

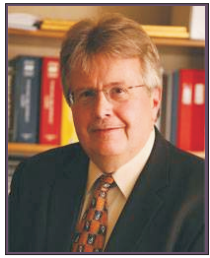
CHANCELLOR'S Notes

September 25, 2009



Nelson given prestigious honor

Dr. Steve Nelson, Dean of Medicine, was given "The Kass Medal" by the University of Nebraska School of Medicine this week. Honored for his outstanding pulmonary research, Dr. Nelson is the 18th recipient of the award named for Dr. Irving Kass. Dr. Kass was the first physician to use ethambutol to treat tuberculosis, among his other accomplishments.



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Dr. Lam goes to Washington

One of only 9 postdocs and students in the nation invited by the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology to visit members of Congress this week, LSUHSC postdoctoral researcher Dr. May Lam was praised for her effectiveness in explaining her research and the challenges facing the next generation of research scientists.



Dr. Lam and Sen. Vitter



Dr. Lam and Rep. Cao

Fall outreach teaches fall prevention

The Schools of Allied Health Professions, Nursing, and Medicine took full advantage of the first day of fall by holding a free public workshop to prevent another kind of fall. Our faculty presented information on fall risks and prevention strategies as well as available resources at the community outreach event.

Organized by the Department of



Occupational Therapy, the event drew about 70 participants and vendors.



Other sponsors and collaborators included the Louisiana Fall Prevention Coalition and the Office of Public Health Injury Research and Prevention Program.

We're grateful to Grace Episcopal Church for allowing us to use their facility and to OT faculty Kerrie Ramsdell, L O T R, M O T students Adrienne Hymel, Kristen Darnall and Laura

Gravois, Nursing faculty Ellen Beyer, APRN, and Dr. Charles Cefalu from the School of Medicine for their leadership.



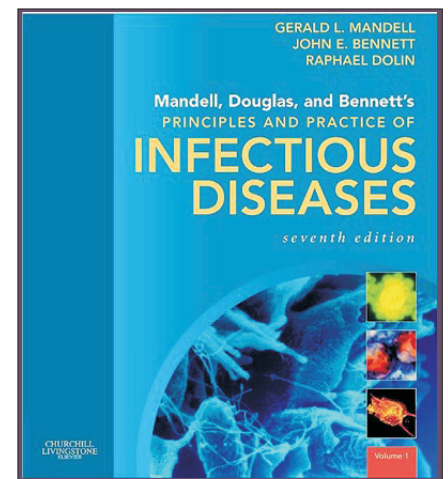
Cefalu, Beyer, & Ramsdell

Diaz authors section of 30th anniversary edition of authoritative text

Dr. James Diaz, Professor of Public Health, received a copy of Mandell, Douglas & Bennett's Principles and Practices of Infection Diseases this week. He wrote an entire section of the textbook – Section K – on Ectoparasitic Diseases with 6 chapters (292-297). The section discusses arthropod-borne infectious diseases, including the flea and tick-transmitted diseases, such as plague



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and tularemia, which have now been weaponized for bioterrorism.

After 30 years, PPID is still the reference of choice for comprehensive, global guidance on diagnosing and treating the most challenging infectious diseases.