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SPH in the News

Battling the epidemic: UW grad's fight against Ebola -The Daily; profiles Karin Huster (MPH '13), mentions Ali Mokdad (GH, Epi, HServ) and Katie Wakefield (GH)

State may update distracted driving laws - KING 5; interviews **Beth Ebel** (Epi, HServ)

Common over-the-counter medicines linked to dementia in new study - ABC News; cites research by **Eric Larson** (HServ) and colleagues

Rates for sexuallytransmitted diseases decline as partners get free antibiotics - Seattle Times; cites research by Matthew Golden (Epi) and colleagues

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Who Knew??



Valentine's Day is nearly upon us, so it's time for an SPH

meet-cute story. **Megan Ingram** (OD) met her
husband, Bobby, through a
mutual friend in a dimly lit
bar. He sported a full beard.
They hit it off and he later
asked Megan to meet at a
café. "I walked right past
him and he had to call me
back," Megan says. "He had
shaved off his beard and I
had not recognized him! I
sat down and the rest was
history."

On the Calendar

Feb. 9, 12-2pm

Brown Bag Lunch: Activism, Solidarity, and Structural Competency in the Health Professions

Feb. 9, 2-4pm Film Screening: Food Chains

Feb. 9, 7-9pm Common Book Series: Keynote with Seth Holmes -Fresh Fruit, Broken Bodies: Migrant Farmworkers in the Pacific Northwest

Congrats!



Marilyn Roberts (DEOHS, GH) was selected by the Pacific Science Center for its Science Communication Fellows program. She and her lab were also <u>featured by KING 5</u> on research about drug-resistant MRSA at fire stations.



The UW's Palliative Care Center for Excellence, directed by **Randy Curtis** (HServ), was endowed with a \$10 million gift from the Cambia Foundation. The center will provide care, conduct research, and educate physicians, students and staff across four schools, including SPH, Curtis says.



Jairam Lingappa (GH) is the new Department of Global Health representative on the UW Faculty Senate. One of the first issues he's dealing with is how to better manage classroom space.



Affiliate Professor **Valery Feigin** (GH) was awarded the World Stroke Organization President's Award for outstanding achievements in stroke research.



Three SPH graduate students have been named Tobacco Scholars in the Tobacco Studies Program: Nick Fradkin (HServ), Biraj Karmacharya (Epi, GH) and Elizabeth Medeiros (HServ). Vasundhara Sridharan (Psychology) also received a scholarship. The students pursue opportunities for education and training in tobacco prevention, research, treatment and policy. Read more about the winners.

Making a Difference



The COPHP program led the One Night Count of the homeless in Fremont this year. Team members included students April Wilson, Sigolène Ortega, Anastasia Mallillin, Nalani Yoko and

faculty member **Ian Painter**, along with staff from the Recovery Café, David Uhl and Teresa Perillo. This one-night count showed a 21 percent increase from last year's numbers in King County. Meanwhile, junior **Emily Kohring** (Public Health) volunteered to survey homeless people at the Compass Housing Alliance Hygiene Center as part of the related Everyone Counts Project. "Addressing homelessness in Seattle is an important public health issue for me, and one that I may go on to work with in my career," Emily says. "This project is especially important because institutions like Virginia Mason will go on to use our data to garner funds for homeless services for the entire year."

Around the Water Cooler



Bruce Weir (Biostat) was recently appointed Associate Director of the School's Institute for Public Health Genetics.



What's it like to get bitten by 200 mosquitoes? You can see in <u>this KING 5 video</u> featuring **Stefan Kappe** (GH) of Seattle Biomed. He's now We'll keep you busy: take a look at the <u>SPH Events</u> Calendar.

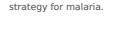
Revised Tuition Rates

Tuition increases will be lower than previously proposed, Dean Howard Frumkin has announced. For more information, see this web page.

Opportunities

Check out the SPH job listings page for national and local public health jobs and opportunities.

Missed an issue of NewsCatcher? Find it in the Archive (UW netID required).





James Krieger (HServ) is founding executive director of Action for Healthy Food, a new center that promotes healthy eating. He was formerly chief of chronic disease and injury prevention at Public Health- Seattle & King County.

leading a trial that could lead to a new vaccine



Libby (Elizabeth) Singer (OD) is the new Advancement Coordinator. A UW graduate, she joins us from Childhaven, the childhood trauma treatment center in Seattle.



Sandboarding in Peru. Visiting Machu Picchu. Touring the Panama Canal. Find out what **Susan Glenn** (PH '14) is experiencing as a Bonderman fellow in her Bonder{wo}man blog.









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