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SPH in the News

[Breast biopsy results may not be accurate, UW study finds](#) - *Seattle Times*; cites research by **Joann Elmore** (Epi)

[Early x-rays might not help elderly with new back pain](#) - *Fox News/Reuters*; cites research by **Jeffrey Jarvik** (HServ)

[State's e-cig rules could become toughest in US](#) - *KING 5*; interviews state Rep. **Gerry Pollet** (HServ)

[UW expert part of new research project on female genital cutting](#) - *UW Today*; quotes **Bettina Shell-Duncan** (GH)

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Who Knew??



Grad student Megan Cartwright (DEOHS) is a

science fiction author. She's published two stories under her married name, Megan Chaudhuri. The first, "Rubik's Chromosomes," was published last March in *Analog*. The second, "[Mabo](#)," appeared last year in *Crossed Genres*. Under her maiden name, she writes about lab safety and molecular biology for [Bitesize Bio](#) and blogs about toxicology, pathology, and possible causes of Jane Austen's death at [Science-Based Writing](#).

On the Calendar

April 8, 11 am
[National Public Health Week Twitter Chat](#)

April 14, 6:30-8pm
[Obesity and Poverty: Linking Food, Health and Incomes](#)

April 16, 5:30-7:30pm
[Farmwork, Pesticides and Public Health](#)

April 23-24
[Design of Safer Chemicals and Products — The Nexus](#)

Congrats!



Elisa Sheng (Biostat) won first place in the student award competition of the 2015 Mental Health Statistics Section of the American Statistical Association. She works with Prof. **Andrew Zhou** (Biostat).



Jose Carmona has joined the Pacific Northwest Agricultural Safety and Health Center (DEOHS) as a program assistant. He completed his coursework for the Public Health major in spring quarter.



For her leadership in kidney health and disease, **Joyce Jackson** (HServ) received the Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg Crest Award from the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women. Jackson (MHA '82) is president and CEO of Northwest Kidney Centers.



PhD student **Sarah Nelson** (Public Health Genetics) and **Cyan James** (PhD, PH Genetics '14) were selected to travel to France this month as Sage Scholars. They will present original posters on open research opportunities at the [Sage Bionetworks Paris Assembly](#).



Making a Difference



So many great events are going on in April we have decided to stretch Public Health Week into "Public Health Month." It starts with the annual Gloyd Lecture April 3 featuring 2015 Distinguished Alumnus **Mary T. Bassett**. Then the Graduate School kicks off its [Weight and Wellness Lecture Series](#) featuring bestselling author **Michael Pollard**, SPH's own **Adam Drownowski** (Epi), Mangels Lecturer and obesity expert **Shiriki Kumanyika**, UW's **Ellen Schur** (MS, Epi '08), and others. The Huskies Kick Butt Clean-Up takes place April 9, followed by a screening of "The Raising of America" on universal child care. Our SPH Day of Service is April 11 and our first SPH Alumni Reunion will be held April 17. See the [full listing of events](#).

Around the Water Cooler



Christopher Murray (GH, HServ) is the subject of a new book, [Epic Measures](#), which chronicles his "lifelong determination to understand how we live and die." Murray developed the Global Burden of Disease Study and [will speak at Town Hall Seattle](#) on April 13 with author Jeremy Smith.



COPHP student **Sam Hatzenbeler** [co-authored a report](#) on gender-based pay inequity for the Economic Opportunity Institute. Based on her graduate policy internship, the research was aimed at state lawmakers.



Jeffrey Duchin (Epi) and his "disease detectives" at Public Health - Seattle & King County [were featured](#) in *Pacific Northwest Magazine*. His job "puts him on the front lines of every scary germ and virus to hit the news."

[of Toxicology and Chemistry](#)

We'll keep you busy: take a look at the [SPH Events Calendar](#).

SPH Day of Service

This [spring's activities](#) include restoring an urban forest and working at the UW Farm. Students, staff and faculty are encouraged to register to take part in the April 11 event.

Opportunities

Check out the [SPH job listings page](#) for national and local public health jobs and opportunities.

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Jennifer Otten (HServ) and **Anne Lund** (Epi) served on a task force that [issued a report](#) in March on how to strengthen the local food system. King County is a great place for growing food, the report notes, but lots of farmers are struggling while 3 of 4 teens/tweens and 7 of 8 adults aren't eating enough fruit and veggies.



April 10-12 is [PAWS-on Science: Husky Weekend at the Pacific Science Center](#). DEOHS students will staff a booth featuring interactive games to inspire children to learn about environmental health.



Marcus Dahmen recently joined the Dean's Office as fiscal services coordinator. He's worked as a financial consultant and yoga instructor and spent a year in Istanbul, Turkey, teaching English, exam prep, and corporate skills for various companies.

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