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SPH in the News

[Kids win as King County schools fight obesity](#) - *Seattle Times*; quotes **Jim Krieger** (HServ)

[Fighting poverty with mushrooms, green things & social enterprise](#) - *Humanosphere*; quotes **Judith Wasserheit** (GH, Epi) on UW global health prize

[Data on today's youth reveal childhood clues for later risk of STDs](#) - *UW Today*; cites research by **Lisa Manhart** (Epi, GH)

[Heroin overdose 'cure' exists, but can users find it?](#) - *NBC News*; quotes **Caleb Banta-Green** (HServ)

Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts »

Who Knew??



Judd Walson (GH, Epi) took most of a year off in college,

busking on the streets of Europe. At 19, he earned a decent living juggling machetes and fire torches, and escaping from straitjackets. He traveled to England, Germany, Italy, Greece and Scandinavia, busking all the way. [See photos](#) on our Facebook page.

On the Calendar

March 6, 5-7:30pm
[The Global Healthies](#)

March 13, 12:30-1:20pm
[The Global Business of Marketing Foods for Health](#)

March 13, 3:30-4:30pm
[Big Data and the Global Burden of Disease](#)

April 4-6
[Western Regional International Health Conference](#)

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

Opportunities

Congrats!



David Eaton (DEOHS), dean of the Graduate School, won the [Public Communications Award](#) from the Society of Toxicology for his pioneering work in outreach and education to non-scientific audiences.



The Rattlinggourd Endowed Scholarship and Fellowship went to undergraduate [Jennifer Bethune](#) (PH), who plans to work with Native American communities.



Bruce Weir (Biostat) is on sabbatical in Argentina, where he was honored by the Piracicaba city government for his research at the University of São Paulo. He co-organized and taught at the first Brazilian Edition of the Summer Institute for Statistical Genetics.



Post-doctoral fellow **Vanessa Galaviz** (PhD, DEOHS '13) has been hired as scientific adviser to the Assistant Secretary General for Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs at the California EPA. She will post updates on her social media accounts. You can find links on her [new blog](#).



Several winners of the [2014 Leaders in Health Care Awards](#) from *Seattle Business Magazine* have SPH affiliations: **J. Randall Curtis** (HServ), **Paul Yager** (GH), **Beti Thompson** (HServ), **Julie Gralow** (GH) and **Joyce F. Jackson** (MHA '82). The Department of Global Health won the Silver Award for Outstanding Global Health Organization. **Leo Greenawalt** (HServ, Dean's Council) was one of the judges.



Julie McElrath (GH) was one of 14 women honored at the [Women of Color Empowered Luncheon](#) for healthcare service sponsored by *Northwest Asian Weekly*.

Making a Difference



Grad student **Jennifer J. Carroll** wrote a [colorful behind-the-scenes look](#) at the protests in Kiev for the *Seattle Times*, and has been blogging and photographing the historic events for other outlets. Carroll is pursuing an MPH in epidemiology and a PhD in sociocultural anthropology, and has been studying drug addiction issues in the Ukraine. She reports on the destruction, but also captures the dignity and compassion of the protest movement, from volunteer cleaners to a family-friendly art center. "I am eager to help get the true human story about what's happened here out there and heard," says Carroll. See compelling photos on her [Flickr page](#) and read her [Jan. 30](#) and [Feb. 21](#) posts for the UW's Ellison Center for Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies.

Around the Water Cooler

A report on monitoring the safety of new drugs and vaccines in poor countries, co-authored by **Andy Stergachis** (Epi, GH, HServ), was featured

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

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on the [Impatient Optimists](#) blog of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and in [Humanosphere](#).



M.J. Kelly (HServ) has joined the Northwest Center for Public Health Practice as the new marketing and communications manager. She most recently worked with the Cascade Bicycle Club.



Donald Patrick (HServ) served on an Institute of Medicine committee that looked at efforts to prevent depression, suicide, PTSD and family violence in the military. Findings were reported in [USA Today](#) and other outlets.



Ryan Kuhar (MPH candidate, COPHP) moderated a well-attended SPH panel discussion with Gabor Maté, author of this year's Health Sciences [common book](#). **Caleb Banta-Green**



(HServ), Ruby Takushi of the Recovery Café, and Frank Couch of SAMA took part. [Watch the video](#).



Catherine Karr (DEOHS) and Virginia Rauh of Columbia University wrote a chapter on pesticides in the [Textbook of Children's Environmental Health](#), published by Oxford University Press.



Daniela Witten (Biostat) and husband Ari Steinberg are the proud parents of Tessa Brianna Steinberg, born Feb. 13.

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