## CHANCELLOR'S Notes



June 9, 2006

## Resource Center reopens

A dministrative and support services have returned to New Orleans with the reopening of floors two through eight of the Resource Center.



Breat Herold, Director of Supply Chain Management

The bookstore is open from • 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday • through Friday. •

The John P. Ische Library on the third floor will reopen on Monday, June 12th at 8:00 a.m.

The full service branch of Campus Federal Credit Union will also reopen on Monday.

Hours will be from 7:30- until 4:00 on Monday and Friday. Tuesday though Thursday, the hours will be from 8:00-4:00.



## Camp Tiger 2006 a huge success

H eld for the first time in Baton Rouge, Camp Tiger 2006 gave 45 campers the time of their lives.

About 150 of our medical students-L1s

and incoming L1s ran the camp. They planned all of the activities and raised almost \$25,000 to fund them.

Camp Tiger is a week-long day camp held each summer for mentally and/or physically challenged children. It is often the only summer camp experience these children will ever have.



Participation is completely free of charge and is open to all qualified children on a first-come, firstserved basis. Since Camp Tiger's in-

ception in 1985, more than 800 children have benefitted from the camp.



## Pharmacology research and discovery continue to grow

R esearchers in the Department of Pharmacology have been awarded four grants by the Southeast Chapter of the American Heart Association. The awards total \$377,000 and support research in cardiovascular biology.

Dr. Kurt Varner was funded to conduct research on the cardiac dysfunction associated with the abuse of the stimulant methamphetamine. Silvia Shenouda, a graduate student in Pharmacology working with Dr. Varner, was awarded an AHA predoctoral fellowship to study the ventricular dysfunction produced by ecstasy.

Dr. Cooper Woods, who holds a joint appointment at Ochsner, was funded to study the molecular response of an artery following angioplasty and the mechanisms involved in restenosis.

Dr. Chunmin Dong, a postdoctoral fellow in the laboratory of Dr. Guangyu Wu was awarded a postdoctoral fellowship to investigate the factors controlling the cell biology of an important class of drug receptors during the development of cardiac disease.