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Awarded:

Steve Gallon, King County Mental Health, Chemical Abuse and Dependency Services Division, “King County Workforce Development Project”

Lynn Marshall was awarded R21 funding from the NIDDK for the study of ‘Risk Factors for Lower Urinary Tract Symptom Progression among Older Men.’ Jackie Shannon and Jodi Lapidus are investigators on the grant.

New Submissions:

Tom Becker (subcontract through Daniel Harris, CNA), AHRQ (IDIQ contract), “Accelerating Change and Transformation in Organizations and Networks (ACTION II)”

Steve Mansberger, Devers Eye Institute (sub through Tom Becker), CDC: Recovery Act 2009 Limited Competition: Prevention Research Centers Comparative Effectiveness Research Program (U48), “The Comparative Effectiveness of Telemedicine to Detect Diabetic Retinopathy”

Linda Burkansstipanov, Native American Cancer Research Corporation (sub through Tom Becker/PRC), CDC, Prevention Research Centers: Special Interest Project Competitive Supplements, “Native American Special Events' Impact on Cancer Screening”

Seth O’Neal, International Society of Travel Medicine, “Seroprevalence of cysticercosis among US-bound refugees”

Continuation:

Steve Gallon, SAMSHA, “Northwest Frontier Addiction Technology Transfer Center” – 4th Year continuation

Please notify Mark Derby at 4-0181 or by email at derbym@ohsu.edu if you intend to apply for a grant or for more information about the stimulus funding.

Please see the back pages of *The Liaison* for a recent report released on the Staff News blog (<http://ozone.ohsu.edu/blogs/staffnews/>) about **upcoming changes to public parking on Marquam Hill**, as well as information on why parking is so difficult in the first place.

You must have an OHSU ID to log into Staff News.



The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine— Faculty and Staff

NEWS

Publications

In Press:

Barrett, Thomas, MD, MCR, **Newton, Kathleen, BS**, Koudelka, Caroline, MPH, **Mori, Motomi, PhD**, Radcliffe, LeAnn, BS. Impact of Combination Medical Therapy on Mortality in Vascular Surgery Patients. *Journal of Hospital Medicine*, Vol 5, No 4, April 2011.

This project started as Kathleen Newton's statistical consulting project. She is our recent MPH graduate. Also Caroline Koudelka is our MPH alumni also.

Skye C. Mayo, MD, MPH; Donald F. Austin, MD, MPH; Brett C. Sheppard, MD; Motomi Mori, PhD; Donald K. Shipley, MS; and Kevin G. Billingsley, MD. Adjuvant Therapy and Survival After Resection of Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma: A Population-Based Analysis. *Cancer* 2010.

Don Austin, Kevin Billingsley and Tomi Mori were Skye's thesis committee members, and this is from his MPH thesis. This is his second paper from the thesis!

Accepted:

Christine M. Barnett, **Carrie M. Nielson, Jackie Shannon**, June M. Chan, James M. Shikany, Douglas C. Bauer, Andrew R. Hoffman, Elizabeth Barrett-Connor, Eric Orwoll, Tomasz M. Beer. Serum 25-OH vitamin D levels and risk of developing prostate cancer in older men. *Cancer Causes & Control*

Nicholas A. Daniels, **Carrie M. Nielson**, Andrew R. Hoffman, Douglas C. Bauer, for the Osteoporotic Fractures in Men (MrOS) Study Group. Sex hormones and the risk of incident prostate cancer. *Urology*

Susan Swartz Woods, MD, MPH, Carlos Roberto Jaén, MD, PhD. Increasing Consumer Demand for Tobacco Treatments: Ten Design Recommendations for Clinicians and Healthcare Systems. (*Am J Prev Med* 2010;38 (3S):S385–S392) Published by Elsevier Inc. on behalf of *American Journal of Preventive Medicine*.

Correction:

The February edition of The Liaison stated that Thuan Nguyen's co-authored paper was in press. However, it had in fact been published.

Travel

Dennis McCarty participated in NIDA grant review on March 9 and 10 in Washington DC.

Research

Health Services Research: Daniel Maeng and Ana Quinones made presentations and were interviewed for a faculty position.

Faculty and Staff News *(continued)*

Kim Hoffman is conducting the Monitoring and Evaluation component of Treatnet II, a United Nation's project designed to improvement substance abuse treatment in developing countries. Project team members including representatives from the four regions involved (Southeast Asia, Central Asia, South America and Africa) recently attended a project meeting in Mombasa, Kenya. The ambitious project brings together a broad range of ideologies with the goal of creating world-wide standards of care in drug treatment.

Past Events

Dr. Lynn Marshall's 'knee team' participated in the March 12 Let's Get Healthy Fair at the St. Helens Middle School that Jackie Shannon's group organized. Their exhibit, 'Preventing Knee Injury and Osteoarthritis in the Community' was very successful. The team had knee models that the kids could take apart and therabands that they could use to test their leg strength. They collected 240 questionnaires on knee injuries and symptoms!

Upcoming Events

GlobalOregon - an initiative of the Global Health Center at Oregon Health & Science University, which annually generates \$4 billion dollars of economic activity - is planning a one day conference on Saturday, May 8th. GlobalOregon brings together academia, non-profit, for-profit and government entities statewide. Their goal is to develop innovative, sustainable solutions that employ Oregon technologies and expertise to promote development and health of low-income populations.

Please join us to launch GlobalOregon™ on Saturday May 8, 2010 in the OHSU Old Library Auditorium 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/education/continuing-education/global-health-center/advocacy.cfm>

PHPM Clinical Trials Network on the road



In this photo:

Marisa Gholson and Dr. Nora Volkow (Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse)

The PHPM Clinical Trials Network travel team (Holly Fussell, Marisa Gholson, and Lynn Kunkel) has been on the road collecting data from drug abuse treatment programs in 13 states: Washington, Ohio, Hawaii (2 times), Texas, South Carolina, Arizona, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Indiana, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, and Florida. The trips included standardized patient walkthroughs and collection of program and staff data prior to implementation of CTN protocols. At most of the sites, the team collected organizational data prior to implementation of a CTN clinical trial, while at other sites they did Standardized Patient walkthroughs prior to implementing the clinical trial, and at the rest of the sites the team collected post implementation data.

Three Portland Plan Phase II Workshops Next Week! - Monday, April 26th; Thursday, April 29th; Saturday, May 1st

The Portland Plan will be the City's road map for the next 25 years, guiding our direction as the city grows and changes. We face some real challenges, and our response to those challenges will create the Portland of 2035 — the city of our children and grandchildren.

We understand that jobs, education, public health, equity and sustainability are important to the people of Portland. During the upcoming series of Portland Plan workshops we'll be setting direction — identifying our goals and choosing targets to help us get there.

Whether you're new to the Portland Plan or you participated in Phase I, we want to hear your ideas and dig deeper into the issues that Portland faces. So get involved!

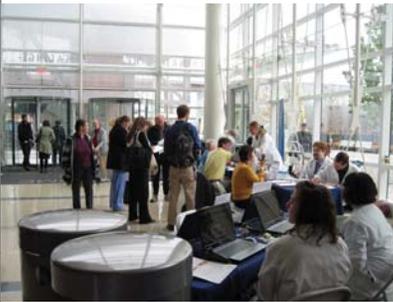
Southeast: WHEN: Monday, April 26, 6:30–9 pm, WHERE: Central Catholic High School, Cafeteria, 2401 SE Stark Street, Portland

Northeast: WHEN: Thursday, April 29, 6:30–9 pm, WHERE: Beaumont Middle School Cafeteria, 4043 NE Fremont Street, Portland, OR

North: WHEN: Saturday, May 1, 10 am–12:30 pm, WHERE: University Park Community Center Multi-purpose Gym, 9009 N Foss Avenue, Portland, *childcare provided in Cesar Chavez room



National Public Health Week



In this photo: Attendees line up to participate in the Let's Get Healthy Exhibit during National Public Health Week.

On April 7, 2010, PHPM hosted the National Public Health Week event in the CHH lobby. The event was a great success, with over 100 people in attendance, including about 50 who participated in the Let's Get Healthy exhibit, where they were able to have a diet assessment, body measurements (height, weight, hip and waist circumference and percent body fat), blood pressure measurement, finger prick measures of cholesterol and glucose, and a DNA sample for future research on genetic variation and body composition.

Many thanks to Lynn Marshall, Billy and Genna Martin, Lynn Kunkel, Marisa Gholson, Jackie Shannon, Lisa Marriot, and the many volunteers who made the day a success!



In this photo: Marisa Gholson assists a mom and her two boys with the drunk goggles exhibit.

Welcome to PHPM—Natalie Chin



PHPM is happy to announce that our Preventive Medicine Residency Coordinator position has been filled. Natalie Chin started in her new role on March 30. Natalie will be the primary administrative contact for all things residency-related here in the department.

Natalie has worked in our department as a part-time office assistant since January, helping Tree with the MPH program a few hours a week. Natalie brings solid skills and a refreshing enthusiasm to the position. She will continue to provide administrative support to the MPH and our new Biostatistics education programs in addition to assuming new responsibilities as a Residency Coordinator. We couldn't be happier to have her on board.

Natalie's desk is located in the front office. Her office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 3:15pm and Friday 8am to 5:30pm. (The hours will increase at the end of spring term.) Please stop by to introduce yourself and to welcome her to the department.

A Pacific Northwest native, Natalie is currently finishing her undergraduate degrees in Speech & Hearing Sciences and Psychology. Her interests within speech-language pathology include motor speech disorders, traumatic brain injury, retrocochlear pathology, and how cultural differences impede on intervention techniques. Outside of work and school, she enjoys playing soccer, speed Scrabble, teaching the neighborhood kids how to play piano, and releasing endorphins; she also always appreciates a good pun/word game.

BABIES!

CONGRATULATIONS TO JENNIFER LOGAN!

Andrew Jonathan Logan was born on Sunday April 11th at 11:27pm, almost a month early. He weighed 5 lbs 11.7 oz, was 19 inches long and has dark blond hair and dark blue eyes. Jennifer and Chris and Andrew are all doing well.

Gloria Harrison becomes a G-ma!

Logan Alexander Swift was born April 14, 2010 at 10:52 AM. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 22 inches long. Gloria's daughter, her husband, and her precious new baby boy are all doing well.

MPH Program News

Upcoming MPH Thesis Defenses

The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine announces the following MPH Thesis Defenses :

Joel Pearson

Disordered cholesterol metabolism in Autism Spectrum Disorders: sterol and genetic analyses

April 23, 2010, Seminar: 1:00pm - 2:00pm
School of Nursing, Room 107

William Bryson

Cost and utilization of extended release naltrexone for alcohol use disorders

April 27, 2010, Seminar: 11:00am - 12:00pm
Campus Services Building Room 679

Melissa Yamauchi

An unforeseen consequence: the indirect effect of a parent's health insurance coverage

April 28, 2010; Seminar: 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Campus Services Building Room 679

Ngoc Wasson

Risk of serious skin & soft tissue infections in rheumatoid arthritis patients taking anti-TNF drugs

April 28, 2010; Seminar: 3:30pm - 4:30pm
School of Nursing Room 104

Melissa Wei

Total magnesium intake and colorectal cancer incidence in men

April 30, 2010, Seminar: 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
Campus Services Building, Room 679

Questions: call 503.494.2012

3rd Annual MD/MPH Research Retreat by Moira Ray

This year's event will be April 23rd from 5:45-9:00 pm at the Ecotrust Building in downtown NW Portland. Please see attached invitation for address or www.ecotrust.org. Dr. Kent Thornburg will be our guest speaker along with chats from current final year MD/MPH students. Please sign up for your contribution to the pot luck. Annika will be following up with folks on this item. Also, while we'll have utensils and plates it would be appreciated if you could bring a serving spoon/etc... if required by your dish.

https://spreadsheets.google.com/ccc?key=0Ao7_2lzMIHptdEITV3VhSFhyN3ZCejJIZDl2aTc5SUE&hl=en

We will need people to stick around and help clean up (and possibly take home some garbage/compost).

This is the 3rd year of the research retreat! If you have any suggestions from previous years as how to improve flow or topics you'd like addressed by the speakers, just drop me an email: raymo@ohsu.edu

MPH Program News

(Continued)

Support your fellow student!

Gretchen Barron is shaving her head for St. Baldrick's Day on May 2 and is still looking for donations to The St. Baldrick Foundation. The St. Baldrick's Foundation funds more in childhood cancer research grants than any other organization except the US Government! To make a donation, go to www.stbaldricks.org, click on "make a donation" on the left hand side, go to "donate on behalf of a participant or team" and the enter: Gretchen Barron and click Shavee. The event year is 2010. Click "donate" on the right hand side. The yellow bar allows you to donate without creating a login.

Student Publications and Awards

Logan JL, Khambaty MQ, D'Souza KM, Menezes LJ. Cervical cancer screening among HIV infected women in a health department setting. *AIDS Patient Care and STDs*. In press.

Gene Bowman, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Neurology, has one publication and another paper in press for publication as a MPH student. This paper suggests that antioxidants interact in the CNS and that this notion of antioxidant synergy/interaction should be further investigated in neurodegenerative diseases. Gene also has another paper—a culmination of his internship project (requirement for Epi Biostats track students) with **Jackie Shannon** and Joseph Quinn—accepted for publication in the NLM (PubMed) indexed journal, *Alzheimer's Disease and Associated Disorders*. The manuscript is titled, "Reliability and validity of plasma nutrients and food questionnaire estimates in elders with and without Mild Cognitive Impairment."

Sara Hallvik, an MPH candidate who **Lynn Marshall** has mentored, presented her research on 'Six month risk of complications following ACL reconstruction using allograft or autograft tissue' on 4/21. She will also present these data at the Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation Grand Rounds on 5/17 at 7:30am in BICC 124.

Elizabeth Martin, an MD/MPH candidate who Lynn Marshall is mentoring, was just awarded one of the 4 year-long OSLER TL1 fellowships as part of the Oregon Clinical and Translational Research Institute. Her project focuses on the association of vitamin D to skeletal structure in the proximal femur. Elizabeth's OSLER project will be conducted with data collected from the Osteoporotic Fractures in Men (MrOS) cohort. Elizabeth Haney, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine/Division of Internal Medicine, and I will serve as co-mentors to Elizabeth Martin during her OSLER fellowship period.

NW Youth Careers Expo—Students and Residents

Our program has reserved a booth at the NW Youth Careers Expo on May 11, 2010 from 9am to 2pm at the Oregon Convention Center. This is an event for high school students interested in learning about a variety of careers.

One of our Preventive Medicine residents, Jennifer Logan, has offered to assist in the coordination of the event. We're looking for several students and/or residents to attend either the entire day or in shifts. You would be engaging students who come to our table and answering questions about public health and public health careers. If you're excited about what you do and what you're studying, this is a great opportunity to share your enthusiasm and experience with young people who may have never even considered a career in public health.

If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Logan at loganje@ohsu.edu.

From the Staff News website: <http://ozone.ohsu.edu/blogs/staffnews/>

Parking rates released for FY 2011

Transportation & Parking has released parking rates for fiscal year 2011 (beginning July 1). As always, rates vary depending on type; but overall, they're up about three percent from FY10. Some key points from the new rate sheet:

- **Daily permit rates** will change for the first time in more than three years: Full day permits will be \$11; four-hour permits will be \$7; and two-hour permits will be \$5.
- **Schnitzer Lot daily rates** will increase, but will still be cheaper than other daily permits: Full-day permits will be \$7; two-hour permits will be \$5.
- **Carpool permit prices** remain unchanged.

If you don't find your preferred parking option on the [new rate sheet](#) or have other questions, contact parking@ohsu.edu. Thinking about non-car options? T & P has information on [bike commuting](#) and the TriMet pass subsidy program.

Also—T & P pulled together some numbers showing how the new rates compare with City of Portland parking:

City of Portland

Market Price Rank	Lowest	Highest	Average of All Lots
Hourly	\$1.50	\$4.50	\$2.13
Daily	\$6.00	\$15.00	\$9.77
Monthly	\$125.00	\$204.00	\$176.00

OHSU

Market Price Rank	1 Diamond	2 Diamond	3 Diamond
Hourly	N/A	N/A	N/A
Daily	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00
Monthly	\$110.00	\$117.00	\$164.00

Parking, part 1: the basics

Transportation & Parking has gone through many changes—especially over the past 18 months. Let's make sure everyone has the info needed to understand parking and its challenges. To that end, this is the first in a series. It gives background in broad strokes, with forthcoming posts supplying more detail and answering your questions. Please follow the [commenting guidelines](#), though; as you'll see, parking is no picnic for anyone involved.

Legend has it that way back in 1880, the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company bought land sight unseen—and later judged Marquam Hill a difficult place to park trains. The ensuing land donation made OHSU possible, but parking is *still* tough on and near the Hill—not just for employees, but for patients, visitors, students and everyone else. Here are some key numbers from the present.

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Total parking spaces

- Marquam Hill: 4,444
- South Waterfront: 1,394

Parking spaces *allocated for employees*

(Including regular, carpool, disabled, motorcycle, and swing)

- Marquam Hill: 3,086
- South Waterfront: 700

Annual-permit holders

- Marquam Hill: 3,671
- South Waterfront: 352

Day permits sold on a typical midweek day

- Marquam Hill: 300–400
- South Waterfront (Schnitzer lot): 100–175

Typical weekday occupancy for employee parking

(The standard for lots without monitoring equipment is 85 percent; at that point, the lot “appears” full. See related article in *Parking Today*.)

- Marquam Hill: 92 percent
- South Waterfront: 91 percent—except the Schnitzer lot, estimated at more than 85 percent

T & P is going with tight occupancy beyond the industry standard to accommodate as many parkers as possible. Unfortunately, that means you have to drive around more to find a spot. That’s a big reason why valet parking is needed when things get even tighter—such as days when several events or conferences take place.

Why we have to pay for parking

OHSU’s parking structures were financed with bonds; the bond debt is paid from parking fees. South Waterfront parking has subsidy and lease obligations, and those are also paid from parking fees. Same with shuttle costs for South Waterfront’s Schnitzer lot and the overhead, maintenance and operational costs of parking.

Other Portland hospitals presumably pay such costs (among other things) out of what they make on patient care. But as the only academic health center in town, OHSU has interdependent missions for “improving the health and well-being of all Oregonians” and thus more demands on its patient-care revenue—so we pay our own way to park. The situation is similar to that of other universities; at nearby Portland State, for example, middle-tier employee parking (roughly like 2-Diamond) is \$99 a month. T & P sells more permits than the 3,786 spaces allocated for employee parking because not all employees are here for the same days and hours. Even so, the FY2010 parking revenue of about \$7 million from permits (and another \$108,000 from citations) doesn’t quite cover \$8 million in budgeted expenses.

Coming in part 2: A pie chart (and accompanying explanation) showing all of T & P’s FY2010 budgeted expenses; how TriMet pass holders and permit parkers depend on each other. Coming in part 3: Why we can’t just build more parking.