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March is Colon Cancer Awareness Month

March is Colon Cancer Awareness Month and March 4th was “Dress in Blue” day. The purpose of “Dress in Blue” day is to increase awareness of colon cancer. Nursing faculty members, Dr. Cathy Abell and Dr. Eve Main, collaborated with members of the Health and Safety Committee of the Bowling Green UPS Center to promote this event. This started with Eve and Cathy providing a 7-minute health promotion inservice for the drivers and management staff. The managers and office personnel dressed in blue and wore “Ask me why I’m Blue” buttons. Additionally, the drivers had blue ribbons tied on pens used throughout the day to obtain signatures. As they delivered packages and were asked about the blue ribbon, they were able to help campaign for this important event.

Noted in the picture are UPS employees, Beth Goins, Stephanie Keown, and Steven Tomes with Cathy Abell, and Eve Main.

Communication Disorders Featured in Daily News

The Communication Disorders (CD) Department was recently featured in the Bowling Green Daily News. The article, written by Jenna Mink of The Daily News, tells of WKU’s Communication Disorders Clinic (CDC) and the benefits it has provided to the clients as well as the WKU students who teach there. Student clinicians under the supervision of licensed and certified Speech Language Pathologists and/or Audiologists provide services. The CDC is licensed by the State of Kentucky and operates within the guidelines set by the American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA).

To read The Daily News article titled Communication Disorders Clinic: WKU’s best-kept secret in its entirety, please visit http://www.bgdailynews.com/articles/2011/03/09/features/features1.txt or click here to view a PDF document of the article. You can also learn more about the Communication Disorders department by visiting http://www.wku.edu/chhs/cms/index.php/communication_disorders.
RN to BSN Students Provide Service at Hadley Health Fair

Thirteen students enrolled in the registered nurses (RN) to baccalaureate of science nursing degree (BSN) Nursing Program provided screenings and health teaching at a health fair held in the Hadley Community of Warren County on March 5, 2011. The students performed cholesterol, blood pressure, glucose and bone density screenings for those in attendance as well as taught classes on stress management, managing blood pressure, exercise, osteoporosis, recognizing symptoms of stroke, and prevention of colds and flu. Four faculty members in the School of Nursing attended also, Dr. Eve Main, Dr. Deborah Williams, Mrs. Lisa Proctor, and Ms Kathleen Riley.

WKU KPHA Newsletter Available

WKU’s Kentucky Public Health Association (KPHA) Student Chapter newsletter is now available. This edition covers the KPHA Student Chapter members organizing a candlelight vigil in honor of World AIDS Day, participating in the HOT Tobacco Youth Conference, and organizing a food drive to collect various food items for families in need. Please click here to read more on these stories.