Copping Awards honor teaching excellence

The Allen A. Copping Excellence in Teaching awards were presented by Drs. John Lombardi and Larry Hollier at Commencement. The 2011 recipients are:

Dr. Meher Bajajee, Allied Health

Dr. Steven Deputy, Medicine

Dr. Sally Rael, Nursing

Dr. Richard Scribner, Public Health

Drs. Jeffrey Green and Billie Jeansonne are the Basic Sciences and Dentistry recipients.

Black and Gold “MVP” addresses graduates

Dr. James Andrews, called the “Most Valuable Physician” by scores of professional athletes and teams including Drew Brees and the New Orleans Saints, delivered the Commencement Address at LSUHSC’s 137th Commencement yesterday. Internationally recognized for his skills as an orthopaedic surgeon as well as his scientific and clinic research contributions in knee, shoulder and elbow injury prevention and treatment, Dr. Andrews is a 1967 graduate of the LSU School of Medicine.

Six hundred thirty-one students graduated from the Health Sciences Center schools of Allied Health Professions, Nursing, Public Health, Graduate Studies, Dentistry and Medicine.

James W. Moore, Chairman of the LSU Board of Supervisors (BOS), along with BOS member Dr. Jack Andonie conferred degrees.

Six hundred one of the graduates are from Louisiana, representing 40 parishes and 126 Louisiana cities. About 60% of the graduating medical students have chosen to remain in Louisiana to complete their medical training and will begin their residency programs on July 1.

James Moore, Shavell Bindom