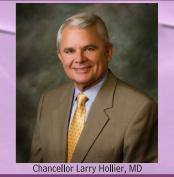
## CHANCELLOR'S Notes

February 26, 2010



## **UAMC/VAMC** projects update

couple of events took place this week moving the new Veterans Affairs Medical Center and University Academic Medical Center forward. The City Planning Commission held a public hearing on Tuesday on street closures within the footprint on the new VA Medical Center. The Commission overwhelmingly approved the street closures and the matter now goes to the New Orleans City Council.



Then on Wednesday, a coalition of business organizations in five parishes came together at a press conference calling for accelerated development of the new centers. A resolution signed by the organizations was unveiled citing the benefits of the new projects and urging "speedy removal of any and all obstacles to the completion of this project".

Support for these two medical centers is now widespread and diverse as is recognition of what an enormous impact they will have on the health and economic well-being of this city, region, and state.

## LSUHSC Nursing helps rebuild lives

ore than 30 LSUHSC LSUHSC chapters of the faculty, and administrators, plus Assembly for Men in Nursing

one husband, spent last Saturday swinging hammers, pounding nails, and measuring twice before cutting at a New Orleans



With the home's owners (front row, left)

Area Habitat for Humanity home install framing for all of the in the upper 9th Ward.



Organized by the LSUHSC Student Nurses Association, participants also represented the

Landary School of Nursing students, • Southeast Louisiana American

and the Nursing Christian Fellowship.

The latest outreach initiative of our Nursing School, the LSUHSC volunteers helped build and

home's exterior walls.



## Ritchie, Cheramie lead dental admissions

ental School Dean Dr.

Henry Gremillion has appointed John R. Ritchie, DDS, MEd, Director of Admissions, Diversity, and Minority



Dr. John Ritchie

Affairs. Dr. Ritchie, an Associate Professor of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials, had also served as Director of Diversity and Minority Affairs at the LSUHSC dental school since 2006. The appointment combines the • functions of the two offices.

Dr. Gremillion has also

appointed Toby J. Cheramie, DDS, Assistant Director of Admissions.



An Associate Professor in the Dr. Toby Cheramie

Department of Comprehensive Dentistry and Biomaterials, Dr. Cheramie also serves as Division Head of Clinical Comprehensive Dentistry. He is a scholar in the ADEA/AAL Institute of Teaching and Learning, and is President-Elect of the Theta Kappa Chapter of the OKU National Honor Dental Society.