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SPH in the News

Depo Danger - *Seattle Weekly*; **Jared Baeten** (GH), **Connie Celum** (GH/Epi), and **Renee Heffron** (Epi) are interviewed.

Risk for Dementia Rises When Diabetes, Depression Meet - *Health.com*; **Wayne Katon** (HServ) is interviewed.

Gerry Pollet Headed for the House - *Seattle Times*; **Gerry Pollet** (HServ) is discussed.

One Fillet A Month? No Way! - *Huff Post*; **Elaine Faustman** (DEOHS) and **Frank James** (HServ) comment.

Who Knew??



We have a Winterguard champion in our midst!

In 2007, **Megan Lynn's** (DO) **Rhapsody Winterguard** team won a Gold Medal at the WGI World Championships with a Class-A record score that stands to this day in the sport.

On the Calendar

January 5-7, 2012
Semiahmoo Conference

January 12, 2012
Update on the CDC Healthy Aging Research Network

January 12, 2012
SPH All Hands Meeting

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

Opportunities

Free to a good lab: **Hoshizaki Cube Star Ice Machine**; Model #F-450BAE; UW tag #1129477; 3'2" wide, 3'6" high, 2'5" deep.

Interested? Contact **Bev Winter-Eben**.

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

Congrats!



More than 60 students, alumni, faculty, and staff gathered at the Waterfront Activities Center on Nov. 28 to thank **Melissa Austin** (Epi) for her 14 years of "outstanding service and leadership" as founding director of the **Institute for Public Health Genetics**. **Dave Eaton** served as master of ceremonies, and **Barbara McGrath**, **Jerry Baldasty**, **Scott Davis**, and others spoke about Melissa's longstanding dedication to the program and its accomplishments.



Joseph Babigumira (GH) received an award from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation to support follow-up work from his dissertation research, which examined the costs of induced abortion and increased contraceptive coverage in Uganda.



Wes Smith (DEOHS) won the **CEEH 2011 Public Engagement Award** for his "creative, innovative, and meaningful work" with the Duwamish River Community Coalition. Wes is a postdoc in the Eaton Lab and also affiliated with the UW Nanotoxicology Center.



PhD students **Paneeen Peterson** (top left) (Epi) and **Daisy Krakowiak-Redd** (Epi) are the School's 2011-12 first year ARCS Fellows. Daisy also received a Top Scholar Award Research Assistantship from the UW Graduate School.



The **US Green Building Council**, a non-profit community of leaders working to make green buildings available to everyone, has brought our own **Dean Frumkin** on board as Public Health Advisor.



The **Society for Risk Analysis (SRA) Council** has awarded Professor **Elaine Faustman** (DEOHS) the 2011-13 SRA/Sigma Xi Distinguished Lecturer Award.

See all new SPH grants and contracts awarded 11/22-12/5/2011.

Making a Difference



In its training and education work around the world, **I-TECH** (our Int'l Training & Education Center for Health) has met and worked with a "wonderful cross-section of people," according to executive

director **Ann Downer**. Believing that leadership skills are learnable, I-TECH has now launched everydayleadership.org for global health leaders and managers. Tools include more than 60 interviews with leaders from Africa, India, the Caribbean, Europe, and the US; presentations in slide format; facilitator and participant guides; and handouts organized by training topic.

Around the Water Cooler

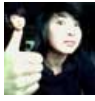
Former professor **John A. Wise** (Patho) died last



month. The family suggests remembrances to the [UW Foundation's Cancer in Medicine Fund](#), which supports cancer research.



On December 7, PhD student **Vanessa Galaviz** (DEOHS) brought four Cleveland High School students to DEOHS, where they learned about environmental and occupational sciences and even had some hands-on isocyanate testing.



Please welcome **Grace Yang** to the marketing and student recruitment team in Health Services. Grace is a new UW alum (English & Comm.) and brings experience in both online and print marketing.



With the support of a Fulbright Senior Specialist grant, **Fred Connell** (DO, HServ) travelled to Nepal in October/November to write a strategic plan for a new school of public health at the [Patan Academy of Health Sciences](#) in Kathmandu.



Jay Chen (DEOHS) and **Jessica Lundin** (DEOHS) toured Keenland Race Track during the [Superfund Research Program Annual Meeting](#) in Lexington, Kentucky (Oct 24-25, 2011).



On Nov. 25, Global Health students joined in the Thanksgiving spirit by volunteering at the [ROOTS Young Adult Shelter's](#) Friday Feast in the U District, setting tables, preparing and serving food, and cleaning up. The staff at ROOTS prepares meals for 120-150 of Seattle's area homeless each week and to date has served over 100,000 people.

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