

CHANCELLOR'S Notes



April 25, 2008

Dental honor societies induct new members

Two dental honor societies, Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) and the C. Edmund Kells Honor Society, recently held a joint annual convocation banquet to induct new members.

New alumni members are Tara Gilpin, Eryk Hargrove, Darren Hess, Michael Marcello, Christopher Olson, Elizabeth Russell and Julia Trieu. Drs. Robert Sergent and Toby Cheramie were inducted as faculty members. Dr. Edward Ireland became a life member. Lindsey Brown got the Dr. William S. Kramer Award of Excellence. Honor students from other dental classes invited were Lindsey Brown, Jamie Toso, David Guidry, Ben Foster, Son Nguyen, Eric Hebert, Ashley Lestrade, and Erin Maturin.

The Kells Society members in the Class of 2008 who were honored were Josh Beaver, Brian Duvernay, Tara Gilpin, Eryk Hargrove, Darren Hess, Michael Marcello, Christopher Olson, Elizabeth Russell, Justin Tarver, Kenneth To, John Trahan, and Julia Trieu. New inductees into the Kells Society from the class of 2009 are Ian Fontenot, Brittany Jones, and Aaron Mangum. New members from the class of 2010 are David Barton, Benjamin Foster, David Guidry, Kelly Milstead, Son Nguyen, and Scott Sicard. The 2008 Kells Society honorary faculty member is Dr. Ross De Nicola.

Sumner given top national honor

Austin Sumner, MD, FAAN, Professor of Neurology, was presented with the President's Award by the American Academy of Neurology during the 60th AAN meeting in Chicago. The award is given annually to an individual who has provided outstanding service to the Academy and its members. The individual is selected by the President of the Academy from a list of nominees suggested by members of the Board of Directors.



"Since 2005, Dr. Sumner has served as Chair of the AAN Foundation Board of Directors," said Dr. Stephen Sergay, AAN President. "He is a staunch and committed advocate and has worked tirelessly to support it. The renewed vigor and accelerating success of the Foundation is in large part a reflection of his integrity and perseverance. Under his tutelage, the Foundation has achieved a new organizational cohesiveness, has increased the number of clinical research fellowships awarded annually, and continues its unprecedented record of high quality and successful fellowship recipients."

Day at the Legislature quite successful

The Health Sciences Center had quite a day at the Legislature on Monday. Students and leaders from all of our schools set up in the rotunda doing demonstrations and



Rep. Kay Katz shocks her "patient"

interacting with legislators, staff and the public.

That evening, the Foundation



Sen. Bill Cassidy, MD with deans

sponsored a reception which was well attended by representatives, senators and members of the Administration.



Dr. Earl Rozas, LHH, DHH Secty. Alan Levine

Lopez becomes Governor

Fred Lopez, MD, FACP, Assistant Dean in Medicine, will begin his four-year term as Governor of the Louisiana Chapter of the American College of Physicians during the ACP



annual meeting in May. The American College of Physicians is the largest medical specialty organization and the second-largest physician group in the United States. ACP members include 125,000 internal medicine physicians (internists), related subspecialists and medical students.