

CHANCELLOR'S Notes



November 21, 2008

Fontham makes history

Elizabeth T. H. (Terry) Fontham, MPH, DrPH, Dean of our School of Public Health, became the first non-physician elected national President of the American



Cancer Society when she was inducted at a special ceremony during the Society's National Assembly Meeting yesterday in New York City. She is also the first epidemiologist and the third female to serve as president in the organization's 96-year history.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service. With more than two million volunteers nationwide, the American Cancer Society is one of the oldest and largest voluntary health agencies in the United States.

We are very proud that Dr. Fontham's leadership ability has been recognized nationally and that she has brought such distinction to LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans and Louisiana.

Vice Chancellor Ron Gardner has been recognized in a number of ways by a number of groups recently. He has been appointed to the new Louisiana Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys, within Lt. Governor Mitch Landrieu's office. The council's purpose is to be the leading entity that provides and promotes an environment that is conducive to productivity, success, and excellence for all black men and boys in the state of Louisiana.

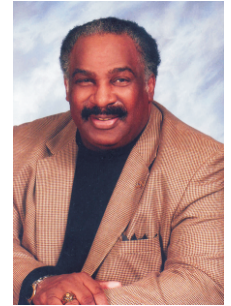
Ron was honored as a founding member of the Greater New Orleans Sports Foundation. As Chairman of its Board, he was instrumental in

Gardner recognized

landing both the 2013 Women's Final Four and the 2012 Men's Final Four championships for New Orleans.

Ron was invited to be the Keynote Speaker at Southern University at New Orleans 2008 Alumni Convocation this month.

He was also appointed Vice Chairman of the Mayor's Military Advisory Committee which led the Federal City effort.



Three of the Women of the Year are LSUHSC

Three of the 2008 CityBusiness women of the Year honored at a luncheon today are LSU Health Sciences Center faculty.

They are pictured with CityBusiness Publisher Mark Singletary, who is also a member of the Foundation Board of Directors.



Dr. Sandra Andrieu
Associate Dean, Dentistry



Dr. Lynn Besch
Chief, HIV Division of Infectious Diseases



Dr. Cathi Fontenot
Associate Dean, Medicine

Ascension students get hands on experience

The Talented and Gifted students from three Ascension Parish high schools visited us this week to learn about the health sciences.



More than 40 ninth and tenth grade students from Dutchtown, St. Amant and East Ascension High Schools, along

with teachers and parents, worked with our human patient simulators and did a genetics experiment separating and comparing DNA.



They also got a tour, ate in the cafeteria, and interacted with medical and public health students.