

CHANCELLOR'S Notes



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Allied Health holds Honors Ceremony

Recognizing the incredible commitment and sacrifice made over the past year by students and faculty alike, our School of Allied Health Professions held a special Honors Ceremony last Saturday for 48 students who completed their degree requirements in Physical Therapy, Rehabilitation Services and Occupational Therapy.



Ben F. Massey, Jr., PT, Immediate Past President of the American Physical Therapy Association, told the group how much he admired their courage, persistence and fortitude.

He added, "At an early age, you have learned what is important in life, and you will use this knowledge to change our nation and the world."

Summer Internship Program Note

The Summer Internship Program featured in last week's Notes, was developed and supported for many years within the Louisiana Gene Therapy Research Consortium with additional support from the National Cancer Institute.



Fontham



Abell



Roubion-Johnson

ACS honors 4 from LSUHSC

Among those who were honored with the "Spirit Award" by the American Cancer Society at their Hope Gala on Saturday were Drs. Elizabeth Fontham and Mary Abell, and Donna Williams, and Denise Roubion-Johnson. The awards recognize significant contributions in the fight against cancer.



Williams

Biochemistry honor

Dr. Michal Jazwinski has been invited by US Secretary of Health and Human Services Michael Leavitt to serve on the National Advisory Council on Aging. This body advises the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for Health, the Director of the NIH, and the Director of NIA to lead a broad scientific effort to understand the nature of aging and to extend the healthy, active years of life. His term will run from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2010.

Allied Health faculty reviews DoD research proposals

Elizabeth Williams, MHS, MT, recently helped evaluate research proposals submitted to the Breast Cancer Research Program sponsored by the Department of Defense. She was nominated by the Louisiana Breast Cancer Task Force. Elizabeth was a full voting member at meetings to determine how Congress' appropriation of \$127.5 million will be spent on future breast cancer research.

LSUHSC & HCSD commended by Board of Supervisors

The LSU Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a resolution at their meeting today commending doctors, nurses, and administrative and support personnel of the LSU Health Sciences Center and the HCSD for extraordinary dedication,



selflessness, and courage during and following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Drs. Dwayne Thomas, Keith Van Meter, and Jim Aiken, along with Sgt. Marshall Pierre of MCLNO Police, represented the LSUHSC faculty and HCSD staff.