

# CHANCELLOR'S Notes

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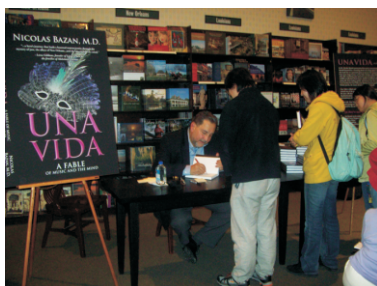
## Levitzy named to key national post

Michael Levitzy, PhD, Professor of Physiology, has been appointed to a three-year term as the representative of the American Physiological Society



to the Council of Academic Societies of the Association of American Medical Colleges. The Council of Academic Societies is one of three governing councils of the Association of American Medical Colleges.

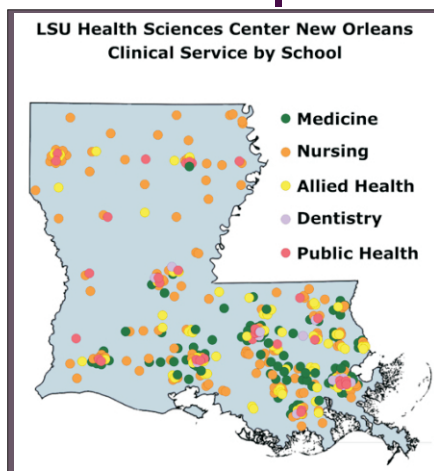
The AAMC represents the 147 accredited US and Canadian medical schools, nearly 400 major teaching hospitals, and 94 academic and professional societies representing 109,000 faculty members. It also represents the nation's 67,000 medical students and 104,000 residents.



Dr. Nicolas Bazan's recent discussion and book signing for his novel, *Una Vida: A Fable of Music and the Mind*, was very well attended. Part of the proceeds will support research at the Neuroscience Center.

## Statewide impact impressive

We unveiled the map showing the statewide clinical education service of the Health Sciences Center at the legislature last week. Seeing how far the Health Sciences Center reaches and how many communities we touch across the state is eye opening.



This kind of graphic representation goes a long way toward dispelling the notion that LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans benefits only the City of New Orleans.

I would like to thank all who contributed to the development of such a striking depiction of our service to communities

throughout the state.

## Med students rebuild dreams

Twenty of our medical students got an early start on inauguration day, swinging hammers, hanging Sheetrock, insulating, and operating power tools as they worked to rebuild two houses lost to Katrina. Part of the St. Bernard Project's 24-Hour "Rebuild the Dream" build, they started at 4:00 a.m.



At the MTV house

It was one of the three service projects to be featured on the "Be the Change: Live from the Inaugural" MTV special that night and students were interviewed live at both houses on WWL-TV and WVUE-TV.



With the homeowners

It was a project of Medicine's Community Oriented Events, or C.O.R.E. volunteer organization, a student group founded to help improve community health.



C.O.R.E. President John Haas said, "The event was definitely something that will remain close to our hearts forever."