 913-384-3126 or [rainydaybooks.com](http://rainydaybooks.com).

## Wednesday, October 28

INTERNAL MEDICINE Grand Rounds: "Under the Influence of Hepatic Encephalopathy: A Multifaceted Approach to Treatment," Guy Neff, MD, MBA, 8-9 a.m., 3015 Sudler Auditorium.

KANSAS PUBLIC Health Grand Rounds: "Public Health Data: What the Trauma System Offers Injury Prevention," Rosanne Rutowski, Dee Vernberg and Dan Robinson, Kansas Trauma Program, noon-1 p.m., 1023 Orr-Major.

LANDON CENTER on Aging Elder Law Series: "The Elder Care Journey," Ken Herring, JD, noon-2 p.m., 200 Landon Center. Reservations: Matt Chandler, 8-3094 or [mchandler@kumc.edu](mailto:mchandler@kumc.edu).

## Thursday, October 29

KANSAS CAREER Opportunities: Noon-3 pm., Hixson Atrium. Meet representatives from rural Kansas communities.

INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE Cooking Class: "Trick or Treat: Baking with Alternative Sweeteners," Lisa Markley, RD, 4:30-6 p.m., Healing Foods Kitchen, 2054 Sudler. \$25 fee. Registration required: 5-6745 or [lmarkley@kumc.edu](mailto:lmarkley@kumc.edu).

## eXpress reminder

### HOSPITAL FOOD SERVICE

Survey deadline: Oct. 27. Complete survey at [customercloseup.com/kansas](http://customercloseup.com/kansas).

## Hospital staff: Time to choose 2010 benefits

The University of Kansas Hospital's annual benefits enrollment period kicks off Tuesday, Oct. 27, and ends Nov. 24.

If you don't enroll by Nov. 24, your current benefit selections will continue for 2010, with the exception of Flexible Spending Accounts. You must enroll in FSAs annually to participate in that benefit. Go to BenefitsConnection on 24/7 or [bluesenroll.com](http://bluesenroll.com) to enroll.

To learn more about your benefits options, attend an Employee Benefits Fair Tuesday, Oct. 27, through Thursday, Oct. 29. Check 24/7 for times and locations.

Also, when you complete a biometric health screening and Health Risk Appraisal, you will save \$240 on your 2010 medical plan premiums. Employee health screenings begin Thursday, Oct. 29. Go to [appliedmr.com/ahy](http://appliedmr.com/ahy) or call 816-395-2121 to make an appointment.

By participating in the health screening this year, you become eligible for additional savings in 2011. Watch your mail for a copy of the 2010 Benefits Guide, which covers all 2010 benefit options in detail. Information: 5-5231 or 8-5627.

## Lot 98 paved Oct. 22-26

Lot 98, which is south of the Landon Center on Aging, will be paved Thursday night, Oct. 22, through Monday morning, Oct. 26, weather permitting. Parking will be available on the north side of the lot through 6 p.m. Friday. After that, all cars must be removed.

## Auxiliary bazaar to open for business Oct. 29-30

The University of Kansas Medical Center Auxiliary will host its Fall Bazaar Thursday, Oct. 29, and Friday, Oct. 30. The events run 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in The University of Kansas Hospital lobby outside the cafeteria.

Fifteen vendors will sell an array of items, from homemade baked goods and home décor to original art and jewelry. New this year, employees of the hospital and The University of Kansas Physicians can buy work shoes using payroll deduction.

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will be the second major facility to break ground on campus this year. Construction of the six-story Medical Office Building began in July.

The KUMC building, to be constructed at 4125 Rainbow Blvd., replaces a structure originally built as a 1950s hotel. Most recently it served as office space for KUMC. Demolition is to begin within days, with the new building slated for

completion in 2011.

The first and second floors will provide space for the medical center; departments to move in are yet to be named. The third floor will house KU Endowment offices.

In addition to new parking and site amenities, improvements will be made to the existing medical center parking area to the north of the building and to the adjacent streetscape along Rainbow.

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# eXchange

## Vehicles

2004 FORD F150 XL SuperCab, 54K, red, 4-door, V8, 2WD, automatic, cruise, power steering/windows/locks, keyless entry, CD player, great cond., \$13,400. 913-748-5416.

2000 SATURN, 145K, black, reliable, \$2,200; also 2002 Saturn, silver, call for price. 913-708-3186.

1994 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS Ciera S, 133K, light blue, regular oil changes, new spark plugs/brakes, fairly new tires, 30 mpg, photos, \$1,895 OBO. 816-518-6219.

1992 HONDA ACCORD coupe, 161K, 2-door, maroon, manual trans., good cond., runs well, \$2,500 OBO. 913-439-9659.

## For Sale

BOOTS, deep purple, mid-calf, size 8, worn once, \$30 OBO. 816-612-0865.

LARGE ENTERTAINMENT center, wood, 24" TV, \$100. 913-236-8989.

DOG SUPPLIES: kennel, lightly used, 42"x 28," Petmate food/water dispensers, Top Paw doghouse, 24" x 18," \$100 for all. 913-236-8989.

LEATHER COUCH and recliner, navy blue, great cond., photos, \$300 OBO. 314-412-5381.

BEDROOM SET: queen-size bed,

pillow-top mattress, dresser with mirror, tall dresser, \$600 OBO. 913-961-5790.

SECTIONAL COUCH, light brown, \$200; refrigerator, white, \$100; dining room set, 4 chairs, \$150. 913-961-5790.

TONY LITTLE Gazelle Freestyle elliptical trainer, very good cond., minimal use, folds flat for storage, \$229 new, asking \$65 OBO. 785-925-6441.

15-GALLON AIR compressor, in box, paid \$248, asking \$150. 913-371-4673.

SMALL KITCHEN TABLE, 4 chairs, \$25 OBO, you pick up. 913-209-3241.

CHERRY VANITY table, mirror, bench, paid \$140, asking \$20 OBO, you pick up. 913-209-3241.

1965 IN-CABINET sewing machine in working order, chair, \$50. 402-812-5445.

ITALIAN SOFA set, ivory leather, 5 years old, good cond., includes sofa, chair, ottoman, recliner, paid \$2,200, asking \$800. 816-739-9801.

WASHER/DRYER set, available for pick-up, make offer. 816-739-9801.

WOMEN'S LEATHER coat, black, very nice, long. 816-616-4229.

QUEEN-SIZE mattress with box springs, \$20. 816-739-9801.

52" RCA HDTV, flat screen, rear projection, great picture quality,

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perfect cond., no scratches/dents, photos, \$450. 816-550-8719.

GE GAS DRYER, large capacity, new in July '07, used occasionally by 1 person, excellent cond., \$200 OBO. 816-225-8390.

SCRUB SETS and pants, size med., Dickies, IguanaMed and Cherokee brands, new with tags and lightly worn sets. 816-352-8503.

2007 BUDDY 125cc scooter, 2.3K miles, mint cond., red, reliable, includes manual, paperwork, 80-plus mpg, 60-plus mph, \$1,675. 816-506-2652.

BENCHMARK SOFA, love seat, chair, matching southwest pattern, like new, \$900 OBO. 816-350-7552.

## Housing

### For Sale

PRAIRIE VILLAGE home, 3 BR, 2 BA, master suite, move-in cond., 6816 El Monte, walk to elementary school and PV shops, \$249,000. 913-722-5882.

KEARNEY HOME, 3 BR, 2 BA, 814 W. 7th Ave., fenced, large corner lot, walk to Dogwood Elementary, photos, \$180,000. 816-517-0296.

ALL-BRICK tri-level home, 14580 Leavenworth Rd., 3 BR, 3 BA, about 2,388 sq. ft., 2 acres, new bamboo kitchen floor,

Basehor/Linwood schools, \$222,000. 816-225-8390.

### For Rent

APARTMENT, 2 BR, 2 BA, washer/dryer, Overland Park. 913-636-7888.

HOUSE, 1 BR, 1 BA, minutes from KUMC, pets OK, \$625/month, plus utilities and 1-month deposit. 913-488-1333.

### Pets

6 NEWBORN KITTENS, need homes about Nov. 24-Dec. 8 (6-8 weeks by then), photos. 816-405-2739.

ENERGETIC West Highland white terrier, 3 years old, needs good home. 314-494-3469.

### Wanted

TREADMILL, well-maintained, reasonably priced, will pick up. 913-271-7772.

BICYCLE, 10- or 12-speed model. 816-606-4180.

4 MATCHING CHAIRS with arms for living room, nice cond., gently used, \$25 max per chair. 913-342-3767.

DUMBBELLS: 8- to 20-pound hand weights, reasonably priced. 816-686-5145.

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## eXceptional



**Jeny Ellis, RN**, a six-year veteran of The University of Kansas Hospital's Burnett Burn

Center, received the first Thomas McCool/KCP&L Award for Excellence in Burn Nursing.

Ellis was honored Oct. 6 by Unit 52 colleagues, who had nominated her for the award. "I'm totally amazed and very honored," she said. "Even before I started nursing school, I knew burn nursing was what I wanted to do."

The award was established with a \$20,000 gift from KCP&L in memory of McCool, a 27-year employee who was critically injured in a 2007 power plant accident. He was a patient in the

Burnett Burn Center when he died.

Deeply moved by the care her husband received, **Joyce McCool** requested his family, friends and co-workers make memorial contributions to the burn unit.

Ellis will receive a cash award of \$1,000 and be recognized at a reception. Her name also will be featured on a permanent plaque displayed in the hospital.