SPH in the News

Your Neanderthal inheritance could affect your mood, your skin and your smoking habits - Los Angeles Times; quotes Gail Jarvik (Epi)

UW students celebrate self-love at annual Everybody Every Body Fashion Show - The Daily; quotes Lindsey Kirkham (PH Major)

The surprising role of Netflix in global health - watsi; features Christopher Murray (GH, HServ)

Children spend 'alarming' amount of time watching TV - Chicago Tribune; quotes Dimitri Christakis (HServ)

Recently Awarded Grants & Contracts »

Foundation Funding Opportunities »

Who Knew??

Junior Haley Comfort (PHM) is a captain of the UW Climbing Team, which trains at the IMA and competes in the Northwest Collegiate Climbing Circuit, or NC3. "I started climbing over 8 years ago and continue because it is a fun way to stay physically active and exercise," Haley says. She competes in bouldering events in Washington, Idaho and Oregon. See a photo of her in the WSU student paper.

Making a Difference

Grad students in Public Health Nutrition (NUTR 531) spent the winter quarter comparing the cost, quality and availability of winter produce at eight supermarkets and four farmer's markets in Seattle. They presented their findings this week to various stakeholders, including the WA State Department of Health's Office of Healthy Communities, which promotes the purchase of fruits and vegetables among families receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. The class was taught by Mary Podrabsky and Scott Ickes (both HServ). Among the recommendations from the 15 students: consider expanding the incentive program to include more supermarket, superstores and low-cost retailers; promote frozen fruits and veggies (because they have a longer shelf-life and limited additives); and do more to promote the use of SNAP benefits at farmer's markets. Pictured: presenters Christine Benson, Cathy Huang, Amanda Spoden, Lauren Rice and Gaelen Ritter.

Around the Water Cooler

EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy stressed the importance of communicating clearly and in human terms when she spoke to UW students March 9 at an event hosted by the School.
March 31, 6-9pm
A Day’s Work, Film Screening on Temporary Workers

April 6, 1-2pm
Treating Patients with Highly Contagious Infectious Diseases

We’ll keep you busy: take a look at the SPH Events Calendar.

Global Health in China

The Department of Global Health is hosting a landmark symposium to help define future directions for academic global health in China. The event runs April 5-6 at the HUB and is free, but advance registration is required.

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).

The 3rd edition of Dean Howard Frumkin’s Environmental Health: From Global to Local is out, with contributions from David Eaton, Michael Yost, Andrew Dannenberg and Jeremy Hess (all DEOHS).

PhD student Andrew Yeh’s (DEOHS) photo of researchers collecting fish was featured in the The Seattle Times story, “Drugs found in Puget Sound salmon from tainted wastewater.” Lead researcher Jim Meador (DEOHS) was quoted extensively.

When she’s not busy researching how social and environmental conditions affect obesity and cancer, Wendy Barrington (Epi) spends some of her spare time raising chickens, dressage riding, and collecting comic books. Read more in this month’s Close Up.

Grad students Jenn Kirk, Andrew Spieker and Anna Plantinga (all Biostat) attended the 2016 Spring Meeting of the ENAR (Eastern North American Region) Conference of the International Biometric Society in Austin, TX.

What’s the biggest myth around weight loss? Read what Judy Simon (Nutritional Sciences) has to say. She’s one of three UW folks featured in the “Meet the Dare to Do Dietitians” on the Whole U website.

MPH student Tiffany Woelfel (HServ) will be at Town Hall-Seattle March 29 as part of the UW Science Now Speaker Series. Her topic: How Ethical is Research that Uses Social Media? Tickets are $5; UW students with Husky Cards get in free.