A day to remember

There are times in life when dates become important. We remember our best and worst days and the events of other days in between. Sometimes, we don’t even realize that a day is one that we will recall and other times, we try very hard to make a day stick in our memory for years to come.

The fourth-year medical students have lived through numerous March 16s, but few, if any, were as memorable as this one. When the day arrived, it was no longer the date that was important, but the details of the day from waiting for their number to be called, to being handed the letter opener, and to the feeling of knowing where their path is headed.

The process leading up to Match Day is complex. With so many tasks to be completed and decisions to be made, not to mention the anticipation, there has to be a sense of relief. The fourth-years were not alone as Wichita Campus faculty and staff who care so much for these students held their breath and then shared in the excitement as each one pinned their place on the map.

We do this every year, but the significance of Match Day never decreases and the memories never go away. No matter where our students go for residency, we hope that last Friday was a very meaningful day on the Wichita Campus for each of them.

Other dates to remember

- The “Sunflower State” became the 34th state to be admitted into the Union on January 29, 1861.
- “Home on the Range,” written by Dr. Brewster M. Higley of Smith County, was officially adopted as the state song of Kansas on June 30, 1947.
- The “Wizard of Oz” was released on August 24, 1939.
E-Learning Modules available to employees

KUMC has several e-learning modules for employees. Topics include:

- Career Advancement: Success for the Promotion Seeker
- Management/Leadership: Hiring Competent Employees, What Every Supervisor Should Know, and Writing Effective Position Descriptions
- Policies & Procedures: Corrective Action, Family & Medical Leave Act, FLSA, Overtime/Compensatory Time, Shared Leave, and Workplace Violence
- Professional Development: Managing Your Time, Preventing Harassment in the Workplace, and Conflict Management

To complete these trainings, click here. You will need to use your network username and password to log in.

Fun Fact

The Roman civilizations, and other ancient civilizations, named the days of the week after the sun, moon, and planets, which were considered gods.

KU Pride

KU Pride will take place on Wednesday, April 4, at 9 a.m. in the Sunflower Room. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn about the progress of the Simulation Center initiative.

Standardized Patient Recruitment

The KU School of Medicine–Wichita is looking for a diverse group of people to become Standardized Patients. State employees are not permitted to serve as Standardized Patients, but if you have a friend or family member who is interested, encourage them to attend the Recruitment Fair on Thursday, March 29, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., in the Sunflower Room. Click here or call Human Resources at 293-2615 for more information.

Save the Date!

Employee Appreciation Week
Monday, April 23, through Friday, April 27
More information coming soon!

Check out the latest issue of KU Wichita magazine

The most recent issue of KU Wichita is now available. The cover story features new simulation equipment purchased by the Obstetrics and Gynecology department. Also featured:

- National award winner and Family & Community Medicine clinical assistant professor David Netheron, MD
- Great KU School of Medicine–Wichita teachers
- An Alzheimer’s clinical trial for a drug that could be a game changer.

Click here to view the magazine and additional bonus content online. Printed copies are available in the lobby or in Public Affairs.
KUSM-W in the News

- March 13—More KU Med–Wichita grads headed to rural Kansas practices
- March 12—Meghan Patni’s rural preceptorship
- March 1—KU Med–Wichita joins with Kansas Health Institute on health assessments

For the latest news about KUSM-W, click here.

Match Day 2012
How long have you worked at KUSM–W and what was your job before you came here?
I have worked here since July 2007. Prior, I was a medical resident with KU Internal Medicine between 2004 and 2007.

What are your job responsibilities and what do you like most about your job?
I divide my time between the Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, rounding on our 15 bed inpatient unit at Via Christi St. Francis, and seeing outpatients at KU Adult Medicine at Cypress. I enjoy teaching the third-year medical students on their Geriatric rotation and the medical residents on the Hospice and Palliative Care rotation.

What do you do in your spare time?
I exercise at the YMCA and love to cook gourmet meals.

What’s a favorite movie and/or book?
“The Man from Snowy River” is my favorite movie and anything Jane Austen!

Who is your hero or the person you most admire and why?
My mom, Deanna Warner, is a hospice nurse and has done community nursing for over 30 years. I have admired the way she can connect with her patients and their families in such a meaningful way and have learned from her how to listen to my patients.

What do you remember about your Match Day?
My mom and grandmother were with me on Match Day and watched in the audience as I opened my envelope, which was very special as they also had watched me receive my white coat in Kansas City at the beginning of my journey as a medical student.
Wanted: Research Study Participants

KU School of Medicine–Wichita is looking for adolescents (age 12-17) for a research study. Participants must be generally healthy and suffer from Bipolar illness or another mental disorder, including symptoms such as feelings of heightened energy, creativity, and euphoria at one stage, and irritability, guilt, unpredictable mood swings, and feelings of restlessness at another stage. Qualified individuals will receive study-related mental health assessments, physical exams, lab services, and investigational study medication or placebo (inactive substance). Study investigator is Dr. Russell Scheffer. The study will be held at KU School of Medicine–Wichita, 1010 N. Kansas, Wichita, KS 67214. If interested or for qualification requirements and information, please call Jessica Rudick at 316-293-3806.

The KU School of Medicine–Wichita needs participants to enroll now for a study that will offer cutting-edge treatment to individuals in Wichita and south central Kansas suffering from treatment-resistant major depression. Participants must be between 18 and 65 years old. The study will consist of seven visits, including one 24-hour inpatient stay at the KU Wichita Clinical Trial Unit in Wichita. Participants will be compensated for their time. Individuals interested in learning more about the study may call (316) 293-1821 or e-mail komo@kumc.edu.

The KU School of Medicine–Wichita needs participants to enroll now for a study that will examine a fast-dissolving sublingual (under the tongue) medication for the treatment of Schizophrenia in adolescents. Participants must be between the ages of 12 and 17 and must have parental consent to join the study. The study will require regular office visits plus phone calls for approximately eight weeks. Participants may be compensated for their time and travel to each study visit. Individuals interested in learning more about the study may call Jessica Rudick at 316-293-3806.

If you are involved in a study that is recruiting subjects and would like to have it listed in Jayhawk Talk Online, please e-mail wicpa@kumc.edu with the specifics. Once we draft the copy, we'll send it back to you for IRB approval then publish it.

KU Pride day for United Way

Please join us for the next KU Pride day for the United Way Campaign, Wednesday, April 18. With supervisor’s approval, you may wear jeans to work if you purchased a year pass or by purchasing a sticker for $2.50 in Human Resources. All proceeds will benefit United Way. For more information, please contact Tyler Doyle at 3-2649 or tdoyle@kumc.edu.

HealthQuest Health Screening Events

The 2012 Health Screening Events sponsored by HealthQuest are now underway, and many dates in Wichita are available to meet your schedule. To view the schedule of events, click here. The KU School of Medicine–Wichita will host two events this year on Fridays, May 4 and May 18.

Please remember that a health screening and online assessment are now required to continue to receive the $40 discount on your health insurance premiums each month. You may attend an on-site health screening, visit your physician, or order an at-home screening kit to get the necessary biometrics needed to complete the online assessment.

For more information, visit HealthQuest’s website by clicking here. Contact Tracy Clarke, HR, at 293-1802 or tclarke@kumc.edu with questions.

Fun Fact

Sunday - “Sun’s day”
Sunday was once believed to be a lucky day for babies to be born.
The Latest HIV/AIDS News & Treatments
Noon to 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 10
Roberts Amphitheater

Donna Sweet, MD
Professor of Medicine
Internal Medicine
KU School of Medicine–Wichita

Did you miss the March 13 lecture about the Environment and Your Health with Elizabeth Ablah, PhD, MPH?
FREE audio recordings and notes are available online at wichita.kumc.edu/livelearn

Kansas Journal of Medicine

The latest issue of the Kansas Journal of Medicine is now available. Click here.
In this latest edition, you’ll find details about:
- Quick or Slow Rhythm?
- Margaret Mitchell’s Lost Letter to a Kansas Horse & Buggy Doctor
- Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis Presenting with Headache and Sellar Mass in an Adult
- Metabolic Acidosis in Acetaminophen Overdose without Concurrent Liver Toxicity
- Impetigo Associated with Cyanobacteria Exposure at a Kansas Lake: An Adolescent Case Series
- Evidence-Based Fetal Referrals for Congenital Heart Surgery

Cynthia Battiste March 21
Wendy Dinkel March 21
Garold Minns March 21
Russell Scheffer March 21
Christopher Cassidy March 22
Debbi Loewen March 22
Thomas Resch March 22
Matthew Lightner March 23
Anna LaSota March 24
Tuan Nguyen March 24
John Smith March 24
Robert Garrett March 27
Kamran Ali March 30
Patrick Bowen March 30
Robyn Case March 30
Maya Estephan March 30
Nicole Woods March 30
Douglas Milfeld March 31
Jacob Wallace March 31
Paloma Bustos April 2
Taralyn Weiser April 2
Lyle Baade April 3
Katie Grelinger April 3

JTO receives birthdays from Academic and Student Affairs, MPA, WCGME, the MPH program, and Human Resources. If you prefer that your birthday not be published, please notify the appropriate representative.
Say “hello” to...

Lisa Turner
MA at Cypress
MPA

Jordan Unruh
Research Assistant
PMPH

Washington Elementary says “Thank you!”

KUSM-W received thank you cards from the students at Washington Elementary for the snacks that were recently collected. Here is a sampling of the cards. If you would like to look at all of them, stop by Public Affairs!

Research study recruitment

Are you conducting a research project that is currently recruiting participants? The Office of Research soon will be listing on their website research projects that are actively recruiting study participants. If you are interested in having your research project listed online for recruitment purposes, please contact Jason Rush, IRB Administrator, at jrush@kumc.edu or 293-2600.

Be in the know

Did you catch Dean Wilson’s latest blog post? Stay up-to-date on what’s going on around the Wichita Campus! Click here to read his past postings and subscribe so updates are sent directly to your inbox.

Fun Fact

Monday - “Moon’s day”
Ancient civilizations believed that there were three Mondays during the year that were considered to be unlucky—the first Monday of April, second Monday in August, and the last Monday in December.
“Celebrating the Biodiversity of Paraguay in its Bicentennial”

A photographic display in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Kansas Paraguay Partners.
William J. Reals Gallery of Art – East

“Two Homelands”

An exhibit of 16 photographs by Sam Antonios, MD.
William J. Reals Gallery of Art – West

If you have any questions, contact Anita Peeters, IT, ext. 3-3400.

Fun Fact

Tuesday - “Tiw’s day”
“Tiw” is the Old Norse, a North Germanic language from the Viking Age, equivalent to the planet and the god of Mars, the Roman god of war.

Research Meet and Greet with WSU

Putting in long hours at work? Take a break and visit with colleagues from around the Wichita area. Join us for drinks, heavy hors d’oeuvres, and light conversation.

Friday, March 30
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Engineering Research Building lobby
Wichita State University

RSVP to Sandy Marler, sandra.marler@wichita.edu.

Co-hosted by the KUSM–W Office of Research, WSU Office of Research Administration, and Wichita Women in Science.

Save money on movie tickets

VIP discount tickets to the Warren Theatres (East, West, and Old Town) are sold in HR during regular business hours. Price per ticket is $7. Check with the theatres prior to purchase as passes are not accepted for all performances. For further information, or to check on availability of passes, contact HR at 3-2615.
Congratulations!

Fourth-year medical student Phaedra Dowell and husband Mikey Fletcher welcomed daughter Audrey Rose on Monday, Feb. 27.

Give back by donating blood

A blood drive will be held tomorrow, March 22, in the Meadowlark Room. The goal is to fill 20 time slots! To register for a time, contact Jera, HR, at 3-2615 or jteselle@kumc.edu.

Fun Facts

Wednesday - “Woden’s day”
“Woden” was the Old Norse equivalent to Mercury, the messenger to the gods and the Roman god of commerce, travel, and science.

Thursday - “Thor’s day”
In the Roman calendar, the fifth day was called in Latin “dies Jovis,” meaning “Jove’s day,” for Jove, or Jupiter, the god of thunder and rain. “Thor” is Old Norse for Jupiter.

Friday - “Frigg’s/Frica’s day”
Friday was held sacred to Venus, the goddess of love, by the Romans.

New art in the West Wing

Don’t miss Great Moments in Pharmacy, A History of Pharmacy in Pictures, presented by Parke, Davis, and Co. Using the tools of art by Robert Thom and narrative by pharmacist George Bender, the forty prints represent the highlights of the most important events in the history of pharmacy, including historical images of “Before the Dawn of History” and “Pharmacy, Today and Tomorrow.”

Student is out and about

In February, first-year medical student Jordan Groskurth presented to a group of pre-medical students in all years at his alma mater, Kansas State University, about the MCAT and medical school applications.
A **JayStar** is a “spot award” recognition program designed to acknowledge and reward employees. To learn more about the award and how you can nominate someone, go to [JAYSTARS](#).

**Marianne Eyles**  
Administrative Assistant  
Faculty Affairs

Great job Marianne for your outstanding work, patience, determination, and dedication to get the Wichita academic promotion and tenure process successfully completed. Marianne kept everything on track and correct (with a smile and good humor) even when things were very fraught and complicated.

**Nominated by Dr. Walling and the P&T Committee**

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**In the community**

Wichita’s inaugural Walk to Cure Diabetes will take place on Saturday, April 28. Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks, including registration, manning rest stops, and working at the Kids Zone. For more information, click [here](#). The volunteer registration deadline is Monday, April 17.
Every year, KUSM–W holds a research forum for students, residents, and faculty, as well as for anyone interested in community health and medical research. The purpose of the Research Forum is to present, discuss, and facilitate collaboration of research projects. Admittance is free. Invited speakers include:

Virginia A. Moyer, MD, MPH  
Head of Academic General Pediatrics  
Chief of Academic Medicine Service  
Texas Children’s Hospital

Scott Weir, PharmD, PhD  
Associate Director of Translational Research – Drug Discovery  
Director of the Institute for Advancing Medical Innovation  
Professor in the Department of Pharmacology, Toxicology, and Therapeutics  
University of Kansas Medical Center

Click here for more information.

Fun Fact
Saturday - “Saturn’s day”  
Saturday was named in honor of the Roman god Saturn.

Classifieds
For sale
Antique 1940s wood/gas combination range for sale.  
$200, but willing to deal. Contact Todd at thetodd03@gmail.com or (316) 516-9805.

If you have an item to buy, sell, or trade, consider listing it as a FREE classified ad in JTO. This service is available to students, residents, faculty, staff, and others who work for KU, MPA, and affiliates.

Remember, you must resubmit – by e-mailing wicpa@kumc.edu or calling 293-2643 – to list an item again!
Career Opportunities

Faculty

Family and Community Medicine
Clinical Scholar
Geriatrician (2 FTEs)

Internal Medicine
Ambulatory Care/General Internal Medicine (3 FTEs)
Cardiologist (2 FTEs)
Dermatologist (2 FTEs)
Endocrinologist (2 FTEs)
Endocrinologist (2 FTEs)
Gastroenterologist (2 FTEs)
Hematologist/Oncologist (2 FTEs)
Hospitalist (6 FTEs)
Infectious Disease Specialist (3 FTEs)
Infectious Disease, Chief
Neurologist
Neurologist
Pulmonary/Critical Care (2 FTEs)
Rheumatologist (2 FTEs)

Orthopaedic Surgery
Chair, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

Pediatrics
General Pediatrician
General Pediatrician
Neonatologist (PT)
Pediatric Diagnostic Cardiologist
Pediatric Endocrinologist
Pediatric Intensivist
Pediatric Pulmonologist

Psychiatry
Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist
Child & Adolescent Psychologist
General Psychiatrist
Geriatric Psychiatrist

Office of Research
Senior Scientist/Director of Mid-Continent Center for Outcomes and Health Services Research

Staff

Pediatrics
Research Assistant

Preventive Medicine and Public Health
Counselor/Research Assessor (FT)-limited term (2 FTEs)
Counselor/Research Assessor (PT)-limited term

Psychiatry
PRN Pool
Research Associate
Research Nurse (2 FTEs)

Surgery
Research Associate

For more information, contact Leona Johnson, HR, ext. 3-2615, or ljohnson7@kumc.edu. For a complete and up-to-date listing, click on JOB VACANCIES.

Click here for current edition.
KU Today is the official publication from the Office of University Relations at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

Click here for current edition.

Next JTO deadline is noon, Monday, March 26. Please e-mail items of interest to Public Affairs at wicpa@kumc.edu.