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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 Washington? - 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

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 guest 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.
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).

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.