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### Vacation time

In the past 10 days, Ron has been enjoying his vacation on his new deck in Wexford. In Ron's absence, the role of the newspaper editor has been passed to Faina Linkov.

### Mind Candy

Big Mac, Pepsi Cola, Sapporo beer, Starbucks Coffee, a liter of Gasoline.

Question: What do these items have in common? Answer: They all cost more than a 3600 lectures in the BA Supercourse DVD. What happens when you drink a Coke? Within 24 hours it is excreted into the earth. What happens when you consume a BA Supercourse lecture for your world is changed. Our recommendation is that for one day, Hippocrates birthday, Sept. 15 (in Greece) we celebrate by putting the BA DVDs into every Soda Machine in the world, every magazine and give these as toys from McDonalds. Instead of buying a Big Mac, give a Supercourse DVD to your students and children. All the Supercourse knowledge is very cheap, it is long lasting Mind Candy. It will not make your fat, it is a knowledge fitness food. Our new model should be...The Road to Brain Fitness is the BA Supercourse. Next time you look at pocket change, please think that with the equivalent of \$0.40 you can feed the brains of Global Health Starved Clinicians. The major point is the DVD is cheap, and effective and all faculty and students should have a copy. Supercourse DVD are currently available from Pittsburgh and the Library of Alexandria. Due to the problem with shipping the DVDs, not everybody who was interested got the copy. We would like to apologize for that and we are working hard to ensure that every person who requested the DVD gets one.

### Supercourse goes fishing.

"Give a man a fish feeds a day, teach him how to fish feeds for life"-In the past few weeks Supercourse team was very busy fishing for deans of the medical, nursing, and public health schools around the world. The idea is to "fish out" the people who can be instrumental in sharing the public health knowledge around the world. We would like to thank all of our team members who were instrumental in finding deans around the world. If you know any deans who may be interested in what we are doing please e-mail us at [super1@pitt.edu](mailto:super1@pitt.edu)

## Other news

Swine lecture: Supercourse in the media. Supercourse 's Swine flu lecture has been a great success. Jesse Huang in China presented this lecture on national TV, reaching millions of people in China. The interest in Swine flu is growing in India and Pakistan, with the first case of H1N1 reported in Pakistan on August 10. We are currently looking for ways to reach out to Indian and Pakistani public health professionals through the media.

## Lecture of the week

Global Health is an important topic for nursing, medical, and public health schools, however few schools teach it. This week, instead of highlighting the individual lecture, we are highlighting the entire curriculum of global health lectures in the Supercourse library. This lecture selection can be accessed at

<http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/globalhealth/ghcurricula.htm>

Say you only have a space for 1 global health lecture in your syllabus, wouldn't you want the best global health lecture to be there? If you do not have time "fishing" for such lecture, it has been preselected for you at this site. If you have slots for 7 lectures in your syllabus, we have that selection as well. Please feel free to use the entire selection to build your entire global health course.

Ron, Faina, Eugene, Mita, Ismail, Vint, Gil, Francois, Kawkab, Nicholas, Jesse, Ali, Kuntoro, Mazen, Anne, Rupali, Sara, Meredith

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