Dress in Blue Day

Several members of the CHHS faculty, staff and showed their support for and helped promote awareness about Colorectal Cancer Awareness by wearing blue on March 5th. "Dress in Blue Day" is celebrated on the first Friday of March, and its purpose is to raise awareness about Colorectal Cancer, which is the #2 cause of cancer death in the U.S., and encourage people to get screened. Over 70 members of the CHHS faculty & staff as well as students, all wearing blue, gathered together on March 5th in front of the Academic Complex to show their support for the cause.





Public Health Students visit Logan Aluminum for Work-site wellness

On March 24th 2010 WKU's Department of Public Health's Worksite Health Promotion Class, Dr. Cecilia Watkins, and the Environmental Health and Safety Class, Dr. Vijay Golla, visited the Logan Aluminum manufacturing facility in Russellville, Kentucky. The visit was designed to allow students an up-close view of what is involved in wellness and safety in the industrial environment. Issues included topics such as Logan's commitment to employees' health and safety, and their uniqueness in today's market. Logan attributes much of their success to the fact that wellness is covered as a corporate benefit and the program is implemented by the Benefits, Medical & Wellness Team (BMW). This visit included a presentation of "Logan Aluminum: A Case Study in Wellness Plan Development and Implementation". Students were also given a plant tour which highlighted the supportive environment that Logan pro-vides for its employees. This is the 6th year that Logan Aluminum has invited WKUs Department of Public Health to bring their Work-site Health Promotion students on-site for a real-life view of how a wellness program can work when commitment and team work are the driving force.

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Spring edition of Kentucky Nurse available

Dr. Susan Jones, Nurse Educator in the School of Nursing, has announced her retirement at the end of the current academic year. Dr. Jones has provided 40 years of service to WKU's School of Nursing, during which time she has earned numerous awards and recognitions. An article about Dr. Jones was included in the spring edition of Kentucky Nurse.

Also in this volume of Kentucky Nurse are two articles written by CHHS faculty members. The first is found in the Accent on Research section and is titled The Effects of an Educational Program on Faculty Stages of Concern Regarding the Use of Interactive Video Services (IVS) in Undergraduate Nursing Education by Dr.'s Cathy Abell, Dawn Garrett-Wright, and Susan Jones.

There is also an article found in the Personal Experience section titled The Power of a "Word Cloud" in Marketing a Nursing Program written by Dr.'s Cathy Abell and Susan Jones.

To view the Spring edition of Kentucky Nurse, click here.

Rasmi Nair Awarded KAMFES Scholarship

Master of Public Health (Environmental Health) Graduate student Rasmi Nair, was awarded the 2009 Judy Inman True Scholarship for \$2000 by the Kentucky Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians (KAMFES) on February 17, 2010 in Louisville, KY.

Nair was also selected to receive a 2010 Scholastic Achievement For Education "SAFE" Award in the amount of \$1600. The awards ceremony will be held on May 6, 2010 at the Galt House in Louisville, KY.

Congratulations Rasmi!

