

CHANCELLOR'S Notes



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Hospital design team announced

We hosted a press conference on Monday to announce the selection of the design firms for the LSU/VA hospital. Drs. William Jenkins and Michael Butler, and Jerry Jones, Director of Louisiana Facility Planning and Control, Ron Blich, of Blich Knevel, and Mackenzie Skene of NBBJ joined me to provide details about the design team and process.



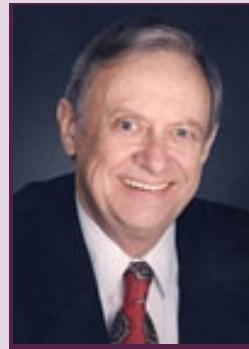
Jerry Jones

The firms have extensive experience in designing both health care and academic facilities. They were selected by the Division of Administration to plan the 484 bed teaching hospital.

This is another step forward in the construction of this critical new teaching hospital in downtown New Orleans. Acquiring the 37-acre tract of land is underway. Planners say the design work will start in September and is expected to be completed by March 2009. Construction is scheduled to begin in June 2009 and it is anticipated that the first patients will be admitted in December 2012.

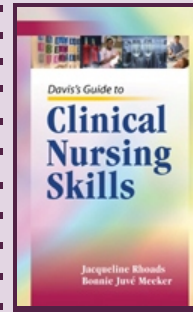
Faculty news

Dr. Jack Strong, Boyd Professor and Chairman of Pathology, has been selected as the 2008 recipient of the President's Award by the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology. The President's Award was established so that each year the President and Executive Committee would have the opportunity to recognize an individual for outstanding service to the field of pathology. This prestigious honor will be presented to Dr. Strong on March 4, 2008 during the annual meeting of the United States and Canadian Academy of Pathology in Denver.



Dr. Jack Strong

The latest nursing textbook by Dr. Jacqueline Rhoads, Professor of Nursing, has just been published. This pocket-sized handbook offers both students and clinicians an easy-to-use reference to the clinical procedures that nurses need to perform daily in every care setting, including critically important client teaching procedures not covered in other books. Key features of the book cover 120 procedures with full-color illustrations, step-by-step directions for performing each procedure, with rationales provided for every nursing action, so students know not only what to do but why they're doing it.



This is Dr. Rhoads' third textbook.

Emergency plan

As we enter the peak of the hurricane season, I would like to remind you of our Emergency Preparedness Plan. As you are aware, our first priority is to ensure the safety of our students, faculty, and staff while simultaneously making every effort to protect the LSU Health Sciences Center's academic, clinical and research enterprises. Although living with the threat of a hurricane is part of life in coastal Louisiana, we can mitigate the impact of severe weather by preparing in advance. We have therefore prepared the LSUHSC-NO Hurricane

Preparedness Plan governing the campus-wide response to weather-related emergencies.

I ask each of you to become familiar with it and to initiate your individual preparations for the season. The full plan is also available online at <http://www.lsuhs.edu/no/administration/cm/cm-51.aspx>.

