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SPH in the News

[Ukraine's poisoned past](#) - *New York Times*; quotes **Scott Davis** (Epi)

[Study: Proximity to healthy foods doesn't matter, price does](#) - *Washington Post*; cites research by **Adam Drewnowski** (Epi)

[SCOTUS rules on Affordable Care Act: What now in Wash. state?](#) - *KUOW*; features **Aaron Kaatz** (GH, HServ) and **Sallie Sanford** (HServ)

[Supreme Court decision on health-care law a victory for Washington families](#) - *Seattle Times*; op-ed by **Bob Crittenden** (HServ)

Who Knew??



Brian High (DEOHS) is an avid sea kayaker. He

often spends weekends teaching kayaking at Makah Bay on the Olympic Peninsula. "It can be calm and peaceful or big and exciting," says Brian, who's been kayaking for 7 years. "You can be out for a few hours near home or for weeks at a time exploring remote coasts in exotic places."

On the Calendar

July 10, 9:00
[The Role of Human Rights in Women's Health](#)

July 12-13
[Climate Change Conference](#)

Aug 6-9
[Summer Institute for Public Health Practice](#)

Aug 9, 6:30 pm
[Who Shall Live? A Seminar on Bioethics](#)

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

Global Health Summer

The [Global Health Experience Exhibit](#) at Seattle Center runs through Aug. 19. On July 14th, the group known as Agency holds a [fund-raiser](#) to support Health Alliance International. For other global health events,

Congrats!



Anne McTiernan (Epi) received a **2012 Citation Award** from the American College of Sports Medicine. These are career achievement awards to those who have made significant contributions to sports medicine and the exercise sciences.



Seattle Magazine highlights **Paul Yager** (GH) and **Judd Walson** (Epi, GH) in its 12th annual Top Docs issue. It cites their work on global health issues.



Anne Turner (HServ) won a research award from the Public Health/Health Administration Section of the Medical Library Association. She wrote a paper on the information needs of nurses in an Oregon rural public health department with **Zoe Stavri**, **Debra Revere** (HServ), and **Rita Altamore** (HServ).



Boris Reiss (PhD student, DEOHS) was one of four national winners of a 3M Industrial Hygiene Scholarship. He receives \$5,000 toward tuition or other educational expenses.



Sharon Browning (Biostat) was appointed to the NIH Genetic Variation and Evolution Study Section. The panel reviews research grant applications and is part of the Center for Scientific Review.

[See recent SPH grants and contracts »](#)

Making a Difference



Coffee starts the day for people around the world, and its production is crucial to the economies of many developing countries like Nicaragua. But workers typically carry large, shallow baskets at their waists to hold the beans, causing back and shoulder pain. **Kate Stewart** (DEOHS) collaborated with other researchers to design a new light-weight bag that will help Nicaraguan coffee harvesters do their jobs more safely.

Around the Water Cooler



Two key people have joined the Bachelors of Public Health undergrad program, now housed at SPH: **Susan Inman** as Program & Advising Manager, and **Tory Brundage** as Advisor & Recruitment Coordinator. Susan leaves her position managing the BS degree in Environmental Health. Tory has been a Senior Admissions Counselor and Coordinator for Campus Visit Programs for the past two years.



Tolu Okitika (MPH student, DEOHS) wrote a [quest column](#) for the Guardian News in Nigeria on the neglect of chronic diseases. She noted diesel fumes, lead poisoning, polluted waters and other environmental health problems.

visit the [GH website](#).

Opportunities

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

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Michael Chung (Epi, GH) and **Jim LoGerfo** (GH, HServ) of the UW Mekong Health Collaborative visited Hanoi Medical University to [sign an agreement](#) that calls for joint research activities, online learning, and faculty and scholar exchanges. **Howard Frumkin** (DO, DEOHS) and **King Holmes** (GH, Epi) also signed the pact.



Amanda Graybill-Pennington (DO) is the new Assistant Director of Student Affairs, and will manage the practicum program and fieldwork for MPH students. Amanda spent the last five years in the Office of Student Affairs at Cornish College of the Arts.



Dean **Howard Frumkin** and **Joanne Silberner** were married June 22 in Florida. Joanne is Artist-in-Residence in the UW communications department and a former health policy correspondent for NPR.

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