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CHHS Faculty Members Publish Articles in *Computers Informatics Nursing*

Cathy Abell and Terry Jepson from the School of Nursing along with Jay Gabbard from the Department of Social Work conducted a research study to examine the use of PDAs by nurse practitioners. The results of the study were published in an article, titled "The Level of Use of PDAs by Nurse Practitioners and Administrative Barriers," in the October 2012 edition of *Computers Informatics Nursing*.



Dr. Cathy Abell



Ms. Terry Jepson



Dr. Jay Gabbard

RN to BSN Students Participate in Ag Safety Day

Twenty-six RN to BSN students participated in Ag Safety Day on September 27, 2012. The students taught a variety of classes for approximately 260 Warren County 4th graders, including topics such as: *Healthy Lifestyles, ATV safety, Bicycle Safety, Disability Awareness, First Aid, and Sun Safety*. The Ag Safety Day is held annually at the Ag Expo Center and is sponsored by the Partnership for Farm Family Health and Safety and South Central Area Health Education Center (AHEC).



FACS Alumni Wins Ruffled WKU Logo Quilt

The winner of the Western Kentucky University Logo quilt raffled at the end of Homecoming 2012 was Betty Chelf Coles. Betty is an alumna of the Family and Consumer Sciences Department (FACS) with degrees in 1953 and 1970. She is shown with the quilt and Dr. Martha Combs Jenkins, a 1959 graduate, Professor Emeritus of the department, and active member of the FACS Alumni Association. The group did so well raffling a WKU quilt last year that they decided to do a raffle again this year. Proceeds from both raffles benefit scholarships/awards for students enrolled in programs in the FACS Department.



Betty Chelf Coles & Dr. Martha Combs Jenkins

KEMSA Students Get Involved

As part of their accreditation process, the Kentucky Emergency Medical Services Academy (KEMSA) is required to lead and evaluate the KEMSA students in the affective domain. Joe Dennison, Program Specialist for KEMSA, requires their students to do a little bit more. "I have told my Fall 2012 paramedic students that although their jobs will be serving the community, their responsibility to be good citizens does not end in the ambulance" said Dennison.

"I am requiring my students to demonstrate community service throughout the program.. Anyone can donate out of a wallet; donating of yourself enriches all involved."

Jacob Starks, a KEMSA student, was featured in his local newspaper when his church was involved in an outreach program put together after a football game at a local high school.



Jacob Starks performing at a "Fifth Quarter" party for students

MPH Students Move on to PhD/Dr PH Programs

Over the past 5 years, 27 MPH students have gone on to PhD/DrPH programs.

1. Sandeep Mishra: 2008 MPH (Environmental Health), DrPH student in Global Health and Epidemiology @ University of Alabama at Birmingham
2. Herpreeth Kaur: 2008 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Health Education @ University of Alabama at Birmingham
3. Jerrod Nelms : 2008 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Epidemiology @ University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
4. Shabbar Ranapurwala: 2010 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Epidemiology @ University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
5. Sandeep Singh: 2010 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Environmental Health @ Florida International University, Miami
6. Alexander Ufelle: 2009 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Environmental Health @ University of Texas
7. Sohini Dhar: 2010 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Health Education @ University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center
8. Chaitra Anil Kumar : 2010 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Health Informatics @ University of Iowa
9. Shailesh Advani: 2011 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Epidemiology @ University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center
10. Pragati Gole: 2011 MPH (Health Education), DrPH student in Health Behavior@ University of Texas at Houston Health Science Center
11. Aditya Stanam: 2011 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Human Toxicology @ University of Iowa
12. Jonathan Suhl : 2012 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD student in Epidemiology @ University of Iowa
13. Bhavana Koirala: 2010 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Social Work @ University of Iowa
14. Rasmi Nair: 2011 MPH (Environmental Health), PhD admission in Epidemiology & Biostatistics @ University of Pennsylvania
15. Khushdeep Malhotra: 2009 MPH (Health Education) Health Policy Leadership Fellow @ Morehouse School of Medicine, Satcher Health Leadership Institute

16. Bathri Vajravelu: 2009 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry@ University of Louisville
17. Mahesh Sadhnani: 2010 MPH (Health Education), DMD student at Boston University, Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
18. Alekhya Deepthi Badam : 2010 MPH (Health Education), DMD student at Boston University, Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
19. Jithendar Bhonagiri: 2010 MPH (Health Education), DMD student at Boston University, Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
20. Ankur Oswal: 2010 MPH (Health Education), DMD student at Boston University, Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
21. Khushbu Patel: 2010 MPH (Health Education), DMD student at Boston University, Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine
22. Jordan Norris: 2010 MPH (Health Education), medical student at University of Virginia
23. Chao Li: 2010 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Biostatistics, Arnold School of Public Health@ University of South Carolina
24. Srihari Seshadri: 2001 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Epidemiology at University of Kentucky
25. Soumitra Bhuyan: 2010 MPH (Health Education), DrPH student in Human Services Research and Administration, College of Public Health at University of Nebraska Medical Center
26. Gretchen Macy : 2011 MPH (Health Education), EdD graduate in Kinesiology and Health Promotion, University of Kentucky
27. Muzi Li: 2011 MPH (Health Education), PhD student in Epidemiology, Department of Community Health and Epidemiology @ University of Saskatchewan, Canada

Congratulations, and good luck to our MPH graduates on their journey to further their education!